

USA Compression Partners, LP Reports Second Quarter 2015 Results and Raises 2015 Outlook; Achieves Record Revenues, Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted Distributable Cash Flow

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AUSTIN, Texas--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Aug. 5, 2015-- USA Compression Partners, LP (NYSE: USAC) ("USA Compression" or the "Partnership"), announced today its financial and operating results for the second quarter 2015.

Second Quarter 2015 Summary Results

- Record levels of revenues; second quarter 2015 up 24.6% over second quarter 2014
- Record levels of Adjusted EBITDA; second quarter 2015 up 43.7% over second quarter 2014
- Record levels of Adjusted distributable cash flow; second quarter 2015 up 56.1% over second quarter 2014
- Second quarter 2015 quarterly cash distribution of \$0.525 per common unit, an increase of 5.0% over second quarter 2014
- Fleet horsepower for second quarter 2015 increased by 21.3% over second quarter 2014
- Average revenue generating horsepower for second quarter 2015 increased 21.2% over second quarter 2014
- Adjusted distributable cash flow coverage of 1.23x for the second guarter 2015
- Cash coverage of 3.08x for second quarter 2015

	Three Months Ended						
	June 30,		March 31,		June 30,		
	2015		2015		2014		
Operational Data							
Fleet Horsepower at period end	1,631,959	Э	1,640,32	323 1,345,173		3	
Revenue Generating Horsepower at period end	1,411,005	5	1,397,709		1,200,547		
Average Revenue Generating Horsepower	1,405,039	1,405,039		1,385,908		1,158,804	
Revenue Generating Compression Units at period end	2,733		2,686		2,362		
Horsepower Utilization at period end(1)	91.5	%	91.1	%	95.0	%	
Average Horsepower Utilization for the period(1)	90.5	%	91.9	%	94.8	%	

Financial Data (\$ in thousands, except per horsepower data)

Revenue	\$66,390	\$65,000	\$53,266
Average Revenue Per Horsepower Per Month(2)	\$ 15.83	\$ 15.85	\$15.48
Gross Operating Margin	\$ 47,311	\$45,789	\$35,269
Gross Operating Margin Percentage	71.3	% 70.4	% 66.2 %
Adjusted EBITDA	\$38,618	\$37,518	\$26,866
Adjusted EBITDA Percentage	58.2	% 57.7	% 50.4 %
Adjusted Distributable Cash Flow	\$31,001	\$29,539	\$ 19,864

Horsepower utilization is calculated as (i)(a) revenue generating horsepower plus (b) horsepower in the Partnership's fleet that is under contract, but is not yet generating revenue plus (c) horsepower not yet in the Partnership's fleet that is under contract not yet generating revenue and that is subject to a purchase order, divided by (ii) total available horsepower less idle horsepower that is under repair. Horsepower

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(2) Calculated using average revenue generating horsepower.

Revenues in the second quarter of 2015 rose 24.6% to \$66.4 million as compared to \$53.3 million for the same period in 2014. Adjusted EBITDA rose 43.7% to \$38.6 million in the second quarter of 2015 as compared to \$26.9 million for the second quarter of 2014. Adjusted distributable cash flow increased 56.1% to \$31.0 million in the second quarter of 2015, compared to \$19.9 million in the second quarter of last year. Net income, excluding a \$26.8 million charge due to non-cash long-lived asset impairment charges related to our fleet, was \$10.9 million in the second quarter of 2015, compared with net income of \$7.5 million for the second quarter of 2014. The \$26.8 million impairment charge, which involved approximately 58,000 horsepower, resulted from our evaluation of the future deployment potential of our currently idle fleet under current market conditions, as well as our determination to retire and either sell or re-utilize key components of certain compression units. The impairment charge did not impact our cash flows, liquidity position, or compliance with debt covenants.

"We are reporting another quarter of record revenues, Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted distributable cash flow for the second quarter of 2015," said Eric D. Long, USA Compression's President and Chief Executive Officer. "As a result of our solid performance, we announced our ninth consecutive quarterly distribution increase since our IPO, to \$0.525 for the second quarter of 2015.

"We have, at this time, ordered approximately 215,000 horsepower of new compression units for delivery in 2015," he said. "In addition to the stability of our current operations, we are experiencing solid demand for the new compression units to be delivered throughout the remainder of 2015. We have received, during the first half of 2015, approximately 140,000 horsepower; we expect to receive the remaining 75,000 horsepower throughout the rest of the year."

Average revenue generating horsepower increased 21.2% to 1,405,039 for the second quarter of 2015 as compared to 1,158,804 for the second quarter of 2014, primarily due to organic growth across our compression fleet. Average revenue per revenue generating horsepower per month increased 2.3% to \$15.83 for the second quarter of 2015 as compared to \$15.48 for the second quarter of 2014.

Gross operating margin increased 34.1% to \$47.3 million for the second quarter of 2015 as compared to \$35.3 million for the second quarter of 2014. Gross operating margin as a percentage of total revenues increased to 71.3% for the second quarter of 2015 from 66.2% in the second quarter of 2014.

Expansion capital expenditures (used primarily to purchase new compression units) were \$62.2 million, maintenance capital expenditures were \$3.1 million and cash interest expense, net was \$4.0 million for the second quarter of 2015.

On July 23, 2015, the Partnership announced a cash distribution of \$0.525 per unit on its common and subordinated units. This second quarter distribution corresponds to an annualized distribution rate of \$2.10 per unit. The distribution will be paid on August 14, 2015 to unitholders of record as of the close of business on August 4, 2015. USA Compression Holdings, LLC, the owner of 43% of the Partnership's outstanding limited partnership units, and Argonaut Private Equity, L.L.C. and certain other related unitholders, the owners of 17% of the Partnership's outstanding limited partnership units, elected to reinvest all of this distribution with respect to their units pursuant to the Partnership's Distribution Reinvestment Plan (other than 34,921 units recently acquired by Argonaut Private Equity, L.L.C.). Adjusted distributable cash flow coverage ratio for the second quarter of 2015 was 1.23x and the cash coverage ratio was 3.08x.

Credit Facility

As of June 30, 2015, the outstanding balance under the Partnership's revolving credit facility was approximately \$753 million, compared to approximately \$712 million as of March 31, 2015.

Full-Year 2015 Outlook

USA Compression is revising upward the following full-year 2015 guidance:

- Adjusted EBITDA range of \$135 million to \$145 million; and
- distributable cash flow range of \$100 million to \$110 million.

Conference Call

The Partnership will host a conference call today beginning at 10:00 a.m. Eastern Time (9:00 a.m. Central Time) to discuss its second quarter 2015 performance. The call will be broadcast live over the Internet. Investors may participate either by phone or audio webcast.

By Phone: Dial 888-510-1786 inside the U.S. and Canada at least 10 minutes before the call and ask for the USA Compression Partners Earnings Call. Investors outside the U.S. and Canada should dial 719-457-2627. The conference ID for both is 9385187.

A replay of the call will be available through August 16, 2015. Callers inside the U.S. and Canada may access the replay by dialing 888-203-1112. Investors outside the U.S. and Canada should dial 719-457-0820. The passcode for both is 9385187.

By Webcast: Connect to the webcast via the "Events" page of USA Compression's Investor Relations website at http://investors.usacpartners.com. Please log in at least 10 minutes in advance to register and download any necessary software. A replay will be available shortly after the call.

About USA Compression Partners, LP

USA Compression Partners, LP is a growth-oriented Delaware limited partnership that is one of the nation's largest independent providers of compression services in terms of total compression fleet horsepower. The company partners with a broad customer base composed of producers, processors, gatherers and transporters of natural gas and crude oil. USA Compression focuses on providing compression services to infrastructure applications primarily in high-volume gathering systems, processing facilities and transportation applications. More information is available at www.usacpartners.com.

This news release includes the non-U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") financial measures of Adjusted EBITDA, gross operating margin, distributable cash flow, Adjusted distributable cash flow, adjusted distributable cash flow coverage ratio and cash coverage ratio.

The Partnership's management views Adjusted EBITDA as one of its primary financial measures in evaluating the results of the Partnership's business, and the Partnership tracks this item on a monthly basis both as an absolute amount and as a percentage of revenue compared to the prior month, year-to-date and prior year, and to budget. The Partnership defines EBITDA as net income (loss) before net interest expense, depreciation and amortization expense, and income taxes and Adjusted EBITDA as EBITDA plus impairment of compression equipment, interest income, unit-based compensation expense, (gain) loss on sale of assets and transaction expenses. Adjusted EBITDA is used as a supplemental financial measure by the Partnership's management and external users of its financial statements, such as investors and commercial banks, to assess:

- the financial performance of the Partnership's assets without regard to the impact of financing methods, capital structure or historical cost basis of the Partnership's assets;
- the viability of capital expenditure projects and the overall rates of return on alternative investment opportunities;
- the ability of the Partnership's assets to generate cash sufficient to make debt payments and to make distributions; and
- the Partnership's operating performance as compared to those of other companies in its industry without regard to the impact of financing methods and capital structure.

The Partnership's management believes that Adjusted EBITDA provides useful information to investors because, when viewed with GAAP results and the accompanying reconciliations, it provides a more complete understanding of the Partnership's performance than GAAP results alone. The Partnership's management also believes that external users of its financial statements benefit from having access to the same financial measures that management uses in evaluating the results of the Partnership's business.

Adjusted EBITDA should not be considered an alternative to, or more meaningful than, net income (loss), operating income, cash flows from operating activities or any other measure of financial performance presented in accordance with GAAP, as measures of operating performance and liquidity. Moreover, Adjusted EBITDA as presented may not be comparable to similarly titled measures of other companies.

Gross operating margin, a non-GAAP financial measure, is defined as revenue less cost of operations, exclusive of depreciation and amortization expense. The Partnership's management believes that gross operating margin is useful as a supplemental measure of the Partnership's operating profitability. Gross operating margin is impacted primarily by the pricing trends for service operations and cost of operations, including labor rates for service technicians, volume and per unit costs for lubricant oils, quantity and pricing of routine preventative maintenance on compression units and property tax rates on compression units. Gross operating margin should not be considered an alternative to, or more meaningful than, operating income or any other measure of financial performance presented in accordance with GAAP. Moreover, gross operating margin as presented may not be comparable to similarly titled measures of other companies. Because the Partnership capitalizes assets, depreciation and amortization of equipment is a necessary element of its costs. To compensate for the limitations of gross operating margin as a measure of the Partnership's performance, the Partnership's management believes that it is important to consider operating income determined under GAAP, as well as gross operating margin, to evaluate the Partnership's operating profitability.

Distributable cash flow, a non-GAAP measure, is defined as net income (loss) plus non-cash interest expense, depreciation and amortization expense, unit-based compensation expense and impairment of compression equipment, less maintenance capital expenditures. Adjusted distributable cash flow is distributable cash flow plus certain transaction fees and (gain) loss on sale of equipment. The Partnership's management believes distributable cash flow and Adjusted distributable cash flow are important measures of operating performance because such measures allow management, investors and others to compare basic cash flows the Partnership generates (prior to the establishment of any retained cash reserves by the Partnership's general partner and the effect of the Partnership's Distribution Reinvestment Plan ("DRIP")) to the cash distributions the Partnership expects to pay its unitholders.

Adjusted distributable cash flow coverage ratio, a non-GAAP measure, is defined as Adjusted distributable cash flow less cash distributions to the Partnership's general partner and incentive distribution rights ("IDRs"), divided by distributions declared to limited partner unitholders for the period. Cash coverage ratio is defined as Adjusted distributable cash flow less cash distributions to the Partnership's general partner and IDRs divided by cash distributions paid to limited partner unitholders, after consideration of the DRIP. The Partnership's management believes adjusted distributable cash flow coverage ratio and cash coverage ratio are important measures of operating performance because they allow management, investors and others to gauge the Partnership's ability to pay cash distributions to limited partner unitholders using the cash flows the Partnership generates. The Partnership's adjusted distributable coverage ratio and cash coverage ratio as presented may not be comparable to similarly titled measures of other companies.

This news release also contains a forward-looking estimate of Adjusted EBITDA and distributable cash flow projected to be generated by the Partnership in its 2015 fiscal year. A reconciliation of Adjusted EBITDA and distributable cash flow to net cash provided by operating activities is not provided because the items necessary to estimate net cash provided by operating activities, in particular the change in operating assets and liabilities amounts, are not accessible or estimable at this time. The Partnership does not anticipate the changes in operating assets and liabilities to be material, but changes in accounts receivable, accounts payable, accrued liabilities and deferred revenue could be significant, such that the amount of net cash provided by operating activities would vary substantially from the amount of projected Adjusted EBITDA.

See "Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures" for Adjusted EBITDA reconciled to net income (loss) and net cash provided by operating activities, and net income (loss) reconciled to distributable cash flow, Adjusted distributable cash flow, adjusted distributable cash flow coverage ratio and cash coverage ratio.

Forward-Looking Statements

Some of the information in this news release may contain forward-looking statements. These statements can be identified by the use of forward-looking terminology including "may," "believe," "expect," "intend," "anticipate," "estimate," "continue," or other similar words, and include the Partnership's expectation of future performance contained herein, including as described under "Full-Year 2015 Outlook." These statements discuss future expectations, contain projections of results of operations or of financial condition, or state other "forward-looking" information. These forward-looking statements can be affected by assumptions used or by known risks or uncertainties. Consequently, no forward-looking statements can be guaranteed. When considering these forward-looking statements, you should keep in mind the risk factors and other cautionary statements in this

news release. The risk factors and other factors noted throughout this news release could cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in any forward-looking statement. You are cautioned not to place undue reliance on any forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date of this news release. You should also understand that it is not possible to predict or identify all such factors and should not consider the following list to be a complete statement of all potential risks and uncertainties. Known material factors that could cause the Partnership's actual results to differ materially from the results contemplated by such forward-looking statements are described in Part I, Item 1A ("Risk Factors") of the Partnership's annual report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2014, which was filed on February 19, 2015, and include:

- changes in general economic conditions and changes in economic conditions of the crude oil and natural gas industry specifically;
- competitive conditions in the industry;
- changes in the long-term supply of and demand for crude oil and natural gas;
- our ability to realize the anticipated benefits of acquisitions and to integrate the acquired assets with our existing fleet;
- actions taken by the Partnership's customers, competitors and third-party operators;
- changes in the availability and cost of capital;
- operating hazards, natural disasters, weather related delays, casualty losses and other matters beyond the Partnership's control;
- the effects of existing and future laws and governmental regulations;
- the effects of future litigation; and
- other factors discussed in the Partnership's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

All forward-looking statements are expressly qualified in their entirety by the foregoing cautionary statements. Unless legally required, the Partnership undertakes no obligation to update publicly any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise. Unpredictable or unknown factors not discussed herein also could have material adverse effects on forward-looking statements.

USA COMPRESSION PARTNERS, LP AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

(In thousands, except for unit amounts - Unaudited)

	Three Mon June 30, 2015	ths	Ended March 31, 2015		June 30, 2014	
Revenues:						
Contract operations	\$65,552		\$64,035		\$52,678	
Parts and service	838		965		588	
Total revenues	66,390		65,000		53,266	
Cost of operations, exclusive of depreciation and amortization	19,079		19,211		17,997	
Gross operating margin	47,311		45,789		35,269	
Other operating and administrative costs and expenses:						
Selling, general and administrative	10,350		9,729		10,186	
Depreciation and amortization	21,507		20,731		17,044	
Loss (gain) on sale of assets	(23)	(195)	(2,520)
Impairment of compression equipment	26,829		-		-	
Total other operating and administrative costs and expenses	58,663		30,265		24,710	
Operating income	(11,352)	15,524		10,559	
Other Income (Expense)						
Interest expense, net	(4,415)	(3,994)	(3,043)
Other	5		5		2	
Total other expense	(4,410)	(3,989)	(3,041)
Net income (loss) before income tax expense	(15,762)	11,535		7,518	
Income tax expense	142		79		-	
Net Income (Loss)	\$ (15,904)	\$ 11,456		\$7,518	
Net Income (Loss) allocated to:						
General partner's interest in net income (loss)	\$ (7)	\$ 372		\$188	
Common units interest in net income (loss)	\$ (11,043)	\$7,748		\$5,332	
Subordinated units interest in net income (loss)	\$ (4,854)	\$ 3,336		\$1,998	
Weighted average common units outstanding:						
Basic	32,449,18	0	31,695,38	4	27,290,6	99
Diluted	32,449,18	0	31,832,29	9	27,327,5	45

Weighted average subordinated units outstanding: Basic and diluted	14,048,58	38	14,048,588	14,048,588	
Net income (loss) per common unit:					
Basic	\$ (0.34)	\$0.24	\$0.20	
Diluted	\$ (0.34)	\$0.24	\$0.20	
Net income (loss) per subordinated unit:					
Basic and diluted	\$ (0.35)	\$0.24	\$0.14	
Distributions declared per limited partner unit for respective periods	\$0.525		\$ 0.515	\$ 0.50	

USA COMPRESSION PARTNERS, LP AND SUBSIDIARIES RECONCILIATION OF NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES ADJUSTED EBITDA TO NET INCOME (LOSS) AND NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES (In thousands – Unaudited)

The following table reconciles Adjusted EBITDA to net income (loss) and net cash provided by operating activities, its most directly comparable GAAP financial measures, for each of the periods presented:

	Three Months Ended		
	June 30,	March 31,	June 30,
	2015	2015	2014
Net income (loss)	\$ (15,904)	\$ 11,456	\$7,518
Interest expense, net	4,415	3,994	3,043
Depreciation and amortization	21,507	20,731	17,044
Income taxes	142	79	-
EBITDA	\$10,160	\$36,260	\$27,605
Impairment of compression equipment	26,829	-	-
Interest income on capital lease	414	427	402
Unit-based compensation expense(1)	1,238	1,026	1,006
Transaction expenses for acquisitions(2)	-	-	373
Loss (gain) on sale of assets and other	(23)	(195)	(2520)
Adjusted EBITDA	\$38,618	\$37,518	\$26,866
Interest expense, net	(4,415)	(3,994)	(3,043)
Income tax expense	(142)	(79)	-
Interest income on capital lease	(414)	(427)	(402)
Transaction expenses for acquisitions	-	-	(373)
Amortization of deferred financing costs and other	415	455	291
Changes in operating assets and liabilities	(25)	(18,960)	(1,739)
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$34,037	\$14,513	\$21,600

For the quarters ended June 30, 2015, March 31, 2015 and June 30, 2014, unit-based compensation expense included \$0.2 million, \$0.1 million, and \$0.2 million of cash payments related to quarterly payments of distribution equivalent rights on outstanding phantom unit awards,

(1) respectively. For the quarters ended March 31, 2015 and June 30, 2014, unit-based compensation expense included \$0.2 million and \$0.3 million, respectively, of cash payments related to the cash portion of any settlement of phantom unit awards upon vesting. The remainder of the unit-based compensation expense for 2015 and 2014 is related to non-cash adjustments to the unit-based compensation liability.

(2) Represents certain transaction expenses related to acquisitions, potential acquisitions and other items. The Partnership believes it is useful to investors to view its results excluding these fees.

USA COMPRESSION PARTNERS, LP AND SUBSIDIARIES RECONCILIATION OF NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES NET INCOME (LOSS) TO DISTRIBUTABLE CASH FLOW, ADJUSTED DISTRIBUTABLE CASH FLOW AND NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES (In thousands, except for per unit amounts – Unaudited)

The following table reconciles distributable cash flow and Adjusted distributable cash flow to net income (loss) and net cash provided by operating activities, their most directly comparable GAAP financial measures, for each of the periods presented:

Three Months Ended					
June 30,	March 31,	June 30,			
2015	2015	2014			
\$(15,904)	\$ 11,456	\$7,518			

Plus: Non-cash interest expense	415	455	292
Plus: Depreciation and amortization	21,507	20,731	17,044
Plus: Unit-based compensation(1)	1,238	1,026	1,006
Plus: Impairment of compression equipment	26,829	-	-
Less: Maintenance capital expenditures(2)	(3,061)	(4,093)	(3,849)
Distributable cash flow	\$31,024	\$29,575	\$22,011
Transaction expenses for acquisitions(3)	-	-	373
Loss (gain) on sale of equipment and other	(23)	(36)	(2,520)
Adjusted distributable cash flow	\$31,001	\$29,539	\$19,864
Plus: Maintenance capital expenditures	3,061	4,093	3,849
Plus: Change in operating assets and liabilities	(25)	(18,960)	(1,739)
Less: Transaction expenses for acquisitions	-	-	(373)
Less: Other	-	(159)	(1)
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$34,037	\$14,513	\$21,600
Adjusted distributable cash flow	31,001	29,539	19,864
GP interest in distributions	671	588	506
Adjusted distributable cash flow attributable to LP interest	\$30,330	\$28,951	\$ 19,358
Distributions for coverage ratio	\$24,579	\$23,779	\$20,670
Distributions reinvested in the DRIP(4)	\$14,731	\$ 14,111	\$12,686
Distributions for cash coverage ratio(5)	\$9,848	\$ 9,668	\$7,984
Adjusted distributable cash flow coverage ratio	1.23	1.22	0.94
Cash coverage ratio	3.08	2.99	2.42

For the quarters ended June 30, 2015, March 31, 2015 and June 30, 2014, unit-based compensation expense included \$0.2 million, \$0.1 million, and \$0.2 million of cash payments related to quarterly payments of distribution equivalent rights on outstanding phantom unit awards,

(1) respectively. For the quarters ended March 31, 2015 and June 30, 2014, unit-based compensation expense included \$0.2 million and \$0.3 million, respectively, of cash payments related to the cash portion of any settlement of phantom unit awards upon vesting. The remainder of the unit-based compensation expense for 2015 and 2014 is related to non-cash adjustments to the unit-based compensation liability.

Reflects actual maintenance capital expenditures for the period presented. Maintenance capital expenditures are capital expenditures made to (2) replace partially or fully depreciated assets, to maintain the operating capacity of the Partnership's assets and extend their useful lives, or other capital expenditures that are incurred in maintaining the Partnership's existing business and related cash flow.

(3) Represents certain transaction expenses related to acquisitions, potential acquisitions and other items. The Partnership believes it is useful to investors to view its results excluding these fees.

(4) Represents distributions to holders enrolled in the DRIP as of the record date for each period. Amount for the three months ended June 30, 2015 is based on an estimate as of the record date.

(5) Represents cash distributions declared for common units not participating in the Partnership's DRIP.

USA COMPRESSION PARTNERS, LP AND SUBSIDIARIES FULL-YEAR 2015 ADJUSTED EBITDA AND DISTRIBUTABLE CASH FLOW GUIDANCE RANGE RECONCILIATION TO NET INCOME (LOSS) (In millions – Unaudited)

Net income (loss) Plus: Interest expense Plus: Depreciation and amortization Plus: Income taxes EBITDA Plus: Interest income on capital lease Plus: Unit-based compensation expense(1) Plus: Impairment of compression equipment

Guidance \$(2.5) million to \$7.5 million \$17.7 million \$86.5 million \$0.4 million \$102.1 million to \$112.1 million \$1.6 million \$4.5 million \$26.8 million

Adjusted EBITDA Less: Cash interest expense Less: Income tax provision Less: Maintenance capital expenditures Distributable cash flow \$135.0 million to \$145.0 million \$17.6 million \$0.4 million \$17.0 million \$100.0 million to \$110.0 million

(1) Based on the Partnership's unit closing price as of June 30, 2015.

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