

## RESEARCH UPDATE

## ALLIANCE RESOURCE PARTNERS, L.P. (NASDAQ: ARLP)

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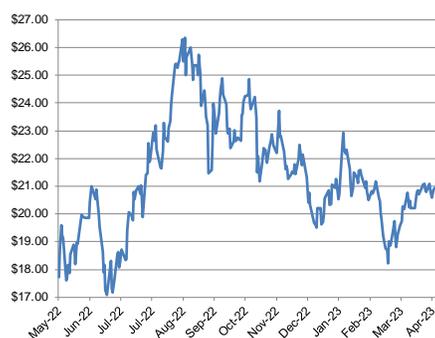
## MARKET STATISTICS

Price	\$21.17
52-Week Range	\$16.43 - \$27.63
Daily Vol. (3 Month Avg.)	498,310
Market Cap (\$M)	\$ 2,692.2
Enterprise Value (\$M)	\$ 2,918.9
Shares Outstanding (M)	127.2
Float (M)	89.0

## FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Equity (M)	\$ 1,708.0
BV/S	\$ 13.43
Cash (M)	\$ 271.3
Debt (M)	\$ 507.9
Debt/Cap	23.2%

FYE: Dec	2022A	2023E	2024E
<i>(in \$M)</i>			
Rev	\$ 2,406.5	\$ 2,801.8	\$ 2,898.6
Chng%	53%	16%	3%
EBITDA	\$ 940.2	\$ 1,091.2	\$ 1,133.2
EPS	\$ 4.39	\$ 5.60	\$ 5.81
EV/R	1.2x	1.0x	1.0x
EV/EBITDA	3.1x	2.7x	2.6x
P/E	4.8x	3.8x	3.6x



## COMPANY DESCRIPTION

Alliance Resource Partners, L.P., a diversified natural resource company, produces and markets coal primarily to utilities and industrial users in the United States. The company operates through four segments: Illinois Basin Coal Operations, Appalachia Coal Operations, Oil & Gas Royalties, and Coal Royalties. As of December 31, 2022, it had approximately 580.7 million tons of proven and probable coal mineral reserves, as well as 1.17 billion tons of measured, indicated, and inferred coal mineral resources. The company was founded in 1971 and is headquartered in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

## ARLP Releases Strong Earnings to Start 2023

ARLP reported solid 1Q23 results that continued the trend of strong growth. Both volume and pricing came in better than 1Q22. While inflationary pressures impacted both labor and transportation expenses, top line performance more than offset the effect. In the short-term the Company expects challenges from domestic demand as well as labor inflation, with the potential for an improved outlook in 2H23. Given this, ARLP updated their 2023 guidance to slightly decrease expected coal ASP. We have updated our model slightly; however, we note that management is still optimistic that the full year 2023 results will be the strongest in company history.

**Strong 1Q23 results** – ARLP reported revenue, adjusted EBITDA, and adjusted EPS of \$662.9M, \$270.9M, and \$1.45, respectively. This compared to our/consensus estimates of \$686.3M/\$667.2M, \$255.5M/\$250.2M and \$1.26/\$1.25, respectively. Upside was seen at all segments, but coal sales were the main driver of the strong year over year revenue growth. This revenue growth outpaced EBITDA expenses per ton helping the company grow EBITDA 75.2% year over year.

**Coal operations continue to point positively** – ARLP 1Q23 coal sales were \$578.8, up 49% y/y and down 8.3% q/q. Volumes sold also increased 3.8% y/y to 8.5M tons. Pricing (asp/ton) was also up 43.6% y/y to arrive at \$68.34 compared to \$47.58 in 1Q22. While inflation issues continue to negatively impact operations and supply/demand dynamics remain a challenge in the short term ARLP can be expected to grow revenue due to the increased expected ASP in combination with the 93% of order book that is already committed and priced.

**Royalty business also has tailwinds** – O&G royalties saw solid results with revenue growing 11.5% y/y to \$34.5M. Volumes were up 39.5% y/y, prices were down 26.0% y/y. The royalty business is expected to continue to benefit from the favorable energy market conditions, favorable forward pricing, and increased drilling/completion activity.

**Strong liquidity and cash flow position** – The Company ended 1Q23 with a liquidity position of \$703.6M, of which \$271.3M is in cash. This strong liquidity position allowed ARLP to repurchase \$26.6M worth of its \$400M senior note outstanding that is due May 1, 2025. Management is expected to prioritize debt repurchases over the coming quarters. Additionally, the Company repurchased and retired \$18.2M worth of units in the quarter. This is in concert with the \$0.70 distribution per unit in the quarter, an increase of 100% year over year. ARLP also generated \$139.9M of free cash flow in the quarter, a significant increase from \$45.0M generated in 1Q22.

**Valuation** – We use a comparative analysis to frame valuation. Given the strong guidance given by management, we are comfortable forecasting into and using FY24 adjusted EBITDA estimate. Using an EV/EBITDA range of 3.0x to 3.5x with a midpoint of 3.25x, we arrive at a valuation range of \$25.36 to \$29.81 with a mid-point of \$27.59.

## INVESTMENT FACTORS

Alliance Resource Partners, L.P. is a diversified natural resource company operating as an MLP. The Company is the second largest coal producer in the Eastern U.S. and has an oil and gas minerals platform where it owns mineral and royalty interests. Its coal operations span seven underground mines located in the Illinois Basin and the Appalachia Basin where it produces a range of thermal and metallurgical coal with varying sulfur and heat contents. It markets its coal primarily to utilities and industrial users in the U.S. The Company's oil and gas minerals platform operates primarily in the Permian, Anadarko, and Williston Basins.

The Company is engaged in a transformation to be an energy company for today and the future. This reflects the fact that while green energy is a significant long-term trend, fossil fuels, such as coal, remain an important part of electricity generation today and in the near-term. By redeploying its strong cash flows and leveraging its decades of operational experience, Alliance is positioning itself to create long-term value for its unitholders.

### Investment Positives

#### **Diversified energy company with deep operational experience is undergoing a transformation**

Alliance owns and operates coal mining assets along with a portfolio of oil and gas mineral interests located in strategic producing regions in the US. The Company has been in existence since the early 70's and its management team has nearly three decades of operational expertise in the natural resources industry. With a focus on maximizing shareholder value, the Company is looking to maximize current assets while also expanding its operations into green energy opportunities.

#### **Proven track record bodes well for transformation**

Alliance is going to leverage its existing operational capabilities and redeploy its solid cash flows into its next generation energy platforms. The Company first accomplished this "shift" in 2014, when it started engaging in its oil and gas minerals platform as a passive investor. As time progressed and management concluded it had the requisite expertise, it acquired these assets and became directly responsible for managing and expanding these assets. The Company intends to use this same playbook to create its new energy platform that is positioned in green energy.

#### **Strong history of generating cash flow to support strategic objectives**

Over the past 15 years, the Company has generated positive FCF in each year. FY22 FCF was \$514.4M, up ~77% from \$304.8M in FY21. This favorable cash flow profile, coupled with the company's focus on maintaining a conservative balance sheet, should help drive its growth initiatives within its oil and natural gas royalty business, along with its diversification efforts into green energy. The Company intends to return 30% of its annual FCF before growth investments in the form of cash distributions and recently raised its quarterly cash distribution for unitholders to \$0.70 per unit or an annualized \$2.80 per unit.

#### **Green energy transformation starts with two new investments**

In April 2022, Alliance announced its first two strategic investments for its new energy platform. Francis Energy is an owner operator of a network of EV fast charging infrastructure in Oklahoma with plans to expand across the Midwest and Eastern U.S. Infinitem Electric is a Texas-based developer and manufacturer of electric motors, which potentially offers a more efficient and environmentally friendly alternative to conventional electric motors. Following the two investments made in 1Q22, ARLP announced an additional \$25.0M commitment to a private equity fund, NGP Energy Capital. NGP's focuses on investments in green energy. Fitting nicely into its announced strategy, ARLP hopes to gain additional exposure to green energy investments, but more importantly, to leverage NGP's expertise to learn and find additional attractive areas for investment.

#### **But coal remains an important fossil fuel**

The demand for coal should continue as it remains an important component in electricity generation today and in the near term. According to the EIA, coal accounted for 19.5% of the U.S.' electricity generation in 2022. On a global scale, according to the World Coal Association, electricity production from coal represents ~37% of total electricity production with the IEA projecting coal should still generate ~ 22% of the world's electricity in 2040. Alliance should stand to benefit as it is the second largest coal producer in the Eastern U.S.

## Investment Challenges / Risks

### Changes in global economic conditions

Weakness in global economic conditions or economic conditions in customer's industries could adversely affect the company's operating results and financial condition.

### Volatility in raw material prices

Coal and oil and gas prices are volatile and based on numerous demand/supply, economic and geopolitical reasons, which are beyond the Company's control. Additionally, the Company may face an unexpected rise in raw material costs and transportation charges or supply chain disruptions, adversely impacting its margins and profitability.

### Loss of key customers

In 2022, the Company's most significant customers included Louisville Gas and Electric Company, Duke Energy, and Tennessee Valley Authority. Each of these companies accounted for more than 10% of revenue. Furthermore, the company undertakes indirect sales through exports to international clients in Europe, Africa, and Asia in brokered transactions. These sales constituted approximately 12.5%, 12.5% and 3.3% of tons sold on December 31, 2022, 2021 and 2020. If the Company loses any of its key customers, it will likely have an adverse impact on its operations and financial condition.

### Access to capital

Alliance Resources business is capital intensive and has outlined a growth strategy that requires funding sources. While the Company intends to fund its operations and growth initiatives via existing cash balances, future cash flows, and its current debt facilities, there are periods of weakness in the energy sector. Weakness in the industry may negatively impact the Company's ability to meet financial covenants, refinance existing debt obligation, obtain additional financing, and/or financing on acceptable terms, which may negatively impact growth initiatives and the Company's financial condition.

### Inability to carry out cash distribution

Cash distribution to unitholders is dependent on the cash generated from the Company's operations, an amount that fluctuates based on numerous factors such as coal and oil & gas production, demand and supply of coal, price of coal, operating costs, capital expenditure, debt obligations, and broader economic conditions among others.

### MLP tax treatment

MLP's tax treatment depends on its status as a partnership for US Federal income taxes. As such, ARLP is not subject to a material amount of entity-level taxation. If the IRS were to change its tax position of MLPs and tax them as a corporation, operating results may be negatively impacted. Additionally, the market price of the equity may be negatively impacted by the change in tax laws.

## VALUATION SUMMARY

We use a comparative analysis to frame valuation. We are using coal producers for our comps.

### Comparative Analysis

Alliance Resource Partners, L.P. (NASDAQ: ARLP)  
(all figures in \$M expect per share information)

Name	Ticker	Price (1)	Sh	Mrkt Cap	EV	EV/S (2)			EV/EBITDA (2)			P/E (2)			P/TBV
						TTM	2023 E	2024 E	TTM	2022 E	2023 E	TTM	2022 E	2023 E	MRQ
CONSOL Energy Inc.	CEIX	\$ 60.78	33.9	\$ 2,061.6	\$ 2,099.6	0.9x	0.9x	0.9x	1.9x	1.9x	2.1x	3.1x	N/A	2.8x	1.6x
Alpha Metallurgical Resources, Inc.	AMR	\$ 138.37	15.2	\$ 2,099.1	\$ 1,744.7	0.4x	0.5x	0.7x	1.0x	1.7x	3.4x	1.7x	3.2x	5.8x	1.6x
Peabody Energy Corporation	BTU	\$ 22.57	161.4	\$ 1,183.8	\$ 1,184.8	0.5x	0.5x	0.7x	1.3x	1.8x	2.7x	2.2x	3.4x	7.4x	1.0x
Arch Resources, Inc.	ARCH	\$ 116.76	18.7	\$ 2,424.6	\$ 2,360.5	0.6x	0.7x	0.8x	1.7x	2.2x	2.7x	1.9x	3.4x	4.9x	1.5x
Warrior Met Coal, Inc.	HCC	\$ 33.59	51.9	\$ 1,939.4	\$ 1,383.2	0.7x	0.8x	0.9x	1.3x	1.9x	2.3x	2.7x	4.4x	6.6x	1.2x
Natural Resource Partners L.P.	NRP	\$ 48.39	12.6	\$ 679.9	\$ 1,017.1	2.8x	nm	nm	3.4x	nm	nm	3.6x	nm	nm	1.3x
<b>Average</b>						<b>1.0x</b>	<b>0.7x</b>	<b>0.8x</b>	<b>1.8x</b>	<b>1.9x</b>	<b>2.6x</b>	<b>2.5x</b>	<b>3.6x</b>	<b>5.5x</b>	<b>1.4x</b>
<b>Median</b>						<b>0.6x</b>	<b>0.7x</b>	<b>0.8x</b>	<b>1.5x</b>	<b>1.9x</b>	<b>2.7x</b>	<b>2.4x</b>	<b>3.4x</b>	<b>5.8x</b>	<b>1.4x</b>
<b>Alliance Resource Partners, L.P. ARLP</b>		<b>\$ 21.17</b>	<b>127.2</b>	<b>\$ 2,692.2</b>	<b>\$ 2,918.9</b>	<b>1.1x</b>	<b>1.0x</b>	<b>1.0x</b>	<b>2.8x</b>	<b>2.7x</b>	<b>2.6x</b>	<b>3.8x</b>	<b>3.8x</b>	<b>3.6x</b>	<b>1.6x</b>

(1) Previous day's closing price

(2) Estimates are from Capital IQ except those for ARLP, which are Stonegate estimates

Source: Company Reports; CapitalIQ; Stonegate Capital Markets

Based on our FY2024 estimates, ARLP is trading at 2.6x EV/EBITDA multiple compared to median comps at 2.7x.

For our EV/EBITDA multiple ranges, we use a range of 3.0x to 3.5x with a mid-point of 3.25x. We believe the range is reasonable given current comp multiples, combined with historical forward valuation multiples.

### Ratios & Historical Trading Multiples

Alliance Resource Partners, L.P. (NASDAQ: ARLP)

Name	Ticker	D/C (%)	D/E (%)	Debt / EBITDA	EBITDA Margin 7yr Avg (%)	5YR Frwd AVG Multiples			7YR Frwd AVG Multiples			10YR Frwd AVG Multiples		
						EV/S	EV/EBITDA	P/E	EV/S	EV/EBITDA	P/E	EV/S	EV/EBITDA	P/E
CONSOL Energy Inc.	CEIX	25.7	34.7	0.5x	25.3	1.0x	3.6x	7.4x	1.0x	3.7x	7.5x	1.0x	3.7x	7.5x
Alpha Metallurgical Resources, Inc.	AMR	1.1	1.1	0.0x	18.7	0.5x	2.6x	5.0x	0.5x	2.7x	5.7x	0.5x	2.7x	5.7x
Peabody Energy Corporation	BTU	8.8	9.7	0.2x	19.0	0.6x	3.0x	9.5x	0.7x	3.5x	9.3x	0.7x	3.5x	9.3x
Arch Resources, Inc.	ARCH	10.1	11.2	0.1x	17.1	0.6x	3.2x	6.0x	0.8x	4.0x	7.5x	0.8x	4.0x	7.5x
Warrior Met Coal, Inc.	HCC	18.8	23.2	0.4x	33.0	1.2x	3.8x	7.4x	1.2x	3.8x	7.1x	1.2x	3.8x	7.1x
Natural Resource Partners L.P.	NRP	21.1	26.8	0.6x	76.8	3.9x	5.6x	6.4x	3.9x	6.1x	5.9x	4.9x	7.0x	7.2x
<b>Average</b>		<b>11.4</b>	<b>14.2</b>	<b>0.2x</b>	<b>20.0</b>	<b>0.7x</b>	<b>3.1x</b>	<b>7.0x</b>	<b>0.8x</b>	<b>3.5x</b>	<b>7.5x</b>	<b>0.8x</b>	<b>3.5x</b>	<b>7.5x</b>
<b>Median</b>		<b>9.5</b>	<b>10.5</b>	<b>0.1x</b>	<b>18.9</b>	<b>0.6x</b>	<b>3.1x</b>	<b>6.7x</b>	<b>0.7x</b>	<b>3.6x</b>	<b>7.5x</b>	<b>0.7x</b>	<b>3.6x</b>	<b>7.5x</b>
<b>Alliance Resource Partners, ARLP</b>		<b>27.1</b>	<b>37.1</b>	<b>0.5x</b>	<b>32.5</b>	<b>1.1x</b>	<b>3.6x</b>	<b>8.5x</b>	<b>1.2x</b>	<b>3.7x</b>	<b>8.7x</b>	<b>1.2x</b>	<b>3.8x</b>	<b>8.9x</b>

Source: Capital IQ

As such, applying our FY2024 adjusted EBITDA estimate to our EV/EBITDA range of 3.0x to 3.5x with a midpoint of 3.25x, we arrive at our valuation range of \$25.36 to \$29.81 with a mid-point of \$27.59.

We see the following essential catalysts for the stock in F2023 and beyond:

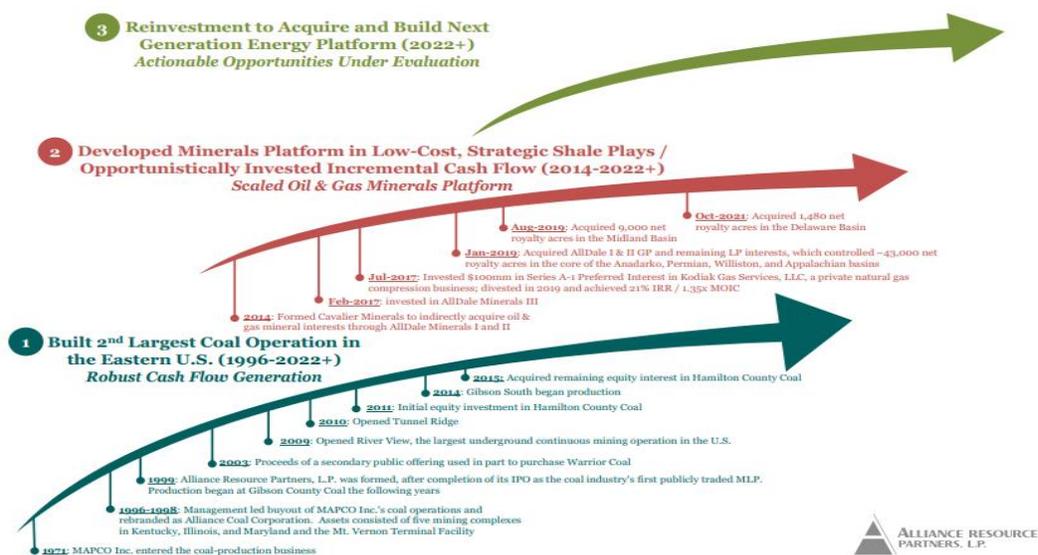
- Higher and steady coal prices ..... F23+
- Strong profitability and free cash flows ..... F23+
- New green-energy investments announced ..... F23+
- Increased global demand.....F23+



### Strategy and Growth Objectives

ARLP generates strong cash flows through its operations, which will help drive its growth initiatives within its oil and natural gas royalty business, along with its diversification efforts into green energy.

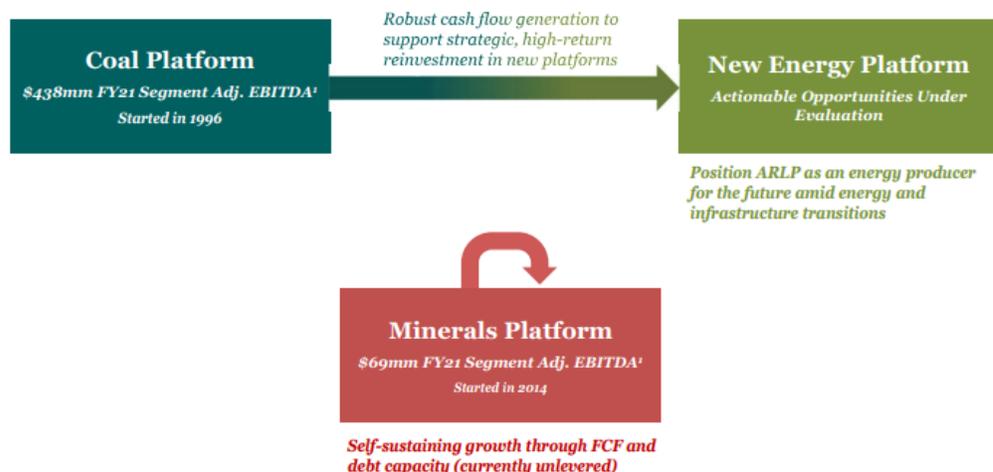
### Exhibit 2: Building an Energy Company for Today and The Future



Source: Company Reports, Stonegate Capital Markets

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### Exhibit 3: Increasing Cash Distribution to Unitholders



Source: Company Reports, Stonegate Capital Markets

ARLP is actively evaluating actionable strategic investments across a range of new energy sectors. Green energy opportunities involve exploring strategic minerals and metals, alternate energy sources like wind, solar, and battery and charging infrastructure for electric vehicles to name a few. The Company's strategy will seek to identify and execute opportunistic investments where the Partnership's expertise is most relevant given its (1) extensive track record of investments success and financial discipline, (2) decades of operational experience scaling capital-intensive energy businesses, (3) understanding of and relationships across the energy value chain, and (4) experience with energy and environmental governing bodies and regulators. Exhibit 4 illustrates some of the new energy themes ARLP is evaluating.

#### Exhibit 4: Examples of the New Energy Platform Investment Opportunities

Electrification	Battery Metals	Land Management
Electric Vehicles	Battery Metal Royalties	Solar Panels
EV Charging Infrastructure	Battery Metal Processing	Grid Storage
Industrial Electrification	Battery Metal Recycling	Retail Storage

Source: Company Reports, Stonegate Capital Markets

Importantly, in April 2022, ARLP announced its first two strategic investments for the New Energy Platform via its investments in Francis Energy and Infinitem Electric. Francis Energy is an owner operator of a network of EV fast charging infrastructure in Oklahoma. Francis Energy has plans to service states across the Midwest and the Eastern part of the U.S. Infinitem Electric is a start-up developer and manufacturer of electric motors featuring printed circuit boards stators. The product has the potential to result in motors that are smaller, lighter, quieter, more efficient, and capable of operating at a fraction of the carbon footprint of conventional electric motors. Following these two investments, ARLP announced an additional \$25.0M commitment to a private equity fund, NGP Energy Capital. NGP's focuses on investments in green energy. Fitting nicely into its announced strategy, ARLP hopes to gain additional exposure to green energy investments, but more importantly, to leverage NGP's expertise to learn and find additional attractive areas for investment.

## Business Overview

The Company operates in four business segments: Illinois Basin Coal Operations, Appalachia Coal Operation, Oil and Gas Royalties, and Coal Royalties.

## Coal Mines and Facilities

ARLP is the second-largest coal producer in the eastern U.S and produces a wide variety of coal that cater to the specific needs of a diverse set of customers. ARLP's coal properties are in the Illinois Basin and the Appalachia Basin. Mining operations on these properties consist of underground mines that produce bituminous coal intended primarily for use in electric power generation (thermal) and steel production (metallurgical). In addition, to mining, the Company also holds and leases/subleases coal mineral interests. In 2022, the Company had substantial coal reserves as seen in Exhibit 5 and Exhibit 6.

### Exhibit 5: ARLP Coal Operations - Mineral Resources as of December 31, 2022

Resources (tons in millions)	Heat Content (Btus per pound)	Pounds: SO <sub>2</sub> per MMBtu			Resource Classification			Ownership		Total	
		<1.2	1.2-2.5	>2.5	Measured	Indicated	Inferred	Owned	Leased		
(1)											
<b>Illinois Basin</b>											
Dotiki (KY)	12,100	—	2.3	73.7	51.2	24.8	76.0	—	27.6	48.4	76.0
Henderson/Union (KY)	11,450	—	3.2	517.6	175.4	284.0	459.4	61.4	74.9	445.9	520.8
Sebree South (KY)	11,750	—	—	43.5	22.1	16.8	38.9	4.6	0.3	43.2	43.5
Gibson South (IN)	11,500	—	—	0.3	—	—	—	0.3	—	0.3	0.3
Hamilton County (IL)	11,650	5.1	33.8	400.4	188.1	240.0	428.1	11.2	32.5	406.8	439.3
Region Total		5.1	39.3	1,035.5	436.8	565.6	1,002.4	77.5	135.3	944.6	1,079.9
<b>Appalachian Basin</b>											
Mountain View (WV)	13,200	—	0.4	6.3	2.1	4.4	6.5	0.2	1.8	4.9	6.7
Tunnel Ridge (WV)	12,600	—	—	0.7	—	—	—	0.7	0.7	—	0.7
Penn Ridge (PA)	12,500	—	—	78.0	21.9	53.2	75.1	2.9	78.0	—	78.0
Region Total		—	0.4	85.0	24.0	57.6	81.6	3.8	80.5	4.9	85.4
Total		5.1	39.7	1,120.5	460.8	623.2	1,084.0	81.3	215.8	949.5	1,165.3
% of Total		0.4%	3.4%	96.2%	39.5%	53.5%	93.0%	7.0%	18.5%	81.5%	100.0%

(1) Combined resources are defined as measured plus indicated resources.

Source: Company Reports, Stonegate Capital Market

### Exhibit 6: ARLP Coal Operation - Mineral Reserves as of December 31, 2022

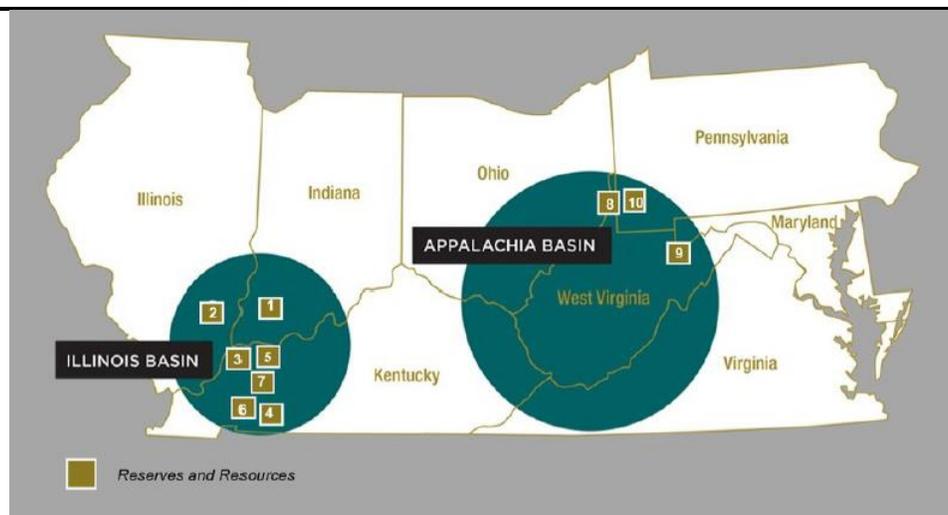
Reserves (tons in millions)	Heat Content (Btus per pound)	Pounds: SO <sub>2</sub> per MMBtu			Classification		Ownership		Total
		<1.2	1.2-2.5	>2.5	Proven	Probable	Owned	Leased	
<b>Illinois Basin Operations</b>									
Warrior (KY)	12,300	—	—	59.7	46.0	13.7	14.4	45.3	59.7
River View (KY)	11,450	—	—	204.7	112.6	92.1	60.2	144.5	204.7
Hamilton County (IL)	11,650	—	—	125.9	55.0	70.9	21.5	104.4	125.9
Gibson (South) (IN)	11,500	0.7	10.9	37.4	39.6	9.4	17.0	32.0	49.0
Region Total		0.7	10.9	427.7	253.2	186.1	113.1	326.2	439.3
<b>Appalachian Basin Operations</b>									
MC Mining (KY)	12,800	10.0	1.1	—	8.1	3.0	—	11.1	11.1
Mountain View (WV)	13,200	—	3.8	6.5	9.1	1.2	—	10.3	10.3
Tunnel Ridge (WV)	12,600	—	—	120.0	61.7	58.3	11.1	108.9	120.0
Region Total		10.0	4.9	126.5	78.9	62.5	11.1	130.3	141.4
Total		10.7	15.8	554.2	332.1	248.6	124.2	456.5	580.7
% of Total		1.8%	2.7%	95.4%	57.2%	42.8%	21.4%	78.6%	100.0%

Source: Company Reports, Stonegate Capital Market

Total coal sold in 2021 consisted of 4.4% low-sulfur coal, 60.4% medium-sulfur coal, and 35.2% high-sulfur coal. In 2022, nearly 82.4% (2021: 81.6%) of tons sold were to United States electric utilities, while international buyers purchased 12.5% (2021: 12.5%) through brokered transactions.

The Company produces a wide range of thermal and metallurgical coal that has varied sulfur and heat contents to cater to the specifications laid down by customers. In 2022, approximately 82.4% of the tons sold were to domestic electric utilities, while 12.5% were purchased by international markets through brokered transactions. The rest went to third-party resellers and industrial consumers.

## Exhibit 7: Location of Coal Mining Operations



Source: Company Reports; Stonegate Capital Markets

### Illinois Basin

The Illinois basin properties are in western Kentucky, southern Illinois, and southern Indiana. The basin has four active mining complexes.

**Gibson Complex** is in Gibson County, Indiana. It is an underground mine and uses continuous mining units that use groom-and-pillar mining techniques to generate low/medium-sulfur coal. The preparation plant has a capacity of 1,800 tons of raw coal per hour, and the production is shipped directly to customers or the Mt. Vernon Transfer Terminal trans-loading facility for barge delivery.

**Hamilton Complex** is in Hamilton County, Illinois. The mine is an underground long wall mine that produces medium/high-sulfur coal. The preparation plant has a throughput capacity of 2,000 tons of raw coal per hour. The Company acquired complete control and ownership of the mine in 2015. production is shipped directly to customers or the Mt. Vernon Transfer Terminal trans-loading facility for barge delivery.

**River View Complex** is in Union County, Kentucky. The mine is the largest room-and-pillar coal mine in the U.S. The mine began production in 2009 and uses continuous mining units to produce medium/high-sulfur coal. The preparation plant has a throughput capacity of 2,700 tons of raw coal per hour. Coal is transported by overland belt to a barge loading facility on the Ohio River.

**Warrior Complex** operates an underground mining complex located near Madisonville in Hopkins County, Kentucky. The complex opened in 1985 and was acquired by ARLP in February 2023. The mine uses continuous mining units employing a room-and-pillar mining technique to produce medium/high sulfur coal. The preparation plant has a throughput capacity of 1,200 tons of raw coal per hour. production is shipped directly to customers or the Mt. Vernon Transfer Terminal trans-loading facility for barge delivery.

**Mt. Vernon Transfer Terminal** is a coal-loading terminal on the Ohio River at Mt. Vernon, Indiana, operated by the Company's subsidiary Mt. Vernon which leases land and operates the facility. The coal is delivered to the location by both rail and truck. It has a capacity of 8.0 million tons per year, with a storage capacity of nearly 200,000 tons. In 2021, the terminal loaded approximately 1.4 million tons for Gibson County Coal and Hamilton customers.

## Appalachian Basin

The Appalachian properties are in northern west Virginia, Maryland, western Pennsylvania and eastern Kentucky. The Company operates three mining complexes in the region.

**Tunnel Ridge Complex** is an underground longwall mine located in West Virginia. Operations at the mine began in May 2012. The preparation plant has a capacity of 2,000 tons of raw coal per hour. The coal produced is a medium/high-sulfur coal that is transported directly through a conveyor belt to a barge loading facility on the Ohio River.

**Mettiki Complex** consists of two properties: the Mountain View mine located in Tucker County, West Virginia, and a preparation plant located in Garrett County, Maryland. The Mountain View mine produces medium-sulfur coal and is shipped to the Mettiki (MD) preparation plant for processing for the metallurgical coal market or to the coal blending facility at the Virginia Electric and Power Company Mt. Storm Power Station. The preparation plant has a throughput capacity of 1,350 tons of raw coal per hour.

**MC Mining Complex**, located in Pike County, Kentucky, was acquired by ARLP in 1989. The development of mine five was completed in July 2020. The mine uses continuous mining units using room-and-pillar mining techniques to produce low-sulfur coal and has a throughput capacity of 1,000 tons of raw coal per hour. The coal produced at MC Mining in 2021 met or exceeded the compliance requirements of Phase II of the Federal Clean Air Act.

## Oil and Gas Mineral Interests

ARLP's oil & gas mineral interests are primarily located on private islands in three basins, including Permian (Delaware and Midland), Anadarko (SCOOP/STACK), and Williston (Bakken) Basins.

### Exhibit 8: ARLP's Oil & Gas Mineral Interests



Source: Company Reports; Stonegate Capital Markets

The Company's developed and undeveloped net acres are standardized to a 1/8th royalty, equate to nearly 61,400 oil & gas net royalty acres, which also includes 3,968 oil & gas net royalty acres owned through equity interest in AllDale III.

## Exhibit 9: ARLP Net Proved Oil &amp; Gas Reserves

	As of December 31, 2022			
	Crude Oil (MBbl)	Natural Gas (MMcf)	Natural Gas Liquids (MBbl)	Total (MBOE) (2)
Estimated proved developed reserves	6,976	37,882	4,388	17,678
Estimated proved undeveloped reserves	1,362	5,155	697	2,918
Total estimated proved reserves (1)	8,338	43,037	5,085	20,596

(1) Proved reserves of approximately 1,736 MBOE were attributable to noncontrolling interests as of December 31, 2022.

(2) Natural gas reserve volumes are converted to BOE based on a 6:1 ratio: 6 Mcf of natural gas converts to one BOE.

Source: Company Reports; Stonegate Capital Markets

Furthermore, when the Company leases its interests, it receives a lease bonus (upfront cash payment) and a mineral royalty that entitles it to receive a fixed percentage of the revenue or production from the oil & gas produced from the acreage underlying its interests, free of lease operating expenses and capital costs. The Company is actively investing in oil & gas mineral interests in premier oil-rich basins. The primary Oil and Gas interests of the Company are:

**Permian Basin—Delaware and Midland Basins** ranges from West Texas into southeastern New Mexico and is the most active area for horizontal drilling in the U.S. The basin is further divided into the Delaware Basin in the west and the Midland Basin in the east. The Company has multiple producing zones of horizontal economic development including Wolfcamp, Spraberry, and Bone Spring formations. ARLP recently purchased acreage in the Permian Basin through Boulders Acquisition, reiterating its commitment to acquiring strategic properties in the highest growth oil & gas plays.

**Anadarko Basin—SCOOP and STACK Plays** – The South-Central Oklahoma Oil Province is located in central Oklahoma in Grady, Garvin, Stephens, and McClain Counties that contains multiple producing zones of horizontal economic development including numerous Woodford benches and the Springer Shale. Other formations in the area attract operator interest, including the Sycamore, Caney, and Osage, also known as SCORE (Sycamore Caney Osage Resource Expansion). On the other hand, the STACK play (Sooner Trend, Anadarko Basin, Canadian, and Kingfisher Counties) is located in central Oklahoma in Kingfisher, Canadian, Caddo, and Blaine Counties that include multiple producing zones of horizontal economic development including but not limited to the Meramec and Woodford formations.

**Williston Basin—Bakken** extends from western North Dakota into eastern Montana and includes multiple producing zones of horizontal economic development including the Bakken and Three Forks formations.

## Exhibit 10: ARLP Oil &amp; Gas Mineral Interests – Acreage Concentration

Basin	Developed Acreage			Undeveloped Acreage		
	Gross	Net Mineral	Net Royalty	Gross	Net Mineral	Net Royalty
Permian Basin	296,336	8,208	10,724	538,434	14,913	20,053
Anadarko Basin	150,007	5,494	7,849	287,130	10,517	15,007
Williston Basin	130,054	2,083	2,724	96,962	1,553	2,044
Other	25,200	918	1,152	40,337	1,470	1,823
Total	601,597	16,703	22,449	962,863	28,453	38,927

Source: Company Reports; Stonegate Capital Markets

Other interests include mineral interests owned in the Appalachia Basin comprising Ohio, West Virginia, and Pennsylvania. In the Appalachia Basin, the most prominent plays include the Marcellus Shale, and Utica plays, covering most of Pennsylvania, northern West Virginia, and eastern Ohio. The Company also holds interests in the Tuscaloosa Marine Shale play in Mississippi and Haynesville Shale formation located in northwest Louisiana.

## Coal Royalties

ARLP leases its reserves and resources to its mining complexes under long-term leases. Nearly two-thirds of the royalty-based leases have initial terms of five to 40 years, with the option to extend the lease for additional terms. ARLP grants lessees the right to mine and sell in exchange for royalty payments based on a percentage of the sale price or a fixed royalty per ton of coal mined and sold. The lessee is also responsible for providing information about the tons of coal mined and sold, the sales price of extracted coal, and calculating royalty payments.

## End Markets & Customer Base

The Company has an established customer base that it acquired through existing business relationships or participation in a bidding process. The Company enters into long-term supply agreements with many of its customers, which allow the Company to predict its sales volume and prices. In 2022, approximately 85% and 65.6% of ARLP's sales tonnage and total coal sales, respectively were sold under long-term agreements with committed term expirations ranging from 2022 to 2029.

In 2022, the Company's most significant customers included Louisville Gas and Electric Company, Duke Energy, and Tennessee Valley Authority. Each of these companies accounted for more than 10% of revenue. Furthermore, ARLP sells indirectly (through brokered transactions) to the international market, including end-users in Europe, Africa, Asia, North America, and South America. During the years December 31, 2022, 2021, and 2020, export tons represented approximately 12.5%, 12.5%, and 3.3% of tons sold, respectively.

In 2014, the Company began investing in oil & gas mineral interests in some of the most important oil-rich basins. However, in 2019 ARLP turned into an active and material participant from a passive investor in oil and gas minerals. The Company is adding acreage to its existing interests and aims to become a significant participant in the nation's highest growth oil & gas plays.

BALANCE SHEET

Alliance Resource Partners, L.P. (NASDAQ: ARLP) Consolidated Balance Sheets (in millions \$) Fiscal Year: December												
ASSETS	FY 2020	Q1 Mar-21	Q2 Jun-21	Q3 Sep-21	Q4 Dec-21	FY 2021	Q1 Mar-22	Q2 Jun-22	Q3 Sep-22	Q4 Dec-22	FY 2022	Q1 Mar-23
<b>Current Assets</b>												
Cash & cash equivalents	55.6	34.4	37.7	104.6	122.4	122.4	128.2	106.1	278.5	296.0	296.0	271.3
Trade receivables, net	104.6	116.3	132.0	142.0	129.5	129.5	156.7	230.6	190.4	238.6	238.6	266.3
Other receivables	3.5	2.5	2.1	1.1	0.7	0.7	0.4	0.4	6.9	8.6	8.6	9.9
Inventories, net	56.4	85.0	74.5	65.5	60.3	60.3	95.7	109.7	98.8	77.3	77.3	108.6
Advance royalties	4.2	3.3	2.1	2.1	5.0	5.0	4.4	3.5	3.5	7.6	7.6	5.8
Prepaid expenses & other assets	21.6	15.3	12.5	10.9	21.4	21.4	19.2	15.9	14.7	26.7	26.7	19.3
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>245.8</b>	<b>256.8</b>	<b>261.0</b>	<b>326.2</b>	<b>339.2</b>	<b>339.2</b>	<b>404.7</b>	<b>466.1</b>	<b>592.7</b>	<b>654.8</b>	<b>654.8</b>	<b>681.3</b>
Property, plant and equipment, net	1,800.2	1,767.2	1,728.0	1,696.2	1,698.7	1,698.7	1,691.6	1,685.9	1,731.1	1,816.9	1,816.9	1,909.3
Advance royalties	56.8	65.1	65.1	65.0	63.5	63.5	71.4	70.8	70.2	67.7	67.7	75.3
Equity method investments	27.3	26.9	26.3	26.2	26.3	26.3	26.2	46.4	46.2	49.4	49.4	48.9
Goodwill	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	42.0	42.0	42.0
Operating lease rights of use assets	15.0	15.1	14.7	14.3	14.2	14.2	15.2	14.7	15.4	15.0	15.0	15.9
Other long-term assets	16.6	15.7	16.2	16.7	13.1	13.1	12.1	44.9	44.5	15.7	15.7	15.0
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>2,166.0</b>	<b>2,151.2</b>	<b>2,115.5</b>	<b>2,149.0</b>	<b>2,159.4</b>	<b>2,159.4</b>	<b>2,225.5</b>	<b>2,333.2</b>	<b>2,504.4</b>	<b>2,661.5</b>	<b>2,661.5</b>	<b>2,787.7</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>												
<b>Current Liabilities</b>												
Accounts payable	47.5	60.1	55.8	70.4	69.6	69.6	92.9	90.4	97.0	95.1	95.1	115.1
Accrued taxes other than income taxes	25.1	22.6	21.0	23.8	17.8	17.8	15.2	14.0	25.1	23.0	23.0	23.6
Accrued payroll and related expenses	28.5	32.0	39.0	39.9	36.8	36.8	31.2	38.8	43.0	39.6	39.6	33.8
Accrued interest	5.1	12.6	5.0	12.5	5.0	5.0	12.5	5.0	12.5	5.0	5.0	13.0
Workers' compensation and pneumoconiosis benefits	10.6	10.6	10.6	10.6	12.3	12.3	12.3	12.3	12.3	14.1	14.1	14.1
Current finance lease obligations	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.840	0.8	0.7	0.5	0.3	-	-	-
Current operating lease obligations	1.9	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	2.1	2.2	2.8	-	-	-
Other current liabilities	21.9	15.2	14.1	14.4	17.4	17.4	19.8	18.5	45.4	53.8	53.8	51.7
Current maturities, long-term debt, net	73.2	55.6	55.6	16.8	16.1	16.1	15.4	14.9	15.1	25.0	25.0	22.2
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>214.6</b>	<b>211.3</b>	<b>203.7</b>	<b>191.1</b>	<b>177.6</b>	<b>177.6</b>	<b>202.1</b>	<b>196.5</b>	<b>253.5</b>	<b>255.6</b>	<b>255.6</b>	<b>273.5</b>
<b>Long-Term Liabilities</b>												
Long-term debt, excluding current maturities, net	519.4	485.1	426.6	425.1	418.9	418.9	416.0	413.0	409.9	397.2	397.2	436.7
Pneumoconiosis benefits	105.1	105.7	106.4	107.1	107.6	107.6	108.5	108.8	109.7	100.1	100.1	100.8
Accrued pension benefit	47.0	42.8	42.0	41.2	25.6	25.6	24.9	24.1	23.4	12.6	12.6	12.3
Workers' compensation	47.5	47.0	44.9	43.8	44.9	44.9	44.7	38.7	39.0	39.6	39.6	40.1
Asset retirement obligations	121.5	122.1	122.6	122.9	123.5	123.5	124.0	124.2	124.6	142.3	142.3	143.0
Long-term finance lease obligations	1.5	1.3	1.0	0.8	0.618	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.5	-	-	13.4
Long-term operating lease obligations	13.1	13.3	13.0	12.7	12.4	12.4	13.0	12.7	12.8	12.1	12.1	35.6
Other long-term liabilities	24.1	22.8	20.7	22.3	22.3	22.3	58.5	62.4	63.1	60.6	60.6	25.3
<b>Total Long-Term Liabilities</b>	<b>879.1</b>	<b>840.0</b>	<b>777.3</b>	<b>776.1</b>	<b>755.8</b>	<b>755.8</b>	<b>790.1</b>	<b>784.5</b>	<b>783.1</b>	<b>764.4</b>	<b>764.4</b>	<b>807.1</b>
<b>Partners' Capital:</b>												
<b>ARLP Partners' Capital:</b>												
Limited Partners - Common Unitholders	1,148.6	1,174.0	1,206.5	1,251.7	1,279.2	1,279.2	1,285.7	1,403.7	1,518.7	1,656.0	1,656.0	1,721.9
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(87.7)	(85.4)	(83.2)	(81.0)	(64.2)	(64.2)	(63.4)	(62.6)	(61.8)	(41.1)	(41.1)	(40.5)
<b>Total ARLP Partners' Capital</b>	<b>1,060.9</b>	<b>1,088.6</b>	<b>1,123.3</b>	<b>1,170.7</b>	<b>1,215.0</b>	<b>1,215.0</b>	<b>1,222.3</b>	<b>1,341.1</b>	<b>1,456.8</b>	<b>1,615.0</b>	<b>1,615.0</b>	<b>1,681.4</b>
Non-controlling interest	11.4	11.3	11.2	11.1	11.1	11.1	11.1	11.1	11.0	26.5	26.5	26.5
<b>Total Partners' Capital</b>	<b>1,072.3</b>	<b>1,099.9</b>	<b>1,134.5</b>	<b>1,181.8</b>	<b>1,226.1</b>	<b>1,226.1</b>	<b>1,233.4</b>	<b>1,352.2</b>	<b>1,467.8</b>	<b>1,641.5</b>	<b>1,641.5</b>	<b>1,708.0</b>
<b>Total Liabilities and Partners' Capital</b>	<b>2,166.0</b>	<b>2,151.2</b>	<b>2,115.5</b>	<b>2,149.0</b>	<b>2,159.4</b>	<b>2,159.4</b>	<b>2,225.5</b>	<b>2,333.2</b>	<b>2,504.4</b>	<b>2,661.5</b>	<b>2,661.5</b>	<b>2,788.5</b>
<b>Ratios</b>												
<b>Liquidity</b>												
Current Ratio	1.1x	1.2x	1.3x	1.7x	1.9x	1.9x	2.0x	2.4x	2.3x	2.6x	2.6x	2.5x
Quick Ratio	0.7x	0.7x	0.8x	1.3x	1.4x	1.4x	1.4x	1.7x	1.8x	2.1x	2.1x	2.0x
Working Capital	31.2	45.5	57.2	135.1	161.7	161.7	202.6	269.5	339.2	399.2	399.2	407.8
<b>Leverage</b>												
Debt To Equity	57.5%	51.2%	44.4%	39.1%	37.1%	37.1%	36.6%	33.1%	30.3%	26.9%	26.9%	30.2%
Debt To Capital	36.5%	33.9%	30.8%	28.1%	27.1%	27.1%	26.8%	24.9%	23.3%	21.2%	21.2%	23.2%
<b>Capital Usage - Annualized</b>												
A/R Turns	10.0x	11.5x	11.7x	12.1x	13.9x	13.4x	12.9x	12.7x	11.9x	13.1x	13.1x	10.5x
Inv Turns	11.2x	11.7x	11.3x	14.9x	20.7x	17.5x	14.9x	13.7x	13.8x	18.1x	20.4x	15.9x
A/P Turns	13.8x	15.4x	15.5x	16.6x	18.6x	17.4x	14.3x	15.4x	15.3x	16.6x	17.0x	14.0x

Source: Company Reports, Stonegate Capital Markets

INCOME STATEMENT

Alliance Resource Partners, L.P. (NASDAQ: ARLP)																	
Consolidated Statements of Income (in \$Ms, except per share amounts)																	
Fiscal Year: December																	
	FY 2020	FY 2021	Q1 Mar-22	Q2 Jun-22	Q3 Sep-22	Q4 Dec-22	FY 2022	Q1 Mar-23	Q2 E Jun-23	Q3 E Sep-23	Q4 E Dec-23	FY 2023E	Q1 E Mar-24	Q2 E Jun-24	Q3 E Sep-24	Q4 E Dec-24	FY 2024E
<b>Revenues</b>																	
Revenues	\$ 1,328.1	\$ 1,570.0	\$ 460.9	\$ 616.5	\$ 628.4	\$ 700.7	\$ 2,406.5	\$ 662.9	\$ 667.8	\$ 707.9	\$ 763.2	\$ 2,801.8	\$ 675.1	\$ 693.1	\$ 744.2	\$ 786.3	\$ 2,898.6
<b>Total revenues</b>	<b>1,328.1</b>	<b>1,570.0</b>	<b>460.9</b>	<b>616.5</b>	<b>628.4</b>	<b>700.7</b>	<b>2,406.5</b>	<b>662.9</b>	<b>667.8</b>	<b>707.9</b>	<b>763.2</b>	<b>2,801.8</b>	<b>675.1</b>	<b>693.1</b>	<b>744.2</b>	<b>786.3</b>	<b>2,898.6</b>
<b>Expenses</b>																	
Operating expenses (excl. DD&A)	859.7	943.3	261.7	316.5	330.3	378.1	1,286.6	338.7	360.1	364.4	423.2	1,486.5	376.6	365.4	384.6	414.3	1,540.9
Transportation expenses	21.1	69.6	29.4	35.4	28.5	20.6	113.9	30.2	30.5	32.6	35.2	128.6	29.8	30.2	32.7	34.6	127.4
Outside coal purchases	-	6.4	-	0.2	-	-	0.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
G&A expenses	59.8	70.2	18.6	22.5	21.3	17.9	80.3	21.1	22.1	23.4	25.3	91.9	21.9	22.5	24.2	25.6	94.2
DD&A	313.4	261.4	63.3	66.7	70.1	73.6	273.8	65.6	79.5	79.5	79.5	304.1	78.8	78.8	78.8	78.8	315.0
Asset impairments	25.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Goodwill impairments	132.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total operating expenses	1,411.0	1,350.8	373.0	441.2	450.3	483.5	1,748.1	455.6	492.3	499.9	563.2	2,011.0	507.0	496.9	520.2	553.3	2,077.5
<b>Income (loss) from operations</b>	<b>(82.9)</b>	<b>219.2</b>	<b>87.8</b>	<b>175.3</b>	<b>178.1</b>	<b>217.2</b>	<b>658.4</b>	<b>207.3</b>	<b>175.5</b>	<b>208.0</b>	<b>200.0</b>	<b>790.8</b>	<b>168.0</b>	<b>196.1</b>	<b>224.0</b>	<b>233.0</b>	<b>821.1</b>
<b>Inc (loss) from operations - adj(1)</b>	<b>73.3</b>	<b>217.7</b>	<b>89.0</b>	<b>177.1</b>	<b>180.0</b>	<b>213.7</b>	<b>659.8</b>	<b>205.3</b>	<b>175.0</b>	<b>207.4</b>	<b>199.4</b>	<b>787.1</b>	<b>167.3</b>	<b>195.4</b>	<b>223.2</b>	<b>232.2</b>	<b>818.2</b>
Other income (expense):																	
Interest expense, net	(45.6)	(39.2)	(9.7)	(9.4)	(9.2)	(9.0)	(37.3)	(12.7)	(6.3)	(6.3)	(6.0)	(31.4)	(8.9)	(8.3)	(8.0)	(7.5)	(32.8)
Interest income	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.4	1.5	2.0	2.8	1.0	1.0	1.0	5.8	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	4.0
Equity method investment income	0.9	2.1	0.9	1.6	2.1	1.1	5.6	0.1	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.8	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	1.0
Other income/ (expense)	(1.6)	(3.0)	0.6	0.6	0.2	3.0	4.4	(0.6)	(0.6)	(0.6)	(0.7)	(2.4)	(0.7)	(0.8)	(0.8)	(0.9)	(3.2)
Total other income (expense):	(46.2)	(40.0)	(8.2)	(7.1)	(6.5)	(3.5)	(25.3)	(10.4)	(5.7)	(5.7)	(5.4)	(27.2)	(8.4)	(7.8)	(7.6)	(7.1)	(30.9)
<b>Pre-tax income (loss)</b>	<b>(129.0)</b>	<b>179.2</b>	<b>79.7</b>	<b>168.1</b>	<b>171.6</b>	<b>213.8</b>	<b>633.1</b>	<b>196.9</b>	<b>169.8</b>	<b>202.3</b>	<b>194.6</b>	<b>763.6</b>	<b>159.6</b>	<b>188.3</b>	<b>216.4</b>	<b>225.9</b>	<b>790.3</b>
Provision for taxes (benefit)	0.0	0.4	42.7	6.3	6.6	(1.7)	54.0	4.2	6.9	8.2	7.9	23.0	5.5	6.5	7.5	7.8	27.3
<b>Net income (loss)</b>	<b>(129.1)</b>	<b>178.8</b>	<b>36.9</b>	<b>161.8</b>	<b>165.0</b>	<b>215.4</b>	<b>579.1</b>	<b>192.7</b>	<b>162.9</b>	<b>194.1</b>	<b>186.7</b>	<b>740.7</b>	<b>154.1</b>	<b>181.8</b>	<b>208.9</b>	<b>218.1</b>	<b>763.0</b>
<b>Less: NI due to non-controlling interest</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>1.5</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>2.1</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>0.8</b>
<b>Net income (loss) attributable to ARLP</b>	<b>\$ (129.2)</b>	<b>\$ 178.2</b>	<b>\$ 36.7</b>	<b>\$ 161.5</b>	<b>\$ 164.6</b>	<b>\$ 214.5</b>	<b>\$ 577.2</b>	<b>\$ 191.2</b>	<b>\$ 162.7</b>	<b>\$ 193.9</b>	<b>\$ 186.5</b>	<b>\$ 734.3</b>	<b>\$ 153.9</b>	<b>\$ 181.6</b>	<b>\$ 208.7</b>	<b>\$ 217.9</b>	<b>\$ 762.2</b>
<b>Wtd EPU (loss)</b>	<b>\$ (1.02)</b>	<b>\$ 1.36</b>	<b>\$ 0.28</b>	<b>\$ 1.23</b>	<b>\$ 1.25</b>	<b>\$ 1.63</b>	<b>\$ 4.39</b>	<b>\$ 1.45</b>	<b>\$ 1.24</b>	<b>\$ 1.48</b>	<b>\$ 1.43</b>	<b>\$ 5.62</b>	<b>\$ 1.18</b>	<b>\$ 1.39</b>	<b>\$ 1.60</b>	<b>\$ 1.67</b>	<b>\$ 5.83</b>
Basic shares outstanding	127.2	127.2	127.2	127.2	127.2	127.2	127.2	127.3	127.2	127.2	127.2	127.2	127.3	127.2	127.2	127.2	127.2
Diluted shares outstanding	127.2	127.2	127.2	127.2	127.2	127.2	127.2	127.3	127.2	127.2	127.2	127.2	127.3	127.2	127.2	127.2	127.2
EBITDA (1) (2)	229.7	479.1	152.3	243.8	250.2	293.9	940.2	270.9	254.5	286.9	278.9	1,091.2	246.1	274.2	302.0	311.0	1,133.2
EBITDA - adjusted (1) (3)	386.7	479.1	152.3	243.8	250.2	287.2	933.6	270.9	254.5	286.9	278.9	1,091.2	246.1	274.2	302.0	311.0	1,133.2
<b>Margin Analysis</b>																	
Operating margin	-6.2%	14.0%	19.1%	28.4%	28.3%	31.0%	27.4%	31.3%	26.3%	29.4%	26.2%	28.2%	24.9%	28.3%	30.1%	29.6%	28.3%
Operatin margin - adjusted	5.5%	13.9%	19.3%	28.7%	28.6%	30.5%	27.4%	31.0%	26.2%	29.3%	26.1%	28.1%	24.8%	28.2%	30.0%	29.5%	28.2%
EBITDA margin	17.3%	30.5%	33.0%	39.6%	39.8%	41.9%	39.1%	40.9%	38.1%	40.5%	36.5%	38.9%	36.5%	39.6%	40.6%	39.5%	39.1%
EBITDA - adjusted margin	29.1%	30.5%	33.0%	39.6%	39.8%	41.0%	38.8%	40.9%	38.1%	40.5%	36.5%	38.9%	36.5%	39.6%	40.6%	39.5%	39.1%
Pre-tax margin	-9.7%	11.4%	17.3%	27.3%	27.3%	30.5%	26.3%	29.7%	25.4%	28.6%	25.5%	27.3%	23.6%	27.2%	29.1%	28.7%	27.3%
Net income margin	-9.7%	11.3%	8.0%	26.2%	26.2%	30.6%	24.0%	28.8%	24.4%	27.4%	24.4%	26.2%	22.8%	26.2%	28.0%	27.7%	26.3%
Adjusted net income margin	2.1%	11.3%	8.0%	26.2%	26.2%	29.7%	23.7%	28.8%	24.4%	27.4%	24.4%	26.2%	22.8%	26.2%	28.0%	27.7%	26.3%
Tax rate	0.0%	0.2%	53.6%	3.8%	3.8%	-0.8%	8.5%	2.2%	4.1%	4.1%	4.1%	3.0%	3.5%	3.5%	3.5%	3.5%	3.5%
<b>Growth Rate Analysis YY</b>																	
Total revenues	-32.3%	18.2%	44.6%	70.1%	51.3%	48.0%	53.3%	43.8%	8.3%	12.6%	8.9%	16.4%	1.8%	3.8%	5.1%	3.0%	3.5%
Operating income	-131.9%	364.6%	141.8%	218.6%	166.9%	255.3%	200.4%	136.0%	0.1%	16.8%	-7.9%	20.1%	-19.0%	11.8%	7.7%	16.5%	3.8%
Operating income - adjusted	-74.7%	197.0%	153.4%	228.8%	168.0%	247.1%	203.1%	130.7%	-1.2%	15.2%	-6.7%	19.3%	-18.5%	11.7%	7.6%	16.4%	3.9%
EBITDA	-69.5%	108.6%	61.5%	105.6%	84.0%	125.7%	96.3%	77.8%	4.4%	14.7%	-5.1%	16.1%	-9.1%	7.8%	5.3%	11.5%	3.9%
EBITDA - adjusted	-35.4%	23.9%	61.5%	105.6%	84.0%	120.5%	94.9%	77.8%	4.4%	14.7%	-2.9%	16.9%	-9.1%	7.8%	5.3%	11.5%	3.9%
Pre-tax income	-131.7%	238.9%	221.0%	280.6%	196.0%	309.3%	253.4%	147.2%	1.0%	17.9%	-9.0%	20.6%	-18.9%	10.9%	7.0%	16.1%	3.5%
EPS	-133.1%	234.2%	44.3%	264.7%	185.1%	311.7%	221.8%	425.6%	1.4%	18.5%	-12.6%	28.0%	-18.9%	11.6%	7.7%	16.8%	3.8%
EPS - adjusted	-88.5%	541.0%	48.1%	266.7%	186.0%	300.9%	220.2%	421.2%	0.8%	17.8%	-10.2%	28.7%	-19.5%	11.6%	7.7%	16.8%	3.8%
(1) Adjusted numbers exclude 1x items as defined by ARLP																	
(2) EBITDA defined as net income attributable to ARLP before net interest expense, income taxes and DD&A																	
(3) Adjusted EBITDA excludes 1x items as defined by ARLP																	

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