



Amerada Hess Reports Estimated Results for the Third Quarter of 2005

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NEW YORK, Oct 26, 2005 (BUSINESS WIRE) -- Amerada Hess Corporation (NYSE: AHC) reported net income of \$272 million for the third quarter of 2005 compared with income of \$178 million for the third quarter of 2004. See the following page for a table of items affecting the comparability of earnings between periods. The after-tax results by major operating activity in 2005 and 2004 were as follows:

	Three months ended		Nine months ended	
	September 30 (unaudited)		September 30 (unaudited)	
	2005	2004	2005	2004
(In millions, except per share amounts)				
Exploration and production	\$ 235	\$ 155	\$ 760	\$ 544
Refining and marketing	125	85	286	358
Corporate	(54)	(23)	(151)	(49)
Interest expense	(34)	(39)	(105)	(112)
Net income from continuing operations	\$ 272	\$ 178	\$ 790	\$ 741
Discontinued operations	-	-	-	7
Net income	\$ 272	\$ 178	\$ 790	\$ 748
Net income per share (diluted)	\$ 2.60	\$ 1.74	\$ 7.61	\$ 7.34
Weighted average number of shares (diluted)	104.4	102.4	103.8	101.8

Exploration and production earnings were \$235 million in the third quarter of 2005 compared with \$155 million in the third quarter of 2004. The Corporation's oil and gas production, on a barrel-of-oil equivalent basis, was 312,000 barrels per day in the third quarter of 2005 compared with 323,000 barrels per day in the third quarter of 2004. Hurricane activity in the Gulf of Mexico reduced third quarter 2005 production by approximately 9,000 barrels of oil equivalent per day. This decrease is estimated to have reduced third quarter exploration and production earnings by approximately \$25 million. The Corporation also incurred incremental third quarter expenses related to the hurricanes of \$14 million, after income taxes.

In the third quarter of 2005, the Corporation's average worldwide crude oil selling price, including the effect of hedging, was \$35.74 per barrel, an increase of \$9.01 per barrel from the third quarter of 2004. The Corporation's average United States natural gas selling price was \$8.53 per Mcf in the third quarter of 2005, an increase of \$4.13 per Mcf from the third quarter of 2004.

Refining and marketing earnings were \$125 million in the third quarter of 2005 compared with \$85 million in the third quarter of 2004. The increase in refining and marketing earnings was due to higher refining earnings, reflecting improved margins, partially offset by lower marketing results.

The following items, on an after-tax basis, are included in net income in the third quarter and first nine months of 2005 and 2004 (in millions):

	Three months ended		Nine months ended	
	September 30		September 30	
	2005	2004	2005	2004
Exploration and production				
Hurricane related costs	\$ (14)	\$ -	\$ (14)	\$ -
Income tax adjustments	-	-	11	-

Gains from asset sales	-	-	11	34
Legal settlement	-	-	11	-
Corporate				

Premiums on bond repurchases	-	-	(7)	-
Income tax adjustments	(31)	-	(72)	13
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	\$ (45)	\$ -	\$ (60)	\$ 47
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The corporate tax charges in the third quarter and first nine months of 2005 represent income tax provisions related to the repatriation of foreign earnings under the American Jobs Creation Act of 2004.

Capital and exploratory expenditures in the third quarter of 2005 amounted to \$699 million compared with \$381 million in the third quarter of 2004. Of these amounts, \$674 million and \$363 million in the third quarter of 2005 and 2004, respectively, related to exploration and production activities.

AMERADA HESS CORPORATION AND CONSOLIDATED SUBSIDIARIES
SUPPLEMENTAL FINANCIAL DATA (UNAUDITED)
(IN MILLIONS)

	Third Quarter 2005	Third Quarter 2004	Second Quarter 2005
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Income Statement			

Revenues and Non-operating Income			
Sales and other operating revenues	\$ 5,769	\$ 3,830	\$ 4,963
Non-operating income			
Equity in income of HOVENSA L.L.C.	151	75	108
Other	36	25	11
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Total revenues and non- operating income	5,956	3,930	5,082
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Costs and Expenses			
Cost of products sold	4,424	2,742	3,621
Production expenses	256	202	242
Marketing expenses	202	186	205
Exploration expenses, including dry holes and lease impairment	91	64	87
Other operating expenses	31	52	38
General and administrative expenses	83	81	86
Interest expense	54	62	54
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	251	230	261
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Total costs and expenses	5,392	3,619	4,594
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Income before income taxes	564	311	488
Provision for income taxes	292	133	189
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Net income	\$ 272	\$ 178	\$ 299
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Preferred stock dividends	12	12	12
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Net income applicable to common stockholders	\$ 260	\$ 166	\$ 287
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Supplemental Income Statement Information

Foreign currency gains, after-tax	\$	2	\$	4	\$	8
Capitalized interest		22		12		22

Cash Flow Information

Net cash provided by operating activities (*)	\$	484	\$	817	\$	606
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Capital and Exploratory Expenditures

Exploration and Production						
United States	\$	74	\$	100	\$	93
International		600		263		414
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Total Exploration and Production		674		363		507
Refining and Marketing		25		18		20
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Total Capital and Exploratory Expenditures	\$	699	\$	381	\$	527
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Exploration expenses charged to income included above						
United States	\$	30	\$	31	\$	23
International		12		(6)		11
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	\$	42	\$	25	\$	34
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(*) Includes changes in working capital

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SUPPLEMENTAL FINANCIAL DATA (UNAUDITED)
(IN MILLIONS)

	Nine Months	
	2005	2004
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Income Statement		
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Revenues and Non-operating Income		
Sales and other operating revenues	\$15,688	\$12,120
Non-operating income		
Equity in income of HOVENSA L.L.C.	309	223
Gain on asset sales	18	23
Other	93	63
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Total revenues and non-operating income	16,108	12,429
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Costs and Expenses		
Cost of products sold	11,674	8,650
Production expenses	722	586
Marketing expenses	604	537
Exploration expenses, including dry holes and lease impairment	310	204
Other operating expenses	100	147
General and administrative expenses	254	253
Interest expense	169	179

Depreciation, depletion and amortization	767	695
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Total costs and expenses	14,600	11,251
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Income from continuing operations before income taxes	1,508	1,178
Provision for income taxes	718	437
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Income from continuing operations	790	741
Discontinued operations	--	7
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Net income	\$ 790	\$ 748
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Preferred stock dividends	36	36
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Net income applicable to common stockholders	\$ 754	\$ 712
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Supplemental Income Statement Information

Foreign currency gains, after-tax	\$ 16	\$ 7
Capitalized interest	57	41

Cash Flow Information

Net cash provided by operating activities (*)	\$ 1,551	\$ 1,649
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Capital and Exploratory Expenditures

Exploration and Production		
United States	\$ 258	\$ 323
International	1,377	805
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Total Exploration and Production	1,635	1,128
Refining and Marketing	73	45
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Total Capital and Exploratory Expenditures	\$ 1,708	\$ 1,173
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Exploration expenses charged to income included above

United States	\$ 61	\$ 58
International	31	23
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	\$ 92	\$ 81
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(*) Includes changes in working capital

(IN MILLIONS)

	September 30 2005	December 31 2004
Balance Sheet Information		
Cash and short-term investments	\$ 760	\$ 877
Other current assets	4,703	3,458
Investments	1,303	1,254
Property, plant and equipment - net	9,143	8,505
Other assets	2,946	2,218
Total assets	\$ 18,855	\$ 16,312
Current portion of long-term debt	\$ 78	\$ 50
Other current liabilities	7,092	4,647
Long-term debt	3,709	3,785
Deferred liabilities and credits	2,452	2,233
Stockholders' equity excluding other comprehensive income (loss)	7,385	6,621
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	(1,861)	(1,024)
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 18,855	\$ 16,312

AMERADA HESS CORPORATION AND CONSOLIDATED SUBSIDIARIES
EXPLORATION AND PRODUCTION EARNINGS (UNAUDITED)
(IN MILLIONS)

	Third Quarter 2005		
	United States	International	Total
Sales and other operating revenues	\$275	\$767	\$1,042
Non-operating income (expenses)	--	16	16
Total revenues	275	783	1,058
Costs and expenses			
Production expenses, including related taxes	76	180	256
Exploration expenses, including dry holes and lease impairment	40	51	91
General, administrative and other expenses	13	19	32
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	36	200	236
Total costs and expenses	165	450	615
Results of operations before income taxes	110	333	443
Provision for income taxes	41	167	208

Results of operations	\$69	\$166	\$235
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Third Quarter 2004			
	United		
	States	International	Total
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Sales and other operating revenues	\$220	\$567	\$787
Non-operating income (expenses)	3	8	11
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Total revenues	223	575	798
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Costs and expenses			
Production expenses, including related taxes	55	147	202
Exploration expenses, including dry holes and lease impairment	38	26	64
General, administrative and other expenses	13	17	30
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	31	186	217
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Total costs and expenses	137	376	513
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Results of operations before income taxes	86	199	285
Provision for income taxes	33	97	130
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Results of operations	\$53	\$102	\$155
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Second Quarter 2005			
	United		
	States	International	Total
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Sales and other operating revenues	\$269	\$769	\$1,038
Non-operating income (expenses)	(3)	2	(1)
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Total revenues	266	771	1,037
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Costs and expenses			
Production expenses, including related taxes	58	184	242
Exploration expenses, including dry holes and lease impairment	51	36	87
General, administrative and other expenses	18	17	35
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	42	205	247
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Total costs and expenses	169	442	611
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Results of operations before income taxes	97	329	426
Provision for income taxes	34	129	163
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Results of operations	\$63	\$200	\$263
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EXPLORATION AND PRODUCTION EARNINGS (UNAUDITED)
(IN MILLIONS)

Nine Months 2005			
	United States	International	Total
Sales and other operating revenues	\$823	\$2,287	\$3,110
Non-operating income (expenses)	(4)	67	63
Total revenues	819	2,354	3,173
Costs and expenses			
Production expenses, including related taxes	183	539	722
Exploration expenses, including dry holes and lease impairment	200	110	310
General, administrative and other expenses	51	49	100
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	122	602	724
Total costs and expenses	556	1,300	1,856
Results of operations before income taxes	263	1,054	1,317
Provision for income taxes	98	459	557
Results of operations	\$165	\$595	\$760
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Nine Months 2004			
	United States	International	Total
Sales and other operating revenues	\$631	\$1,856	\$2,487
Non-operating income (expenses)	(2)	44	42
Total revenues	629	1,900	2,529
Costs and expenses			
Production expenses, including related taxes	144	442	586
Exploration expenses, including dry holes and lease impairment	101	103	204
General, administrative and other expenses	48	65	113
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	95	561	656
Total costs and expenses	388	1,171	1,559
Results of operations before income			

taxes	241	729	970
Provision for income taxes	90	336	426
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Results of operations	\$151	\$393	\$544
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AMERADA HESS CORPORATION AND CONSOLIDATED SUBSIDIARIES
SUPPLEMENTAL OPERATING DATA
(IN THOUSANDS, EXCEPT FOR AVERAGE SELLING PRICES)

	Third Quarter 2005	Third Quarter 2004	Second Quarter 2005
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Operating Data			

Net Production Per Day			

Crude oil - barrels			
United States	42	44	47
Europe	102	109	117
Africa, Asia and other	74	66	75
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Total	218	219	239
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Natural gas liquids - barrels			
United States	11	12	14
Europe	2	6	5
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Total	13	18	19
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Natural gas - mcf			
United States	125	164	148
Europe	218	270	289
Africa, Asia and other	141	82	138
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Total	484	516	575
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Barrels of oil equivalent	312	323	355
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Average Selling Price (including hedging)			

Crude oil - per barrel			
United States	\$34.86	\$28.26	\$32.44
Europe	34.59	26.07	33.22
Africa, Asia and other	37.75	26.69	31.10
Natural gas liquids - per barrel			
United States	\$40.90	\$31.73	\$34.98
Europe	36.77	24.17	35.49
Natural gas - per mcf			
United States	\$8.53	\$4.40	\$6.47
Europe	4.12	3.58	4.60
Africa, Asia and other	4.12	3.86	3.95

Average Selling Price (excluding hedging)

Crude oil - per barrel			
United States	\$58.32	\$40.53	\$47.83
Europe	59.47	42.09	50.10
Africa, Asia and other	59.56	39.50	47.78
Natural gas liquids - per barrel			
United States	\$40.90	\$31.73	\$34.98
Europe	36.77	24.17	35.49
Natural gas - per mcf			
United States	\$8.53	\$5.13	\$6.47
Europe	4.12	3.58	4.60
Africa, Asia and other	4.12	3.86	3.95

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SUPPLEMENTAL OPERATING DATA
(IN THOUSANDS, EXCEPT FOR AVERAGE SELLING PRICES)

	Nine Months	
	2005	2004
Operating Data		
Net Production Per Day		
Crude oil - barrels		
United States	46	41
Europe	113	122
Africa, Asia and other	73	64
Total	232	227
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Natural gas liquids - barrels		
United States	12	12
Europe	5	6
Total	17	18
	=====	=====
Natural gas - mcf		
United States	146	169
Europe	281	321
Africa, Asia and other	127	85
Total	554	575
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Barrels of oil equivalent	341	340
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Average Selling Price (including hedging)		
Crude oil - per barrel		
United States	\$33.10	\$26.41

Europe	33.00	26.24
Africa, Asia and other	33.35	26.91

Natural gas liquids - per barrel

United States	\$35.98	\$28.03
Europe	34.40	24.08

Natural gas - per mcf

United States	\$6.94	\$4.95
Europe	4.79	3.80
Africa, Asia and other	4.01	3.81

Average Selling Price (excluding hedging)

Crude oil - per barrel

United States	\$50.16	\$36.68
Europe	51.93	36.01
Africa, Asia and other	50.87	35.56

Natural gas liquids - per barrel

United States	\$35.98	\$28.03
Europe	34.40	24.08

Natural gas - per mcf

United States	\$6.94	\$5.35
Europe	4.79	3.80
Africa, Asia and other	4.01	3.81

AMERADA HESS CORPORATION AND CONSOLIDATED SUBSIDIARIES
HEDGED PRICES AND VOLUMES

Maturity	WTI		Brent	
	Average Selling Price	Thousands of barrels per day	Average Selling Price	Thousands of barrels per day
2005				
4th Quarter	\$32.16	28	\$30.37	118
2006	-	-	28.10	30
2007	-	-	25.85	24
2008	-	-	25.56	24
2009	-	-	25.54	24
2010	-	-	25.78	24
2011	-	-	26.37	24
2012	-	-	26.90	24

Note: In addition to the income statement effects of the open hedge positions indicated above, the Corporation has after-tax deferred realized losses of \$45 million as of September 30 included in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss). These after-tax losses will reduce income in the fourth quarter. There were no natural gas hedges outstanding at September 30.

AMERADA HESS CORPORATION AND CONSOLIDATED SUBSIDIARIES
REFINING AND MARKETING SUPPLEMENTAL FINANCIAL AND OPERATING DATA

	Third Quarter 2005	Third Quarter 2004	Second Quarter 2005
Financial Information (in millions)			
Refining and Marketing Earnings			

Income before income taxes	\$ 202	\$ 118	\$ 151
Provision for income taxes	77	33	53

Refining and Marketing Earnings	\$ 125	\$ 85	\$ 98
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Summary of Refining and Marketing Earnings

Refining	\$ 144	\$ 68	\$ 77
Marketing	(22)	6	14
Trading	3	11	7

Total Refining and Marketing Earnings	\$ 125	\$ 85	\$ 98
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Operating Data (in thousands unless noted)

Refined Product Sales (barrels per day)

Gasoline	226	198	227
Distillates	104	116	104
Residuals	43	44	59
Other	37	36	45

Total	410	394	435
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Refinery Throughput (barrels per day)

HOVENSA - Crude runs	413	480	500
HOVENSA - AHC 50% share	206	240	250
Port Reading	62	40	58

Refinery Utilization	Refinery Capacity
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		(thousands of barrels per day)			
HOVENSA					
Crude	500	82.5%*	95.9%	100.1%	
FCC	150	89.7%	93.9%	93.3%	
Coker	58	92.4%	94.1%	100.9%	
Port Reading	65	95.5%	64.2%**	89.2%	

* Reflects reduced utilization from scheduled maintenance.

** Represents a storm-related interruption.

Retail Marketing

Number of retail stations (a)	1,358	1,238	1,352
Convenience store revenue (in millions) (b)	\$ 260	\$ 249	\$ 254
Average gasoline volume per station (gallons per month) (b)	211	192	213

(a) Includes company operated, branded/dealer and Wilco-Hess.

(b) Company operated only.

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REFINING AND MARKETING SUPPLEMENTAL FINANCIAL AND OPERATING DATA

		Nine Months	
		2005	2004
Financial Information (in millions)			
Refining and Marketing Earnings			
Income before income taxes		\$ 455	\$ 470
Provision for income taxes		169	112
Refining and Marketing Earnings		\$ 286	\$ 358
Summary of Refining and Marketing Earnings			
Refining		\$ 263	\$ 265
Marketing		5	49
Trading		18	44
Total Refining and Marketing Earnings		\$ 286	\$ 358
Operating Data (in thousands unless noted)			
Refined Product Sales (barrels per day)			
Gasoline		211	197
Distillates		125	136
Residuals		59	59
Other		40	35
Total		435	427
Refinery Throughput (barrels per day)			
HOVENSA - Crude runs		454	488
HOVENSA - AHC 50% share		227	244
Port Reading		52	51
Refinery Utilization Refinery Capacity			
		(thousands of barrels per day)	
HOVENSA			
Crude	500	90.8%*	97.5%
FCC	150	80.2%*	95.2%
Coker	58	95.4%	98.0%
Port Reading	65	80.4%*	81.5%**

* Reflects reduced utilization from scheduled maintenance.

** Represents a storm-related interruption.

Retail Marketing

Number of retail stations (a)	1,358	1,238
Convenience store revenue		
(in millions) (b)	\$ 732	\$ 704
Average gasoline volume per station		
(gallons per month) (b)	206	191

(a) Includes company operated, branded/dealer and Wilco-Hess.

(b) Company operated only.

SOURCE: Amerada Hess Corporation

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