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FORM 10-K

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

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2014

Commission File Number:001-31759

PANHANDLE OIL AND GAS INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

OKLAHOMA (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	73-1055775 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
Grand Centre, Suite 300, 5400 N. Grand Blvd., Oklahoma City, OK (Address of principal executive offices)	73112 (Zip code)

Registrant's telephone number: (405) 948-1560

Securities registered under Section 12(b) of the Act:

CLASS A COMMON STOCK (VOTING) (Title of Class)	NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE (Name of each exchange on which registered)

Securities registered under Section 12(g) of the Act:
(Title of Class)

CLASS B COMMON STOCK (NON-VOTING) $1.00 par value

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Yes X No

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Yes X 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. X Yes No

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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. X Yes No

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K (§229.405 of this chapter) is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of the 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, or a non-accelerated filer. See definition of "accelerated filer and large accelerated filer" in Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer___ Accelerated filer X 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 Securities Exchange Act of 1934). Yes X No

The aggregate market value of the voting stock held by non-affiliates of the registrant, computed by using the $21.81 per share closing price (adjusted for 2-for-1 stock split effective October 8, 2014) of registrant's Common Stock, as reported by the New York Stock Exchange at March 31, 2014, was $312,393,606. As of December 1, 2014, 16,491,301 shares of Class A Common Stock were outstanding.

Documents Incorporated By Reference

The information required by Part III of this Report, to the extent not set forth herein, is incorporated by reference from the registrant's Definitive Proxy Statement relating to the annual meeting of stockholders to be held on March 4, 2015, which definitive proxy statement will be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission within 120 days after the end of the fiscal year to which this Report relates.

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DEFINITIONS

The following defined terms are used in this report:

“Bbl” barrel.

“Bcf” billion cubic feet.

“Bcfe” natural gas stated on a Bcf basis and crude oil and natural gas liquids converted to a billion cubic feet of natural gas equivalent by using the ratio of one million Bbl of crude oil or natural gas liquids to six Bcf of natural gas.

“Board” board of directors.

“BTU” British Thermal Units.

“CEO” Chief Executive Officer.

“CFO” Chief Financial Officer.

“Company” Panhandle Oil and Gas Inc.

“completion” The process of treating a drilled well followed by the installation of permanent equipment for the production of crude oil and/or natural gas.

“conventional” An area believed to be capable of producing crude oil and natural gas occurring in discrete accumulations in structural and stratigraphic traps.

“COO” Chief Operating Officer.

“DD&A” depreciation, depletion and amortization.

“developed acreage” The number of acres allocated or assignable to productive wells or wells capable of production.

“development well” A well drilled within the proved area of a crude oil or natural gas reservoir to the depth of a stratigraphic horizon known to be productive.

“dry gas” natural gas that remains in a gaseous state in the reservoir and does not produce large quantities of liquid hydrocarbons when brought to the surface. Also may refer to gas that has been processed or treated to remove all natural gas liquids.

“dry hole” Exploratory or development well that does not produce crude oil and/or natural gas in economically producible quantities.

“ESOP” the Panhandle Oil and Gas Inc. Employee Stock Ownership and 401(k) Plan, a tax qualified, defined contribution plan.

“exploratory well” A well drilled to find a new field or to find a new reservoir in a field previously found to be productive of crude oil or natural gas in another reservoir.

“FASB” the Financial Accounting Standards Board.

“field” An area consisting of a single reservoir or multiple reservoirs all grouped on, or related to, the same individual geological structural feature or stratigraphic condition. The field name refers to the surface area, although it may refer to both the surface and the underground productive formations.

“formation” A layer of rock which has distinct characteristics that differs from nearby rock.

“G&A” general and administrative expenses.

“gross acres” or “gross wells” the total acres or wells in which a working interest is owned.

“held by production” or “HBP” Refers to an oil and gas lease continued into effect into its secondary term for so long as a producing oil and/or gas well is located on any portion of the leased premises or lands pooled therewith.

“horizontal drilling” A drilling technique used in certain formations where a well is drilled vertically to a certain depth and then drilled horizontally within a specified interval.

“hydraulic fracturing” A process involving the high pressure injection of water, sand and additives into rock formations to stimulate crude oil and natural gas production.

“Independent Consulting Petroleum Engineer(s)” or “Independent Consulting Petroleum Engineering Firm” DeGolyer and MacNaughton of Dallas, Texas.

“LOE” lease operating expense.

“Mcf” thousand cubic feet.

“Mcfd” thousand cubic feet per day.

“Mcfe” natural gas stated on an Mcf basis and crude oil and natural gas liquids converted to a thousand cubic feet of natural gas equivalent by using the ratio of one Bbl of crude oil or natural gas liquids to six Mcf of natural gas.

“Mmbtu” million BTU.

“Mmcf” million cubic feet.

“Mmcfe” natural gas stated on an Mmcf basis and crude oil and natural gas liquids converted to a million cubic feet of natural gas equivalent by using the ratio of one thousand Bbl of crude oil or natural gas liquids to six Mmcf of natural gas.

“minerals,” “mineral acres” or “mineral interests” fee mineral acreage owned in perpetuity by the Company.

“net acres” or “net wells” the sum of the fractional working interests owned in gross acres or gross wells.

“NGL” natural gas liquids.

“NYMEX” New York Mercantile Exchange.

“OPEC” Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries.

“Panhandle” Panhandle Oil and Gas Inc.

“PDP” proved developed producing.

“play” term applied to identified areas with potential oil, NGL and/or natural gas reserves.

“proved reserves” The quantities of crude oil and natural gas, which, by analysis of geoscience and engineering data, can be estimated with reasonable certainty to be economically producible from a given date forward, from known reservoirs and under existing economic conditions, operating methods, and government regulations prior to the time at which contracts providing the right to operate expire, unless evidence indicates renewal is reasonably certain.

“proved developed reserves” Reserves expected to be recovered through existing wells with existing equipment and operating methods.

“proved undeveloped reserves” or “PUD” Proved reserves expected to be recovered from new wells on undrilled acreage or from existing wells where a relatively major expenditure is required for recompletion.

“PV-10” estimated pre-tax present value of future net revenues discounted at 10% using SEC rules.

“royalty interest” well interests in which the Company does not pay a share of the costs to drill, complete and operate a well, but receives a much smaller proportionate share (as compared to a working interest) of production.

“SEC” the United States Securities and Exchange Commission.

“unconventional” An area believed to be capable of producing crude oil and natural gas occurring in accumulations that are regionally extensive, but may lack readily apparent traps, seals and discrete hydrocarbonwater boundaries that typically define conventional reservoirs. These areas tend to have low permeability and may be closely associated with source rock, as is the case with oil and gas shale, tight oil and gas sands and coalbed methane, and generally require horizontal drilling, fracture stimulation treatments or other special recovery processes in order to achieve economic production.

"undeveloped acreage" Lease acreage on which wells have not been drilled or completed to a point that would permit the production of commercial quantities of crude oil and/or natural gas.

"working interest" well interests in which the Company pays a share of the costs to drill, complete and operate a well and receives a proportionate share of production.

Fiscal year references

All references to years in this report, unless otherwise noted, refer to the Company's fiscal year end of September 30. For example, references to 2014 mean the fiscal year ended September 30, 2014.

References to oil and natural gas properties

References to oil and natural gas properties inherently include NGL associated with such properties.

PART I

ITEM 1BUSINESS

GENERAL

Panhandle Oil and Gas Inc. was founded in Range, Texas County, Oklahoma, in 1926, as Panhandle Cooperative Royalty Company and operated as a cooperative until 1979, when the Company merged into Panhandle Royalty Company, and its shares became publicly traded. On April 2, 2007, the Company's name was changed to Panhandle Oil and Gas Inc.

While operating as a cooperative, the Company distributed most of its net income to shareholders as cash dividends. Upon conversion to a public company in 1979, although still paying dividends, the Company began to retain a substantial part of its cash flow to participate with a working interest in the drilling of wells on its mineral acreage and to purchase additional mineral acreage. Several acquisitions of additional mineral acreage and small companies were made in the '80s and '90s, and the acquisition of Wood Oil Company, as a wholly owned subsidiary, was consummated in October 2001. Wood Oil Company was merged into Panhandle Oil and Gas Inc. effective July 1, 2011.

On June 17, 2014, the Company closed on its largest purchase to date which consisted of a 16% non-operated working interest in 11,100 gross leasehold acres (1,775 net) located in the Eagle Ford Shale play in LaSalle and Frio Counties, Texas, at an adjusted purchase price of $81.7 million.

The Company is involved in the acquisition, management and development of non-operated oil and natural gas properties, including wells located on the Company's mineral and leasehold acreage. Panhandle's mineral and leasehold properties are located primarily in Arkansas, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma and Texas, with properties also located in several other states. The majority of the Company's oil, NGL and natural gas production is from wells located in Arkansas, Oklahoma and Texas.

In March 2007, the Company increased its authorized Class A Common Stock from 12 million shares to 24 million shares. On October 8, 2014, the Company split its Class A Common Stock on a 2-for-1 basis.

The Company's office is located at Grand Centre, Suite 300, 5400 N. Grand Blvd., Oklahoma City, OK 73112; telephone – (405) 948-1560; facsimile – (405) 948-2038. The Company's website is www.panhandleoilandgas.com.

The Company files periodic reports with the SEC on Forms 10-Q and 10-K. These forms, the Company's annual report to shareholders and current press releases are available free of charge on our website as soon as reasonably practicable after they are filed with the SEC or made available to the public. Also, the Company posts copies of its various corporate governance documents on the website. From time to time, the Company posts other important disclosures to investors in the "Press Release" or "Upcoming Events" section of the website, as allowed by SEC rules.

Materials filed with the SEC may be read and copied at the SEC's Public Reference Room at 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549. Information on the operation of the Public Reference Room may be obtained by calling the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330. The SEC also maintains an Internet website at www.sec.gov that contains reports, proxy and information statements, and other information regarding the Company that has been filed electronically with the SEC, including this Form 10-K.

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BUSINESS STRATEGY

Most of Panhandle's revenues are derived from the production and sale of oil, NGL and natural gas (see Item 8 - "Financial Statements and Supplementary Data"). The Company's oil and natural gas properties, including its mineral acreage, leasehold acreage and working and royalty interests in producing wells are located mainly in Arkansas, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma and Texas (see Item 2 – "Properties"). Exploration and development of the Company's oil and natural gas properties are conducted in association with oil and natural gas exploration and production companies, primarily larger independent companies. The Company does not operate any of its oil and natural gas properties, but has been an active working interest participant for many years in wells drilled on the Company's mineral acres and leasehold. The majority of the Company's drilling participations are on properties located in unconventional plays in Arkansas, Oklahoma and Texas.

PRINCIPAL PRODUCTS AND MARKETS

The Company's principal products, in order of revenue generated, are natural gas, crude oil and NGL. These products are sold to various purchasers, including pipeline and marketing companies, which service the areas where the Company's producing wells are located. Since the Company does not operate any of the wells in which it owns an interest, it relies on the operating expertise of numerous companies that operate wells in which the Company owns interests. This includes expertise in the drilling and completion of new wells, producing well operations and, in most cases, the marketing or purchasing of production from the wells. Natural gas and NGL sales are principally handled by the well operator. Payment for natural gas and NGL sold is received by the Company from the well operator or the contracted purchaser. Crude oil sales are handled by the well operator and payment for oil sold is received by the Company from the well operator or from the crude oil purchaser.

Prices of oil, NGL and natural gas are dependent on numerous factors beyond the control of the Company, including supply and demand, competition, weather, international events and circumstances, actions taken by OPEC, and economic, political and regulatory developments. Since demand for natural gas is generally highest during winter months, prices received for the Company's natural gas production are subject to seasonal variations.

The Company enters into price risk management financial instruments (derivatives) to reduce the Company's exposure to short-term fluctuations in the price of oil and natural gas. The derivative contracts apply only to a portion of the Company's oil and natural gas production and provide only partial price protection against declines in oil and natural gas prices. These derivative contracts expose the Company to risk of financial loss and may limit the benefit of future increases in oil and natural gas prices. A more thorough discussion of these derivative contracts, including risk of financial loss, is contained in Item 7 - "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations."

COMPETITIVE BUSINESS CONDITIONS

The oil and natural gas industry is highly competitive, particularly in the search for new oil, NGL and natural gas reserves. Many factors affect Panhandle's competitive position and the market for its products, which are beyond its control. Some of these factors include: the quantity and price of foreign oil imports; domestic supply of oil, NGL and natural gas; changes in prices received for oil, NGL and natural gas production; business and consumer demand for refined oil products, NGL and natural gas; and the effects of federal and state regulation of the exploration for, production of and sales of oil, NGL and natural gas (see Item 1A – "Risk Factors"). Changes in any of these factors can have a dramatic influence on the price Panhandle receives for its oil, NGL and natural gas production.

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The Company does not operate any of the wells in which it has an interest; rather it relies on companies with greater resources, staff, equipment, research and experience for operation of wells both in the drilling and production phases. The Company's business strategy is to use its strong financial base and its mineral and leasehold acreage ownership, coupled with its own geologic and economic evaluations, either to elect to participate in drilling operations with these larger companies or to lease or farmout its mineral or leasehold acreage while retaining a royalty interest. This strategy allows the Company to compete effectively in expensive and complex drilling operations it could not undertake on its own due to financial and personnel limitations while maintaining low overhead costs.

SOURCES AND AVAILABILITY OF RAW MATERIALS

The existence of recoverable oil, NGL and natural gas reserves in commercial quantities is essential to the ultimate realization of value from the Company's mineral and leasehold acreage. These mineral and leasehold properties are essentially the raw materials to our business. The production and sale of oil, NGL and natural gas from the Company's properties are essential to provide the cash flow necessary to sustain the ongoing viability of the Company. The Company, from time to time, purchases oil and natural gas mineral and leasehold acreage to assure the continued availability of acreage with which to participate in exploration and development drilling operations and, subsequently, the production and sale of oil, NGL and natural gas. This participation in exploration, development and production activities and purchase of additional acreage is necessary to continue to supply the Company with the raw materials with which to generate additional cash flow. Mineral and leasehold acreage purchases are made from many owners. The Company does not rely on any particular companies or persons for the purchases of additional mineral and leasehold acreage.

MAJOR CUSTOMERS

The Company's oil, NGL and natural gas production is sold, in most cases, through its well operators to many different purchasers on a well-by-well basis. During 2014, sales through two separate well operators accounted for approximately 17% and 11% of the Company's total oil, NGL and natural gas sales. During 2013, sales through two separate well operators accounted for approximately 20% and 10% of the Company's total oil, NGL and natural gas sales. During 2012, sales through three separate well operators accounted for approximately 15%, 13% and 10% of the Company's total oil, NGL and natural gas sales. Generally, if one purchaser declines to continue purchasing the Company's production, several other purchasers can be located. Pricing is generally consistent from purchaser to purchaser.

PATENTS, TRADEMARKS, LICENSES, FRANCHISES AND ROYALTY AGREEMENTS

The Company does not own any patents, trademarks, licenses or franchises. Royalty agreements on wells producing oil, NGL and natural gas generate a portion of the Company's revenues. These royalties are tied to ownership of mineral acreage, and this ownership is perpetual, unless sold by the Company. Royalties are due and payable to the Company whenever oil, NGL or natural gas is produced and sold from wells located on the Company's mineral acreage.

REGULATION

All of the Company’s well interests and non-producing properties are located onshore in the contiguous United States. Oil, NGL and natural gas production is subject to various taxes, such as gross production taxes and, in some cases, the Company’s oil and natural gas properties are subject to ad valorem taxes.

States require permits for drilling operations, drilling bonds and reports concerning operations and impose other regulations relating to the exploration for and production of oil, NGL and natural gas. These states also have regulations addressing conservation matters, including provisions for the unitization or

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pooling of oil and natural gas properties and the regulation of spacing, plugging and abandonment of wells. These regulations vary from state to state. As previously discussed, the Company must rely on its well operators to comply with governmental regulations.

ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS

As the Company is directly involved in the extraction and use of natural resources, it is subject to various federal, state and local laws and regulations regarding environmental and ecological matters. Compliance with these laws and regulations may necessitate significant capital outlays. The Company does not believe the existence of these environmental laws, as currently written and interpreted, will materially hinder or adversely affect the Company's business operations; however, there can be no assurances of future events or changes in laws, or the interpretation of laws, governing our industry. Current discussions involving the governance of hydraulic fracturing in the future could have a material impact on the Company. Since the Company does not operate any wells in which it owns an interest, actual compliance with environmental laws is controlled by the well operators, with Panhandle being responsible for its proportionate share of the costs involved. As such, to its knowledge, the Company is not aware of any instances of non-compliance with existing laws and regulations. Absent an extraordinary event, any noncompliance is not likely to have a material adverse effect on the financial condition of the Company. Although the Company is not fully insured against all environmental risks, insurance coverage is maintained at levels which are customary in the industry.

EMPLOYEES

At September 30, 2014, Panhandle employed 22 people with 5 of the employees serving as executive officers. The President and CEO is also a director of the Company.

ITEM 1ARISK FACTORS

In addition to the other information included in this Form 10-K, the following risk factors should be considered in evaluating the Company's business and future prospects. If any of the following risk factors should occur, the Company's financial condition could be materially impacted and the holders of our securities could lose part or all of their investment in Panhandle. The risk factors described below are not exhaustive, and investors are encouraged to perform their own investigation with respect to the Company and its business. Investors should also read the other information in this Form 10-K, including the financial statements and related notes.

Uncertainty of economic conditions, worldwide and in the United States, may have a significant negative effect on operating results, liquidity and financial condition.

Effects of change in domestic and international economic conditions could include: (1) a decline in demand for oil, NGL and natural gas resulting in decreased oil, NGL and natural gas reserves due to curtailed drilling activity; (2) a decline in oil, NGL and natural gas prices; (3) risk of insolvency of well operators and oil, NGL and natural gas purchasers; (4) limited availability of certain insurance coverage; (5) limited access to derivative instruments; and (6) limited credit availability. A decline in reserves would lead to a decline in production, and either a production decline, or a decrease in oil, NGL and natural gas prices, would have a negative impact on the Company's cash flow, profitability and value.

Oil, NGL and natural gas prices are volatile. Volatility in these prices can adversely affect operating results and the price of the Company's common stock. This volatility also makes valuation of oil and natural gas producing properties difficult and can disrupt markets.

The supply of and demand for oil, NGL and natural gas impact the prices we realize on the sale of these commodities and, in turn, materially affect the Company's financial results. Oil, NGL and natural gas prices have historically been, and will likely continue to be, volatile. The prices for oil, NGL and natural gas are subject to wide fluctuation in response to a number of factors, including:

- worldwide economic conditions
- economic, political, regulatory and tax developments
- market uncertainty
- changes in the supply of and demand for oil, NGL and natural gas
- availability and capacity of necessary transportation and processing facilities
- commodity futures trading
- regional price differentials
- differing quality of oil produced (i.e., sweet crude versus heavy or sour crude)
- differing quality and NGL content of natural gas produced
- weather conditions
- the level of imports and exports of oil, NGL and natural gas
- political instability or armed conflicts in major oil and natural gas producing regions
- actions taken by OPEC
- competition from alternative sources of energy
- technological advancements affecting energy consumption and energy supply

Price volatility makes it difficult to budget and project the return on investment in exploration and development projects and to estimate with precision the value of producing properties that are owned or acquired by the Company. In addition, volatile prices often disrupt the market for oil and natural gas properties, as buyers and sellers have more difficulty agreeing on the purchase price of properties. Revenues, results of operations, reserves and capital availability may fluctuate significantly as a result of variations in oil, NGL and natural gas prices and production performance.

Lower oil, NGL and natural gas prices may also trigger significant impairment write-downs on a portion of the Company’s properties and negatively affect the Company’s results of operations and its ability to borrow under its credit facility.

A substantial decline in oil, NGL and natural gas prices for a prolonged period of time would have a material adverse effect on the Company.

The Company’s financial position, results of operations, access to capital and the quantities of oil, NGL and natural gas that may be economically produced would be negatively impacted if oil, NGL and natural gas prices decrease significantly for an extended period of time. The ways in which such price decreases could have a material negative effect include:

- cash flow would be reduced, decreasing funds available for capital expenditures employed to replace reserves and maintain or increase production

· future undiscounted and discounted net cash flows from producing properties would decrease, possibly resulting in impairment expense that may be significant
· certain reserves may no longer be economic to produce, leading to lower proved reserves, production and cash flow
· access to sources of capital, such as equity or long-term debt markets, could be severely limited or unavailable

The Company cannot control activities on its properties.

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The Company does not operate any of the properties in which it has an interest and has very limited ability to exercise influence over the third-party operators of these properties. Our dependence on the third-party operators of our properties, and on the cooperation of other working interest owners in these properties, could negatively affect the following:

- the Company's return on capital used in drilling or property acquisition
- the Company's production and reserve growth rates
- capital required to drill and complete wells
- success and timing of drilling, development and exploitation activities on the Company's properties
- compliance with environmental, safety and other regulations
- lease operating expenses
- plugging and abandonment costs, including well-site restorations

Dependency on each operator's judgment, expertise and financial resources could result in unexpected future costs, lost revenues and/or capital restrictions to the extent they would cumulatively have a material adverse effect on the Company's financial position and results of operations.

The Company's derivative activities may reduce the cash flow received for oil and natural gas sales.

In order to manage exposure to price volatility on our oil and natural gas production, we enter into oil and natural gas derivative contracts for a portion of our expected production. Oil and natural gas price derivatives may limit the cash flow we actually realize and therefore reduce the Company's ability to fund future projects. None of our oil and natural gas price derivative contracts are designated as hedges for accounting purposes; therefore, we record all derivative contracts at fair value on our balance sheet. Accordingly, these fair values may vary significantly from period to period, materially affecting reported earnings. The fair value of our oil and natural gas derivative instruments outstanding as of September 30, 2014, was a net asset of $1,901,842.

There is risk associated with our derivative contracts that involves the possibility that counterparties may be unable to satisfy contractual obligations to us. If any counterparty to our derivative instruments were to default or seek bankruptcy protection, it could subject a larger percentage of our future oil and natural gas production to commodity price changes and could have a negative effect on our ability to fund future projects.

There are also risks of financial loss associated with derivative instruments if there is an increase in the differential between the underlying price of the derivative contract and the actual received price.

A more thorough discussion of these derivative contracts, including risk of financial loss, is contained in Item 7 - "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations."

Lower oil, NGL and natural gas prices or negative adjustments to oil, NGL and natural gas reserves may result in significant impairment charges.

The Company has elected to utilize the successful efforts method of accounting for its oil and natural gas exploration and development activities. Exploration expenses, including geological and geophysical costs, rentals and exploratory dry holes, are charged against income as incurred. Costs of successful wells and related production equipment and development dry holes are capitalized and amortized by property using the unit-of-production method (the ratio of oil, NGL and natural gas volumes produced to total proved or proved developed reserves) as oil, NGL and natural gas are produced.

All long-lived assets, principally the Company's oil and natural gas properties, are monitored for potential impairment when circumstances indicate that the carrying value of the asset on our books may be greater than its future net cash flows. The need to test a property for impairment may result from declines in oil, NGL and natural gas sales prices or unfavorable adjustments to oil, NGL and natural gas reserves. Also, once assets are classified as held for sale, they are reviewed for impairment. Because of the uncertainty inherent in these factors, the Company cannot predict when or if future impairment charges will be recorded. If an impairment charge is recognized, cash flow from operating activities is not impacted, but net income and, consequently, shareholders' equity are reduced. In periods when impairment charges are incurred, it could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations.

Our estimated proved reserves are based on many assumptions that may prove to be inaccurate. Any inaccuracies in these reserve estimates or underlying assumptions may materially affect the quantities and present value of our reserves.

It is not possible to measure underground accumulations of oil, NGL and natural gas with precision. Oil, NGL and natural gas reserve engineering requires subjective estimates of underground accumulations of oil, NGL and natural gas using assumptions concerning future prices of these commodities, future production levels, and operating and development costs. In estimating our reserves, we and our Independent Consulting Petroleum Engineering Firm must make various assumptions with respect to many matters that may prove to be incorrect, including:

- future oil, NGL and natural gas prices
- production rates
- reservoir pressures, decline rates, drainage areas and reservoir limits
- interpretation of subsurface conditions including geological and geophysical data
- potential for water encroachment or mechanical failures
- levels and timing of capital expenditures, lease operating expenses, production taxes and income taxes, and availability of funds for such expenditures
- effects of government regulation

If any of these assumptions prove to be incorrect, our estimates of reserves, the classifications of reserves based on risk of recovery and our estimates of the future net cash flows from our reserves could change significantly.

Our standardized measure of oil and natural gas reserves is calculated using the 12-month average price calculated as the unweighted arithmetic average of the first-day-of-the-month individual product prices for each month within the 12-month period prior to September 30. These prices and the operating costs in effect as of the date of estimation are held flat over the life of the properties. From this calculation future estimated development, production and income tax expenses are deducted with the result discounted at 10% per annum to reflect the timing of future net revenue in accordance with the rules and regulations of the SEC. Over time, we may make material changes to reserve estimates to take into account changes in our assumptions and the results of actual development and production.

The reserve estimates made for fields that do not have a lengthy production history are less reliable than estimates for fields with lengthy production histories. A lack of production history may contribute to inaccuracy in our estimates of proved reserves, future production rates and the timing of development expenditures. Further, our lack of knowledge of all individual well information known to the well operators such as incomplete well stimulation efforts, restricted production rates for various reasons and up to date well production data, etc. may cause differences in our reserve estimates.

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Because PUD’s, under SEC reporting rules, may only be recorded if the wells they relate to are scheduled to be drilled within five years of the date of recording, the removal of PUD’s that are not developed within this five-year period may be required. Removals of this nature may significantly reduce the quantity and present value of the Company’s oil, NGL and natural gas reserves.

Because forward-looking prices and costs are not used to estimate discounted future net cash flows from our estimated proved reserves, the standardized measure of our estimated proved reserves is not necessarily the same as the current market value of our estimated proved oil, NGL and natural gas reserves.

The timing of both our production and our incurrence of expenses in connection with the development and production of our properties will affect the timing of actual future net cash flows from proved reserves, and thus their actual present value. In addition, the 10% discount factor used when calculating discounted future net cash flows in compliance with the FASB statement on oil and natural gas producing activities disclosures may not be the most appropriate discount factor based on interest rates in effect from time to time and risks associated with the Company, or the oil and natural gas industry in general.

Failure to find or acquire additional reserves will cause reserves and production to decline materially from their current levels.

The rate of production from oil and natural gas properties generally declines as reserves are depleted. The Company’s proved reserves will decline materially as reserves are produced except to the extent that the Company acquires additional properties containing proved reserves, conducts additional successful exploration and development drilling, successfully applies new technologies or identifies additional behind-pipe zones (different productive zones within existing producing well bores) or secondary recovery reserves.

Drilling for oil and natural gas invariably involves unprofitable efforts, not only from dry wells, but also from wells that are productive but do not produce sufficient reserves to return a profit after deducting drilling, operating and other costs. In addition, wells that are profitable may not achieve a targeted rate of return. The Company relies on third-party operators’ interpretation of seismic data and other advanced technologies in identifying prospects and in conducting exploration and development activities. Nevertheless, prior to drilling a well, the seismic data and other technologies used do not allow operators to know conclusively whether oil, NGL or natural gas is present in commercial quantities.

Cost factors can adversely affect the economics of any project, and ultimately the cost of drilling, completing and operating a well is controlled by well operators and existing market conditions. Further, drilling operations may be curtailed, delayed or canceled as a result of numerous factors, including:

- unexpected drilling conditions
- title problems
- pressure or irregularities in formations
- equipment failures or accidents
- fires, explosions, blowouts and surface cratering
- lack of availability to market production via pipelines or other transportation
- adverse weather conditions
- environmental hazards or liabilities
- governmental regulations
- cost and availability of drilling rigs, equipment and services
- expected sales price to be received for oil, NGL or natural gas produced from the wells

Oil and natural gas drilling and producing operations involve various risks.

The Company is subject to all the risks normally incident to the operation and development of oil and natural gas properties, including:

- well blowouts, cratering, explosions and human related accidents
- mechanical, equipment and pipe failures
- adverse weather conditions and natural disasters
- civil disturbances and terrorist activities
- oil, NGL and natural gas price reductions
- environmental risks stemming from the use, production, handling and disposal of water, waste materials, hydrocarbons and other substances into the air, soil or water
- title problems
- limited availability of financing
- marketing related infrastructure, transportation and processing limitations
- regulatory compliance issues

As a non-operator, we are dependent on third-party operators and the contractors they hire for operational safety, environmental safety and compliance with regulations of governmental authorities.

The Company maintains insurance against many potential losses or liabilities arising from well operations in accordance with customary industry practices and in amounts believed by management to be prudent. However, this insurance does not protect the Company against all risks. For example, the Company does not maintain insurance for business interruption, acts of war or terrorism. Additionally, pollution and environmental risks generally are not fully insurable. These risks could give rise to significant uninsured costs that could have a material adverse effect on the Company's business condition and financial results.

Debt level and interest rates may adversely affect our business.

The Company has a credit facility with Bank of Oklahoma (BOK) which consists of a revolving loan of $200,000,000. As of September 30, 2014, the Company had a balance of $78,000,000 drawn on the facility. The facility has a current borrowing base of $130,000,000, is secured by certain of the Company's properties and contains certain restrictive covenants.

Should the Company incur additional indebtedness under its credit facility to fund capital projects or for other reasons, there is risk of it adversely affecting our business operations as follows:

- cash flows from operating activities required to service indebtedness may not be available for other purposes
- covenants contained in the Company's borrowing agreement may limit our ability to borrow additional funds, pay dividends and make certain investments
- any limitation on the borrowing of additional funds may affect our ability to fund capital projects and may also affect how we will be able to react to economic and industry changes
  - a significant increase in the interest rate on our credit facility will limit funds available for other purposes
- changes in prevailing interest rates may affect the Company's capability to meet its debt service requirements, as its credit facility bears interest at floating rates

The borrowing base of our corporate revolving bank credit facility is subject to periodic redetermination and is based in part on oil, NGL and natural gas prices. A lowering of our borrowing base because of lower oil, NGL or natural gas prices, or for other reasons, could require us to repay indebtedness in excess of the newly established borrowing base, or we might need to further secure the debt with additional collateral. Our ability to meet any debt obligations depends on our future performance. General business, economic, financial and product pricing conditions, along with other factors, affect our future performance, and many of these factors are beyond our control. In addition, our failure to comply with the restrictive covenants relating to our credit facility could result in a default, which could adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Future legislative or regulatory changes may result in increased costs and decreased revenues, cash flows and liquidity.

Companies that operate wells in which Panhandle owns a working interest are subject to extensive federal, state and local regulation. Panhandle, as a working interest owner, is therefore indirectly subject to these same regulations. New or changed laws and regulations such as those described below could have a material adverse effect on our business.

Federal Income Taxation

Proposals to repeal the expensing of intangible drilling costs, repeal the percentage depletion allowance and increase the amortization period of geological and geophysical expenses, if enacted, would increase and accelerate the Company’s payment of federal income taxes. As a result, these changes would decrease the Company’s cash flows available for developing its oil and natural gas properties.

Hydraulic Fracturing and Water Disposal

The vast majority of oil and natural gas wells drilled in recent years have been, and future wells are expected to be, hydraulically fractured as a part of the process of completing the wells and putting them on production. This is true of the wells drilled in which the Company owns an interest. Hydraulic fracturing is a process that involves pumping water, sand and additives at high pressure into rock formations to stimulate oil and natural gas production. In developing plays where hydraulic fracturing, which requires large volumes of water, is necessary for successful development, the demand for water may exceed the supply. A lack of readily available water or a significant increase in the cost of water could cause delays or increased completion costs.

In addition to water, hydraulic fracturing fluid contains chemical additives designed to optimize production. Well operators are being required in certain states to disclose the components of these additives. Additional states and the federal government may follow with similar requirements or may restrict the use of certain additives. This could result in more costly or less effective development of wells.

Once a well has been hydraulically fractured, the fluid produced from the fractured wells must be either treated for reuse or disposed of by injecting the fluid into disposal wells. Both the fracturing and injection well disposal processes are being studied to determine if there is a correlation between fracturing and/or injection well disposal and the occurrence of earthquakes.

Efforts to regulate hydraulic fracturing and fluid disposal are increasing at the local, state and federal level. Several new regulations are being considered, including limiting water withdrawals and usage, limiting water disposition, restricting which additives may be used, implementing state-wide hydraulic fracturing moratoriums and temporary or permanent bans in certain environmentally sensitive areas. Public sentiment against hydraulic fracturing and fluid disposal and shale production has become more vocal, which could result in more stringent permitting and compliance requirements. Consequences of these actions could potentially increase capital, compliance and operating costs significantly, as well as delay or halt the further development of oil and gas reserves on the Company's properties.

Any of the above factors could have a material adverse effect on our financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

Climate Change

Certain studies have suggested that emission of certain gases, commonly referred to as "greenhouse gases," may be impacting the earth's climate. Methane, a primary component of natural gas, and carbon dioxide, a by-product of burning oil and natural gas, are examples of greenhouse gases. Various state governments and regional organizations are considering enacting new legislation and promulgating new regulations governing or restricting the emission of greenhouse gases from stationary sources such as oil and gas production equipment and operations. At the federal level, the EPA has already made findings and issued regulations that require operators to establish and report an inventory of greenhouse gas emissions.

Legislative and regulatory proposals for restricting greenhouse gas emissions or otherwise addressing climate change could require us to incur additional operating costs and could adversely affect demand for the sale of oil and natural gas. The potential increase in our operating costs could include new or increased costs to obtain permits, operate and maintain equipment and facilities, install new emission controls on equipment and facilities, acquire allowances to authorize greenhouse gas emissions and pay taxes related to greenhouse gas emissions. Even without federal legislation or regulation of greenhouse gas emissions, states may pursue the issue either directly or indirectly.

Restrictions on emissions of methane or carbon dioxide that may be imposed in various states could adversely affect the oil and gas industry. Moreover, incentives to conserve energy or use alternative energy sources as a means of addressing climate change could reduce demand for oil and natural gas.

Shortages of oilfield equipment, services, qualified personnel and resulting cost increases could adversely affect results of operations.

The demand for qualified and experienced field personnel, geologists, geophysicists, engineers and other professionals in the oil and natural gas industry can fluctuate significantly, often in correlation with oil, NGL and natural gas prices, resulting in periodic shortages. When demand for rigs and equipment increases due to an increase in the number of wells being drilled, there have been shortages of drilling rigs, hydraulic fracturing equipment and personnel and other oilfield equipment. Higher oil, NGL and natural gas prices generally stimulate increased demand for, and result in increased prices of, drilling rigs, crews and associated supplies, equipment and services. These shortages or price increases could negatively affect the ability to drill wells and conduct ordinary operations by the operators of the

Company's wells, resulting in an adverse effect on the Company's financial condition, cash flow and operating results.

Competition in the oil and natural gas industry is intense, and most of our competitors have greater financial and other resources than we do.

We compete in the highly competitive areas of oil and natural gas acquisition, development, exploration and production. We face intense competition from both major and independent oil and natural gas companies to acquire desirable producing properties, new properties for future exploration and human resource expertise necessary to effectively develop properties. We also face similar competition in obtaining sufficient capital to maintain drilling rights in all drilling units.

A substantial number of our competitors have financial and other resources significantly greater than ours and some of them are fully integrated oil and natural gas companies. These companies are able to pay more for development prospects and productive oil and natural gas properties and are able to define, evaluate, bid for, purchase and subsequently drill a greater number of properties and prospects than our financial or human resources permit, potentially reducing our ability to participate in drilling on certain of our acreage as a working interest owner. Our ability to develop and exploit our oil and natural gas properties and to acquire additional quality properties in the future will depend upon our ability to successfully evaluate, select and acquire suitable properties and join in drilling with reputable operators in this highly competitive environment.

Significant capital expenditures are required to replace our reserves and conduct our business.

The Company funds exploration, development and production activities primarily through cash flows from operations and acquisitions through borrowings under its credit facility. The timing and amount of capital necessary to carry out these activities can vary significantly as a result of product price fluctuations, property acquisitions, drilling results and the availability of drilling rigs, equipment, well services and transportation capacity.

Cash flows from operations and access to capital are subject to a number of variables, including the Company's:

- amount of proved reserves
- volume of oil, NGL and natural gas produced
- received prices for oil, NGL and natural gas sold
- ability to acquire and produce new reserves
- ability to obtain financing

We may have limited ability to obtain the capital required to sustain our operations at current levels if our borrowing base under our credit facility is lowered as a result of decreased revenues, lower product prices, declines in reserves or for other reasons. Failure to sustain operations at current levels could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition, cash flow and results of operations.

We may be subject to information technology system failures, network disruptions, cyber-attacks or other breaches in data security.

Power, telecommunication or other system failures due to hardware or software malfunctions, computer viruses, vandalism, terrorism, natural disasters, fire, human error or by other means could significantly affect the Company's ability to conduct its business. Though we have implemented complex network security measures, stringent internal controls and maintain offsite backup of all crucial electronic data, there cannot be absolute assurance that a form of system failure or data security breach will not have a material adverse effect on our financial condition and operations results.

ITEM 1BUNRESOLVED STAFF COMMENTS

None

ITEM 2PROPERTIES

At September 30, 2014, Panhandle's principal properties consisted of (1) perpetual ownership of 255,190 net mineral acres, held principally in Arkansas, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Texas and six other states; (2) leases on 19,645 net acres primarily in Oklahoma: and (3) working interests,

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royalty interests or both in 6,019 producing oil and natural gas wells and 95 wells in the process of being drilled or completed.

Consistent with industry practice, the Company does not have current abstracts or title opinions on all of its mineral acreage and, therefore, cannot be certain that it has unencumbered title to all of these properties. In recent years, a few insignificant challenges have been made against the Company's fee title to its acreage.

The Company pays ad valorem taxes on minerals owned in eleven states.

ACREAGE

Mineral Interests Owned

The following table of mineral acreage owned reflects, in each respective state, the number of net and gross acres, net and gross producing acres, net and gross acres leased, and net and gross acres open (unleased) as of September 30, 2014.

State	Net Acres	Gross Acres	Net Acres Producing (1)	Gross Acres Producing (1)	Net Acres Leased to Others (2)	Gross Acres Leased to Others (2)	Net Acres Open (3)	Gross Acres Open (3)
Arkansas	11,990	51,775	7,088					