Columbia Pipeline Group, Inc.

Consolidated Financial Statements December 31, 2020

# Consolidated statements of income

year ended December 31 (millions of dollars)	2020	2019
Revenues (Note 4)	2,431	2,442
Income from Equity Investments (Note 7)	78	84
Operating and Other Expenses		
Plant operating costs and other	728	785
Property taxes	175	188
Depreciation and amortization	307	296
	1,210	1,269
Gain on Assets Sold (Note 19)	_	349
Financial Charges		
Interest expense (Note 14)	84	115
Allowance for funds used during construction	(45)	(34)
Interest income and other	(11)	2
	28	83
Income before Income Taxes	1,271	1,523
Income Tax Expense (Note 13)	247	247
Net Income	1,024	1,276

# Consolidated statements of comprehensive income

year ended December 31 (millions of dollars)	2020	2019
Net Income	1,024	1,276
Other Comprehensive Income, Net of Income Taxes		
Other comprehensive income of equity investments	2	2
Other comprehensive income (Note 15)	2	2
Comprehensive Income	1,026	1,278

# Consolidated statements of cash flows

year ended December 31 (millions of dollars)	2020	2019
Cash Generated from Operations		
Net income	1,024	1,276
Depreciation and amortization	307	296
Deferred income taxes (Note 13)	285	(130)
Income from equity investments (Note 7)	(78)	(84)
Distributions received from operating activities of equity investments (Note 7)	76	84
(Gain)/loss on assets sold (Note 19)	_	(349)
Equity allowance for funds used during construction	(35)	(23)
Other	(11)	(11)
Increase in operating working capital (Note 17)	(273)	(522)
Net cash provided by operations	1,295	537
Investing Activities		
Capital expenditures	(1,552)	(1,559)
Contributions to equity investments	_	(10)
Proceeds from sales of assets, net of transactions costs (Note 19)	_	1,265
Deferred amounts and other	7	(13)
Net cash used in investing activities	(1,545)	(317)
Financing Activities		
Long-term debt repaid	(750)	_
Common share dividends paid	(499)	(220)
Equity issuance from TCPL USA	799	_
Change in cashpooling	700	
Net cash provided by/(used in) financing activities	250	(220)
Decrease in Cash and Cash Equivalents	_	_
Cash and Cash Equivalents		
Beginning of year	_	
Cash and Cash Equivalents		
End of year	_	

# Consolidated balance sheets

at December 31 (millions of dollars)	2020	2019
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	_	_
Accounts receivable	291	289
Related party receivable	51	369
Inventories	52	54
Other (Note 5)	51	3
	445	743
Plant, Property and Equipment (Note 6)	15,672	14,416
Equity Investments (Note 7)	445	44
Regulatory Assets (Note 8)	131	125
Goodwill (Note 9)	1,861	1,86
Other Long-Term Assets (Note 10)	477	477
	19,031	18,063
LIABILITIES		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts payable and accrued interest	571	852
Related party payable	484	88
Current portion of long-term debt (Note 14)	_	750
	1,055	1,690
Regulatory Liabilities (Note 8)	786	833
Other Long-Term Liabilities (Note 12)	66	32
Long-Term Debt (Note 14)	1,486	1,488
Deferred Income Tax Liabilities (Note 13)	1,262	970
	4,655	5,013
EQUITY		
Shareholders' equity	14,376	13,050
	19,031	18,063

**Commitments, Contingencies and Guarantees** (Note 20)

**Subsequent Events** (Note 21)

# Consolidated statements of equity

year ended December 31		
(millions of dollars)	2020	2019
Additional Paid-in Capital		
Balance at beginning of year	11,176	10,613
Equity investment from parent	799	_
Impact of asset drop downs from TCPL USA (Note 19)	_	562
Reverse stock split	_	1
Balance at end of year	11,975	11,176
Retained Earnings		
Balance at beginning of year	1,886	830
Net income attributable to controlling interests	1,024	1,276
Common share dividends	(499)	(220)
Balance at end of year	2,411	1,886
Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss		
Balance at beginning of year	(12)	(14)
Other comprehensive income (Note 15)	2	2
Balance at end of year	(10)	(12)
Total Equity	14,376	13,050

# Notes to consolidated financial statements

## 1. DESCRIPTION OF COLUMBIA PIPELINE GROUP, INC.'S BUSINESS

Columbia Pipeline Group, Inc. (CPG Inc. or the Company) is a wholly-owned subsidiary of TransCanada PipeLines USA LTD. (TCPL USA), which is a subsidiary of TransCanada PipeLines Limited (TCPL). The Company's subsidiaries and investments operate and develop a portfolio which consists of the Company's investments in regulated natural gas pipeline, regulated natural gas storage facilities, and other assets.

## 2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Company's consolidated financial statements have been prepared by management in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). Amounts are stated in U.S. dollars.

#### **Basis of Presentation**

These consolidated financial statements include the accounts of CPG Inc. and its subsidiaries. The Company uses the equity method of accounting for joint ventures in which it is able to exercise joint control and for investments in which it is able to exercise significant influence. Certain prior year amounts have been reclassified to conform to current year presentation.

#### **Use of Estimates and Judgments**

In preparing these consolidated financial statements, the Company is required to make estimates and assumptions that affect both the amount and timing of recording assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses since the determination of these items may be dependent on future events. The Company uses the most current information available and exercises careful judgment in making these estimates and assumptions. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

#### Regulation

Our pipeline systems' accounting policies conform to Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 980 – Regulated Operations. As a result, our pipeline systems record assets and liabilities that result from the regulated rate-making process that may not be recorded under GAAP for non-regulated entities.

The Company's natural gas pipelines and regulated natural gas storage assets are subject to the authority of the U.S. Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC). The Company's natural gas transmission operations are regulated with respect to construction, operations and the determination of rates. Rate-regulated accounting (RRA) standards may impact the timing of the recognition of certain revenues and expenses in these rate-regulated businesses which may differ from that otherwise expected in non-rate-regulated businesses to appropriately reflect the economic impact of the regulator's decisions regarding revenues and rates. Regulatory assets represent costs that are expected to be recovered in customer rates in future periods and regulatory liabilities represent amounts that are expected to be returned to customers through future rate-setting processes. An asset qualifies for the use of RRA when it meets

- a regulator must establish or approve the rates for the regulated services or activities
- the regulated rates must be designed to recover the cost of providing the services or products and
- it is reasonable to assume that rates set at levels to recover the cost can be charged to (and collected from) customers because of the demand for services or products and the level of direct or indirect competition.

CPG Inc.'s businesses that apply RRA currently include natural gas pipelines and regulated natural gas storage.

#### **Revenue Recognition**

The total consideration for services and products to which the Company expects to be entitled can include fixed and variable amounts. The Company has variable revenue that is subject to factors outside the Company's influence, such as market prices, actions of third parties and weather conditions. The Company considers this variable revenue to be "constrained" as it cannot be reliably estimated and, therefore, recognizes variable revenue when the service is provided.

#### Natural Gas Pipelines

#### **Capacity Arrangements and Transportation**

Revenues from the Company's natural gas pipelines are generated from contractual arrangements for committed capacity and from the transportation of natural gas. Revenues earned from firm contracted capacity arrangements are generally recognized ratably over the term of the contract regardless of the amount of natural gas that is transported. Transportation revenues for interruptible or volumetric-based services are recognized when the service is performed.

The Company utilizes the right to invoice practical expedient. In the application of the right to invoice practical expedient, the Company's revenues from regulated capacity arrangements are recognized based on rates specified in the contract. Therefore, the amount invoiced, which includes the capacity contracted and variable volume of natural gas transported, corresponds directly to the value the customer received. These revenues are recognized monthly once the Company's performance obligation to provide capacity has been satisfied.

The Company's natural gas pipelines are subject to FERC regulations and, as a result, a portion of revenues collected may be subject to refund if invoiced during an interim period when a rate proceeding is ongoing. Allowances for these potential refunds are recognized using management's best estimate based on the facts and circumstances of the proceeding. Any allowances that are recognized during the preceding process are refunded or retained at the time a regulatory decision becomes final. Natural gas pipelines' revenues are invoiced and received on a monthly basis. The Company does not take ownership of the natural gas that it transports for customers.

### Natural Gas Storage and Other

Revenues from the Company's regulated natural gas storage services are generated mainly from firm committed capacity storage contracts. The performance obligation in these contracts is the reservation of a specified amount of capacity for storage including specifications with regards to the amount of natural gas that can be injected or withdrawn on a daily basis. Revenues are recognized ratably over the contract period for firm committed capacity regardless of the amount of natural gas that is stored, and when gas is injected or withdrawn for interruptible or volumetric-based services. Natural gas storage services revenues are invoiced and received on a monthly basis. The Company does not take ownership of the natural gas that it stores for customers.

In the application of the right to invoice practical expedient, the Company's revenues from regulated capacity storage arrangements are recognized based on rates specified in the contract or the Company's FERC tariff. Therefore, the amount invoiced, which includes the committed capacity storage contracted and variable volumes of natural gas injected and/or withdrawn, corresponds directly to the value the customer received. These revenues are recognized monthly once the Company's performance obligation to provide capacity storage has been satisfied.

The Company also owns mineral rights associated with certain natural gas storage facilities. These mineral rights can be leased or contributed to producers of natural gas in return for a royalty interest which is recognized when natural gas and associated liquids are produced.

During 2019, the Company sold certain Columbia midstream assets. Prior to the sale, revenues from the Company's midstream natural gas services, including gathering, treating, conditioning, processing, compression and liquids handling services, were generated from contractual arrangements and were recognized ratably over the term of the contract. Midstream natural gas service revenues were invoiced and received on a monthly basis. The Company did not take ownership of the natural gas for which it provided midstream services. Refer to Note 19, Acquisitions and dispositions, for additional information regarding the sale of the midstream assets.

### **Cash and Cash Equivalents**

The Company's cash and cash equivalents consist of cash and highly liquid short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less and are recorded at cost, which approximates fair value.

The Company participates in a cash management program with TCPL USA. This program matches short-term cash surpluses and needs of participating affiliates, thus minimizing the total borrowings from outside sources. The regulated entities participating in the cash management program treat monies advanced under the program as a loan, accruing interest and repayable on demand. In addition, the regulated entities shall receive interest on monies advanced to TCPL USA at the rate of interest earned by TCPL USA on its short-term cash investments. The regulated entities shall pay interest on monies advanced from TCPL USA based on the short-term borrowing costs of TCPL USA.

## **Inventories**

Inventories primarily consist of materials and supplies, including spare parts, and natural gas inventory in storage. Inventories are carried at the lower of cost and net realizable value.

### Plant, Property and Equipment

#### Natural Gas Pipelines

Plant, property and equipment for natural gas pipelines is carried at cost. Depreciation is calculated on a straight-line basis once the assets are ready for their intended use. The depreciation rates of RRA are determined under the entity's FERC tariffs. Pipeline and compression equipment are depreciated at annual rates ranging from 0.06 percent to 3 percent, and metering and other plant equipment are depreciated at various rates reflecting their estimated useful lives. The cost of major overhauls of equipment is

capitalized and depreciated over the estimated service lives of the overhauls. The cost of regulated natural gas pipelines includes an allowance for funds used during construction (AFUDC) consisting of a debt component and an equity component based on the rate of return on rate base approved by regulators. AFUDC is reflected as an increase in the cost of the assets in plant, property and equipment with a corresponding credit recognized in Allowance for funds used during construction in the Consolidated statements of income. The equity component of AFUDC is a non-cash expenditure and is recognized in operating cash flows in the Consolidated statements of cash flows. Interest is capitalized during construction of non-regulated natural gas pipelines.

Regulated natural gas storage base gas, which is valued at cost, represents storage volumes that are maintained to ensure that adequate reservoir pressure exists to deliver natural gas held in storage. Base gas is not depreciated.

When regulated natural gas pipelines retire plant, property and equipment from service, the original book cost is removed from the gross plant amount and recorded as a reduction to accumulated depreciation. Costs incurred to remove plant, property and equipment from service, net of any salvage proceeds, are also recorded in accumulated depreciation.

#### Midstream and Other

The Company participates as a working interest partner in the development of certain Marcellus and Utica acreage. The working interest allows the Company to invest in the drilling activities in addition to receiving a royalty interest in well production. The Company uses the successful efforts method of accounting for natural gas and crude oil resulting from its portion of drilling activities. Capitalized well costs are depleted based on the units of production method.

Prior to their sale in 2019, plant, property and equipment for midstream assets was carried at cost. Depreciation was calculated on a straight-line basis once the assets were ready for their intended use. Gathering and processing facilities were depreciated at annual rates ranging from 1.7 percent to 2.5 percent, and other plant and equipment are depreciated at various rates. When these assets were retired from plant, property and equipment, the original book cost and related accumulated depreciation was derecognized and any gain or loss was recorded in net income. Refer to Note 19, Acquisitions and dispositions, for additional information.

#### **Capitalized Project Costs**

The Company capitalizes project costs once advancement of the project to a construction stage is probable or costs are otherwise likely to be recoverable. The Company also capitalizes interest costs for non-regulated projects in development and AFUDC for regulated projects in development. Capital projects in development are included in Other long-term assets on the Consolidated balance sheets. These represent larger projects that generally require regulatory or other approvals before physical construction can begin. Once approvals are received, projects are moved to plant, property and equipment under construction.

#### Leases

## Lessee Accounting Policy

The Company determines if an arrangement is a lease at inception of the contract. Operating leases are recognized as ROU assets and included in Plant, property and equipment while corresponding liabilities are included in Accounts payable and accrued interest and Other long-term liabilities on the Consolidated balance sheet.

Operating lease ROU assets and operating lease liabilities are recognized based on the present value of the future minimum lease payments over the lease term at the commencement date of the lease agreement. As the Company's lease contracts do not provide an implicit interest rate, the Company uses incremental borrowing rate based on the information available at commencement date in determining the present value of future payments. The operating lease ROU asset also includes any prepaid lease payments and initial direct costs incurred and excludes lease incentives. Lease terms may include options to extend or terminate the lease when it is reasonably certain that the Company will exercise that option. Operating lease expense is recognized on a straight-line basis over the lease term and included in Plant operating costs and other in the Consolidated statement of income.

Operating lease balances were not material to the Consolidated financial statements for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019.

## Lessor Accounting Policy

The Company is the lessor within certain contracts and these are accounted for as operating leases. The Company recognizes lease payments as income over the lease term on a straight-line basis. Variable lease payments are recognized as income in the period in which the changes in facts and circumstances on which these payments are based occur.

#### **Impairment of Long-Lived Assets**

The Company reviews long-lived assets such as plant, property and equipment and capital projects in development for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying value may not be recoverable. If the total of the estimated

undiscounted future cash flows that are estimated for an asset within Plant, property and equipment, or the estimated selling price of any long-lived asset is less than the carrying value of an asset, an impairment loss is recognized for the excess of the carrying value over the estimated fair value of the asset.

#### Goodwill

The Company accounts for business combinations using the acquisition method of accounting and, accordingly, the assets and liabilities of the acquired entities are primarily measured at their estimated fair values at the date of acquisition. The excess of the fair value of the consideration transferred over the estimated fair value of the net assets acquired is classified as goodwill. Goodwill is not amortized and is tested for impairment on an annual basis or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate that it might be impaired.

The annual review for goodwill impairment is performed at the reporting unit level which is one level below the Company's operating segments. The Company can initially assess qualitative factors to determine whether events or changes in circumstances indicate that goodwill might be impaired. The factors the Company considers include, but are not limited to, macroeconomic conditions, industry and market considerations, cost factors, historical and forecasted financial results, and events specific to the reporting unit. If the Company concludes that it is not more likely than not that the fair value of the reporting unit is greater than its carrying value, the Company will then perform the quantitative goodwill impairment test. The Company can elect to proceed directly to the quantitative goodwill impairment test for the reporting unit. If the quantitative goodwill impairment test is performed, the Company compares the fair value of the reporting unit to its carrying value, including its goodwill. If the carrying value of the reporting unit exceeds its fair value, goodwill impairment is measured at the amount by which the reporting unit's carrying value exceeds its fair value.

When a portion of the reporting unit that constitutes a business is disposed, goodwill associated with that business is included in the carrying amount of the business in determining the gain or loss on disposal. The amount of goodwill disposed is determined based on the relative fair values of the business to be disposed and the portion of the reporting unit that will be retained. A goodwill impairment test will be completed for both the goodwill disposed and the portion of the goodwill for the reporting unit that will be retained.

#### **Income Taxes**

The Company uses the asset and liability method of accounting for income taxes. This method requires the recognition of deferred income tax assets and liabilities for future tax consequences attributable to differences between the financial statements carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities and their respective tax basis. Deferred income tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates at the balance sheets date that are anticipated to apply to taxable income in the years in which temporary differences are expected to be reversed or settled. Changes to these balances are recognized in net income in the period which they occur, except for changes in balances related to regulated natural gas pipelines which are deferred until they are refunded or recovered in rates, as permitted by the regulator. Deferred income tax assets and liabilities are classified as non-current on the Consolidated balance sheets.

# **Asset Retirement Obligations**

The Company recognizes the fair value of a liability for asset retirement obligations in the period in which it is incurred, when a legal obligation exists and a reasonable estimate of fair value can be made. The fair value is added to the carrying amount of the associated asset and the liability is accreted through charges to Operating and other expenses.

For those AROs that the Company records, the following assumptions are used:

- when the asset is expected to be retired
- the scope and cost of abandonment and reclamation activities that are required and
- appropriate inflation and discount rates.

The Company has recorded AROs related to its mineral rights. The scope and timing of asset retirements related to most of the Company's natural gas pipelines and liquids pipelines is indeterminable. As a result, the Company has not recorded an amount for ARO related to these assets, with the exception of certain abandoned facilities and certain facilities expected to be retired as part of an ongoing modernization program that will improve system integrity and enhance service reliability and flexibility. Reference is made to Note 12 for further detail.

## **Environmental Liabilities**

The Company records liabilities on an undiscounted basis for environmental remediation efforts that are likely to occur and where the cost can be reasonably estimated. These estimates, including associated legal costs, are based on available information using existing technology and enacted laws and regulations and are subject to revision in future periods based on actual costs incurred or new circumstances. Amounts expected to be recovered from other parties, including insurers, are recorded as an asset separate from the associated liability.

#### **Long-Term Debt Transaction Costs and Issuance Costs**

The Company records long-term debt transaction costs and issuance costs as a deduction from the carrying amount of the related debt liability and amortizes these costs using the effective interest method.

#### Guarantees

Upon issuance, the Company records the fair value of certain guarantees entered into by the Company on behalf of a partially owned entity or by partially owned entities for which contingent payments may be made. The fair value of these guarantees is estimated by discounting the cash flows that would be incurred by the Company if letters of credit were used in place of the guarantees as appropriate in the circumstances. Guarantees are recorded as an increase to Equity investments or Plant, property and equipment and a corresponding liability is recorded in Other long-term liabilities. The release from the obligation is recognized either over the term of the guarantee or upon expiration or settlement of the guarantee.

## 3. ACCOUNTING CHANGES

## **Changes in Accounting Policies for 2020**

#### Measurement of credit losses on financial instruments

In June 2016, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued new guidance that changes how entities measure credit losses for most financial assets and certain other financial instruments that are not measured at fair value through net income. The new guidance amends the impairment model of financial instruments, basing it on expected losses rather than incurred losses. These expected credit losses will be recognized as an allowance rather than as a direct write-down of the amortized cost basis. The new guidance was effective January 1, 2020 and was applied using a modified retrospective approach. The adoption of this new guidance did not have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

### Implementation costs of cloud computing arrangements

In August 2018, the FASB issued new guidance requiring an entity in a hosting arrangement that is a service contract to follow the guidance for internal-use software to determine which implementation costs should be capitalized as an asset and which costs should be expensed. The guidance also requires the entity to amortize the capitalized implementation costs of a hosting arrangement over the term of the arrangement. This guidance was effective January 1, 2020 and was applied prospectively. The adoption of this new guidance did not have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

#### Consolidation

In October 2018, the FASB issued new guidance for determining whether fees paid to decision makers and service providers are variable interests for indirect interests held through related parties under common control. This new guidance was effective January 1, 2020 and was applied on a retrospective basis. The adoption of this new guidance did not have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

#### Reference rate reform

In response to the expected cessation of the London Interbank Offered Rate (LIBOR), of which certain rate settings may cease to be published at the end of 2021 with full cessation expected by mid-2023, the FASB issued new optional guidance in March 2020 that eases the potential burden in accounting for such reference rate reform. The new guidance provides optional expedients for contracts and hedging relationships that are affected by reference rate reform, if certain criteria are met. Each of the expedients can be applied as of January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2022. The Company is continuing to identify and analyze existing agreements to determine the effect of reference rate reform on its consolidated financial statements. The Company will continue to evaluate the timing and potential impact of adoption of optional expedients when deemed necessary.

## **Future Accounting Changes**

## Income taxes

In December 2019, the FASB issued new guidance that simplified the accounting for income taxes and clarified existing guidance. This new guidance is effective January 1, 2021, and is not expected to have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

## 4. REVENUES

#### **Disaggregation of Revenues**

The following table summarizes total Revenues for the years ended December 31, 2020, and 2019:

year ended December 31		
(millions of dollars)	2020	2019
Revenues from contracts with customers		
Capacity arrangements and transportation	2,074	2,054
Natural gas storage and other	321	355
	2,395	2,409
Other revenues <sup>1</sup>	36	33
	2,431	2,442

<sup>1.</sup> Other revenues primarily include income from the Company's marketing activities.

For certain natural gas pipeline capacity and storage contracts, amounts are invoiced to the customer in accordance with the terms of the contract, however, the related revenues are recognized when the Company satisfies its performance obligation to provide committed capacity ratably over the term of the contract. This difference in timing between revenue recognition and amounts invoiced creates a contract asset or contract liability.

#### **Contract Balances**

(millions of dollars)	December 31, 2020	December 31, 2019
Receivables from contracts with customers <sup>1</sup>	243	233
Contract liabilities <sup>2</sup>	(16)	_
Long-term contract liability <sup>3</sup>	(10)	_

- 1. Recorded in Accounts receivable on the Consolidated balance sheets.
- 2. Comprised of deferred recorded in Accounts Payable and accrued interest on the Consolidated balance sheets.
- 3. Comprised of deferred revenue recorded in Other long-term liabilities on the Consolidated balance sheets.

# **5. OTHER CURRENT ASSETS**

at December 31 (millions of dollars)	2020	2019
Regulatory assets (Note 8)	41	15
Prepaid expenses	6	5
Other	4	11
	51	31

# **6. PLANT, PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT**

		2020			2019	
at December 31 (millions of dollars)	Cost	Accumulated Depreciation	Net Book Value	Cost	Accumulated Depreciation	Net Book Value
Natural Gas Pipelines						
Columbia Gas						
Pipeline	9,140	1,588	7,552	8,640	1,469	7,171
Compression	3,890	755	3,135	3,703	708	2,995
Metering and Other	2,513	578	1,935	2,376	542	1,834
	15,543	2,921	12,622	14,719	2,719	12,000
Under construction	839	_	839	328		328
	16,382	2,921	13,461	15,047	2,719	12,328
Other Natural Gas Pipelines						
Columbia Gulf	2,811	862	1,949	2,767	852	1,915
Midstream and Mineral Rights	113	43	70	90	38	52
Other	135	101	34	137	95	42
	3,059	1,006	2,053	2,994	985	2,009
Under construction	158	_	158	79	_	79
	3,217	1,006	2,211	3,073	985	2,088
	19,599	3,927	15,672	18,120	3,704	14,416

# 7. EQUITY INVESTMENTS

		Ownership Interest 21 December 21  Income from Equity Investments  year ended December 31		ity Equity Investments	
	Ownership Interest at December 31,				at Decemb
(millions of dollars)	2020	2020	2019	2020	2019
Natural Gas Pipelines					
Millennium	47.5 %	72	70	383	383
Pennant Midstream <sup>1</sup>	47.0 %	_	9	_	_
Hardy Storage	50.0 %	6	5	62	58
		78	84	445	441

<sup>1</sup> In August 2019, CPG Inc. completed the sale of certain Columbia midstream assets, including the Company's investment in Pennant Midstream, to a third party. Refer to Note 19, Acquisitions and Dispositions, for additional information.

Distributions received from equity investments for the year ended December 31, 2020 were \$76 million (2019 - \$84 million). The undistributed earnings from equity investments as of December 31, 2020 were \$14 million (2019 - \$13 million). Contributions made to Millennium Pipeline Company, LLC to assist in funding their FERC approved capital projects for the year ended December 31, 2020 were nil (2019 - \$10 million).

## **Summarized Financial Information of Equity Investments**

year ended December 31 (millions of dollars)	Millennium	Pennant Midstream	Hardy Storage	2020
Income				
Revenues	266	_	22	288
Operating and other expenses	(85)	_	(7)	(92)
Net income	151	_	12	163
Net income attributable to CPG Inc.	72	_	6	78

year ended December 31 (millions of dollars)	Pennant Millennium Midstream Hardy Storage			2019
Income				
Revenues	263	29	22	314
Operating and other expenses	(84)	(5)	(8)	(97)
Net income	146	20	11	177
Net income attributable to CPG Inc.	70	9	5	84

at December 31 (millions of dollars)	Millennium	Pennant Midstream	Hardy Storage	2020
Balance Sheet				
Current assets	34	_	14	48
Non-current assets	1,174	_	142	1,316
Current liabilities	(50)	_	(19)	(69)
Non-current liabilities	(353)	_	(14)	(367)

at December 31 (millions of dollars)	Millennium	Pennant Midstream	Hardy Storage	2019
Balance Sheet				
Current assets	39	_	10	49
Non-current assets	1,216	_	145	1,361
Current liabilities	(54)	_	(18)	(72)
Non-current liabilities	(392)	_	(16)	(408)

## 8. RATE-REGULATED BUSINESSES

The Company's businesses that apply RRA currently include natural gas pipelines and regulated natural gas storage. Regulatory assets and liabilities represent future revenues that are expected to be recovered from or refunded to customers based on decisions and approvals by the applicable regulatory authorities. Depending on whether they are current or long-term in nature, Regulatory Assets are included on the balance sheets as either Other Current Assets or Regulatory Assets; Regulatory Liabilities are included in Accounts Payable and Accrued Interest or Regulatory Liabilities.

The Company's natural gas pipelines and regulated natural gas storage operate under the provisions of the Natural Gas Act of 1938, the Natural Gas Policy Act of 1978 (NGA) and the Energy Policy Act of 2005, and are subject to the jurisdiction of the FERC. The NGA grants the FERC authority over the construction and operation of pipelines and related facilities, including the regulation of tariffs which incorporates maximum and minimum rates for services and allows regulated natural gas pipelines to discount or negotiate rates on a non-discriminatory basis. The Company's significant regulated natural gas pipelines are described below.

### Columbia Gas Transmission, LLC

Columbia Gas Transmission, LLC's (Columbia Gas) natural gas transportation and storage services are provided under a tariff at rates subject to FERC approval. A FERC-approved modernization settlement provided for cost recovery and return on investment of up to \$1.5 billion from 2013-2017 to modernize the Columbia Gas system thereby improving system integrity and enhancing service reliability and flexibility. An extension of this settlement was approved by the FERC in 2016 which allows for the cost recovery and return on additional expanded scope investment of \$1.1 billion over a three-year period through 2020.

Columbia gas filed a general NGA Section 4 Rate Case with FERC on July 31, 2020 requesting an increase to Columbia Gas' maximum transportation rates effective February 1, 2021, subject to refund. The rate case continues to progress as expected and the Company intends to pursue a collaborative process to reach a mutually beneficial outcome with its customers through settlement negotiations.

#### Columbia Gulf Transmission, LLC

Columbia Gulf Transmission LLC's (Columbia Gulf) natural gas transportation services are provided under a tariff at rates subject to FERC approval. Columbia Gulf reached a rate settlement with its customers, which was approved by FERC in December 2019,

increasing Columbia Gulf's recourse rates which took effect on August 1, 2020. This settlement established a rate case and tariff filing moratorium through August 1, 2022 and Columbia Gulf is required to file a general rate case under section 4 of the NGA no later than January 31, 2027, with new rates to be effective August 1, 2027.

#### Crossroads

Crossroads continues to operate under the rates approved by FERC in connection with its initial conversion and has committed to filing a rate case if the sale of firm capacity ever exceeds 150,000 Mcf/day.

## **Regulatory Assets and Liabilities**

at December 31			Remaining Recovery/
(millions of dollars)	2020	2019	Settlement Period (years)
Regulatory Assets			
Deferred income taxes <sup>1</sup>	128	122	n/a
Other	44	18	n/a
	172	140	
Less: Current portion included in Other current assets	41	15	
	131	125	
Regulatory Liabilities			
Pensions and other post retirement benefits <sup>2</sup>	15	27	n/a
Cost of removal <sup>3</sup>	129	145	n/a
Deferred income taxes - U.S. Tax Reform <sup>4</sup>	665	683	n/a
Other	10	11	n/a
	819	866	
Less: Current portion included in accounts payable and other	33	33	
	786	833	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> These regulatory assets are underpinned by non-cash transactions or are recovered without an allowance for return as approved by the regulator. Accordingly, these regulatory assets are not included in rate base and do not yield a return on investment during the recovery period.

## 9. GOODWILL

At December 31, 2020, the Company's Goodwill of \$1,861 million (2019 - \$1,861 million) relates to the excess cost over the fair value of the net assets acquired by the acquisition of Columbia Energy Group in 2000, which was contributed to CPG Inc. prior to the full separation from NiSource Inc. in 2015, less the sale of Midstream Assets.

As part of the annual goodwill impairment assessment at December 31, 2020, the Company evaluated qualitative factors impacting the fair value of the underlying reporting unit. It was determined that it was more likely than not that the fair value of the reporting unit exceeded its carrying amount, including goodwill.

#### **Sale of Midstream Assets**

On August 1, 2019, TCPL USA completed the sale of certain Columbia midstream assets to a third party. As these assets constitute a business, and there is goodwill within this reporting unit, \$115 million of Columbia's goodwill allocated to these assets was released and netted in the pre-tax gain on sale. The amount released was determined based on the relative fair values of the assets sold and the portion of the reporting unit retained. The fair value of the reporting unit was determined using a discounted cash flow analysis. Refer to Note 19, Acquisitions and dispositions, for additional details.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> This balance represent the regulatory offset to pension plan and other post-retirement obligations to the extent the amounts are expected to be refunded to customers in future rates.

<sup>3.</sup> This balance represents anticipated costs of removal that have been, and continue to be, included in depreciation rates and collected in the service rates of certain rate-regulated operations for future costs to be incurred.

<sup>4.</sup> These balances represent the impact of the U.S. Tax Reform. The regulatory liabilities will be amortized over varying terms that approximate the expected reversal of the underlying deferred tax liabilities.

# 10. OTHER ASSETS

at December 31 (millions of dollars)	2020	2019
Long-Term Intercompany Receivable	476	476
Other	1	1
	477	477

## 11. NOTES PAYABLE

The Company has shared committed revolving and demand credit facilities with its parents of \$4.5 billion and \$1 billion, maturing December 2021 and 2022, respectively. When drawn, interest on these lines of credit is charged at negotiated floating rates of U.S. banks, and at other negotiated financial bases. The Company has not drawn on these facilities as of December 31, 2020.

For the year ended December 31, 2020, the cost to maintain the above facilities was nil (2019- nil).

# 12. OTHER LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

at December 31		
(millions of dollars)	2020	2019
Operating lease obligation	7	8
Reserve for uncertain tax positions <sup>1</sup>	16	_
Deferred credits	27	15
Asset retirement obligations <sup>2</sup>	7	6
Other	9	3
	66	32

<sup>1</sup> See Note 13 for further information regarding the Company's uncertain tax positions.

## 13. INCOME TAXES

The Company evaluates its tax positions for all jurisdictions and for all years where the statute of limitations has not expired to meet a more-likely-than-not threshold (i.e., greater than a 50% likelihood of a tax position being sustained under examination) prior to recording a benefit for its tax positions. Additionally, for tax positions meeting this more-likely-than-not threshold, the amount of benefit is limited to the largest benefit that has a greater than 50% probability of being realized upon ultimate settlement. Changes in recognition or measurement are reflected in the period in which the change in judgment occurs.

The majority of the Company's remaining asset retirement obligations relate to certain polychlorinated biphenyl ("PCB") remediation. As part of our process of assessing the estimated asset retirement obligation, we have re-evaluated our asset retirement obligations and determined that due to the construction status underway with the pipeline modernization settlement (Note 8) and the completion of certain key expansion projects to integrate the new expansion pipelines with the Company's existing pipeline infrastructure, the timing of settlement of the remediation activity of the historically recognized asset retirement obligations is indeterminable as the Company is required to operate and maintain its natural gas pipeline system, and intends to do so as long as supply and demand for natural gas exists, which the Company expects for the foreseeable future. Therefore, the Company believes its natural gas pipeline system assets have indeterminate lives and, accordingly, have recorded no asset retirement obligation outside of the PCB remediation under an Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) order and those related to mineral rights on non-regulated assets. The Company continues to evaluate its asset retirement obligations and future developments that could impact amounts it records.

## **Provision for Income Taxes**

year ended December 31 (millions of dollars)	2020	2019
Current		
Federal	(20)	252
State	(16)	97
	(36)	349
Deferred		
Federal	284	(94)
State	(1)	(8)
	283	(102)
Income Tax Expense	247	247

# **Reconciliation of Income Tax Expense to Statutory Rate**

year ended December 31 (millions of dollars)	2020	2019
(Hillions of dollars)	2020	2013
Income before income taxes	1,271	1,523
Federal statutory tax rate	21 %	21 %
Expected federal income tax expense	267	320
Valuation allowance release <sup>1</sup>	_	(148)
State income tax, net of federal income tax effect	(29)	70
Uncertain Tax Positions	16	_
Income tax differential related to regulated operations	(6)	(24)
Non-deductible goodwill on the Columbia midstream disposition	_	24
Other	(1)	5
Income Tax Expense	247	247
Effective tax rate	19.4 %	16.2 %

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The valuation allowance release was related to TC Energy USA which was acquired during 2019. The release occurred subsequent to the asset drop-down from TCPL USA described in Note 19.

#### **Deferred Income Tax Assets and Liabilities**

at December 31 (millions of dollars)	2020	2019
Deferred Income Tax Assets		
Operating loss carryforwards	241	296
Regulatory Liabilities	163	171
Other	24	29
	428	496
Less: valuation allowance <sup>1</sup>	47	63
Deferred Income Tax Assets	381	433
Deferred Income Tax Liabilities		
Difference in accounting and tax bases of plant, property and equipment	(1,517)	(1,259)
Equity investments	(89)	(111)
Other	(37)	(33)
Deferred Income Tax Liabilities	(1,643)	(1,403)
Net Deferred Income Tax Liabilities	(1,262)	(970)

A valuation allowance was recorded in 2020 and 2019, as the company believes that it is more likely than not that the tax benefit to the unrealized losses on certain impaired assets will not be realized in the future.

### **Federal Net Operating Losses**

At December 31, 2020, the Company recognized the benefit of unused net operating loss carryforwards of \$849 million (2019 - \$1,098 million).

#### **Income Tax Payments/Refunds**

Income tax payments of \$262 million, net of refunds received, were made in 2020 (2019 – \$76 million payments, net of refunds). The Company's practice is to recognize interest and penalties related to income tax uncertainties in Income tax expense.

#### **Unrecognized Tax Benefits**

The Company has recognized a decrease in the liability for unrecognized tax benefits. A reconciliation of the beginning and ending amount of total unrecognized tax benefits is as follows:

(millions of dollars)	2020	2019
Balance at January 1	_	_
Increase/(decrease) to prior year tax positions	16	_
Balance at December 31	16	_

The Company accounts for interest and penalties related to uncertain tax positions as part of its provision for federal and state income taxes. The Company accrued an expense of \$0.5 million for interest and penalties at December 31, 2020 (2019 - nil). The Company had \$0.5 million of accrued taxes for the payment of interest and penalties at December 31, 2020 (2019 - nil).

The Company files income tax returns in the U.S. federal jurisdiction and various state jurisdictions. The Company is included in a consolidated federal return filed by TCPL USA, which is currently open to audit by the Internal Revenue Service under the statute of limitations for 2017 and subsequent tax years. In most cases, the Company's state income tax returns are open to audit under the statute of limitations for 2017 and subsequent tax years.

# 14. LONG-TERM DEBT

(millions of dollars)			2020		
Outstanding Amounts	Maturity Dates	Outstanding December 31	Interest Rate <sup>1</sup>	Outstanding December 31	Interest Rate <sup>1</sup>
COLUMBIA PIPELINE GROUP, INC.					
Senior Unsecured Notes <sup>1</sup>	2025 to 2045	1,500	4.9%	2,250	4.4 %
Current portion of long-term debt		_		750	
Unamortized debt discount and issue costs		(14)		(12)	
		1,486		1,488	

Interest rates are the effective interest rates. The effective interest rate is calculated by discounting the expected future interest payments, adjusted for loan fees, premium and discounts. Weighted average and effective interest rates are stated as at the respective outstanding dates.

#### **Principal Repayments**

At December 31, 2020, principal repayments for the next five years on the Company's Long-term debt are approximately as follows:

(millions of dollars)	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Principal repayments on long-term debt	0	0	0	0	1,000

## **Long-Term Debt Repaid**

The Company repaid long-term debt for the two years ended December 31, 2020 as follows:

(millions of dollars)	Retirement/ Repayment			
Company	Date	Туре	Amount	Interest Rate
COLUMBIA PIPELINE GROUP, INC.	June 2020	Senior Unsecured Notes	750	3.3%

## **Interest Expense**

Interest expense in the two years ended December 31, 2020 was as follows:

(millions of dollars) year ended December 31	2020	2019
Interest on long-term debt	85	111
Amortization and other financial charges <sup>1</sup>	(1)	4
	84	115

<sup>1</sup> Amortization and other financial charges include amortization of transaction costs and debt discounts calculated using the effective interest method.

The Company made interest payments of \$85 million in 2020 (2019 - \$116 million), on long-term debt and notes payable, net of interest capitalized. Interest capitalized was not material to the Consolidated financial statements.

# 15. OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME AND ACCUMULATED OTHER COMPREHENSIVE LOSS

Components of Other comprehensive (loss)/income are as follows:

year ended December 31, 2020 (millions of dollars)	Income Tax Before Tax Recovery/ Amount (Expense)		Net of Tax Amount
Other comprehensive income of equity investments	3	(1)	2
Other Comprehensive Income	3	(1)	2

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Certain subsidiaries of Columbia have guaranteed the principal payments of Columbia's senior unsecured notes. Each guarantor of Columbia's obligations is required to comply with covenants under the debt indenture and in the event of default, the guarantors would be obligated to pay the principal and related interest.

year ended December 31, 2019 (millions of dollars)	Before Tax Amount	Income Tax Recovery/ (Expense)	Net of Tax Amount
Other comprehensive loss of equity investments	3	(1)	2
Other Comprehensive Income	3	(1)	2

The changes in AOCI by component are as follows:

	Equity Investments	Total <sup>1</sup>
AOCI Balance at December 31, 2019	(12)	(12)
Other comprehensive income before reclassifications	2	2
AOCI Balance at December 31, 2020	(10)	(10)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> All amounts are net of tax. Amounts in parentheses indicate losses recorded to OCI.

## 16. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENT

#### **Fair Value Hierarchy**

The Company's financial assets and liabilities recorded at fair value have been categorized into three categories based on a fair value hierarchy.

Levels	How fair value has been determined
Level I	Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets and liabilities that the Company has the ability to access at the measurement date. An active market is a market in which frequency and volume of transactions provides pricing information on an ongoing basis.
Level II	Valuation based on the extrapolation of inputs, other than quoted prices included within Level I, for which all significant inputs are observable directly or indirectly.
	Inputs include published interest rates, interest rate swap curves, yield curves and broker quotes from external data service providers.
	This category includes interest rate derivative assets and liabilities where fair value is determined using the income approach and commodity derivatives where fair value is determined using the market approach.
	Transfers between Level I and Level II would occur when there is a change in market circumstances.
Level III	Valuation of assets and liabilities are measured using a market approach based on extrapolation of inputs that are unobservable or where observable data does not support a significant portion of the derivative's fair value. This category mainly includes long-dated commodity transactions in certain markets where liquidity is low and the Company uses the most observable inputs available or, if not available, long-term broker quotes to estimate the fair value for these transactions.
	Assets and liabilities measured at fair value can fluctuate between Level II and Level III depending on the proportion of the value of the contract that extends beyond the time frame for which significant inputs are considered to be observable. As contracts near maturity and observable market data becomes available, they are transferred out of Level III and into Level II.

## **Fair Value of Financial Instruments**

The fair value of long-term debt is estimated using an income approach on quoted market prices for the same or similar debt instruments from external data service providers.

Certain non-derivative financial instruments included in Cash and cash equivalents, Accounts receivable, Other long-term assets, Notes payable, Accounts payable and Accrued interest, and Other long-term liabilities have carrying amounts that approximate their fair value due to the nature of the item or the short time to maturity and would also be classified in Level II of the fair value hierarchy.

Credit risk has been taken into consideration when calculating the fair value of non-derivative instruments.

#### **Balance Sheets Presentation of Non-Derivative Financial Instruments**

The following table details the fair value of the non-derivative financial instruments, excluding those where carrying amounts approximate fair value, and would be classified in Level II of the fair value hierarchy:

	2020	2020		2019	
at December 31 (millions of dollars)	Carrying Amount	Fair Value	Carrying Amount	Fair Value	
Long-term debt, including current portion <sup>1</sup> (Note 14)	(1,500)	(1,836)	(2,250)	(2,507)	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Long-term debt is recorded at amortized cost.

## 17. CHANGES IN OPERATING WORKING CAPITAL

year ended December 31 (millions of dollars)	2020	2019
(Increase)/decrease in Accounts receivable	(41)	8
(Increase)/decrease in Inventories	2	2
(Increase)/decrease in Other current assets	(2)	6
Increase/(decrease) in Accounts payable and accrued interest	(232)	(538)
Increase/(decrease) in operating working capital	(273)	(522)

# 18. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

At December 31, 2020, \$43 million was due from affiliates and is included on the Consolidated balance sheet (2019 due from affiliates - \$764 million).

# 19. ACQUISITIONS AND DISPOSITIONS

#### **Columbia Midstream Assets**

On August 1, 2019, the Company completed the sale of certain Columbia midstream assets to a third party for approximately \$1.3 billion before post-closing adjustments.

The Company recorded a pre-tax gain on sale of \$349 million (\$212 million after-tax gain) including the release of \$115 million of goodwill allocated to these assets that is not deductible for income tax purposes. The pre-tax gain is included in Gain on assets sold in the Consolidated statement of income. This sale did not include any interest in Columbia Energy Ventures Company, the Company's minerals business in the Appalachian basin.

#### Asset Drop-down from TransCanada PipeLines USA LTD.

In October 2019, the Company acquired a 100 percent ownership of TC Energy USA from its parent, TCPL USA, in exchange for 176 shares of CPG Inc.

The acquisition was accounted for as a transaction between entities under common control, whereby assets and liabilities of TC Energy USA were recorded at TCPL's carrying value. The assets acquired were a long-term intercompany receivable, net deferred tax assets, and other miscellaneous liabilities. The difference between the carrying value of net assets acquired and consideration provided was recorded as an increase in Additional paid-in capital.

# 20. COMMITMENTS, CONTINGENCIES AND GUARANTEES

#### **Commitments**

Capital expenditure commitments include obligations related to the construction of growth projects and are based on the projects proceeding as planned. Changes to these projects, including cancellation, would reduce or possibly eliminate these commitments as a result of cost mitigation efforts. At December 31, 2020, the Company had capital expenditure commitments of approximately \$95 million for its natural gas pipelines, primarily related to construction costs associated with Columbia Gulf projects.

#### **Contingencies**

The Company is subject to laws and regulations governing environmental quality and pollution control. As at December 31, 2020, the Company had accrued approximately \$8 million 2019 - \$8 million) related to operating facilities, which represents the estimated future amount it expects to expend to remediate the sites. However, additional liabilities may be incurred as assessments occur and remediation efforts continue.

The Company and its subsidiaries are subject to various legal proceedings, arbitrations and actions arising in the normal course of business. The amount involved in such proceedings are not reasonably estimable as the final outcome of such legal proceedings cannot be predicted with certainty. It is the opinion of management that the ultimate resolution of such proceedings and actions, will not have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial position or results of operations.

#### COVID-19

The Company continues to monitor the impact of the global pandemic, while also continuing to operate its assets, conduct commercial activities and execute on project with no change from the end of the prior year.

#### Guarantees

The Company and its partner in a jointly owned entity have jointly and severally guaranteed the financial performance of the jointly owned entity. This agreement includes a guarantee which primarily relates to the payment of liabilities. For this entity, any payments made by the Company under this guarantee in excess of its ownership interest are to be reimbursed by its partner.

The carrying value of this guarantee has been included in Other long-term liabilities on the Consolidated balance sheets. At December 31, 2020, the Company's share of potential estimated exposure and the carrying value are \$16 million and \$1 million respectively (2019 - \$16 million and \$1 million). This guarantee terminates in 2032.

# 21. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Subsequent events have been evaluated through April 27, 2021, the date these financial statements were authorized to be issued.

The Company received a capital contribution from TCPL USA in January 2021 for the amount of \$65 million. The Company paid dividends to TCPL USA in February 2021 for the amount of \$55 million.

The Company's received a distribution from its equity investment in Millennium of \$22 million in March 2021.

### Columbia Pipeline Group, Inc. Debt Issuance

On December 9, 2020, the Company entered into a \$4.2 billion Delayed Draw Term Loan due in June 2022, bearing interest at a floating rate. In January 2021, \$4.0 billion was drawn on the Delayed Draw Term Loan and the total availability under the loan agreement was reduced accordingly.