# Western Gas Announces First-Quarter 2013 Results

HOUSTON--(BUSINESS WIRE)--May. 1, 2013-- Western Gas Partners, LP (NYSE: WES) ("WES") and Western Gas Equity Partners, LP (NYSE: WGP) ("WGP") today announced first-quarter 2013 financial and operating results.

#### WESTERN GAS PARTNERS, LP

Net income available to limited partners for the first quarter of 2013, which includes results from the 33.75% interest in certain Anadarko-operated Marcellus gathering assets acquired from a third-party (the "Anadarko-Operated Marcellus Interest") beginning in March 2013, totaled \$32.4 million, or 0.31per common unit (diluted). For the first-quarter of 2013, Adjusted EBITDA 0.00 was \$95.9 million and Distributable cash flow 0.00 was \$79.1 million, resulting in a Coverage ratio 0.00 of 1.13 times for the period.

Total throughput attributable to WES for the first quarter of 2013 averaged 2.9 Bcf/d, flat with the prior quarter and 7% above the first quarter of 2012. These results include the net throughput attributable to the Mountain Gas Resources ("MGR") assets and the 33.75% interest in certain third-party operated Marcellus gathering assets acquired from Anadarko (the "Non-Operated Marcellus Interest") for all periods of comparison, throughput attributable to the additional Chipeta interest beginning in August 2012, and throughput attributable to the Anadarko-Operated Marcellus Interest beginning in March 2013.

Excluding acquisitions, capital expenditures attributable to WES on a cash basis totaled \$161.5 million during the first quarter of 2013. Of this amount, maintenance capital expenditures were \$6.0 million, or 6% of Adjusted EBITDA  $^{(1)}$ . Capital expenditures attributable to WES on an accrual basis and excluding acquisitions totaled \$159.4 million during the first quarter of 2013.

"Our first quarter operating performance was in line with our expectations," said President and Chief Executive Officer, Don Sinclair. "We are pleased by the volume trajectory of our recently acquired Marcellus assets, the over 50 first-quarter well connections in our liquids-rich areas that will drive throughput growth, and the projected start-up of our Brasada facility in June. We maintain the full-year 2013 guidance that we released in February."

WES previously declared a quarterly distribution of \$0.54 per unit for the first quarter of 2013, representing a 4% increase over the prior quarter and a 17% increase over the first-quarter 2012 distribution of \$0.46 per unit. The distribution will be paid on May 13, 2013, to unitholders of record at the close of business on April 30, 2013. The first-quarter 2013 Coverage ratio <sup>(1)</sup> of 1.13 times is based on the quarterly distribution of \$0.54 per unit.

#### **WESTERN GAS EQUITY PARTNERS, LP**

As of March 31, 2013, WGP indirectly owned the 2% general partner interest and 100% of the incentive distribution rights in WES and 49,296,205 WES common units. Net income available to limited partners for the first quarter of 2013, totaled \$27.7 million, or \$0.13 per common unit (diluted).

WGP previously declared a quarterly distribution of \$0.17875 per unit for the first quarter of 2013, representing an 8% increase over the non-prorated distribution from the prior quarter. The distribution will be paid on May 22, 2013, to unitholders of record at the close of business on April 30, 2013. WGP will receive distributions from WES of \$40.0 million attributable to the first quarter and will pay out\$39.1 million in distributions for the first quarter of 2013.

### **CONFERENCE CALL TOMORROW AT 11 A.M. CDT**

Western Gas Partners and Western Gas Equity Partners will host a joint conference call on Thursday, May 2, 2013, at 11 a.m. Central Daylight Time (12 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time) to discuss first-quarter 2013 results. To participate via telephone, please dial 877.621.4819 and enter participant code 36700946. Please call in 10 minutes prior to the scheduled start time. To access the live audio webcast of the conference call and slide presentation, please visit <a href="www.westerngas.com">www.westerngas.com</a>. A replay of the call will also be available on the website for approximately two weeks following the conference call.

Western Gas Partners, LP ("WES") is a growth-oriented Delaware master limited partnership formed by Anadarko Petroleum Corporation to own, operate, acquire and develop midstream energy assets. With midstream assets in East, West and South Texas, the Rocky Mountains, north-centralPennsylvania and the Mid-Continent, WES is engaged in the business of gathering, processing, compressing, treating and transporting

natural gas, condensate, natural gas liquids and crude oil for Anadarko and other producers and customers.

Western Gas Equity Partners, LP ("WGP") is a Delaware master limited partnership formed by Anadarko to own three types of interests in WES: (i) the 2.0% general partner interest, through WGP's 100% ownership of WES's general partner; (ii) all of the incentive distribution rights in WES; and (iii) a significant limited partner interest in WES.

For more information about Western Gas Partners, LP and Western Gas Equity Partners, LP, please visit <a href="https://www.westerngas.com">www.westerngas.com</a>.

This news release contains forward-looking statements. Western Gas Partners and Western Gas Equity Partners believe that its expectations are based on reasonable assumptions. No assurance, however, can be given that such expectations will prove to have been correct. A number of factors could cause actual results to differ materially from the projections, anticipated results or other expectations expressed in this news release. These factors include the ability to meet financial guidance or distribution growth expectations; the ability to safely and efficiently operate WES's assets; the ability to obtain new sources of natural gas supplies; the effect of fluctuations in commodity prices and the demand for natural gas and related products; the ability to meet projected in-service dates for capital growth projects; and construction costs or capital expenditures exceeding estimated or budgeted costs or expenditures, as well as other factors described in the "Risk Factors" sections of WES's and WGP's most recent Forms 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission and other public filings and press releases by Western Gas Partners and Western Gas Equity Partners. Western Gas Partners undertake no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements.

(1) Please see the tables at the end of this release for a reconciliation of non-GAAP to GAAP measures and calculation of the Coverage ratio.

#### Western Gas Partners, LP Reconciliation of GAAP to Non-GAAP Measures

Below are reconciliations of the Partnership's Distributable cash flow (non-GAAP) to net income attributable to Western Gas Partners, LP (GAAP) and Adjusted EBITDA (non-GAAP) to net income attributable to Western Gas Partners, LP (GAAP) and net cash provided by operating activities (GAAP), as required under Regulation G of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Management believes that the Partnership's Distributable cash flow, Adjusted EBITDA and Coverage ratio are widely accepted financial indicators of the Partnership's financial performance compared to other publicly traded partnerships and are useful in assessing the Partnership's ability to incur and service debt, fund capital expenditures and make distributions. Distributable cash flow, Adjusted EBITDA and Coverage ratio, as defined by the Partnership, may not be comparable to similarly titled measures used by other companies. Therefore, the Partnership's Distributable cash flow, Adjusted EBITDA and Coverage ratio should be considered in conjunction with net income and other applicable performance measures, such as operating income or cash flows from operating activities.

#### **Distributable Cash Flow**

The Partnership defines Distributable cash flow as Adjusted EBITDA, plus interest income, less net cash paid for interest expense (including amortization of deferred debt issuance costs originally paid in cash, offset by non-cash capitalized interest), maintenance capital expenditures and income taxes.

Three Months
Ended
March 31,
2013 2012 (1)

thousands except Coverage ratio

### Reconciliation of Net income attributable to Western Gas Partners, LP to Distributable cash flow and calculation of the Coverage

Net income attributable to
Western Gas Partners, LP
Add:
Distributions from equity investees
Non-cash equity-based compensation expense
Interest expense, net (non-cash settled)
Income tax expense
Depreciation, amortization and impairments (2)
Less:

**5,006** 4,441 **877** 4,066 - 81 **4,236** 4,429 **31.824** 26.412

Equity income, net	3,980	3,613
Cash paid for maintenance capital expenditures (2)	6,032	6,315
Capitalized interest	3,181	657
Cash paid for income taxes	-	72
Other income (2) (3)	277	62
Distributable cash flow	\$79,130	\$82,361
Distributions declared <sup>(4)</sup>		
Limited partners	\$56,759	
General partner	13,384	
Total	\$70,143	
Coverage ratio	1.13	X

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  m (1)}$  Financial information has been recast to include results attributable to the Non-Operated Marcellus Interest.
  - Includes the Partnership's 51% share for the three months ended March 31, 2012, and
- (2) 75% share for the three months ended March 31, 2013, of depreciation, amortization and impairments; cash paid for maintenance capital expenditures; and other income attributable to Chipeta.
- Excludes income of \$0.4 million for each of the three months ended March 31, 2013
- (3) and 2012, related to a component of a gas processing agreement accounted for as a capital lease.
- $_{(4)}$  Reflects distributions of \$0.54 per unit declared for the three months ended March 31, 2013.

#### Western Gas Partners, LP Reconciliation of GAAP to Non-GAAP Measures, continued

#### **Adjusted EBITDA**

The Partnership defines Adjusted EBITDA as net income attributable to Western Gas Partners, LP, plus distributions from equity investees, non-cash equity-based compensation expense, interest expense, income tax expense, depreciation, amortization and impairments, and other expense, less income from equity investments, interest income, income tax benefit, other income and other nonrecurring adjustments that are not settled in cash.

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
thousands	2013	2012 (1)
Reconciliation of Net income attributable to		
Western Gas Partners, LP to Adjusted EBITDA		
Net income attributable to Western Gas Partners, LP	\$50,657	\$53,651
Add:		
Distributions from equity investees	5,006	4,441
Non-cash equity-based compensation expense	877	4,066
Interest expense	11,811	9,581
Income tax expense	4,236	4,429
Depreciation, amortization and impairments (2)	31,824	26,412
Less:		
Equity income, net	3,980	3,613
Interest income, net – affiliates	4,225	4,225
Other income (2) (3)	277	62
Adjusted EBITDA	\$95,929	\$94,680
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Reconciliation of Adjusted EBITDA to		
Net cash provided by operating activities	¢05 020	¢04.600
Adjusted EBITDA attributable to Western Gas Partners, LP	\$95,929	\$94,680
Adjusted EBITDA attributable to noncontrolling interests	2,846	•
Interest income (expense), net		<b>)</b> (5,356 )
Non-cash equity based compensation expense	(73	<b>)</b> (3,152 )

Debt-related amortization and other items, net Current income tax expense	560 (3,112	511 ) 7,783
Other income (expense), net <sup>(3)</sup>	278	62
Distributions from equity investees less than		
(in excess of) equity income, net	(1,026	<b>)</b> (828 )
Changes in operating working capital:		
Accounts receivable and natural gas imbalance receivable	20,754	32,827
Accounts payable, accrued liabilities and natural gas imbalance payable	21,287	(13,665)
Other	98	960
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$129,955	\$118,720
Cash flow information of Western Gas Partners, LP		
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$129,955	\$118,720
Net cash used in investing activities	(771,888)	
Net cash provided by financing activities	285,468	233,408

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- (2) 75% share for the three months ended March 31, 2013, of depreciation, amortization and impairments and other income attributable to Chipeta. Excludes income of \$0.4 million for each of the three months ended March 31, 2013
- (3) and 2012, related to a component of a gas processing agreement accounted for as a capital lease.

## Western Gas Partners, LP CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
thousands except unit and per-unit amounts	2013	2012 (1)
Revenues		
Gathering, processing and transportation of natural gas and natural gas liquids Natural gas, natural gas liquids and	\$102,890	\$91,589
condensate sales	121,729	128,486
Equity income and other, net	5,128	,
Total revenues	229,747	224,676
Operating expenses		00.156
Cost of product	83,083	83,156
Operation and maintenance	36,739	•
General and administrative	7,664	•
Property and other taxes  Depreciation, amortization and impairments	5,785 32,440	
Total operating expenses	165,711	
Operating income	64,036	
Interest income, net – affiliates	4,225	•
Interest expense		(9,581)
Other income (expense), net	674	458
Income before income taxes	57,124	62,323
Income tax expense	4,236	4,429
Net income	52,888	57,894
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests	2,231	4,243
Net income attributable to		
Western Gas Partners, LP	\$50,657	\$53,651

### Limited partners' interest in net income:

Net income per common unit - basic and diluted Weighted average common units outstanding - basic and diluted	\$0.31 104,815	\$0.48 90,690	
Western Gas Partners, LP Pre-acquisition net (income) loss allocated to Anadarko General partner interest in net (income) loss Limited partners' interest in net income	\$50,657 (5,401 ) (12,886) \$32,370	\$53,651 (5,488 (4,339 \$43,824	

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## Western Gas Partners, LP CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (Unaudited)

thousands except number of units	March 31, 2013	December 31, 2012 (1)
Current assets Note receivable – Anadarko Net property, plant and equipment Other assets Total assets	\$100,513 260,000 2,988,213 297,680 \$3,646,406	260,000 2,717,956 294,754
Current liabilities Long-term debt Asset retirement obligations and other Total liabilities	\$201,816 1,553,319 72,844 \$1,827,979	1,168,278 115,902
Equity and partners' capital Common units (105,109,682 and 104,660,553 units issued and outstanding at March 31, 2013, and December 31, 2012, respectively) General partner units (2,145,096 and 2,135,930 units issued and outstanding at	\$1,692,173	\$1,957,066
March 31, 2013, and December 31, 2012, respectively) Net investment by Anadarko Noncontrolling interests Total liabilities, equity and partners' capital	54,918 - 71,336 \$3,646,406	

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Western Gas Partners, LP CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (Unaudited)

Three Months Ended March 31, 2013 2012 (1)

thousands

Cash flows from operating activities Net income Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:	\$52,888	\$57,894
Depreciating activities.  Depreciating activities.  Change in other items, net  Net cash provided by operating activities	32,440 44,627 \$129,955	27,067 33,759 \$118,720
Cash flows from investing activities Capital expenditures Acquisitions from affiliates Acquisitions from third parties Investments in equity affiliates Net cash used in investing activities	\$(166,463) (465,721) (134,869) (4,835 ) \$(771,888)	(463,232) - -
Cash flows from financing activities Borrowings, net of debt issuance costs Repayments of debt Increase (decrease) in accounts payable, banks Proceeds from issuance of common and general partner units, net of offering expenses Distributions to unitholders Contributions from noncontrolling interest owners Distributions to noncontrolling interest owners Net contributions from (distributions to) Anadarko Net cash provided by financing activities	\$384,946 (2,808 ) 500 (65,657 ) 1,097 (2,650 ) (29,960 ) \$285,468	- (43,027 ) 9,849 (5,145 )
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$(356,465) 419,981 \$63,516	\$(186,941) 226,559 \$39,618

 $<sup>^{(1)}</sup>$  Financial information has been recast to include results attributable to the Non-Operated Marcellus Interest.

## Western Gas Partners, LP OPERATING STATISTICS (Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
MMcf/d except per-unit amounts	2013	2012 (1)
Throughput		
Gathering, treating and transportation (2)	1,627	1,606
Processing (3)	1,233	1,150
Equity investment <sup>(4)</sup>	201	236
Total throughput <sup>(5)</sup>	3,061	2,992
Throughput attributable to noncontrolling interests	155	270
Total throughput attributable to		
Western Gas Partners, LP	2,906	2,722
Gross margin per Mcf attributable to		
Western Gas Partners, LP <sup>(6)</sup>	\$ 0.55	\$ 0.55

 $_{\rm (1)}$  Throughput has been recast to include volumes attributable to the Non-Operated Marcellus Interest.

Excludes average NGL pipeline volumes of 20 MBbls/d and 27 MBbls/d for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively. Includes 100% of Wattenberg

- (2) system volumes for all periods presented, and throughput beginning March 2013 attributable to the Anadarko-Operated Marcellus Interest.
- (3) Consists of 100% of Chipeta, Hilight and Platte Valley system volumes, 100% of the Granger and Red Desert complex volumes, and 50% of Newcastle volumes. Represents our 14.81% share of Fort Union and 22% share of Rendezvous gross
- (4) volumes, and excludes our 10% share of average White Cliffs pipeline volumes consisting of 7 MBbls/d and 5 MBbls/d for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively.
- (5) Includes affiliate, third-party and equity-investment volumes.

  Average for period. Calculated as gross margin, excluding the noncontrolling interest owners' proportionate share of revenues and cost of product, divided by total
- (6) throughput attributable to the Partnership (excluding throughput measured in barrels). Calculation includes gross margin attributable to our NGL pipelines and income attributable to our investments in Fort Union, White Cliffs and Rendezvous and volumes attributable to our investments in Fort Union and Rendezvous.

### Western Gas Equity Partners, LP CALCULATION OF CASH AVAILABLE FOR DISTRIBUTION (Unaudited)

thousands except per-unit amount and Coverage ratio  Distributions declared by Western Gas Partners, LP:		nree Months Endo arch 31, 2013	ed
General partner interest	\$	1,403	
Incentive distribution rights	•	11,981	
Common units held by WGP		26,620	
Less:		•	
Public company general and administrative expense		1,211	
Cash available for distribution	\$	38,793	
Declared distribution per common unit	\$	0.17875	
Distributions declared by Western Gas Equity Partners, LP	\$	39,128	
Coverage ratio		0.99	X

## Western Gas Equity Partners, LP CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (Unaudited)

thousands except unit and per-unit amounts	Three Months Ended March 31, 2013 2012 (1)	
Revenues Gathering, processing and transportation of natural gas and natural gas liquids Natural gas, natural gas liquids and condensate sales Equity income and other, net Total revenues Operating expenses	\$102,890 121,729 5,128 229,747	4,601
Cost of product Operation and maintenance General and administrative Property and other taxes Depreciation, amortization and impairments Total operating expenses	83,083 36,739 8,929 5,785 32,440 166,976	83,156 32,121 10,274 4,837 27,067 157,455

Operating income Interest income, net – affiliates Interest expense Other income (expense), net Income before income taxes Income tax expense Net income Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests Net income attributable to	62,771 4,225 (11,811) 727 55,912 4,236 51,676 19,361	67,221 4,225 (9,581 ) 458 62,323 16,695 45,628 28,574
Western Gas Equity Partners, LP	\$32,315	\$17,054
Limited partners' interest in net income: (2)  Net income attributable to		
Western Gas Equity Partners, LP Pre-acquisition net (income) loss allocated to Anadarko Limited partners' interest in net income	\$32,315 (4,567 ) \$27,748	
Net income per common unit – basic and diluted <sup>(2)</sup> Weighted average number of	\$0.13	
common units outstanding – basic and diluted (2)	218,896	

 $<sup>^{(1)}</sup>$  Financial information has been recast to include results attributable to the Non-Operated Marcellus Interest.

# Western Gas Equity Partners, LP CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (Unaudited)

thousands except number of units	March 31, 2013	December 31, 2012 (1)
Current assets Note receivable – Anadarko Net property, plant and equipment Other assets Total assets	\$129,038 260,000 2,988,213 297,680 \$3,674,931	2,717,956 294,754
Current liabilities Long-term debt Asset retirement obligations and other Total liabilities	\$203,290 1,553,319 72,844 \$1,829,453	115,902
Equity and partners' capital Common units (218,895,515 issued and outstanding at March 31, 2013, and December 31, 2012) Net investment by Anadarko Noncontrolling interests Total liabilities, equity and partners' capital	\$682,752 - 1,162,726 \$3,674,931	

 $<sup>^{(1)}</sup>$  Financial information has been recast to include results attributable to the Non-Operated Marcellus Interest.

<sup>(2)</sup> Amounts not applicable prior to WGP's IPO on December 12, 2012.

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
thousands	2013	2012 (1)
Cash flows from operating activities Net income Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:	\$51,676	\$45,628
Depreciation, amortization and impairments Change in other items, net Net cash provided by operating activities	32,440 45,045 \$129,161	27,067 21,838 \$94,533
Cash flows from investing activities Capital expenditures Acquisitions from affiliates Acquisitions from third parties Investments in equity affiliates Net cash used in investing activities	\$(166,463) (465,721) (134,869) (4,835 ) \$(771,888)	(463,232) - -
Cash flows from financing activities Borrowings, net of debt issuance costs Repayments of debt Increase (decrease) in accounts payable, banks Proceeds from issuance of WGP common units, net of offering	\$384,946 (2,808 )	\$319,000 (40,000 ) 4,919
expenses Contributions received from Chipeta noncontrolling interest owners (including Anadarko) Distributions to Chipeta noncontrolling interest owners (including	(2,367 ) 1,097 (2,650 )	- 9,849 (5,145 )
Anadarko) Distributions to WES noncontrolling interest owners Distributions to WGP unitholders Net contributions from (distributions to) Anadarko Net cash provided by financing activities	(28,789 ) (7,852 ) (29,942 ) \$311,635	(22,155 ) - (8,873 )
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$(331,092) 422,556 \$91,464	\$(186,941) 226,559 \$39,618

<sup>(1)</sup> Financial information has been recast to include results attributable to the Non-Operated Marcellus Interest.

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