# **UNITED STATES** SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

## **FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT** Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported): December 9, 2022

## Ferrellgas Partners, L.P.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware** (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

<u>001-11331</u> (Commission

File Number)

<u>43-1698480</u> (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

One Liberty Plaza, Liberty, Missouri

(Address of principal executive offices)

<u>64068</u>

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 816-792-1600

Not Applicable

Former name or former address, if changed since last report

## **Ferrellgas Partners Finance Corp.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware** (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

333-06693-02 (Commission File Number)

<u>43-1742520</u> (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

**One Liberty Plaza**, Liberty, Missouri

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 816-792-1600

n/a

Former name or former address, if changed since last report

# Ferrellgas, L.P.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter) 000-50182

(Commission

File Number)

<u>Delaware</u>

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

One Liberty Plaza,

Liberty, Missouri

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 816-792-1600

n/a

Former name or former address, if changed since last report

<u>43-1698481</u> (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

<u>64068</u>

(Zip Code)

64068

(Zip Code)

## **Ferrellgas Finance Corp.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) <u>000-50183</u>

(Commission File Number) <u>14-1866671</u> (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

One Liberty Plaza, Liberty, Missouri

(Address of principal executive offices)

<u>64068</u> (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 816-792-1600

n/a

Former name or former address, if changed since last report

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

□ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

□ Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

□ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

□ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Ferrellgas Partners, L.P.

Emerging growth company  $\Box$ 

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.  $\Box$ 

Ferrellgas Partners Finance Corp.

Emerging growth company  $\Box$ 

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Ferrellgas, L.P.

Emerging growth company  $\Box$ 

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Ferrellgas Finance Corp.

Emerging growth company  $\Box$ 

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

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
N/A	N/A	N/A

#### Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

The information included in Item 7.01 of this Current Report on Form 8-K is incorporated by reference into this Item 2.02 of this Current Report on Form 8-K.

#### Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On December 9, 2022, Ferrellgas Partners, L.P. (OTC Pink: "FGPR") ("Ferrellgas") issued a press release regarding its financial results for the first fiscal quarter ended October 31, 2022. A copy of this press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

On Friday, December 9, 2022, the Company will conduct a teleconference on the Internet at https://edge.mediaserver.com/mmc/p/uduw53nd to discuss the results of operations for the first fiscal quarter ended October 31, 2022. The webcast of the teleconference will begin at 8:30 a.m. Central Time (9:30 a.m. Eastern Time). Questions may be submitted via the investor relations e-mail box at InvestorRelations@ferrellgas.com.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

Exhibit 99.1 — Press release of Ferrellgas Partners, L.P. dated December 9, 2022, reporting its financial results for the first fiscal quarter ended October 31, 2022.

#### Limitation on Materiality and Incorporation by Reference

The information in this Current Report on Form 8-K related to Items 2.02 and 7.01, including Exhibit 99.1 furnished herewith, is being furnished to the SEC pursuant to Item 2.02 and Item 7.01 of Form 8-K and is not deemed to be "filed" with the SEC for purposes of Section 18 of the Exchange Act or otherwise subject to the liabilities of Section 18. In addition, such information is not to be incorporated by reference into any registration statement of Ferrellgas Partners, L.P., Ferrellgas Partners Finance Corp., Ferrellgas, L.P. or Ferrellgas Finance Corp. or other filings of such entities made pursuant to the Exchange Act or the Securities Act, unless specifically identified as being incorporated therein by reference.

The furnishing of particular information in this Current Report, including Exhibit 99.1 furnished herewith, pursuant to Item 7.01 of Form 8-K is not intended to, and does not, constitute a determination or admission by Ferrellgas Partners, L.P., Ferrellgas Partners Finance Corp., Ferrellgas, L.P. or Ferrellgas Finance Corp. as to the materiality or completeness of any such information that is required to be disclosed solely by Regulation FD of the Exchange Act.

Exhibit No.	Description						
99.1	Press release of Ferrellgas Partners, L.P. dated December 9, 2022, reporting its financial results for the first						
	fiscal guarter ended October 31, 2022.						
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document).						

## SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, each registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

	<b>FERRELLGAS PARTNERS, L.P.</b> By: Ferrellgas, Inc., its general partner
Date: December 9, 2022	By: /s/ James E. Ferrell Chief Executive Officer and President
	FERRELLGAS PARTNERS FINANCE CORP.
Date: December 9, 2022	By: /s/ James E. Ferrell Chief Executive Officer and President
	<b>FERRELLGAS, L.P.</b> By: Ferrellgas, Inc., its general partner
Date: December 9, 2022	By: /s/ James E. Ferrell Chief Executive Officer and President
	FERRELLGAS FINANCE CORP.
Date: December 9, 2022	By: /s/ James E. Ferrell Chief Executive Officer and President

### FERRELLGAS PARTNERS, L.P. REPORTS FIRST QUARTER FISCAL 2023 RESULTS

### Financial Highlights

- Revenues for the first fiscal quarter increased \$18.8 million, or 5% higher, compared to the prior year period.
- Gross Profit for the first fiscal quarter increased \$25.1 million, or 15% higher, compared to the prior year period.
- Margin per gallon for the first fiscal quarter increased \$0.14, or 13% higher, compared to the prior year period.
- In the first fiscal quarter, operating income increased \$7.4 million, or 60% higher, compared to the prior year period with a corresponding 58% favorable increase of \$0.04 in operating income per gallon.
- Net loss attributable to Ferrellgas Partners, L.P. was \$4.5 million for the first fiscal quarter compared to a net loss attributable to Ferrellgas Partners, L.P. of \$8.6 million in the prior year period.

#### Company Highlights

- Ferrellgas welcomed its newest acquisitions to the Ferrellgas Family during the first fiscal quarter: Brown's Gas in Marysville, California and Dubben Gas Service in Delhi, New York.
- The Company announced its continued partnership with Operation Warm, a national nonprofit organization providing winter coats to children in need across the United States and Canada.
- The Company supported Operation BBQ Relief in response to Hurricane Ian.
- Over 150 employees received Ferrellgas Flame Awards in the first fiscal quarter for exemplary performance in the areas of Safety, Customer Service, Innovation, and Leadership.

**Liberty, MO.**, December 9, 2022 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) – Ferrellgas Partners, L.P. (OTC: FGPR) ("Ferrellgas" or the "Company") today reported financial results for its first fiscal quarter ended October 31, 2022.

"Our employees are the key to our growth. It's their ideas, innovations and relationships that are key to our continued success and the growth of this company," said James E. Ferrell, Chief Executive Officer and President. "Our almost 4,500 full-time, seasonal and part-time employees and contractors work each day to find opportunities to grow demand for clean, portable, affordable propane."

The Company's growth strategy drove an increase of 1% in gallons sold in the first fiscal quarter. The growth was additionally aided by weather that was favorable compared to the prior year period. The Company's inventory position management helps to mitigate its risk from price fluctuations tied to customers' fixed price purchases of propane. Additionally, as a technology enabled logistics company, Ferrellgas continues to benefit from its nationwide footprint and focus on continuous improvement.

Revenues increased \$18.8 million, or 5% higher, for the first fiscal quarter. Cost of sales was favorable with a decrease of \$6.3 million, or 3% lower, for the first fiscal quarter. Gross profit increased \$25.1 million, or 15% higher, for the first fiscal quarter. Margin per gallon increased by \$0.14, or 13% higher, compared to the prior year period. Operating income per gallon increased \$0.04, or 58% higher, compared to the prior year period. Likewise, operating income for the first fiscal quarter increased \$7.4 million, or 60% higher, compared to the prior year period.

For the first fiscal quarter, the Company reported a net loss attributable to Ferrellgas Partners, L.P. of \$4.5 million compared to a net loss of \$8.6 million in the prior year period. Adjusted EBITDA, a non-GAAP financial measure, increased by \$12.4 million, or 33% higher, to \$49.7 million in the first fiscal quarter compared to \$37.3 million in the prior year period.

"In these times of high inflation and other challenges, the Company chose to show its commitment to its most valuable resource, its employee-owners, through an extensive employee benefit package in which no increase in cost was passed on, but instead was absorbed by the Company," Ferrell added. "We take care of our hard working, dedicated employee-owners so they in turn can take care of our customers. I could not be more proud."

In conjunction with the Company's Ferrellgas Century Project, its commitment to various Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) initiatives leading up to its 100<sup>th</sup> year in business in 2039, the Company announced the continuation of its partnership with Operation Warm, a national nonprofit providing winter coats to families facing hardship. The organization has served more than 4.6 million children in the United States and Canada since its founding in 1998. The collaboration is a perfect fit as Ferrellgas seeks to support the families it serves in communities across the country, providing warmth and comfort to those in need.

As a category 4 hurricane tracked toward Florida, the Company brought its national logistics capabilities to bear. Blue Rhino production facilities staged extra Blue Rhino tanks. The Ferrellgas supply team ensured an ample supply of propane was on hand. Drivers for both Blue Rhino and Ferrellgas came in from other parts of the Company. As a result, once Hurricane Ian passed, our operations teams were able to serve the heavy demand of our customers without missing a beat. Meanwhile, using propane donated and delivered by both Blue Rhino and Ferrellgas, the nonprofit organization Operation BBQ Relief cooked over 865,000 meals for people affected by Hurricane Ian. At 38 days, it was their largest and longest deployment to date and our Company was proud to partner with them.

On Friday, December 9, 2022, the Company will conduct a teleconference on the Internet at https://edge.media-server.com/mmc/p/uduw53nd to discuss the results of operations for the first fiscal quarter ended October 31, 2022. The webcast of the teleconference will begin at 8:30 a.m. Central Time (9:30 a.m. Eastern Time). Questions may be submitted via the investor relations e-mail box at InvestorRelations@ferrellgas.com.

#### **About Ferreligas**

Ferrellgas Partners, L.P., through its operating partnership, Ferrellgas, L.P., and subsidiaries, serves propane customers in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico. Its Blue Rhino propane exchange brand is sold at more than 60,000 locations nationwide. Ferrellgas employees indirectly own 1.1 million Class A Units of the partnership, through an employee stock ownership plan. Ferrellgas Partners, L.P. filed a Form 10-K with the Securities and Exchange Commission on September 30, 2022. Investors can request a hard copy of this filing free of charge and obtain more information about the partnership online at www.ferrellgas.com.

### **Forward Looking Statements**

Statements in this release concerning expectations for the future are forward-looking statements. A variety of known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors could cause results, performance, and expectations to differ materially from anticipated results, performance, and expectations. These risks, uncertainties, and other factors include those discussed in the Form 10-K of Ferrellgas Partners, L.P., Ferrellgas, L.P., Ferrellgas Partners Finance Corp., and Ferrellgas Finance Corp. for the fiscal year ended July 31, 2022, and in other documents filed from time to time by these entities with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

### Contacts

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## FERRELLGAS PARTNERS, L.P. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (in thousands, except unit data)

## (unaudited)

	Oct	ober 31, 2022	J	uly 31, 2022
Current assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents (including \$11,132 and \$11,208 of restricted cash at October 31, 2022				
and July 31, 2022, respectively)	\$	55,305	\$	158,737
Accounts and notes receivable, net		158,674		150,395
Inventories		120,145		115,187
Price risk management asset		24,944		43,015
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		68,530		30,764
Total current assets		427,598	_	498,098
Property, plant and equipment, net		608,101		603,148
Goodwill, net		257,006		257,099
		257,000		257,099
Intangible assets (net of accumulated amortization of \$343,110 and \$440,121 at October 31, 2022 and July 31, 2022, respectively)		105 024		97,638
Operating lease right-of-use assets		105,924 67,814		72,888
Other assets, net		,		72,000
	<u>_</u>	71,151	<u>*</u>	
Total assets	\$	1,537,594	\$	1,608,115
LIABILITIES, MEZZANINE AND EQUITY (DEFICIT)	_			
Current liabilities:				
Accounts payable	\$	60,787	\$	57,586
Broker margin deposit liability		20,108		32,805
Short-term borrowing		15,000		
Current portion of long-term debt		2,442		1,792
Current operating lease liabilities		25,334		25,824
Other current liabilities		187,696		185,805
Total current liabilities		311,367		303,812
Long-term debt		1,451,659		1,450,016
Operating lease liabilities		43,009		47,231
Other liabilities		43,009		43,518
		51,219		43,310
Contingencies and commitments				
Mezzanine equity:				
Senior preferred units, net of issue discount and other offering costs (700,000 units outstanding at				
October 31, 2022 and July 31, 2022)		651,349		651,349
Equity (Deficit):				
		(1,249,702)		(1,229,823
Limited partner unitholders		(., 2.10, 102)		383,012
Limited partner unitholders Class A (4,857,605 units outstanding at October 31, 2022 and July 31, 2022)		383.012		
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Limited partner unitholders Class A (4,857,605 units outstanding at October 31, 2022 and July 31, 2022) Class B (1,300,000 units outstanding at October 31, 2022 and July 31, 2022) General partner unitholder (49,496 units outstanding at October 31, 2022 and July 31, 2022)		(71,521)		
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## FERRELLGAS PARTNERS, L.P. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

## (in thousands, except per unit data) (unaudited)

	Three months ended October 31,			Twelve months ended October 31,				
		2022		2021		2022		2021
Revenues:								
Propane and other gas liquids sales	\$	385,844	\$	372,704	\$	2,031,019	\$	1,760,507
Other		27,445		21,802		102,304		87,415
Total revenues		413,289		394,506		2,133,323		1,847,922
Cost of sales:								
Propane and other gas liquids sales		213,081		220,538		1,166,547		964,847
Other		4,776		3,610		13,675		12,671
Gross profit		195,432		170,358		953,101		870,404
Operating expense - personnel, vehicle, plant & other		129,740		117,112		533,231		473,902
Operating expense - equipment lease expense		6,024		5,690		23,428		25,922
Depreciation and amortization expense		22,631		20,295		92,233		84,286
General and administrative expense		14,833		12,575		55,038		59,560
Non-cash employee stock ownership plan compensation charge		723		909		2,984		3,416
(Gain) loss on asset sales and disposals		1,680		1,410		(6,348)		2,428
Operating income		19,801		12,367		252,535		220,890
Interest expense		(25,009)		(25,395)		(99,707)		(144,785)
Loss on extinguishment of debt		_		_		_		(104,834)
Other income, net		469		4,264		1,038		8,426
Reorganization expense - professional fees								(10,467)
Earnings (loss) before income tax expense		(4,739)		(8,764)		153,866		(30,770)
Income tax expense		18		96		903		750
Net earnings (loss)		(4,757)		(8,860)		152,963		(31,520)
Net earnings (loss) attributable to noncontrolling interest <sup>(a)</sup>		(212)		(254)		909		(565)
		(212)		(204)		909		(303)
Net earnings (loss) attributable to Ferrellgas Partners, L.P.	\$	(4,545)	\$	(8,606)	\$	152,054	\$	(30,955)
Class A unitholders' interest in net loss	<u>\$</u>	(20,751)	\$	(25,525)	\$	(13,996)	\$	(71,675)
Net loss per unitholders' interest								
Basic and diluted net loss per Class A Unit	\$	(4.27)	\$	(5.25)	\$	(2.88)	\$	(14.76)
Weighted average Class A Units outstanding - basic and diluted		4,858		4,858		4,858		4,858

Supplemental Data and Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Items:

	Three months ended October 31,			-	Twelve months ended October 31,				
		2022		2021		2022		2021	
Net earnings (loss) attributable to Ferrellgas Partners, L.P.	\$	(4,545)	\$	(8,606)	\$	152,054	\$	(30,955)	
Income tax expense		18		96		903		750	
Interest expense		25,009		25,395		99,707		144,785	
Depreciation and amortization expense		22,631		20,295		92,233		84,286	
EBITDA	_	43,113	_	37,180	_	344,897		198,866	
Non-cash employee stock ownership plan compensation charge		723		909		2,984		3,416	
(Gain) loss on asset sales and disposal		1,680		1,410		(6,348)		2,428	
Loss on extinguishment of debt						·		104,834	
Other income, net		(469)		(4,264)		(1,038)		(8,426)	
Reorganization expense - professional fees		· _ `						10,467	
Severance costs include \$2 and \$90 in operating expense for the three and twelve months ended October 31, 2022, respectively. Also includes \$8 and \$282 in general and administrative expense for the three and twelve									
months ended October 31, 2022, respectively.		10		216		372		1,293	
Legal fees and settlements related to non-core businesses		4,872		2,131		10,679		9,806	
Provision for doubtful accounts related to non-core businesses		—						(500)	
Net earnings (loss) attributable to noncontrolling interest <sup>(a)</sup>		(212)		(254)	_	909		(565)	
Adjusted EBITDA <sup>(b)</sup>		49,717		37,328		352,455		321,619	
Net cash interest expense (c)		(22,606)		(19,119)		(102,853)		(127,556)	
Maintenance capital expenditures (d)		(5,832)		(3,579)		(19,272)		(24,570)	
Cash paid for income taxes		(49)		—		(1,067)		(671)	
Proceeds from certain asset sales		752		641		4,224		4,529	
Distributable cash flow attributable to equity investors (e)		21,982		15,271		233,487		173,351	
Less: Distributions accrued or paid to preferred unitholders		17,966		17,345		65,908		41,369	
Distributable cash flow attributable to general partner and non-controlling									
interest		(440)		(305)		(4,671)		(3,467)	
Distributable cash flow attributable to Class A and B Unitholders (f)		3,576		(2,379)		162,908		128,515	
Less: Distributions paid to Class A and B Unitholders <sup>(g)</sup>						99,996		_	
Distributable cash flow excess (shortage) <sup>(h)</sup>	\$	3,576	\$	(2,379)	\$	62,912	\$	128,515	
Propane gallons sales									
Retail - Sales to End Users		118,396		115,825		626,887		629,864	
Wholesale - Sales to Resellers		43,869		44,055		206,330		222,490	
Total propane gallons sales		162,265		159,880		833,217		852,354	
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(a) Amounts allocated to the general partner for its 1.0101% interest (excluding the economic interest attributable to the preferred unitholders) in the operating partnership, Ferrellgas, L.P.

(b) Adjusted EBITDA is calculated as net earnings (loss) attributable to Ferrellgas Partners, L.P., plus the sum of the following: income tax expense, interest expense, depreciation and amortization expense, non-cash employee stock ownership plan compensation charge, (gain) loss on asset sales and disposals, loss on extinguishment of debt, other income, net, reorganization expense – professional fees, severance costs, legal fees and settlements related to non-core businesses, provision for doubtful accounts related to non-core businesses, and net earnings (loss) attributable to noncontrolling interest. Management believes the presentation of this measure is relevant and useful because it allows investors to view the partnership's performance in a manner similar to the method management uses, adjusted for items management believes make it easier to compare its results with other companies that have different financing and capital structures.

Adjusted EBITDA, as management defines it, may not be comparable to similarly titled measurements used by other companies. Items added into our calculation of Adjusted EBITDA that will not occur on a continuing basis may have associated cash payments. Adjusted EBITDA should be viewed in conjunction with measurements that are computed in accordance with GAAP.

(c) Net cash interest expense is the sum of interest expense less non-cash interest expense and other income, net. This amount includes interest expense related to the terminated accounts receivable securitization facility.

(d) Maintenance capital expenditures include capitalized expenditures for betterment and replacement of property, plant and equipment, and may from time to time include the purchase of assets that are typically leased.

- (e) Distributable cash flow attributable to equity investors is calculated as Adjusted EBITDA minus net cash interest expense, maintenance capital expenditures and cash paid for income taxes plus proceeds from certain asset sales. Management considers distributable cash flow attributable to equity investors a meaningful measure of the partnership's ability to declare and pay quarterly distributions to equity investors, including holders of the operating partnership's Preferred Units. Distributable cash flow attributable to equity investors, as management defines it, may not be comparable to similarly titled measurements used by other companies. Items added into our calculation of distributable cash flow attributable to equity investors that will not occur on a continuing basis may have associated cash payments. Distributable cash flow attributable to equity investors should be viewed in conjunction with measurements that are computed in accordance with GAAP.
- (f) Distributable cash flow attributable to Class A and B Unitholders is calculated as Distributable cash flow attributable to equity investors minus distributable cash flow attributable to general partner and noncontrolling interest. Management considers distributable cash flow attributable to Class A and B Unitholders a meaningful measure of the partnership's ability to declare and pay quarterly distributions to Class A and B Unitholders, as management defines it, may not be comparable to similarly titled measurements used by other companies. Items added to our calculation of distributable cash flow attributable to Class A and B Unitholders. Distributable to Class A and B Unitholders. So and B Unitholders that will not occur on a continuing basis may have associated cash payments. Distributable cash flow attributable to Class A and B Unitholders should be viewed in conjunction with measurements that are computed in accordance with GAAP.

(g) The Company did not pay any distributions to Class A Unitholders during any of the periods in fiscal 2023 or fiscal 2022.

(h) Distributable cash flow excess (shortage) is calculated as Distributable cash flow attributable to Class A and B Unitholders minus Distributions paid to Class A and B Unitholders. Distributable cash flow excess, if any, is retained to establish reserves, to reduce debt, to fund capital expenditures and for other partnership purposes, and any shortage is funded from previously established reserves, cash on hand or borrowings under our Credit Facility or, previously, under our terminated accounts receivable securitization facility. Management considers Distributable cash flow excess (shortage) a meaningful measure of the partnership's ability to effectuate those purposes. Distributable cash flow excess (shortage), as management defines it, may not be comparable to similarly titled measurements used by other companies. Items added into our calculation of distributable cash flow excess (shortage) that will not occur on a continuing basis may have associated cash payments. Distributable cash flow excess (shortage) should be viewed in conjunction with measurements that are computed in accordance with GAAP.