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- C. Comcast Phone of Florida, LLC
- D. 55 pages total (includes letter, petition, and attachments)
- E. Petition for waiver of Florida's anti-slamming rule, Rule 25-4.118, Florida Administrative Code, to facilitation the transfer of a customer base pursuant to a transaction to which Comcast Phone of Florida, LLC is a party.

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Ann Cole, Commission Clerk Office of the Commission Clerk Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Re: Petition of Comcast Phone of Florida, LLC for a Waiver of Rule 25-4.118, Florida Administrative Code

Dear Ms. Cole,

Enclosed for filing on behalf of Comcast Phone of Florida, LLC is a Petition for a Waiver of Rule 25-4.118, Florida Administrative Code.

Very truly yours,

Davis Wright Tremaine LLP

Robert T. Mørgan

Enclosures

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF)	
COMCAST PHONE OF FLORIDA, LLC)	DOCKET NO:
FOR A WAIVER OF RULE 25-4.118,)	
FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE)	

PETITION FOR A WAIVER OF RULE 25-4.118, FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE

Comcast Phone of Florida, LLC ("Comcast Phone" or "Petitioner"), by its counsel and pursuant to Rule 25-24.455(4), Florida Administrative Code, and Section 120.542, Florida Statutes, Florida Administrative Code, request that the Florida Public Service Commission ("Commission") grant a waiver of Rule 25-4.118, Florida Administrative Code, to allow Comcast Phone to acquire the customer base of CIMCO Communications, Inc. ("CIMCO") (together with Comcast Phone, the "Parties") without first obtaining each subscriber's authorization and verification. This Petition for Waiver is being made in connection with a transaction involving the transfer of certain assets of CIMCO to Comcast Phone. Written notice of the transaction and of the customer base transfer will be provided to CIMCO's Florida customers via First Class mail at least 30 days prior to the anticipated closing date pursuant to Section 64.1120(e) of the FCC's rules.¹

In support of the Petition, Petitioner state as follows:

I. THE PARTIES

A. CIMCO Communications, Inc.

CIMCO is an Illinois corporation with its principal business at 1901 South Meyers Road, 7th Floor, Oakbrook Terrace, Illinois 60181. In Florida, CIMCO is authorized to provide interexchange services pursuant to authority granted by this Commission in Order No. PSC-96-1528-FOF-TI. CIMCO is also authorized by the FCC to provide international and domestic

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¹ 47 C.F.R. § 64.1120(e).

interstate telecommunications services as a non-dominant carrier. CIMCO's customer base consists primarily of medium-sized business and enterprise customers. In Florida, CIMCO has approximately thirty-one (31) business customers and no residential customers.

B. Comcast Phone

Comcast Phone is a Delaware limited liability company with its principal place of business at One Comcast Center, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 19103-2838. Comcast Phone is a facilities-based local exchange carrier, as defined by 47 U.S.C. § 153(26) and is authorized to provide local exchange, interexchange and other telecommunications services pursuant to authority granted by this Commission.² Comcast Phone is operated by a highly qualified management team, all of whom have extensive backgrounds in the operation and management of telecommunications services.

Comcast Phone relies on the financial resources of its ultimate corporate parent, Comcast Corporation (NASDAQ: CMCSA, CMCSK). The financial statements from the most recent SEC Form 10-K of Comcast Corp. are provided as **Exhibit B**. Additional details regarding Comcast Phone's services and its legal, technical, managerial and financial qualifications to provide service were provided in connection with its authority to provide intrastate telecommunications services in Florida and are, therefore, a matter of public record. Comcast Phone respectfully requests that the Commission take official notice of that information and incorporate it herein by reference.

II. DESIGNATED CONTACTS

The designated contacts for all correspondence, notices, inquiries, and orders in relation to this Petition should be sent to:

² Order No. PSC-03-0124-FOF-TP; PSC-01-1218-PAA-TI. The Commission originally granted authority to AT&T Broadband Phone, LLC, which was later transferred to Comcast Phone in Docket No. 020258.

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III. DESCRIPTION OF TRANSACTION

Pursuant to an Asset Purchase Agreement entered into as of September 16, 2009, between Comcast Phone and certain of its affiliates and CIMCO (the "Agreement"), Comcast Phone will acquire the assets and customer accounts (including related data, databases, contracts and customer records needed to support the provision of telecommunications services to those customers) of CIMCO in the state of Florida (hereinafter referred to as the "Transaction"). Comcast Phone affiliates in other states will acquire CIMCO assets in those states.

IV. REQUEST FOR WAIVER

Pursuant to Rule 25-4.118, Florida Administrative Code, a customer's interexchange telecommunications service provider shall not be changed without the customer's authorization. To make such a change, the carrier must either: (1) obtain a letter of agency from the customer requesting the change; (2) obtain confirmation from the subscriber via a customer-initiated call;

or (3) utilize an independent third party to verify the subscriber's order. The requirements of Rule 25-4.118 are applicable to interexchange carriers through incorporation by reference in Rule 25-24.490.

Petitioner respectfully requests a waiver of Rule 25-4.118 so that CIMCO may transfer its customer accounts in Florida to Comcast Phone without Comcast Phone securing authorization and verification from each of the approximately thirty-one (31) customers of CIMCO in Florida. Obtaining the authorization and verification from each of the affected customers would be a burdensome process and impose an undue hardship on Petitioner.

Petitioner will comply with the Federal Communication Commission's rules governing the sale of a carrier's customer base. 47 C.F.R. § 64.1120(e). These rules require that every affected subscriber of CIMCO receive at least 30 days prior written notice of the proposed transfer to Comcast Phone; and that Comcast Phone certify to the FCC that it has provided at least 30 days' written notice to each subscriber affected by this transaction. 47 C.F.R. § 64.1120(e)(1-3). Written notice of the transaction and of the customer base transfer will be provided to CIMCO's Florida customers via First Class mail at least 30 days prior to the anticipated closing date pursuant to Section 64.1120(e) of the FCC's rules.³ A sample of the customer notice letter is provided as **Exhibit A**.

In the interest of assuring a seamless and uninterrupted service, following completion of the migration of customers to Comcast Phone, all of the affected customers will continue to receive service from Comcast Phone under the same rates, terms and conditions as currently provided by CIMCO. Comcast Phone intends to adopt the CIMCO tariffs currently on file with the Commission and will continue to serve customers under the terms set forth in those tariffs for

³ 47 C.F.R. § 64.1120(e).

the immediate future, although Comcast Phone reserves the right to make changes consistent with its contractual obligations and subject to state law.

V. PUBLIC INTEREST CONSIDERATIONS

The basis for granting a waiver for interexchange carriers is set forth in Section 120.542, Florida Statutes, and Rule 25-24.455(4), Florida Administrative Code. Under Section 120.542 a request for waiver must demonstrate that the purpose of the underlying statute will otherwise be served if waiver of the rule is granted and that enforcement of the rule would result in substantial hardship for the petitioner or violate principles of fairness. Similarly, under Rule 25-24.455(4), the Commission may consider whether the petition is in the public interest, whether market forces obviate the need for the provision in a particular instance, and whether reasonable alternative regulatory methods may service the same purpose.

In the circumstance described in this Petition, it is in the public interest to waive the carrier selection requirements of Rule 24-4.118, Florida Administrative Code. Rule 25-4.118 does not prescribe any means of authorizing a carrier change that is necessitated by a mass migration of customers as part of an asset transfer. It would be unfair to hold Comcast Phone to requirements that plainly do not address its particular situation and with which it cannot reasonably comply. The Parties are providing for a seamless transition while ensuring that customers understand available choices with the least amount of disruption and confusion; thus, the requirements of the rule are satisfied. The customers will receive at least 30 days notice of the transfer and be afforded the opportunity not to participate. The Parties believe that if prior authorization is required in this case, customers may fail to respond to a request for authorization, neglect to select another carrier, and thus lose their service.

Grant of this Waiver Request will serve the public interest by ensuring that the affected CIMCO's customers will continue to enjoy high quality telecommunications services at the same

rates, terms and conditions as they currently enjoy, as noted above. Following the Transaction, the former CIMCO customers will continue to receive services from an experienced and qualified carrier and will have access to expanded and more advanced service offerings going forward. CIMCO's expertise serving business customers joined to Comcast's established operations in other segments will enhance Comcast's ability to compete and bring consumers the benefits that derive from robust competition.

VI. REOUEST FOR EXPEDITED REVIEW

The Parties seek to complete the proposed Transaction as expeditiously as possible in order to minimize customer confusion and realize the benefits of the proposed Transaction. Accordingly, Petitioner respectfully requests that the Commission expedite the processing of this Petition and grant the requested authority as soon as possible, but no later than December 1, 2009, to permit the Parties to consummate the Transaction.

VII. CANCELLATION OF CIMCO'S AUTHORIZATION

Following the Transaction, Comcast Phone will hold the CIMCO assets and assume CIMCO's telecommunications operations in Florida. Therefore, CIMCO will no longer need its authorization. Upon completion of the Transaction, CIMCO will request that the Commission cancel its authorization to provide interexchange telecommunications services.

VIII. CONCLUSION

Petitioner submits that the information provided herein demonstrates that the public interest, convenience and necessity will be served by the expeditious grant of this Petition.

WHEREFORE, Petition respectfully requests that the Commission expeditiously grant a waiver of the Commission's Rule 25-4.118, any other anti-slamming regulations, and whatever further relief that the Commission deems appropriate so that the Parties may complete the transfer of CIMCO Communications, Inc.'s customer base to Comcast Phone of Florida, LLC.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: 10/7/09

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

SS.

COUNTY OF PHILADELPHIA

VERIFICATION

I, Brian A. Rankin, state that I am Vice President, Deputy General Counsel for Comcast Phone of Florida, LLC, Petitioner in the foregoing Petition; that I am authorized to make this Verification on behalf of Comcast Phone of Florida, LLC; that the foregoing Petition was prepared under my direction and supervision; and that the statements in the foregoing document with respect to Comcast Phone of Florida, LLC are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

Brian A. Rankin

Vice President, Deputy General Counsel

Comcast Phone of Florida, LLC

Sworn and subscribed before me this 2^{1} day of 1 day of 2

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My commission expires: |2/30/2011

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

NOTARIAL SEAL LORI A. KLUMPP, Notary Public

City of Philadelphia, Phila. County My Commission Expires December 31, 2011 STATE OF ILLINOIS

SS.

COUNTY OF DUPAGE

VERIFICATION

I, William Dvorak, state that I am Chief Financial Officer of CIMCO Communications, Inc. ("CIMCO"), a party to the foregoing filing; that I am authorized to make this Verification on behalf of CIMCO; that the foregoing filing was prepared under my direction and supervision; and that the statements in the foregoing document with respect to CIMCO are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

William Dvorak

Chief Financial Officer

CIMCO Communications, Inc.

Sworn and subscribed before me this <u>29</u> day of <u>September</u>, 2009.

**Alanda S. Konrath

Notary Public

My commission expires: 5/23/10

OFFICIAL SEAL
RHONDA S KONRATH
NOTARY PUBLIC - STATE OF ILLINOIS
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES:05/23/10

LIST OF EXHIBITS

Exhibit A: Sample Customer Notice Letter

Exhibit B: Comcast Corporation SEC Form 10-K Financial Statements (as of Dec. 31, 2008)

EXHIBIT A

Sample Customer Notice Letter

[COMCAST & CIMCO LOGOS]

[[DATE]]

Thank you for being a loyal customer of CIMCO Communications, Inc. ("CIMCO"). As you may know, CIMCO recently entered into a contract to sell its communications business to Comcast Digital Phone, the Comcast telephone affiliate in your state ("Comcast").

We are pleased to inform you that Comcast will be your new service provider, on or after parts, subject to certain regulatory approvals. You can expect to continue to receive cutting-edge technology and superior customer service after the transfer. Comcast is one of the nation's largest providers of voice, data and entertainment services.

Your transition from CIMCO to Comcast requires no action on your part.

The transfer of your services to Comcast will be seamless to you and there will be no change in the services you receive or your current telephone number(s). We believe that this transition will be good for your company. With Comcast's unique capabilities, we can now bring you powerful new communications products.

As your new service provider, Comcast will continue to provide you with the same services you currently receive in accordance with the rates, terms and conditions of your existing contract or effective tariffs on file with the Federal Communications Commission or your state's public utility commission. If in the future Comcast determines that rates, terms or conditions require modification, it will follow the applicable contract terms, laws and regulations in making such modifications, including adherence to any advance notice requirements. CIMCO will be responsible for resolving any questions or complaints regarding CIMCO's service prior to or during the transfer of your services to Comcast. CIMCO's toll free customer service number is 1-877-691-8080, which you may continue to use after the transfer and until further notice. After the transfer, Comcast will continue to provide the same high quality customer service you have experienced as a CIMCO customer.

Comcast is dedicated to earning and keeping your business. We do not anticipate that this transition to Comcast will cause you to incur any carrier change charges, but if you do, Comcast will pay them. Additionally, you have the right to select another service provider, subject to any termination charges agreed to in your current contract. If you do want to select another provider, you should contact that provider directly. Assuming you do not transfer your service to a different provider by [[DATE]], Comcast will become your service provider on or after [[DATE]]. If you have a preferred carrier freeze on your account, it will be lifted. You will need to contact your local service provider to arrange a new freeze.

Comcast looks forward to meeting your communications needs, including bundled packages of voice, internet and video services. We will continue to work hard for you by consistently looking for opportunities to fulfill your ever-changing business needs. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact us at 1-800-COMCAST (1-800-266-2278) anytime.

Sincerely,

EXHIBIT B

Comcast Corporation SEC Form 10-K Financial Statements (as of Dec. 31, 2008)

FORM 10-K

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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

ACT OF 1934

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008

TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE

ACT OF 1934

FOR THE TRANSITION PERIOD FROM

TO

Commission file number 001-32871



(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

PENNSYLVANIA

27-0000798

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

One Comcast Center, Philadelphia, PA

19103-2838

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (215) 286-1700

SECURITIES REGISTERED PURSUANT TO SECTION 12(b) OF THE ACT:

Title of Each Class Class A Common Stock, \$0.01 par value

Class A Special Common Stock, \$0.01 par value 2.0% Exchangeable Subordinated Debentures due 2029 6.625% Notes due 2056

7.00% Notes due 2055

7.00% Notes due 2055, Series B 8.375% Guaranteed Notes due 2013

9.455% Guaranteed Notes due 2022

Name of Each Exchange on which Registered

Nasdaq Global Select Market Nasdaq Global Select Market New York Stock Exchange

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SECURITIES REGISTERED PURSUANT TO SECTION 12(g) OF THE ACT:

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 Section 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 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 amendments 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 definition of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer ⊠

Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer

Small reporting company

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

As of June 30, 2008, the aggregate market value of the Class A common stock and Class A Special common stock held by non-affiliates of the Registrant was \$39.033 billion and \$15.656 billion, respectively.

As of December 31, 2008, there were 2,060,982,734 shares of Class A common stock, 810,211,190 shares of Class A Special common stock and 9,444,375 shares of Class B common stock outstanding.

DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

Part III - The Registrant's definitive Proxy Statement for its annual meeting of shareholders presently scheduled to be held in May 2009.

Item 8: Financial Statements and Supplementary Data

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Report of Management

Management's Report on Financial Statements

Our management is responsible for the preparation, integrity and fair presentation of information in our consolidated financial statements, including estimates and judgments. The consolidated financial statements presented in this report have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. Our management believes the consolidated financial statements and other financial information included in this report fairly present, in all material respects, our financial condition, results of operations and cash flows as of and for the periods presented in this report. The consolidated financial statements have been audited by Deloitte & Touche LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, as stated in their report, which is included herein.

Management's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

Our management is responsible for establishing and maintaining an adequate system of internal control over financial reporting. Our system of internal control over financial reporting is designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States.

Our internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that:

- · Pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect our transactions and dispositions of our assets.
- Provide reasonable assurance that our transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of our financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States, and that our receipts and expenditures are being made only in accordance with authorizations of our management and our directors.
- Provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use or disposition of our assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, a system of internal control over financial reporting can provide only reasonable assurance and may not prevent or detect misstatements. Further, because of changes in conditions, effectiveness of internal controls over financial reporting may vary over time. Our system contains self-monitoring mechanisms, and actions are taken to correct deficiencies as they are identified.

Our management conducted an evaluation of the effectiveness of the system of internal control over financial reporting based on the framework in Internal Control - Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission. Based on this evaluation, our management concluded that our system of internal control over financial reporting was effective as of December 31, 2008. The effectiveness of our internal controls over financial reporting have been audited by Deloitte & Touche LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, as stated in their report, which is included herein.

Audit Committee Oversight

The Audit Committee of the Board of Directors, which is comprised solely of independent directors, has oversight responsibility for our financial reporting process and the audits of our consolidated financial statements and internal control over financial reporting. The Audit Committee meets regularly with management and with our internal auditors and independent registered public accounting firm (collectively, the "auditors") to review matters related to the quality and integrity of our financial reporting, internal control over financial reporting (including compliance matters related to our Code of Ethics and Business Conduct), and the nature, extent, and results of internal and external audits. Our auditors have full and free access and report directly to the Audit Committee. The Audit Committee recommended, and the Board of Directors approved, that the audited consolidated financial statements be included in this Form 10-K.

Brian L. Roberts

Chairman and

Chief Executive Officer

Michael J. Angelakis

Executive Vice President and

Chief Financial Officer

Lawrence J. Salva

Senior Vice President, Chief Accounting Officer

Jamese J. Laba

and Controller

Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

Board of Directors and Stockholders Comcast Corporation Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Comcast Corporation and subsidiaries (the "Company") as of December 31, 2008 and 2007, and the related consolidated statements of operations, cash flows, stockholders' equity and comprehensive income for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2008. We also have audited the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2008, based on criteria established in *Internal Control — Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission. The Company's management is responsible for these financial statements, for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting, and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting, included in the accompanying *Management's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting*. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements and an opinion on the Company's internal control over financial reporting 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 audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement and whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. Our audits of the financial statements included examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, and evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. Our audit of internal control over financial reporting included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, and testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk. Our audits also included performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinions.

A company's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed by, or under the supervision of, the company's principal executive and principal financial officers, or persons performing similar functions, and effected by the company's board of directors, management, and other personnel to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. A company's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of the inherent limitations of internal control over financial reporting, including the possibility of collusion or improper management override of controls, material misstatements due to error or fraud may not be prevented or detected on a timely basis. Also, projections of any evaluation of the effectiveness of the internal control over financial reporting to future periods are subject to the risk that the controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Corncast Corporation and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2008 and 2007, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2008, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Also, in our opinion, the Company maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2008, based on the criteria established in *Internal Control — Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission.

As discussed in Note 2 to the consolidated financial statements, the Company adopted Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 159, "The Fair Value Option for Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities Including an amendment of FASB Statement No. 115," effective January 1, 2008. As discussed in Note 3 to the consolidated financial statements, the Company adopted EITF Issue No. 06-10, "Accounting for Collateral Assignment Split-Dollar Life Insurance Arrangements," effective January 1, 2008. As discussed in Note 2 to the consolidated financial statements, the Company adopted FASB Interpretation No. 48, "Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes — an Interpretation of FASB Statement 109," effective January 1, 2007.

/s/ Deloitte & Touche LLP Philadelphia, Pennsylvania February 20, 2009

Consolidated Balance Sheet

December 31 (in millions, except share data)	2008	2007
Assets		
Current Assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,195	\$ 963
Investments	59	98
Accounts receivable, less allowance for doubtful accounts of \$190 and \$181	1,626	1,645
Deferred income taxes	292	214
Other current assets	544	747
Total current assets	3,716	3,667
Investments	4,783	7,963
Property and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation of \$23,235 and \$19,808	24,444	23,624
Franchise rights	59,449	58,077
Goodwill	14,889	14,705
Other intangible assets, net of accumulated amortization of \$8,160 and \$6,977	4 ,5 58	4,739
Other noncurrent assets, net	1,178	642
Total assets	\$113,017	\$113,417
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity		
Current Liabilities:		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses related to trade creditors	\$ 3,393	\$ 3,336
Accrued salaries and wages	624	494
Other current liabilities	2,644	2,627
Current portion of long-term debt	2,278	1,495
Total current liabilities	8,939	7,952
Long-term debt, less current portion	30,178	29,828
Deferred income taxes	26,982	26,880
Other noncurrent liabilities	6,171	7,167
Minority interest	297	· 250
Commitments and contingencies (Note 15)		
Stockholders' equity		
Preferred stock—authorized, 20,000,000 shares; issued, zero		-
Class A common stock, \$0.01 par value—authorized, 7,500,000,000 shares; issued, 2,426,443,484 and		
2,419,025,659; outstanding, 2,060,982,734 and 2,053,564,909	24	24
Class A Special common stock, \$0.01 par value—authorized, 7,500,000,000 shares; issued, 881,145,954		
and 1,018,960,463; outstanding, 810,211,190 and 948,025,699	, 9	10
Class B common stock, \$0.01 par value—authorized, 75,000,000 shares; issued and outstanding,		
9,444,375		
Additional paid-in capital	40,620	41,688
Retained earnings	7,427	7,191
Treasury stock, 365,460,750 Class A common shares and 70,934,764 Class A Special common shares	(7,517)	(7,517)
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	(113)	(56)
Total stockholders' equity	40,450	41,340
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$113,017	\$ 113,417

See notes to consolidated financial statements

Consolidated Statement of Operations

Year ended December 31 (in millions, except per share data)	2008	2007	2006
Revenue	\$ 34,256	\$ 30,895	\$ 24,966
Costs and Expenses:			
Operating (excluding depreciation and amortization)	13,472	12,169	9,819
Selling, general and administrative	7,652	6,940	5,705
Depreciation	5,457	5,107	3,828
Amortization	943	1,101	995
'	27,524	25,317	20,347
Operating income	6,732	5,578	4,619
Other Income (Expense):			
Interest expense	(2,439)	(2,289)	(2,064)
Investment income (loss), net	89	601	990
Equity in net income (losses) of affiliates, net	(39)	(63)	(65)
Other income (expense)	(285)	522	114
	(2,674)	(1,229)	(1,025)
Income from continuing operations before income taxes and minority interest	4,058	4,349	3,594
Income tax expense	(1,533)	(1,800)	(1,347)
Income from continuing operations before minority interest	2,525	2,549	2,247
Minority interest	22	38	(12)
Income from continuing operations	2,547	2,587	2,235
Income from discontinued operations, net of tax			103
Gain on discontinued operations, net of tax			195
Net income	\$ 2,547	\$ 2,587	\$ 2,533
Basic earnings per common share		,	
Income from continuing operations	\$ 0.87	\$ 0.84	\$ 0.71
Income from discontinued operations			0.03
Gain on discontinued operations		***	0.06
Net income	\$ 0.87	\$ 0.84	\$ 0.80
Diluted earnings per common share			
Income from continuing operations	\$ 0.86	\$ 0.83	\$ 0.70
Income from discontinued operations		***	0.03
Gain on discontinued operations	-		0.06
Net income	\$ 0.86	\$ 0.83	\$ 0.79
Dividends declared per common share	\$ 0.25	\$ -	\$ -

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows

Year ended December 31 (in millions)	2008	2007	2006
Operating Activities			
Net income	\$ 2,547	\$ 2,587	\$ 2,533
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:			
Depreciation	5,457	5,107	3,828
Amortization	943	1,101	995
Depreciation and amortization of discontinued operations		_	139
Share-based compensation	258	212	190
Noncash interest expense (income), net	209	114	99
Equity in net losses (income) of affiliates, net	39	63	65
(Gains) losses on investments and noncash other (income) expense, net	321	(938)	(920)
Gain on discontinued operations	-		(736)
Noncash contribution expense	_	11	33
Minority interest	(22)	(38)	12
Deferred income taxes	495	247	674
Changes in operating assets and liabilities, net of effects of acquisitions and divestitures:			
Change in accounts receivable, net	. 39	(100)	(357)
Change in accounts payable and accrued expenses related to trade creditors	(38)	175	560
Change in other operating assets and liabilities	(17)	(352)	(497)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	10,231	8,189	6,618
Financing Activities			
Proceeds from borrowings	3,535	3,713	7,497
Retirements and repayments of debt	(2,610)	(1,401)	(2,039)
Repurchases of common stock	(2,800)	(3,102)	(2,347)
Dividends paid	(547)	_	_
Issuances of common stock	53	412	410
Other ·	(153)	62	25
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	(2,522)	(316)	3,546
Investing Activities			
Capital expenditures	(5,750)	(6,158)	(4,395)
Cash paid for intangible assets	(527)	(406)	(306)
Acquisitions, net of cash acquired	(738)	(1,319)	(5,110)
Proceeds from sales of investments	737	1,761	2,720
Purchases of investments	(1,167)	(2,089)	(2 ,812)
Other	(32)	62	31
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	(7,477)	(8,149)	(9,872)
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	232	(276)	292
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	963	1,239	947
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	\$ 1,195	\$ 963	\$1,239

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

Consolidated Statement of Stockholders' Equity

		Cor	mmon	Stock Clas	s					Accumulated	
	Shares			Amount				Treasury	Other		
(in millions)	A	A Special	В	Α	A Special	В	Additional Retained Capital Earnings		Stock at Cost	Comprehensive Income (Loss)	Total
Balance, January 1, 2006 Stock compensation plans	2,045 13	1,153 10	9	\$24	\$12	\$-	\$42,989 604	\$ 4,825 (33)	\$(7,517)	\$(114)	\$40,219 571
Repurchase and retirement of common stock	2	(113)			(1)		(1,235) 43	(1,111)			(2,347) 43
Employee stock purchase plan Other comprehensive income Net income	2						43	2,533		148	148 2,533
Balance, December 31, 2006 Cumulative effect related to the adoption of FIN 48 on	2,060	1,050	9	24	11	_	42,401	6,214	(7,517)	34	41,167
January 1, 2007								60			60
Stock compensation plans Repurchase and retirement of	17	6					688	(28).			660
common stock Employee stock purchase plan	(25) 2	(108)			(1)		(1,459) 58	(1,642)		(00)	(3,102) 58 (90)
Other comprehensive loss Net income								2,587		(90)	2,587
Balance, December 31, 2007 Cumulative effect related to the adoption of EITF 06-10 on	2,054	948	9	24	10	-	41,688	7,191	(7,517)	(56)	41,340
January 1, 2008								(132)			(132)
Stock compensation plans Repurchase and retirement of	. 4	. 3					265	(49)			216
common stock	(20)	(121)			(1)		(1,562)	(1,237)			(2,800)
Employee stock purchase plan Other comprehensive loss	3						63			(57)	63 (57)
Share exchange Dividend declared (per common	20	(20)					166	(166)			
share \$0.25) Net income		***************************************						(727) 2,547			(727) 2,547
Balance, December 31, 2008	2,061	810	9	\$24	\$ 9	\$ —	\$40,620	\$7,427	\$(7,517)	\$(113)	\$40,450

Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income

(in millions)	2008	2007	2006
Net income	\$2,547	\$2,587	\$2,533
Holding gains (losses) during the period, net of deferred taxes of \$7, \$23 and \$(69)	(13)	(42)	128
Reclassification adjustments for losses (gains) included in net income, net of deferred taxes of \$(10), \$46	• •		
and \$(6)	18	(85)	11
Employee benefit obligations, net of deferred taxes of \$30, \$(16) and \$(4)	(55)	29	7
Cumulative translation adjustments	(7)	8	2
Comprehensive income	\$2,490	\$2,497	\$2,681

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

Note 1: Organization and Business

We are a Pennsylvania corporation and were incorporated in December 2001. Through our predecessors, we have developed, managed and operated cable systems since 1963. We classify our operations in two reportable segments: Cable and Programming.

Our Cable segment is primarily involved in the management and operation of cable systems in the United States. As of December 31, 2008, we served approximately 24.2 million video customers, 14.9 million high-speed Internet customers and 6.5 million phone customers. Our regional sports networks are also included in our Cable segment.

Our Programming segment operates our consolidated national programming networks, including El, Golf Channel, VERSUS, G4 and Style.

Our other businesses consist primarily of Comcast Interactive Media and Comcast Spectacor. Comcast Interactive Media develops and operates Comcast's Internet businesses, including Comcast.net, Fancast, the Platform, Fandango, Plaxo and Daily-Candy. Comcast Spectacor owns two professional sports teams and two large, multipurpose arenas in Philadelphia, and manages other facilities for sporting events, concerts and other events. We also own equity method investments in other programming networks and wireless-related companies.

Note 2: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Consolidation

The accompanying consolidated financial statements include (i) all of our accounts, (ii) all entities in which we have a controlling voting interest ("subsidiaries") and (iii) variable interest entities ("VIEs") required to be consolidated in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States ("GAAP"). We have eliminated all significant intercompany accounts and transactions among consolidated entities.

Our Use of Estimates

We prepare our consolidated financial statements in conformity with GAAP, which requires us to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts and disclosures. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Estimates are used when accounting for various items, such as allowances for doubtful accounts, investments, derivative financial instruments, asset impairments, nonmonetary transactions, certain acquisition-related liabilities, programming-related liabilities, pensions and other post-retirement benefits, revenue recognition, depreciation and amortization, income taxes, and legal contingencies. See Note 8 for our discussion on fair value estimates.

Cash Equivalents

The carrying amounts of our cash equivalents approximate their fair value. Our cash equivalents consist primarily of money market funds and U.S. government obligations, as well as commercial paper and certificates of deposit with maturities of less than three months when purchased.

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Investments

We classify unrestricted, publicly traded investments as available-for-sale ("AFS") or trading securities and record them at fair value. For AFS securities, we record unrealized gains or losses resulting from changes in fair value between measurement dates as a component of other comprehensive income (loss), except when we consider declines in value to be other than temporary. For trading securities, we record unrealized gains or losses resulting from changes in fair value between measurement dates as a component of investment income (loss), net. We recognize realized gains and losses associated with our fair value method investments using the specific identification method. Effective with the adoption of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ("SFAS") No. 159, "The Fair Value Option for Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities," ("SFAS No. 159"), we classify the cash flows related to purchases of and proceeds from the sale of trading securities based on the nature of the securities and purpose for which they were acquired (see Note 3).

We use the equity method to account for investments in which we have the ability to exercise significant influence over the investee's operating and financial policies. Equity method investments are recorded at cost and are adjusted to recognize (i) our proportionate share of the investee's net income or losses after the date of investment, (ii) amortization of basis differences, (iii) additional contributions made and dividends received, and (iv) impairments resulting from other-than-temporary declines in fair value. We generally record our share of the investee's net income or loss one quarter in arrears due to the timing of our receipt of such information. Gains or losses on the sale of equity method investments are recorded in other income (expense).

Restricted, publicly traded investments and investments in privately held companies are stated at cost and adjusted for any known decrease in value.

We review our investment portfolio each reporting period to determine whether there are identified events or circumstances that would indicate there is a decline in the fair value that is considered to be other than temporary. For our non-public investments, if there are no identified events or circumstances that would have a significant adverse effect on the fair value of the investment, then the fair value is not estimated. If an investment is deemed to have experienced an other-than-temporary decline below its cost basis, we reduce the carrying amount of the investment to its quoted or estimated fair value, as applicable, and establish a new cost basis for the invest-

ment. For our AFS and cost method investments, we charge the impairment to investment income (loss), net. For our equity method investments, the impairment is recorded to other income (expense) (see Note 6).

If a consolidated entity or equity method investee issues additional securities that change our proportionate share of the entity, we recognize the change as a gain or loss in our consolidated statement of operations. In cases where gain realization is not assured, we record the gain to additional paid-in capital.

Property and Equipment

Property and equipment are stated at cost. We capitalize improvements that extend asset lives and expense other repairs and maintenance charges as incurred. For assets that are sold or retired, we remove the applicable cost and accumulated depreciation and, unless the gain or loss on disposition is presented separately, we recognize it as a component of depreciation expense.

We capitalize the costs associated with the construction of our cable transmission and distribution facilities and new service installations. Costs include all direct labor and materials, as well as various indirect costs. We capitalize initial customer installation costs directly attributable to installation of the drop, including material, labor and overhead cost, in accordance with SFAS No. 51, "Financial Reporting by Cable Television Companies." All costs incurred in connection with subsequent service disconnects and reconnects are expensed as they are incurred.

We record depreciation using the straight-line method over estimated useful lives. Our significant components of property and equipment are as follows:

December 31 (in millions)	Weighted Average Original Useful Life	2008	2007
Cable transmission			
equipment and distribution facilities	12 years	\$ 15,660	\$ 14,978
Customer premises	•	•	
equipment	6 years	17,788	15,373
Scalable infrastructure	6 years	5,776	5,179
Support capital	5 years	5,820	5,521
Buildings and building			
improvements	20 years	1,874	1,667
Land	_	205	202
Other	8 years	556	512
Property and			
equipment, at cost		47,679	43,432
Less: Accumulated		•	·
depreciation		(23,235)	(19,808)
Property and			
equipment, net		\$ 24,444	\$23,624

We evaluate the recoverability and estimated lives of our property and equipment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable or the useful life has changed. The evaluation is based on the cash flows generated by the underlying assets and profitability information, including estimated future operating results, trends or other determinants of fair value. If the total of the expected future undiscounted cash flows is less than the carrying amount of the asset, we would recognize a loss for the difference between the estimated fair value and the carrying value of the asset. Unless presented separately, the loss is included as a component of depreciation expense.

Intangible Assets

Indefinite-Lived Intangibles Franchise Rights

Our franchise rights consist of cable franchise rights and sports franchise rights. Cable franchise rights represent the value attributed to agreements with local authorities that allow access to homes in cable service areas acquired in business combinations. Sports franchise rights represent the value we attribute to our professional sports teams. We do not amortize cable franchise rights or sports franchise rights because we have determined that they have an indefinite life. We reassess this determination periodically for each franchise based on the factors included in SFAS No. 142, "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets," ("SFAS No. 142"). Costs we incur in negotiating and renewing cable franchise agreements are included in other intangible assets and are primarily amortized on a straight-line basis over the term of the franchise renewal period.

We evaluate the recoverability of our franchise rights annually, or more frequently whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the assets might be impaired. We estimate the fair value of our cable franchise rights primarily based on a discounted cash flow analysis. We also consider multiples of operating income before depreciation and amortization generated by the underlying assets, current market transactions, and profitability information in analyzing the fair values indicated under the discounted cash flow models. If the value of our cable franchise rights is less than the carrying amount, we would recognize an impairment for the difference between the estimated fair value and the carrying value of the assets. We evaluate the unit of account used to test for impairment of our cable franchise rights periodically to ensure testing is performed at an appropriate level. In July 2008, our Cable division management structure was reorganized from five divisions to four. Our impairment testing as of July 1, 2008 confirmed that no impairment existed before the change.

Goodwill

Goodwill is the excess of the acquisition cost of an acquired entity over the fair value of the identifiable net assets acquired. In accordance with SFAS No. 142, we do not amortize goodwill.

We assess the recoverability of our goodwill annually, or more frequently whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the asset might be impaired. We generally perform the assessment of our goodwill one level below the operating segment level. In our Cable business, since components one level below the segment level (Cable divisions) are not separate reporting units and have similar economic characteristics, we aggregate the components into one reporting unit at the Cable segment level.

Since the adoption of SFAS No. 142, we have performed annual impairment testing of our indefinite-lived intangibles, including cable franchise rights, sports franchise rights and goodwill, using April 1 as the measurement date. In 2008, we changed the timing of our financial and strategic planning process, including the preparation of long-term projections, from completion in the early part of each calendar year to a midyear completion. These longterm financial projections are used as the basis for performing our annual impairment testing. As a result, we have changed our measurement date from April 1 to July 1. We tested our indefinitelived intangibles for impairment as of April 1, 2008 and July 1, 2008, and no impairments were indicated as of either date. Since the adoption of SFAS No. 142 in 2002, we have not recorded any significant impairments as a result of our impairment testing. We believe changing the measurement date to coincide with the completion of our long-term financial projections is preferable and does not result in the delay, acceleration or avoidance of an impairment.

Other Intangibles

Other intangible assets consist primarily of franchise-related customer relationships acquired in business combinations, programming distribution rights, software, cable franchise renewal costs, and programming agreements and rights. We record these costs as assets and amortize them on a straight-line basis over the term of the related agreements or estimated useful life. See Note 7 for the ranges of useful lives of our intangible assets.

Programming Distribution Rights

Our Programming subsidiaries enter into multiyear license agreements with various multichannel video providers for distribution of their programming ("distribution rights"). We capitalize amounts paid to secure or extend these distribution rights and include them within other intangible assets. We amortize these distribution rights on a straight-line basis over the term of the related license agreements. We classify the amortization of these distribution rights as a reduction of revenue unless the Programming subsidiary receives, or will receive, an identifiable benefit from the distributor separate from the fee paid for the distribution right, in which case we recognize the fair value of the identified benefit as an operating expense in the period in which it was received.

Software

We capitalize direct development costs associated with internal-use software, including external direct costs of material and services and payroll costs for employees devoting time to these software projects. We also capitalize costs associated with the purchase of software licenses. We include these costs within other intangible assets and amortize them on a straight-line basis over a period not to exceed 5 years, beginning when the asset is substantially ready for use. We expense maintenance and training costs, as well as costs incurred during the preliminary stage of a project, as they are incurred. We capitalize initial operating system software costs and amortize them over the life of the associated hardware.

We periodically evaluate the recoverability and estimated lives of our intangible assets subject to amortization whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable or the useful life has changed. The evaluation is based on the cash flows generated by the underlying assets and profitability information, including estimated future operating results, trends or other determinants of fair value. If the total of the expected future undiscounted cash flows is less than the carrying amount of the asset, we would recognize a loss for the difference between the estimated fair value and the carrying value of the asset. Unless presented separately, the loss would be included as a component of amortization expense.

Asset Retirement Obligations

SFAS No. 143, "Accounting for Asset Retirement Obligations," as interpreted by Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") Interpretation ("FIN") No. 47, "Accounting for Conditional Asset Retirement Obligations — an Interpretation of FASB Statement No. 143," requires that a liability be recognized for an asset retirement obligation in the period in which it is incurred if a reasonable estimate of fair value can be made.

Certain of our franchise and lease agreements contain provisions requiring us to restore facilities or remove property in the event that the franchise or lease agreement is not renewed. We expect to continually renew our franchise agreements and therefore cannot estimate any liabilities associated with such agreements. A remote possibility exists that franchise agreements could terminate unexpectedly, which could result in us incurring significant expense in complying with restoration or removal provisions. The disposal obligations related to our properties are not material to our consolidated financial statements. No such liabilities have been recorded in our consolidated financial statements.

Revenue Recognition

Our Cable segment revenue is primarily derived from customer fees received for our video, high-speed Internet and phone services ("cable services") and from advertising. We recognize revenue from cable services as the service is provided. We manage credit risk by screening applicants through the use of credit bureau data. If a customer's account is delinquent, various measures are used to collect outstanding amounts, including termination of the customer's cable service. Installation revenue obtained from the connection of customers to our cable systems is less than related direct selling costs. Therefore, such revenue is recognized as connections are completed. We recognize advertising revenue when the advertising is aired and based on the broadcast calendar. Revenue earned from other sources is recognized when services are provided or events occur. Under the terms of our franchise agreements, we are generally required to pay to the local franchising authority an amount based on our gross video revenue. We normally pass these fees through to our cable customers and classify the fees as a component of revenue with the corresponding costs included in operating expenses. Prior to 2008, the corresponding costs were included in selling, general and administrative expenses. For 2007 and 2006, we reclassified approximately \$863 million and \$788 million, respectively, from selling, general and administrative expenses to operating expenses. The 2008 amount is approximately \$933 million. We believe such classification is more appropriate based on the nature of these expenses. We present other taxes imposed on a revenue-producing transaction as revenue if we are acting as a principal or as a reduction to operating expenses if we are acting as an agent.

Our Programming segment recognizes revenue from distributors as programming is provided, generally under multiyear distribution agreements. From time to time these agreements expire while programming continues to be provided to the operator based on interim arrangements while the parties negotiate new contract terms. Revenue recognition is generally limited to current payments being made by the operator, typically under the prior contract terms, until a new contract is negotiated, sometimes with effective dates that affect prior periods. Differences between actual amounts determined upon resolution of negotiations and amounts recorded during these interim arrangements are recorded in the period of resolution.

Advertising revenue for our Programming segment is recognized in the period in which commercials or programs are aired. In some instances, our Programming businesses guarantee viewer ratings either for the programming or for the commercials. Revenue is deferred to the extent of an estimated shortfall in the ratings. Such shortfalls are primarily settled by providing additional advertising time, at which point the revenue is recognized.

Cable Programming Expenses

Cable programming expenses are the fees we pay to programming networks to license the programming we package, offer and distribute to our video customers. Programming is acquired for distribution to our video customers, generally under multiyear distribution agreements, with rates typically based on the number of customers that receive the programming, adjusted for channel positioning and the extent of distribution. From time to time these contracts expire and programming continues to be provided based on interim arrangements while the parties negotiate new contractual terms, sometimes with effective dates that affect prior periods. While payments are typically made under the prior contract terms, the amount of our programming expenses recorded during these interim arrangements is based on our estimates of the ultimate contractual terms expected to be negotiated. Differences between actual amounts determined upon resolution of negotiations and amounts recorded during these interim arrangements are recorded in the period of resolution.

When our Cable segment receives incentives from programming networks for the licensing of their programming, we classify the deferred portion of these fees within liabilities and recognize them over the term of the contract as a reduction of programming expenses, which are included in operating expenses.

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Share-Based Compensation

Effective January 1, 2006, we adopted SFAS No. 123R, "Share-Based Payment," ("SFAS No. 123R"), using the Modified Prospective Approach. Under the Modified Prospective Approach, the amount of compensation cost recognized includes (i) compensation cost for all share-based payments granted before but not yet vested as of January 1, 2006, based on the grant date fair value estimated in accordance with SFAS No. 123, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation," ("SFAS No. 123"), and (ii) compensation cost for all share-based payments granted or modified after January 1, 2006, based on the estimated fair value at the date of grant or subsequent modification date in accordance with SFAS No. 123R. See Note 12 for further details regarding share-based compensation.

Income Taxes

Our provision for income taxes is based on our current period income, changes in deferred income tax assets and liabilities, income tax rates, changes in estimates of our uncertain tax positions, and tax planning opportunities available in the jurisdictions in which we operate. Substantially all of our income is from operations in the United States. We recognize deferred tax assets and liabilities when there are temporary differences between the financial reporting basis and tax basis of our assets and liabilities and for the expected benefits of using net operating loss carryforwards. When changes in tax rates or tax laws have an impact on deferred taxes, we apply the change during the years in which temporary differences are expected to reverse. These amounts are recorded in our consolidated financial statements in the period of enactment.

On January 1, 2007, we adopted FIN 48, "Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes — an Interpretation of FASB Statement No. 109," ("FIN 48"). FIN 48 prescribes the recognition threshold and measurement attribute for the financial statement recognition and measurement of uncertain tax positions taken or expected to be taken in a tax return.

We account for income tax uncertainties that arise in connection with business combinations and those that are associated with entities acquired in business combinations in accordance with Emerging Issues Task Force ("EITF") Issue No. 93-7, "Uncertainties Related to Income Taxes in a Purchase Business Combination," ("EITF 93-7"). Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recorded as of the date of a business combination and are based on our estimate of the ultimate tax basis that will be accepted by the various taxing authorities. Liabilities for contingencies associated with prior tax returns filed by the acquired entity are recorded based on criteria set forth in FIN 48. We adjust the deferred tax accounts and the liabilities periodically to reflect any revised estimated tax basis and any estimated settlements with the various taxing authorities. The effect of these adjustments is generally applied to goodwill except for post-acquisition interest expense, which is recognized as an adjustment to income tax expense. Effective with the adoption on January 1, 2009 of SFAS No. 141R, "Business Combinations — a replacement of FASB Statement No. 141," ("SFAS No. 141R"), which also supersedes EITF 93-7, all tax adjustments recognized that would have impacted goodwill will be recognized within income tax expense.

We classify interest and penalties, if any, associated with our uncertain tax positions as a component of income tax expense.

Derivative Financial Instruments

We use derivative financial instruments to manage our exposure to the risks associated with fluctuations in interest rates and equity prices. All derivative transactions must comply with a derivatives policy authorized by our Board of Directors. We do not engage in any speculative or leveraged derivative transactions.

We manage our exposure to fluctuations in interest rates by using derivative financial instruments such as interest rate exchange agreements ("swaps") and interest rate lock agreements ("rate locks"). We sometimes enter into rate locks to hedge the risk that the cash flows related to the interest payments on an anticipated issuance or assumption of fixed-rate debt may be adversely affected by interest-rate fluctuations.

We manage our exposure to and benefits from price fluctuations in the common stock of some of our investments by using equity derivative financial instruments embedded in other contracts such as indexed debt instruments and prepaid forward sale agreements whose values, in part, are derived from the market value of certain publicly traded common stock. We periodically examine the instruments we use to hedge exposure to interest rate and equity price risks to ensure that the instruments are matched with underlying assets or liabilities, to reduce our risks relating to changes in interest rates or equity prices and, through market value and sensitivity analysis, to maintain a high correlation to the risk inherent in the hedged item. For those instruments that do not meet the above conditions, and for those derivative instruments that are not designated as a hedge, changes in fair value are recognized on a current basis in earnings.

We manage the credit risks associated with our derivative financial instruments through the evaluation and monitoring of the creditworthiness of the counterparties. Although we may be exposed to losses in the event of nonperformance by the counterparties, we do not expect such losses, if any, to be significant.

For derivative instruments designated and effective as fair value hedges, such as fixed to variable swaps, changes in the fair value of the derivative instrument substantially offset changes in the fair value of the hedged item, each of which is recorded to interest expense. When fair value hedges are terminated, sold, exercised or have expired, any gain or loss resulting from changes in the fair value of the hedged item is deferred and recognized in earnings over the remaining life of the hedged item. When the hedged item is settled or sold, the unamortized adjustment in the carrying amount of the hedged item is recognized in earnings.

For derivative instruments designated as cash flow hedges, such as variable to fixed swaps and rate locks, the effective portion of the hedge is reported in other comprehensive income (loss) and recognized as an adjustment to interest expense over the same period in which the related interest costs are recognized in earnings. When hedged variable-rate debt is settled, the previously deferred effective portion of the hedge is written off to interest expense in a manner similar to debt extinguishment costs.

Equity derivative instruments embedded in other contracts are separated from their host contract. The derivative component is recorded at its estimated fair value in our consolidated balance sheet and changes in its value are recorded each period to investment income (loss), net.

Reclassifications

Reclassifications have been made between operating expenses and selling, general and administrative expenses in the prior years' consolidated financial statements to conform to classifications used in 2008.

Note 3: Recent Accounting Pronouncements

SFAS No. 141R

In November 2007, the FASB issued SFAS No. 141R, which continues to require that all business combinations be accounted for by applying the acquisition method. Under the acquisition method, the acquirer recognizes and measures the identifiable assets acquired, the liabilities assumed, and any contingent consideration and contractual contingencies, as a whole, at their fair value as of the acquisition date. Under SFAS No. 141R, all transaction costs are expensed as incurred, SFAS No. 141R rescinds EITF 93-7. Under EITF 93-7, the effect of any subsequent adjustments to uncertain tax positions was generally applied to goodwill, except for post-acquisition interest on uncertain tax positions, which was recognized as an adjustment to income tax expense. Under SFAS No. 141R, all subsequent adjustments to income tax liabilities and related interest that would have impacted goodwill are recognized within income tax expense. The guidance in SFAS No. 141R will be applied prospectively to any business combination for which the acquisition date is on or after January 1, 2009.

SFAS No. 157

In September 2006, the FASB issued SFAS No. 157, "Fair Value Measurements," ("SFAS No. 157"). SFAS No. 157 defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value and expands disclosure about fair value measurements. SFAS No. 157 is effective for financial assets and financial liabilities in fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2007 and for nonfinancial assets and nonfinancial liabilities in fiscal years beginning after March 15, 2008. Effective January 1, 2008, we adopted the provisions of SFAS No. 157 that relate to our financial assets and financial liabilities. We are evaluating the impact of the provisions of SFAS No. 157 that relate to our nonfinancial assets and nonfinancial liabilities, which are effective for us as of January 1, 2009, and currently do not expect the adoption to have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements. See Note 8 for further details regarding the adoption of this standard.

SFAS No. 159

In February 2007, the FASB issued SFAS No. 159, which provides the option to report certain financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value, with the intent to mitigate the volatility in financial reporting that can occur when related assets and liabilities are each recorded on a different basis. SFAS No. 159 amends FASB Statement No. 95, "Statement of Cash Flows," ("SFAS No. 95") and FASB Statement No. 115, "Accounting for Certain Investments in Debt and Equity Securities," ("SFAS No. 115"). SFAS No. 159 specifies that cash flows from trading securities, including securities for which an entity has elected the fair value option, should be classified in the statement of cash flows based on the nature of and purpose for which the securities were acquired. Before this amendment, SFAS No. 95 and SFAS No. 115 specified that cash flows from trading securities must be classified as cash flows from operating activities. Effective January 1, 2008, we

adopted SFAS No. 159. We have not elected the fair value option for any financial assets or financial liabilities. Upon adoption, we reclassified \$603 million of proceeds from the sale of trading securities within our statement of cash flows for the year ended December 31, 2007 from an operating activity to an investing activity. The adoption of SFAS No. 159 had no effect on our statement of cash flows for the year ended December 31, 2006.

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SFAS No. 160

In November 2007, the FASB issued SFAS No. 160, "Accounting and Reporting of Noncontrolling Interest," ("SFAS No. 160"). SFAS No. 160 requires that a noncontrolling interest (previously referred to as a minority interest) be separately reported in the equity section of the consolidated entity's balance sheet. SFAS No. 160 also established accounting and reporting standards for (i) ownership interests in subsidiaries held by parties other than the parent, (ii) the amount of consolidated net income attributable to the parent and to the noncontrolling interest, (iii) changes in a parent's ownership interest and (iv) the valuation of retained noncontrolling equity investments when a subsidiary is deconsolidated. SFAS No. 160 is effective for us beginning January 1, 2009, at which time our financial statements will reflect the new presentation for noncontrolling interests.

EITF Issue No. 06-10

In March 2007, the EITF reached a consensus on EITF Issue No. 06-10, "Accounting for Deferred Compensation and Postretirement Benefit Aspects of Collateral Assignment Split-Dollar Life Insurance Arrangements," ("EITF 06-10"). EITF 06-10 provides that an employer should recognize a liability for the postretirement benefit related to collateral assignment split-dollar life insurance arrangements. We adopted EITF 06-10 on January 1, 2008, at which time we adjusted beginning retained earnings and recorded a liability of \$132 million. See Note 10 for further details regarding the adoption of this standard.

Note 4: Earnings Per Share

Basic earnings per common share ("Basic EPS") is computed by dividing net income from continuing operations by the weighted-average number of common shares outstanding during the period.

Our potentially dilutive securities include potential common shares related to our stock options and restricted share units ("RSUs"). Diluted earnings per common share ("Diluted EPS") considers the impact of potentially dilutive securities using the treasury stock method except in periods in which there is a loss because the inclusion of the potential common shares would have an anti-dilutive effect. Diluted EPS excludes the impact of potential common shares related to our stock options in periods in which the option exercise price is greater than the average market price of our Class A common stock or our Class A Special common stock, as applicable (see Note 12).

Diluted EPS for 2008, 2007 and 2006 excludes approximately 159 million, 61 million and 116 million, respectively, of potential common shares related to our share-based compensation plans, because the inclusion of the potential common shares would have an antidilutive effect.

Computation of Diluted EPS

		2008			2007			2006	
Year ended December 31 (in millions, except per share data)	Income	Shares	Per Share Amount	Income	Shares	Per Share Amount	Income	Shares	Per Share Amount
Basic EPS Effect of dilutive securities: Assumed exercise or issuance of	\$2,547	2,939	\$0.87	\$2,587	3,098	\$0.84	\$2,235	3,160	\$0.71
shares relating to stock plans		13			31			20	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Diluted EPS	\$2,547	2,952	\$0.86	\$2,587	3,129	\$0.83	\$2,235	3,180	\$0.70

Note 5: Acquisitions and Other Significant Events

2008 Acquisitions

Insight Transaction

In April 2007, we and Insight Communications ("Insight") agreed to divide the assets and liabilities of Insight Midwest, a 50%-50% cable system partnership with Insight (the "Insight transaction"). On December 31, 2007, we contributed approximately \$1.3 billion to Insight Midwest for our share of the partnership's debt. On January 1, 2008, the distribution of the assets of Insight Midwest was completed without assumption of any of Insight's debt by us and we received cable systems serving approximately 696,000 video customers in Illinois and Indiana (the "Comcast asset pool"). Insight received cable systems serving approximately 652,000 video customers, together with approximately \$1.24 billion of debt allocated to those cable systems (the "Insight asset pool"). We accounted for our interest in Insight Midwest as an equity method investment until the Comcast asset pool was distributed to us on January 1, 2008. We accounted for the distribution of assets by Insight Midwest as a sale of our 50% interest in the Insight asset pool in exchange for acquiring an additional 50% interest in the Comcast asset pool. The estimated fair value of the 50% interest of the Comcast asset pool we received was approximately \$1.2 billion and resulted in a pretax gain of approximately \$235 million, which is included in other income (expense). We recorded our 50% interest in the Comcast asset pool as a step acquisition in accordance with SFAS No. 141, "Business Combinations," ("SFAS No. 141").

The results of operations for the cable systems acquired in the Insight transaction have been reported in our consolidated financial statements since January 1, 2008 and are reported in our Cable segment. The weighted-average amortization period of the franchise-related customer relationship intangible assets acquired was 4.5 years. Substantially all of the goodwill recorded is expected to be amortizable for tax purposes.

The table below presents the purchase price allocation to assets acquired and liabilities assumed as a result of the Insight transaction.

(in millions)	
Property and equipment	\$ 587
Franchise-related customer relationships	64
Cable franchise rights	1,374
Goodwill	105
Other assets	27
Total liabilities	(31)
Net assets acquired	\$2.126

The following unaudited pro forma information has been presented as if the Insight transaction had occurred on January 1, 2007. This information is based on historical results of operations, adjusted for purchase price allocations, and is not necessarily indicative of what the results would have been had we operated the cable systems since January 1, 2007.

Year ended December 31, 2007 (in millions, except per share data)

Revenue	\$31,582
Net income	\$ 2,627
Basic EPS	\$ 0.85
Diluted EPS	\$ 0.84

Other 2008 Acquisitions

In April 2008, we acquired an additional interest in Comcast SportsNet Bay Area. In July 2008, we acquired Plaxo, an address book management and social networking Web site service. In August 2008, we acquired the remaining interest in G4 that we did not already own. In September 2008, we acquired DailyCandy, an e-mail newsletter and Web site. The results of operations for these acquisitions have been included in our consolidated results of operations since their respective acquisition dates. The results of operations for Plaxo and DailyCandy are reported in Corporate and

Other. The aggregate purchase price of these other 2008 acquisitions was approximately \$610 million. None of these acquisitions were material to our consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2008.

2007 Acquisitions

The Houston Transaction

In July 2006, we initiated the dissolution of Texas and Kansas City Cable Partners (the "Houston transaction"), our 50%-50% cable system partnership with Time Warner Cable, On January 1, 2007, the distribution of assets by Texas and Kansas City Cable Partners was completed and we received the cable system serving Houston, Texas (the "Houston asset pool") and Time Warner Cable received the cable systems serving Kansas City, south and west Texas, and New Mexico (the "Kansas City asset pool"). We accounted for the distribution of assets by Texas and Kansas City Cable Partners as a sale of our 50% interest in the Kansas City asset pool in exchange for acquiring an additional 50% interest in the Houston asset pool. This transaction resulted in an increase of approximately 700,000 video customers. The estimated fair value of the 50% interest of the Houston asset pool we received was approximately \$1.1 billion and resulted in a pretax gain of approximately \$500 million, which is included in other income (expense). We recorded our 50% interest in the Houston asset pool as a step acquisition in accordance with SFAS No. 141.

The results of operations for the cable systems acquired in the Houston transaction have been reported in our Cable segment since August 1, 2006 and in our consolidated financial statements since January 1, 2007 (the date of the distribution of assets). The weighted-average amortization period of the franchise-related customer relationship intangible assets acquired was 7 years. As a result of the Houston transaction, we reversed deferred tax liabilities of approximately \$200 million, which were primarily related to the excess of tax basis of the assets acquired over the tax basis of the assets exchanged, and reduced the amount of goodwill that would have otherwise been recorded in the acquisition. Substantially all of the goodwill recorded is expected to be amortizable for tax purposes.

The table below presents the purchase price allocation to assets acquired and liabilities assumed as a result of the Houston transaction.

(in millions)	
Property and equipment	\$ 870
Franchise-related customer relationships	266
Cable franchise rights	1,954
Goodwill	426
Other assets	267
Total liabilities	(73)
Net assets acquired	\$3,710

Other 2007 Acquisitions

In April 2007, we acquired Fandango, an online entertainment site and movie-ticket service. The results of operations of Fandango have been included in our consolidated financial statements since the acquisition date and are reported in Corporate and Other. In June 2007, we acquired Rainbow Media Holdings LLC's 60% interest in Comcast SportsNet Bay Area (formerly known as Bay Area SportsNet) and its 50% interest in Comcast SportsNet New England (formerly known as Sports Channel New England), expanding our regional sports networks. The completion of this transaction resulted in our 100% ownership in Comcast SportsNet New England and 60% ownership in Comcast SportsNet Bay Area. In August 2007, we acquired the cable system of Patriot Media serving approximately 81,000 video customers in central New Jersey. The results of operations of Patriot Media, Comcast SportsNet Bay Area and Comcast SportsNet New England have been included in our consolidated financial statements since their acquisition dates and are reported in our Cable segment. The aggregate purchase price of these other 2007 acquisitions was approximately \$1.288 billion. None of these acquisitions were material to our consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2007.

2006 Acquisitions

The Adelphia and Time Warner Transactions

In April 2005, we entered into an agreement with Adelphia Communications ("Adelphia") in which we agreed to acquire certain assets and assume certain liabilities of Adelphia (the "Adelphia acquisition"). At the same time, we and Time Warner Cable Inc. and certain of its affiliates ("TWC") entered into several agreements in which we agreed to (i) have our interest in Time Warner Entertainment Company, L.P. ("TWE") redeemed, (ii) have our interest in TWC redeemed (together with the TWE redemption, the "redemptions") and (iii) exchange certain cable systems acquired from Adelphia and certain Comcast cable systems with TWC (the "exchanges"). On July 31, 2006, these transactions were completed. We collectively refer to the Adelphia acquisition, the redemptions and the exchanges as the "Adelphia and Time Warner transactions." Also in April 2005, Adelphia and TWC entered into an agreement for the acquisition of substantially all of the remaining cable system assets and the assumption of certain of the liabilities of Adelphia.

The Adelphia and Time Warner transactions resulted in a net increase of 1.7 million video customers, a net cash payment by us of approximately \$1.5 billion and the disposition of our ownership interests in TWE and TWC and the assets of two cable system partnerships.

The Adelphia and Time Warner transactions added cable systems in 16 states (California, Colorado, Connecticut, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Maryland, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Mississippi, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Vermont, Virginia and West Virginia).

The cable systems we transferred to TWC included our previously owned cable systems located in Los Angeles, Cleveland and Dallas (the "Corncast exchange systems"). The operating results of the Corncast exchange systems are reported as discontinued operations and are presented in accordance with SFAS No. 144, "Accounting for the Impairment or Disposal of Long-Lived Assets," ("SFAS No. 144") (see "Discontinued Operations" below).

Purchase Price Allocation

The results of operations for the cable systems acquired in the Adelphia and Time Warner transactions have been included in our consolidated financial statements since July 31, 2006 (the acquisition date). The weighted-average amortization period of the franchise-related customer relationship intangible assets acquired was 7 years. As a result of the redemption of our investment in TWC and the exchange of certain cable systems in 2006, we reversed deferred tax liabilities of approximately \$760 million, which were primarily related to the excess of tax basis of the assets acquired over the tax basis of the assets exchanged, and reduced the amount of goodwill and other noncurrent assets that would have otherwise been recorded in the acquisition. Substantially all of the goodwill recorded is expected to be amortizable for tax purposes.

The table below presents the purchase price allocation to assets acquired and liabilities assumed as a result of the Adelphia and Time Warner transactions.

(in millions)

Property and equipment	\$ 2,640
Franchise-related customer relationships	1,627
Cable franchise rights	6,730
Goodwill	420
Other assets	111
Total liabilities	(351)
Net assets acquired	\$11,177

Discontinued Operations

As discussed above, the operating results of the Comcast exchange systems transferred to TWC are reported as discontinued operations and are presented in accordance with SFAS No. 144. The table below presents the operating results of the Comcast exchange systems through the closing date of the exchanges (July 31, 2006):

Year ended December 31, 2006 (in millions)

Revenue	\$734
Income before income taxes	\$121
Income tax expense	\$ (18)
Net income	\$103

Other 2006 Acquisitions

E! Entertainment Television

In November 2006, we acquired the 39.5% of E! Entertainment Television, which operates the E! and Style programming networks, that we did not already own for approximately \$1.2 billion. We have historically consolidated the results of operations of E! Entertainment Television. We allocated the purchase price to property and equipment, intangibles, and goodwill.

Susquehanna

In April 2006, we acquired the cable systems of Susquehanna Cable Co. and its subsidiaries ("Susquehanna") for a total purchase price of approximately \$775 million. These cable systems are located primarily in Pennsylvania, New York, Maine and Mississippi. Before the acquisition, we held an approximate 30% equity ownership interest in Susquehanna that we accounted for as an equity method investment. On May 1, 2006, Susquehanna Cable Co. redeemed the approximate 70% equity ownership interest in Susquehanna held by Susquehanna Media Co., which resulted in Susquehanna becoming 100% owned by us. The results of operations of these cable systems have been included in our consolidated financial statements since the acquisition date and are reported in our Cable segment. We allocated the purchase price to property and equipment, franchise-related customer relationship intangibles, cable franchise rights, and goodwill. The acquisition of these cable systems was not material to our consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2006.

Note 6: Investments

The components of our investments are presented in the table below.

December 31 (in millions)	2008	2007
Fair Value Method		4
Equity securities	\$ 940	\$2,080
Debt securities	. 3	621
	943	2,701
Equity Method		
Insight Midwest		1,877
SpectrumCo, LLC	1,354	1,352
Clearwire	421	•
Other	402	453
	2,177	3,682
Cost Method	*	
AirTouch	1,479	1,465
Other	243	213
t	1,722	1,678
Total investments	4,842	8,061
Less: Current investments	59	98
Noncurrent investments	\$4,783	\$7,963

Fair Value Method

We hold equity investments in publicly traded companies that we account for as AFS or trading securities. As of December 31, 2008, we held \$932 million of fair value method equity securities related to our obligations under prepaid forward contracts, which mature between 2011 and 2015. At maturity of these prepaid forward contracts, the counterparties are entitled to receive some or all of the equity securities, or an equivalent amount of cash at our option, based upon the market value of the equity securities at that time.

The net unrealized gains on investments accounted for as AFS securities as of December 31, 2008 and 2007 were \$29 million and \$42 million, respectively. The amounts were reported primarily as a component of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), net of related deferred income taxes of \$10 million and \$15 million in 2008 and 2007, respectively.

The cost, fair value, and unrealized gains and losses related to our AFS securities are presented in the table below. The decreases in 2008 from 2007 are primarily due to the sale of debt securities.

Year ended December 31 (in millions)	2008	2007
Cost	\$60	\$685
Unrealized gains	34	44
Unrealized losses	(5)	(2)
Fair value	\$89	\$727

Proceeds from the sale of AFS securities in 2008, 2007 and 2006 were \$638 million, \$1.033 billion and \$209 million, respectively. Gross realized gains on these sales in 2008, 2007 and 2006 were \$1 million, \$145 million and \$59 million, respectively. Sales of AFS securities for the year ended December 31, 2008 consisted primarily of the sale of debt securities. Sales of AFS securities in 2007 and 2006 consisted primarily of sales of Time Warner Inc. common stock.

Equity Method

Insight Midwest Partnership

We accounted for our interest in Insight Midwest as an equity method investment until January 1, 2008, the date the Comcast asset pool was distributed to us (see Note 5). As of December 31, 2007, our recorded investment in Insight exceeded our proportionate interest in the book value of its net assets by \$144 million. The basis difference was attributed to indefinite-lived intangible assets.

SpectrumCo, LLC

SpectrumCo, LLC ("SpectrumCo"), a consortium of investors including us, Time Warner Cable, Bright House Networks and Cox Communications ("Cox"), was the successful bidder for 137 wireless spectrum licenses for approximately \$2.4 billion in the Federal Communications Commission's advanced wireless spectrum auction that concluded in September 2006. Our portion of the total cost to purchase the licenses was approximately \$1.3 billion. In October 2008, SpectrumCo and its members entered into an agreement under which Cox would withdraw as a member of SpectrumCo and have its interest in SpectrumCo redeemed in accordance with its pre-existing exit rights. Under the agreement, Cox was entitled to receive from SpectrumCo at the closing approximately \$70 million and certain spectrum licenses covering areas in or near Cox's service area. The agreement required the \$70 million to be funded by contributions to SpectrumCo from the remaining members. This transaction closed in January 2009 and we contributed \$45 million to SpectrumCo to satisfy our funding obligations under the agreement. Based on SpectrumCo's currently planned activities, we have determined that it is not a VIE. We have and continue to account for this joint venture as an equity method investment based on its governance structure, notwithstanding our majority interest.

Clearwire

In November 2008, Sprint Nextel ("Sprint") and the legal predecessor of Clearwire Corporation ("old Clearwire") closed on a series of transactions (collectively the "Clearwire transaction") with an investor group made up of us, Intel, Google, Time Warner Cable and Bright House Networks. As a result of the Clearwire transaction, Sprint and old Clearwire combined their next-generation wireless broadband businesses and formed a new independent holding company, Clearwire Corporation, and its operating subsidiary, Clearwire Communications LLC ("Clearwire

LLC"), that will focus on the deployment of a nationwide 4G wireless network. We, together with the other members of the investor group, have invested \$3,2 billion in Clearwire LLC. Our portion of the investment was \$1.05 billion. As a result of our investment, we received ownership units ("ownership units") of Clearwire LLC and Class B stock ("voting stock") of Clearwire Corporation, the publicly traded holding company that controls Clearwire LLC. The voting stock has voting rights equal to those of the publicly traded Class A stock of Clearwire Corporation, but has only minimal economic rights. We hold our economic rights through the ownership units, which have limited voting rights. One ownership unit combined with one share of voting stock are exchangeable into one share of Clearwire Corporation's publicly traded Class A stock. At closing, we received 52.5 million ownership units and 52.5 million shares of voting stock, which represents an approximate 7% ownership interest on a fully diluted basis. During the first quarter of 2009, the purchase price per share is expected to be adjusted based on the trading prices of Clearwire Corporation's publicly traded Class A stock. After the post-closing adjustment, we anticipate that we will have an approximate 8% ownership interest on a fully diluted basis.

In connection with the Clearwire transaction, we entered into an agreement with Sprint that allows us to offer wireless services utilizing certain of Sprint's existing wireless networks and an agreement with Clearwire LLC that allows us to offer wireless services utilizing Clearwire's next generation wireless broadband network. We allocated a portion of our \$1.05 billion investment to the related agreements.

We will account for our investment under the equity method and record our share of net income or loss one quarter in arrears. Clearwire LLC is expected to incur losses in the early years of operation, which under the equity method of accounting, will be reflected in our future operating results and reduce the cost basis of our investment. We evaluated our investment at December 31. 2008 to determine if an other than temporary decline in fair value below our cost basis had occurred. The primary input in estimating the fair value of our investment was the quoted market value of Clearwire publicly traded Class A shares at December 31, 2008, which declined significantly from the date of our initial agreement in May 2008. As a result of the severe decline in the quoted market value, we recognized an impairment in other income (expense) of \$600 million to adjust our cost basis in our investment to its estimated fair value. In the future, our evaluation of other than temporary declines in fair value of our investment will include a comparison of actual operating results and updated forecasts to the projected discounted cash flows that were used in making our initial investment decision, other impairment indicators, such as changes in competition or technology, as well as a comparison to the value that would be obtained by exchanging our investment into Clearwire Corporation's publicly traded Class A shares.

Cost Method

AirTouch Communications, Inc.

We hold two series of preferred stock of AirTouch Communications, Inc. ("AirTouch"), a subsidiary of Vodafone, which are redeemable in April 2020. As of December 31, 2008 and 2007, the AirTouch preferred stock was recorded at \$1.479 billion and \$1.465 billion, respectively.

As of December 31, 2008, the estimated fair value of the AirTouch preferred stock was \$1.357 billion, which is below our carrying amount. The recent decline in fair value is attributable to changes in interest rates. We have determined this decline to be temporary. The factors considered were the length of time and the extent to which the market value has been less than cost, the credit rating of AirTouch, and our intent and ability to retain the investment for a period of time sufficient to allow for recovery. Specifically, we expect to hold the two series of AirTouch preferred stock until their redemption in 2020.

The dividend and redemption activity of the AirTouch preferred stock determines the dividend and redemption payments associated with substantially all of the preferred shares issued by one of our consolidated subsidiaries, which is a VIE. The subsidiary has three series of preferred stock outstanding with an aggregate redemption value of \$1.750 billion. Substantially all of the preferred shares are redeemable in April 2020 at a redemption value of \$1.650 billion. As of December 31, 2008 and 2007, the two redeemable series of subsidiary preferred shares were recorded at \$1.468 billion and \$1.465 billion, respectively, and those amounts are included in other noncurrent liabilities. The one nonredeemable series of subsidiary preferred shares was recorded at \$100 million as of both December 31, 2008 and 2007 and those amounts are included in minority interest on our consolidated balance sheet.

inves	tment	Income (Loss), I	Vet	

Year ended December 31 (in millions)		2008	2007	2006
Gains on sales and exchanges of investments, net	\$	8	\$ 151	\$ 733
Investment impairment losses		(28)	(4)	(4)
Unrealized gains (losses) on				
trading securities and hedged items	(1	,117)	315	339
Mark to market adjustments on derivatives related to trading securities and hedged items	1	,120	(188)	(238)
Mark to market adjustments on	•	,,,20	(100)	(200)
derivatives		57	160	(18)
Interest and dividend income		149	199	212
Other		(100)	(32)	(34)
Investment income (loss), net	\$	89	\$ 601	\$990

In connection with the Adelphia and Time Warner transactions in 2006, we recognized total gains of approximately \$646 million on the redemptions and the exchange of cable systems held by

Century and Parnassos (see Note 5). These gains are included within the "Gains on sales and exchanges of investments, net" caption in the table above.

Note 7: Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets

The changes in the carrying amount of goodwill by business segment (see Note 16) are presented in the table below.

(in milions)	Cable	Programming	Corporate and Other	Total
Balance, December 31, 2006	\$12,010	\$1,441	\$317	\$13,768
Acquisitions	660		146	806
Settlements and adjustments	172	41	(82)	131
Balance, December 31, 2007	\$12,842	\$1,482	\$381	\$14,705
Acquisitions	306	139	209	654
Settlements and adjustments	(475)	(1)	6	(470)
Balance, December 31, 2008	\$12,673	\$1,620	\$596	\$14,889

Cable segment acquisitions in 2008 were primarily related to the Insight transaction and the acquisition of an additional interest in Comcast SportsNet Bay Area. Programming segment acquisitions in 2008 were primarily related to the acquisition of the remaining interest in G4 that we did not already own. Corporate and Other acquisitions in 2008 were primarily related to Internet-related business, including Plaxo and DailyCandy. Settlements and adjustments in 2008 were primarily related to the settlement of an uncertain tax position of an acquired entity (see Note 13).

Cable segment acquisitions in 2007 were primarily related to the Houston transaction, the acquisition of the cable system of Patriot Media and various smaller acquisitions. Corporate and Other acquisitions in 2007 were primarily related to the acquisition of Fandango. Settlements and adjustments in 2007 were primarily related to valuation refinements made in connection with the Adelphia and Time Warner transactions and the adoption of FIN 48.

The gross carrying amount and accumulated amortization of our intangible assets subject to amortization are presented in the table below.

		;	2008	2007	
December 31 (in millions)	Useful Life	Gross Carrying Amount	Accumulated Amortization	Gross Carrying Amount	Accumulated Amortization
Customer relationships	4-12 years	\$ 5,512	\$(4,030)	\$ 5,466	\$(3,694)
Cable and satellite television distribution rights	6-22 years	1,533	(859)	1,482	(702)
Cable franchise renewal costs and contractual operating rights	5-15 years	1,154	(484)	1,045	(377)
Computer software	3-5 years	1,887	(1,045)	1,445	(798)
Patents and other technology rights	3-12 years	244	(119)	225	(90)
Programming agreements and rights	1-10 years	1,508	(1,303)	1,199	(1,017)
Other agreements and rights	2-21 years	880	(320)	854	(299)
Total		\$12,718	\$(8,160)	\$11,716	 \$(6,977)

The estimated expense for each of the next five years recognized in amortization expense and other accounts are presented in the table below. The amortization of certain intangible assets of our Programming segment are not recognized as amortization expense but as a reduction to revenue or as an operating expense and are presented under the caption "Other Accounts."

(in millions)	Amortization Expense	Other Accounts		
2009	\$987	\$154		
2010	\$882	\$ 94		
2011	\$748	\$ 39		
2012	\$623	\$ 23		
2013	\$389	\$ 6		

Note 8: Fair Value of Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities

Effective January 1, 2008, we adopted the provisions of SFAS No. 157 that relate to our financial assets and financial liabilities ("financial instruments") as discussed in Note 3. SFAS No. 157 establishes a hierarchy that prioritizes fair value measurements based on the types of inputs used for the various valuation techniques (market approach, income approach and cost approach). The levels of the hierarchy are described below:

 Level 1: consists of financial instruments whose value is based on quoted market prices for identical financial instruments in an active market

- Level 2: consists of financial instruments that are valued using models or other valuation methodologies. These models use inputs that are observable either directly or indirectly; Level 2 inputs include (i) quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets, (ii) quoted prices for identical or similar assets or fiabilities in markets that are not active, (iii) pricing models whose inputs are observable for substantially the full term of the financial instrument and (iv) pricing models whose inputs are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data through correlation or other means for substantially the full term of the financial instrument
- Level 3: consists of financial instruments whose values are determined using pricing models that utilize significant inputs that are primarity unobservable, discounted cash flow methodologies, or similar techniques, as well as instruments for which the determination of fair value requires significant management judgment or estimation

Our assessment of the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement requires judgment and may affect the valuation of financial instruments and their classification within the fair value hierarchy. As required by SFAS No. 157, financial instruments are classified in their entirety based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement. There have been no changes in the classification of any financial instruments within the fair value hierarchy since our adoption of SFAS No. 157. Our financial instruments that are accounted for at fair value on a recurring basis are presented in the table below.

Recurring Fair Value Measures

	Fair	Fair value as of December 31, 2008						
(in millions)	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total				
Assets								
Trading securities	\$932	\$ -	\$.—	\$ 932				
Available-for-sale securities	7	3	_	10				
Equity warrants			1	1				
Cash surrender value of life insurance policies	_	147		147				
Interest rate exchange agreements	_	291		291				
	\$939	\$ 441	\$ 1	\$1,381				
Liabilities								
Derivative component of indexed debt instruments	* -	\$ 23	\$-	\$ 23				
Derivative component of prepaid forward sale agreements		(466)	-	(466				
Interest rate exchange agreements	*****	1	_	1				
	\$ -	\$(442)	\$-	\$ (442				

For the year ended December 31, 2008, the financial instruments measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis are presented in the table below.

Nonrecurring Fair Value Measures

(in millions)		Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total Losses
Assets					
Equity method investments	\$421	\$ 	\$ 	\$421	\$(600)

In accordance with Accounting Principles Board ("APB") No. 18, "The Equity Method of Accounting for Investments in Common Stock," we recognized an other than temporary impairment to other income (expense) of \$600 million to adjust our cost basis in our investment in Clearwire LLC of approximately \$1 billion to its estimated fair value (see Note 6). Our valuation methodology utilized a combination of the quoted market value of Clearwire Corporation's publicly traded Class A shares and unobservable inputs related to the ownership units of Clearwire LLC and the voting stock of Clearwire Corporation, including the use of discounted cash flow models. Our investment in Clearwire LLC is classified as a Level 3 financial instrument in accordance SFAS No. 157 in the fair value hierarchy, as a portion of the estimated fair value of the investment is based on unobservable inputs. We believe the estimated fair value is consistent with the underlying principle of SFAS No. 157, which is that the estimated fair value should represent the exit price from a marketplace participant's perspective.

Note 9: Long-Term Debt

Weighted Average Interest Rate as of	2009	2007
N/A	\$ -	\$ 300
0.81%	1,000	_
6.99%	9,425	6,895
6.09%	9,798	11,429
*		
7.00%	11,284	11,435
10.63%	202	202
2.00%	408	706
	339	356
6.44%(4)	\$ 32,456	\$31,323
	2,278	1,495
	\$ 30,178	\$ 29,828
	Interest Rate as of December 31, 2008 N/A 0.81% 6.99% 7.00% 10.63% 2.00%	Interest Rate as of December 31, 2008 N/A \$ — 0.81% 1,000 6.99% 9,425 6.09% 9,798 7.00% 11,284 10.63% 202 2.00% 408 — 339 6.44% \$32,456 2,278

(a) Includes the effects of our derivative financial instruments.

As of December 31, 2008 and 2007, our debt had an estimated fair value of \$32.001 billion and \$32.565 billion, respectively. The estimated fair value of our publicly traded debt is based on quoted market values for the debt. To estimate the fair value of debt issuances for which there are no quoted market prices, we use interest rates available to us for debt issuances with similar terms and remaining maturities.

Some of our loan agreements require that we maintain certain financial ratios based on our debt and our operating income before depreciation and amortization. We were in compliance with all financial covenants for all periods presented. See Note 18 for a discussion of our subsidiary guarantee structures.

As of December 31, 2008 and 2007, accrued interest was \$520 million and \$546 million, respectively.

Debt	Maturities
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As of December 31, 2008 (in millions)	
2009 ′	\$ 2,278
2010	\$ 1,183
2011	\$ 1,810
2012	\$ 853
2013	\$ 4,768
Thereafter	\$21,564

Debt Issuances and Borrowings

Year ended December 31, 2008 (in millions)	,
Revolving bank credit facility due 2013	\$ 1,510
5.70% notes due 2018	1,000
6.40% notes due 2038	1,000
Other, net	25
Total	\$ 3,535

We used the net proceeds of these issuances and borrowings for the repayment of certain debt obligations, the repurchase of our common stock, the purchase of investments, working capital and general corporate purposes.

Debt Redemptions and Repayments

Year ended December 31, 2008 (in millions)	
Commercial paper	\$ 300
Revolving bank credit facility due 2013	505
6.2% notes due 2008	800
7.625% notes due 2008	350
9.0% notes due 2008	300
ZONES due 2029	264
Other, net	. 91
Total	\$2,610

Debt Instruments

Commercial Paper Program

Our commercial paper program provides a lower cost borrowing source of liquidity to fund our short-term working capital requirements. The program allows for a maximum of \$2.25 billion of commercial paper to be issued at any one time. Our revolving bank credit facility supports this program. Amounts outstanding under the program are classified as long term in our consolidated balance sheet because we have both the ability and the intent to refinance these obligations, if necessary, on a long-term basis using funds available through our revolving bank credit facility.

Revolving Bank Credit Facility

In January 2008, we entered into an amended and restated revolving bank credit facility that may be used for general corporate purposes. This amendment increased the size of our existing revolving bank credit facility from \$5.0 billion to \$7.0 billion and extended the maturity of the loan commitment from October 2010 to January 2013. The base rate, chosen at our option, is either the London Interbank Offered Rate ("LIBOR") or the greater of the

prime rate or the Federal Funds rate plus 0.5%. The borrowing margin is based on our senior unsecured debt ratings. As of December 31, 2008, the interest rate for borrowings under the credit facility was LIBOR plus 0.35%. In December 2008, we terminated a \$200 million commitment to our credit facility by Lehman Brothers Bank, FSB ("Lehman") as a result of Lehman's default under a borrowing request. At a discounted value, we repaid Lehman's portion of our outstanding credit facility, along with accrued interest and fees. Subsequent to this termination, the size of the credit facility is \$6.8 billion.

Lines and Letters of Credit

As of December 31, 2008, we and certain of our subsidiaries had unused lines of credit totaling \$5.501 billion under various credit facilities and unused irrevocable standby letters of credit totaling \$337 million to cover potential fundings under various agreements.

ZONES

At maturity, holders of our 2.0% Exchangeable Subordinated Debentures due 2029 (the "ZONES") are entitled to receive in cash an amount equal to the higher of the principal amount of the outstanding ZONES of \$1.060 billion or the market value of approximately 14.1 million shares of Sprint Nextel common stock and approximately 0.7 million shares of Embarq common stock. Before maturity, each of the ZONES is exchangeable at the holder's option for an amount of cash equal to 95% of the aggregate market value of one share of Sprint Nextel common stock and 0.05 shares of Embarq common stock.

We separate the accounting for the ZONES into derivative and debt components. The following table presents the change in the carrying value of the debt component and the change in the fair value of the derivative component (see Note 6).

(in millions)	Debt Component	Derivative Component	Total
Balance as of January 1,			
2008	\$ 625	\$81	\$ 706
Change in debt component			
to interest expense	24		24
Change in derivative			
component to investment			
income (loss), net		(58)	(58
Repurchases and retirements	(264)	_	(264
Balance as of December 31,			
2008	\$ 385	\$23	\$ 408

Interest Rate Risk Management

We are exposed to the market risk of adverse changes in interest rates. To manage the volatility relating to these exposures, our policy is to maintain a mix of fixed-rate and variable-rate debt and to use interest rate derivative transactions.

Using swaps, we agree to exchange, at specified dates, the difference between fixed and variable interest amounts calculated by reference to an agreed-upon notional principal amount. The table below summarizes the terms of our existing swaps.

Fixed to Variable Swaps

December 31 (in millions)		2008		2007
Maturities	20	09-2018	20	08-2014
Notional amount	\$	3,500	\$	3,200
Average pay rate		3.9%		6.8%
Average receive rate		5.8%		5.9%
Estimated fair value	\$	309	\$	17

The notional amounts presented in the table above are used to measure interest to be paid or received and do not represent the amount of exposure to credit loss. The estimated fair value represents the approximate amount of proceeds or payments required to settle the contracts.

In 2008, 2007 and 2006, the effect of our interest rate derivative financial instruments was an (decrease) increase to our interest expense of approximately \$(34) million, \$43 million and \$39 million, respectively.

Note 10: Postretirement, Pension and Other Employee Benefit Plans

The table below provides condensed information on our postretirement and pension benefit plans.

	2008		2007		2006	
Year ended December 31 (in millions)	Postretirement Benefits	Pension Benefits	Postretirement Benefits	Pension Benefits	Postretirement Benefits	Pension Benefits
Benefit obligation	\$ 338	\$ 181	\$ 280	\$ 179	\$ 280	\$ 184
Fair value of plan assets	\$ -	\$ 152	\$ -	\$ 157	\$ -	\$ 122
Plan funded status and recorded benefit obligation	\$ (338)	\$ (29)	\$ (280)	\$ (22)	\$ (280)	\$ (62)
Portion of benefit obligation not yet recognized in benefits						
expense	\$ (18)	\$ 67	\$ (39)	\$ 1	\$ (4)	\$ 12
Benefits expense	\$ 36	- \$ 1	\$ 34	\$ 4	\$ 29	\$ 8
Discount rate	6.15%	6.00%	6.65%	6.25%	6.00%	5.75%
Expected return on plan assets	N/A	8.00%	N/A	8.00%	N/A	7.00%

Postretirement Benefit Plans

Our postretirement medical benefits cover substantially all of our employees who meet certain age and service requirements. The majority of eligible employees participate in the Comcast Postretirement Healthcare Stipend Program (the "stipend plan"), and a small number of eligible employees participate in legacy plans of acquired companies. The stipend plan provides an annual stipend for reimbursement of healthcare costs to each eligible employee based on years of service. Under the stipend plan, we are not exposed to the increasing costs of healthcare because the benefits are fixed at a predetermined amount.

Pension Benefit Plans

We sponsor two pension plans that together provide benefits to substantially all former employees of a previously acquired company. Future benefits for both plans have been frozen.

Other Employee Benefits

Deferred Compensation Plans

We maintain unfunded, nonqualified deferred compensation plans for certain members of management and nonemployee directors (each a "participant"). The amount of compensation deferred by each participant is based on participant elections. Participant accounts are credited with income primarily based on a fixed annual rate. Participants are eligible to receive distributions of the amounts credited to their account based on elected deferral periods that are consistent with the plans and applicable tax law. We have purchased life insurance policies to fund a portion of the unfunded obligation related to our deferred compensation plans. As of December 31, 2008 and 2007, the cash surrender value of these policies, which are recorded in other noncurrent assets, was approximately \$147 million and \$112 million, respectively.

Deferred Compensation Plans

Year ended December 31 (in millions)	2008	2007	2006
Benefit obligation	\$797	\$672	\$554
Interest expense	\$ 76	\$ 65	. \$ 50

Split Dollar Life Insurance

We also have collateral assignment split-dollar life insurance agreements with select key employees that require us to bear certain insurance-related costs. Under some of these agreements, our obligation to provide benefits to the employees extends beyond retirement.

On January 1, 2008, in connection with the adoption of EITF 06-10, we adjusted beginning retained earnings and recorded a liability of \$132 million for the present value of the postretirement benefit obligation related to our split-dollar life insurance agreements (see Note 3). As of December 31, 2008, this benefit obligation was \$145 million. The related expenses were \$24 million for the year ended December 31, 2008.

Retirement Investment Plans

We sponsor several 401(k) retirement plans that allow eligible employees to contribute a portion of their compensation through payroll deductions in accordance with specified guidelines. We match a percentage of the employees' contributions up to certain limits. For the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006, expenses related to these plans amounted to \$178 million, \$150 million and \$125 million, respectively.

Note 11: Stockholders' Equity

Common Stock

In the aggregate, holders of our Class A common stock have 66%% of the voting power of our common stock and holders of our Class B common stock have 331/3% of the voting power of our common stock. Our Class A Special common stock is generally nonvoting. Each share of our Class B common stock is entitled to 15 votes. The number of votes held by each share of our Class A common stock depends on the number of shares of Class A and Class B common stock outstanding at any given time. The 331/3% aggregate voting power of our Class B common stock cannot be diluted by additional issuances of any other class of common stock. Our Class B common stock is convertible, share for share, into Class A or Class A Special common stock, subject to certain restrictions.

Share Repurchase and Dividends

In 2007, our Board of Directors authorized a \$7 billion addition to our existing share repurchase authorization. Under this authorization, we may repurchase shares in the open market or in private transactions, subject to market conditions. As of December 31, 2008, we had approximately \$4.1 billion of availability remaining under our share repurchase authorization. We have previously indicated our plan to fully use our remaining share repurchase authorization by the end of 2009, subject to market conditions. However, due to difficult economic conditions and instability in the capital markets, it is unlikely we will complete our share repurchase authorization by the end of 2009 as previously planned. The table below shows our aggregate repurchases during 2008, 2007 and 2006.

Share Repurchases

(in millions)	2008	2007	2006
Aggregate consideration	\$2,800	\$3,102	\$2,347
Shares repurchased	141	133	113

Our Board of Directors declared a dividend of \$0.0625 per share for each quarter in 2008, totaling approximately \$727 million, of which approximately \$547 million was paid in 2008. We expect to continue to pay quarterly dividends, though each subsequent dividend is subject to approval by our Board of Directors. We did not declare or pay any cash dividends in 2007 or 2006.

Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)

The table below presents our accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), net of taxes.

Year ended December 31 (in millions)	nded December 31 (in millions) 2008	
Unrealized gains (losses) on marketable	•	
securities	\$ 19	\$ 27
Unrealized gains (losses) on cash flow hedges	(97)	(110)
Unrealized gains (losses) on employee benefit		
obligations	(31)	24
Cumulative translation adjustments	(4)	3
Accumulated other comprehensive income		
(loss)	\$ (113)	\$ (56)

Unrealized losses on cash flow hedges in the table above relate to our interest rate lock agreements entered into to fix the interest rates of certain of our debt obligations in advance of their issuance. Unless we retire this debt early, these unrealized losses as of December 31, 2008 will be reclassified as an adjustment to interest expense over 9 years, the same period over which the related interest costs are recognized in earnings.

Note 12: Share-Based Compensation

Our Board of Directors may grant share-based awards, in the form of stock options and RSUs, to certain employees and directors. Additionally, through our employee stock purchase plan, employees are able to purchase shares of Comcast Class A stock at a discount through payroll deductions.

Recognized Share-Based Compensation Expense Under SFAS 123R

Year ended December 31 (in millions)	2008	2007	2006
Stock options	\$ 99	\$ 74	\$120
Restricted share units	9 6	79	62
Employee stock purchase plan	13	11	8
Total	\$208	\$164	\$190
Tax benefit	\$ 71	\$ 56	\$ 66

As of December 31, 2008, we had unrecognized pretax compensation expense of \$292 million and \$279 million related to nonvested stock options and nonvested RSUs, respectively, that will be recognized over a weighted average period of approximately 2.0 years. The amount of share-based compensation capitalized was not material to our consolidated financial statements for the periods presented.

When stock options are exercised or RSU awards are settled through the issuance of shares, any income tax benefit realized in excess of the amount associated with compensation expense that was previously recognized for financial reporting purposes is presented as a financing activity rather than as an operating activity in our consolidated statement of cash flows. The excess cash income tax benefit classified as a financing cash inflow in 2008, 2007 and 2006 was approximately \$15 million, \$33 million and \$33 million, respectively.

Option Plans

We maintain stock option plans for certain employees under which fixed-price stock options may be granted and the option price is generally not less than the fair value of a share of the underlying stock at the date of grant. Under our stock option plans, a combined total of approximately 226 million shares of our Class A and Class A Special common stock are reserved for the exercise of stock options, including those outstanding as of December 31, 2008. Option terms are generally 10 years, with options generally becoming exercisable between 2 and 9.5 years from the date of grant.

We use the Black-Scholes option pricing model to estimate the fair value of each stock option on the date of grant. The Black-Scholes option pricing model uses the assumptions summarized in the table below. Dividend yield is based on the yield at the date of grant. Expected volatility is based on a blend of implied and historical volatility of our Class A common stock. The risk-free rate is based on the U.S. Treasury yield curve in effect at the date of grant. We use historical data on the exercise of stock options and other factors expected to impact holders' behavior to estimate the expected term of the options granted. The table below summarizes the weighted-average fair values at the date of grant of a Class A common stock option granted under our stock option plans and the related weighted-average valuation assumptions.

Stock Option Fair Value and Significant Assumptions

	2008	2007	2006
Fair value	\$ 6.47	\$ 9.61	\$ 7.30
Dividend yield	1.3%	0%	0%
Expected volatility	32.8%	24.3%	26.9%
Risk-free interest rate	3.0%	4.5%	4.8%
Expected option life (in years)	7.0	7.0	7.0

In 2007, we began granting net settled stock options instead of stock options exercised with a cash payment ("cash settled stock options"). In net settled stock options, an employee receives the number of shares equal to the number of options being exercised less the number of shares necessary to satisfy the cost to exercise the options and, if applicable, taxes due on exercise based on the fair value of the shares at the exercise date. The change to net settled stock options will result in fewer shares being issued and no cash proceeds being received by us when a net settled option is exercised. Following the change, we offered employees the opportunity to modify their outstanding stock options from cash settled to net settled. The modifications that were made did not result in any additional compensation expense.

	Cash Settled Options (in thousands)	Net Settled Options (in thousands)	Weighted- Average Exercise Price	Weighted- Average Remaining Contractual Term (in years)	Aggregate Intrinsic Value (in millions)
Class A Common Stock	·				
Outstanding as of January 1, 2008	56,272	62,246	\$ 25.07		
Modified (cash-settled to net-settled)	(505)	505	\$ 19.14		
Granted	***	24,728	\$ 18.98		
Exercised	(2,254)	(1,245)	\$ 18.10		
Forfeited	(986)	(2,911)	\$ 21.16		
Expired	(6,216)	(2,408)	\$ 36.84		
Outstanding as of December 31, 2008 Weighted-average exercise price, as of	46,311	80,915	\$ 23.41	5.6	\$2.1
December 31, 2008	\$ 25.91	\$ 21.96			
Exercisable as of December 31, 2008 Weighted-average exercise price, as of	38,598	27,937	\$ 25.89	3.5	\$ 1.1
December 31, 2008	\$ 27.38	\$ 23.83			
Class A Special Common Stock					
Outstanding as of January 1, 2008	15,206	41,396	\$22.41		
Modified (cash-settled to net-settled)	(962)	962	\$27.89		
Exercised	(1,747)	(5,679)	\$11.29		
Forfeited	(11)	(2)	\$23.44		
Expired	(815)	(79)	\$24.41		
Outstanding as of December 31, 2008 Weighted-average exercise price, as of	11,671	36,598	\$ 24.08	2.0	\$ 2.6
December 31, 2008	\$ 23.34	\$ 24.32			
Exercisable as of December 31, 2008 Weighted-average exercise price, as of	11,232	32,489	\$24.15	1.9	\$ 2.3
December 31, 2008	\$ 23.47	\$ 24.39			

Cash received from cash settled options exercised during the year ended December 31, 2008 was \$49 million.

The table below summarizes information on exercised stock options.

Year ended December 31 (in millions)		2008	2007	2006
Intrinsic value of options exercised	٠	\$ 85	\$ 171	\$ 180
Tax benefit of options exercised		\$ 30	\$ 58	\$ 62

The stock option information above does not include 9.0 million stock options outstanding, with a weighted average exercise price

of \$31.41 per share, for the year ended December 31, 2008. These stock options were issued under a stock option liquidity program in 2005 and will expire by the end of 2012.

We also maintain a deferred stock option plan for certain employees and directors that provided the optionees with the opportunity to defer the receipt of shares of Class A or Class A Special common stock that would otherwise be deliverable when the stock options are exercised. As of December 31, 2008, approximately 2.0 million shares of Class A Special common stock were issuable under exercised options, the receipt of which was irrevocably deferred by the optionees under the deferred stock option plan.

Restricted Stock Plan

We maintain a restricted stock plan under which certain employees and directors ("participants") may be granted RSU awards in units of Class A or Class A Special common stock. Under the restricted stock plan, a combined total of approximately 50 million shares of our Class A and Class A Special common stock are reserved for issuance, including those outstanding as of December 31, 2008. RSUs, which are valued based on the closing price on the date of grant and discounted for the lack of dividends, if any, during the vesting period, entitle participants to receive, at the time of vesting, one share of common stock for each RSU. The awards vest annually, generally over a period not to exceed 5 years, and do not have voting or dividend rights.

The table below summarizes the weighted-average fair value at the date of grant of the RSUs.

	2008	2007	2006
Weighted-average fair value	\$18.06	\$ 25.65	\$19.98

2008 Restricted Stock Plan Activity

	Nonvested Restricted Share Unit Awards (in thousands)	
Class A Common Stock		
Nonvested awards as of		
January 1, 2008	16,456	\$ 21.97
Granted	8,652	\$ 18.06
Vested	(3,342)	\$ 21.64
Forfeited	(1,430)	\$ 20.87
Nonvested awards as of		
December 31, 2008	20,336	\$ 19.64

The table below summarizes information on vested RSUs.

Year ended December 31 (in millions)	2008	2007	2006
Fair value of RSUs vested	\$ 65	\$75	\$ 32
Tax benefit of RSUs vested	\$ 23	\$ 24	\$9

The restricted stock plan also provides certain employees and directors the opportunity to defer the receipt of shares of Class A or Class A Special common stock that would otherwise be deliverable when their RSUs vest. As of December 31, 2008, approximately 941,000 and 89,000 shares of Class A common stock and Class A Special common stock, respectively, were issuable under vested RSU awards, the receipt of which was irrevocably deferred by participants.

Employee Stock Purchase Plan

We maintain an employee stock purchase plan that offers employees the opportunity to purchase shares of Class A common stock at a 15% discount. We recognize the fair value of the discount associated with shares purchased under the plan as share-based compensation expense in accordance with SFAS No. 123R. The employee cost associated with participation in the plan was satisfied with payroll withholdings of approximately \$50 million, \$48 million and \$35 million in 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively.

Note 13: Income Taxes

Components of Income Tax (Expense) Benefit

Year ended December 31 (in millions)	2008	2007	2006
Current (expense) benefit			
Federal	\$ (751)	\$ (1,280)	\$ (887)
State	(287)	(273)	(77)
	(1,038)	(1,553)	(964)
Deferred (expense) benefit			
Federal	(547)	(128)	(301)
State	52	(119)	(82)
	(495)	(247)	(383)
Income tax (expense) benefit	\$ (1,533)	\$ (1,800)	\$ (1,347)

Our income tax expense differs from the federal statutory amount because of the effect of the items detailed in the table below.

Year ended December 31 (in millions)	2008	2007	2006
Federal tax at statutory rate	\$ (1,420)	\$ (1,522)	\$ (1,258)
State income taxes, net of			
federal benefit	(45)	(153)	(132)
Nondeductible losses from			
joint ventures and equity in			
net (losses) income of			
affiliates, net	1	3	18
Adjustments to uncertain			
and effectively settled tax			
positions	(34)	(35)	93
Accrued interest on			
uncertain and effectively			
settled tax positions	(65)	(110)	64
Other	30	17	(132)
Income tax expense	\$ (1,533)	\$ (1,800)	\$ (1,347)

Components of Net Deferred Tax Liability

December 31 (in millions)		2008		2007
Deferred Tax Assets:	•			
Net operating loss carryforwards	\$	220	\$	252
Differences between book and tax basis				
of long-term debt		153		163
Nondeductible accruals and other		1,351_		1,225
		1,724		1,640
Deferred Tax Liabilities:				
Differences between book and tax basis				
of property and equipment and				
intangible assets	2	7,354	:	25,935
Differences between book and tax basis				
of investments		588		1,542
Differences between book and tax basis				
of indexed debt securities		472		829
	2	8,414	:	28,306
Net deferred tax liability	\$ 2	26,690	\$:	26,666

Changes in net deferred income tax liabilities in 2008 that were not recorded as deferred income tax expense relate to reductions in deferred income tax liabilities of \$79 million associated with acquisition-related purchase price allocations, of \$365 million related to the settlement of an uncertain tax position of an acquired entity and of \$27 million associated with items included in other comprehensive income (loss).

Net deferred tax assets included in current assets are primarily related to our current investments and current liabilities. As (of December 31, 2008, we had federal net operating loss carryforwards of \$229 million and various state net operating loss carryforwards that expire in periods through 2028. The determination of the state net operating loss carryforwards is dependent on our subsidiaries' taxable income or loss, apportionment percentages, and state laws that can change from year to year and impact the amount of such carryforwards.

In 2008, 2007 and 2006, income tax benefits attributable to share-based compensation of approximately \$28 million, \$49 million and \$60 million, respectively, were allocated to stockholders' equity.

Uncertain Tax Positions

We adopted FIN 48 on January 1, 2007, at which time we recorded a cumulative effect adjustment increasing retained earnings by \$60 million. Our uncertain tax positions as of December 31, 2008 totaled \$1.45 billion, excluding the federal benefits on state tax positions that have been recorded as deferred income taxes. If we were to recognize the tax benefit for

such positions in the future, approximately \$1.2 billion would impact our effective tax rate with the remaining amount impacting deferred income taxes.

Reconciliation of Unrecognized Tax Benefits				
(in militòns)	2008	2007		
Balance as of January 1 Additions based on tax positions related to	\$ 1,921	\$ 2,099		
the current year Additions based on tax positions related to	55	6 5		
prior years	30	18		
Reductions for tax positions of prior years Reductions due to expiration of statute of	(411)	J (157)		
limitations	(3)	(3)		
Settlements with taxing authorities	(142)	(101)		
Balance as of December 31	\$1,450	\$ 1,921		

As of December 31, 2008 and 2007, we had accrued approximately \$787 million and \$766 million, respectively, of interest associated with our uncertain tax positions.

During 2008, we recognized approximately \$411 million of income tax benefits as a result of the settlement of an uncertain tax position of an acquired entity. The tax position related to the deductibility of certain costs incurred in connection with a business acquisition. The primary impacts of the settlement were reductions to our deferred income tax and other long-term liabilities of approximately \$542 million, a reduction to goodwill of approximately \$477 million and a reduction to income tax expense of approximately \$65 million.

We are litigating an uncertain tax position which is scheduled for trial in October 2009. As a result, it is reasonably possible that our uncertain tax positions could significantly change within the next 12 months. We are unable to estimate the range of possible change.

During 2007, the Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") completed its examination of our income tax returns for the years 2000 through 2004. The IRS proposed certain adjustments that relate primarily to certain financing transactions. We are currently disputing those proposed adjustments, but if the adjustments are sustained, they would not have a material impact on our effective tax rate. The IRS is currently examining our 2005 and 2006 tax returns and various states are currently conducting examinations of our income tax returns for years through 2007. In addition, the statutes of limitations could expire for certain of our tax returns over the next 12 months, which could result in decreases to our uncertain tax positions. These adjustments are not expected to have a material impact on our effective tax rate.

Note 14: Statement of Cash Flows — Supplemental Information

Cash Payments for Interest and Income Taxes

Year ended December 31 (in millions)	2008	2007	2006
Interest	\$ 2,256	\$ 2,134	\$ 1,880
Income taxes	\$ 762	\$ 1,638	\$1,284

Noncash Financing and Investing Activities During 2008, we:

- exchanged our 50% interest in the Insight asset pool for Insight's 50% interest in the Comcast asset pool, which is a noncash investing activity
- recorded a liability of approximately \$180 million for a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.0625 per common share paid in January 2009, which is a noncash financing activity
- acquired approximately \$559 million of property and equipment and software that are accrued but unpaid, which is a noncash investing activity
- issued an interest in a consolidated entity with a value of approximately.\$145 million in exchange for certain programming rights, which is a noncash investing activity

During 2007, we:

- exchanged our 50% interest in the Kansas City asset pool for TWC's 50% interest in the Houston asset pool, which is a noncash investing activity
- settled the remaining outstanding \$49 million face amount of exchangeable notes by delivering approximately 1.8 million of the 2.2 million underlying Vodafone ADRs to the counterparty, which is a noncash financing and investing activity
- entered into capital leases totaling \$46 million, which is a noncash investing and financing activity
- acquired approximately \$593 million of property and equipment and software that are accrued but unpaid, which is a noncash investing activity

During 2006, we:

 exchanged investments for cable systems in the redemptions with a fair value of approximately \$3.2 billion and cable systems for cable systems in the exchanges with a fair value of approximately \$8.5 billion, which are noncash investing activities

- acquired an additional equity interest with a fair value of \$21 million and recorded a liability for a corresponding amount in connection with our achievement of certain customer launch milestones, which is a noncash investing and operating activity
- assumed a \$185 million principal amount variable-rate term loan in connection with the Susquehanna transaction, which is a noncash financing and investing activity
- acquired approximately \$314 million of property and equipment and software that are accrued but unpaid, which is a noncash investing activity

Note 15: Commitments and Contingencies

Commitments

Our programming networks have entered into license agreements for programs and sporting events that are available for telecast. In addition, we, through Comcast Spectacor, have employment agreements with both players and coaches of our professional sports teams. Certain of these employment agreements, which provide for payments that are guaranteed regardless of employee injury or termination, are covered by disability insurance if certain conditions are met.

One of our subsidiaries supports debt compliance with respect to obligations of a cable television investment in which we hold an ownership interest. The obligation expires March 2011. Although there can be no assurance, we believe that we will not be required to meet our obligation under such commitment. The total notional amount of our commitment was \$410 million as of December 31, 2008, at which time there were no quoted market prices for similar agreements. This amount reflects a decrease of approximately \$555 million from December 31, 2007, primarily as a result of the Insight transaction (see Note 5).

The table below summarizes our minimum annual commitments under the programming license agreements of our programming networks and regional sports networks and our minimum annual rental commitments for office space, equipment and transponder service agreements under noncancelable operating leases.

As of December 31, 2008 (in millions)	Progr Licer Agreeme	Operating Leases	
2009	\$ 5	59	\$ 385
2010	\$ 5	93	\$317
2011	\$ 5	78	\$ 225
2012	\$ 5	10	\$ 176
2013	\$ 5	16	\$ 152
Thereafter	\$ 5,1	45	\$ 833

The following table summarizes our rental expense and programming license expense charged to operations:

Year ended December 31 (in millions)	2008	2007	2006
Rental expense	\$ 436	\$ 358	\$ 273
Programming license expense	\$ 548	\$ 484	\$ 350

Contingencies

We and the minority owner group in Comcast Spectacor each have the right to initiate an exit process under which the fair market value of Comcast Spectacor would be determined by appraisal. Following such determination, we would have the option to acquire the 24.3% interest in Comcast Spectacor owned by the minority owner group based on the appraised fair market value. In the event we do not exercise this option, we and the minority owner group would then be required to use our best efforts to sell Comcast Spectacor. This exit process includes the minority owner group's interest in Comcast SportsNet (Philadelphia).

The minority owners in certain of our technology development ventures also have rights to trigger an exit process after a certain period of time based on the fair value of the entities at the time the exit process is triggered.

Antitrust Cases

We are defendants in two purported class actions originally filed in December 2003 in the United States District Courts for the District of Massachusetts and the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. The potential class in the Massachusetts case is our subscriber base in the "Boston Cluster" area, and the potential class in the Pennsylvania case is our subscriber base in the "Philadelphia and Chicago Clusters," as those terms are defined in the complaints. In each case, the plaintiffs allege that certain subscriber exchange transactions with other cable providers resulted in unlawful horizontal market restraints in those areas and seek damages under antitrust statutes, including treble damages.

Our motion to dismiss the Pennsylvania case on the pleadings was denied in December 2006 and classes of Philadelphia Cluster and Chicago Cluster subscribers were certified in May 2007 and October 2007, respectively. Our motion to dismiss the Massachusetts case, which was transferred to the Eastern District of Pennsylvania in December 2006, was denied in July 2007. We are proceeding with discovery on plaintiffs' claims concerning the Philadelphia Cluster. Plaintiffs' claims concerning the other two clusters are stayed pending determination of the Philadelphia Cluster claims.

In addition, we are among the defendants in a purported class action filed in the United States District Court for the Central District of California ("Central District") in September 2007. The plaintiffs allege that the defendants who produce video programming have entered into agreements with the defendants who

distribute video programming via cable and satellite (including us, among others), which preclude the distributors from reselling channels to subscribers on an "unbundled" basis in violation of federal antitrust laws. The plaintiffs seek treble damages for the loss of their ability to pick and choose the specific "bundled" channels to which they wish to subscribe, and injunctive relief requiring each distributor defendant to resell certain channels to its subscribers on an "unbundled" basis. The potential class is comprised of all persons residing in the United States who have subscribed to an expanded basic level of video service provided by one of the distributor defendants. We and the other defendants filed motions to dismiss an amended complaint in April 2008. In June 2008, the Central District denied the motions to dismiss. In July 2008, we and the other defendants filed motions to certify certain issues decided in the Central District's June 2008 order for interlocutory appeal to the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals. On August 8, 2008, the Central District denied the certification motions. In January 2009, the Central District approved a stipulation between the parties dismissing the action as to one of the two plaintiffs identified in the amended complaint as a Comcast subscriber. Discovery relevant to plaintiffs' anticipated motion for class certification is currently proceeding, with plaintiffs scheduled to file their class certification motion in April 2009.

Securities and Related Litigation

We and several of our current and former officers were named as defendants in a purported class action lawsuit filed in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania ("Eastern District") in January 2008. We filed a motion to dismiss the case in February 2008. The plaintiff did not respond, but instead sought leave to amend the complaint, which the court granted. The plaintiff filed an amended complaint in May 2008 naming only us and two current officers as defendants. The alleged class was comprised of purchasers of our publicly issued securities between February 1, 2007 and December 4, 2007. The plaintiff asserted that during the alleged class period, the defendants violated federal securities laws through alleged material misstatements and omissions relating to forecast results for 2007. The plaintiff sought unspecified damages. In June 2008, we filed a motion to dismiss the amended complaint. In an order dated August 25, 2008, the Court granted our motion to dismiss and denied the plaintiff permission to amend the complaint again. The plaintiff has not timely appealed the Court's decision, so the dismissal of this case is final.

We and several of our current officers have been named as defendants in a separate purported class action lawsuit filed in the Eastern District in February 2008. The alleged class comprises participants in our retirement-investment (401(k)) plan that invested in the plan's company stock account. The plaintiff asserts that the defendants breached their fiduciary duties in managing the plan. The plaintiff seeks unspecified damages. The plaintiff filed an amended complaint in June 2008, and in July 2008 we filed a motion to dismiss the amended complaint. On October 29, 2008,

the Court granted in part and denied in part that motion. The Court dismissed a claim alleging that defendants failed to provide complete and accurate disclosures concerning the plan, but did not dismiss claims alleging that plan assets were imprudently invested in company stock. We filed an answer to the amended complaint on December 11, 2008, and discovery is proceeding in the action.

Patent Litigation

We are a defendant in several unrelated lawsuits claiming infringement of various patents relating to various aspects of our businesses. In certain of these cases other industry participants are also defendants, and also in certain of these cases we expect that any potential liability would be in part or in whole the responsibility of our equipment vendors under applicable contractual indemnification provisions.

We believe the claims in each of the actions described above in this item are without merit and intend to defend the actions vigorously. Although we cannot predict the outcome of any of the actions described above or how the final resolution of any such actions would impact our results of operations or cash flows for any one period or our consolidated financial condition, the final disposition of any of the above actions is not expected to have a material adverse effect on our consolidated financial position, but could possibly be material to our consolidated results of operations or cash flows for any one period.

Other

We are subject to other legal proceedings and claims that arise in the ordinary course of our business. While the amount of ultimate liability with respect to such actions is not expected to materially affect our financial position, results of operations or cash flows, any litigation resulting from any such legal proceedings or claims could be time consuming, costly and injure our reputation.

Note 16: Financial Data by Business Segment

Our reportable segments consist of our Cable and Programming businesses. In evaluating the profitability of our segments, the components of net income (loss) below operating income (loss) before depreciation and amortization are not separately evaluated by our management. Assets are not allocated to segments for management reporting although approximately 95% of our assets relate to the Cable segment. Our financial data by business segment is presented in the table below.

(in millions)	Cable ^{(a)(b)}	Programming ^{to}	Corporate and Otherials	Eliminations (M)	Total
2008			*		
Revenue ^(g)	\$ 32,443	\$1,426	\$ 644	\$ (257)	\$ 34,256
Operating income (loss) before depreciation and amortization ^(h)	13,170	362	(399)	(1)	13,132
Depreciation and amortization	6,125	199	107	(31)	6,400
Operating income (loss)	7,045	163	(506)	30	6,732
Capital expenditures	5,545	44	161	_	5,750
2007					
Revenue ^(g)	\$ 29,305	\$ 1,314	\$ 51 5	\$ (239)	\$30,895
Operating income (loss) before depreciation and amortization(1)	11,922	286	(425)	3	11,786
Depreciation and amortization	5,924	223	100	(39)	6,208
Operating income (loss)	5,998	63	(525)	42	5,578
Capital expenditures	5,993	35	130	*****	6,158
2006			÷		
Revenue ^(q)	\$ 24,042	\$ 1,054	\$ 412	\$ (542)	\$24,966
Operating income (loss) before depreciation and amortization(h)	9,667	239	(318)	(146)	9,442
Depreciation and amortization	4,657	1 67	79	(80)	4,823
Operating income (loss)	5,010	72	(397)	(66)	4,619
Capital expenditures	4,244	16	31	104	4,395

(a) For the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006, Cable segment revenue was derived from the following services:

	2008	2007	2006
Video	58.0%	60.4%	62.6%
High-speed Internet	22.3%	21.9%	20.6%
Phone	8.2%	6.0%	3.8%
Advertising	4.7%	5.2%	6.1%
Franchise fees	2.8%	2.8%	3.0%
Other	4.0%	3.7%	3.9%
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

Subscription revenue received from customers who purchase bundled services at a discounted rate is allocated proportionally to each service based on the individual service's price on a stand-alone basis.

- (b) Our Cable segment includes our regional sports networks.
- (c) Our Programming segment consists primarily of our consolidated national programming networks, including El, Golf Channel, VERSUS, G4 and Style.
- (d) Corporate and Other activities include Comcast Interactive Media, Corncast Spectacor, a portion of operating results of our less than wholly owned technology development ventures (see "(e)" below), corporate activities and all other businesses not presented in our Cable or Programming segments.
- (e) We consolidate our less than wholly owned technology development ventures that we control or of which we are considered the primary beneficiary. These ventures are with various corporate partners, such as Motorola and Gemstar. The ventures have been created to share the costs of development of new technologies for set-top boxes and other devices. The results of these entities are included within Corporate and Other except for cost allocations, which are made to the Cable segment based on our percentage ownership in each entity.
- (f) Included in the Eliminations column are transactions that our segments enter into with one another. The most common types of transactions are the following:
 - our Programming segment generates revenue by selling cable network programming to our Cable segment, which represents a substantial majority of the revenue elimination
 amount
 - our Cable segment receives incentives offered by our Programming segment when negotiating programming contracts that are recorded as a reduction of programming expenses
 - our Cable segment generates revenue by selling advertising and by selling the use of satellite feeds to our Programming segment
- · our Cable segment generates revenue by providing network services to Comcast Interactive Media
- (g) Non-U.S. revenue was not significant in any period. No single customer accounted for a significant amount of our revenue in any period.
- (h) To measure the performance of our operating segments, we use operating income before depreciation and amortization, excluding impairments related to fixed and intangible assets, and gains or losses from the sale of assets, if any. This measure eliminates the significant level of noncesh depreciation and amortization expense that results from the capital-intensive nature of our businesses and from intangible assets recognized in business combinations. It is also unaffected by our capital structure or investment activities. We use this measure to evaluate our consolidated operating performance, the operating performance of our operating segments, and to allocate resources and capital to our operating segments. It is also a significant performance measure in our annual incentive compensation programs. We believe that this measure is useful to investors because it is one of the bases for comparing our operating performance with other companies in our industries, eithough our measure may not be directly comparable to similar measures used by other companies. This measure should not be considered a substitute for operating income (loss), net cash provided by operating activities or other measures of performance or fouldity reported in accordance with GAAP.

Note 17: Quarterly Financial Information (Unaudited)

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(in millions, except per share data)	First Quarter	Second Quarter	Third Quarter	Fourth Quarter		Total Year
2008	434,0	 arbanto,	 	 		
Revenue	\$ 8,389	\$ 8,553	\$ 8,549	\$ 8,765	\$:	34,256
Operating income	\$ 1,555	\$ 1,750	\$ 1,670	\$ 1,757	\$	6,732
Net income	\$ 732	\$ 632	\$ 771	\$ 412	\$	2,547
Basic earnings per common share	\$ 0.24	\$ 0.21	\$ 0.26	\$ 0.14	\$	0.87
Diluted earnings per common share	\$ 0.24	\$ 0.21	\$ 0.26	\$ 0.14	\$	0.86
Dividends declared per common share	\$ 0.0625	\$ 0.0625	\$ 0.0625	\$ 0.0625	\$	0.25
2007						
Revenue	\$ 7,388	\$ 7,712	\$ 7,781	\$ 8,014	\$3	30,895
Operating income	\$ 1,261	\$ 1,468	\$ 1,391	\$ 1,458	\$	5,578
Net income	\$ 837	\$ 588	\$ 560	\$ 602	\$	2,587
Basic earnings per common share	\$ 0.27	\$ 0.19	\$ 0.18	\$ 0.20	\$	0.84
Diluted earnings per common share	\$ 0.26	\$ 0.19	\$ 0.18	\$ 0.20	\$	0.83
Dividends declared per common share	\$ 	\$ -	\$ 	\$ 	\$	_

Note 18: Condensed Consolidating Financial Information

Comcast Corporation and five of our cable holding company subsidiaries, Comcast Cable Communications, LLC ("CCCL"), Comcast Cable Communications Holdings, Inc. ("CCCH"), Comcast MO Group, Inc. ("Comcast MO Group"), Comcast Cable Holdings, LLC ("CCH") and Comcast MO of Delaware, LLC ("Comcast MO of Delaware"), have fully and unconditionally guaranteed each other's debt securities. Comcast MO Group, CCH and Comcast MO of Delaware are collectively referred to as the "Combined CCHMO Parents."

Comcast Corporation has unconditionally guaranteed Comcast Holdings' ZONES due October 2029 and its 105/8% Senior Subordinated Debentures due 2012. Our condensed consolidating financial information is presented in the tables below.

Condensed Consolidating Balance Sheet

As of December 31, 2008

(in millions)	Comcast Parent	CCCL. Parent	CCCH Parent	Combined CCHMO Parents	Comcast Holdings	Non- Guarantor Subsidiaries	Elimination and Consolidation Adjustments	Consolidated Comcast Corporation
Assets					•			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,195	\$	\$ 1,195
Investments		_	-		_	59	`	59
Accounts receivable, net			_	•		1,626	_	1,626
Other current assets	171	8	_		_	657		836
Total current assets	171	8				3,537		3,716
Investments		_				4,783		4,783
Investments in and amounts due from							•	
subsidiaries eliminated upon								
consolidation	70,076	34,499	43,536	46,314	26,519	4,471	(225,415)	_
Property and equipment, net	306	· _	_			24,138	_	24,444
Franchise rights				_	_	59,449		59,449
Goodwill	_	_		_		14,889	<u>.</u>	14,889
Other intangible assets, net	1	_			_	4,557	-	4,558
Other noncurrent assets, net	603	7	14	_	17	537	-	1,178
Total assets	\$71,15 7	\$ 34,514	\$ 43,550	\$ 46,314	\$ 26,536	\$ 116,361	\$ (225,415)	\$ 113,017
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity	,	_						
Accounts payable and accrued								
expenses related to trade creditors	\$ 196	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,197	\$ -	\$ 3,393
Accrued expenses and other current								÷
liabilities	810	224	73	87	129	1,945	_	3,268
Current portion of long-term debt	1,242	1,006		_		30		2,278
Total current liabilities	2,248	1,230	73	87	129	5,172		8,939
Long-term debt, less current portion	19,839	2,294	4,462	2,691	610	282	_	30,178
Deferred income taxes	7,160	_	_		656	19,166	-	26,982
Other noncurrent liabilities	1,460	_	_		119	4,592	-	6,171
Minority interest		_			_	297	_	297
Stockholders' Equity		*						
Common stock	33	_			_	_	٠	33
Other stockholders' equity	40,417	30,990	39,015	43,536	25,022	86,852	(225,415)	40,417
Total stockholders' equity	40,450	30,990	39,015	43,536	25,022	86,852	(225,415)	40,450
Total liabilities and							***************************************	
stockholders' equity	\$71,157	\$34,514	\$ 43,550	\$ 46,314	\$ 26,536	\$ 116,361	\$ (225,415)	\$ 113,017

Condensed Consolidating Balance Sheet

As of December 31, 2007

(in millions)		rncast Parent		CCCL Parent		CCCH Parent	Ç	nbined CHMO Parents		ncast dings		Non- Luarantor Oskolaries	Consol	ination and idation tments	(solidated Comcast poration
Assets																
Cash and cash equivalents	\$		\$	_	\$		\$	••••	\$		\$	963	\$		\$	963
Investments		_				_		_				98				98
Accounts receivable, net		_						-				1,645		_		1,645
Other current assets		100								_		861				961
Total current assets		100										3,567				3,667
Investments		-										7,963				7,963
Investments in and amounts due																
from subsidiaries eliminated																
upon consolidation	. 67	7,903	32	2,760	40	0,240	4	3,356	25	,815		2,244	(21	2,318)		_
Property and equipment, net		208				_		-				23,416				23,624
Franchise rights		-		_		_		-		-		58,077				58,077
Goodwill				_						_		14,705				14,705
Other intangible assets, net												4,739				4,739
Other noncurrent assets, net		281		11		17				30		303				642
Total assets	\$ 68	3 ,492	\$ 32	2,771	\$ 40	0,257	\$4	3,356	\$ 25	,845	\$ 1	15,014	\$ (21	2,318)	\$1	13,417
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity																
Accounts payable and accrued																
expenses related to trade creditors	\$	10	\$	3	\$	_	\$		\$		\$	3,323	\$		\$	3,336
Accrued expenses and other current																
liabilities .		694 ·		267		75		98		74		1,913				3,121
Current portion of long-term debt				1,142				305	*			48		-		1,495
Total current liabilities		704		1,412		75		403		74		5,284		_		7,952
Long-term debt, less current portion	19	9,133		3,294		3,498		2,713		908		282				29,828
Deferred income taxes	ť	3,256				· _		-	1	,015		19,609				26,880
Other noncurrent liabilities		1,059		6						116		5,986				7,167
Minority interest				-				_		****		250				250
Stockholders' Equity																
Common stock		34								-		_		_		34
Other stockholders' equity	4	1,306	28	3,059	36	6,684	4	0,240	23	,732		83,603	(21	2,318)		41,306
Total stockholders' equity	4	1,340	28	3,059	36	6,684	4	0,240	23	,732		83,603	(21	2,318)		41,340
Total liabilities and																
stockholders' equity	\$ 68	8,492	\$ 32	2,771	\$ 41	0,257	\$4	3,356	\$ 25	,845	\$1	15,014	\$ (21	2,318)	\$ 1	13,417

Condensed Consolidating Statement of Operations

(in millions)	Comcast Parent	CCCL Parent	CCCH Parent	Combined CCHMO Parents	Comcast Holdings	Non- Guarantor Subsidiaries	Elimination and Consolidation Adjustments	Consolidated Comcast Corporation
Revenue			•					
Service revenue	\$	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 34,256	\$ —	\$34,256
Management fee revenue	735	226	413	413			(1,787)	_
	735	226	413	413		34,256	(1,787)	34,256
Costs and Expenses				`				
Operating (excluding depreciation)	_				_	13,472	_	13,472
Selling, general and administrative	358	226	413	413	53	7,976	(1,787)	7,652
Depreciation	23		_	_	_	5,434		5,457
Amortization	.—	_			_	943	-	943
	381	226	413	413	53	27,825	(1,787)	27,524
Operating income (loss)	354	_			(53)	6,431		6,732
Other Income (Expense)								
Interest expense	(1,307)	(298)	(334)	(212)	(146)	(142)	. —	(2,439)
Investment income (loss), net	(40)	_	_	_	57	72		89
Equity in net income (losses) of								
affiliates	3,196	1,712	2,704	2,842	1,455	24	(11,972)	(39)
Other income (expense)	(5)	_	****			(280)	×	(285)
	1,844	1,414	2,370	2,630	1,366	(326)	(11,972)	(2,674)
Income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes and								
minority interest	2,198	1,414	2,370	2,630	1,313	6,105	(11,972)	4,058
Income tax (expense) benefit	349	104	117	74	.50	(2,227)		(1,533)
Income (loss) from continuing								
operations before minority interest	2,547	1,518	2,487	2,704	1,363	3,878	(11,972)	2,525
Minority interest	***			***************************************		22		22
Net income (loss)	\$ 2,547	\$ 1,518	\$ 2,487	\$ 2,704	\$1,363	\$ 3,900	\$ (11,972)	\$ 2,547

Condensed Consolidating Statement of Operations

Revenue Service revenue \$ - \$ - \$ - \$ - \$ - \$ 30,895 \$	(1,519) (1,519)	\$ 30,895 —
Service revenue \$ — \$ — \$ — \$ — \$30,895 \$	<u> </u>	\$ 30,895 —
	<u> </u>	_
Management fee revenue 630 213 338 338 — —	(1,519)	
630 213 338 338 30,895		30,895
Costs and Expenses		
Operating (excluding depreciation) — — — — — — 12,169		12,169
Selling, general and administrative 297 213 338 338 17 7,256	(1,519)	6,940
Depreciation 6 — — — 5,101	*****	5,107
Amortization		1,101
303 213 338 338 17 25,627	(1,519)	25,317
Operating income (loss) 327 (17) 5,268	****	5,578
Other Income (Expense)		
Interest expense (1,116) (363) (321) (234) (95) (160)	_	(2,289)
Investment income (loss), net 7 - 5 - 70 519		601
Equity in net income (losses) of affiliates 3,095 1,551 2,274 2,427 1,305 (52)	(10,663)	(63)
Other income (expense) 1 521		522
1,987 1,188 1,958 2,193 1,280 828	(10,663)	(1,229)
Income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes and minority		
interest 2,314 1,188 1,958 2,193 1,263 6,096	(10,663)	4,349
Income tax (expense) benefit 273 128 112 81 15 (2,409)		(1,800)
Income (loss) from continuing operations	*	
before minority interest 2,587 1,316 2,070 2,274 1,278 3,687	(10,663)	2,549
Minority interest — — — — — 38	****	38
Net income (loss) \$ 2,587 \$1,316 \$2,070 \$2,274 \$1,278 \$ 3,725 \$	(10,663)	\$ 2,587

Condensed Consolidating Statement of Operations

(in millions)	Comcast Parent	CCCL Parent	COCH Parent	Combined CCHMO Parents	Comcast Holdings	Non- Guarantor Subsidiaries	Elimination and Consolidation Adjustments	Consolidated Corncast Corporation
Revenue								
Service revenue	\$ -	\$	\$ -	\$ -	\$	\$ 24,966	\$ -	\$ 24,966
Management fee revenue	526	193	298	298	8		(1,323)	
	526	193	298	298	8	24,966	(1,323)	24,966
Costs and Expenses								
Operating (excluding depreciation)	****	_		. –		9,819		9,819
Selling, general and administrative	256	193	298	298	16	5,967	(1,323)	5,705
Depreciation	8	_			2	3,818	_	3,828
Amortization				****	4	991		995
	264	193	298	298	22	20,595	(1,323)	20,347
Operating income (loss)	262				(14)	4,371		4,619
Other Income (Expense)								
Interest expense	(776)	(400)	(325)	(259)	(68)	(236)	_	(2,064)
Investment income (loss), net	_			_	34	956	****	990
Equity in net income (losses) of affiliates	2,867	1,509	1,900	2,069	1,266	(79)	(9,597)	(65)
Other income (expense)		_	-			114		114
	2,091	1,109	1,575	1,810	1,232	755	(9,597)	(1,025)
income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes and minority							_	
interest	2,353	1,109	1,575	1,810	1,218	5,126	(9,597)	3,594
Income tax (expense) benefit	180	143	114	90	26	(1,900)	_	(1,347)
Income (loss) from continuing operations								
before minority interest	2,533	1,252	1,689	1,900	1,244	3,226	(9,597)	2,247
Minority interest		_	*****	****		(12)		(12)
Income (loss) from continuing operations	2,533	1,252	1,689	1,900	1,244	3,214	(9,597)	2,235
Income from discontinued operations, net								
of tax	_	_		_	_	103		103
Gain on discontinued operations, net of tax		_	_			195		195
Net income (loss)	\$ 2,533	\$1,252	\$1,689	\$1,900	\$1,244	\$ 3,512	\$ (9,597)	\$ 2,533

Condensed Consolidating Statement of Cash Flows

(in millions)	Comcast Parent	CCCL Parent	CCCH Parent	Combined CCHMO Parents	Comcast Holdings	Non- Guarantor Subsidiaries	Elimination and Consolidation Adjustments	Consolidated Corncast Corporation
Operating Activities		4						
Net cash provided by (used in)								
operating activities	\$ (446)	\$ (241)	\$ (200)	\$ (175)	\$ 9	\$11,284	\$ —	\$ 10,231
Financing Activities								
Proceeds from borrowings	1,998	_	1,510	_		27	~	3,535
Retirements and repayments of debt	(308)	(1,150)	(541)	(300)	(263)	(48)	_	(2,610)
Repurchases of common stock	(2,800)	****	_	_	****		_	(2,800)
Dividends paid	(547)						_	(547)
. Issuances of common stock	53		_			*****		53
Other	(3)	_		***	(56)	(94)		(153)
Net cash provided by (used in)								
financing activities	(1,607)	(1,150)	969	(300)	(319)	(115)	_	(2,522)
Investing Activities								
Net transactions with affiliates	2,269	1,391	(769)	475	310	(3,676)	_	
Capital expenditures	(140)	_	_			(5,610)	_	(5,750)
Cash paid for intangible assets	******	•••		_	_	(527)	-	(527)
Acquisitions, net of cash acquired	_			•	-	(738)		(738)
Proceeds from sales of investments		_		_	_	737	_	737
Purchases of investments	_	_	_		_	(1,167)	_	(1,167)
Other	(76)			-	_	44		(32)
Net cash provided by (used in)	-							
investing activities	2,053	1,391	(769)	475	310	(10,937)	_	(7,477)
Increase (decrease) in cash and								
cash equivalents	-		-	_		232		232
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period						963		963
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$ -	\$ -	\$ —	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,195	\$	\$ 1,195

Condensed Consolidating Statement of Cash Flows

(in millions)	Comcast Parent	CCCL Parent	CCCH Parent	Combined CCHMO Parents	Comcast Holdings	Non- Guarantor Subsidiaries	Elimination end Consolidation Adjustments	Consolidated Corncast Corporation
Operating Activities								
Net cash provided by (used in)								
operating activities	\$ (516)	\$ (246)	\$ (199)	\$ (186)	\$ (20)	\$ 9,356	\$ -	\$ 8,189
Financing Activities					*			
Proceeds from borrowings	3,695				_	18	_	3,713
Retirements and repayments of debt		(600)		(245)		(556)		(1,401)
Repurchases of common stock	(3,102)		-	_	_		_	(3,102)
Issuances of common stock	412		_	_	_	_		412
Other	(12)			(8)		82		62
Net cash provided by (used in)								
financing activities	993	(600)		(253)		(456)		(316)
Investing Activities								
Net transactions with affiliates	(372)	846	199	439	20	(1,132)	_	_
Capital expenditures	(110)	_			-	(6,048)		(6,158)
Cash paid for intangible assets	_			-		(406)	_	(406)
Acquisitions, net of cash acquired			_		-	(1,319)		(1,319)
Proceeds from sales of investments	_		-	_		1,761	. —	1,761
Purchases of investments			_		_	(2,089)	_	(2,089)
Other	(72)		•			134		62
Net cash provided by (used in)								
investing activities	(554)	846	199	439	20	(9,099)	NAME OF THE PARTY	(8,149)
Increase (decrease) in cash and								
cash equivalents	(77)		_	_	*****	(199)		(276)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	77				_	1,162	-	1,239
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$ -	\$ -	\$ —	s –	\$ —	\$ 963	\$ -	\$ 963

Condensed Consolidating Statement of Cash Flows

(in millions)	Corno		CCCL Parent	CCCH Parent	Combined CCHMO Parents	Comcast Holdings	Non- Guarantor Subsidiaries	Elimination and Consolidation Adjustments	Consolidated Comcast Corporation
Operating Activities									
Net cash provided by (used in)		-							
operating activities	\$	90	\$ (240)	\$ (226)	\$ (224)	\$ 20	\$ 7,198	<u> </u>	\$ 6,618
Financing Activities									
Proceeds from borrowings	7,474				_	_	23	_	7,497
Retirements and repayments of debt	(350)		(619)		(988)	(27)	(55)		(2,039)
Repurchases of common stock	(2,347)		_	-	****	_	anner.	_	(2,347)
Issuances of common stock	410		_	_	-				410
Other	33			_			(8)	_	25
Net cash provided by (used in)				***************************************					
financing activities	5,2	20	(619)	_	(988)	(27)	(40)	_	3,546
Investing Activities									
Net transactions with affiliates	(5,2	72)	859	226	1,212	(3)	2,978		-
Capital expenditures		(8)	_		_	_	(4,387)		(4,395)
Cash paid for intangible assets					_		(306)		(306)
Acquisitions, net of cash acquired						, ·	(5,110)		(5,1.10)
Proceeds from sales of investments		47		_		10	2,663		2,720
Purchases of investments		_	_	_	_	_	(2,812)		(2,812)
Other					-	_	31	_	31
Net cash provided by (used in)									
investing activities	(5,2	33)	859	226	1,212	7	(6,943)		(9,872)
Increase (decrease) in cash and									
cash equivalents		77		_	_	_	215		292
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period		_	_	· <u>-</u>	_	_	947		947
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$	77	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ —	\$ 1,162	\$ -	\$ 1,239