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IN THE BUSINESS OF KEEPING PROMISES.

OLD DOMINION FREIGHT LINE, INC.



At OD, your promises are our promises. And we deliver both.

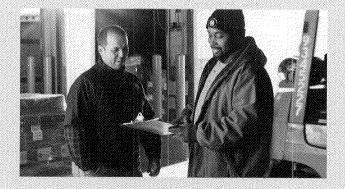


No matter what our customers ship, their business is our business and a promise is a promise. Whether it's a promise made by our employees or a promise made by our customers, our people are determined to ensure that every shipment arrives on-time and damage-free. The way we see it, we're not just helping the world move shipments, we're Helping the World Keep Promises.

## It's your freight. It's our promise.

OD is one of the top transportation companies in the world. Through the OD Domestic, OD Expedited, OD Global and OD Technology brands, we provide our customers with outstanding service and innovative solutions for their transportation needs. This allows us to keep our promise of providing shippers with an unmatched value proposition, consisting of industry-leading on-time and damage-free service at a fair and equitable price. The consistent execution of this proposition has clearly differentiated us from our competition, and we expect it will continue to drive long-term growth in our revenue, earnings and shareholder value.





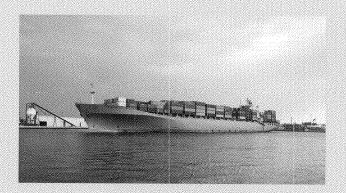
**OD Domestic** enables shippers to manage their LTL and logistical needs throughout the continental United States by providing:

- Superior direct service throughout the continental United States
- Next- and second-day service within our Southeast, Gulf Coast,
   Northeast, Midwest, Central and West regions of the country
- Commitment to industry-leading on-time delivery and claims-free service
- Assembly and distribution services
- Security divider service, which provides locked-in security for freight

**OD Expedited** allows domestic and global shippers to customize their delivery requirements through the following services:

- Guaranteed provides guaranteed on-time delivery within our normal transit times
- On Demand provides time-specific delivery for shipments requiring more expedient service
- Air provides time-specific air freight services within the continental United States
- White Glove provides specialized delivery and assembly services to residential, medical and retail facilities across the continental United States
- OD Expo provides transportation services for trade show materials





**OD Global** offers a full complement of services within the global supply chain, all of which provide door-to-door freight visibility, including:

- Direct service between the United States and Canada, Mexico, Alaska, Hawaii, and the Caribbean
- Worldwide less-than-container load and full-container load services
- National container drayage
- International air freight services around the globe
- Global assembly and distribution services

**OD Technology** empowers our customers to manage their shipping needs and provides our employees with the tools they need to efficiently manage operations. In 2012, we were once again named by *CIO Magazine* to their CIO-100 listing as a result of our strategic integration of technology and business processes. Our technology also contributed to our recognition as the #1 National LTL carrier for the prestigious 2012 Mastio Quality Award.





**OD Household Services** delivers reliable self-moving services that are as stress-free as they are hassle-free, all while keeping costs under control.

- Homeowners pack we drive and deliver
- Only pay for the space used
- Moves managed online at odmove com-
- Scheduled transit times throughout the continental United States

We are pleased to report that Old Dominion continued its record-setting financial and service performance in 2012, once again leading the LTL industry. Our simple formula of providing outstanding on-time and claims-free service at a fair and equitable price has created an unmatched value proposition that continues to win market share. For the third consecutive year, we produced double-digit revenue growth. We also achieved the best operating ratio in our 78-year history and increased both our net income and earnings per share by more than 20% for the year.

We believe our success is a reflection of the consistent, disciplined implementation of our long-range strategic plan by our entire team. Our value proposition has resonated with an increasing number of customers that demand dependable, transparent and comprehensive transportation solutions. In return, the revenue yield supported by our high level of service has enabled us to continuously invest in our people, systems and network, which further improves our capabilities and opportunities for growth.

The continuous cycle of planning, execution and investment, coupled with ongoing yield management is woven into our culture and differentiates Old Dominion

compared to 2011, our operating ratio improved 110 basis points to 86.5%, which was the best annual operating ratio achieved in Old Dominion's history. Net income increased \$30.0 million, or 21.5%, to \$169.5 million for 2012 from \$139.5 million for 2011. Our earnings per diluted share increased 20.9% for 2012 to \$1.97, as compared to \$1.63 for 2011. Our 2011 results reflect a three-for-two stock split effected September 7, 2012, which was our fifth three-for-two stock split in the past 10 years.

Record 2012 capital expenditures provide capacity for future growth – For 2012, we had capital expenditures of \$374.3 million, consisting of \$143.7 million for real estate purchases and service center expansion, \$216.6 million for tractors, trailers and other equipment and \$14.0 million for technology and other assets. These investments expanded our aggregate service center door capacity by 5.4% and included major projects at Indianapolis, Indiana and Morristown, Tennessee, which are two of our larger breakbulk facilities. In addition to the increase in service center capacity, our equipment purchases were higher than recent years to support our projected tonnage growth as well as to replace equipment being retired through our regular replacement cycle.

# We have the financial strength and market opportunity to continue our growth toward double-digit market share.

in the marketplace. For our customers, we consistently outperform LTL industry service standards and continue to evaluate ways to make our service and technology better. Our success provides our OD Family with financial security, opportunities for advancement and pride in serving on our winning team. For our shareholders, we have created substantial value by achieving compound average annual growth in our share price of 36%, 27% and 25% for the previous three-, five- and 10-year periods, respectively.

Strong, profitable growth in 2012 – Old Dominion again set new financial records in 2012 with significant improvement in revenue, profit margin and earnings. Our annual revenue exceeded the \$2 billion milestone for the first time, increasing 12.1% to \$2.11 billion for 2012. As

As a result of these investments, we believe Old Dominion remains one of the best positioned companies in the industry to continue to win market share as well as to leverage growth opportunities through industry consolidation. Having completed a number of major projects in 2012, our planned capital expenditures for 2013 are projected to be approximately \$270 million.

Continuing improvements in service, yield, density and efficiency – In 2012, we again improved our two primary customer service metrics, with an on-time delivery percentage of 99% and a cargo claims ratio at a Company-record low of 0.4%. We believe our consistent record of maintaining service and claims standards at these levels is unmatched among our public peers. Providing

Helping the world

keep promises."

A clear focus on long-term growth – For 2013 and beyond,

market share has grown to continue our growth

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## SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA

(In thousands, except per share amounts and operating statistics)

		2011	2010	2009	2008
OPERATING DATA:					
Revenue from operations		\$1,882,541	\$1,480,998	\$1,245,005	\$1,537,724
Operating income		234,072	137,739	70,391	129.070
Net income		139,470	75,651	34,871	68,677
Diluted earnings per share	5 197	\$ 1.63	\$ 0.90	\$ 0.42	\$ 0.82
Diluted weighted average shares outstanding		85,720	83,890	83,891	83,891
OPERATING STATISTICS:					
Operating ratio		87.6%	90.7%	94.3%	91.6%
Revenue per hundredweight		8 14.72	8 13.09	\$ 12.70	\$ 10.88
Revenue per intercity mile		\$ 4.83	\$ 4.38	\$ 4.16	\$ 4.60
Intercity miles (in thousands)	£20,204	389,588	338,504	299,330	334,219
Total tons (in thousands)		6,397	5,656	4,902	5,545
Total shipments (in thousands)		7,256	6,327	5,750	6,691
Average length of haul (in miles)		952	948	928	901
Total service centers	218	216	213	210	206
Tractors		5,830	5,718	5,390	5,058
Trailers		22,685	20,986	21,185	20,067
FINANCIAL POSITION:					
Current assets		\$ 331,852	\$ 222,582	\$ 174,175	\$ 209,230
Current liabilities		204,810	170,046	148,125	142,190
Total assets		1,513,074	1,239,881	1,159,278	1,074,905
Long-term debt (including current maturities)	240,607	269,185	271.217	305,532	251,989
Shareholders' equity		856,519	668,649	593,000	558,129



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**Executive Chairman** 

#### DAVID'S, CONGDON!!

Director, President and Chief Executive Officer

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Director: Retired Executive Vice President, Krispy Kreme Doughnuts, Inc.

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Director: Chairman, Old Dominion Truck Leasing, Inc.

### JOHN R. CONGDON, JR. 11

Director; Vice Chairman, Old Dominion Truck Leasing, Inc.

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**Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer** 

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Senior Vice President - Strategic Development

### ROSS H. PARR

Vice President – Legal Affairs, General Counsel and Secretary

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## SHAREHOLDER INFORMATION

### FORM 10-K/INVESTOR CONTACT

Our Annual Report on Form 10-K is available on our website, www.odfl.com, or a copy (without exhibits) is available at no charge by contacting J. Wes Frye, Senior Vice President - Finance, at our corporate office.

## ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

The Annual Meeting of Shareholders will be held on Friday, May 31, 2013, at 10:00 a.m. EDT at our corporate office.

## REGISTRAR AND TRANSFER AGENT

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## INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

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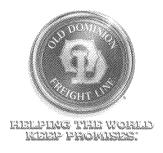
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## FORM 10-K

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	For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2012
	OR
	TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
	For the transition period fromto
	Commission File Number: 0-19582

OLD DOMINION FREIGHT LINE, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)



## **VIRGINIA**

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

56-0751714

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

500 Old Dominion Way Thomasville, NC 27360 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(336) 889-5000 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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

<u>Title of each class</u> Common Stock (\$0.10 par value) Name of each exchange on which registered
The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC
(NASDAQ Global Select Market)

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

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The aggregate market value o based on the closing sales price	f voting stock held by no ce as reported on the NAS	n-affiliates of the registrant as of June 29, 2012 was \$1,819,732,509, SDAQ Global Select Market.
As of February 27, 2013, the	registrant had 86,164,917	outstanding shares of Common Stock (\$0.10 par value).

## DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

Certain portions of the Company's Proxy Statement for the 2013 Annual Meeting of Shareholders are incorporated by reference into Part III of this report.

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### FORWARD-LOOKING INFORMATION

Forward-looking statements appear in this Annual Report, including but not limited to Item 7, "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations," and in other written and oral statements made by or on behalf of us. These forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, statements relating to our goals, strategies, expectations, competitive environment, regulation, availability of resources, future events and future financial performance. Such forward-looking statements are made pursuant to the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These forward-looking statements typically can be identified by such words as "anticipate," "estimate," "forecast," "project," "intend," "expect," "believe," "should," "could," "may," or other similar words or expressions. We caution readers that such forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties that could cause actual events or results to differ materially from those expressed or implied herein, including, but not limited to, the risk factors detailed in this Annual Report.

Our forward-looking statements are based on our beliefs and assumptions using information available at the time the statements are made. We caution the reader not to place undue reliance on our forward-looking statements as (i) these statements are neither a prediction nor a guarantee of future events or circumstances and (ii) the assumptions, beliefs, expectations and projections about future events may differ materially from actual results. We undertake no obligation to publicly update any forward-looking statement to reflect developments occurring after the statement is made.

### PART I

## **ITEM 1. BUSINESS**

Unless the context requires otherwise, references in this report to "Old Dominion," the "Company," "we," "us" and "our" refer to Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc.

#### Overview

We are a leading, less-than-truckload ("LTL"), union-free motor carrier providing regional, inter-regional and national LTL service and other value-added services from a single integrated organization. We are the sixth largest LTL motor carrier in the United States, as measured by 2011 revenue, according to *Transport Topics*. In addition to our core LTL services, we offer our customers a broad range of value-added services including ground and air expedited transportation, container delivery, truckload brokerage, supply chain consulting, warehousing and consumer household pickup and delivery services. We also offer worldwide freight forwarding services. Our services are complemented by our technological capabilities, which we believe provide the tools to improve the efficiency of our operations while empowering our customers to manage their shipping needs. More than 90% of our revenue is derived from transporting LTL shipments for our customers, whose demand for our services is generally tied to industrial production and the overall health of the U.S. domestic economy.

We have increased our revenue and customer base through both organic growth and strategic acquisitions and provide our domestic LTL services throughout the entire continental United States. Our infrastructure allows us to provide next-day and second-day service within each of our six regions, as well as inter-regional and national service between these regions. To support our ongoing expansion, we added 26 new service centers in the past five years for a total of 218 at December 31, 2012.

We believe our growth can be attributed to our focus on meeting our customers' complete supply chain needs from a single point of contact while providing a high level of customer service at a fair and equitable price. Our service is supported by ongoing investment in our employees, service center network and technology. Our integrated structure allows us to offer our customers consistent high-quality service from origin to destination, and we believe our operating structure and proprietary information systems also enable us to efficiently manage our operating costs.

We were founded in 1934 and incorporated in Virginia in 1950. Our principal executive offices are located at 500 Old Dominion Way, Thomasville, North Carolina 27360. Please refer to the Balance Sheets and Statements of Operations included in Item 8, "Financial Statements and Supplementary Data" of this report for information regarding our total assets, revenue from operations and net income.

## **Our Industry**

Trucking companies provide transportation services to virtually every industry operating in the United States and generally offer higher levels of reliability and faster transit times than other surface transportation options. The trucking industry is comprised principally of two types of motor carriers: LTL and truckload. LTL carriers typically pick up multiple shipments from multiple customers on a single truck and then route that freight for delivery through service centers where the freight may be transferred to other trucks with similar destinations. In contrast, truckload carriers generally dedicate an entire trailer to one customer from origin to destination.

According to the American Trucking Associations, total U.S. freight transportation revenue in 2011 was \$746.2 billion, of which the trucking industry accounted for 80.9%. The LTL sector had revenue in 2011 of \$46.9 billion, which represented 6.3% of total U.S. freight transportation revenue. In contrast to truckload carriers, LTL motor carriers require expansive networks of local pickup and delivery ("P&D") service centers, as well as larger breakbulk, or hub, facilities. Significant capital is required to create and maintain a network of service centers and a fleet of tractors and trailers. The high fixed costs and capital spending requirements for LTL motor carriers makes it difficult for new start-up or small operators to effectively compete with established companies. In addition, successful LTL motor carriers generally employ, and regularly update, a high level of technology-based systems and processes that provide information to customers and reduce operating costs.

The LTL industry is highly competitive on the basis of service and price and has consolidated significantly since the industry was deregulated in 1980. Based on 2011 revenue as reported in *Transport Topics*, the top 25 LTL motor carriers accounted for approximately 64% of the total LTL market. We believe consolidation in our industry will continue due to customer demand for single transportation providers offering both national and regional LTL service and complex supply chain services. Smaller regional carriers with lesser financial resources are generally unable to meet this demand.

## Competition

We compete with regional, inter-regional and national LTL carriers and, to a lesser extent, with truckload carriers, small package carriers, airfreight carriers and railroads. We also compete with, and provide transportation services to, third-party logistics providers that determine both the mode of transportation and the carrier. Competition is based primarily on service, price and business relationships. We believe we are able to compete effectively in our markets by providing high-quality and timely service at fair and equitable prices.

At all levels of our organization, we seek to continuously improve customer service by maximizing on-time performance while reducing transit times and minimizing cargo claims. We believe our transit times are generally faster than those of our principal national competitors, in part because of our more efficient service center network, use of team drivers and proprietary technology. In addition, we provide greater geographic coverage than most of our regional competitors. Our diversified mix and scope of regional, inter-regional and national service, combined with our value-added service offerings, enables us to provide our customers with a single source to meet their shipping and logistics needs. We believe this provides us with a distinct advantage over most of our regional, multi-regional and national competition.

We utilize flexible scheduling and train our union-free employees to perform multiple tasks, which we believe allows us to achieve greater productivity and higher levels of customer service than our competitors. We believe our focus on employee communication, continued education, development and motivation strengthens the relationships and trust among our employees.

We compete with several large and more diversified transportation service providers, each of which may have more equipment, a broader global network and a wider range of services than we have. Our larger competitors may also have greater financial resources and, in general, the ability to reduce prices to gain business, especially during times of reduced growth rates in the economy.

## **Service Center Operations**

At December 31, 2012, we conducted operations through 218 service center locations, of which we owned 150 and leased 68. We operate ten major breakbulk facilities in Rialto, California; Atlanta, Georgia; Chicago, Illinois; Indianapolis, Indiana; Greensboro, North Carolina; Harrisburg, Pennsylvania; Memphis and Morristown, Tennessee; Dallas, Texas; and Salt Lake City, Utah, while using other service centers for limited breakbulk activity in order to serve our next-day markets. Our service centers are strategically located in six regions of the country to provide the highest quality service and minimize freight rehandling costs.

Our service centers are responsible for the pickup and delivery of freight within their service area. Each night, our service centers load outbound freight for transport to other service centers for delivery. All inbound freight received by the service center in the evening or during the night is scheduled for local delivery the next business day, unless a customer requests a different delivery schedule. Our management reviews the productivity and service performance of each service center on a daily basis to help ensure quality service and efficient operations.

While we have established primary responsibility for customer service at the local service center level, our customers may access information and initiate transactions through our centralized customer service department located at our corporate office or through several other gateways, such as our website, electronic data interchange ("EDI"), email and fax notification systems and automated voice response systems. Our systems offer direct access to information such as freight tracking, shipping documents, rate quotes, rate databases and account activity. These centralized systems and our customer service department provide our customers with a single point of contact to access information across all areas of our operations and for each of our service products.

## **Linehaul Transportation**

Linehaul dispatchers control the movement of freight between service centers through integrated freight movement systems. We also utilize load-planning software to optimize efficiencies in our linehaul operations. Our senior management monitors freight movements, transit times, load factors and many other productivity measurements to ensure that we maintain our highest levels of service and efficiency.

We utilize scheduled routes, and additional linehaul dispatches as necessary, to meet our published transit times. In addition, we lower our cost structure by maintaining flexible workforce rules and by primarily using twin 28-foot trailers in our linehaul operations. The use of twin 28-foot trailers permits us to transport freight directly from its point of origin to destination with minimal unloading and reloading, which also reduces cargo loss and damage expenses. We utilize long-combination vehicles, such as triple 28-foot trailers and combinations of 48-foot and 28-foot trailers, in states where permitted. Twin trailers and long-combination vehicles permit more freight to be hauled behind a tractor than could otherwise be hauled by one large trailer.

## Tractors, Trailers and Maintenance

At December 31, 2012, we owned 6,099 tractors. We generally use new tractors in linehaul operations for approximately three to five years and then transfer those tractors to P&D operations for the remainder of their useful lives. In many of our service centers, tractors perform P&D functions during the day and linehaul functions at night to maximize tractor utilization.

At December 31, 2012, we owned 24,181 trailers. We primarily purchase new trailers for our operations; however, we occasionally purchase pre-owned equipment that meets our specifications. The purchase of pre-owned equipment can provide an excellent value but also can increase our fleet's average age. The table below reflects, as of December 31, 2012, the average age of our tractors and trailers:

Type of Equipment	Number of Units	Average Age (In years)
Tractors	6,099	4.2
Linehaul trailers	17,280	6.1
P&D trailers	6,901	13.2

We develop certain specifications for tractors and trailers and then negotiate the production and purchase of this equipment with several manufacturers. These purchases are planned well in advance of anticipated delivery dates in order to accommodate manufacturers' production schedules. We believe there is sufficient capacity among suppliers to ensure an uninterrupted supply of equipment to support our operations.

The table below sets forth our capital expenditures for tractors and trailers for the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010. For more information concerning our capital expenditures, see Item 7, "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations – *Liquidity and Capital Resources*" of this report.

	Year Ended December 31,								
(In thousands)	2012		2011		2010				
Tractors	\$ 113,257	\$	69,837	\$	35,777				
Trailers	83,405		62,326		5,020				
Total	\$ 196,662	\$	132,163	\$	40,797				

At December 31, 2012, we had major maintenance operations at our service centers in Rialto, California; Denver, Colorado; Atlanta, Georgia; Indianapolis, Indiana; Kansas City and Parsons, Kansas; Greensboro, North Carolina; Columbus, Ohio; Harrisburg, Pennsylvania; Morristown and Memphis, Tennessee; Dallas, Texas; and Salt Lake City, Utah. In addition, 22 other service center locations are equipped to perform routine and preventive maintenance and repairs on our equipment.

We adhere to established maintenance policies and procedures to help ensure our fleet is properly maintained. Tractors are routed to appropriate maintenance facilities at designated mileage intervals or 90 days, whichever occurs first. Trailers are scheduled for maintenance every 90 days.

### Customers

Revenue is generated by customers dispersed primarily throughout the United States and North America. In 2012, our largest customer accounted for approximately 2.6% of our revenue and our largest 5, 10 and 20 customers accounted for approximately 8.9%, 14.0% and 21.1% of our revenue, respectively. For each of the previous three years, more than 90% of our revenue was derived from transporting LTL shipments for our customers and less than 5% of our revenue was generated from international services. We believe the diversity of our customer base helps protect our business from adverse developments in a single geographic region and from the reduction or loss of business from a single customer.

We utilize an integrated freight-costing system to determine the price level at which a particular shipment of freight will be profitable. We can modify elements of this freight-costing model to simulate the actual conditions under which the freight will be moved. Many of our customers engage our services through the terms and provisions of our tariffs. We also compete for business by participating in bid solicitations. Customers generally solicit bids for relatively large numbers of shipments for a period of one to two years and typically choose to enter into contractual arrangements with a limited number of motor carriers based upon price and service.

### Seasonality

Our operations are subject to seasonal trends common in the trucking industry. Our operating margins in the first quarter are normally lower due to reduced demand during the winter months. Harsh weather can also adversely affect our performance by reducing demand and reducing our ability to transport freight, which could result in decreased revenue and increased operating expenses.

### **Technology**

We continually upgrade and enhance our technological capabilities, and we provide access to our systems through multiple gateways that offer our customers maximum flexibility and immediate access to information. We employ vehicle safety systems, on-board and hand-held computer systems, freight handling systems and logistics technology to reduce costs and transit times. We continue to focus on the development and enhancement of the technology used in our operations in order to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of our services.

#### Insurance

We carry a significant amount of insurance with third-party insurance carriers, but we are exposed to the risk of loss on claims up to the limit for which we hold either a self-insured retention ("SIR") or deductible. At December 31, 2012, we maintained an SIR of \$2.75 million per occurrence for bodily injury and property damage ("BIPD") claims, a deductible of \$100,000 per claim for cargo loss and damage, a deductible of \$1.0 million per occurrence for workers' compensation claims and an SIR of \$400,000 per occurrence (with a \$200,000 aggregate over our retention level) for group health claims.

We believe that our policy of maintaining an SIR or deductible for a portion of our risks, supported by our safety and loss prevention programs, is an effective means of managing insurance costs. We periodically review our risks and insurance coverage applicable to those risks and we believe that our current insurance coverage is sufficient.

## Diesel Fuel Availability and Cost

Our industry depends heavily upon the availability of diesel fuel. Although we currently maintain fuel storage and pumping facilities at 50, or 23%, of our service center locations, we may be susceptible to fuel shortages at certain locations that could cause us to incur additional expense to help ensure adequate supply on a timely basis to prevent a disruption to our service schedules.

Diesel fuel costs, including fuel taxes, totaled 14.4%, 15.0% and 13.1% of revenue in 2012, 2011 and 2010, respectively. We believe our operations and financial condition are susceptible to the same diesel fuel price increases or shortages as those of our competitors. We implemented a fuel surcharge program in August 1999, which has remained in effect since that time and is one of many components that we use to determine the overall price for our transportation services. Our fuel surcharges are generally indexed to fuel prices published by the U.S. Department of Energy (the "DOE") that reset each week.

### **Employees**

As of December 31, 2012, we employed 13,016 individuals on a full-time basis, none of which were represented under a collective bargaining agreement. Our full-time employees work in the following roles:

Full-Time Employees	Number of Employees
Drivers	6,940
Platform	2,050
Fleet technicians	461
Sales	513
Salaried, clerical and other	3,052
Total	13,016

As of December 31, 2012, we employed 3,484 linehaul drivers and 3,456 P&D drivers on a full-time basis. We select our drivers primarily based upon safe driving records and experience. Among other requirements, our drivers must pass a drug test, have a current U.S. Department of Transportation ("DOT") physical and have a valid commercial driver's license prior to employment. Once employed, drivers are required to obtain and maintain hazardous materials endorsements to their commercial driver's licenses. Drivers, as well as all employees, are required to take pre-employment drug and alcohol tests and are randomly selected for periodic additional testing.

To help fulfill driver needs, we offer qualified employees the opportunity to become drivers through the "Old Dominion Driver Training Program." Since its inception in 1988 through December 31, 2012, 3,297 individuals have graduated from this program. Of the program graduates, we have experienced an annual turnover rate of approximately 6.1%, which is below our Company-wide average turnover rate of approximately 11.6% for drivers. We believe our driver training and qualification programs have been important factors in improving our safety record and retaining qualified drivers. Drivers with safe driving records are rewarded with bonuses of up to \$3,000 payable each year. Driver safety bonuses paid during 2012 and 2011 were \$2.6 million and \$2.3 million, respectively.

At December 31, 2012, we had a sales staff of 513 employees. We compensate our sales force, in part, based upon certain operating metrics to help motivate our sales employees to achieve our service, growth and profitability objectives.

## **Governmental Regulation**

We are subject to regulation by many federal governmental agencies, including the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (the "FMCSA"), the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Agency and the Surface Transportation Board, which are agencies within the DOT. We are also subject to rules and regulations of various state agencies. These regulatory authorities have broad powers, generally governing matters such as authority to engage in motor carrier operations, motor carrier registration, driver hours of service, safety and fitness of transportation equipment and drivers, certain mergers, consolidations and acquisitions and periodic financial reporting. In addition, we are subject to compliance with cargo-security

and transportation regulations issued by the Transportation Security Administration within the U.S. Department of Homeland Security.

In October 2009, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit ordered the FMCSA to review and re-issue rules governing hours of service for commercial truck drivers by July 26, 2011. This deadline was extended and on December 22, 2011, the FMCSA issued its final rule, which requires compliance by July 1, 2013. The final rule reduces the maximum number of hours a truck driver can work each week to 70 hours from the current 82-hour limit. The rule maintains the current maximum 11-hour daily driving limit, but requires drivers to take a 30-minute break prior to driving beyond eight hours. The rule also includes a "34-hour restart" provision that allows drivers to restart the clock on their work week by taking at least 34 consecutive hours off-duty, provided these 34 off-duty hours includes two periods between 1:00 a.m. and 5:00 a.m. and occurs only once during a seven-day period. We do not believe this new rule, when implemented, will have a significant impact on our operating procedures and will not significantly impact our costs. We are, however, subject to future rulemaking by the FMCSA and other regulatory agencies, which could be more stringent, require changes to our operations, increase our operating costs or otherwise adversely impact our results of operations.

The trucking industry is subject to regulatory and legislative changes from a variety of other governmental authorities, which address matters such as: (i) increasingly stringent environmental and occupational safety and health regulations; (ii) limits on vehicle weight and size; (iii) ergonomics; (iv) port security; and (v) hours of service. These changes may affect our business or the economics of our industry by requiring changes in operating practices, or by influencing the demand for and increasing the costs of providing our services.

## **Environmental Regulation**

We are subject to various federal, state and local environmental laws and regulations that focus on, among other things: the emission and discharge of hazardous materials into the environment or their presence at our properties or in our vehicles; fuel storage tanks; transportation of certain materials; and the discharge or retention of storm water. Under specific environmental laws, we could also be held responsible for any costs relating to contamination at our past or present facilities and at third-party waste disposal sites, as well as costs associated with clean-up of accidents involving our vehicles. We do not believe that the cost of future compliance with current environmental laws or regulations will have a material adverse effect on our operations, financial condition, competitive position or capital expenditures for the remainder of 2013. However, future changes to laws or regulations may adversely affect our operations and could result in unforeseen costs to our business.

## Available Information

Through our website, http://www.odfl.com, we make available, free of charge, our Annual Report on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, Current Reports on Form 8-K and any amendments to those reports filed or furnished pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as soon as practicable after we electronically file the material with or furnish it to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"). The public may read or copy any document we file with the SEC at the SEC's website, <a href="http://www.sec.gov">http://www.sec.gov</a> (File No. 0-19582), or at the SEC's Public Reference Room at 100 F Street, NE, Washington, D.C. 20549-2736. The SEC can be reached at 1-800-SEC-0330 for further information on the operation of the Public Reference Room. Information contained on our website is neither part of nor incorporated by reference into this Form 10-K or any other report we file with or furnish to the SEC.

### ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS

Various factors exist that could cause our actual results to differ materially from those projected in any forward-looking statement. In addition to the factors discussed elsewhere in this report, we believe the following are some of the important risks and uncertainties that could materially affect our business, financial condition or results of operations:

We operate in a highly competitive industry, and our business will suffer if we are unable to adequately address potential downward pricing pressures and other factors that may adversely affect our operations and profitability.

Numerous competitive factors could impair our ability to maintain our current profitability. These factors include, but are not limited to, the following:

• we compete with many other transportation service providers of varying sizes, some of which may have more equipment, a broader global network, a wider range of services, greater capital resources or other competitive advantages;

- some of our competitors periodically reduce their prices to gain business, especially during times of reduced growth rates in the economy, which may limit our ability to maintain or increase prices or maintain revenue;
- we may be unable to continue to collect fuel surcharges or our fuel surcharge program may become ineffective in mitigating the impact of fluctuating costs for fuel and other petroleum-based products;
- many customers reduce the number of carriers they use by selecting "core carriers" as approved transportation service providers and we may not be selected;
- many customers periodically accept bids from multiple carriers for their shipping needs, and this process may depress
  prices or result in the loss of some business to competitors;
- some customers may choose to operate their own private trucking fleet or may choose to increase the volume of freight they transport if they have an existing private trucking fleet;
- some customers may choose to consolidate certain LTL shipments through a different mode of transportation, such as truckload, intermodal or rail;
- the trend towards consolidation in the ground transportation industry may create other large carriers with greater financial resources and other competitive advantages relating to their size;
- advances in technology require increased investments to remain competitive, and our customers may not be willing to accept higher prices to cover the cost of these investments; and
- competition from non-asset-based logistics and freight brokerage companies may adversely affect our customer relationships and ability to maintain sufficient pricing.

If we are unable to effectively compete with other LTL carriers, whether on the basis of price, service or otherwise, we may be unable to retain existing customers or attract new customers, either of which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

## If our employees were to unionize, our operating costs would increase and our ability to compete would be impaired.

None of our employees are currently represented under a collective bargaining agreement. However, from time to time there have been efforts to organize our employees at various service centers. Further, Congress or one or more states could approve legislation and/or the National Labor Relations Board could render decisions that could significantly affect our business and our relationship with our employees, including actions that could substantially liberalize the procedures for union organization. In addition, we can offer no assurance that the Department of Labor will not adopt new regulations or interpret existing regulations in a manner that would favor the agenda of unions, or that our employees will not unionize in the future, particularly if regulatory changes occur that facilitate unionization.

The unionization of our employees could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations because:

- some shippers have indicated that they intend to limit their use of unionized trucking companies because of the threat of strikes and other work stoppages;
- restrictive work rules could hamper our efforts to improve and sustain operating efficiency;
- restrictive work rules could impair our service reputation and limit our ability to provide next-day services;
- a strike or work stoppage would negatively impact our profitability and could damage customer and employee relationships; and
- an election and bargaining process could divert management's time and attention from our overall objectives and impose significant expenses.

## If we are unable to successfully execute our growth strategy, our business and future results of operations may suffer.

Our growth strategy includes increasing the volume of freight moving through our existing service center network, selectively expanding our geographic footprint and broadening the scope of our service offerings. In connection with our growth strategy, at various times, we have made selective acquisitions, purchased additional equipment, expanded and upgraded service centers and increased our sales and marketing efforts, and we expect to continue to do so. Our growth strategy exposes us to a number of risks, including the following:

- geographic expansion requires start-up costs that could expose us to temporary losses;
- growth and geographic expansion are dependent on the availability of real estate, and shortages of suitable real estate
  may limit our geographic expansion and might cause congestion in our service center network, which could result in
  increased operating expenses;
- growth may strain our management, capital resources, information systems and customer service;
- hiring new employees may increase training costs and may result in temporary inefficiencies until those employees become proficient in their jobs; and
- · expanding our service offerings may require us to enter into new markets and encounter new competitive challenges.

We cannot assure that we will overcome the risks associated with our growth strategy. If we fail to overcome those risks, we may not realize additional revenue or profits from our efforts, we may incur additional expenses and, therefore, our financial position and results of operations could be materially and adversely affected.

## We may be unable to successfully consummate and integrate acquisitions as part of our growth strategy.

Growth through acquisitions has been a key component of our LTL growth strategy throughout our history. In the future, we may seek to acquire other LTL carriers as well as other complementary businesses. Exploration of potential acquisitions requires significant attention from our senior management team. In addition, we expect to compete for acquisition opportunities with other companies, some of which may have greater financial and other resources than we do. We cannot assure that we will have sufficient cash with which to consummate an acquisition or otherwise be able to obtain financing for any acquisition. If we are unable to access sufficient funding for potential acquisitions, we may not be able to complete transactions that we otherwise find advantageous.

Any subsequent acquisition will entail numerous risks, including:

- we may not achieve anticipated levels of revenue, efficiency, cash flows and profitability;
- · we may experience difficulties managing businesses that are outside our historical core competency and markets;
- we may underestimate the resources required to support acquisitions, which could disrupt our ongoing business and distract our management;
- · we may incur unanticipated costs to our infrastructure to support new business lines or separate legal entities;
- we may be required to temporarily match existing customer pricing in the acquiree's markets, which may be lower than the rates that we would typically charge for our services;
- liabilities we assume could be greater than our original estimates or not disclosed to us at the time of acquisition;
- we may incur additional indebtedness or we may issue additional equity to finance future acquisitions, which could be dilutive to our shareholders;
- · potential loss of key employees and customers of the acquired company; and
- an inability to recognize projected cost savings and economies of scale.

In addition, we may have difficulty integrating any acquired business and its operations, services and personnel into our existing operations, and such integration may require a significant amount of time and effort by our management team. To the extent we do not successfully avoid or overcome the risks or problems resulting from any acquisitions we undertake, there could be a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

## Our customers' and suppliers' business may be impacted by a downturn in the economy and/or a disruption of financial markets.

Adverse economic conditions can negatively affect our customers' business levels, the amount of transportation services they need, their ability to pay for our services and overall freight levels, all of which might impair our asset utilization. Customers encountering adverse economic conditions may be unable to obtain additional financing, or financing under acceptable terms, due to disruptions in the capital and credit markets. These customers represent a greater potential for bad debt losses, which may require us to increase our reserve for bad debt. Economic conditions resulting in bankruptcies of one or more of our large customers could have a significant impact on our financial position, results of operations or liquidity in a particular year or quarter. Further, when adverse economic times arise customers may bid out freight or select competitors that offer lower rates in an attempt to lower their costs and we might be forced to lower our rates or lose freight.

Our suppliers' business levels also may be negatively affected by adverse economic conditions or financial constraints, which could lead to disruptions in the supply and availability of equipment, parts and services critical to our operations. A significant interruption in our normal supply chain could disrupt our operations, increase our costs and negatively impact our ability to serve our customers.

We also are subject to cost increases outside our control that could materially reduce our profitability if we are unable to increase our rates sufficiently. Such cost increases include, but are not limited to, increases in fuel prices, driver wages, interest rates, taxes, tolls, license and registration fees, insurance, revenue equipment and healthcare for our employees.

## Increases in driver compensation or other difficulties attracting and retaining qualified drivers could adversely affect our profitability and ability to maintain or grow our fleet.

From time to time we have experienced difficulty in attracting and retaining sufficient numbers of qualified drivers and such shortages may recur in the future. Because of the intense competition for drivers, we may face difficulty maintaining or increasing our number of drivers. The compensation we offer our drivers is subject to market conditions that may require increases in driver compensation, which becomes more likely as economic conditions improve. If we are unable to attract and retain a sufficient number of drivers, we could be required to adjust our compensation packages, or operate with fewer trucks and face difficulty meeting shipper demands, all of which could adversely affect our profitability and ability to maintain our size or grow.

## Insurance and claims expenses could significantly reduce our profitability.

We are exposed to claims related to cargo loss and damage, property damage, personal injury, workers' compensation, group health and group dental. We have insurance coverage with third-party insurance carriers, but we assume a significant portion of the risk associated with these claims due to our self-insured retentions and deductibles. Our operating results would be adversely affected if any of the following were to occur: (i) the number or severity of claims increases; (ii) we are required to accrue or pay additional amounts because the claims prove to be more severe than our original assessment; or (iii) claims exceed our excess coverage amounts. If claims exceed our retention or deductible levels or insurance market conditions change, insurers could raise premiums for excess coverage to cover their expenses and anticipated future losses. In addition, insurance companies require us to obtain letters of credit to collateralize our retention or deductible levels. If these requirements increase, our borrowing capacity could be adversely affected.

## Recent healthcare legislation may increase our costs and reduce our future profitability.

To attract and retain employees, we maintain a competitive health insurance plan for our employees and their dependents. The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, signed into law in 2010, is expected to increase our annual employee healthcare costs going forward. We cannot predict the extent that this legislation, or any future state or federal healthcare legislation or regulation, will have on us. However, rising healthcare costs and universal healthcare coverage in the United States could result in significant long-term costs to us, which could have a material adverse effect on our operating results. In addition, rising healthcare costs could force us to make changes to our benefits program, which could negatively impact our ability to attract and retain employees.

## We have significant ongoing cash requirements that could limit our growth and affect our profitability if we are unable to obtain sufficient capital.

Our business is highly capital intensive. We generally finance our capital expenditures and planned growth with existing cash, cash flow from operations, issuance of debt and through available borrowings under our existing senior unsecured credit agreement. We may require additional capital to finance long-term real estate purchase opportunities and acquisitions, which we may fund through additional debt or through equity offerings. If we are unable in the future to generate sufficient cash from our operations or raise capital by accessing the debt and equity markets, we may be forced to limit our growth and operate our equipment for longer periods of time, which could have a material adverse effect on our operating results.

Our business also has significant ongoing operating cash requirements. If our cash requirements are high or our cash flow from operations is low during particular periods, we may need to seek additional financing, which could be costly or difficult to obtain.

## Limited supply and increased prices for new equipment may adversely affect our earnings and cash flow.

We may face difficulty in purchasing new equipment due to decreased supply and increased costs. Investment in new equipment is a significant part of our annual capital expenditures and we require an available supply of tractors and trailers from equipment manufacturers to operate and grow our business. We are also subject to shortages in raw materials that are required for the production of critical operating equipment and supplies, such as shortages in rubber or steel.

The price of our equipment may also be adversely affected in the future by regulations on newly manufactured tractors and diesel engines. We have incurred significant increases in the cost of tractors due to regulations of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (the "EPA") that require progressive reductions in exhaust emissions from diesel engines. Beginning in October 2002, new diesel engines were required to meet these new emission limits. Some of the regulations required reductions in the sulfur content of diesel fuel beginning in June 2006 and the introduction of emissions after-treatment devices on newly-manufactured engines and vehicles beginning with model-year 2007. The final phase of these regulations required reduced nitrogen and non-methane hydrocarbon emissions beginning with model-year 2010. Beginning in 2013, these regulations also require that all heavy-duty diesel engines built for highway applications over 14,000 pounds include certified onboard diagnostics systems to monitor emissions. These regulations have resulted in higher prices for tractors and diesel engines and increased operating and maintenance costs, and there can be no assurance that continued increases in pricing or costs will not have an adverse effect on our business and results of operations.

## We may be adversely impacted by fluctuations in the availability and price of diesel fuel.

Diesel fuel is a critical component of our operations and a significant operating expense for our business. Diesel fuel prices and fuel availability can be impacted by factors beyond our control, such as natural or man-made disasters, political events, price and supply decisions by oil producing countries and cartels, terrorist activities, armed conflict and world supply and demand imbalances. We maintain fuel storage and pumping facilities at many of our service center locations; however, we may be susceptible to fuel shortages at certain locations that could cause us to incur additional expense to ensure adequate supply on a timely basis to prevent a disruption to our service schedules. An interruption in the supply of diesel fuel could have a material adverse effect on our operating results.

We do not hedge against the risk of diesel fuel price increases. An increase in diesel fuel prices or diesel fuel taxes, or any change in federal or state regulations that results in such an increase, could have a material adverse effect on our operating results. We have fuel surcharge programs in place with a majority of our customers, which have helped us offset the majority of the negative impact of the increased cost of diesel fuel and other petroleum-based products. However, we also incur fuel costs that cannot be recovered even with respect to customers with which we maintain fuel surcharge programs, such as those costs associated with empty miles or the time when our engines are idling. Because our fuel surcharge recovery lags behind changes in fuel prices, our fuel surcharge recovery may not capture the increased costs we pay for fuel, especially when prices are rising, leading to fluctuations in our levels of reimbursement. We regularly monitor the components of our pricing, including fuel surcharges, and address individual account profitability issues with our customers when necessary; however, there can be no assurance that fuel surcharges can be maintained indefinitely or will be sufficiently effective in offsetting increases in diesel fuel prices.

## We are subject to various environmental laws and regulations, and costs of compliance with, liabilities under, or violations of, existing or future environmental laws or regulations could adversely affect our business.

We are subject to various federal, state and local environmental laws and regulations that govern, among other things, the emission and discharge of hazardous materials into the environment, the presence of hazardous materials at our properties or in our vehicles, fuel storage tanks, the transportation of certain materials and the discharge or retention of storm water. Under certain environmental laws, we could also be held responsible for any costs relating to contamination at our past or present facilities and at third-party waste disposal sites, as well as costs associated with the clean-up of accidents involving our vehicles. Environmental laws have become and are expected to continue to be increasingly more stringent over time, and there can be no assurance that our costs of complying with current or future environmental laws or liabilities arising under such laws will not have a material adverse effect on our business, operations or financial condition.

In addition to the EPA regulations on exhaust emissions with which we must comply, there is an increased regulatory focus on climate change and greenhouse gas emissions in the United States. As a result, we may become subject to additional

legislation or rulemaking that could adversely impact our business. Any future limitations on the emission of greenhouse gases or other environmental legislation could increase our future capital expenditures and have an adverse impact on our financial condition, results of operations and liquidity.

## We are subject to the risks of litigation and governmental proceedings, which could adversely affect our business.

We are, and in the future may be, subject to legal and governmental proceedings and claims. The parties in such legal actions may seek amounts from us that may not be covered in whole or in part by insurance. Defending ourselves against such legal actions could result in significant costs and could require a substantial amount of time and effort by our management team. We cannot predict the outcome of litigation or governmental proceedings to which we are a party or whether we will be subject to future legal actions. As a result, the potential costs associated with legal actions against us could have an adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

## We operate in a highly regulated industry, and increased costs of compliance with, or liability for violation of, existing or future regulations could have a material adverse effect on our business.

We are regulated by the DOT and by various state agencies. These regulatory authorities have broad powers, generally governing matters such as authority to engage in motor carrier operations, as well as motor carrier registration, driver hours of service, safety and fitness of transportation equipment and drivers, transportation of hazardous materials, certain mergers and acquisitions and periodic financial reporting. In addition, the trucking industry is subject to regulatory and legislative changes from a variety of other governmental authorities, which address matters such as: (i) increasingly stringent environmental, occupational safety and health regulations; (ii) limits on vehicle weight and size; (iii) ergonomics; (iv) port security; and (v) hours of service. In addition, we are subject to compliance with cargo-security and transportation regulations issued by the Transportation Security Administration within the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. Regulatory requirements, and changes in regulatory requirements, may affect our business or the economics of the industry by requiring changes in operating practices or by influencing the demand for and increasing the costs of providing transportation services.

In October 2009, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit ordered the FMCSA to review and reissue rules governing hours of service for commercial truck drivers by July 26, 2011. This deadline was extended and on December 22, 2011, the FMCSA issued its final rule, which requires compliance by July 1, 2013. The final rule reduces the maximum number of hours a truck driver can work each week to 70 hours from the current 82-hour limit. The rule maintains the current maximum 11-hour daily driving limit, but requires drivers to take a 30-minute break prior to driving beyond eight hours. The rule also includes a "34-hour restart" provision that allows drivers to restart the clock on their work week by taking at least 34 consecutive hours off-duty, provided these 34 off-duty hours includes two periods between 1:00 a.m. and 5:00 a.m. and occurs only once during a seven-day period. We do not believe this new rule, when implemented, will have a significant impact on our operating procedures and will not significantly impact our costs. We are, however, subject to future rulemaking by the FMCSA and other regulatory agencies, which could be more stringent, require changes to our operations, increase our operating costs or otherwise adversely impact our results of operations.

# The FMCSA's Compliance, Safety, Accountability initiative ("CSA") could adversely impact our ability to hire qualified drivers, meet our growth projections and maintain our customer relationships, each of which could adversely impact our results of operations.

The CSA includes compliance and enforcement initiatives designed to monitor and improve commercial motor vehicle safety by measuring the safety record of both the motor carrier and the driver. These measurements are scored and used by the FMCSA to identify potential safety risks and to direct enforcement action. CSA scores for transportation companies are currently available on the FMCSA's website.

Our CSA scores are dependent upon our safety and compliance experience, which could change at any time. In addition, the safety standards prescribed in CSA could change and our ability to maintain an acceptable score could be adversely impacted. If we receive an unacceptable CSA score, our relationships with our customers could be damaged, which could result in a loss of business.

The requirements of CSA could shrink the industry's pool of drivers as those with unfavorable scores could leave the industry. As a result, the costs to attract, train and retain qualified drivers could increase. In addition, a shortage of qualified drivers could increase driver turnover, decrease asset utilization, limit growth and adversely impact our results of operations.

## Our results of operations may be affected by seasonal factors and harsh weather conditions.

Our operations are subject to seasonal trends common in the trucking industry. Our operating margins in the first quarter are normally lower due to reduced demand during the winter months. Harsh weather can also adversely affect our performance by reducing demand and reducing our ability to transport freight, which could result in decreased revenue and increased operating expenses.

## If we are unable to retain our key employees, our financial condition, results of operations and liquidity could be adversely affected.

Our success will continue to depend upon the experience and leadership of our key employees and executive officers. In that regard, the loss of the services of any of our key personnel could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition, results of operations and liquidity.

## Our principal shareholders control a large portion of our outstanding common stock.

Earl E. Congdon, David S. Congdon, John R. Congdon and members of their respective families beneficially own an aggregate of approximately 27% of the outstanding shares of our common stock. As long as the Congdon family controls a large portion of our voting stock, they may be able to significantly influence the election of the entire Board of Directors and the outcome of all matters involving a shareholder vote. The Congdon family's interests may differ from the interests of other shareholders and the status of their ownership could change at their discretion.

## Our financial results may be adversely impacted by potential future changes in accounting practices.

Future changes in accounting standards or practices, and related legal and regulatory interpretations of those changes, may adversely impact public companies in general, the transportation industry or our operations specifically. New accounting standards or requirements, such as a conversion from U.S. generally accepted accounting principles to International Financial Reporting Standards, could change the way we record revenues, expenses, assets and/or liabilities or could be costly to implement. These types of regulations could have a negative impact on our financial position, liquidity, results of operations and/or access to capital.

## Our information technology systems are subject to certain risks that we cannot control.

We are reliant on our information systems for our operations as well as providing a value-added service to our customers. Our information systems, including our accounting systems, are dependent upon third-party software, global communications providers, data network systems and other aspects of technology and Internet infrastructure that are susceptible to failure or an adverse cyber incident. Although we have implemented redundant systems and network security measures, our information technology remains susceptible to interruptions caused by natural disasters, outages, computer viruses, break-ins and similar disruptions. Such an event could inhibit our ability to provide services to our customers and the ability of our customers to access our systems. In addition, there could be a loss of confidential information, corruption of data and damage to our brand image. This may result in a reduction in demand for our services or the loss of customers that could have a negative impact on our financial condition, results of operations and liquidity.

## Misuse of social media outlets could damage our reputation and adversely affect our financial condition.

Customers, competitors, employees and other individuals continue to increase the use of social media outlets, and we maintain and manage our own corporate presence through various social media outlets. We support new ways of sharing data and communicating through these social media outlets. However, information distributed via social networking could result in unfavorable publicity about us being disseminated quickly and broadly. This unfavorable publicity could damage our reputation and may result in a reduction in demand for our services or the loss of customers that could have a negative impact on our financial condition, results of operations and liquidity.

## A decrease in the demand and value of used equipment may impact our results of operations.

As we purchase new tractors as part of our normal replacement cycle each year, we rely on the used equipment market to dispose of our older equipment. Oversupply in the transportation industry as well as adverse domestic and foreign economic conditions can negatively impact the demand for used tractors and, therefore, reduce the value we can obtain on our used equipment. If we are unable to sell our older equipment at or above salvage value, the resulting losses could have a significant impact on our results of operations.

## If we raise additional capital in the future, your ownership in us could be diluted.

Any issuance of equity we may undertake in the future to raise additional capital could cause the price of our common stock to decline, or require us to issue shares at a price that is lower than that paid by holders of our common stock in the past, which would result in those newly issued shares being dilutive. If we obtain funds through a credit facility or through the issuance of debt or preferred securities, these obligations and securities would likely have rights senior to your rights as a common shareholder, which could impair the value of our common stock.

## The market value of our common stock may fluctuate and could be substantially affected by various factors.

The price of our common stock on the NASDAQ Global Select Market constantly changes. We expect that the market price of our common stock will continue to fluctuate as a result of a variety of factors, many of which are beyond our control. These factors include, among others:

- Actual or anticipated variations in earnings, financial or operating performance or liquidity;
- Changes in analysts' recommendations or projections;
- Failure to meet analysts' projections;
- General economic and capital market conditions;
- Announcements of developments related to our business;
- Operating and stock performance of other companies deemed to be peers;
- · Actions by government regulators; and
- News reports of trends, concerns and other issues related to us or our industry, including changes in regulations.

Our common stock price may fluctuate significantly in the future, and these fluctuations may be unrelated to our performance. General market price declines or market volatility in the future could adversely affect the price of our common stock, and the current market price of our common stock may not be indicative of future market prices.

## Our articles of incorporation, our bylaws and Virginia law contain provisions that could discourage, delay or prevent a change in our control or our management.

Provisions of our articles of incorporation, bylaws and the laws of Virginia, the state in which we are incorporated, may discourage, delay or prevent a change in control of us or a change in management that shareholders may consider favorable. These provisions:

- limit who may call a special meeting of shareholders;
- require shareholder action by written consent to be unanimous;
- establish advance notice requirements for nominations for election to our Board of Directors or for proposing matters that can be acted upon at shareholder meetings;
- may make it difficult to merge with or otherwise absorb a Virginia corporation acquired in a tender offer for the three years after the acquisition; and
- may make an unsolicited attempt to gain control of us more difficult by restricting the right of specified shareholders to vote newly acquired large blocks of stock.

These provisions could discourage proxy contests and make it more difficult for you and other shareholders to take certain corporate actions. These provisions could also limit the price that investors might be willing to pay in the future for shares of our common stock.

### ITEM 1B. UNRESOLVED STAFF COMMENTS

None.

### **ITEM 2. PROPERTIES**

We own our general office located in Thomasville, North Carolina, consisting of a two-story office building of approximately 160,000 square feet on 30.1 acres of land. At December 31, 2012, we operated 218 service centers, of which 150 were owned and 68 were leased. Our service centers that are owned include most of our larger facilities and account for 81.9% of the total door capacity in our network. With the exception of our Chicago, Illinois facility, which has a lease that expires in 2021, we own our major breakbulk facilities. Each of our major breakbulk facilities is listed below with the number of doors as of December 31, 2012.

Service Center	Doors
Morristown, Tennessee	347
Indianapolis, Indiana	318
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania	305
Rialto, California	265
Dallas, Texas	234
Atlanta, Georgia	227
Greensboro, North Carolina	219
Memphis, Tennessee	169
Chicago, Illinois	134
Salt Lake City, Utah	129

Our 218 facilities are strategically dispersed over the states in which we operate. At December 31, 2012, the terms of our leased properties ranged from month-to-month to a lease that expires in 2023. We believe that as current leases expire, we will be able to renew them or find comparable facilities without incurring any material negative impact on service to our customers or our operating results.

We also own 17 non-operating properties, all of which are held for lease or are planned for future use. Seven of these properties are leased with lease terms that range from month-to-month to a lease that expires in 2017.

We believe that all of our properties are in good repair and are capable of providing the level of service required by current business levels and customer demands. In addition, we believe we have sufficient capacity in our service center network to accommodate a substantial increase in demand for our services.

## ITEM 3. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

We are involved in various legal proceedings and claims that have arisen in the ordinary course of our business that have not been fully adjudicated. Many of these are covered in whole or in part by insurance. Our management does not believe that these actions, when finally concluded and determined, will have a material adverse effect upon our financial position, liquidity or results of operations.

## ITEM 4. MINE SAFETY DISCLOSURES

Not applicable.

#### PART II

## ITEM 5. MARKET FOR REGISTRANT'S COMMON EQUITY, RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS AND ISSUER PURCHASES OF EQUITY SECURITIES

## **Common Stock and Dividend Information**

Our common stock is traded on the NASDAQ Global Select Market ("Nasdaq") under the symbol ODFL. At February 15, 2013, there were approximately 22,409 holders of our common stock, including 177 shareholders of record. We did not pay any dividends on our common stock during fiscal year 2012 or 2011, and we have no current plans to declare or pay any dividends on our common stock during fiscal year 2013. For information concerning restrictions on our ability to make dividend payments, see *Liquidity and Capital Resources* in Item 7, "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" and Note 2 in Item 8, "Financial Statements and Supplementary Data" of this report.

On August 13, 2012, we announced a three-for-two common stock split for shareholders of record as of the close of business on the record date, August 24, 2012. On September 7, 2012 those shareholders received one additional share of common stock for every two shares owned. In lieu of fractional shares, shareholders received a cash payment based on the average of the high and low sales prices of our common stock on the record date.

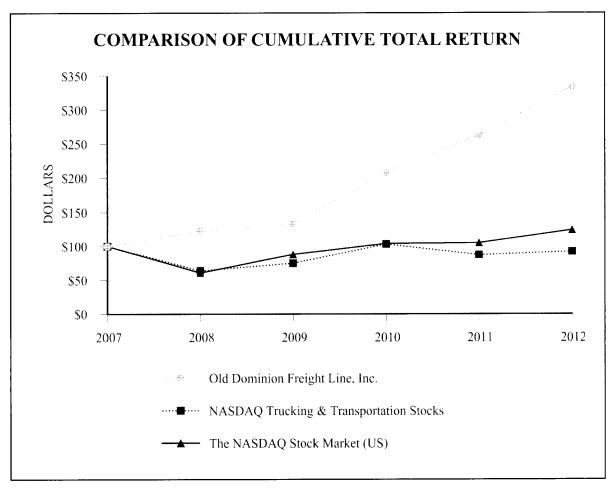
The following table sets forth the high and low sales price of our common stock for the periods indicated, as reported by Nasdaq and as adjusted to give effect to the three-for-two stock split effected in September 2012:

2012									
	_	First uarter		econd uarter		Third uarter		ourth uarter	
High	\$	32.87	\$	32.77	\$	32.06	\$	35.13	
Low	\$	25.54	\$	27.04	\$	26.12	\$	28.75	
		2011							
	_	First Quarter		econd uarter	Third Quarter		Fourth Quarter		
High	\$	23.54	\$	25.65	\$	26.75	\$	27.73	
Low	\$	18.91	\$	22.41	\$	18.50	\$	18.27	

2012

## **Performance Graph**

The following graph compares the total shareholder cumulative returns, assuming the reinvestment of all dividends, of \$100 invested on December 31, 2007, in (i) our common stock, (ii) the NASDAQ Trucking & Transportation Stocks and (iii) The NASDAQ Stock Market (US) for the five-year period ended December 31, 2012:



## **Cumulative Total Return**

	12/31/07		12/31/08		12/31/09		12/31/10		12/31/11		12/31/12	
Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc	\$	100	\$	123	\$	133	\$	208	\$	263	\$	334
NASDAQ Trucking & Transportation Stocks	\$	100	\$	64	\$	75	\$	103	\$	87	\$	92
The NASDAQ Stock Market (US)	\$	100	\$	61	\$	88	\$	104	\$	105	\$	124

ITEM 6. SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA

Year Ended December 31,										
(In thousands, except per share amounts										
and operating statistics)		2012		2011		2010		2009	_	2008
Operating Data:										
Revenue from operations	\$	2,110,483	\$	1,882,541	\$	1,480,998	\$	1,245,005	\$	1,537,724
Depreciation and amortization expense (1)		110,743		90,820		80,362		94,784		87,083
Total operating expenses		1,825,229		1,648,469		1,343,259		1,174,614		1,408,654
Operating income		285,254		234,072		137,739		70,391		129,070
Interest expense, net (2)		11,428		13,887		12,465		12,998		13,012
Provision for income taxes		103,646		80,614		48,775		22,294		43,989
Net income		169,452		139,470		75,651		34,871		68,677
Per Share Data:										
Diluted earnings per share (3)		1.97		1.63		0.90		0.42		0.82
Balance Sheet Data:										
Cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments		12,857		75,850		5,450		4,171		28,965
Current assets		275,028		331,852		222,582		174,175		209,230
Total assets		1,712,514		1,513,074		1,239,881		1,159,278		1,074,905
Current liabilities		225,139		204,810		170,046		148,125		142,190
Long-term debt (including current maturities)		240,407		269,185		271,217		305,532		251,989
Shareholders' equity		1,025,969		856,519		668,649		593,000		558,129
Operating Statistics:										
Operating ratio		86.5%		87.6%		90.7%		94.3%		91.6%
Revenue per hundredweight	\$	15.35	\$	14.72	\$	13.09	\$	12.70	\$	13.88
Revenue per intercity mile	\$	5.02	\$	4.83	\$	4.38	\$	4.16	\$	4.60
Intercity miles (in thousands)		420,214		389,588		338,504		299,330		334,219
Total tons (in thousands)		6,875		6,397		5,656		4,902		5,545
Total shipments (in thousands)		7,765		7,256		6,327		5,750		6,691
Average length of haul (miles)		941		952		948		928		901

<sup>(1)</sup> Our 2010 results reflect reductions in our depreciation and amortization expenses of approximately \$12.7 million, due to changes in the estimated useful lives and salvage values of certain equipment, which are described further under "Critical Accounting Policies" below.

<sup>(2)</sup> For the purpose of this table, interest expense is presented net of interest income.

<sup>(3)</sup> Per share data has been restated retroactively for the three-for-two stock splits effected in September 2012 and August 2010.

## ITEM 7. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

### Overview

We are a leading, less-than-truckload ("LTL"), union-free motor carrier providing regional, inter-regional and national LTL service and other value-added services from a single integrated organization. In addition to our core LTL services, we offer our customers a broad range of value-added services including ground and air expedited transportation, container delivery, truckload brokerage, supply chain consulting, warehousing and consumer household pickup and delivery services. We also offer worldwide freight forwarding services. More than 90% of our revenue has historically been derived from transporting LTL shipments for our customers, whose demand for our services is generally tied to industrial production and the overall health of the U.S. domestic economy.

In analyzing the components of our revenue, we monitor changes and trends in the following key metrics:

• Revenue Per Hundredweight – This measurement reflects the application of our pricing policies to the services we provide, which are influenced by competitive market conditions and our growth objectives. Generally, freight is rated by a class system, which is established by the National Motor Freight Traffic Association, Inc. Light, bulky freight typically has a higher class and is priced at higher revenue per hundredweight than dense, heavy freight. Fuel surcharges, accessorial charges, revenue adjustments and revenue for undelivered freight are included in this measurement. Revenue for undelivered freight is deferred for financial statement purposes in accordance with our revenue recognition policy; however, we believe including it in our revenue per hundredweight metrics results in a better indicator of changes in our yields by matching total billed revenue with the corresponding weight of those shipments.

Revenue per hundredweight is a commonly-used indicator of pricing trends, but this metric can be influenced by many other factors, such as changes in fuel surcharges, weight per shipment, length of haul and the mix of our freight. As a result, changes in revenue per hundredweight do not necessarily indicate actual changes in underlying base rates.

- Weight Per Shipment Fluctuations in weight per shipment can indicate changes in the class, or mix, of freight we receive from our customers, as well as changes in the number of units included in a shipment. Generally, increases in weight per shipment indicate higher demand for our customers' products and overall increased economic activity. Changes in weight per shipment generally have an inverse effect on our revenue per hundredweight, as an increase in weight per shipment will typically cause a decrease in revenue per hundredweight.
- Average Length of Haul We consider lengths of haul less than 500 miles to be regional traffic, lengths of haul between 500 miles and 1,000 miles to be inter-regional traffic, and lengths of haul in excess of 1,000 miles to be national traffic. By analyzing this metric, we can determine the success and growth potential of our service products in these markets. Changes in length of haul generally have a direct effect on our revenue per hundredweight, as an increase in length of haul will typically cause an increase in revenue per hundredweight.

Our primary revenue focus is to increase our "density," our shipment and tonnage growth within our existing infrastructure, which allows us to maximize our asset utilization and labor productivity. We measure density over many different functional areas of our operations including revenue per service center, linehaul load factor, pickup and delivery ("P&D") stops per hour, P&D shipments per hour, platform pounds handled per hour and platform shipments per hour. In addition to our focus on density, it is critical for us to obtain an appropriate yield on the shipments we handle. We manage our yields by focusing on individual account profitability. We believe yield management and improvements in density are key components in our ability to produce profitable growth.

Our primary cost elements are direct wages and benefits associated with the movement of freight; fuel and equipment repair expenses; and depreciation of our equipment fleet and service center facilities. We gauge our overall success in managing these costs by monitoring our operating ratio, a measure of profitability calculated by dividing total operating expenses by revenue, which also allows industry-wide comparisons with our competition.

We continually upgrade our technological capabilities to improve our customer service and lower our operating costs. Our technology provides our customers with visibility of their shipments throughout our network, increases the productivity of our workforce and provides key metrics from which we can monitor our processes.

## **Results of Operations**

The following table sets forth, for the years indicated, expenses and other items as a percentage of revenue from operations:

	2012	2011	2010
Revenue from operations	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Operating expenses:			
Salaries, wages and benefits	50.5	50.8	54.6
Operating supplies and expenses	17.9	18.9	16.5
General supplies and expenses	2.8	2.6	2.8
Operating taxes and licenses	3.2	3.4	3.8
Insurance and claims	1.4	1.5	1.7
Communication and utilities	1.0	1.0	1.0
Depreciation and amortization	5.3	4.8	5.4
Purchased transportation	3.3	3.4	3.4
Building and office equipment rents	0.6	0.7	1.0
Miscellaneous expenses, net	0.5	0.5	0.5
Total operating expenses	86.5	87.6	90.7
Operating income	13.5	12.4	9.3
Interest expense, net (1)	0.6	0.7	0.8
Other expense, net	_		0.1
Income before income taxes	12.9	11.7	8.4
Provision for income taxes	4.9	4.3	3.3
Net income	8.0%	7.4%	5.1%

<sup>(1)</sup> For the purpose of this table, interest expense is presented net of interest income.

## 2012 Compared to 2011

Key financial and operating metrics for 2012 and 2011 are presented below:

	2012	2011	Change	% Change
Work days	254	254		
Revenue (in thousands)	\$ 2,110,483	\$ 1,882,541	\$ 227,942	12.1
Operating ratio	86.5%	87.6%	(1.1)%	(1.3)
Net income (in thousands)	\$ 169,452	\$ 139,470	\$ 29,982	21.5
Diluted earnings per share	\$ 1.97	\$ 1.63	\$ 0.34	20.9
Total tons (in thousands)	6,875	6,397	478	7.5
Total shipments (in thousands)	7,765	7,256	509	7.0
Weight per shipment (lbs.)	1,771	1,763	8	0.5
Revenue per hundredweight	\$ 15.35	\$ 14.72	\$ 0.63	4.3
Revenue per shipment	\$ 271.82	\$ 259.50	\$ 12.32	4.7
Average length of haul (miles)	941	952	(11)	(1.2)

Our 2012 financial results were driven by strong growth in our revenue, which exceeded \$2.0 billion for the first time in our Company's history. In addition to our Company record for annual revenue, we also achieved Company records for our annual operating ratio and earnings per diluted share. We experienced strong growth in both tonnage and revenue per hundredweight, while also improving the efficiency of our operations, all of which led to margin improvement over the previous year. As a result, our operating ratio improved to 86.5% and net income increased 21.5% to \$169.5 million for 2012.

We believe our success in 2012 was primarily the result of our ability to win market share by providing shippers with a value proposition that consists of providing "best-in-class" on-time and claims-free service at a fair and equitable price. Our commitment to this value proposition should allow us to continue to increase our tonnage and market share.

### Revenue

Our revenue growth during 2012 of 12.1% was driven by increases in tonnage and pricing. Tonnage increased 7.5% primarily due to a 7.0% increase in shipments and a 0.5% increase in weight per shipment for the periods compared. We believe the increase in shipments during the year was primarily due to increased market share, as our growth exceeded reported industry levels.

Revenue per hundredweight increased 4.3% to \$15.35 in 2012. This increase reflects our disciplined yield management process as well as an improved pricing environment. Revenue per hundredweight is a good indicator of pricing trends, but this metric is influenced by many other factors, such as changes in fuel surcharges, weight per shipment, length of haul and mix of freight; therefore, changes in revenue per hundredweight do not necessarily indicate actual changes in underlying rates. Our revenue per hundredweight, excluding fuel surcharges, increased 3.9% in 2012 despite the negative influence of the increase in weight per shipment and decrease in length of haul.

Fuel surcharge revenue increased to 16.7% of revenue in 2012 from 16.4% in 2011, primarily due to a slight increase in the average price per gallon for diesel fuel. Most of our tariffs and contracts provide for a fuel surcharge, which is recorded as additional revenue, as diesel fuel prices increase above stated levels. These levels are generally indexed to the DOE's published fuel prices that reset each week. The fuel surcharge is one of many components included in the overall negotiated price for our transportation services with our customers, although it is generally considered to be a measure of the increase in cost of all petroleum products we use. We regularly monitor the components of our pricing, including base freight rates and fuel surcharges. We also address any individual account profitability issues with our customers as part of our effort to minimize the negative impact on our profitability that would likely result from a rapid and significant change in any of our operating expenses.

Salaries, wages and benefits increased \$110.5 million, or 11.6% in 2012 due to a \$72.8 million increase in the costs for salaries and wages and a \$37.7 million increase in benefit costs. The increase in the costs for our salaries and wages, excluding benefits, was due primarily to a 6.9% increase in average full-time employees over 2011 and the impact of wage increases provided to employees in September 2011 and 2012. The increase in our headcount was necessary to ensure adequate labor capacity for the increase in shipments during 2012 as well as for projected growth. As a result, our direct labor costs for drivers, platform employees and fleet technicians increased \$55.2 million, or 10.8% in 2012 as compared to 2011. Although these costs increased during 2012, our salaries and wages as a percent of revenue improved to 37.8% from 38.5% in 2011 as a result of the increased density and efficiency in our operations. Our platform pounds handled per hour, P&D stops per hour and P&D shipments per hour improved 4.0%, 0.7% and 0.5%, respectively, over the prior-year period.

Employee benefit costs increased \$37.7 million primarily due to an increase in the number of full-time employees eligible for benefits, an increase in paid time off for employees and an increase in the cost per employee for our group health and dental plans. As a percentage of salaries and wages, employee benefit costs increased slightly to 33.7% in 2012 from 31.9% in 2011.

Operating supplies and expenses increased \$23.3 million in 2012 primarily due to the increases in the costs of diesel fuel, excluding fuel taxes, which represents the largest component of operating supplies and expenses. Diesel fuel costs can vary based on both consumption and average price per gallon, both of which increased over 2011. Gallons consumed and average price per gallon increased 5.1% and 2.4%, respectively, in 2012 as compared to 2011. Although we saw increases in these costs, operating supplies and expenses decreased as a percent of revenue to 17.9% in 2012 from 18.9% in 2011. We attribute this improvement primarily to certain operational initiatives and the increased use of newer, more fuel-efficient equipment during 2012. We do not use diesel fuel hedging instruments and are therefore subject to market price fluctuations.

Depreciation and amortization expense increased to 5.3% of revenue in 2012 as compared to 4.8% in 2011. This increase was primarily due to the increase in our capital expenditure program for 2012, which included a significant increase in the number of tractors and trailers purchased. In addition, our unit costs for tractors have increased significantly, due primarily to the impact of increasingly stringent emission standard requirements. Since 2002, the average cost of a new tractor in our fleet has increased approximately \$45,000, or 85%. Although our capital expenditure plan for 2013 is projected to be lower than 2012, we expect our continued growth and investments to increase depreciation costs in future periods.

Our effective tax rate for 2012 was 38.0% as compared to 36.6% in 2011. Our effective tax rate in 2011 was favorably impacted by tax credits related to our investment in alternative energy-producing assets and alternative fuel tax credits for the use of propane in our operations. These alternative fuel tax credits expired on December 31, 2011; however, Congress retroactively reinstated these credits for 2012 and extended the credits through December 31, 2013 by passing the American Taxpayer Relief Act of 2012 on January 1, 2013. The impact of the retroactive application will be recorded as a favorable discrete tax benefit during the first quarter of 2013.

### 2011 Compared to 2010

Key financial and operating metrics for 2011 and 2010 are presented below:

	 2011	_	2010	Change	% Change
Work days	 254		253	1	0.4
Revenue (in thousands)	\$ 1,882,541	\$	1,480,998	\$ 401,543	27.1
Operating ratio	87.6%		90.7%	(3.1)%	(3.4)
Net income (in thousands)	\$ 139,470	\$	75,651	\$ 63,819	84.4
Diluted earnings per share	\$ 1.63	\$	0.90	\$ 0.73	81.1
Total tons (in thousands)	6,397		5,656	741	13.1
Total shipments (in thousands)	7,256		6,327	929	14.7
Weight per shipment (lbs.)	1,763		1,788	(25)	(1.4)
Revenue per hundredweight	\$ 14.72	\$	13.09	\$ 1.63	12.5
Revenue per shipment	\$ 259.50	\$	234.09	\$ 25.41	10.9
Average length of haul (miles)	952		948	4	0.4

We experienced strong growth in both tonnage and revenue per hundredweight, and we improved our productivity, all of which led to significant margin improvement during 2011. Tonnage growth in 2011 was primarily the result of our ability to

win market share as well as a slight improvement in the overall U.S. economy. We believe our consistent strategy of providing "best-in-class" on-time and claims-free service at a fair and equitable price resonates with shippers and will continue to help us win market share and fuel our growth. Our ability to win market share is supported by our belief that shippers are making decisions based more on the overall value of the service they receive rather than focusing simply on prices. This change in philosophy occurred as many of our competitors implemented significant rate increases in 2011 and 2010. While we implemented a modest rate increase in 2011, we did not believe we had the headwinds that many of our competitors faced in making pricing decisions in 2012. As a result, we believe the quality of our service and the consistency of our pricing is a winning strategy that will continue to provide opportunities for us to increase tonnage and market share in 2012.

The increase in revenue during 2011, as well as productivity improvements, enabled us to leverage our fixed cost network and generate significant improvement in our operating results. Our net income increased in 2011 by \$63.8 million, or 84.4%, to \$139.5 million and our operating ratio decreased by 310 basis points to 87.6%.

#### Revenue

The 27.1% increase in revenue during 2011 was the result of increases in both tonnage and revenue per hundredweight. Tonnage increased 13.1% due to a 14.7% increase in shipments that was partially offset by a 1.4% decrease in weight per shipment. While a decrease in weight per shipment has historically been an indicator of weakness in the economy, we believe the decrease we experienced in 2011 was due to a decline in the number of heavier non-traditional LTL shipments, such as full-container load and truckload shipments, as a percent of our total shipments.

Revenue per hundredweight increased 12.5% to \$14.72 in 2011. This change reflects an improved LTL pricing environment that supported our rate increases, as well as an increase in fuel surcharges. Our fuel surcharges are designed to offset fluctuations in the cost of petroleum-based products and are one of many components included in the overall price for our services. Revenue per hundredweight is a good indicator of pricing trends, but this metric is influenced by many other factors, such as changes in fuel surcharges, weight per shipment, length of haul and mix of freight; therefore, changes in revenue per hundredweight do not necessarily indicate actual changes in underlying rates. Our revenue per hundredweight, excluding fuel surcharges, increased 7.1% in 2011 but was positively influenced by the decrease in weight per shipment and an increase in length of haul.

Fuel surcharge revenue increased to 16.4% of revenue from 12.3% in 2010 due to the increased price of diesel fuel during 2011. Most of our tariffs and contracts provide for a fuel surcharge, which is recorded as additional revenue, as diesel fuel prices increase above stated levels. These levels are generally indexed to the DOE's published fuel prices that reset each week. The fuel surcharge is one of many components included in the overall negotiated price for our transportation services with our customers, although it is generally considered to be a measure of the increase in cost of all petroleum products we use. We regularly monitor the components of our pricing, including base freight rates and fuel surcharges. We also address any individual account profitability issues with our customers as part of our effort to minimize the negative impact on our profitability that would likely result from a rapid and significant change in any of our operating expenses.

## Operating Costs and Other Expenses

Salaries, wages and benefits increased \$147.3 million or 18.2% in 2011, which compares favorably with our revenue growth of 27.1%. As a result, our salaries, wages and benefits improved to 50.8% of revenue from 54.6% in 2010. Salaries and wages, excluding benefits, increased \$109.9 million due to a 7.6% increase in the total number of full-time employees and the impact from salary and wage increases provided to our employees in September 2011 and 2010. In addition, there was an increase in performance-based compensation due to the improvement in our financial and operational results. These increases were partially offset by the improved productivity of our linehaul, P&D and platform operations that resulted from increased density and a continued focus on efficiency. Our linehaul laden load average, P&D shipments per hour and platform pounds handled per hour improved 0.3%, 1.1% and 0.1%, respectively.

Employee benefit costs increased \$37.3 million primarily due to an increase in the number of full-time employees, increased costs related to our group health plan and higher payroll-related taxes. As a percentage of salaries and wages, employee benefit costs increased slightly to 31.9% in 2011 from 31.5% in 2010. Our group health plan requires a 90-day waiting period before newly hired employees are eligible to enroll. A significant number of employees were hired in the second half of 2010, and as a result, our group health costs increased as these new employees began to enroll in our plan in 2011. In addition, our group health costs increased due to changes required by the 2010 Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, which required us to provide dependant coverage until the age of 26.

Operating supplies and expenses increased to 18.9% of revenue in 2011 from 16.5% in 2010. This increase is primarily due to the increase in diesel fuel costs, excluding fuel taxes, which is the largest component of operating supplies and expenses. These costs increased 52.8% during the year as a result of the combined effect of a 29.7% increase in our average price per gallon and a 12.7% increase in gallons consumed. The increase in fuel consumption is primarily due to a 14.7% year-over-year increase in overall miles driven that was partially offset by an improvement in our average miles per gallon. Our increased fuel consumption also resulted in an increase in our fuel tax expenses and was the principal driver of the \$7.9 million increase in "Operating taxes and licenses." We do not use diesel fuel hedging instruments and are therefore subject to market price fluctuations.

Depreciation and amortization expense decreased to 4.8% of revenue in 2011 as compared to 5.4% in 2010. Although our capital expenditure requirements increased in 2011, we were able to offset the cost of these additions by utilizing the available capacity of our fleet and service center network to create operating leverage on the 13.1% increase in tonnage. Our capital expenditure plan for 2012 is projected to be higher than 2011 and, as a result, our depreciation costs will likely increase in future periods.

We purchase linehaul transportation and P&D services from other motor carriers and railroads. We also utilize independent contractors for our container operations. We utilize these services when it is economically beneficial or when there are imbalances of freight flow within our service center network. Purchased transportation expense remained consistent at 3.4% of revenue in 2011 and 2010. As it is typically more efficient and profitable for us to utilize our own personnel and equipment, we expect to continue to focus on balancing our internal resources with freight demand in an effort to reduce our use of purchased transportation in future periods.

Our effective tax rate for 2011 was 36.6% as compared to 39.2% in 2010. Our effective tax rates in 2011 and 2010 were favorably impacted by alternative fuel tax credits for the use of propane in our operations. These fuel tax credits were originally scheduled to expire on December 31, 2009; however, they were extended to December 31, 2011 with the passage of the Tax Relief, Unemployment Insurance Reauthorization, and Job Creation Act of 2010. Our 2011 rate also included the favorable impact of tax credits related to our investment in alternative energy-producing assets.

## **Liquidity and Capital Resources**

A summary of our cash flows is presented below:

(In thousands)	2012	2011	2010	
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	\$ 75,850	\$ 5,450	\$ 4,171	
Cash flows provided by (used in):				
Operating activities	328,056	277,934	140,522	
Investing activities	(361,175)	(245,332)	(103,743)	
Financing activities	(29,874)	37,798	(35,500)	
(Decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents	$\overline{(62,993)}$	70,400	1,279	
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	\$ 12,857	\$ 75,850	\$ 5,450	

The changes in our cash flows provided by operating activities for the periods presented above are due primarily to the significant improvement in our net income, which increased \$30.0 million in 2012 and \$63.8 million in 2011 over the comparable periods in 2011 and 2010, respectively. This increase is more fully described above in Item 7, "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations – *Results of Operations*." Depreciation and amortization expenses also increased \$19.9 million in 2012 and \$10.5 million in 2011 over the comparable periods of 2011 and 2010, respectively, which is primarily due to the ongoing execution of our capital expenditure program and more fully described in Item 7, "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations – *Capital Expenditures*."

Changes in cash flows used in investing activities are primarily due to changes in our capital expenditures over the periods compared. The changes in our capital expenditure program are more fully described in Item 7, "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations – *Capital Expenditures*."

Changes in cash flows used in or provided by financing activities consist of fluctuations in our senior unsecured revolving line of credit, scheduled principal payments under our long-term debt agreements, and debt and equity issuances during 2011. In 2011, we completed a \$95.0 million private placement of senior notes, and we received net proceeds of \$48.4

million resulting from the issuance of our common stock, both of which are discussed in more detail below. A portion of the proceeds from these transactions was used to satisfy the outstanding balance on our senior unsecured revolving line of credit.

We have three primary sources of available liquidity: cash and cash equivalents, cash flows from operations and available borrowings under our senior unsecured revolving credit agreement, which is described below. We believe we also have sufficient access to debt and equity markets to provide other sources of liquidity, if needed.

On January 3, 2011, we entered into a Note Purchase Agreement pursuant to which we issued \$95.0 million of privately-placed senior notes. We entered into this Note Purchase Agreement to fund planned capital expenditures and for general corporate purposes. We used a portion of the proceeds to refinance existing indebtedness, including paying down the outstanding balance on our senior unsecured revolving credit agreement.

Pursuant to an automatic shelf registration statement previously filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"), we filed a prospectus supplement and entered into an At-The-Market Equity Offering Sales Agreement on February 2, 2011 with Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated ("Stifel Nicolaus Weisel"), under which we had the ability to issue and sell, from time to time over a 12-month period through or to Stifel Nicolaus Weisel, shares of our common stock having an aggregate offering price of up to \$100.0 million (the "ATM program"). From February 2, 2011 through December 31, 2011, we issued 2,274,568 shares of common stock pursuant to the ATM program at an average price of \$21.79 per share, after adjusting for a three-for-two stock split effected on September 7, 2012. We received aggregate gross proceeds of \$49.6 million and aggregate net proceeds of \$48.4 million, after deducting commissions and other transaction costs of \$1.2 million. There were no subsequent issuances pursuant to the ATM program through February 2, 2012, which was the date on which the ATM program expired. Our automatic shelf registration statement that provided us with the opportunity to offer and sell shares of common stock on a delayed or continuous basis at indeterminate prices expired in the fourth quarter of 2012.

## Capital Expenditures

The table below sets forth our net capital expenditures for property and equipment, including those obtained through capital leases, for the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010:

Year Ended December 31,				
2012	2011	2010		
\$ 143,701	\$ 73,463	\$ 49,867		
113,257	69,837	35,777		
83,405	62,326	5,020		
13,950	24,767	11,866		
19,974	28,945	5,000		
(12,018)	(5,436)	(2,604)		
\$ 362,269	\$ 253,902	\$ 104,926		
	2012 \$ 143,701 113,257 83,405 13,950 19,974 (12,018)	2012     2011       \$ 143,701     \$ 73,463       113,257     69,837       83,405     62,326       13,950     24,767       19,974     28,945       (12,018)     (5,436)		

Our capital expenditure requirements are generally based upon the projected increase in the number and size of our service center facilities to support our plan for long-term growth, our planned tractor and trailer replacement cycle and anticipated tonnage growth. Expenditures for land and structures increased in 2012 as we expanded the capacity of our service center network, which included the expansion of two of our major breakbulk facilities. Our capital expenditures for tractors and trailers increased significantly in 2012 and 2011 to support our projected tonnage growth as well as to replace equipment being retired through our normal replacement cycle. In 2010, we limited our purchases of these assets as we had sufficient capacity to meet demand.

We currently estimate capital expenditures, net of anticipated proceeds from sales, will be approximately \$270.0 million for the year ending December 31, 2013. Approximately \$95.0 million is allocated for the purchase of service center facilities, construction of new service center facilities or expansion of existing service center facilities, subject to the availability of suitable real estate and the timing of construction projects; approximately \$150.0 million is allocated for the purchase of tractors, trailers and other equipment; and approximately \$25.0 million is allocated for investments in technology and other assets. We expect to fund these capital expenditures primarily through cash flows from operations, our existing cash and cash equivalents and the use of our senior unsecured revolving credit facility, if needed. We believe our current sources of liquidity will be sufficient to satisfy our expected capital expenditures.

We anticipate that there will be additional environmental regulations and legislation resulting from the increased regulatory focus on climate change and greenhouse gas emissions in the United States. At this time, we cannot predict the

requirements of any future regulations. However, any limitations on the emission of greenhouse gases or other environmental legislation could increase our future capital expenditures and have an adverse impact on our financial condition, results of operations and liquidity.

#### Financing Agreements

We have a five-year, \$200.0 million senior unsecured revolving credit facility pursuant to the terms of a second amended and restated credit agreement dated August 10, 2011 (the "Credit Agreement"), with Wells Fargo Bank, National Association ("Wells Fargo") serving as administrative agent for the lenders. Of the \$200.0 million line of credit commitments, \$150.0 million may be used for letters of credit and \$20.0 million may be used for borrowings under the Wells Fargo Sweep Plus Loan Program. This sweep program is a daily cash management tool that automatically initiates borrowings to cover overnight cash requirements up to an aggregate of \$20.0 million. In addition, we have the right to request an increase in the line of credit commitments up to a total of \$300.0 million in minimum increments of \$25.0 million.

At our option, revolving loans under the facility bear interest at either: (a) the Applicable Margin Percentage for Base Rate Loans plus the higher of Wells Fargo's prime rate, the federal funds rate plus 0.5% per annum, or the one month LIBOR Rate plus 1.0% per annum; (b) the LIBOR Rate plus the Applicable Margin Percentage for LIBOR Loans; or (c) the LIBOR Market Index Rate ("LIBOR Index Rate") plus the Applicable Margin Percentage for LIBOR Market Index Loans. The Applicable Margin Percentage is determined by a pricing grid in the Credit Agreement and ranges from 1.0% to 1.875%. The Applicable Margin Percentage was 1.125% at December 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively, and ranged from 1.0% to 1.125% during 2012. Revolving loans under the sweep program bear interest at the LIBOR Index Rate.

The Credit Agreement contains customary covenants, including financial covenants that require us to observe a maximum ratio of debt to total capital and a minimum fixed charge coverage ratio. Any future wholly-owned subsidiaries of Old Dominion would be required to guarantee payment of all of our obligations under the facility. The amounts outstanding and remaining borrowing capacity under our revolving credit facilities are presented below:

	December 31,						
(In thousands)		2011					
Facility limit	\$	200,000	\$	200,000			
Line of credit borrowings		(10,000)		_			
Outstanding letters of credit		(52,423)		(49,878)			
Total borrowing capacity	\$	137,577	\$	150,122			

Commitment fees ranging from 0.175% to 0.30% are charged quarterly in arrears on the aggregate unutilized portion of the Credit Agreement. Letter of credit fees equal to the applicable margin for Adjusted LIBOR Rate loans are charged quarterly in arrears on the daily average aggregate stated amount of all letters of credit outstanding during the quarter. The commitment fees ranged from 0.175% to 0.20% and letter of credit fees ranged from 1.0% to 1.125% during 2012. In addition, a facing fee at an annual rate of 0.125% is charged quarterly in arrears on the daily average aggregate stated amount of all letters of credit outstanding during such quarter.

We have three outstanding unsecured senior note agreements with an aggregate amount outstanding of \$227.1 million at December 31, 2012. These notes call for periodic principal payments with maturities that range from 2015 to 2021, of which \$35.7 million is due in the next twelve months. Interest rates on these notes are fixed and range from 4.00% to 5.85%. The effective average interest rate on our outstanding senior note agreements was 5.07% and 5.17% at December 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively.

With the exception of borrowings pursuant to the Credit Agreement, interest rates are fixed on all of our debt instruments. Therefore, short-term exposure to fluctuations in interest rates is limited to our line of credit facility. We do not currently use interest rate derivative instruments to manage exposure to interest rate changes.

Our Credit Agreement limits the amount of dividends that could be paid to shareholders to the greater of (i) \$20.0 million, (ii) the amount of dividends paid in the immediately preceding fiscal year, or (iii) an amount equal to 25% of net income from the immediately preceding fiscal year. We did not declare or pay a dividend on our common stock in 2012 or 2011, and we have no plans to declare or pay a dividend in 2013.

A significant decrease in demand for our services could limit our ability to generate cash flow and affect profitability. Most of our debt agreements have covenants that require stated levels of financial performance, which if not achieved could

cause acceleration of the payment schedules. As of December 31, 2012, we were in compliance with these covenants. We do not anticipate a significant decline in business levels or financial performance that would cause us to violate any such covenants in the future, and we believe the combination of our existing Credit Agreement along with our additional borrowing capacity will be sufficient to meet foreseeable seasonal and long-term capital needs.

#### Common Stock Split

On August 13, 2012, we announced a three-for-two common stock split for shareholders of record as of the close of business on the record date, August 24, 2012. On September 7, 2012, those shareholders received one additional share of common stock for every two shares owned. In lieu of fractional shares, shareholders received a cash payment based on the average of the high and low sales prices of our common stock on the record date.

On August 2, 2010, we announced a three-for-two common stock split for shareholders of record as of the close of business on the record date, August 9, 2010. On August 23, 2010, those shareholders received one additional share of common stock for every two shares owned. In lieu of fractional shares, shareholders received a cash payment based on the average of the high and low sales prices of the common stock on the record date.

All references in this report to shares outstanding, weighted average shares outstanding and earnings per share amounts have been restated retroactively to reflect these stock splits.

#### Contractual Obligations

The following table summarizes our significant contractual obligations as of December 31, 2012:

Payments due by period									
	Total	L	ess than 1 year	1-	3 years		5 years		ore than 5 years
\$	237,143	\$	35,714	\$	71,429	\$	35,000	\$	95,000
	3,264		3,264						
	65,010		15,823		19,543		10,508		19,136
	20,516		20,516						
\$	325,933	\$	75,317	\$	90,972	\$	45,508	\$	114,136
	\$	\$ 237,143 3,264 65,010 20,516	Total  \$ 237,143 \$ 3,264 65,010 20,516	Total         Less than 1 year           \$ 237,143         \$ 35,714           3,264         3,264           65,010         15,823           20,516         20,516	Total         Less than 1 year         1-           \$ 237,143         \$ 35,714         \$ 3,264           65,010         15,823         20,516	Total         Less than 1 year         1-3 years           \$ 237,143         \$ 35,714         \$ 71,429           3,264         3,264         —           65,010         15,823         19,543           20,516         20,516         —	Total         Less than 1 year         1-3 years         3-3           \$ 237,143         \$ 35,714         \$ 71,429         \$ 3,264           3,264         3,264         —           65,010         15,823         19,543           20,516         20,516         —	Total         Less than 1 year         1-3 years         3-5 years           \$ 237,143         \$ 35,714         \$ 71,429         \$ 35,000           3,264         3,264         —         —           65,010         15,823         19,543         10,508           20,516         20,516         —         —	Total         Less than 1 year         1-3 years         3-5 years         M           \$ 237,143         \$ 35,714         \$ 71,429         \$ 35,000         \$ 3,264           3,264         3,264         —         —         —           65,010         15,823         19,543         10,508           20,516         20,516         —         —         —

(1) Contractual obligations include long-term debt consisting of senior notes totaling \$227.1 million and \$10.0 million outstanding on our Credit Agreement; capital lease obligations for computer equipment; operating leases consisting primarily of real estate leases; and purchase obligations relating to non-cancellable purchase orders for equipment scheduled for delivery in 2013. Please refer to the information regarding interest rates and the balance on our revolving credit facility in this section above and also in Note 2 to the Financial Statements included in Item 8 of this report.

#### **Critical Accounting Policies**

In preparing our financial statements, we apply the following critical accounting policies that we believe affect our judgments and estimates of amounts recorded in certain assets, liabilities, revenue and expenses. These critical accounting policies are further described in Note 1 of the Notes to the Financial Statements included in Item 8 of this report.

#### Revenue Recognition

We recognize revenue based upon when our transportation services have been completed in accordance with the bill of lading contract, our general tariff provisions or contractual agreements with our customers. Generally, this occurs when we complete the delivery of a shipment. For transportation services not completed at the end of a reporting period, we use a percentage of completion method to allocate the appropriate revenue to each separate reporting period. Under this method, we develop a factor for each uncompleted shipment by dividing the actual number of days in transit at the end of a reporting period by that shipment's standard delivery time schedule. This factor is applied to the total revenue for that shipment and revenue is allocated between reporting periods accordingly.

#### Allowances for Uncollectible Accounts and Revenue Adjustments

We maintain an allowance for uncollectible accounts for estimated losses resulting from the inability of our customers to make required payments. We estimate this allowance by analyzing the aging of our customer receivables, our historical loss experience and other trends and factors affecting the credit risk of our customers. We determine customer receivables to be past due when payment has not been received by the invoice due date. Write-offs occur when we determine an account to be uncollectible and could differ from our allowance estimate as a result of factors such as changes in the overall economic environment or risks surrounding our customers. Additional allowances may be required if the financial condition of our customers were to deteriorate, resulting in an impairment of their ability to make payments. We periodically review the underlying assumptions in our estimate of the allowance for uncollectible accounts to ensure that the allowance reflects the most recent trends and factors.

We also maintain an allowance for estimated revenue adjustments resulting from future billing corrections, customer allowances, money-back service guarantees and other miscellaneous revenue adjustments. These revenue adjustments are recorded in our revenue from operations. We use historical experience, trends and current information to update and evaluate these estimates.

#### Claims and Insurance Accruals

Claims and insurance accruals reflect the estimated cost of claims for cargo loss and damage, BIPD, workers' compensation, long-term disability, group health and dental not covered by insurance. The related costs are charged to insurance and claims expense except for workers' compensation, long-term disability, group health and dental, which are charged to employee benefits expense.

Insurers providing excess coverage above retention levels adjust their premiums to cover insured losses and for other market factors. As a result, we periodically evaluate our self-insured retention levels to determine the most cost-efficient balance between our retention exposure and excess coverage.

In establishing accruals for claims and insurance expenses, we evaluate and monitor each claim individually, and we use factors such as historical claims development experience, known trends and third-party estimates to determine the appropriate reserves for potential liability. We believe the assumptions and methods used to estimate these liabilities are reasonable; however, any changes in the severity of previously-reported claims, significant changes in the medical costs and regulatory changes affecting the administration of our plans could significantly impact the determination of appropriate reserves in future periods.

#### **Property and Equipment**

Property and equipment are recorded at cost and depreciated on a straight-line basis over their estimated economic lives. We use historical experience, certain assumptions and estimates in determining the economic life of each asset. Periodically, we review property and equipment for impairment due to changes in operational and market conditions, and we adjust the carrying value and economic life of any impaired asset as appropriate.

Effective January 1, 2010, estimated economic lives for structures are 7 to 30 years; revenue equipment is 4 to 15 years; other equipment is 2 to 20 years; and leasehold improvements are the lesser of the economic life of the leasehold improvement or the remaining life of the lease. The use of different assumptions, estimates or significant changes in the resale market for our equipment could result in material changes in the carrying value and related depreciation of our assets.

During the first quarter of 2010, we completed an evaluation of the estimated useful lives and salvage values for our equipment and determined that the actual period of service of certain revenue equipment exceeded that of our previously estimated useful lives. As a result, we extended the estimated useful lives of most of our tractors to 9 years from 7 years and extended the estimated useful lives of our trailers to 15 years from 12 years. In addition, we reduced the estimated salvage values associated with this equipment to more accurately reflect the value we believe such equipment will have at the end of its respective useful life. We made similar changes to the estimated useful lives and salvage values for certain of our other equipment but the results of these changes had less of an impact on our future depreciation expense. As a result of the impact on depreciation from these changes that were effective January 1, 2010, income from continuing operations and net income in 2010 increased by approximately \$12.7 million and \$7.7 million, respectively.

#### Inflation

Most of our expenses are affected by inflation, which typically results in increased operating costs. In response to fluctuations in the cost of petroleum products, particularly diesel fuel, we generally include a fuel surcharge in our tariffs and contractual agreements. The fuel surcharge is designed to offset the cost of diesel fuel above a base price and increases as diesel fuel prices escalate over the base, which is generally indexed to the DOE's published fuel prices that reset each week. Volatility in the price of diesel fuel, independent of inflation, has impacted our business, as described in this report. However, we do not believe inflation has had a material effect on our results of operations for each of the past three years.

#### **Related Person Transactions**

#### Family Relationships

Each of Earl E. Congdon, John R. Congdon, David S. Congdon and John R. Congdon, Jr. are related to one another and served in various executive management positions and/or on our Board of Directors during 2012. We have entered into amended and restated employment agreements with Earl E. Congdon and David S. Congdon, which are incorporated by reference as exhibits to our Annual Report on Form 10-K. We regularly disclose the amount of compensation that we pay to these individuals, as well as any of their family members employed by us and whose compensation from time to time may require disclosure, in the proxy statement for our Annual Meeting of Shareholders.

During 2012, John R. Congdon resigned from his position as Senior Vice President but continues to be employed by the Company. In connection with his resignation as a Senior Vice President, the Board of Directors and Mr. Congdon agreed to terminate the amended and restated employment agreement between the Company and John R. Congdon.

#### Transactions with Old Dominion Truck Leasing, Inc.

Old Dominion Truck Leasing, Inc. ("Leasing") is a North Carolina corporation whose voting stock is owned by an Earl E. Congdon Revocable Trust; the John R. Congdon Revocable Trust; and members of Earl E. Congdon's and John R. Congdon's families. Leasing is primarily engaged in the business of purchasing and leasing tractors, trailers and other vehicles. John R. Congdon is Chairman of the Board of Leasing, and Earl E. Congdon is Vice Chairman of the Board of Leasing. Since 1986, we have combined our requirements with Leasing for the purchase of tractors, trailers, equipment, parts, tires and fuel. We believe that the termination of this arrangement would not have a material adverse impact on our financial results.

We purchased \$239,000, \$278,000 and \$242,000 of maintenance and other services from Leasing in 2012, 2011 and 2010, respectively. We believe that the prices we pay for such services are no more than what would be charged by unaffiliated third parties for the same quality of work, and we intend to continue to purchase maintenance and other services from Leasing, provided that Leasing's prices continue to be favorable to us.

We also paid Leasing \$86,000 for leased equipment in 2010. These payments were for long-term leases for tractors used in our linehaul operations. We received no commission or other financial benefit from Leasing or any other party in connection with these lease transactions. We did not lease any equipment from Leasing in 2012 or 2011.

We charged Leasing \$18,000, \$18,000 and \$17,000 for the rental of property in 2012, 2011 and 2010, respectively. No other services were provided to Leasing for the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010.

#### Split-Dollar Life Insurance Policies

We are the owner of two split-dollar life insurance contracts insuring the life of John R. Congdon. The net cash surrender value for these policies was \$6.8 million and \$6.6 million at December 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively, and is included on our Balance Sheets under the caption "Other assets." At December 31, 2012, these policies provided for an aggregate of \$8.9 million in net death benefits due to the Company, of which we have endorsed \$2.0 million to Mr. Congdon's children.

#### Audit Committee Approval

The Audit Committee of our Board of Directors reviewed and approved all of the related person transactions described above in accordance with our Related Person Transactions Policy.

#### ITEM 7A. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

Market risk represents the risk of loss that may impact our financial position, results of operations and cash flows due to adverse changes in financial market prices and rates.

We are exposed to interest rate risk directly related to loans, if any, under our Credit Agreement, which have variable interest rates. A 100 basis point increase in the average interest rate on this agreement would have no material effect on our operating results. We have established policies and procedures to manage exposure to market risks and use major institutions that we believe are creditworthy to minimize credit risk.

We are exposed to market risk for equity investments relating to Company-owned life insurance contracts on certain employees. At December 31, 2012, the cash value for variable life insurance contracts was \$22.3 million of the \$33.1 million of aggregate cash values for all life insurance contracts included on our Balance Sheets. Variable life insurance contracts expose us to fluctuations in equity markets; however, we utilize a third-party to manage these assets and minimize that exposure. A 10% change in market value in those investments would have a \$2.2 million impact on our operating income.

We are exposed to market risk for awards granted under the Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc. Phantom Stock Plan and the Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc. Director Phantom Stock Plan. The liability for the unsettled outstanding awards is remeasured at the end of each reporting period based on the closing price of our common stock at that date. At December 31, 2012, the total liability for awards granted under the Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc. Phantom Stock Plan and the Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc. Director Phantom Stock Plan totaled \$16.2 million. A 10% change in the price of our common stock at December 31, 2012 would have had a \$1.6 million impact on our operating income in 2012 with respect to these plans.

We are also exposed to commodity price risk related to diesel fuel prices and manage our exposure to that risk primarily through the application of fuel surcharges.

For further discussion related to these risks, see Notes 2 and 8 to the Financial Statements included in Item 8, "Financial Statements and Supplementary Data" and Item 7, "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations."

#### ITEM 8. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY DATA

#### OLD DOMINION FREIGHT LINE, INC.

#### BALANCE SHEETS

	December			31,
(In thousands, except share and per share data)		2012		2011
ASSETS				
Current assets:	•	12,857	Φ.	75,850
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	219,039	\$	213,481
Customer receivables, less allowances of \$8,561 and \$9,173, respectively		1,324		4,441
Other receivables		21,754		18,614
Prepaid expenses and other current assets  Deferred income taxes		20,054		19,466
	_	275,028		331,852
Total current assets		273,020		331,632
Property and equipment:		922,030		789,984
Revenue equipment  Land and structures		874,768		738,359
Other fixed assets		225,298		214,816
Leasehold improvements		6,128		5,773
Total property and equipment	_	2,028,224		1,748,932
Less: Accumulated depreciation		(648,919)		(621,982)
Net property and equipment		1,379,305	_	1,126,950
Goodwill		19,463		19,463
Other assets		38,718		34,809
Total assets	\$	1,712,514	\$	1,513,074
			_	
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY				
Current liabilities:	Φ.	44.001	ø	42.007
Accounts payable	\$	44,891	\$	42,096
Compensation and benefits		80,047 33,990		66,740 35,934
Claims and insurance accruals		20,906		20,654
Other accrued liabilities		6,327		32
Income taxes payable		38,978		39,354
Current maturities of long-term debt  Total current liabilities	_	225,139		204,810
		201,429		229,831
Long-term debt		106,791		86,998
Other non-current liabilities		153,186		134,916
Deferred income taxes  Total long-term liabilities	-	461,406	_	451,745
Total liabilities	_	686,545		656,555
		000,515		030,333
Commitments and contingent liabilities				
Shareholders' equity				
Common stock - \$0.10 par value, 140,000,000 shares authorized, 86,164,917 and 86,164,986 shares outstanding at December 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively		8,616		8,616
Capital in excess of par value		134,401		134,403
Retained earnings		882,952		713,500
Total shareholders' equity		1,025,969		856,519
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$	1,712,514	\$	1,513,074

#### OLD DOMINION FREIGHT LINE, INC.

#### STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

	Year	<b>Ended Decembe</b>	mber 31,			
(In thousands, except share and per share data)	2012	2011	2010			
Revenue from operations	\$ 2,110,483	\$ 1,882,541	\$ 1,480,998			
Operating expenses:						
Salaries, wages and benefits	1,066,551	956,079	808,819			
Operating supplies and expenses	378,534	355,186	244,291			
General supplies and expenses	58,908	49,900	41,580			
Operating taxes and licenses	67,526	63,284	55,420			
Insurance and claims	29,681	27,693	25,329			
Communications and utilities	19,980	18,104	15,218			
Depreciation and amortization	110,743	90,820	80,362			
Purchased transportation	70,426	63,257	50,489			
Building and office equipment rents	13,514	13,689	15,244			
Miscellaneous expenses, net	9,366	10,457	6,507			
Total operating expenses	1,825,229	1,648,469	1,343,259			
Operating income	285,254	234,072	137,739			
Non-operating expense (income):						
Interest expense	11,541	14,067	12,613			
Interest income	(113)	(180)	(148)			
Other expense, net	728	101	848			
Total non-operating expense	12,156	13,988	13,313			
Income before income taxes	273,098	220,084	124,426			
Provision for income taxes	103,646	80,614	48,775			
Net income	\$ 169,452	\$ 139,470	\$ 75,651			
Earnings per share:						
Basic	\$1.97	\$1.63	\$0.90			
Diluted	\$1.97	\$1.63	\$0.90			
Weighted average shares outstanding:						
Basic	86,164,964	85,719,728	83,890,483			
Diluted	86,164,964	85,719,728	83,890,483			

## OLD DOMINION FREIGHT LINE, INC. STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

			C	apital in				
Commo	on Sto	ock	E	xcess of	I	Retained		
Shares	A	mount	_P	ar Value		Earnings		Total
83,891	\$	8,389	\$	86,232	\$	498,379	\$	593,000
_		-		_		75,651		75,651
				(2)				(2)
83,891	\$	8,389	\$	86,230	\$	574,030	\$	668,649
2,274		227		48,173		_		48,400
						139,470		139,470
86,165	\$	8,616	\$	134,403	\$	713,500	\$	856,519
		_				169,452		169,452
<u></u>		_		(2)				(2)
86,165	\$	8,616	\$	134,401	\$	882,952	\$	1,025,969
	83,891 83,891 2,274 — 86,165	Shares   A	83,891 \$ 8,389	Common Stock         EP           Shares         Amount         Property           83,891         \$ 8,389         \$           83,891         \$ 8,389         \$           2,274         227	Common Stock         Excess of Par Value           Shares         Amount         Par Value           83,891         \$ 8,389         \$ 86,232           —         —         —           83,891         \$ 8,389         \$ 86,230           2,274         227         48,173           —         —         —           86,165         \$ 8,616         \$ 134,403           —         —         —           —         —         —           —         —         —	Common Stock         Excess of Par Value         Excess of Par Value<	Common Stock         Excess of Par Value         Retained Earnings           83,891         \$ 8,389         \$ 86,232         \$ 498,379           —         —         —         75,651           —         —         (2)         —           83,891         \$ 8,389         \$ 86,230         \$ 574,030           2,274         227         48,173         —           —         —         139,470           86,165         \$ 8,616         \$ 134,403         \$ 713,500           —         —         —         169,452           —         —         (2)         —	Commor Stock         Excess of Par Value         Retained Earnings           83,891         \$ 8,389         \$ 86,232         \$ 498,379         \$           —         —         —         75,651           —         —         (2)         —           83,891         \$ 8,389         \$ 86,230         \$ 574,030         \$           2,274         227         48,173         —         —           —         —         —         139,470         \$           86,165         \$ 8,616         \$ 134,403         \$ 713,500         \$           —         —         —         169,452         —           —         —         —         —         —

## OLD DOMINION FREIGHT LINE, INC. STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

	Year Ended December 31,								
(In thousands)		2012		2011		2010			
Cash flows from operating activities:									
Net income	\$	169,452	\$	139,470	\$	75,651			
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:									
Depreciation and amortization		110,743		90,820		80,362			
Loss on sale of property and equipment		78		1,263		758			
Deferred income taxes		17,682		43,348		7,624			
Changes in assets and liabilities:									
Customer and other receivables, net		(5,410)		(40,414)		(36,169)			
Prepaid expenses and other assets		(7,956)		(2,952)		(13,314)			
Accounts payable		2,795		12,875		(4,247)			
Compensation, benefits and other accrued liabilities		13,559		17,626		22,476			
Claims and insurance accruals		7,458		6,696		3,831			
Income taxes, net		9,264		3,224		(3,613)			
Other liabilities		10,391		5,978		7,163			
Net cash provided by operating activities		328,056		277,934		140,522			
Cash flows from investing activities:									
Purchase of property and equipment		(373,193)		(250,768)		(106,347)			
Proceeds from sale of property and equipment		12,018		5,436		2,604			
Net cash used in investing activities		(361,175)		(245,332)		(103,743)			
Cash flows from financing activities:									
Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt		412		96,010		Marie Marie Anna Anna Anna Anna Anna Anna Anna Ann			
Principal payments under long-term debt agreements		(40,284)		(40,382)		(36,681)			
Net proceeds (payments) on revolving line of credit		10,000		(66,230)		1,183			
Proceeds from stock issuance, net of issuance costs		_		48,400					
Other financing activities, net		(2)		_		(2)			
Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities		(29,874)		37,798		(35,500)			
(Decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents		(62,993)		70,400		1,279			
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		75,850		5,450		4,171			
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	\$	12,857	\$	75,850	\$	5,450			
Income taxes paid	\$	74,932	\$	34,579		44,893			
Interest paid	\$	13,728	\$	14,011	\$	13,561			
Capitalized interest	\$	1,963	\$	895	\$	682			
Supplemental disclosure of noncash investing and financing activities:									
Acquisition of property and equipment by capital lease	\$	1,094	\$	8,570	\$	1,183			

#### Note 1. Significant Accounting Policies

#### Business

We are a leading, less-than-truckload ("LTL"), union-free motor carrier providing regional, inter-regional and national LTL service and value-added services from a single integrated organization. In addition to our core LTL services, we offer our customers a broad range of value-added services including ground and air expedited transportation, container delivery, truckload brokerage, supply chain consulting, warehousing and consumer household pickup and delivery services. We also offer worldwide freight forwarding services.

We have one operating segment and no single customer exceeds 10% of our revenue.

#### **Basis of Presentation**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Certain amounts in prior years have been reclassified to conform prior years' financial statements to the current presentation.

Unless the context requires otherwise, references in these Notes to "Old Dominion," the "Company," "we," "us" and "our" refer to Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc.

#### Revenue and Expense Recognition

We recognize revenue based upon when our transportation services have been completed in accordance with the bill of lading contract, our general tariff provisions or contractual agreements with our customers. Generally, this occurs when we complete the delivery of a shipment. For transportation services not completed at the end of a reporting period, we use a percentage of completion method to allocate the appropriate revenue to each separate reporting period. Under this method, we develop a factor for each uncompleted shipment by dividing the actual number of days in transit at the end of a reporting period by that shipment's standard delivery time schedule. This factor is applied to the total revenue for that shipment and revenue is allocated between reporting periods accordingly.

Expenses are recognized when incurred.

#### Allowances for Uncollectible Accounts and Revenue Adjustments

We maintain an allowance for uncollectible accounts for estimated losses resulting from the inability of our customers to make required payments. We estimate this allowance by analyzing the aging of our customer receivables, our historical loss experience and other trends and factors affecting the credit risk of our customers. Write-offs occur when we determine an account to be uncollectible and could differ from our allowance estimate as a result of factors such as changes in the overall economic environment or risks surrounding our customers. Additional allowances may be required if the financial condition of our customers were to deteriorate, resulting in an impairment of their ability to make payments. We periodically review the underlying assumptions in our estimate of the allowance for uncollectible accounts to ensure that the allowance reflects the most recent trends and factors.

We also maintain an allowance for estimated revenue adjustments resulting from future billing corrections, customer allowances, money-back service guarantees and other miscellaneous revenue adjustments. These revenue adjustments are recorded in our revenue from operations. We use historical experience, trends and current information to update and evaluate these estimates.

#### Credit Risk

Financial instruments that potentially subject us to concentrations of credit risk consist principally of customer receivables. We perform initial and ongoing credit evaluations of our customers to minimize credit risk. We generally do not require collateral but may require prepayment of our services under certain circumstances. Credit risk is generally diversified due to the large number of entities comprising our customer base and their dispersion across many different industries and geographic regions.

#### Cash and Cash Equivalents

We consider cash on hand and deposits in banks along with certificates of deposit and short-term marketable securities with original maturities of three months or less as cash and cash equivalents.

#### Property and Equipment

Property and equipment are stated at cost. Major additions and improvements are capitalized, while maintenance and repairs that do not improve or extend the lives of the respective assets are charged to expense as incurred. We capitalize the cost of tires mounted on purchased revenue equipment as a part of the total equipment cost. Subsequent replacement tires are expensed at the time those tires are placed in service.

Depreciation of property and equipment is calculated using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the related assets. The following table provides the estimated useful lives by asset type:

Structures 7 to 30 years
Revenue equipment 4 to 15 years
Other equipment 2 to 20 years

Leasehold improvements Lesser of economic life or life of lease

Depreciation expense, which includes the amortization of capital leases, was \$109.8 million, \$89.9 million and \$79.4 million for 2012, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

During the first quarter of 2010, we completed an evaluation of the estimated useful lives and salvage values for our equipment and determined that the actual period of service of certain revenue equipment exceeded that of our previously estimated useful lives. As a result, we extended the estimated useful lives of most of our tractors to 9 years from 7 years and extended the estimated useful lives of our trailers to 15 years from 12. In addition, we reduced the estimated salvage values associated with this equipment to more accurately reflect the value we believe such equipment will have at the end of its respective useful lives. We made similar changes to the estimated useful lives and salvage values for certain of our other equipment but the results of these changes had less of an impact on our future depreciation expense. As a result of the impact on depreciation from these changes that were effective January 1, 2010, income from continuing operations and net income in 2010 increased by approximately \$12.7 million and \$7.7 million, respectively.

#### Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets

Intangible assets have been acquired in connection with business combinations and are comprised of goodwill and other intangible assets. Goodwill is calculated as the excess cost over the fair value of assets acquired and is not subject to amortization. We review our goodwill balance annually for impairment, unless circumstances dictate more frequent assessments. During the fourth quarter of 2011, we adopted Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") 2011-08, *Testing Goodwill for Impairment*, which permits an initial assessment of qualitative factors to determine whether it is more likely than not that the fair value of a reporting unit is less than its carrying amount. This initial assessment provides a basis for determining whether it is necessary to perform the two-step goodwill impairment test required by Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") Topic 350. In the fourth quarter of 2012, we performed the qualitative assessment of goodwill and determined it was more likely than not that the fair value of our reporting unit would be greater than its carrying amount. Therefore, we determined it was not necessary to perform the two-step goodwill impairment test. Furthermore, there has been no historical impairment of our goodwill.

Other intangible assets include the value of acquired customer lists and related non-compete agreements and are amortized on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives, none of which exceeds ten years. The gross carrying amount of our other intangible assets totaled \$8.1 million as of December 31, 2012 and 2011. Accumulated amortization for these assets was \$5.7 million and \$4.7 million as of December 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively. The net carrying amounts of our other intangible assets are included in "Other assets" on our Balance Sheets. Amortization expense was \$0.9 million for 2012, 2011 and 2010. Annual amortization expense for the next five years for these intangible assets is estimated to be:

(In thousands)	
2013	\$ 712
2014	\$ 695
2015	\$ 495
2016	\$ 315
2017	\$ 210

#### Long-Lived Assets

We assess the realizable value of our long-lived assets and evaluate such assets for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable.

#### Claims and Insurance Accruals

At December 31, 2012, we maintained a self-insured retention ("SIR") of \$2.75 million per occurrence for bodily injury and property damage ("BIPD") claims; a deductible of \$100,000 per claim for cargo loss and damage; and deductible of \$1.0 million per occurrence for workers' compensation claims. We also had an SIR of \$400,000 per occurrence (with a \$200,000 aggregate over our retention level) for group health claims. We fully self-insured long-term disability claims to a maximum of \$3,000 per month for our salaried and non-salaried employees until April 2, 2010 and July 1, 2011, respectively. We subsequently began to offer elective long-term disability coverage to our employees and, therefore, we have no liability for new long-term disability claims after those dates.

Claims and insurance accruals reflect the estimated cost of claims for cargo loss and damage, BIPD, workers' compensation, long-term disability, group health and group dental not covered by insurance. These accruals include amounts for future claims development and claims incurred but not reported, which are primarily based on historical claims development experience. The related costs for cargo loss and damage and BIPD are charged to insurance and claims expense, while the related costs for workers' compensation, long-term disability, group health and dental are charged to employee benefits expense.

Our liability for claims and insurance totaled \$93.5 million and \$86.0 million at December 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively. The long-term portions of those reserves were \$59.5 million and \$50.1 million for 2012 and 2011, respectively, which were included in "Other non-current liabilities" on our Balance Sheets.

#### Advertising

The costs of advertising our services are expensed as incurred and are included in "General supplies and expenses" on our Statements of Operations. Advertising costs charged to expense totaled \$11.0 million, \$8.3 million and \$6.3 million for 2012, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

#### Common Stock Split

On August 13, 2012, we announced a three-for-two common stock split for shareholders of record as of the close of business on the record date, August 24, 2012. On September 7, 2012, those shareholders received one additional share of common stock for every two shares owned. In lieu of fractional shares, shareholders received a cash payment based on the average of the high and low sales prices of our common stock on the record date.

On August 2, 2010, we announced a three-for-two common stock split for shareholders of record as of the close of business on the record date, August 9, 2010. On August 23, 2010, those shareholders received one additional share of common

stock for every two shares owned. In lieu of fractional shares, shareholders received a cash payment based on the average of the high and low sales prices of the common stock on the record date.

All references in this report to shares outstanding, weighted average shares outstanding and earnings per share amounts have been restated retroactively to reflect these stock splits.

#### Fair Values of Financial Instruments

The carrying values of financial instruments, such as cash and cash equivalents, customer and other receivables and trade payables, approximate their fair value due to the short maturities of these instruments. The carrying value of our long-term debt was \$240.4 million and \$269.2 million at December 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively. The estimated fair value of our long-term debt was \$247.9 million and \$276.6 million at December 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively. The fair value measurement of our senior notes was determined using market interest rates for similar issuances of private debt. Since this methodology is based upon indicative market interest rates, the measurement is categorized as Level 2 under the three-level fair value hierarchy as established by the Financial Accounting Standards Board (the "FASB"). The fair value of our other long-term debt approximates carrying value.

#### Comprehensive Income

The Company has no components of other comprehensive income. Accordingly, net income equals comprehensive income for all periods presented in this report.

#### Earnings Per Share

Earnings per common share is computed using the weighted-average number of common shares outstanding during the period. There were no potentially dilutive shares outstanding at the end of each period presented in this report.

#### Note 2. Long-term Debt

Long-term debt consisted of the following:

	December 3					
(In thousands)	2012	2011				
Senior notes	\$ 227,14	\$ 262,857				
Revolving credit facility	10,00	0 —				
Capitalized lease and other obligations	3,26	4 6,328				
Total long-term debt	240,40	7 269,185				
Less: Current maturities	(38,97	<b>8)</b> (39,354)				
Total maturities due after one year	\$ 201,42	9 \$ 229,831				

We have three outstanding unsecured senior note agreements with an aggregate amount outstanding of \$227.1 million at December 31, 2012. These notes call for periodic principal payments with maturities that range from 2015 to 2021, of which \$35.7 million is due in the next twelve months. Interest rates on these notes are fixed and range from 4.00% to 5.85%. The effective average interest rate on our outstanding senior note agreements was 5.07% and 5.17% at December 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively.

We have a five-year, \$200.0 million senior unsecured revolving credit facility pursuant to the terms of a second amended and restated credit agreement on August 10, 2011 (the "Credit Agreement"), with Wells Fargo Bank, National Association ("Wells Fargo") serving as administrative agent for the lenders. Of the \$200.0 million line of credit commitments, \$150.0 million may be used for letters of credit and \$20.0 million may be used for borrowings under the Wells Fargo Sweep Plus Loan Program. This sweep program is a daily cash management tool that automatically initiates borrowings to cover overnight cash requirements up to an aggregate of \$20.0 million. In addition, we have the right to request an increase in the line of credit commitments up to a total of \$300.0 million in minimum increments of \$25.0 million. At our option, revolving loans under the facility bear interest at either: (a) the Applicable Margin Percentage for Base Rate Loans plus the higher of Wells Fargo's prime rate, the federal funds rate plus 0.5% per annum, or the one month LIBOR Rate plus 1.0% per annum; (b) the LIBOR Rate plus

the Applicable Margin Percentage for LIBOR Loans; or (c) the LIBOR Market Index Rate ("LIBOR Index Rate") plus the Applicable Margin Percentage for LIBOR Market Index Loans. The Applicable Margin Percentage is determined by a pricing grid in the Credit Agreement and ranges from 1.0% to 1.875%. The Applicable Margin Percentage was 1.125% at December 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively, and ranged from 1.0% to 1.125% during 2012. Revolving loans under the sweep program bear interest at the LIBOR Index Rate.

The outstanding balance of borrowings on the line of credit facility was \$10.0 million and zero at December 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively. There were \$52.4 million and \$49.9 million of outstanding letters of credit at December 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively.

Commitment fees ranging from 0.175% to 0.30% are charged quarterly in arrears on the aggregate unutilized portion of the Credit Agreement. Letter of credit fees equal to the applicable margin for Adjusted LIBOR Rate loans are charged quarterly in arrears on the daily average aggregate stated amount of all letters of credit outstanding during the quarter. The commitment fees ranged from 0.175% to 0.20% and letter of credit fees ranged from 1.0% to 1.125% during 2012. In addition, the Company will pay to Wells Fargo as issuer of letters of credit (i) a facing fee with respect to each letter of credit in an amount equal to 0.125% of the daily average aggregate Stated Amount thereof, payable quarterly in arrears and calculated on an actual/360-day basis and (ii) such fees and charges customarily charged in connection with the issuance and administration of such letters of credit. Wells Fargo, as administrative agent, shall also receive an annual administrative fee for providing such services.

Our Credit Agreement limits the amount of dividends that could be paid to shareholders to the greater of (i) \$20.0 million, (ii) the amount of dividends paid in the immediately preceding fiscal year, or (iii) an amount equal to 25% of net income from the immediately preceding fiscal year. We did not declare or pay a dividend on our common stock in 2012 or 2011, and we have no plans to declare or pay a dividend in 2013.

Our three outstanding senior note agreements and the Credit Agreement contain customary covenants, including financial covenants that require us to observe a maximum ratio of debt to total capital and a minimum fixed charge coverage ratio. Any future wholly-owned subsidiaries of the Company would be required to guarantee payment of all of our obligations under these agreements.

Capitalized lease obligations are collateralized by property and equipment with a net book value of \$7.6 million at December 31, 2012.

As of December 31, 2012, aggregate maturities of long-term debt are as follows:

(In thousands)	
2013	\$ 38,978
2014	35,715
2015	35,714
2016	35,000
2017	
Thereafter	95,000
	\$ 240,407

#### Note 3. Shareholders' Equity

On February 2, 2011, we entered into an At-The-Market Equity Offering Sales Agreement with Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated ("Stifel Nicolaus Weisel") pursuant to which we had the ability to issue and sell, from time to time over a 12-month period through or to Stifel Nicolaus Weisel, shares of our common stock having an aggregate offering price of up to \$100.0 million (the "ATM program"). The ATM program was conducted pursuant to the Company's automatic shelf registration statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-162709), filed by the Company on October 28, 2009 with the SEC, and a prospectus supplement, filed by the Company on February 2, 2011 with the SEC. Sales of the Company's common stock in the offering were made by means of ordinary brokers' transactions on the Nasdaq, in privately negotiated transactions, or otherwise at prevailing market prices at the time of sale. Set forth below is information regarding our ATM program. Shares and per share amounts have been adjusted for the three-for-two common stock split effected on September 7, 2012.

Period	Aggregate Number of Shares Sold	Number of Gross		Aggregate let Proceeds	age Sales Per Share
First quarter 2011	2,274,568	\$ 49,575,00	0 \$	48,400,000	\$ 21.79

There were no subsequent issuances pursuant to the ATM program through February 2, 2012, which was the date on which the ATM program expired. The Company's automatic shelf registration statement expired in October 2012.

#### Note 4. Leases

We lease certain information systems under capital leases. We also lease other assets under operating leases, which primarily consist of real estate leases for 68 of our 218 service center locations at December 31, 2012.

Certain operating leases provide for renewal options. Renewal options and length of renewals vary by lease and are typically offered at their fair rental value. We have not made any residual value guarantees related to our operating leases; therefore, we have no corresponding liability recorded on our Balance Sheets.

Assets under capital leases are included in property and equipment as follows:

		Decembe	r 31,
(In thousands)	201	2	2011
Information systems	\$	9,910 \$	12,232
Less: Accumulated amortization	(	2,270)	(3,065)
	\$	7,640 \$	9,167

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Future minimum annual lease payments as of December 31, 2012 are as follows:

(In thousands)	Capital Leases	perating Leases	Total
2013	\$ 3,308	\$ 15,823	\$ 19,131
2014	_	11,977	11,977
2015	100000-110000	7,566	7,566
2016		5,707	5,707
2017	_	4,801	4,801
Thereafter		19,136	19,136
Total minimum lease payments	 3,308	\$ 65,010	\$ 68,318
Less: Amount representing interest	(44)		
Present value of capitalized lease obligations	\$ 3,264		

Aggregate expense under operating leases was \$19.1 million, \$19.5 million and \$21.0 million for 2012, 2011 and 2010, respectively. Certain operating leases include rent escalation provisions, which we recognize as expense on a straight-line basis.

#### **Note 5. Income Taxes**

The components of the provision for income taxes are as follows:

	Year Ended December 31,						
(In thousands)	 2012		2011		2010		
Current:							
Federal	\$ 74,074	\$	27,470	\$	34,255		
State	11,890		9,796		6,896		
	 85,964		37,266		41,151		
Deferred:							
Federal	14,978		39,934		6,695		
State	2,704		3,414		929		
	 17,682		43,348		7,624		
Total provision for income taxes	\$ 103,646	\$	80,614	\$	48,775		
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The following is a reconciliation of the U.S. statutory federal income tax rates with our effective income tax rates for 2012, 2011 and 2010:

	Year Ended December 31,						
(In thousands)		2012		2011		2010	
Tax provision at statutory rate	\$	95,584	\$	77,029	\$	43,549	
State income taxes, net of federal benefit	10,211			7,480		5,002	
Meals and entertainment disallowance	828			721		616	
Tax credits	(2,609)		(4,453)			(744)	
Other, net	(368)			(163)		352	
Total provision for income taxes	\$	103,646	\$	80,614	\$	48,775	

Deferred tax assets and liabilities consist of the following:

\$	32,499 2,829 12,399	\$	30,003
\$	2,829	\$	
\$	2,829	\$	
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	12,399		2,827
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	17,734		14,441
	9,764		5,992
-	75,225		62,602
	(559)		
	74,666		62,602
	(197,875)		(169,309)
	(8,171)		(6,995)
	(1,752)		(1,748)
	(207,798)		(178,052)
\$	(133,132)	\$	(115,450)
	<u> </u>	(8,171) (1,752) (207,798)	(8,171) (1,752) (207,798)

Our net deferred tax liability consists of the following:

 Decem	ber	31,
 2012		2011
\$ 20,054	\$	19,466
(153,186)		(134,916)
\$ (133,132)	\$	(115,450)
\$ \$	2012 \$ 20,054 (153,186)	\$ 20,054 \$ (153,186)

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As of December 31, 2012, the Company had various state tax credit carryforwards of approximately \$3.8 million that are scheduled to expire in five to fifteen years. As of December 31, 2012, the Company has established a valuation allowance in the amount of \$559,000 due to the uncertainty of realization of these tax credits.

We are subject to U.S. federal income tax, as well as income tax of multiple state tax jurisdictions. We remain open to examination by the Internal Revenue Service for tax years 2009 through 2012. We remain open to examination by state tax jurisdictions for tax years 2008 through 2012.

Changes in our liability for unrecognized tax benefits could affect our effective tax rate, if recognized, but we do not expect any material changes within the next twelve months. The Company's liability for unrecognized tax benefits was immaterial as of December 31, 2012 and 2011. Interest and penalties related to uncertain tax positions, which are immaterial, are recorded in our Provision for Income Taxes on our Statement of Operations.

#### **Note 6. Related Person Transactions**

#### Family Relationships

Each of Earl E. Congdon, John R. Congdon, David S. Congdon and John R. Congdon, Jr. are related to one another and served in various executive management positions and/or on our Board of Directors during 2012. We have entered into amended and restated employment agreements with Earl E. Congdon and David S. Congdon, which are incorporated by reference as exhibits to our Annual Report on Form 10-K. We regularly disclose the amount of compensation that we pay to these individuals, as well as any of their family members employed by us and whose compensation from time to time may require disclosure, in the proxy statement for our Annual Meeting of Shareholders.

During 2012, John R. Congdon resigned from his position as Senior Vice President but continues to be employed by the Company. In connection with his resignation as a Senior Vice President, the Board of Directors and Mr. Congdon agreed to terminate the amended and restated employment agreement between the Company and John R. Congdon.

#### Transactions with Old Dominion Truck Leasing, Inc.

Old Dominion Truck Leasing, Inc. ("Leasing") is a North Carolina corporation whose voting stock is owned by an Earl E. Congdon Revocable Trust; the John R. Congdon Revocable Trust; and members of Earl E. Congdon's and John R. Congdon's families. Leasing is primarily engaged in the business of purchasing and leasing tractors, trailers and other vehicles. John R. Congdon is Chairman of the Board of Leasing, and Earl E. Congdon is Vice Chairman of the Board of Leasing. Since 1986, we have combined our requirements with Leasing for the purchase of tractors, trailers, equipment, parts, tires and fuel. We believe that the termination of this arrangement would not have a material adverse impact on our financial results.

We purchased \$239,000, \$278,000 and \$242,000 of maintenance and other services from Leasing in 2012, 2011 and 2010, respectively. We intend to continue to purchase maintenance and other services from Leasing, provided that Leasing's prices continue to be favorable to us.

We also paid Leasing \$86,000 for leased equipment in 2010. These payments were for long-term leases for tractors used in our linehaul operations. We received no commission or other financial benefit from Leasing or any other party in connection with these lease transactions. We did not lease any equipment from Leasing in 2012 or 2011.

We charged Leasing \$18,000, \$18,000 and \$17,000 for the rental of property in 2012, 2011 and 2010, respectively. No other services were provided to Leasing for the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010.

#### Split-Dollar Life Insurance Policies

We are the owner of two split-dollar life insurance contracts insuring the life of John R. Congdon. The net cash surrender value for these policies was \$6.8 million and \$6.6 million at December 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively, and is included on our Balance Sheets under the caption "Other assets." At December 31, 2012, these policies provided for an aggregate of \$8.9 million in net death benefits due to the Company, of which we have endorsed \$2.0 million to Mr. Congdon's children.

#### Note 7. Employee Benefit Plans

#### **Defined Contribution Plan**

Substantially all employees meeting certain service requirements are eligible to participate in our 401(k) employee retirement plan. Employee contributions are limited to a percentage of their compensation, as defined in the plan. We make contributions based upon the greater of a percentage of employee contributions or ten percent of net income. Company contributions for 2012, 2011 and 2010 were \$16.9 million, \$13.9 million and \$7.6 million, respectively.

#### **Deferred Compensation Plan**

We maintain a nonqualified deferred compensation plan for the benefit of certain eligible employees whose contributions to the 401(k) employee retirement plan are limited due to provisions of the Internal Revenue Code. Participating employees may elect to defer receipt of a percentage of their compensation, as defined in the plan, and the deferred amount is credited to each participant's deferred compensation account. The plan is not funded and the Company does not make a matching contribution to this plan. Although the plan is not funded, participants are allowed to select investment options for which their deferrals and future earnings are deemed to be invested. Participant accounts are adjusted daily to reflect participant deferrals and the performance of their deemed investments. The amounts owed to the participants totaled \$30.0 million and \$24.6 million at December 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively.

#### Note 8. Share-Based Compensation

On May 16, 2005, our Board of Directors approved, and the Company adopted, the Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc. Phantom Stock Plan, as amended effective January 1, 2009, May 18, 2009 and May 17, 2011 (the "Phantom Stock Plan"). The Phantom Stock Plan expired in May 2012; however, the Board of Directors approved the Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc. 2012 Phantom Stock Plan (the "2012 Plan") in October 2012, as described below. Each share of phantom stock awarded to eligible employees under the Phantom Stock Plan represents a contractual right to receive an amount in cash equal to the fair market value of a share of our common stock on the settlement date, which generally is the earlier of the eligible employee's (i) termination from the Company after reaching 55 years of age, (ii) death or (iii) disability. No shares of common stock will be issued pursuant to the Phantom Stock Plan, as the awards are settled in cash after the required vesting period has been satisfied and upon termination of employment. The maximum number of shares of phantom stock that were available for awards under the Phantom Stock Plan was 843,750. Our Board of Directors approved the initial grant under this plan at its January 2006 meeting and authorized grants annually thereafter until the Phantom Stock Plan's expiration.

Phantom Stock Plan awards vest upon the earlier to occur of the following: the date of a change of control in our ownership; the fifth anniversary of the grant date of the award, provided the participant is employed by us on that date; the date of the participant's death while employed by us; the date of the participant's total disability; or the date the participant attains the age of 65 while employed by us. Awards that are not vested upon termination of employment are forfeited. If termination occurs prior to attaining the age of 55, all vested and unvested awards are generally forfeited unless the termination results from death or total disability. The Phantom Stock Plan does, however, provide the Board of Directors with discretionary authority to modify and/or accelerate the vesting of awards.

On May 28, 2008, our Board of Directors approved, and the Company adopted, the Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc. Director Phantom Stock Plan, as amended on April 1, 2011 (the "Director Phantom Stock Plan" and together with the Phantom Stock Plan, the "Phantom Plans"). Under the Director Phantom Stock Plan, each non-employee eligible director shall be granted an annual award of phantom shares equal to \$50,000 on the grant date. Prior to the 2011 grant, the annual award to each non-employee eligible director was equal to \$30,000 on the grant date. For each vested share, participants are entitled to an amount in cash equal to the fair market value of a share of our common stock on the date that service as a director terminates for any reason. No shares of common stock will be issued pursuant to the Director Phantom Stock Plan, as the awards are

settled in cash. Our Board of Directors approved the initial grant under this plan at its May 2008 meeting and have authorized grants annually thereafter.

Director Phantom Stock Plan awards vest upon the earlier to occur of the following: the one-year anniversary of the grant date; the date of the first annual meeting of shareholders that occurs after the grant date provided the participant is still in service as a director; the date of a change of control in our ownership provided that the participant is still in service as a director; or the date of the participant's death or total disability while still in service as a director. Awards that are not vested upon termination of service as a director are forfeited.

A summary of the changes in the number of outstanding phantom stock awards during the year ended December 31, 2012 for the Phantom Plans is provided below. Of these awards, 277,701 and 201,876 phantom shares were vested at December 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively.

	Phantom Stock Plan	Director Phantom Stock Plan
Balance of shares outstanding at December 31, 2011	422,173	50,231
Granted	111,661	10,125
Settled	(61,195)	_
Forfeited	(5,012)	
Balance of shares outstanding at December 31, 2012	467,627	60,356

Provisions for the granting of phantom stock shares under the Phantom Stock Plan expired in May 2012. The Board of Directors, however, authorized grants outside the Phantom Stock Plan in July and August of 2012 to retiring employees totaling 4,481 phantom shares with terms and conditions similar to those in the Phantom Stock Plan. These shares vested immediately and the settlement resulted in additional compensation expense of \$129,000.

On October 30, 2012, our Board of Directors approved and we adopted the 2012 Plan. Under the 2012 Plan, 1,000,000 shares of phantom stock may be awarded, each of which represent a contractual right to receive an amount in cash equal to the fair market value of a share of our common stock on the settlement date. Each award vests in 20% increments on the anniversary of the grant date provided that the participant (i) has been continuously employed by us since the grant date, (ii) has been continuously employed by us for ten years and (iii) has reached the age of 65. Vesting also occurs on the earliest of (i) a change in control, (ii) death or (iii) total disability. Unvested shares are forefeited upon termination of employment, although our Board of Directors has authority to modify and/or accelerate the vesting of awards.

Participants in the 2012 Plan are entitled to receive amounts due on vested shares on the settlement date, which is the earliest of the date of the participant's (i) termination of employment for any reason other than for cause, (ii) death or (ii) disability. Unless the award agreement specifies otherwise, payments will be made in cash over 24 substantially equal monthly payments.

There were no awards of phantom stock made in 2012 under the 2012 Plan.

Awards of phantom stock are accounted for as a liability under The Financial Accounting Standards Board Accounting Standards Codification<sup>TM</sup> ("FASC") 718, *Compensation – Stock Compensation*. FASC 718 requires changes in the fair value of our liability to be recognized as compensation cost over the requisite service period for the percentage of requisite service rendered each period. Changes in the fair value of the liability that occur after the requisite service period are recognized as compensation cost during the period in which the changes occur. We remeasure the liability for the outstanding awards at the end of each reporting period based on the closing price of our common stock at that date, and the compensation cost is based on the change in fair value for each reporting period. The liability for these awards totaled \$16.2 million and \$10.9 million at December 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively. Cash payments for settled shares of phantom stock were \$1.1 million, \$0.5 million and zero for 2012, 2011 and 2010, respectively. Compensation costs totaled \$6.4 million, \$4.2 million and \$4.4 million for 2012, 2011 and 2010, respectively. Unrecognized compensation cost related to all unvested shares as of December 31, 2012 was \$3.7 million based on the price of our common stock on that date.

#### Note 9. Commitments and Contingencies

We are involved in various legal proceedings and claims that have arisen in the ordinary course of our business that have not been fully adjudicated. Many of these are covered in whole or in part by insurance. Our management does not believe that these actions, when finally concluded and determined, will have a material adverse effect upon our financial position, liquidity or results of operations.

#### Note 10. Quarterly Financial Information (Unaudited)

A summary of our unaudited quarterly financial information for 2012 and 2011 is provided below. Our tonnage levels and revenue mix are subject to seasonal trends common in the motor carrier industry. Financial results in the first quarter are normally lower due to reduced shipments during the winter months. Harsh winter weather can also adversely impact our performance by reducing demand and increasing operating expenses.

	Quarter								
(In thousands, except per share data)		First		Second		Third	 Fourth		Total
2012 Revenue Operating income Net income	\$	497,140 54,218 31,095	\$	541,505 82,588 47,832	\$	544,493 80,932 51,044	\$ 527,345 67,516 39,481	\$	2,110,483 285,254 169,452
Net income per share: Basic and diluted		0.36		0.56		0.59	0.46		1.97
2011 Revenue Operating income Net income	\$	422,679 37,921 21,573	\$	480,255 64,645 39,383	\$	494,475 68,194 38,631	\$ 485,132 63,312 39,883	\$	1,882,541 234,072 139,470
Net income per share:  Basic and diluted		0.26		0.46		0.45	0.46		1.63

#### **Note 11. Subsequent Events**

Management evaluated all subsequent events and transactions through the issuance date of these financial statements, and concluded that no subsequent events or transactions have occurred that require recognition or disclosure in our financial statements.

#### Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

The Board of Directors and Shareholders of Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc.

We have audited the accompanying balance sheets of Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc. as of December 31, 2012 and 2011, and the related statements of operations, changes in shareholders' equity, and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2012. Our audits also included the financial statement schedule listed in the Index at Item 15(a)(2). These financial statements and schedule are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements and schedule based on our audits.

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

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc. at December 31, 2012 and 2011, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2012, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Also, in our opinion, the related financial statement schedule, when considered in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole, presents fairly in all material respects the information set forth therein.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2012, based on criteria established in Internal Control - Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission and our report dated February 28, 2013, expressed an unqualified opinion thereon.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP

Charlotte, North Carolina February 28, 2013

## ITEM 9. CHANGES IN AND DISAGREEMENTS WITH ACCOUNTANTS ON ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

None.

#### ITEM 9A. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

#### a) Evaluation of disclosure controls and procedures

As of the end of the period covered by this report, our management has conducted an evaluation, with the participation of our Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") and Chief Financial Officer ("CFO"), of the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures in accordance with Rule 13a-15 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"). Based on this evaluation as of the end of the period covered by this report, our CEO and CFO concluded that, as of such date, our disclosure controls and procedures were effective to ensure that information required to be disclosed by us in the reports that we file or submit under the Exchange Act is (i) accumulated and communicated to our management, including our CEO and CFO, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure, and (ii) recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms.

#### b) Management's annual report on internal control over financial reporting

Management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting in accordance with Exchange Act Rule 13a-15(f). Management has conducted an evaluation, with the participation of our CEO and CFO, of the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2012 based on the framework in *Internal Control – Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission. Management concluded that our internal control over financial reporting was effective as of December 31, 2012, based on our evaluation under the framework in *Internal Control – Integrated Framework*.

A control system, no matter how well conceived and operated, can provide only reasonable, not absolute, assurance that the objectives of the control system are met. Further, in designing a control system, we must take into account the benefits of controls relative to their costs. Because of the inherent limitations in all control systems, no evaluation of controls can provide absolute assurance that all control issues and instances of fraud, if any, within the Company have been detected.

The effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2012 has been audited by Ernst & Young LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, as stated in their report which is included herein.

#### c) Changes in internal control over financial reporting

There were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the last quarter of the period covered by this report that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

#### Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

The Board of Directors and Shareholders of Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc.

We have audited Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2012, based on criteria established in Internal Control-Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (the COSO criteria). Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc.'s management is responsible 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 Annual Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's internal control over financial reporting based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. Our audit included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk, and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

A company's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed 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 its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that 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, Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc. maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2012, based on the COSO criteria.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the balance sheets of Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc. as of December 31, 2012 and 2011, and the related statements of operations, changes in shareholders' equity, and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2012 and our report dated February 28, 2013 expressed an unqualified opinion thereon.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP

Charlotte, North Carolina February 28, 2013

#### ITEM 9B. OTHER INFORMATION

None.

#### **PART III**

#### ITEM 10. DIRECTORS, EXECUTIVE OFFICERS AND CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

The information required by Item 10 of Form 10-K will appear in the Company's proxy statement for its 2013 Annual Meeting of Shareholders under the captions "Proposal 1 – Election of Directors," "Executive Officers," "Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Reporting Compliance," "Corporate Governance – Attendance and Committees of the Board – Audit Committee," and "Corporate Governance – Director Nominations," and the information therein is incorporated herein by reference.

We have adopted a "Code of Business Conduct" that applies to all of our directors and officers and other employees, including our principal executive officer, principal financial officer and principal accounting officer. Our Code of Business Conduct is publicly available and is posted on our website at www.odfl.com/company/corpGovernance.shtml. To the extent permissible under applicable law, the rules of the SEC and Nasdaq listing standards, we intend to disclose on our website any amendment to our Code of Business Conduct, or any grant of a waiver from a provision of our Code of Business Conduct, that requires disclosure under applicable law, the rules of the SEC or Nasdaq listing standards.

#### ITEM 11. EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

The information required by Item 11 of Form 10-K will appear in the Company's proxy statement for its 2013 Annual Meeting of Shareholders under the captions "Corporate Governance – Compensation Committee Interlocks and Insider Participation," "Compensation Discussion and Analysis," "Compensation Committee Report," "Executive Compensation," and "Director Compensation," and the information therein is incorporated herein by reference.

## ITEM 12. SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN BENEFICIAL OWNERS AND MANAGEMENT AND RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS

The information required by Item 12 of Form 10-K will appear in the Company's proxy statement for its 2013 Annual Meeting of Shareholders under the caption "Security Ownership of Management and Certain Beneficial Owners," and the information therein is incorporated herein by reference.

### ITEM 13. CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS AND RELATED TRANSACTIONS, AND DIRECTOR INDEPENDENCE

The information required by Item 13 of Form 10-K will appear in the Company's proxy statement for the 2013 Annual Meeting of Shareholders under the captions "Corporate Governance – Independent Directors" and "Related Person Transactions," and the information therein is incorporated herein by reference.

#### ITEM 14. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING FEES AND SERVICES

The information required by Item 14 of Form 10-K will appear in the Company's proxy statement for its 2013 Annual Meeting of Shareholders under the captions "Corporate Governance – Audit Committee Pre-Approval Policies and Procedures" and "Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm Fees and Services," and the information therein is incorporated herein by reference.

#### PART IV

#### ITEM 15. EXHIBITS, FINANCIAL STATEMENT SCHEDULES

#### (a)(1) Financial Statements.

The following financial statements of Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc. are included in Item 8:

Balance Sheets - December 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011

Statements of Operations - Years ended December 31, 2012, December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010

Statements of Changes in Shareholders' Equity – Years ended December 31, 2012, December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010

Statements of Cash Flows - Years ended December 31, 2012, December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010

Notes to the Financial Statements

#### (a)(2) Financial Statement Schedules.

The Schedule II – Valuation and Qualifying Accounts schedule of Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc. is included below:

## Schedule II Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc. Valuation and Qualifying Accounts

(In thousands)		Al	lowan	ce for Unc	s <sup>(1)</sup>	(1)		
Year Ended December 31,	Balance at Beginning of Period		ing Charged to			uctions <sup>(2)</sup>	Balance at End of Period	
2010	\$	10,199	\$	545	\$	3,944	\$	6,800
2011	\$	6,800	\$	3,200	\$	2,723	\$	7,277
2012	\$	7,277	\$	2,123	\$	2,118	\$	7,282

- (1) This table does not include any allowances for revenue adjustments that result from billing corrections, customer allowances, money-back service guarantees and other miscellaneous revenue adjustments that are recorded in our revenue from operations.
- (2) Uncollectible accounts written off, net of recoveries.

All other schedules for which provision is made in the applicable accounting regulations of the SEC are not required under the instructions or are inapplicable and, therefore, have been omitted.

#### (a)(3) Exhibits Filed.

The exhibits listed in the accompanying Exhibit Index are filed as a part of this report.

#### (b) Exhibits.

See Exhibit Index.

#### (c) Separate Financial Statements and Schedules.

None.

#### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

#### OLD DOMINION FREIGHT LINE, INC.

Dated: February 28, 2013 By: /s/ DAVID S. CONGDON

David S. Congdon

President and Chief Executive Officer

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

Name and Signature	Position	<u>Date</u>
/s/ EARL E. CONGDON	Executive Chairman of the Board of Directors	February 28, 2013
Earl E. Congdon		
/s/ DAVID S. CONGDON	Director, President and Chief Executive Officer	February 28, 2013
David S. Congdon	(Principal Executive Officer)	
/s/ J. PAUL BREITBACH	Director	February 28, 2013
J. Paul Breitbach		
/s/ JOHN R. CONGDON	Director	February 28, 2013
John R. Congdon		
/s/ JOHN R. CONGDON, JR.	Director	February 28, 2013
John R. Congdon, Jr.		
/s/ ROBERT G. CULP, III	Director	February 28, 2013
Robert G. Culp, III		20.2012
/s/ JOHN D. KASARDA	Director	February 28, 2013
John D. Kasarda		February 28, 2013
/s/ LEO H. SUGGS Leo H. Suggs	Director	reditially 28, 2013
	Director	February 28, 2013
/s/ D. MICHAEL WRAY D. Michael Wray	Director	
/s/ J. WES FRYE	Senior Vice President – Finance	February 28, 2013
J. Wes Frye	and Chief Financial Officer	
	(Principal Financial Officer)	
/s/ JOHN P. BOOKER III	Vice President – Controller	February 28, 2013
John P. Booker III	(Principal Accounting Officer)	

# EXHIBIT INDEX TO ANNUAL REPORT ON FORM 10-K OLD DOMINION FREIGHT LINE, INC. FOR YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

Exhibit <u>No.</u>	Description
3.1.1(a)	Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation of Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc. (as amended July 30, 2004)
3.1.2(v)	Articles of Amendment of Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc.
3.2	Amended and Restated Bylaws of Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc.
4.1	Specimen certificate of Common Stock
4.6.10(b)	Note Purchase Agreement among Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc. and the Purchasers set forth in Schedule A thereto, dated as of February 25, 2005
4.9(e)	Note Purchase Agreement among Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc. and the Purchasers set forth in Schedule A thereto, dated as of April 25, 2006.
4.10(f)	Amended and Restated Credit Agreement among Wachovia Bank, National Association, as Administrative Agent; the Lenders named therein; and Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc., dated as of August 10, 2006
4.10.1(m)	Amendment No. 1 to Amended and Restated Credit Agreement among Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc., the Lenders named therein and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as Agent, dated as of December 31, 2010
4.11(m)	Note Purchase Agreement by and among Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc. and the Purchasers set forth in Schedule A thereto, dated as of January 3, 2011
4.12(p)	Second Amended and Restated Credit Agreement among Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as Administrative Agent; the Lenders named therein; and Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc., dated as of August 10, 2011
10.17.6(g)*	Amended and Restated Employment Agreement Between Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc. and Earl E. Congdon, effective as of June 1, 2008
10.17.7(g)*	Amended and Restated Employment Agreement Between Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc. and John R. Congdon, effective as of June 1, 2008
10.17.8(g)*	Amended and Restated Employment Agreement between Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc. and David S. Congdon, effective as of June 1, 2008
10.17.10(1)*	First Amendment to Amended and Restated Employment Agreement, effective as of May 31, 2010, by and between Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc. and Earl E. Congdon
10.17.11(1)*	First Amendment to Amended and Restated Employment Agreement, effective as of May 31, 2010, by and between Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc. and John R. Congdon
10.17.12(r)*	Second Amendment to Amended and Restated Employment Agreement, effective as of May 31, 2012, by and between Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc. and Earl E. Congdon
10.17.13(r)*	Second Amendment to Amended and Restated Employment Agreement, effective as of May 31, 2012, by and between Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc. and John R. Congdon
10.17.14(u)*	Termination of Agreement, effective as of August 3, 2012, by and between Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc. and John R. Congdon

Exhibit <u>No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
10.17.15(w)*	Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc. 2012 Phantom Stock Plan
10.17.16(w)*	Form of Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc. 2012 Phantom Stock Plan Phantom Stock Award Agreement
10.17.17(w)*	Second Amended and Restated Employment Agreement by and between Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc. and Earl E. Congdon, effective as of November 1, 2012
10.17.18*	First Amendment to Amended and Restated Employment Agreement, effective as of November 1, 2012, by and between Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc. and David S. Congdon
10.18.3(h)*	Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc. Director Phantom Stock Plan
10.18.4(h)*	Form of Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc. Director Phantom Stock Plan Award Agreement
10.18.5(i)*	Non-Executive Director Compensation Structure, effective January 1, 2008
10.18.6(o)*	Non-Executive Director Compensation Structure, effective January 1, 2011
10.18.7(o)*	Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc. Director Phantom Stock Plan, as amended through April 1, 2011
10.19.1(c)*	Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc. Phantom Stock Plan, effective as of May 16, 2005
10.19.3(d)*	Form of Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc. Phantom Stock Award Agreement
10.19.4(i)*	Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc. Phantom Stock Plan, effective as of January 1, 2009
10.19.5(i)*	Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc. Change of Control Severance Plan for Key Executives, effective as of January 1, 2009
10.19.6(j)*	Amendment to Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc. Phantom Stock Plan, effective as of May 18, 2009
10.19.7(q)*	2011 Declaration of Amendment to Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc. Phantom Stock Plan, effective as of May 17, 2011
10.19.8(t)*	Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc. Phantom Stock Award Agreement
10.20.1(k)*	2006 Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Plan of Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc., effective January 1, 2006 (as restated and effective January 1, 2009)
10.20.2(d)*	Form of Annual Salary and Bonus Deduction Agreement
10.20.3(s)*	Second Amendment to 2006 Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Plan of Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc., as amended, effective November 10, 2011
10.21(g)*	Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc. Performance Incentive Plan
10.22(n)	At-The-Market Equity Offering Sales Agreement, dated February 2, 2011, between Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc. and Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated
23.1	Consent of Ernst & Young LLP
31.1	Certification Pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) or 15d-14(a) of the Exchange Act, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
31.2	Certification Pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) or 15d-14(a) of the Exchange Act, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

Exhibit <u>No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
32.1	Certification Pursuant to 18 U.S.C Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
32.2	Certification Pursuant to 18 U.S.C Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
101	The following financial information from our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012, filed on February 28, 2013, formatted in XBRL (eXtensible Business Reporting Language) includes: (i) the Balance Sheets at December 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011, (ii) the Statements of Operations for the years ended December 31, 2012, December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, (iii) the Statements of Changes in Shareholders' Equity for the years ended December 31, 2012, December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, (iv) the Statements of Cash Flows for the years ended December 31, 2012, December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, and (v) the Notes to the Financial Statements

- (a) Incorporated by reference to the exhibit of the same number contained in the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2004, filed on August 6, 2004
- (b) Incorporated by reference to the exhibit of the same number contained in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2004, filed on March 16, 2005
- (c) Incorporated by reference to the exhibit of the same number contained in the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on May 20, 2005
- (d) Incorporated by reference to the exhibit of the same number contained in the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on February 21, 2006
- (e) Incorporated by reference to the exhibit of the same number contained in the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on May 1, 2006
- (f) Incorporated by reference to the exhibit of the same number contained in the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on August 16, 2006
- (g) Incorporated by reference to the exhibit of the same number contained in the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on June 3, 2008
- (h) Incorporated by reference to the exhibit of the same number contained in the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2008, filed on August 8, 2008
- (i) Incorporated by reference to the exhibit of the same number contained in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008, filed on March 2, 2009
- (j) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.19.4 contained in the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2009, filed on August 7, 2009
- (k) Incorporated by reference to the exhibit of the same number contained in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2009, filed on March 1, 2010
- (l) Incorporated by reference to the exhibit of the same number contained in the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on May 28, 2010
- (m) Incorporated by reference to the exhibit of the same number contained in the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on January 6, 2011
- (n) Incorporated by reference to the exhibit of the same number contained in the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on February 2, 2011
- (o) Incorporated by reference to the exhibit of the same number contained in the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2011, filed on May 9, 2011
- (p) Incorporated by reference to the exhibit of the same number contained in the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on August 16, 2011
- (q) Incorporated by reference to the exhibit of the same number contained in the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2011, filed on November 8, 2011
- (r) Incorporated by reference to the exhibit of the same number contained in the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on February 6, 2012
- (s) Incorporated by reference to the exhibit of the same number contained in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011, filed on February 29, 2012
- (t) Incorporated by reference to the exhibit of the same number contained in the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on July 5, 2012

- (u) Incorporated by reference to the exhibit of the same number contained in the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on August 3, 2012
- (v) Incorporated by reference to the exhibit of the same number contained in the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2012, filed on August 9, 2012
- (w) Incorporated by reference to the exhibit of the same number contained in the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on November 5, 2012
- \* Denotes an executive compensation plan or agreement

Our SEC file number reference for documents filed with the SEC pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, is 0-19582.

