Unaudited Interim Financial Statements as of and for the six-month period ended June 30, 2009, presented in comparative form

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In accordance with the terms of General Resolution 368/01 and its modifications issued by the National Securities Commission ("CNV"), we detail below an analysis of the results of the operations of Transportadora de Gas del Norte S.A.  $^{(1)}$  ("TGN" or "the Company") and its financial situation, which should be read together with the attached financial statements.

#### I) ANALYSIS OF RESULTS AND FINANCIAL SITUATION

### \* Net Result for the six-month period ended June 30, 2009

		(in million of pe	sos)
	Six-mon	th periods end	ded 06.30.
			Variation
	2009	2008	\$
Net Revenues			
Gas transportation service	291.4	252.2	39.2
Allowances for disputed amounts	(38.1)	(20.1)	(18.0)
Discount as per Decrees No 292/1520/814	(0.8)	(0.9)	0.1
Subtotal gas transportation service	252.5	231.2	21.3
Pipeline O&M services	15.5	12.3	3.2
Management fees - Gas Trust Program	8.1	2.2	5.9
Subtotal pipeline operation and maintenance			
service and other services	23.6	14.5	9.1
Total Net Revenues	276.1	245.7	30.4
Cost of services			
Operating and maintenance costs	(88.5)	(66.6)	(21.9)
Fixed assets depreciation	(61.5)	(60.4)	(1.1)
Subtotal	(150.0)	(127.0)	(23.0)
Gross Profit	126.1	118.7	7.4
Administrative and selling expenses	(35.7)	(24.9)	(10.8)
Operating Income	90.4	93.8	(3.4)
Gain from equity investments, net	1.3	0.6	0.7
Financial and holding results, net	(161.0)	(12.0)	(149.0)
Other (expense) income, net	4.2	1.4	2.8
Net (loss) income before income tax	(65.1)	83.8	(148.9)
Income Tax	14.3	(37.9)	52.2
Net (loss) income for the period	(50.8)	45.9	(96.7)
EBITDA(2)	159.6	157.1	2.5

- (1) Company not encompassed by the Optional Statutory System of Public Offering for Mandatory Purchase.
- (2) Income before financial and holding results, depreciation, income tax and charges for consumable goods not entailing outlays of funds.

	(in million of pesos)			
	06.30.09 12.31.08			
Total Assets	2,777	2,639		
Total Liabilities	1,550	1,361		
Shareholders' Equity	1,227	1,278		

The following paragraphs describe the reasons for the main variations in the results previously presented and some economic-financial indexes will be disclosed in connection to the Company's equity.

#### I) ANALYSIS OF RESULTS AND FINANCIAL SITUATION (Cont.)

#### \* Net Revenues

Below is a summary of the TGN's net revenues by type of service:

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(In	mill	ınn	ΩŤ	pesos)

	Six-month periods ended 06.30.				
Type of service	2009	%	2008	%	
Gas transportation	252.5	91.4	231.2	94.1	
Gas Pipeline O&M					
services	23.6	8.6	14.5	5.9	
Total net Revenues	276.1	100.0	245.7	100.0	

#### - Gas Transportation services

The net variation between both periods resulted in an increase of \$21.3\$ million resulting principally from the combined effect of the following main variations:

- a \$ 18.0 million decrease due to the setting up of higher allowances for disputed receivables, mainly caused by the situations of export clients described in Notes 13.f), h) and i) to the Company's interim financial statements;
- ii. an increase of \$ 22.2 million as a result of the increase in the exchange rates which had an impact on the services billed in dollars.
- iii. an increase of \$ 8.0 million in the export revenues due to the increase of the PPI (Producer Price Index) index applicable to the period;
- iv. higher invoicing of interruptible services and interchange and displacement services for \$ 6.4 million; and
- v. new transportation services invoiced during the period for \$ 2.7 million.

### - Gas pipeline operation and maintenance and works management services

The net variation between the compared periods resulted in an increase of \$9.1\$ million, principally caused by:

- i. a \$ 5.9 million increase correspond to the income accrued during the period related to works management fees under gas Trust Programs. These incomes are recognized according to the criteria stated in Notes 3.p) and 15.b) of the Company's interim financial statements, and
- ii. a \$ 3.2 million increase correspond to variations in the price of agreements in force.

#### I) ANALYSIS OF RESULTS AND FINANCIAL SITUATION (Cont.)

#### \* Cost of services

(in million of pesos)

	Six-month periods ended 06.30.			
	2009	2008	Variation \$	
Fees for professional services	2.3	2.2	0.1	
Salaries, wages and other personnel benefits				
and social security contributions	30.7	25.8	4.9	
Fees for technical operator services	5.4	6.9	(1.5)	
Foreign staff residence	1.2	1.1	0.1	
Consumption of spare parts and materials	6.8	6.1	0.7	
Gas imbalance	(0.1)	0.6	(0.7)	
Maintenance and repair of fixed assets and				
third party services and supplies	26.3	14.3	12.0	
Communications, freight and transportation,				
travel expenses	4.1	3.5	0.6	
Insurance	2.6	2.6	-	
Rentals and office supplies	1.1	0.9	0.2	
Easements	5.6	2.6	3.0	
Taxes, rates and contributions	0.2	0.2	-	
Fixed assets depreciation	61.5	60.4	1.1	
Materials and spare parts slow-moving and				
obsolescence	0.9	(0.7)	1.6	
Others	1.4	0.5	0.9	
Total	150.0	127.0	23.0	
% of Costs of services on net revenues	54.3%	51.7%	_	

The most significant variations between the periods ended June 30, 2009 and 2008 are presented below:

- i. An increase of \$ 12.0 million in repair and maintenance costs of fixed assets and third party services and supplies. This increase is explained by the following variations: \$ 7.1 million correspond to planned corrective maintenance of turbocompressors and gas pipelines, \$ 2.8 million correspond to costs of river intersections, passage of gas pipeline corrosion detection and cathodic protection units. In addition, the costs of plant safety, environmental impact studies and line survey related to the expansions mentioned in Note 15.b) to the financial statements increased by \$ 1.1 million.
- ii. \$ 4.9 million in salaries, wages and other personnel benefits and social security contributions as a result of pay increases granted by the Company during 2008 and 2009, corresponding to inflation adjustment. Likewise, part of the increase is due to higher personnel employed in the expansions mentioned in Note 15 to the Company's interim financial statements.
- iii. An increase of \$ 3.0 million in easements to the new values set by the corresponding authorities for the respective 2009 fees.

#### I) ANALYSIS OF RESULTS AND FINANCIAL SITUATION (Cont.)

#### \* Administrative and Selling expenses

(in million of pesos)

	Six-month periods ended 06.30.			
	2009	2008	Variation \$	
Salaries, wages and other personnel benefits and				
social security contributions	11.8	10.8	1.0	
Fixed assets depreciation	0.9	0.9	-	
Fees for professional services	2.6	2.6	_	
Taxes, rates and contributions	11.6	12.4	(0.8)	
Communications, freight and transportation, travel				
expenses	0.7	0.5	0.2	
Maintenance and repair of fixed assets and third				
party services and supplies	0.7	0.7	-	
Rentals and office supplies	0.8	0.5	0.3	
Doubtful accounts	0.5	(2.8)	3.3	
Contingencies	5.0	(2.0)	7.0	
Fees for Directory and the Committee of Syndics	0.5	1.0	(0.5)	
Others	0.6	0.3	0.3	
Total	35.7	24.9	10.8	
% of Administrative and Selling expenses on net				
revenues	12.9%	10.1%	-	

The net variation between the two periods was an increase of \$10.8\$ The most significant causes are presented below:

- i. An increase of \$ 7.0 million in Contingencies derived from the adjustment, to their current condition, of the balance of the provisions for contingencies related to claims and complaints filed against the Company and from a \$ 2.0 million recovery during the comparative period due to the resolution of a dispute with a Company's customer.
- ii. An increase of \$ 3.3 million in Doubtful accounts despite the fact that the charge for this period is as low as \$ 0.5 million. The remaining \$ 2.8 million increase is due to the fact that in the previous period commercial agreements had been reached with certain customers, so the allowances set up had been reversed;
- iii. An increase of \$ 1.0 million in salaries, wages and other personnel benefits and social security contributions as a result of pay increases granted by the Company during 2008 and 2009, corresponding to inflation adjustment; and
- iv. a decrease of \$ 0.8 million in taxes, rates and contributions. Out of this amount, \$ 1.5 million for a higher control and surveillance rate accrued in favor of ENARGAS and \$ 2.3 million for higher turnover tax accrued on revenues from sales have been offset as a result of the adaptation of the turnover tax base to the litigation with certain customers.

#### I) ANALYSIS OF RESULTS AND FINANCIAL SITUATION (Cont.)

## \* Financial and Holding Results

(in million of pesos)

	Six-month	periods ende	d 06.30.
	2009	2008	Variation \$
Interests and indexing generated by liabilities	(51.6)	(47.1)	(4.5)
Bank commissions, expenses and taxes on banking and			
financial operations	(5.4)	(5.1)	(0.3)
Result of repurchases of debt	-	1.1	(1.1)
Subtotal financial result generated by liabilities			
before exchange rate differences	(57.0)	(51.1)	(5.9)
Interests, indexing and expenses generated by assets	3.2	1.0	2.2
Holding results generated by assets	2.9	(1.6)	4.5
Results from US\$ forward operations	0.9	-	0.9
(Loss) income on discounting of non-current and			
current assets	(13.4)	1.7	(15.1)
Subtotal financial result generated by assets before			
exchange rate differences	(6.4)	1.1	(7.5)
Exchange rate differences:			
Generated by liabilities	(124.0)	46.1	(170.1)
Generated by assets	26.4	(8.1)	34.5
Subtotal exchange rate differences	(97.6)	38.0	(135.6)
Total	(161.0)	(12.0)	(149.0)

The net variation of \$149.0\$ million of higher loss between the compared periods was principally generated by the following variations:

- i. The main variation is a loss of \$ 170.1 million on the differences in the exchange rate in view of the depreciation of the peso against the US dollar at June 30, 2009 compared to December 31, 2008. The exchanges rates were US\$ 1 = \$ 3.797 and \$ 3.453, respectively, that is a variation of approximately 10%. At June 30, 2008 and December 31, 2007, exchange rates had been US\$ 1 = 3.025 and \$ 3.149, respectively. The most important impact is produced in relation to debt balances that amounted to US\$ 364.6 million as of June 30, 2009 and US\$ 351.3 million as of December 31, 2008.
- ii. The asset US dollar positions produced an exchange gain of \$ 34.5 million.
- iii. The loss for \$ 15.1 million principally from the discount at present value on noncurrent accounts receivables.

#### I) ANALYSIS OF RESULTS AND FINANCIAL SITUATION (Cont.)

#### \* Summary of the Statement of Cash Flows

(in million of pesos)

	Six-month period	ls ended 06.30.
	2009	2008
Net (loss) income for the period	(50.8)	45.9
Adjustments to arrive to cash net flow arising from operating		
activities	247.5	116.6
Subtotal	196.7	162.5
Net changes in operating assets and liabilities	(72.4)	(57.1)
Net cash flows generated by operating activities	124.3	105.4
Temporary investments granted as quarantee	(14.6)	_
Purchase of fixed assets	(8.5)	(16.3)
Net cash flows used in investing activities	(23.1)	(16.3)
Payment and repurchase of debt	-	(54.5)
Court attachments and deposits	(27.6)	-
Interest paid	-	(41.7)
Net increase in customer advances	2.9	0.2
Net cash used in financing activities	(24.7)	(96.0)
Financial and holding result generated by (used in) cash and		
cash equivalents	16.4	(5.5)
Net increase (decrease) in cash	92.9	(12.4)
Cash and cash equivalents as of beginning of the year	153.0	64.1
Cash and cash equivalents as of end of the period	245.9	51.7

(in million of pesos)

	As of 0	5.30.
	2009	2008
Cash and cash equivalents		
Cash and banks	120.1	11.7
Mutual funds in \$ (1)	21.0	3.9
Time deposits in \$	10.7	-
Time deposit in US\$	37.6	-
Short term investments in US\$ - Euroclear	-	36.1
Republic of Argentina Central Bank Notes (NOBAC's) (2)	1.0	-
Stock exchange securities in \$	55.5	-
Cash and cash equivalents as of end of the period	245.9	51.7

- (1) In 2009 does not include \$ 8.4 million that have been granted as guarantee and thus, have not been considered as cash equivalents.
- (2) In 2009 does not include \$ 5.1 million that have been granted as guarantee and thus, have not been considered as cash equivalents.

# II) MAYOR EVENTS FOR FISCAL 2009 AND BUSINESS PROSPECTS

## \* Financial aspects

# The postponement of payments of the financial debt and proposal for its restructuring $% \left( 1\right) =\left( 1\right) \left( 1\right) +\left( 1\right) +\left( 1\right) \left( 1\right) +\left( 1\right)$

Having lapsed less than 120 days of the decision of postponing the payment of principal and interest due in December 2008, the Board of Directors of TGN approved a debt restructuring proposal to regularize the situation of the financial creditors.

On April 23, 2009, TGN announced the presentation of a swap offer and requested an Out-of-court reorganization agreement ("APE") aimed at the total restructuring of its financial liabilities, as described largely in Note 10 to the Company's financial statements.

#### II) MAYOR EVENTS FOR FISCAL 2009 AND BUSINESS PROSPECTS (Cont.)

#### \* Financial aspects (Cont.)

Additionally, the impacts an potential consequences of the postponement of payments of the financial debt are presented in Note 11.

#### \* Commercial issues

The main commercial issues which impact on the future prospects of the TGN business and on which further information has been provided in the Notes to the June 30, 2009 interim financial statements of the Company are the following:

The Argentine economic context (Note 1.b); the pending renegotiation of rates charged for TGN's regulated business (Note 1.c.iii); the decline in revenues from carried gas for export (Note 1.c.v); the commercial situation with the customer AES Paraná (Note 13.c); the redirecting of the gas carrying capacity (Note 13.f)); the commercial situation with the customer Eléctrica Santiago S.A. (Note 13.h)); with the customer YPF S.A. (Note 13.i)) and with the customer Metrogas Chile (Note 13.l)).

#### Commercial startup of the Quintero liquid natural gas plant (Chile)

According to announcements by various means of communication, the liquefied natural gas terminal facilities situated in Bahía de Quintero, in Chile, would become commercially operational in August 2009. Once the plant has been placed into service, both Santiago and the 5th Region may have access to natural gas supply with regard to the imports from Argentina. The startup of the gas plant could possibly result in conflicts in relation to the exportation contracts entered into with customers in that country which have already started to raise objections to the terms thereof in view of the export restrictions imposed by the Argentine authorities.

Notwithstanding this, the natural gas carriage contracts TGN has with Chilean customers are in full force and effect, which is independent of the natural gas available at the gas pipeline intake. Further, TGN has not been notified of any process for discontinuing or reducing the current dispatches of natural gas towards that destination.

#### III) COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET STRUCTURE AT JUNE 30, 2009, 2008, 2007, 2006 and 2005

(in million of pesos) As of 06.30. 2009 2008 2007 2006 2005 391 181 193 443 Current Assets 698 2,386 2,367 2,459 Non-current Assets 2,503 2,519 2,548 2,777 2,652 3,217 2,946 Current Liabilities 1,493 187 222 1,693 1,295 57 1,003 1,137 Non-current Liabilities 717 747 1,550 1,190 1,359 Subtotal 2,410 2.042 Shareholders' Equity 1,358 1,293 1,227 807 904 2,777 2,548 2,652 3,217 2,946 Total

IV) COMPARATIVE STRUCTURE OF RESULTS FOR THE SIX-MONTH PERIODS ENDED JUNE 30, 2009, 2008, 2007, 2006 and 2005

(in million of pesos)
month periods ended 06.30.

	Six-month periods ended 06.30.				
	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
Ordinary operating income	90.4	93.8	101.5	88.0	74.8
Financial and holding results, net	(161.0)	(12.0)	(65.1)	(140.8)	(46.4)
Gain from equity investments, net	1.3	0.6	1.0	0.5	-
Gain on debt restructuring	-	-	-	0.4	3.8
Other income (expenses), net	4.2	1.4	0.3	(1.1)	(3.2)
Income before income tax	(65.1)	83.8	37.7	(53.0)	29.0
Income Tax charge	14.3	(37.9)	(22.5)	8.0	(21.5)
Net (loss) income for the period	(50.8)	45.9	15.2	(45.0)	7.5

V) COMPARATIVE STATISTICAL DATA CORRESPONDING TO THE SIX-MONTH PERIODS ENDED JUNE 30, 2009, 2008, 2007, 2006 and 2005

Volume delivered in million of cubic meters:

According to the type of carrying agreement

	Six-month periods ended 06.30.				
	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
Firm transportation Interruptible transportation and	6,685	7,232	7,703	8,172	7,740
exchange and shifting	2,340	1,713	1,617	1,129	1,172
Total	9,025	8,945	9,320	9,301	8,912

According to the type of source

	Six-month periods ended 06.30.							
	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005			
Norte Gas pipeline	3,753	3,624	3,747	3,544	3,569			
Centro-Oeste Gas pipeline	5,272	5,321	5,573	5,757	5,343			
Total	9,025	8,945	9,320	9,301	8,912			

VI) COMPARATIVE INDICATORS AT JUNE 30, 2009, 2008, 2007, 2006 and 2005

	Six-month periods ended 06.30.							
	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005			
Current liquidity (1)	0.26	0.97	0.87	0.41	0.34			
Solvency (2)	0.79	1.14	0.95	0.33	0.44			
Freezing Capital (3)	0.86	0.93	0.93	0.78	0.85			

- (1) Current assets over current liabilities
- (2) Shareholders' Equity over total liabilities
- (3) Non-current assets over total assets

Autonomous City of Buenos Aires, August 04, 2009

The Board of Directors Eduardo Ojea Quintana

# Balance Sheets as of June 30, 2009 compared with the year ended on December 2008

(in thousands of Argentine Pesos, except per share amounts)

		June 30, 2009		December 31, 2008
ASSETS				
Current Assets				
Cash and banks	\$	120,088	\$	135,575
Short-term investments (Note 18.(c))		141,075		18,405
Accounts receivables, net (Note 4.a))		58,304		55,695
Other receivables, net (Note 4.b))		58,880		23,237
Materials and spare parts, net (Note 4.c))		12,176		12,176
Total Current Assets		390,523	-	245,088
Non-current Assets				
Accounts receivables, net (Note 4.a))		63,307		36,202
Other receivables, net (Note 4.b))		201,516		184,228
Materials and spare parts, net (Note 4.c))		32,494		33,289
Fixed Assets, net (Note 18.(a))		2,061,279		2,115,686
Investments (Note 18.(b))		2,741		1,467
Other assets		25,309		23,291
Total Non-Current Assets		2,386,646		2,394,163
Total Assets	_	2,777,169	_ :	2,639,251
Current Liabilities  Accounts payable (Note 4.d))		20 047		26,388
Debt (Note 10.a))		28,047 1,384,498		1,212,965
Salaries and social security payable		20,963		20,054
Taxes payable (Note 4.e))		17,544		10,839
Customer advances		3,400		503
Others (Note 4.f))		5,480		6,077
Subtotal	_	1,459,932		1,276,826
Contingencies (Note 13 and 18.(d))		33,197		32,008
Total Current Liabilities	_	1,493,129		1,308,834
Non-Current Liabilities	_	1,493,129		1,300,634
Accounts payable (Note 4.d)) Others (Note 4.f))		-		1,492
		19,388		16,858
Subtotal		19,388		18,350
Contingencies (Note 13 and 18.(d))		37,211		33,839
Total Non-Current Liabilities		56,599		52,189
Total Liabilities		1,549,728		1,361,023
Shareholders Equity	_	1,227,441		1,278,228
Total Liabilities and Shareholders´ Equity.	\$	2,777,169	\$ <b>=</b>	2,639,251

# Statements of Operations for the six-month Periods ended June 30, 2009 and 2008

(in thousands of Argentine Pesos, except per share amounts)

		June 30, 2009	June 30, 2008
Net revenues (Note 4.g))	\$	276,154 \$	245,713
Cost of services (Note 18.(f))		(150,047)	(126,968)
Gross Profit	-	126,107	118,745
Selling expenses (Note 18.(f))		(7,226)	(5,855)
Administrative expenses (Note 18.(f))	_	(28,496)	(19,023)
Operating income		90,385	93,867
Gain from equity investments, net		1,274	645
Financial and holding results, net			
Generated by assets:			
Interest and indexing		3,631	1,201
Exchange rate differences		26,425	(8,106)
Others (Note 4.h))	<u>-</u>	(9,969)	(132)
Subtotal		20,087	(7,037)
Generated by liabilities:			
Interest and indexing		(51,592)	(47,115)
Exchange rate differences		(124,034)	46,051
Others (Note 4.h))	_	(5,434)	(3,945)
Subtotal		(181,060)	(5,009)
Other incomes, net (Note 4.i))	_	4,205	1,372
Net (loss) income before income tax		(65,109)	83,838
Income tax charge (Note 7)	_	14,322	(37,884)
Net (loss) income for the period	\$	(50,787) \$	45,954
(Loss) income per share in pesos (Note 6)	•	(0.1156)	0.1046

# Statements of Changes in Shareholders' Equity for the six-month periods ended June 30, 2009 and 2008

(in thousands of Argentine Pesos, except per share amounts)

	Shar	eholders' contrib	utions		Voluntary		Total
_	Common stock	Inflation adjustment of common stock	Total	Legal reserve	reserve for future dividends	Retained earnings	shareholders'
Balances as of December 31, 2007	439,374	506,053	945,427	54,234	252,450	59,651	1,311,762
Resolution adopted by the Ordinary Meeting of Shareholders held on April 22, 2008:							
Setting up of the legal reserve	-	-	-	2,982	-	(2,982)	-
dividend distributions	-	-	-	-	56,669	(56,669)	-
Net income for the period	-	-	-	-	-	45,954	45,954
Balances as of June 30, 2008	439,374	506,053	945,427	57,216	309,119	45,954	1,357,716
Complementary loss for the six-month period up to December 31, 2008	-	-	_	-	-	(79,488)	(79,488)
Balances as of December 31, 2008	439,374	506,053	945,427	57,216	309,119	(33,534)	1,278,228
Resolution adopted by the Ordinary Meeting of Shareholders held on April 28, 2009:							
Partial absorption of the voluntary reserve for future dividend distributions	-	-	-	-	(33,534)	33,534	-
Net loss for the period	_	-	-	-	-	(50,787)	(50,787)
Balances as of June 30, 2009	439,374	506,053	945,427	57,216	275,585	(50,787)	1,227,441

# Statements of Cash Flows for the periods ended June 30, 2009 and 2008

(in thousands of Argentine Pesos, except per share amounts)

		June 30, 2009	June 30, 2008
Cash and cash equivalents as of beginning of the year.	\$	152,961 \$	64,131
Cash and cash equivalents as of end of the period (Note 4.j))		245,878	51,680
Net increase (decrease) in cash		92,917	(12,451)
Net (loss) income of the period  Adjustments to arrive to cash net flow arising from operating activities:		(50,787)	45,954
Income tax		(14,322)	37,884
Depreciation of fixed assets		62,441	61,297
Net book value of fixed assets written off		428	727
Increase in allowances and provisions, net		47,355	13,565
Financial and holding results generated by liabilities		51,592	47,115
Exchange rate differences and other financial results, net		101,345	(43,340)
Gain on equity investments		(1,274)	(645)
Net changes in assets and liabilities:			
Increase in accounts receivable		(70,928)	(35,451)
(Increase) decrease in other receivables		(3,481)	10,004
Decrease (increase) in materials and spare parts and other			
assets		419	(1,560)
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable		167	(8,661)
Increase in salaries and social security payable		909	1,855
Decrease in taxes payable		(1,060)	(20,668)
Increase (decrease) in other payables		1,933	(71)
Decrease in contingencies		(447)	(2,593)
Net cash flows generated by operating activities		124,290	105,412
Cash flows from investing activities			
Short-term investments granted as guarantee		(14,608)	-
Purchase of fixed assets		(8,462)	(16,243)
Net cash used in investing activities		(23,070)	(16,243)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Payment and repurchase of debt		_	(54,511)
Court attachments and deposits (Note 18.(e))		(27,576)	-
Debt interests paid		-	(41,729)
Increase in customer advances		2,897	166
Net cash used in financing activities		(24,679)	(96,074)
Financial and holding results generated by (used in) cash and cash equivalents			
Interests, exchange rate differences and other financial			,
results		16,376	(5,546)
Total financial and holding results generated by (used in) cash	\$	16,376	(5,546)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	ų	92,917 \$	(12,451)

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#### 1. Situation of the Company and regulatory framework

#### (a) Formation of the Company

Transportadora de Gas del Norte S.A. ("the Company" or "TGN") was organized on November 24, 1992 as a result of the enactment of Laws Nos. 23,696 and 24,076 ("Law on Gas") and the issuance of National Executive Branch ("PEN") Decree No. 1,189/92, whereby the privatization of the natural gas transportation and distribution services and the setting up of the companies that would receive the licenses to operate those services were established.

The Company was granted a license (the "License") pursuant to which TGN is authorized to provide the public service of gas transportation through the exclusive utilization of two former Gas del Estado S.E. ("GdE") pipelines in the northern and central-western regions of Argentina.

# (b) Argentine economic context, energy crisis and its impact on the economic and financial position of the Company $\frac{1}{2}$

In view of the major changes in the main macroeconomic variables Argentina has recorded since the end of 2001, as from January 2002 the National Government issued laws, executive orders and regulations that involved a profound change to the then prevailing economic model, which had the following material effects on the Company:

(i) The Public Emergency Law ("LEP") established the pesification of the rates of transportation of natural gas destined for the domestic market and the repeal of the semi-annual adjustment mechanism based on the Producer Price Index ("PPI"). Furthermore, this law authorized the National Executive Branch to renegotiate the public works and services contracts and rates. At the date of issuance of these financial statements, and considering the transitory agreement mentioned in section c.iii) of this Note, no substantial progress has been made regarding rates renegotiation.

Note 1.c) details several issues relating to the rates, the License and the implications of the amendments introduced by that law within the Company's regulatory framework.

(ii) As from 2004 the Argentine Government adopted a series of measures to redistribute in the short term the effects of the energy sector crisis derived from a natural gas and electricity shortage. The Energy Secretariat, the Fuel Undersecretariat and the ENARGAS have issued a number of rules establishing precautionary measures to prevent a shortfall in domestic natural gas supply and its effects on the wholesale electricity supply, including measures severely restricting exports of natural gas to first ensure the supply of domestic consumption. The creation of a trust fund was established to finance investments in the expansion of the capacity of the natural gas transport and distribution systems.

TGN considers that these government measures have produced negative results regarding its transportation agreements.

In this way, several contractual disputes with significant impacts regarding export customers (Section c.v) presented below and Note 13.f), h), i) and l)) have been generated by the described situations.

(iii) In April 2004, the National Executive Branch established the creation of the Gas Electronic Market ("MEG") with a view to improving assignment efficiency in the gas industry. Consequently, the spot sales of natural gas and the remaining transport capacity are to be made through this market. Effective May 2005 the MEG started to administer the resale of capacity and services provided by gas distributors.

Until June 30, 2009 no effects have been produced on the revenues from sales recognized by TGN. The Company considers that the start-up of the MEG will

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#### 1. Situation of the Company and regulatory framework (Continued)

# (b) Argentine economic context, energy crisis and its impact on the economic and financial position of the Company (Continued)

have an uncertain effect on income relating to the transported gas sold on that  $\max$ 

- (iv) As indicated in Note 1.c.vi) and in Note 10, on December 22, 2008 the Board of Directors of the Company decided to postpone the payment of the principal and interest installments on the Negotiable Obligations that fell due in December 2008 and 2009 maturities. Furthermore, on December 29, 2008, through Resolution I/587 the ENARGAS established an intervention in TGN for 120 days, as well as a comprehensive audit in charge of the intervener. Upon expiration of such term, the intervention was extended for another 90-day period with a much restricted scope, as explained in Note 1.c)vi) and upon expiration of this new term, on July 28, 2009, TGN was notified of Resolution I/811 of ENARGAS extending the intervention of this agency for a 60-day additional period with the scope mentioned in Note 1.c)vi).
- (v) The change in the economic environment and the legal and regulatory conditions in which the Company is currently operating and the current status of the renegotiation of the License, give rise to uncertainty as to the future net cash that will enable it to recover non-current assets, re-payment of the financial debts, the future development of its business and the normal continuity of the Company's operations.

The impact generated by all the measures adopted so far by the National Government on the balance sheet and financial position of the Company as of June 30, 2009 was calculated on the basis of evaluations and estimates made by the Company's Board of Directors at the date its financial statements were prepared.

The future development of the economic crisis might require that the Government modify some measures adopted or issue additional regulations. However, it is important to remark that actual future results could differ from the evaluations and estimates made at the date preparing these financial statements and these differences could be significant.

#### (c) Regulatory framework

#### c.i) General

The Law on Gas and its regulations, together with the License, the Transfer Agreement, the Bidding Terms and Conditions for the privatization of GdE and the resolutions adopted by the National Gas Regulatory Entity ("ENARGAS") establish the legal framework within which the Company carries out its business activities.

The License was granted for an original term of thirty five years. However, the Natural Gas Act and the License provide that TGN may apply to ENARGAS for a renewal of the License for an additional ten-year term. ENARGAS is required at that time to evaluate the Company's performance and make a recommendation to the Executive Branch of the Argentine Government.

# c.ii) Regulation of transportation rates

The regulatory regime applicable to gas transportation companies is established under the Natural Gas Act and the License. Rates are regulated by ENARGAS. The Law on Gas establishes that rates must cover reasonable operating costs, taxes and amortization charges, enable obtaining reasonable profit margins similar to those derived from other comparable or equivalent risky activities and must be related to the degree of efficiency in the providing of the services.

In accordance with the original conditions of the License, rates were subject to the following until expiration thereof:

(i) Adjustments for the five-yearly review of rates by the ENARGAS, which affect as far as possible the "X" efficiency factor and "K" investment factor, where

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#### 1. Situation of the Company and regulatory framework (Continued)

#### (c) Regulatory framework (Continued)

c.ii) Regulation of transportation rates (Continued)

"X" reduces the rate as a counterpart for increased efficiency and "K" increases rates to encourage unprofitable investments;

- (ii) Non-recurring adjustments to reflect the variations in the costs resulting from changes in tax regulations (except in the case of variations in income tax), and
- (iii) Unplanned adjustments for other objective and justifiable reasons at the discretion of the ENARGAS.

Regarding the rate setting mechanism, as mentioned in Note 1.b), the LEP on Public Emergency established the pesification of the rates of transportation of natural gas destined for the domestic market and the repeal of the semi-annual adjustment mechanism based on the PPI.

#### c.iii) License

Under the provisions of LEP, the Argentine Government is entitled to renegotiate the terms of the licenses granted for the provision of public services based on the following criteria:

- The impact of the rates on the competitiveness of the economy and the distribution of people's income;
- The quality of the services and the investment plans, as contractually agreed;
- The customers' interests and accessibility to the services;
- The safety of the systems; and
- The profitability of the companies.

At present, the Unit for the Renegotiation and Analysis of Public Utility Services Contracts ("UNIREN") is responsible for the renegotiation process. This Unit was created in July 2003 within the jurisdiction of the Ministries of Economy and Production ("MEP") and Federal Planning, Public Investment and Services ("MPFIPyS"). Law No. 25,790 dated October 2003 established that the decisions to be made by the PEN throughout the renegotiation process would not be limited to or conditioned by the stipulations contained in the regulatory frameworks for the concession or license contracts involving the respective public utility services.

As from March 2005 various public hearings were called to deal with the adaptation proposals formulated by the UNIREN or the preliminary agreements reached between the companies and the UNIREN, as the case may be. The hearing attended by TGN was held on May 18, 2005, at which only a unilateral proposal that had been formulated by the UNIREN in July 2004 and that TGN considers unsatisfactory was analyzed. So far, the Company has not been able to negotiate or reach any agreement with the UNIREN considered reasonable for TGN.

TGN considers that the main obstacle to reach a complete renegotiation agreement is the National State's insistence that an indemnity provision be added for its benefit, under which the effects of judgments or arbitration awards requiring Argentina to pay indemnifications supported by the LEP on the License would be transferred to TGN.

Although until August 2008 there was no significant progress on the renegotiation process of the License, on September 16, 2008, the Company received from UNIREN a proposal for a temporary agreement ("Temporary Agreement") envisaging a transition tariff regime as from September 1, 2008 on which a 20% increase is applied to the remuneration of the ruled domestic activity of TGN in force at August 31, 2008.

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#### 1. Situation of the Company and regulatory framework (Continued)

#### (c) Regulatory framework (Continued)

c.iii) License (Continued)

The proposal has been approved by the Board of Directors of TGN and the Temporary Agreement has been subscribed by TGN on October 7, 2008, ad referendum of the Extraordinary Shareholders' Meeting, which ratified the subscription on December 4, 2008.

The Temporary Agreement establishes that TGN will assign the rights of the resulting incremental revenue to a specific fund that will be set up as a trust for the payment of works and/or tasks detailed in a document attached to the Temporary Agreement.

The Temporary Agreement assumed that at December 31, 2008, Law 25,561 would no longer be effective, which did not occur since the that law will actually be in force until December 31, 2009. Consequently, by that date the parties should had agreed on the methodology, term and time of the execution of an Overall Contractual Renegotiation Minute. Otherwise, the Executive Branch, if it deems it convenient, would rule on the enforcement of the Temporary Agreement and, in turn, UNIREN would make the necessary recommendations to the Executive Branch pursuant to section 1 subsection e) of Decree No. 311/03 and section 11 of the Joint Resolution No. 188/03 and No. 44/03 of the Ministries of Economy and Planning.

In spite of what has been previously mentioned, the Temporary Agreement has no been ratified by the Executive Branch yet. Consequently, it has not been in force at the date of issuance of these financial statements. As of June 30, 2009 the Temporary Agreement proposal have not produced any economic effect.

At the date of issue of these interim financial statements no significant progress had been made to ensure compliance with the objective to sign a comprehensive agreement in the short term. Furthermore, it cannot be assured that the final outcome of the renegotiation will effectively restore the balance of the License and award a fair redress to TGN for the damage suffered as a result of the LEP.

#### c.iv) Technical assistance agreement

Within its regulatory framework, TGN receives auditing assistance and technical assistance from its shareholders and their related companies. Such assistance covers issues relating to system performance, security, environment, preventive maintenance, in-house procedures, training, information technology systems and compliance with certain international standards governing the gas transportation industry.

The contract for Auditing and Technical Assistance currently in force, with the latest amendment made in February 2006, will expire on December 31, 2017. In consideration for the services under the contract, an annual compensation is envisaged, which shall be the higher of (i) US\$ 3,000,000 or (ii) 7% of EBIT for each year. During the current period, the corresponding portion of the US\$ 3,000,000 minimum compensation has been accrued.

Certain restrictions and limitations regarding the payment of the mentioned compensation are described in Note  $10\,$ .

In consideration of the decision to postpone the due dates of TGN financial debt adopted on December 22, 2008, the Board of Directors resolved to temporarily suspend effective December 31, 2008 the payments of fees envisaged in the Contract for Technical Assistance and Assistance to the Audit Area.

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#### 1. Situation of the Company and regulatory framework (Continued)

#### (c) Regulatory framework (Continued)

c.v) Decrease in revenues from carriage of gas for export

At the end of fiscal year 2008, approximately 50% of TGN revenues (in pesos) derived from contracts for the carriage of natural gas to Chile, Brazil and Uruguay, at US dollar-denominated rates PPI-adjusted semiannually.

Effective February 2004, the Argentine government adopted a series of measures which still apply, to ensure a natural gas supply sufficient to satisfy domestic demand.

These measures, which involve restrictions on exports of gas, have increasingly limited the sales of gas abroad. Consequently, the use of the firm carriage capacity hired by loaders for export has gradually and decreased.

During fiscal year 2008 and first months of 2009, 20% of that carriage capacity was used on average. As a result, all exporting loaders stated that they were experiencing difficulty in continuing to pay the fixed cost of reservation of gas carriage capacity, or ceased to pay the rate in whole or in part (such as Eléctrica Santiago S.A. and YPF S.A., respectively), paid under protest (Gasoducto Norandino S.A. and Colbun S.A.) initiated legal action to obtain the rescission without negligence of the carriage contracts in effect (such as Eléctrica Santiago S.A.) or have announced their intention to file action for rate adjustment under the contractual terms, with a resolution in the alternative (Compañía Eléctrica San Isidro S.A.), or have started legal action to obtain a reduction of the applicable rate (Metrogás Chile).

Without prejudice to these loaders' contractual obligation to pay for the reservation of firm carriage capacity until expiration of the contract, the behaviors exhibited, in addition to the decline in exportable balances of natural gas, generate uncertainty as to the future collectibility of export customer balances.

ESSA and YPF carry outstanding balances of \$56.8\$ million and \$147.4\$ million, respectively, as of June 30, 2009, so the Company has set up an allowance for \$102.1\$ million to cover the uncollectible amounts due for the carriage service.

In terms of annual revenues (in pesos) these clients represents the 22% of the transportation revenues of the Company.

Ongoing legal disputes with Company's customers are described in Note 13.h), i) and 1).

c.vi) Debt payments postponement and intervention established by the ENARGAS

As explained in Note 10, on December 22, 2008, the Board of Directors of TGN decided that it was necessary for TGN to postpone the principal and interest payments that fell due in December 2008 and future maturities.

Although this decision was made to explicitly maintain the safe and reliable provision by TGN of the public utility natural gas carriage service, as called for by the Gas Law and Section 10 of the LEP, on December 29, 2008, through Resolution I/587 the ENARGAS established the intervention in TGN for 120 days and designated an intervener "with powers of co-administration, surveillance and control of all the usual acts of administration and disposition that may affect the normal provision of the public utility gas carriage service by TGN under the License". By this resolution, the ENARGAS also established that a comprehensive audit should be conducted at TGN.

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#### 1. Situation of the Company and regulatory framework (Continued)

#### (c) Regulatory framework (Continued)

 ${\it c.vi}$ ) Debt payments postponement and intervention established by the ENARGAS (Continued)

TGN considered that Resolution I/587 was partly illegal on the grounds that the ENARGAS does not have powers to designate an intervener/co-administrator of the licensee companies regulated and controlled by it and subject to Law N° 24,076. TGN also considers that Resolution I/587 is unfounded inasmuch as the decision to postpone the payment of financial obligations does not pose a risk to the provision of the public utility service by the Company. For those reasons, TGN filed a direct appeal against the said resolution with the Federal Court of Appeals on administrative litigation, and requested interim relief from that judicial authority. In this regard, on March 26, 2009 TGN was served notice of the ruling issued by Panel I of that Appellate Court, which resolved: (i) to stay the effects of ENARGAS Resolution I/587 which had established an intervention in TGN and appointed an intervener with powers of company co-administration; (ii) to maintain the control and superintending powers vested in the officer appointed by the ENARGAS with respect to all the acts that may reasonably affect the normal provision of the public utility service by TGN; and (iii) to order the ENARGAS to return to TGN the meeting minutes books that had been withdrawn by the intervener from TGN principal place of business.

By Resolution I/732 of April 28, 2009, the ENARGAS extended for further 90 days the term over which TGN continued to be subject only to surveillance and control of the usual acts of administration and disposition that may affect the normal provision of the gas carriage public utility service under its charge. This period expired on July 27, 2009.

On July 28, 2009, TGN was served notice of Resolution I/811 of ENARGAS extending the intervention of this agency for a 60-day additional period with the scope mentioned in the preceding paragraph.

#### 2. Preparation of financial statements

#### (a) Purpose of these financial statements

The financial statements have been translated from the original Financial Statements for the six-month period ended June 30, 2009 including the summary of information required by General Resolution  $N^{\circ}$  368/01 prepared in Spanish originally issued in Argentina. The translation into English has been made solely for the convenience of English – speaking readers, and certain notes have been rephrased to facilitate the understanding of legislation and the local economic environment. The additional information to the notes to the financial statements required by section 68 of the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange Regulations for local purpose has not been included.

## (b) Basis of preparation and presentation

These financial statements are stated in thousands of pesos, and were prepared in accordance with accounting disclosure and valuation standards contained in Technical Pronouncements issued by the Argentine Federation of Professional Councils in Economic Sciences ("FACPCE"), as approved by the Professional Council in Economic Sciences of the Autonomous City of Buenos Aires ("CPCECABA"), and with CNV resolutions.

Furthermore, the provisions of ENARGAS Resolution No. 1,660/00 (as amended by Resolution No. 1,903/00) regulating certain valuation and disclosure criteria for the regulated natural gas transport and distribution activity have been applied. These criteria are similar to those established by professional accounting standards in force.

A limited review was performed on the financial statements corresponding to the six-month periods ended June 30, 2009 and 2008. The Company's Board of Directors estimates that they include all the necessary adjustments to reasonably disclose the results for each period. The results of the six-month periods ended

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#### 2. Preparation of financial statements (Continued)

#### (b) Basis of preparation and presentation (Continued)

June 30, 2009 and 2008 do not necessarily reflect the proportion of the results of the Company for the complete financial years.

#### (c) Presentation of financial statements in constant Argentine Pesos

The financial statements have been prepared in constant currency recognizing the overall effects of inflation through August 31, 1995. Restatement of financial statements was discontinued from that date to December 31, 2001, according to accounting standards. From January 1, 2002 to March 1, 2003 the effects of inflation were recognized due to the existence of an inflationary period. As from that date, restatement of financial statements was discontinued again.

The criterion required by the CNV differs from that previously required by professional accounting standards in force, under which financial statements were to be restated until September 30, 2003. Nevertheless, at June 30, 2009 this deviation has not had a significant impact on the financial statements of TGN. The rate used for restatement of items for the pertinent year was the internal wholesale price index, issued by Instituto Nacional de Estadísticas y Censos.

#### (d) Use of estimates

The preparation of these financial statements requires the Board of Directors of the Company to make estimates that affect the amounts of contingent assets and liabilities disclosed at the date of issuance of these interim financial statements, as well as the revenues and expenses recorded in the pertinent period.

The Company's Board of Directors makes estimates to be able to calculate at a given time the allowance for doubtful accounts, depreciation charges, the recoverable value of assets, the income tax charge and provisions for contingencies. Future actual results may significantly differ from those estimates and assessments made at the date these financial statements were prepared.

The changes in the economic environment, the legal and regulatory framework in which the Company is currently operating, the current status of the renegotiation of the License and the consequences of the gas supply shortage (mentioned in Note 1) affect Board of Directors' estimates. There can be no assurance as to the future net cash inflows sufficient to recover the net book value of non-current assets, the payment of the financial liabilities, the future development of its business and the normal continuity of the Company's operations.

#### (e) Comparative Information

The figures at June 30, 2008 and December 31, 2008 that are disclosed in these financial statements for comparative purposes arise from financial statements at these dates.

Also, certain reclassifications of the comparative information have been made to conform to the current period presentation.

## 3. Summary of significant accounting policies

Below is a detail of the most important accounting standards and policies used by the Company in preparing these financial statements, which have been applied consistently with those as of March 31, 2008 and December 31, 2008.

#### (a) Cash and banks

Cash and banks are stated at nominal value.

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#### 3. Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)

#### (b) Foreign currency assets and liabilities

Foreign currency assets and liabilities have been valued at period/year end exchange rates.

#### (c) Short-term investments

Short-term investments in mutual funds have been valued at the prices of units at the end of each period. Government securities, Republic of Argentina Central Bank Notes (NOBAC's) and Stock Exchange securities have been valued at estimated net realizable value. Time deposits and US Treasury Bills have been valued considering nominal invested capital plus accrued interests up to the end of the period / year.

#### (d) Accounts receivables, net and Accounts payable

Non-current trade receivables have been valued on the basis of the best estimate of the amount to be collected, discounted at a discount rate to reflect the time value of money and the specific risks associated with the transaction estimated at the time of its addition to assets and considering the estimated collection term.

The rest of the accounts receivables and the accounts payable have been stated at nominal value. The values thus obtained do not differ significantly from those that would have been obtained if they have been valued at the cash price estimated at the transaction date plus interest and implicit financial components accrued at the internal rate of return determined at that time.

### (e) Other receivables, net and other liabilities

Other non-current receivables, prepaid expenses and other receivables of a similar nature have been valued on the basis of the best estimate of the sum to be used, discounted at a rate reflecting the time value of money and the specific risks attaching to the transaction estimated at the date of their addition to assets. The assets and liabilities derived from deferred tax and minimum presumed income tax have been stated at nominal value.

Other sundry receivables and liabilities have been stated at nominal value plus financial results accrued at period / year end, where applicable. The values thus obtained do not differ significantly from those that would have been obtained if they have been valued based on the best estimate of the amount receivable and payable, respectively, discounted at a rate reflecting the time value of money and the specific risks attaching to the transaction estimated at the date of their addition to assets and liabilities.

## (f) Investments

The investments in the foreign related companies Comgas Andina S.A. ("COMGAS") and Companhia Operadora de Rio Grande do Sul ("COPERG") have been valued according to the equity method of accounting, on the basis of the financial statements of those companies as of June 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008 (Note 18.(b)).

The professional accounting standards used by those foreign related companies in the preparation of their financial statements are similar in all material respects to those used by the Company.

The Company has decided to fully cover with an allowance its investment in the Brazilian company COPERG because that business fell short of expectations. This company had been originally established to provide operation and maintenance services involving the gas pipeline that would extend from Uruguayana to Porto Alegre. The construction of this pipeline has been postponed and the possibility of this infrastructure work being actually performed is unknown. At present, the service provided by COPERG is limited to a region adjoining the Brazilian-Argentine

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#### 3. Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)

#### (f) Investments (Continued)

border. Consequently, it is estimated that the reduced level of activity of that company will not allow recovering the value of the investment in it.

#### (g) Materials and spare parts, net

Materials and spare parts are stated at replacement cost. Where necessary, provision is made for obsolete, slow moving or defective inventory. Materials and spare parts have been broken down into current and non-current on the basis of the estimated consumption plan approved by the Company's Board of Directors.

Considering the economic and financial projections prepared by the Company based on their best estimates as pointed out in Note 2.d), and the resolution of the uncertainties mentioned in Notes 1.b) and 1.c), the book value of materials and spare parts does not exceed their recoverable value.

#### (h) Fixed assets, net

Fixed assets received from GdE have been valued at their transfer price stated in the Transfer Agreement. The assets acquired or built after the takeover date have been valued at acquisition or construction cost, including the costs of materials, labor and overheads.

The Company has considered as elements forming part of the value of addition to assets of fixed assets the net costs of financing investment works with third parties' capital, the construction of which extends over time, until they are placed into service.

All amounts have been restated for inflation in accordance with applicable regulations (see Note 2.c)), and are disclosed net of their accumulated depreciation.

Accounting and tax depreciation charges are calculated according to the straight line method at annual rates sufficient to extinguish the original values at the end of their useful lives. In determining the useful life, the ENARGAS regulations have been considered, among other parameters.

Furthermore, from 2005 to June 30, 2009 a pipeline recoating campaign was carried out over a length of 191.4 km. In accordance with ENARGAS Resolutions Nos. 1,660/00 and 1,903/00, \$ 64.4 million were capitalized, becoming part of the Company's Essential Fixed Assets and, consequently, of its Tariff Base.

Considering the economic and financial projections prepared by the Company on the basis of the best estimate in accordance with the guidelines stated in Note 2.d) and the resolution of the uncertain situations mentioned in Notes 1.b) and 1.c), the aggregate fixed asset book value does not exceed recoverable value. In this regard, the Company regularly monitors the performance of the variables considered in those projections to analyze the impact they may have on the recoverability of essential fixed assets.

## (i) Other assets-Gas stored

Gas stored in pipelines is stated at replacement value plus the average cost of transportation, which does not exceed its recoverable value.

#### (i) Debt

Under professional accounting standards, loans are to be valued on the basis of the best estimate of the amounts payable discounted at the internal rates of return determined at the beginning of the transaction.

In view of the circumstances described in Note 10, at June 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008 loans have been stated at nominal value of principal, interests and penalties accrued calculated at the contractual rates.

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#### 3. Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)

#### (k) Income tax

The Company has recognized the income tax charge according to the deferred tax method, thus considering the timing differences between measurements of accounting and taxable assets and liabilities. The main timing differences stem from the provisions for contingencies, the allowance for doubtful accounts, disputed amounts and the materials and spare parts obsolescence allowance, and from the valuation and useful life of fixed assets.

For purposes of determining the deferred assets and liabilities, the tax rate that is expected to be in force at the moment of their reversal or use has been applied to the timing differences identified and tax loss carry-forwards, under the legal regulations enacted at the date of issue of these financial statements.

#### (1) Minimum presumed income tax (MPIT)

The Company is subject to a tax on minimum presumed income. This tax is supplementary to income tax. The tax is calculated by applying the effective tax rate of 1% on certain production assets valued according to the tax regulations in effect as of the end of each year. The Company's tax liabilities will be the higher of these two taxes. However, if the tax on minimum presumed income exceeds income tax during one fiscal year, such excess may be computed as a prepayment of any income tax excess over the tax on minimum presumed income that may arise in the next ten fiscal years.

The Company has recognized the notional minimum income tax accrued during the period ended June 30, 2009 and the tax paid in previous years as a credit, due to the fact that it estimates that in future fiscal years it may be able to record it as a payment on account of income tax. The aforementioned credit has been recorded at its nominal value.

## (m) Allowances and provisions

- Allowance for doubtful accounts (charged to Selling Expenses): set up on the basis of an individual analysis of the recoverability of the receivables portfolio.
- Allowance for disputed amounts (charged to Net Revenues): set up on the basis of an individual analysis of the recoverability of the receivables portfolio.
- Allowance for slow-moving and obsolete spare parts and materials (charged to Cost of Services) has been set up in accordance with TGN policies on those materials and other items which remain in stock of inventories for security and regular maintenance purposes, and have recorded no turnover over a period of time.
- Provision for contingencies (charged to Administrative Expenses and Selling Expenses, according to their nature): set up to cover possible payments claimed from the Company under lawsuits to which it is a defendant.

# (n) Shareholders' equity accounts

The account "Common stock" is shown at its historical nominal value. The difference between common stock stated in constant currency and the historical nominal capital stock is shown under "Inflation Adjustments of common stock", making up the shareholders' equity.

The voluntary reserve for future dividends and retained earnings (accumulated deficit) have been restated in accordance with the guidelines indicated in Note 2.c).

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#### 3. Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)

#### (o) Profit and loss accounts

Statements of operation accounts have been stated in nominal currency except for: (i) charges for used assets (fixed assets depreciation and disposals), calculated according to the values of those assets; (ii) results from equity investments, calculated by the equity method of accounting and (iii) the use of inventories and the charge for spare parts, slow-moving and obsolete consumption materials determined based on the value of those assets.

### (p) Revenue recognition

Firm transportation revenues are recognized based on the accrued contracted capacity reserved regardless of actual usage. For interruptible transportation service contracts, revenues are recognized upon the delivery of natural gas. For operating and maintenance service contracts, revenues are recognized when services are provided.

Decrees No. 292/95, 1,520/98 and 814/01 of the Argentine Government provided for a reduction in certain social security benefits paid by companies. However, Resolution 234/95 of ENARGAS stated that gas transportation companies should pass this benefit through their customers via a reduction in their monthly billings. The benefits passed by the Company on to the customers have been disclosed under a net revenues line adjustment account.

The Company records an allowance for differences between the total amount invoiced and the estimate of the recoverability of certain balances in contractual and regulatory dispute, such as the cases described in Note 13.f), h), i) and Note 1.c.v) to these financial statements (redirection of gas), fines and indexadjustments. These allowances are recorded adjusting the net revenues line.

Total gross revenue taxes are included in selling expenses for all periods indicated. Following ENARGAS resolutions, the effect of gross revenue tax rates are passed through the customers via an increase in the monthly billings for regulated services.

Revenues from Management Contract fees relating to gas trust programs (as described in Note 15.b)) have been recognized on the basis of the estimated degree of progress of the respective jobs and the portion incurred of the expenses budgeted for them.

# (q) Balances and transactions with related parties

Intercompany receivables and liabilities arising from sundry transactions with the controlling shareholder, foreign related parties and other related parties have been valued according to the conditions agreed by the parties involved.

As for the information presented in Note 5, foreign related parties' shareholders (see Note 3.f)), TGN's shareholders, shareholders of Gasinvest S.A. (TGN's controlling shareholder) and Transportadora de Gas del Mercosur S.A. have been considered as related parties. Additionally, directors and syndics have been considered as "Personnel who play a key role in Company's management".

Also, TGN is to comply with a series of negative covenants under its current financial agreements. Restrictions on operations with related parties are described in Note 10.

### r) Derivative instruments

The Company has conducted in the period certain transactions with derivative products to reduce the risks of the peso/US dollar exchange rate fluctuations. These derivative products have been stated at period-end market value and the gain from these transactions amounts to \$ 0.9 million, which has been charged to financial and holding results for the period. The contracts in force until June 30, 2009 to protect against exposure to those fluctuations in the peso/US dollar exchange rate correspond to purchase transactions for US\$ 29.5 million.

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# 4. Breakdown of the main accounts

		June 30, 2009		December 31, 2008
a) Accounts receivable, net	-		_	
Current				
Gas transportation services				
Billed				
Distributors	\$	17,090	\$	15,771
Industrial		30,017		34,515
Generators		13,894		8,567
Unbilled	-	33,720	_	35,614
Subtotal  Other services		94,721		94,467
Billed		2,077		654
Unbilled	_	3,593	_	1,600
Subtotal		5,670		2,254
Allowance for doubtful accounts (Note 18.(d))		(9,023)		(8,778)
Allowance for disputed amounts (Note 18.(d))	_	(33,064)	_	(32,248)
Total	\$	58,304	\$	55,695
Non Current				
Gas transportation services Billed				
Industrial	\$	112,528	\$	64,452
Generators		43,447	·	24,811
Unbilled		9,436		8,890
Subtotal	-	165,411	_	98,153
Allowance for disputed amounts (Note 18.(d))		(102,104)		(61,951)
Total	\$	63,307	\$	36,202
b) Other receivables, net Current Gas transportation services				
VAT, net	\$	_	Ś	313
Tax credits - witholdings and perceptions		2,142	٧	2,015
Court attachments and deposits		32,100		2,015
Turnover tax		1,500		_
Directors' and management fees (Note 5)		1,406		1,759
Prepaid expenses		4,343		5,225
Receivables from transactions on behalf of third				
parties and sundry	_	5,524	_	5,007
Subtotal	_	47,015	_	14,319
Other services	ċ		÷	
Management fees - Gas Trust Program (Note 15.a) and .b))	\$	824	\$	1,338
Receivable with controlling shareholder (Note 5)		8		8
Foreign related parties (Note 5)		639		613
Other related parties (Note 5)		1,781		230
Receivables from transactions on behalf of third				
parties		3,073		2,962
Advances to employees		1,090		1,193
Receivables from sundry sales		4,647		3,460
Subtotal	_	872 12,934	_	9,804
Allowance for doubtful accounts (Note 18.(d))		(1,069)		(886)
Total	\$	58,880	\$	23,237
Non-current	=	,	_	
Gas transportation services				
Deferred tax asset, net (Note 7)	\$	96,296	\$	74,209
Minimum presumed income tax (Note 7)		94,071		92,638

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# 4. Breakdown of the main accounts (Continued)

4. Breakdown of the main accounts (Continued)		June 30, 2009		December 31, 2008
b) Other receivables, net - Non Current (Continued)				
Gross revenue tax withholdings		113		113
Deposit in escrow and disputed tax payments		7,346		7,316
Guarantee deposits		607		529
Allowance for deposit in escrow and disputed tax				
payments (Note 18.(d))	_	(7,346)		(7,316)
Subtotal	_	191,087		167,489
Other services				
Management contract fees relating to gas trust programs (Note 15)		9,840		15,878
Sundry		589		861
Subtotal	_	10,429		16,739
Total	\$	201,516	\$	184,228
a) Materials and spare parts, not				
c) Materials and spare parts, net Current				
Materials and spare parts	\$	12,176	\$	12,176
Total	_	12,176	_	12,176
Non-current	_			
Materials and spare parts		101,277		101,152
Allowance for slow-moving and obsolescence (Note				
18.(d))		(68,783)	٠, .	(67,863)
Total	\$ _	32,494	Þ	33,289
d) Accounts payable				
Gas transportation services				
Current Suppliers	ė	0.751	ċ	2 020
<del></del>	\$	2,751	\$	2,930
Foreign related parties (Note 5) Importation of natural gas administration trust (Note		-		21
16)		16		2 151
Others related parties (Note 5)		10,469		3,151
Unbilled services Total	_	14,811 28,047		20,286 <b>26,388</b>
Non-Current	_	20,047		20,500
Others related parties (Note 5)		_		1,492
Total	s —	_	Ś	1,492
	٠ <u> </u>		٧.	1,492
e) Taxes payable				
VAT, net	\$	2,144	\$	_
Turnover tax		-		312
Minimum presumed income tax		8,699		6,267
VAT withholdings		1,097		1,344
Income tax withholdings		5,446		2,622
Gross revenue tax withholdings		158	_	294
Total	\$	17,544	\$	10,839
f) Others				
Current				
Easements	\$	3,615	\$	3,900
Directors' and management fees (Note 5)	•	1,699		2,012
Customer's warrants and others		166		165
	_		-	
Total Non-current	_	5,480	: :	6,077
Easements		19,388		16,858
Total	\$	19,388	\$	16,858
	· <u> </u>	-5,555		

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## 4. Breakdown of the main accounts (Continued)

		June 30, 2009		June 30, 2008
g) Net revenues	_			
Gas transportation services				
Gas transportation services	\$	291,380	\$	252,161
(Note 3.(p))	_	(826) (38,019)	_	(895) (20,058)
Subtotal  Other services	_	252,535	_	231,208
Pipeline O&M services		15,516		12,341
Management fees - Gas Trust Program (Note 15)		8,103	_	2,164
Subtotal		23,619	_	14,505
Total	\$	276,154	\$	245,713
h) Financial and holding results, net:				
Generated by assets:				
Bank commissions and expenses	\$	(348)	\$	(281)
Holding results		2,937		(1,587)
Results from US\$ forward operations (Note 3.(r))		870		-
Loss on discounting of non-current and current assets	_	(13,428)	_	1,736
Total	_	(9,969)	_	(132)
Generated by liabilities:				
Bank commissions, expenses and taxes on banking and				
financial operations		(5,501)		(5,093)
Result of repurchases of debts		-		1,079
liabilities		2		23
Discounts		65		46
Total	\$	(5,434)	\$	(3,945)
i) Other income, net			_	
Result of disposal of fixed assets	\$	140	\$	(448)
Net income from sundry sales and others	Ÿ	3,730	Ÿ	317
Net income from service projects sales		332		1,157
Recovery of contingencies		332		347
Donations		-		(1)
Total	\$	4,205	\$	1,372
j) Cash and cash equivalents:				
Cash and banks	\$	120,088	\$	11,720
Mutual funds in \$ (1)		20,974		3,881
Time deposits in \$		10,720		-
Time deposit in US\$		37,570		_
Short-term investments in US\$ - Euroclear		_		36,079
Republic of Argentina Central Bank Notes (NOBAC's) (2)		1,068		_
Stock exchange securities in \$		55,458	_	
Cash and cash equivalents as shown in the statements of Cash flows	\$ _	245,878	\$	51,680

<sup>(1)</sup> In 2009 does not include \$ 8.4 million that have been granted as guarantee and thus, have not been considered as cash equivalents.

<sup>(2)</sup> In 2009 does not include \$ 5.1 million that have been granted as guarantee and thus, have not been considered as cash equivalents.

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#### 5. Balances and transactions with related parties

### Balances with related parties

Balances with related parties		
	June 30,	December 31,
	2009	2008
Accounts receivable:		
Other related parties	\$ 1,911	\$ 581
Other receivables:		
Current:		
Receivable with controlling shareholder (Note 4.b))	8	8
Foreign related parties (Note 4.b))	639	613
Other related parties (Note 4.b))	1,781	230
Directors' and management fees (Note 4.b))	1,406	1,759
Accounts payable:		
Current:		
Foreign related parties (Note 4.d))	_	21
Other related parties (Note 4.d))	10,469	3,151
Non-Current:		
Other related parties (Note 4.d))	-	1,492
Others:		
Directors' and management fees (Note 4.f))	1,699	2,012
Transactions with related parties		
	June 30,	June 30,
	2009	2008

	June 30,		June 30,
	2009		2008
Controlling shareholder:	•		
Other income	13	\$	13
Foreign related parties:			
Net revenues	43		56
Cost of services	(16)		(25)
Other related parties:			
Net revenues	1,543		1,345
Cost of services	(6,709)		(7,961)
Full expenses by third party account	112		132
Directors' and management fees:			
Fees for Directory and the Committee of Syndics $(\text{Note } 18.(f))$	(526)		(942)
Professional fees	-		(312)

## 6. Income per share

Income per ordinary share have been calculated as the quotient obtained by dividing the results for the periods ended June 30, 2009 and 2008, by the weighed average of outstanding ordinary shares, which made a total of 439,373,939 shares at those dates.

At June 30, 2009 and 2008 there are no debt securities convertible into shares, so no diluted earnings per share have been disclosed.

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#### 7. Income tax and MPIT

A breakdown of the Company's deferred tax assets and liabilities as of June 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008 are presented below:

	June 30, 2009		December 31, 2008
Deferred tax assets and liabilities:		_	
Accounts receivable	\$ 62,920	\$	43,929
Other receivables	9,918		9,935
Fixed assets	(20,716)		(21,617)
Materials and spare parts	24,074		23,752
Other assets	(7,206)		(6,500)
Accounts payable	3,721		1,401
Debt and expenses related to debt restructuring	3,883		5,213
Contingencies	19,702		18,096
Net deferred tax asset	\$ 96,296	\$	74,209

According to General Resolution No. 487/06 of the CNV, and by the application of the professional accounting standards in force as from 2006 (CD Resolution No. 93/05 of the C.P.C.E.C.A.B.A.), the Company chose to recognize the inflation adjustment contained in the accounting valuation of the fixed assets as a permanent difference.

Had there been recognized the inflation adjustment as a temporary difference, the deferred liability would have increased by approximately \$ 346.1 million, and its reversal would have taken place in a total approximate term of 18.5 years, according to the following annual detail:

Year	Inflation adjustment that would be reversed	Effect on the income tax charge	
	Million \$ (projected figures - not audited)		
2009 (III, and IV	1100 a	uaicca)	
quarter)	26.2	9.2	
2010	52.4	18.3	
2011	51.7	18.1	
2012	51.2	17.9	
2013	50.3	17.6	
2014	50.2	17.6	
2015	49.9	17.5	
2016	49.3	17.3	
2017	48.8	17.1	
2018	43.2	15.1	
2019	42.7	14.9	
2020	41.1	14.4	
2021	40.2	14.1	
2022	39.4	13.8	
2023	33.1	11.6	
2024	29.0	10.2	
2025	27.3	9.6	
2026	23.0	8.1	
2027	239.7	83.7	
Total	988.7	346.1	

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#### 7. Income tax and MPIT (Continued)

A reconciliation between current income tax expense and the amounts obtained by applying the Company's statutory income tax rate to pre-tax income is presented below:

		June, 30	June 30,
		2009	2008
Net (loss) income before income tax	\$	(65,109)	\$ 83,838
Income tax rate		35%	35%
Income tax charge at statutory tax rate		22,788	 (29,343)
Permanent differences:			
Inflation adjustment		(9,177)	(9,275)
Gain from equity investments, net		446	226
Others		265	508
Income tax charge	\$	14,322	\$ (37,884)
Current income tax charge	_	(7,765)	 (18,935)
Deferred income tax charge		22,087	(18,949)
Income tax charge	\$	14,322	\$ (37,884)

Below is a reconciliation between the charge to earnings of the period for income tax, and the assessed tax for the period for fiscal purposes:

	06.30.09	06.30.08
Recorded income tax	14,322	(37,884)
Temporary differences:		
Variation in valuation for doubtful accounts	(18,974)	(2,693)
Variation in valuation of fixed assets	(901)	(679)
Variation of the provision for contingencies	(1,606)	1,621
Variation of debt and expenses relating to debt restructuring	1,330	33
Variation of the provision for inventories	(322)	253
Variation of tax loss carryforwards	-	19,851
Other net temporary differences	(1,614)	563
Total tax assessed for fiscal purposes (estimated)	(7,765)	(18,935)

As of June 30, 2009 the Company does not posses any tax loss carryforward. The use of tax loss carryforward balances as of December 31, 2008 is presented below:

Year	Amount	Expires in
Tax loss carryforward of fiscal year 2004	38,447	2009
Tax loss carryforward of fiscal year 2005	18,275	2010
Use during fiscal year 2008	(56,722)	
Total tax loss carryforward accumulated at June 30, 2009	-	

On the other hand, below is a detail of the breakdown of the credit for the minimum presumed income tax accumulated at June 30, 2009:

Year	Amount	Expires in
2002	12,959	2012
2003	14,097	2013
2004	15,366	2014
2005	16,295	2015
2006	12,362	2016
2007	13,426	2017
2008	6,797	2018
2009 (estimated)	8,800	2019
2009 (estimated consumption)	(6,031)	
Balance at the closing of the period (Note 4.b))	94,071	

There have been taken into consideration for the calculation of the deferred tax, the projections of future taxable income. The projections have been built on

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#### 7. Income tax and MPIT (Continued)

the basis of the best estimate, in accordance with the guidelines pointed out in Note 2.d), and taking into consideration the resolution of the uncertainties mentioned in Notes 1.b) and 1.c), referring to the modifications of the Argentine economic context and of the legal and contractual framework in which the Company operates. On the basis of said projections, the book value of the assets for deferred tax and for minimum presumed income tax does not exceed its recoverable value.

#### 8. Segment information

The following table shows additional information about the income statements at June 30, 2009 and 2008 and the main balance sheet captions of the Company at June 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008 segregated by business segment:

	Gas trans			
For the six-month period ended June 30, 2009	services		Others	Total
_	Domestic	Exports		
Net revenues\$  Cost of services, administrative and selling	137,246	115,289	23,619	276,154
expenses (before depreciation)	(93,360)	(18,663)	(11,305)	(123,328)
Depreciation	(52,888)	(9,516)	(37)	(62,441)
Other income, net	3,560	642	3	4,205
Gain from equity investments, net	-	-	1,274	1,274
Financial and holding results, net	(136,344)	(24,532)	(97)	(160,973)
Income tax	31,187	(13,905)	(2,960)	14,322
Net income for the period \$	(110,599)	49,315	10,497	(50,787)

Accounts receivable, net	Gas transportation services		Others	Total
	Domestic	Exports		
Fixed assets, net\$	1,745,903	314,139	1,237	2,061,279
Accounts receivable, net	34,227	81,714	5,670	121,611
Debt	1,172,670	210,997	831	1,384,498
Other net assets	363,405	65,387	257	429,049
Shareholders' equity	970,865	250,243	6,333	1,227,441
Purchase of fixed assets	7,167	1,290	5	8,462
	Gas trans	ortation		

For the six-month period ended June 30,	services		Others	Total
2008	Domestic	Exports		
Net revenues \$	127,389	103,819	14,505	245,713
Cost of services, administrative and				
selling expenses (before depreciation)	(69,184)	(13,396)	(7,969)	(90,549)
Depreciation	(51,919)	(9,342)	(36)	(61,297)
Other income, net	1,162	209	1	1,372
Gain from equity investments, net	-	-	645	645
Financial and holding results, net	(10,203)	(1,836)	(7)	(12,046)
Income tax	1,245	(35,903)	(3,226)	(37,884)
Net income for the period \$	(1,510)	43,551	3,913	45,954

As of December 31, 2008	Gas transportation services		Others	Total
115 OF Becomber 51, 2000	Domestic	Exports		
Fixed assets, net \$	1,791,986	322,431	1,269	2,115,686
Accounts receivable, net	39,520	50,123	2,254	91,897
Debt	1,027,381	184,856	728	1,212,965
Other net assets	240,218	43,222	170	283,610
Shareholders' equity	1,044,343	230,920	2,965	1,278,228
Purchase of fixed assets	38,581	6,942	27	45,550

Net sales and accounts receivable were allocated on the basis of the market of destination.

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#### 8. Segment information (Continued)

Cost of services, selling and administrative expenses (before depreciation) were allocated according to the volume of contracted capacity for geographically defined regions. Income tax was apportioned based on the net income or loss of each segment. Shareholders' equity resulted from the algebraic difference of assets and liabilities. When fixed assets were identified with a geographical region they were apportioned on the basis of the volume of contracted capacity for that region. If no such identification existed, they were apportioned to fixed assets of a similar nature.

The other items have been allocated following the fixed asset criterion.

#### 9. Restricted assets

Certain restrictions with respect to Essential Assets

- (i) A substantial portion of the assets transferred by GdE (mainly pipelines, high-pressure branch lines, compressor plants and high-pressure control and measurement stations), has been defined in the License as "Essential Assets" for the performance of the licensed service. Pursuant to the License, the Company is required to segregate and maintain the Essential Assets, together with any future improvements, in accordance with certain standards defined in License. The Company may not, for any reason, dispose of, encumber, lease, sublease or lend Essential Assets for purposes other than the provision of the licensed service without ENARGAS' prior authorization.
- (ii) The Company has granted short-term investments for \$ 14.6 million as guarantee of certain derivative instruments arranged during the period in order to shorten Argentine peso - US dollar exchange rate fluctuations (Note 3.r) and Note 18.(c)).
- (iii) As established in the financial agreements held for the restructuring of the financial debt in 2006, TGN may not sell assets, unless certain conditions are met, as described in Note 10.
- (iv) As a result of the postponement of the payments of its financial debt (Note 10), at the date of issuance of these financial statements 19 executory proceedings and 4 petitions for bankruptcy are pending against TGN before the commercial courts, under which there are funds subject to court attachments for approximately US\$ 7.5 million at the balance sheet date.

#### 10. Debt

In view of the circumstances indicated in Note 1.b), as from 2002 the Company needed to postpone payment of certain financial debts which included negotiable obligation issue programs and loans from domestic and foreign financial institutions.

In August 2006 TGN publicly launched an offer to exchange its financial debt, which was accepted by 99.94% of creditors of the total debt subject to restructuring and, upon execution of the Out-of-court Reorganization Agreement with the accepting creditors, on September 29, 2006 TGN consummated the exchange privately, without requesting approval from the court.

This pro rata offer consisted of (i) a cash payment of up to US\$ 52.4 million, (ii) the delivery of up to 87,874,754 new Class C Common shares representative of 20% of the Company's Capital to be issued as a result of the capitalization of the US\$ 68.0 million financial debt, (iii) new ordinary non-convertible Class A negotiable obligations for up to US\$ 249,999,970, and (iv) new ordinary non-convertible Class B negotiable obligations denominated in US dollars for US\$ 203,630,111.

The abovementioned issuance of Class C shares was approved by the ENARGAS on June 23, 2006. This amendment was registered with the Public Registry of Commerce on August 18, 2006. The public offering of the Negotiable Obligations under the

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exchange and Class C shares was authorized by CNV Resolution No. 15,466 dated September  $14,\ 2006.$ 

The Negotiable Obligations issued during the 2006 debt restructuring have the following characteristics:

	Ordinary non-convertible Class A negotiable obligations	Ordinary non-convertible Class B negotiable obligations
Amount	VN US\$ 250.0 million	VN US\$ 203.6 million
Due date	December 31, 2012	December 31, 2012
Amortization	They are amortized every six month: at 9% in 2005, 12% during 2006 and 2007, 13.5% in 2008 and 2009, 15% in 2010 and 2011, and 10% in 2012	In a one-off payment
Interest	They accrue interest at an annual rate of 6.0% during 2005, at 6.5% between 2006 and 2010, and at 7.5% during 2011 and 2012, payable quarterly on March 31, June 30, September 30 and December 31 of each year.	They accrue interest at an annual rate of 7.0% during 2005, 7.5% during 2006 y 2007, 8.0% during 2008 y 2009, 9.0% during 2010, 9.5% during 2011 y 10% during 2012, payable quarterly on March 31, June 30, September 30 and December 31 of each year.

The main restrictions under the indebtedness agreements, the terms and conditions of which are detailed in the pertinent Offering Circular under the Negotiable Obligation issue program, which was published at the CNV on September 14, 2006, are the following:

(i) TGN shall use a portion of any excess cash either to mandatory prepayments or market purchase. The proceeds from any prepayment of principal shall be used first in proportion to the reduction of unpaid installments of the Series A negotiable obligations until their exhaustion and, upon redemption of the latter, to redeem Series B negotiable obligations.

Such excess cash is calculated semi-annually on the basis of the cash flow for the period and the computation of the cash balance at the end of the period. This cash shall be allocated to the redemption in advance or purchase of the negotiable obligations subject to the exchange (amount called "creditor's cash surplus"), based on certain proportions defined in the contract, and then to the available basket amount.

The "available basket amount" is the amount in cash that TGN may use for discretional purposes.

Creditor's cash surplus and the available basket amount registered and available at the first semester of 2008 arise to US\$ 1.1 million and \$ 7.9 million, respectively.

- (ii) TGN may not sell assets, unless the sales price is at least equal to the fair market value of those assets or at least 75% of the sales price is collected in cash or cash equivalents. In addition, the proceeds from the sale of an asset are to be used for purchases and/or advance repayments of principal on the negotiable obligations under the exchange, unless the proceeds from those sales are reinvested in new assets within twelve months following the carrying out of the operation.
- (iii) TGN may not make dividend payments if it has incurred in default or if any grounds for default exist or if such payment is in excess of the available basket amount in each calculation period.
- (iv) TGN may incur additional indebtedness for the following items: (a) for a total outstanding principal amount not exceeding US\$ 15 million at any time and

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such indebtedness shall be incurred to finance the Company's business activities; (b) letters of credit, bank acceptances and similar obligations issued in the normal course of business not as security for indebtedness; (c) voluntary refinancing; (d) project finance investment provided that when allocating such indebtedness and the net proceeds thereof, the debt/EBITDA ratio for the latest four fiscal quarters is equal to or lower than 3:1, and the proceeds shall be applied exclusively to the financing of investments in capital goods; (e) TGN's indebtedness that is subordinated to the prior and full payment of the negotiable obligations under the exchange for a total outstanding principal amount not in excess of US\$ 35 million; (f) hedge or exchange rate agreements not entered into for speculative purposes, which will be prudent or necessary to cover or manage the risk attaching to the negotiable obligations under the exchange or to any permitted indebtedness; (g) for the purchase, settlement or payment of non-participating debt.

(v) TGN may incur capital expenditure for the following items: (a) nonprogrammed repair and maintenance of fixed assets or capital goods in case of emergency, taking into account the regulatory requirements, technical breakthroughs or improvements and environmental considerations; (b) maintenance for increasing amounts since 2006, except that if the amount of those investments in a given fiscal year is higher than the investment amount actually incurred, such difference may be added to the amount of permitted investments in maintenance only in the immediately following fiscal year; (c) development, purchase or construction, modification, expansion, enlargement and/or betterments of fixed assets or capital goods, except that such investments shall be made or paid by TGN only to the extent that they are financed or paid with customer advances; (d) investments financed with funds disbursed under permitted indebtedness or the proceeds from the issuance of shares; (e) investments relating to the purchase, construction, modification, development, expansion, enlargement and/or betterments of fixed assets or capital goods, provided that they are financed with the proceeds from the sale or any other type of disposal of fixed assets or capital goods; (f) investments in capital goods required by the Government with certain limitations.

(vi) The technical assistance fee (TAF) for each fiscal year may not exceed 4% of the EBITDA for that year, of which: (1) the amount the Company can pay in cash with funds not belonging to the Available Basket Amount may not exceed US\$ 3 million for the fiscal year, or US\$ 1 million for the fiscal year if an event of default or a ground for default has occurred and is continuing, and (2) all amounts in excess of the maximum established in clause (1) above shall be paid exclusively out of the Available Basket Amount. If in a given fiscal year TGN fails to pay the fees for technical assistance accrued for that fiscal year in full, the unpaid amount may be settled only during the immediately following fiscal year.

(vii) TGN may carry out transactions with related parties (such as purchase, sale, lease or exchange of goods or the providing of services, etc.) only to the extent that those transactions are arranged observing the arm's length principle.

#### December 2008 debt payments postponement

Due to the steady deterioration of the Company's economic and financial equation, which is due to the continuous freezing of domestic rates, together with a fall in revenues from transportation of exports caused by the limitations in the dispatch of gas balances, mentioned in Note 1.c.v), a widespread increase in its costs and the significant growth of the exchange rate at the end of the last year, on December 22, 2008, The Board of Directors of TGN has decided: (i) to prioritize the safe and reliable provision by TGN of the public utility natural gas carriage service; (ii) to adhere to the going concern principle; and (iii) to ensure the equal treatment of all its financial creditors. In view of this, it has been necessary for TGN to postpone the principal and interest payments that fell due in December 2008 for U\$S 15.8 million and U\$S 6.4 million, respectively, and

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#### 10. Debt (Continued)

#### December 2008 debt payments postponement (Continued)

2009 maturities. Interest payment for US\$ 6.1 million fell due in March 31, 2009 and principal installments for US\$ 15.8 million and interest for US\$ 6.1 million fell due on June 30, 2009.

To meet financial covenants, TGN has decided to start preparing a sustainable debt schedule to be submitted to the consideration of creditors, with a view to rescheduling its financial liabilities.

According to currently in force accounting standards and to the International Accounting Standard 1 ("IAS 1") (supplementary to Argentina's accounting standars), defaulted obligations with acceleration clauses are disclosed under current liabilities. In this way, the Company classifies the complete financial debt balances into current liabilities since according to the Trust Agreement regulating the terms and conditions of the restructured Negotiable Obligations, the attempt to obtain the approval from our creditors of an out-of-court reorganization agreement by any means, including the distribution of an offer circular as the one issued by TGN on April 23, 2009, automatically accelerates the maturity of the principal on all the Negotiable Obligations to be restructured, plus unpaid accrued interest, which have automatically fallen due and become claimable.

# Creation of a Global Program for the Issuance of Ordinary Negotiable Obligations, Not Convertible for Shares

Resolutions adopted by the Board of Directors of TGN on December 11, 2007 and by the Ordinary Meeting of Shareholders held on January 22, 2008 established the creation of a new global program for the issuance of ordinary Negotiable Obligations not convertible for shares, which qualify as Negotiable Obligations under the terms of Law No. 23,576 (text pursuant to Law No. 23,962), for a nominal value of up to US\$ 400 million or its equivalent in other currencies at any time. The duration of this Global Program shall be five years counted as from the date of its approval by the Argentine Securities Commission.

On July 17, 2008, CNV's resolution  $\mbox{N}^{\mbox{\scriptsize o}}$  15,928 approved the creation of the abovementioned program.

At June 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008, the breakdown of the Company's loans is as follows:

	06.30.09	12.31.08	
	Thousands of \$		
a) Current	·		
Ordinary non-convertible Class A			
Principal	536,440	487,840	
Interests	26,151	7,927	
Punitive	1,164	-	
Ordinary non-convertible Class B			
Principal	773,184	703,135	
Interests	46,391	14,063	
Punitive	1,168	-	
Total current	1,384,498	1,212,965	
Total Debt	1,384,498	1,212,965	

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#### 10. Debt (Continued)

## Proposal of restructuring of the financial debt

After less than 120 days have elapsed from the decision to postpone the payment of the principal and interest installments that fell due in December 2008, the Board of Directors of TGN approved the debt restructuring proposal to remedy the situation with its financial creditors.

On April 23, 2009 TGN announced that it had made a swap offer and submitted a petition for an Out-of-Court Reorganization Agreement ("APE") aimed at restructuring its entire debt.

Within the framework of the Restructuring Offer, TGN is offering to creditors: (i) new Negotiable Obligations at par without nominal debt reduction for up to an amount equal to the Outstanding Debt, and/or (ii) a cash payment for up to US\$ 30 million (extensible at TGN's sole discretion), as explained in the Offering Circular, in exchange for: (i) the remaining principal of US\$ 141,279,932 on the Series A Negotiable Obligations issued by the Company; (ii) the remaining principal of US\$ 203,630,111 on the Series B Negotiable Obligations issued by the Company; and (iii) US\$ 2,386,014 for the outstanding principal balance of the price due to third party service providers (the "Outstanding Debt").

Option to deliver New Negotiable Obligations at Par

TGN shall swap US\$ 1 of new Negotiable Obligations ("NO") at par without nominal debt reduction, pursuant to the Restructuring Offer, for up to a total amount equal to the debt for each US\$ 1 of principal on the debt. The new NO will fall due in the year 2021, accruing interest at an initial increasing rate of 2% to 6%, with scheduled half-yearly principal repayments as from the seventh year. Interest payments shall be half-yearly as from the issuance of the NO, subject to the terms and conditions of the Restructuring Offer.

Cash payment option

Creditors shall have the option to swap each dollar of principal on the debt for a cash payment of 0.25 dollars. TGN shall destine a total of US\$ 30 million (extensible at TGN's discretion) for this cash payment option, subject to quotas and to the awarding and apportionment mechanism described in the Restructuring Offer.

The term of the Restructuring Offer launched on April 23, 2009 was successively extended until August 25, 2009. TGN continues to negotiate the final restructuring conditions with a committee of creditors that claim to represent more than 55% of the liabilities to be restructured. The consummation of the Restructuring Offer is subject to compliance with the conditions stated in the Information Memorandum.

## 11. Impact and possible implications of the postponement of the payment of the financial debt

Upon the decision adopted by the Board of Directors on December 22, 2008 to defer the payment of financial obligations (see Note 10), TGN prepared a sustainable debt schedule that led to the issuance of a swap offer on April 23, 2009

In view of this, it is important to highlight that according to the Trust Agreement regulating the terms and conditions of the Negotiable Obligations to be rescheduled, the attempt to obtain the approval from our creditors of an out-of-court reorganization plan by any means, including the distribution of an offer circular as the one issued by TGN on April 23, 2009, automatically accelerates the

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## 11. Impact and possible implications of the postponement of the payment of the financial debt (Continued)

maturity of the principal on all the Negotiable Obligations to be restructured, plus unpaid accrued interest, which have automatically fallen due and become claimable. Considering this and according to currently in force accounting standards and to the International Accounting Standard 1 ("IAS 1") (supplementary to Argentina's accounting standards), the Company classifies the complete financial debt balances into current liabilities.

As a result of the postponement of the payments of its financial debt, TGN faces petitions for bankruptcy and actions for executory collection, as described in Note 13.m), in view of which or of others that could hereafter be submitted or initiated the Company would have to file for protection under the Bankruptcy and Insolvency Law.

The Basic Rules of the License ("RBL") of TGN provide that the "declaration of bankruptcy" is a grounds for the forfeiture of the license and consequently for the transfer of the essential assets to a new concessionaire or to the National State, according to the mechanism foreseen for the termination of the license.

Nevertheless, in accordance with the RBL, TGN considers that this would cause no adverse immediate effect on its Gas Carriage License, because the mere petition for declaration of bankruptcy or insolvency is not a grounds for the declaration of the lapsing of the license (as set forth in section 10.6 of the RBL), which is supported by the provisions of article 1 of Decree No. 1,834/2002.

#### 12. Shareholders' equity

#### (a) Common stock

Common stock transactions as from commencement of operations are summarized as follows:

Item	Date	Thousands of	Registration in the Superintendency of Corporations							
			Date	И°	Book	Volume				
Incorporation of the Company	11.24.92	12	12.01.92	11667	112	A				
Capitalizations of irrevocable contributions:	12.28.92 03.25.94	267,255 84,232	03.07.94 06.09.94	1894 5589	114 115	A A				
Issuance of new shares for capitalized loans (Note 10) Total	09.29.06	87,875 <b>439,374</b>	08.18.06	13005	32	-				

## (b) Limitation on the transferring of the Company's shares

Gasinvest, the controlling shareholder of the Company, and Gasinvest's shareholders, are restricted by the Pliego and the Transfer Agreement as to dispose of a portion of their interests in the Company and Gasinvest, respectively. Unless a prior regulatory approval from ENARGAS is obtained, Gasinvest is precluded from reducing its interest in the Company to less than 51%. Likewise, the shareholders of Gasinvest are precluded from reducing their interest in Gasinvest without prior regulatory approval. However, restrictions are not applicable where shares are transferred among related parties of each shareholder. ENARGAS may approve the transfer of shares provided that (i) the shares are transferred in whole but not in part, or the new acquirer purchases all of the outstanding Class A shares of common stock and (ii) the quality of the service is not affected.

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## 12. Shareholders equity (Continued)

## (c) Restriction on distribution of profits

Under the Argentine Commercial Law, the by-laws of the Company and rules and regulations of the CNV, a minimum of 5% of net income for the year calculated in accordance with Argentine GAAP must be appropriated by resolution of the shareholders to a legal reserve until such reserve reaches 20% of the outstanding capital.

Under the terms of the financial agreements, TGN shall not make dividend payments in the event of default or grounds for default in an adverse event period (as defined in the contract) or if such payment exceeds the Available basket amount in each calculation period (Note 10.iii)).

## (d) Voluntary reserves for future dividends

The sums included in this item were set up by the Shareholders' Meetings that approved the respective annual financial statements.

This reserve may be reversed by the Company's Board of Directors which, according to the powers vested in it by the Meeting of Shareholders, is empowered to dispose, at any time it may deem appropriate in the Company's interests, of its cash distribution, fully or partially, pro rata the respective shareholdings.

## 13. Contingencies

The Company is a party to several civil, taxes, commercial and labor proceedings and claims that have arisen in the ordinary course of its business. Although there can be no assurance as to the ultimate disposition of these matters, it is the opinion of the Company's Board of Directors based upon the information available at this time and consultation with external and internal legal counsel, that the expected outcome of these claims and legal actions, individually or in the aggregate, will not have a material effect on the Company's financial position, cash flows or results of operations in excess of the reserves that the Company has established to cover for potential losses under these claims. However, the actual outcome of these claims could differ from the estimated recorded amounts.

Following is a summary of the most significant claims and legal actions. At June 30, 2009 the allowance set up by the Company amounted to \$70.4\$ million (Note 18.(d)).

## (a) Gross Revenue Tax - Province of Salta

The Company has objected (in two different disputes) before the courts having jurisdiction in the Province of Salta to certain official assessments made by the Revenue Bureau of that province for the tax on the business activities for the market price of the so-called "retained gas". The Tax Authority claims payment of \$ 2 million for the tax, \$ 1.7 million for interest and \$ 1 million for fines, corresponding to the fiscal periods from January 1996 to March 2004.

TGN paid the tax amount claimed for \$2.0 million and interest for \$2.4 million (including, in addition to the \$1.7 million amount claimed by the Tax Authority, interest accrued between the official assessment date and the actual payment date).

In view of the uncertain outcome of this issue, reserving the pertinent rights, the Company paid the amounts claimed and has been paying the accrued tax since  $April\ 2004$ .

In July 2008, the Company was served notice of a negative ruling (ratifying the tax assessment) and as a result the Company filed an appeal before the local Supreme Court.

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#### 13. Contingencies (Continued)

## (b) Fines imposed by the ENARGAS

At the date of issuance of these financial statements, the Company records nineteen fines applied by the ENARGAS for a total amount of \$9.4\$ million, of which seven fines for \$4.3\$ million have been appealed in the administrative orbit and twelve fines for \$5.1\$ million have been appealed before the judicial courts.

#### (c) Rescission of firm gas transportation contract with AES Parana S.C.A.

In July 1999, AES Parana S.C.A. ("AESP") and the Company had entered into a firm gas transportation contract (the "AES-TGN Agreement"), whereby the Company committed to transport up to 1.81 MMm3/day of natural gas as from an agreed-upon date for a period of 20 years. The gas transportation rate set in the contract was the ENARGAS-regulated rate for Loma La Lata - Litoral zones and included an additional contribution equal to 5.6% of such regulated rate. The execution of the contract would create the need to substantially expand the transportation system. In view of the political and economic changes occurred in December 2001, which led to the pesification and freezing of the transportation rates in January 2002, in February 2003 the Company had the pressing need to request the ENARGAS to rescind the gas transportation contract because performance thereof would become too burdensome.

In the alternative, TGN had previously called for a stay of the effects of the contract because of force majeure that prevented it from fulfilling its obligations arising under that contract. AES Paraná answered the complaint in May 2003, objecting to its prosecution and claiming damages for non-compliance with the contract.

In June 2006, both parties reached a transitory agreement by which they will: (i) suspend the prosecution of their respective claims and (ii) rescind the firm transportation contract if AES Parana obtains the providing of the transportation service of at least 1.5 MM m3/d (minimum volume) before December 1, 2008.

In 2008 AES Paraná notified TGN of the merger into AES Alicura S.A. ("AES"), the latter being the succeeding company.

In addition, since the commencement of the provision of the carriage service for the minimum volume and until December 2027, TGN shall pay a compensation amount equivalent to 36% of the Access and Use Charge ("CAU") applicable in each moment, calculated on the basis of the daily volume that remains available to AES upon completion of the enlargement works required for the provision of the carriage service. For the purpose of the calculation of the said compensation the volume may not be lower than the minimum volume. CAU is the monthly remuneration per daily cubic meter of reserved capacity that each loader shall pay TGN while the firm carriage service is provided for access to, use and availability of the said reserved capacity in favor of the loader.

Although the actual provision of the carriage service for the minimum volume had not started at December 1, 2008 and AES was empowered to terminate the agreement, in which case the parties would be free to continue with their respective actions, in February 2009 AES proposed a ninety-days term to negotiate the terms of an extension of the said temporary agreement. TGN accepted the proposal. Upon expiration of such term, a new extension was agreed until July 11, 2009, as negotiations with AES continue so as to achieve an extension of the term of such temporary agreement.

At June 30, 2009, the allowance amount recorded to settle possible claims being made by AES was calculated on the basis of the present value of compensation. The Company considers it is sufficient to settle eventual claims.

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#### 13. Contingencies (Continued)

#### (d) Tax assessments related to payments to note holders

In December 2004 TGN was notified of certain assessed adjustments made by the federal tax authorities to income tax and value added tax on the interest payments in favor of the holders of the negotiable obligations issued under a negotiable obligation program, pursuant to Law N° 23,576. These assessed income and value added tax adjustments with fines and interest amount to \$50.7\$ million and \$31.7\$ million, respectively. The computation included the taxes on the interest payments made to the International Finance Corporation ("IFC").

These assessments were made as a result of an audit to verify compliance with the requirements of Law  $N^{\circ}$  23,576, whereby interest paid to holders of negotiable obligations are entitled to certain tax benefits, provided that those requirements have been fulfilled.

On August 17, 2007, the Argentine Tax Authority decided to put an end to the income tax case in its entirety. Moreover, the Tax Authority partially dropped its value added tax claim on September 20, 2007. TGN ratified the settlement of the claim by the Tax Authority and the National Tax Tribunal resolved that the Argentine Tax Authority's claim (in the value added tax case) be considered to have been partially dropped in December 2007, and that the claim in the income tax case be considered to have been dropped in July 2008. As a result of the settlement of the tax authority's claim, the dispute with this authority is limited exclusively to value added tax on interest paid to the IFC for an amount of \$ 14.6 million.

In December 2007, the Tax Authority gave the Company further notice of an assessment of interest and fines in respect of value added tax on the interest paid to the IFC under these programs (for the period from January to May 2002, which had not been included in the original assessment). The amount claimed was \$ 3.6 million. The Company has appealed this new computation before the National Tax Tribunal.

TGN estimates that the amount claimed is approximately \$ 20.0 million.

#### (e) Tax assessment related to fixed asset useful life

In December 2005, the Company received notices from federal tax authorities asserting deficiencies in corporate income taxes for the Company's 1999 to 2002 tax years. The total additional tax, including penalties and interest, through December 2005, amounts to \$ 21.1 million. Tax authorities asserted that the Company underpaid income taxes through improper tax depreciation deductions. Tax authorities asserted that the tax depreciation should be 45 years representing the original term of the license plus the renewal period of 10 years. The Company believes that it properly reported its income tax in accordance with applicable laws and regulations. The Company filed an appeal with the tax authorities on February 17, 2006 in response to that notice. The appeal is pending resolution.

## (f) Redirecting of the transportation capacity

In April 2004, the ENARGAS adopted a regulatory resolution establishing: (i) the reassignment to the distributor GasNea and the sub-distributor Redengás of certain firm transportation capacity volume which originally corresponded to the firm transportation contract entered into by and between TGN and YPF S.A. ("YPF") in 1998 for up to 2.8 MM m3/d to supply a power plant in Uruguayana, Brazil; (ii) that YPF would continue paying TGN the export rate for the total reserved transport capacity and (iii) YPF would charge GasNea and Redengás the rate for the portion of the reassigned volume.

In April 2006, at a request of YPF, the ENARGAS issued two resolutions establishing: (i) the extension the abovementioned reassignments for an additional year (ii) that GasNea and Redengas would pay TGN for the reassigned volume the peso

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#### 13. Contingencies (Continued)

## (f) Redirecting of the transportation capacity (Continued)

rate as opposed to the US dollar rate applicable to the contract entered into by and between TGN and YPF; (iii) that GasNea and Redengás must pay TGN the peso rate for the capacity reassigned between April, 2004 and April, 2006, and (iv) obliging TGN to reimburse YPF for the proportional part of the transportation rate in US dollars collected by TGN from April, 2004 to April, 2006 for the reassigned volume. In relation to the latter point, the Company had been carrying an allowance of US\$ 3.5 million that has been reverted at the end of fiscal year 2008 since TGN considers that the right to collect that account has prescribed.

The motions for reconsideration of the two resolutions filed by TGN were dismissed by the ENARGAS in June 2007. TGN filed an appeal before a higher administrative authority as it considered that the ENARGAS lacks jurisdiction over the adoption of those resolutions, which also infringe the Company's vested rights.

In April 2007 the ENARGAS renewed for the term of one year, the redirectings of transport capacity to Gasnea and Redengas of a volume of firm transport capacity equal to  $0.770\ Mmm3/d$ .

In May 2007 the ENARGAS instructed TGN to apportion the reallocation of certain transportation capacity originally destined for various direct loaders (other than distributors) of the Central-Western Gas Pipeline, in favor of the distributor Ecogás Cuyo, for a term of one year counted as from the implementation of the measure, renewable at the discretion of the ENARGAS. TGN requested that the precautionary measure be reconsidered because it understands that the ENARGAS does not have jurisdiction to take that measure, as it affects the Company's vested rights and, in the alternative, that the ENARGAS dispenses with the application of the "useful disruption of supply" criterion.

In April 2008, ENARGAS issued a regulatory order -without resolving the claims filed by TGN- whereby it modified its prior decisions approving a criterion for flexible redirecting for the benefit of GasNea, Ecogás Cuyo and Redengás, according to which the uninterruptible demand from those entities which exceeds their firm capacity contracted with TGN shall be satisfied affecting the abovementioned YPF transportation contract or the export contracts with delivery in La Mora where necessary, as a result of the unavailable transportation in the system. The total volume awarded according to this mechanism from May 2008 to April 2009 was 1.575 MMm3/day. This mechanism was extended by ENARGAS until April 2010 for a volume of 2.246 MMm3/day.

The regulatory order establishes that payments YPF is to make to TGN by virtue of that mechanism shall include a deduction arising from the transportation capacity that might not be authorized for that loader because of the redirecting stipulated, and that the redirected volumes shall be invoiced to the companies using them at the applicable firm rate charged. It should be noted that from 2004 to the present, TGN did not have the need to redirect the carrying capacity hired by YPF, which had always been made available to the loader.

## (g) Stamp duty - Salta - Operation and Maintenance Contract

Revenue Bureau of Salta Resolution No. 1,649 dated November 7, 2006 confirmed an official assessment for \$ 181.9 million including compensatory interest calculated until November 30, 2006 and imposed a fine on TGN for twice the amount assessed for \$ 262.5 million because of alleged commission of tax fraud. TGN considers that the assessment made by the tax authority is excessive as it has resulted from serious calculation errors.

The instrument object of this assessment was the contract for the operation and maintenance of the expansion works under the Gas Trust Agreement entered into by TGN, the National State (Secretariat of Energy) and Nación Fideicomisos S.A. in December 2004, within the framework of the Basic Gas Infrastructure Investment

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#### 13. Contingencies (Continued)

(g) Stamp duty - Salta - Operation and Maintenance Contract (Continued)

Regime established by Decree No. 180/04 and (MPFIPyS) Resolution No. 185/04 (Note 15.a).

On November 29, 2006 TGN lodged a special appeal before the Governor, although holding Nación Fideicomisos S.A. liable for the damage the Company could suffer as a result of this legal proceeding. It should be borne in mind that the operation and maintenance contract contains a provision, which is valid between the parties but ineffective as against the Tax Authority, pursuant to which the final liability for payment of stamp duty, where applicable, should fall exclusively on the Trust.

#### (h) Controversy raised by Eléctrica Santiago S.A.

In February 2008, the Chilean customer "ESSA" communicated to TGN its unilateral decision to terminate the firm transportation contract, arguing the alleged impossibility of fulfillment of the contractual purpose, and informed that it was thus ceasing to pay the applicable rate with effect as from January 1, 2008. TGN rejected this line of argument, and demanded compliance with the contract. TGN is still making the hired transportation capacity available to ESSA, and issuing invoices for the service rendered. Considering the rate in force as of December 31, 2008, the annual invoicing to ESSA for the firm transportation service amounts to US\$ 10.0 million.

In March 2008, the Company was notified of the controversy (claim) filed by ESSA against TGN before the ENARGAS, invoking the jurisdictional powers of said entity under section 66 of Law No. 24,076. The purpose of the controversy is to request the ENARGAS to declare the termination of the firm transportation contract through no fault of any of the parties as from December 21, 2007, with the argument that the provision of the public service of gas transportation is impossible to fulfill, due – according to ESSA – to the unforeseeable extinction of their right to have natural gas liable to be exported from Argentina. Subsidiarily, ESSA alleges the frustration of the contract's purpose, and requests that ENARGAS establish a special rate applicable to a reserve of transportation capacity that cannot be used due to lack of gas.

In May 2008, the Company answered the complaint requesting that ENARGAS be dismissed for lack of jurisdiction and requesting, in the alternative, that the complaint be rejected on the grounds that under applicable common law provisions, the regulatory framework, and the contract (i) none of the reasons for termination invoked by ESSA exist, and (ii) that gas supply is a risk run exclusively by the loader.

In October 2008, the ENARGAS sustained the motion filed by TGN and declared that does not have jurisdiction to mediate in the dispute raised by ESSA.

In December 2008, the Company filed action for collection of pesos, reserving the right to increase the amount claimed as unpaid invoices accumulate.

## i) YPF S.A. debt for the provision of carriage services

In view of the carrying capacity redirecting established by the ENARGAS, YPF started to irregularly pay the invoices alleging a partial availability of capacity. In February 2007 YPF requested a thorough review of the carriage contract on the grounds that the measures adopted by the National Government in relation to gas exports had affected the economic and financial equation of the said contract in an unforeseen manner. TGN rejected these allegations and demanded compliance.

On February 9, 2009 TGN started the out-of-court mediation required by law, with an unsatisfactory outcome. On April 20, 2009 TGN filed legal action against

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#### 13. Contingencies (Continued)

i) YPF S.A. debt for the provision of carriage services (Continued)

YPF: (i) demanding compliance with the carriage contract signed with YPF; (ii) claiming payment of US\$ 30.4 million from YPF, based on the invoices issued by TGN for services rendered between February 2007 and March 2009, both of them plus interest accrued at each respective date, plus interest to be accrued until the sums are repaid by YPF.

YPF filed, in turn, an administrative action before the ENARGAS pursuing the rescission of the carriage contract effective September 15, 2008, of which TGN has not yet been notified.

Up June 30, 2009 and up to the date of issuance of these financial statements, YPF paid \$ 8.7 million, remaining an unpaid balance of \$ 147.4 million.

j) Intervention in TGN established by the ENARGAS

This issue is explained in further detail in Note 1.c.vi)

k) Declaration of the administrative inefficiency of the resolutions adopted by the Board of Directors on December 22, 2008

On December 22, 2008 the Board of Directors of the Company had the need to suspend payments of the financial debt installments (see Note 10). In January 2009, the CNV (Argentine Securities Commission) declared this decision irregular and ineffective for administrative purposes, on the grounds that the respective Board meeting minutes had not been transcribed to the book while the meeting was being held or immediately after termination thereof. TGN considers that the said declaration, which involves neither the nullity nor the stay of the decision made by the Board of Directors, is a null and void act which departures from current law; for this reason, TGN filed a direct appeal with the Commercial Court of Appeals.

1) Dispute with Metrogás (Chile)

On April 21, 2009, TGN was notified of a declarative action filed by Metrogás, the Chilean gas distributor, seeking the judicial declaration of inapplicability of the US dollar denominated rate envisaged in its carriage contract, if the gas is not actually carried.

m) Petitions for bankruptcy and action for executory collection

As a result of the postponement of the payments of its financial debt (Note 10), at the date of issuance of these financial statements 19 executory proceedings and 4 petitions for bankruptcy are pending against TGN before the commercial courts, under which there are funds subject to court attachments for approximately US\$ 7.5 million at the balance sheet date. Based on the advice of its external legal counsel, TGN requested that the petitions for bankruptcy be rejected on the grounds that, as far as TGN is concerned, the legal requirements authorizing the said petitions had not been fulfilled.

## 14. TGN financial trusts

On March 8, 2004, in accordance with ENARGAS Resolution 2,877 and the Law N° 24,441, the Company (as "Trustor") and HSBC Bank Argentina S.A. (as "Trustee") entered into a Trust Agreement. Under the Trust Agreement, the trusts can be funded by private and/or public placement of securities for up to a total amount of US\$ 50 million within a 5-year timeframe.

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#### 14. TGN financial trusts (Continued)

The Program envisages the possibility of financial trusts being set up for the issue of securities that are authorized for their public offering or not, so as to finance the expansion of the capacity of the Company's gas pipeline systems.

The Program also establishes that, at expiration of the trust, the enlarged assets shall be exclusively assigned to the Company only, free of charge or encumbrances. While the trust is in force, the Company shall be responsible for the operation and maintenance of those assets.

On March 26, 2004, the TGN Serie 01 Trust was funded by the issuance of US\$ 7.5 million in principal amount of securities to private contributors, the proceeds from which were used to finance the expansion of transportation capacity of 303,000 m3/d contracted by Metrogas S.A. (a Chilean gas distribution company). The TGN Serie 01 Trust expires on the earlier of September 30, 2019 or when securities are repaid, whichever occurs first.

On April 16, 2004, the TGN Serie 02 Trust was funded by the issuance of US\$ 6.3 million in principal amount of securities to private contributors, the proceeds from which were used to finance the expansion of transportation capacity of 247,000 m3/d contracted by Colbun S.A. The TGN Serie 02 expires on the earlier of March 30, 2019 or when the securities are repaid, whichever occurs first.

The TGN Serie 01 Trust and the TGN Serie 02 Trust are not consolidated in the Company's financial statements.

Under the Trust Agreement, neither the Company nor the Trustee are liable with their own respective assets to pay, if principal and/or interest and/or taxes and expenses on the securities issued by the Trusts are dishonored. The holders of the securities will have no right to claim such difference from TGN or the Trustee and the limitation on TGN's liability as Technical Operator has been established in the contract.

The projects have been completed. At December 31, 2008 the investment amounts to \$ 29 million and its residual value is approximately \$ 24 million at that date.

## 15. Financial trusts for expansion on the local market organized by the Argentine Energy Secretariat

MPFIPyS Resolution No. 185/04, adopted under the aegis of Decree No. 180/04, provides for a Gas Trusts Program organized by the Energy Secretariat for the purpose of financing infrastructure works for the transportation and distribution of natural gas.

On April, 2006 the National Congress enacted the law vesting the PEN with the power to apply rate charges destined to finance those works.

### a) Trust for the 2005 Northern Gas Pipeline expansion work

The Government requested the participation of TGN as licensee and of other companies as investors in order to undertake the expansion of the capacity of its system for the transportation of 1.8 MMm3/day of gas in the Northern Gas Pipeline. A local trust (the "trust") organized by the Energy Secretariat and administered by Nación Fideicomisos S.A., as trustee, entrusted TGN with the management of the Northern Gas Pipeline expansion works. TGN contributed US\$ 8.4 million to the total cost of the works.

Expanded assets form part of the Gas Trust until it is liquidated, on which date, the Company has the option to have the ownership of the trust assets transferred to it.

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## 15. Financial trusts for expansion on the local market organized by the Argentine Energy Secretariat (Continued)

## a) Trust for the 2005 Northern Gas Pipeline expansion work (Continued)

In July 2005 TGN began to bill certain customers for the "Gas Trust Charge" on behalf of the "Gas Trust - Extension of the Northern Gas Pipeline" and for its account.

#### b) Trust for the 2006-2008 expansion work

Again, at the request of the Ministry of Energy, in September 2005, we called for a new open bid for capacity for the expansion of the Northern Gas Pipeline. As a result, more than  $15.2 \, \text{MMm} \, 3/\text{d}$  were awarded.

This project will imply the construction of approximately  $1,860\,\mathrm{km}$  of parallel pipelines, and the incorporation of  $55,000\,\mathrm{HP}$  in additional power in three new plants and in two already existing compressor plants.

For this purpose on December, 2006 the Company, the Energy Secretariat and Nación Fideicomisos S.A. entered into the Supplementary Financial Trust Agreement for the Northern Gas Pipeline Work, the first amendment to this Contract and the Management Contract. The Operation and Maintenance Contract has not yet been entered into.

The total fee to be collected by TGN will be \$ 75.8 million (before value added tax).

The first stage of the work, "Hito AP" began in October 2007. Although at July 2009 some final tasks and complementary works (refurbishment of compressor plants and measurement and regulation stations were still pending, at December 2008 the carrying capacity was increased by 1.5 MMm3/d in the Northern Pipeline from the Lumbreras compressor plant (Salta) and the Litoral region (final sections of the pipeline and the Timbúes Power Plant). To that end, new 319-Km gas pipelines and a 10,310-HP compressor plant were built in the locality of Tío Pujio, province of Córdoba.

Additionally, at the instigation of the provincial authorities, progress was made in the construction of 28.3 Km gas pipelines between the Beazley compression plant and La Dormida measurement and regulation station to relief the pipelines satisfying most of the demand in the Cuyo region and increased the mentioned pipe section's transport capacity in 1.4 MMm3/d.

The second stage of the work, "Hito Post AP", includes the construction of almost  $800~\rm{km}$  of loops (between North and West Center pipeline) together with three  $10,310-\rm{HP}$  compressor plants in Salta, Córdoba and Santa Fe. Originally, these works had to be completed by winter of 2010.

In the beginning, it was scheduled for September 2008; however, it was delayed due to the lack of financing. To date, only 30 km of the loop between Miraflores and Lumbreras and a compressor plant in Leones (Córdoba) are close to be placed into operation.

For the repayment of these investments, the ENARGAS created a specific new charge which amounts to 380% of the transportation rate in force and is being applied to all the users of the gas system except residential users, CNG, and the General Service-Small Users. The charge has been abated by 20% until December 2008.

At June 30, 2009, the receivable billed for those fees amounts to \$ 69.4 million including VAT.

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## 15. Financial trusts for expansion on the local market organized by the Argentine Energy Secretariat (Continued)

## b) Trust for the 2006-2008 expansion work (Continued)

In the last quarter of 2008, the Company received from Nación Fideicomisos \$ 18.0 million in cash, that jointly with the \$ 17.9 million received in bonds, had been applied to past due invoices.

At the request of Nación Fideicomisos, in May 2009 the Company accepted that, if necessary for the continuation of the "Post AP Milestone" expansion works, the trust would apply the source of repayment of those government securities.

This year, until the date of issuance of these financial statements, cash receipts for \$17.7\$ million were recorded as payment for the invoices for January to May 2008.

The final net receivable registered by the Company amounts to \$9.8\$ million based on the estimate of the revenue accrual, as described in Note 3.p), and on the estimate of its present value.

## 16. "Importation of Natural Gas" administration trust

As provided for by Executive Branch Decree 2,067/08 and ENARGAS Resolutions Nos. I/563 and I/615, as from January 2009 the Company started to invoice effective November 2008 a new charge on behalf of the "Importation of Natural Gas" Administration Trust, to create a fund for such purpose.

TGN must not apply this charge to those customers that are connected with a Distributor or Sub-distributor or with power generation plants, and it is responsible for their collection, TGN being required to transfer the monthly collected amounts to the trust. Resolution I/615 establishes that in the case of partial collections, the payment received shall be apportioned to all the items included in the respective invoice. As of June 30, 2009, the balance to be transferred to the trust amounts to \$ 16 thousands.

## 17. Subsequent events

Subsequent to June 30, 2009, there have been no other events, situations or circumstances that have impacted or could impact significantly on the net worth, or economic and financial situation of the Company that have not been considered or mentioned in these financial statements.

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## 18. Other financial statement information

The accompanying tables present additional statement disclosures required under Argentine GAAP.

- (a) Fixed assets, net(b) Investments
- (c) Short-term investments
- (d) Allowances and provisions
- (e) Assets and liabilities in foreign currency(f) Cost of services, administrative and selling expenses(g) Aging of assets and liabilities

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## 18. Other financial statement information (Continued)

## (a) Fixed Assets, net

06.30.2009 12.31.2008

			Origin	al values					Deprecia	tion					12.31.2008
Account	At the beginning of the year	Increases		Transfers	At the end of the period	At the beginning of the year		he period	-		Accumulated at the end of the period	Net book value	Net book value Essential items	Net book value Non- essential items	Net book value
Land	3,274	-	-	-	3,274	=	-	-	=	=	=	3,274	1,976	1,298	3,274
Buildings and constructions	76,712	-	-	139	76,851	20,221	2	769	-	-	20,990	55,861	42,419	13,442	56,491
Instalations and mixtures	2,344	-	-	-	2,344	640	4 3.33 and	46	-	-	686	1,658	-	1,658	1,704
Gas pipelines	2,025,554	=	(38)	38	2,025,554	636,870	2.22	28,012	(11)	47	664,918	1,360,636	1,360,636	-	1,388,684
Recoating (Note 3.h))	64,422	-	-	-	64,422	7,278	5.88 3.33 and	1,871			9,149	55,273	55,273	-	57,144
High-pressure branch lines	890	-	-	-	890	277	2.22	13	=	-	290	600	600	=	613
Compressor plants High-pressure control	851,285	-	(192)	13,041	864,134	385,811	4	25,226	(104)	(46)	410,887	453,247	453,247	-	465,474
and/or measurement stations Other technical	68,618	=	=	35	68,653	35,298	5	1,856	-	-	37,154	31,499	31,499	=	33,320
installations Machinery, equipment and	46,543	=	(617)	(4)	45,922	25,845	6.67 10, 20	1,250	(332)	(2)	26,761	19,161	18,818	343	20,698
tools Computer and	24,215	=	(249)	877	24,843	20,174	and 50	555	(241)	(1)	20,487	4,356	=	4,356	4,041
telecomunication Systems	73,115	-	(95)	178	73,198	49,432	20	1,984	(95)	1	51,322	21,876	-	21,876	23,683
Vehicles	17,311	-	(289)	-	17,022	13,289	20	620	(272)	-	13,637	3,385	-	3,385	4,022
Furniture and mixtures Assets held at tirad	9,916	-	(14)	93	9,995	8,963	10	106	(11)	1	9,059	936	-	936	953
parties	6,598	-	-	1	6,599	5,824	12.5	133	=	-	5,957	642	98	544	774
Work in process (1)	54,621	7,678	-	(13,580)	48,719	-	-	-	-	-	-	48,719	33,316	15,403	54,621
Advances to suppliers	190	784	=	(818)	156	-	-	-	-	-	-	156	-	156	190
Total as of 06.30.2009	3,325,608	8,462	(1,494)	-	3,332,576	1,209,922		62,441	(1,066)	-	1,271,297	2,061,279	1,997,882	63,397	_
Total as of 12.31.2008	3,285,754	45,550	(5,696)	-	3,325,608	1,089,679		123,707	(3,464)	-	1,209,922	-	2,052,000	63,686	2,115,686

<sup>(1)</sup> Increases in Fixed Assets (Work in Process) are reduced in \$ 9.2 million corresponding to the delivery during the period of Mars 100 and Taurus 70 equipments that have been interchanged with the supplier Solar Turbines International Co.

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## 18. Other financial statement information (Continued)

## (b) Investments

					Book	value	Information on the issuer						
							Principal activity		Lat	est financ	cial statem	ents	
Issuer	Class	Par value	Amount	Cost value	06.30.2009	12.31.2008		Date	Capital stock and capital adjustment	Other Reserves	Retained earnings	Shareholders' equity	% of direct holding
Non-current investments													
Comgas Andina S.A C	Common	(a) 1	490	246	2,741	1,467	Gas pipeline services	06.30.09	8	-	5,587	5,595	49.0
Companhia Operadora de Rio Grande do Sul C Impairment of	Common	(b) 1	49	0.1	341	226	Gas pipeline services	06.30.09	-	115	582	697	49.0
investment(Note 18.(d) and 3.f))					(341)	(226)							
Total					2,741	1,467							

<sup>(</sup>a) Chilean Pesos

<sup>(</sup>b) Brazilian Reais

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## 18. Other financial statement information (Continued)

## (c) Short-term investments

	June 30, 2009			December 31, 2008
Mutual funds in \$	\$ 29,339	(1)	\$	-
Time deposits in \$	10,720			-
Time deposit in US\$	37,570			-
US Treasury Bills in US\$	-			17,386
Stock exchange securities in \$	55,458			-
Republic of Argentina Central Bank Notes (NOBAC's)	6,168	(2)		-
Government bonds - Discount bond	 1,820	(3)	_	1,019
Total	\$ 141,075		\$	18,405

<sup>(1)</sup> Include \$ 8.4 million granted as guarantee.

<sup>(2)</sup> Include \$ 5.1 million granted as guarantee.

<sup>(3)</sup> Include \$ 1.1 million granted as guarantee.

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## 18. Other financial statement information (Continued)

## (d) Allowances and provisions

		0	6.30.2	1009		12.31.2008		
	Balances at the beginning of the year	Net increas	es	Decreases	Balances at the end of the period	Balances at the end of the year		
Deducted from assets	<u> </u>				<u> </u>			
Current								
Allowance for doubtful accounts	8,778	245	(2)	_	9,023	8,778		
Allowance for disputed amounts	32,248	816	(1)	-	33,064	32,248		
Allowance for other receivables	886	183	(2)	-	1,069	886		
Subtotal	41,912	1,244		-	43,156	41,912		
Non Current								
Allowance for disputed amounts	61,951	40,153	(1)	-	102,104	61,951		
escrow accounts	7,316	30	(4)	-	7,346	7,316		
Allowance for slow-moving and obsolescence Allowance for impairment of COPERG (Note 18.(b)	67,863		(5)	-	68,783	67,863		
and 3.(f))	226		(3)	-	341	226		
Subtotal	137,356	41,218		-	178,574	137,356		
Total allowances deducted from assets	\$ 179,268	42,462		-	221,730	179,268		
Included in Liabilities								
Current								
Provision for contingencies	32,008	1,636	(4)	(447)	33,197	32,008		
Non Current								
Provision for contingencies	33,839	3,372	(4)	-	37,211	33,839		
Total provisions included in liabilities	65,847	5,008		(447)	70,408	65,847		
Total as of 06.30.2009	\$ 245,115	47,470		(447)	292,138	_		
Total as of 12.31.2008	\$ 191,879	59,575		(6,339)	-	245,115		

<sup>(1) \$ 38,019</sup> charged to Net Revenues (Nota 4.g)), \$ 50 to Selling Expenses - Doubtful accounts (Note 18.f)) and \$ 2,900 to Financial and holding results generated by assets.

<sup>(2)</sup> Charged to Selling Expenses - Doubtful accounts (Note 18.f)).

<sup>(3)</sup> Charged to Gain from equity investments.

<sup>(4)</sup> Charged to Administrative expenses - Contingencies (Note 18. f))

<sup>(5)</sup> Charged to Cost of Services, materials and spare parts slow-moving and obsolescence (Note 18.f)).

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## 18. Other financial statement information (Continued)

#### (e) Assets and liabilities in foreign currency

	06.30.2009						12.31.2008			
		n currency and amounts	Exchange rate	1	Amount in Thousands of \$		oreign currency class and amounts		Amount in housands of \$	
Assets				_						
Current assets										
Cash and banks										
Cash	US\$	5	3.757	\$	19	US\$	8	\$	29	
Banks	US\$	31,574	3.757		118,624	US\$	38,085		129,983	
					118,643	_			130,012	
Short-term investments										
Time deposit in US\$	US\$	10,000	3.757		37,570				=	
US Treasury Bills in US\$					=	US\$	5,094		17,386	
Government bonds - Discount bonds	US\$	484	3.757		1,820	US\$	299		1,019	
					39,390	_			18,405	
Accounts receivable										
Gas transportation services (1)	US\$	15,777	3.757		59,274		6,822		23,283	
Other services	US\$	912	3.757		3,426	US\$	582		1,985	
					62,700	_			25,268	
Other receivables										
Court attachments and deposits	US\$	7,340	3.757		27,576				-	
Prepaid expenses on behalf of third parties and others	R\$	126	1.750		221	R\$	126		183	
	US\$	803	3.757		3,017	US\$	737		2,517	
					30,814	_			2,700	
Total current assets				\$	251,547	_		\$	176,385	
Non-current assets										
Accounts receivables										
Gas transportation services (1)	US\$	54,354	3.757		204,207	US\$	36,303		123,902	
					204,207	_			123,902	
Other receivables						_				
Guarantee deposits	US\$	200	3.757		751	US\$	200		683	
					751				683	
Investments						_				
Comgas Andina (Note 18.b)	\$ch	404,331	0.0068		2,741	\$ch	265,124		1,467	
					2,741	_			1,467	
Total non-current assets				\$	207,699	_		\$	126,052	
Total assets				\$	459,246	_		\$	302,437	
						_				

US\$ : United States dollars

<sup>\$</sup>ch : Chilean Pesos

R\$ : Brazilian Reais

<sup>(1)</sup> Nominal value of the gas transportation services receivables, not considering the allowances for doubtful accounts.

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## 18. Other financial statement information (Continued)

## (e) Assets and liabilities in foreign currency (Continued)

	06.30.2009						12.31.2008			
		gn currency and amounts	Exchange rate		Amount in Thousands of \$	Fo	reign currency class and amounts	Amount in Thousands of \$		
Liabilities Current liabilities										
Accounts payable										
Suppliers	US\$	379	3.797	\$	1,439	US\$	15 \$	52		
Other related parties	US\$	2,682	3.797		10,184	US\$	873	3,015		
Foreign related parties					=	\$ch	3,788	21		
					11,623	-		3,088		
Customer advances						•				
Customer advances	US\$	55	3.797		209			=		
					209	-				
Debt						-				
Ordinary non-convertible Class A										
Principal	US\$	141,280	3.797		536,440	US\$	141,280	487,840		
Interests	US\$	6,887	3.797		26,151	US\$	2,296	7,927		
Punitive	US\$	307	3.797		1,164			-		
Ordinary non-convertible Class B										
Principal	US\$	203,630	3.797		773,184	US\$	203,630	703,135		
Interests	US\$	12,218	3.797		46,391	US\$	4,073	14,063		
Punitive	US\$	308	3.797		1,168			=		
					1,384,498	-		1,212,965		
Total current liabilities				\$	1,396,330		\$	1,216,053		
Non-current liabilities										
Accounts payable										
Other related parties					=	US\$	432	1,492		
-						•		1,492		
Total non-current liabilities				\$	_	-	Ś	1,492		
Total liabilities				Ś	1,396,330	•	Ś	1,217,545		
				7		-	*			

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## 18. Other financial statement information (Continued)

## (f) Cost of services, administrative and selling expenses

		Cost	of services		Sel	lling expenses				
	Total At 06.30.2009	Transportation service	Other services	Total	Transportation service	Others services			Investments in fixed assets	Total At 06.30.2008
Fees for Directory and the										
Committee of Syndics	526	=	=.	=.	=	=	-	526	=	942
Fees for professional services	5,242	467	1,795	2,262	45	=	45	2,611	324	5,019
Salaries, wages and other personnel										31,485
benefits	35,060	20,004	4,835	24,839	334	=	334	9,514	373	
Social security contributions	7,827	4,797	1,073	5,870	79	_	79	1,878	_	6,155
Fees for technical operator										
services	5,455	5,455	_	5,455	_	_	_	_	_	6,863
Foreign staff residences	1,249	1,249	_	1,249	_	_	_	_	_	1,092
Consumption of spare parts and	•	•		•						,
materials	9,398	6,658	177	6,835	_	_	_	28	2,535	9,542
Gas imbalance	(105)	(105)	_	(105)	_	_	_	_	_	575
Third party services and supplies .	2,975	2,524	236	2,760	12	_	12	203	_	2,217
Maintenance and repair of fixed	•	• -		,						,
assets (1)	18,811	22,299	1,230	23,529	6	-	6	497	(5,221)	21,165
Travel expenses	3,735	2,578	550	3,128	37	=	37	486	84	3,398
Freight and transportation	1,447	555	21	576	=	=	-	4	867	573
Communications	579	289	80	369	10	_	10	193	7	565
Insurance	2,823	2,641	=	2,641	-	_	-	182	_	2,796
Office supplies	1,173	359	72	431	8	_	8	710	24	898
Rentals	757	384	258	642	7	_	7	53	55	800
Easements	5,580	5,580	=	5,580	-	_	-	-	_	2,602
Taxes, rates and contributions	11,756	157	36	193	5,364	715	6,079	5,480	4	12,571
Fixed assets depreciation	62,441	61,530	37	61,567	125	_	125	749	_	61,297
Fixed assets expenses	1,334	· -	_	· _	_	_	_	_	1,334	1,610
Doubtful accounts	478	_	_	=	478	_	478	_	_	(2,788)
Contingencies	5,038	_	_	_	_	_	_	5,038	_	(2,040)
Material and spare parts slow-	-,							-,		(-,,
moving and obsolescence	920	920	-	920	-	-	_	-	-	(725)
Others	1,656	1,079	227	1,306	6	-	6	344	-	817
Total at 06.30.2009	186,155	139,420	10,627	150,047	6,511	715	7,226	28,496	386	-
Total at 06.30.2008		119,588	7,380	126,968	5,230	625	5,855	19,023	15,583	167,429

<sup>(1)</sup> Expenses in maintenance and repair of fixed assets are reduced in \$ 9.2 million corresponding to the delivery during the period of Mars 100 and Taurus 70 equipments that have been interchanged with the supplier Solar Turbines International Co.

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141,075

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141,075

## 18. Other financial statement information (Continued)

## (g) Aging of assets and liabilities

Total at 06.30.2009 .....

a) Interest bearing balances.....

b) Non - interest bearing balances.....

Total at 06.30.2009 .....

	Short-term investments (a)	Account receivables and other receivables (b)	Debt (c)	Other liabilities (d)
a) Past due until 06.30.2008. 09.30.2008. 12.31.2008. 03.31.2009. 06.30.2009.	- - - -	73,388 16,182 17,205 17,221 30,005	- - - 1,384,498	- - - -
b) Without due date	93,005	273,255	-	19,399
c) To be due     09.30.2009     12.31.2009     03.31.2010     06.30.2010     06.30.2011     06.30.2012	48,070 - - - - -	100,161 4,628 245 1,619 - 704	- - - - -	70,602 2,871 975 975 - -
Total at 06.30.2009	141,075	534,613	1,384,498	94,822
Balances subject to adjustment Balances not subject to adjustment	141,075	5,206 529,407	1,384,498	94,822

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1,384,498

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94,822

06.30.2009

<sup>(</sup>a) Excludes Equity Investments.

<sup>(</sup>b) Excludes allowances.

<sup>(</sup>c) Classified into current liabilities (Note 10).

<sup>(</sup>d) Includes all non-financial liabilities, excluding Contingencies.

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We have reviewed the accompanying balance sheet of Transportadora de Gas del Norte S.A. ("TGN") as of June 30, 2009, and the related statements of operations, of changes in shareholders equity and of cash flows for the six-month periods ended June 30, 2009 and 2008, and their supplementary notes. The preparation and issuance of the mentioned financial statements are the responsibility of the Company.

Our reviews were limited to the application of the procedures established in Technical Pronouncement No. 7 of the Argentine Federation of Professional Councils in Economic Sciences for limited reviews of interim financial statements, which consist mainly of the application of analytical procedures to the amounts disclosed in the financial statements and inquires made of Company staff responsible for the preparation of the information included in the financial statements and of its subsequent analysis. This review is substantially less in scope than an audit, the objective of which is to express an opinion on the financial statements under review. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the Company's financial position, the results of its operations, the changes in its shareholder's equity and its cash-flows.

Changes in economic conditions of the country and the modifications introduced by the National Government to the License under which the Company operates, as mentioned earlier in Note 1 to the attached financial statements, principally the suspension of the original regime to update tariffs, affect the economic and financial equation of the Company, generating uncertainty in respect to future development of its regulated business. The Company is in the process of renegotiating with the National Government the terms of the License. Furthermore, the impact of the energy crisis in Argentina on certain carriage services the Company provides could cause future actual results to differ from certain assessments and estimates made at the date of preparing the attached financial statements and those positive or negative differences could be significant.

Additionally, given that the Public Emergency Law and Reform of the Exchange Regime authorizes the Executive Branch to renegotiate tariffs and Project and Public Service contracts and that, at the date of issuance of this report, the result of this renegotiation is unknown and there is uncertainty as to whether the future net cash inflows will be sufficient to recover the net book value of non-current assets, and whether the Company will be able to repay its financial debts, as mentioned in Note 10 to the accompanying financial statements.

With regard to the recovery of non-current assets, as explained in Note 3.h) to the accompanying financial statements, the Company tested its fixed assets for recoverability based on which it estimates that their carrying value is not in excess of their recoverable value. The assumptions, premises and estimates of future events used in that test evidence the vision projected by the Company's Board of Directors, which may occur or materialize in the future or not; furthermore, those assumptions, premises and estimates are affected mainly by the uncertainty regarding the rate adjustment and the evolution of certain commercial contracts. In view of this, we are not in a position to anticipate whether the premises used by the Company in preparing its projections will materialize in the future in order to corroborate the recoverable value of fixed assets, the net book value of which amounts to \$ 2,061 at June 30, 2009.

As mentioned in Note 1.c) to the attached financial statements, at June 30, 2009 the Company has contractual disputes with certain customers that provide gas carriage services for export for outstanding balances of \$ 204.2 million not yet collected from those customers. In view of the uncertainty as to the possibility of recovering those receivables in the future, the balances due and pending collection have been partially covered by an allowance at the balance sheet date. In addition, as explained in Note 15.b), the Company is a party to the work management contract entered into in relation to the 2006-2008 expansion project and carries at June 30, 2009 a net receivable for \$ 9.8 million for its services, which is in arrears under the contract terms agreed upon. There is a delay in the performance of this work project as well as limitations on its scope, the work schedules and conditions agreed under the contract being subject to possible changes in the future. Consequently, there is uncertainty as to the effects this situation could have on the value of receivables and allowances recorded and on the future revenues from those contracts.

As explained in Notes 1 and 10 to the attached financial statements, the Company's Board of Directors decided to suspend effective December 22, 2008 principal and interest payments on its financial debt. At June 30, 2009, the Company carries

financial debts denominated in US dollars for a total of US\$ 364.6 million, and has not paid principal for US\$ 31.7 million and interest for US\$ 18.6 million on these debts. International Accounting Standard No. 1 (IAS 1), of complementary application to Argentine GAAP, provides that debts "in default" are to be disclosed as current in view of the possibility of creditors accelerating the maturities, regardless of the due dates originally agreed upon, consequently, the Company has disclosed all balances due under loans in current liabilities.

- The June 30, 2009 financial statements of TGN have been prepared following accounting principles applicable to a going concern; therefore, those financial statements do not include the effects of possible adjustments and/or reclassifications, if any, that might be required if the situations described above are not resolved in favor of the normal course of the Company's business. Consequently, the Company's financial statements should be read in the light of these uncertain circumstances.
- Based on the work done and on our examinations of the Company's financial statements for the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007, on which we issued our report on March 9, 2009 including qualifications regarding the circumstances referred to in sections 3., 4., 5. and 6. of this report, we state that:
  - a) The financial statements of TGN at June 30, 2009 and 2008 detailed in section 1., prepared in accordance with accounting standards in effect in the Autonomous City of Buenos Aires, give consideration to all significant facts and circumstances which are known to us and that we have no further observations to make on them other than those mentioned in sections 3., 4., 5. and 6.
  - b) The comparative information included in the balance sheet and in the complementary notes and exhibits to the attached financial statements arises from the financial statements of the Company at December 31, 2008.

In accordance with current regulations, we report that:

a) the financial statements of TGN have been transcribed to the Inventory and Balance Sheet book and are, as regards those matters that are within our competence, in conformity with relevant rules and regulations of the Commercial Corporation Law and the National Securities Commission;

- b) the financial statements of TGN arise from accounting records carried in all formal aspects in accordance with current legal regulations that maintain the conditions of security and integrity based on those authorized by the National Securities Commission;
- c) we have read the Summary of Activities and the additional information to the notes to the financial statements required by Section 68 of the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange Regulations (included in the Spanish version of the financial statements), on which, as regards those matters that are within our competence, we have no observation to make other than those indicated in points 3., 4., 5. and 6.;
- d) at June 30, 2009, the debt accrued in favor of the Argentine Integrated Social Security System amounted, as shown by the Company's accounting records, to \$ 2,373,728 which was not yet due at that date.

Autonomous City of Buenos Aires, August 4, 2009

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