

PATRIOT TRANSPORTATION HOLDING, INC.

# ANNUAL REPORT



# 2019



*A Transportation Company*



**CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS**

Years ended September 30

(Amounts in thousands except per share amounts)

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>% Change</u>
Revenues .....	\$ 108,716	114,065	(4.7)
Operating profit .....	\$ 1,979	2,046	(3.3)
Income before income taxes .....	\$ 2,393	2,197	8.9
Net income .....	\$ 1,763	5,119	(65.6)
Per common share:			
Basic .....	\$ .53	1.54	(65.6)
Diluted .....	\$ .53	1.54	(65.6)
Total Assets .....	\$ 72,293	69,817	3.5
Total Debt .....	\$ —	—	—
Shareholders' Equity .....	\$ 54,797	52,406	4.6
Common Shares Outstanding .....	3,351	3,328	.7
Book Value Per Common Share .....	\$ 16.35	15.75	3.8

**BUSINESS.** The business of the Company, conducted through our wholly owned subsidiary, Florida Rock & Tank Lines, Inc. (Tank Lines), which is a Southeastern U.S. based tank truck company, is to transport petroleum and other liquids and dry bulk commodities.

**OBJECTIVES.** The Company's objectives are to continue building a substantial transportation company providing sound long-term growth and cash generation.

Fiscal year 2019 proved to be very challenging as the driver market continued to tighten. Revenue came in at \$109 million, well below the \$114 million we generated in fiscal 2018. The lower revenue was mainly driven by a decreasing driver count and the closure of our Charlotte terminal in May of 2019. We ended the year with an average count of 538 drivers versus 580 in fiscal year 2018. Just prior to the beginning of fiscal 2019, in an effort to reverse the trend of a declining driver force, we implemented a new productivity/minimum guarantee pay program. While the program provided a significant boost to driver hiring, it did nothing to reduce turnover and ultimately resulted in us spending significantly more on training and driver pay in fiscal 2019. In early October 2019, after gaining input from our drivers, we announced an overhaul to the driver pay program that eliminated the weekly productivity/minimum guarantee pay program and added seniority pay raises, weekly productivity bonuses, and a Paid Time Off Buyback Program among other enhancements. We are hopeful these enhancements will continue to attract new drivers but, more importantly, will incentivize all our drivers to remain employed with the Company for years to come.

A great deal of our success is dependent upon our ability to increase revenue at good freight rates. Our strategy is to concentrate revenue growth efforts in the markets where we have been successful with driver retention and to diversify our product mix where we can achieve revenue growth and improve profit margin. Recently, we closed on the acquisition of the assets of Danfair Transport out of Americus, GA which had total revenues of approximately \$2.3 million in 2018. We are excited about this acquisition as it fits nicely into one of the most stable market areas in our network and provides an opportunity to grow with some new customers in other markets we serve.

Controlling our fixed expense is critical in a declining revenue environment. During fiscal 2019, we reduced our average tractor fleet from 383 to 330 to remain aligned with our target of

at least 1.5 drivers per tractor. On an annualized basis, this reduction will save the Company approximately \$750,000 in depreciation expense alone.

Unfortunately, we were also forced to make headcount reductions during 2019 as we focused on keeping our support wages and SG&A expense at or below our targeted percentage of revenue. The reductions are projected to save the Company in excess of \$750,000 in fiscal 2020.

We continued to search for ways to reduce costs associated with our employee benefit plans. During fiscal 2019, we implemented changes to our health, wellness and pharmacy plans that project to provide an annualized savings in excess of \$1 million in fiscal 2020. These savings allowed us to keep our employee premium costs flat for the second year in a row while adding better benefits to the plans. We are hopeful that achievements like these will continue to set us apart from our competition and build a stronger workforce for our Company.

The auto liability insurance market continued to tighten in 2019 and resulted in a meaningful increase in our annual premium cost for fiscal 2020. While we were fully able to absorb the cost increase and maintain liability insurance well in excess of our customers' minimum requirements, some of our competitors may struggle to do the same. Whether this leads to less competition, higher freight rates, consolidation or all of the above is yet to be seen, but it stands to be a big part of the industry story for the remainder of 2019 and into the future.

Finally, technology investments have played a large part in the past couple of years. During 2019, we completed several technology projects that included a new billing automation platform and a complete migration of our critical operating systems to a 3rd party cloud service provider. These implementations have helped us reduce costs and improve efficiencies

across our network. Looking into 2020, we plan to begin piloting an on-board tractor camera system to assist us in managing our auto insurance claims and to improve driving behavior. Furthermore, we plan to implement a new automated dispatch module that should bring significant efficiencies to our operations and customers. We believe these projects are critical to our future success as they provide significant benefits to our drivers, employees and customers.

We want to thank our employees for their dedication to our Company and to providing the highest level of safety, professionalism and customer service. Our non-driver employee workforce consists of some of the finest people in the industry and we are consistently recognizing employees for 10, 20 and even 30 years of dedicated service each year at our annual meeting. We truly value their loyalty and leadership within our organization.

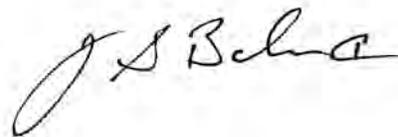
We are very proud to say that in fiscal 2019 the company beat our preventable accident frequency target. We set a very high standard for ourselves each year and achieving this goal speaks volumes about our drivers as well as our dedicated managers. Achieving this target allowed us to give away a brand-new Chevy Silverado to one of the Company's many eligible, accident free drivers in 2019. Congratulations to Marco Rollins on winning this year's award. The joy in Marco's voice when he answered the phone call during our annual awards dinner was priceless and makes what we do every day well worth the effort. I also want to recognize Ron Stanley as the recipient of the Company's John R. Mabbett Award for 2019 Driver of the Year. Ron is a veteran who served in the United States Army and we've been fortunate to have him on our team for the past six years. He has been a strong and consistent leader and exemplifies our determination to exceed customer expectations in safety, quality and service. Ron, we thank you for dedication and commitment to our Company.

While fiscal 2019 fell well below our expectations on profitability, our balance sheet remained strong, we continued to replace older tractors with new equipment using cash from operations and grew our shareholder equity by \$2.4 million. We currently hold \$21 million in cash and investments and have no outstanding debt. The Company is poised to invest in business opportunities like the Danfair acquisition should those opportunities continue to arise. During fiscal 2020 we will be exploring opportunities to expand our chemical business and are currently consulting with a chemical industry veteran to gain a better perspective on opportunities to grow chemical revenues in several new lanes. We believe we are taking the necessary steps to be successful in the future. Our management team is committed to satisfying our customers' needs and achieving a solid return on investment for our shareholders. As always, we do not take your continuing investment in our Company lightly and we want to thank you for your continued interest and support.

Respectfully,



Robert E. Sandlin  
President & Chief Executive Officer



Thompson S. Baker II  
Chairman

Our business consists of hauling petroleum related products, dry bulk commodities and liquid chemicals. We are one of the largest regional tank truck carriers in North America. According to the Tank Truck Carrier 2017 Gross Revenue Report issued by Bulk Transporter, we are the 10th largest bulk tank carrier in North America by revenue. We operate terminals in Florida, Georgia, Alabama, North Carolina and Tennessee. We do not own any of the products we haul; rather, we act as a third party carrier to deliver our customers' products from point A to point B, using predominately Company employees and Company-owned tractors and tank trailers. Approximately 86% of our business consists of hauling liquid petroleum products (mostly gas and diesel fuel) from large scale fuel storage facilities to our customers' retail outlets (e.g. convenience stores, truck stops and fuel depots) where we off-load the product into our customers' fuel storage tanks for ultimate sale to the retail consumer. The remaining 14% of our business consists of hauling dry bulk commodities such as cement, lime and various industrial powder products and liquid chemicals. As of September 30, 2019, we employed 530 revenue-producing drivers who operated our fleet of 376 Company tractors (excluding 9 being placed in service and 3 being prepared for sale), 24 owner operators and 491 trailers from our 19 terminals and 6 satellite locations.

During fiscal 2019, the Company purchased 60 new tractors. Our fiscal 2020 capital budget includes 60 new tractors. We anticipate this more modern fleet will result in reduced maintenance expenses, improved operating efficiencies and enhanced driver recruitment and retention. At September 30, 2019 the Company operated a fleet of 376 tractors (excluding 9 being placed in service and 3 being prepared for sale), and 491 tank trailers. The Company owns all of the tank trailers and tractors used to conduct our business, except for 24 tractors owned by owner-operators and 30 full-service leased 2019 model year tractors located in key areas without Company maintenance shops.

Approximately 86% of our business consists of hauling petroleum related products. Our petroleum clients include major convenience store and hypermarket accounts, fuel wholesalers and major oil companies. We strive to build long-term relationships with major customers by providing outstanding customer service. During fiscal 2019, the Company's ten largest customers accounted for approximately 63.1% of revenue. One of

these customers, Murphy USA, accounted for 19.2% of revenue. The loss of any one of these customers could have a material adverse effect on the Company's revenues and income. Our transportation services agreements with our customers generally are terminable upon 90-120 days' notice, but nine of our top 10 accounts have been customers for at least 5 years. Our dry bulk and chemical customers include large industrial companies including cement and concrete accounts and product distribution companies. Our customer relationships are long-standing and have grown over time as a result of consistently high safety and service levels.

Financial information about the company is presented in the financial statements included in this Annual Report.

(Amounts in thousands except per share amounts)

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Summary of Operations:					
Revenues .....	\$ 108,716	114,065	112,165	120,172	122,882
Operating profit .....	\$ 1,979	2,046	2,372	7,790	5,586
Interest expense .....	\$ 32	39	80	130	112
Income from continuing operations .....	\$ 1,763	5,119	1,829	5,705	3,339
Per Common Share (a):					
Basic .....	\$ .53	1.54	.55	1.74	1.02
Diluted .....	\$ .53	1.54	.55	1.74	1.02
Net income .....	\$ 1,763	5,119	1,829	5,705	3,339
Per Common Share (a):					
Basic .....	\$ .53	1.54	.55	1.74	1.02
Diluted .....	\$ .53	1.54	.55	1.74	1.02
Financial Summary:					
Current assets .....	\$ 34,424	31,444	23,721	17,737	11,796
Current liabilities .....	\$ 8,827	10,163	10,028	10,573	12,103
Property and equipment, net .....	\$ 33,567	33,911	39,592	43,703	42,620
Total assets .....	\$ 72,293	69,817	67,954	66,299	59,526
Long-term debt .....	\$ —	—	—	—	—
Shareholders' equity .....	\$ 54,797	52,406	46,583	43,946	37,202
Net Book Value Per common share .....	\$ 16.35	15.75	14.10	13.36	11.37
Other Data:					
Weighted average common shares:					
Basic (a) .....	3,342	3,318	3,299	3,283	3,268
Diluted (a) .....	3,343	3,320	3,302	3,285	3,275
Number of employees .....	761	783	857	959	979
Shareholders of record .....	358	383	406	423	440

**Quarterly Results** *unaudited*

(Dollars in thousands except per share amounts)

	<u>First</u>		<u>Second</u>		<u>Third</u>		<u>Fourth</u>	
	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Revenues .....	\$ 28,054	27,901	27,008	27,979	27,526	29,404	26,128	28,781
Operating profit (loss) .....	\$ 1,107	744	293	(292)	423	1,353	156	241
Income (loss) before income taxes .....	\$ 1,198	736	399	(270)	531	1,407	265	324
Net income (loss) .....	\$ 884	3,592	289	(188)	396	1,086	194	629
Earnings per common share (a):								
Net income (loss)-								
Basic .....	\$ .27	1.09	.09	(.06)	.12	.33	.06	.19
Diluted .....	\$ .27	1.09	.09	(.06)	.12	.33	.06	.19
Market price per common share (b):								
High .....	\$ 20.96	20.31	19.75	20.33	19.25	22.65	18.75	22.06
Low .....	\$ 18.44	16.72	18.40	17.35	16.97	18.00	16.75	18.55

(a) Earnings per share of common stock is computed independently for each quarter presented. The sum of the quarterly net earnings per share of common stock for a year may not equal the total for the year due to rounding differences.

(b) All prices represent Nasdaq reported high and low daily closing prices.

**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS.**

**Executive Overview.** The business of the Company, conducted through our wholly owned subsidiary, Florida Rock & Tank Lines, Inc., is to transport petroleum and other liquids and dry bulk commodities. We do not own any of the products we haul, rather, we act as a third party carrier to deliver our customers' products from point A to point B predominately using Company employees driving Company owned tractors and tank trailers. Approximately 86% of our business consists of hauling liquid petroleum products (mostly gas and diesel fuel) from large scale fuel storage facilities to our customers' retail outlets (e.g. convenience stores, truck stops and fuel depots) where we off-load the product into our customers' fuel storage tanks for ultimate sale to the retail consumer. The remaining 14% of our business consists of hauling dry bulk commodities such as cement, lime and various industrial powder products and liquid chemicals. As of September 30, 2019, we employed 530 revenue-producing drivers who operated our fleet of 376 Company tractors (excluding 9 being placed in service and 3 being prepared for sale), 24 owner operators and 491 trailers from our 19 terminals and 6 satellite locations in Florida, Georgia, Alabama, North Carolina and Tennessee. We experience increased seasonal demand in Florida during the spring and in most of our other locations during the summer months.

Our industry is characterized by such barriers to entry as the time and cost required to develop the capabilities necessary to handle hazardous material, the resources required to recruit, train and retain drivers, substantial industry regulatory and insurance requirements and the significant capital investments required to build a fleet of equipment, establish a network of terminals and, in recent years, the cost to build and maintain sufficient information technology resources to allow us to interface with and assist our customers in the day-to-day management of their product inventories.

Our ability to provide superior customer service at competitive rates and to operate safely and efficiently is important to our success in growing our revenues and increasing profitability. Our focus is to grow our profitability by executing on our key strategies of (i) increasing our business with existing and new customers, particularly hypermarket and large convenience store chains, that are willing to compensate us for our ability to provide superior, safe and reliable service, (ii) expanding our service offerings with respect to dry bulk and chemical products particularly in markets where we already operate terminals, (iii) earning the reputation as the preferred employer for tank truck drivers in all the markets in which we operate and (iv) pursuing strategic acquisitions. Our ability to execute this strategy depends on continuing our dedicated commitments to customer service and safety and continuing to recruit and retain qualified drivers.

Our industry is experiencing a severe driver shortage. As the need to hire drivers has risen across our industry the trend we are seeing is that more and more of the applicants are drivers with little to no experience in the tank truck business. Our management team is keenly focused on continuing to grow our driver count in markets where there are opportunities for us to grow our business and to retain all of our drivers at the levels we have historically achieved while balancing the aforementioned trends and associated risks

of the "new to the industry" driver applicant pool. Through the implementation of a software program, we have enhanced our ability to quickly identify, communicate with and ultimately hire qualified drivers.

There are several opportunities available today in our markets that will allow us to execute on our strategy so long as we can find, hire and retain qualified drivers to meet the demands of these opportunities. We believe the tighter driver market has and will continue to provide us with opportunities to capture new business. As these opportunities arise, we are willing to let certain lower priced business go in this environment to grow our business with customers willing to pay for our reliability and superior customer service.

We generate both transportation based revenue as well as fuel surcharge revenue. Our transportation revenue consists of base revenue for each delivery which is generally calculated by multiplying a negotiated mileage-based rate by the quantity of product delivered plus any fees for extra stops to load or unload, powered product unloading and toll cost reimbursements. These negotiated transportation rates compensate us both for transporting the products as well as for loading and unloading time.

While our base rates include a fixed amount to cover our cost of fuel using an assumed price for diesel, we have fuel surcharges in place with our customers that allow us to obtain additional compensation for fuel expense incurred when the price of diesel rises above that assumed price. Likewise, for some customers, the fuel surcharge system allows the customer to receive a lower cost from us when the price of diesel drops below that assumed price. There is a time lag between fuel price fluctuations and changes to fuel surcharges to our customers. In a rapidly rising price environment this time lag can negatively impact the Company's financial results as we must pay the higher fuel cost immediately but in most cases aren't able to adjust fuel surcharges to our customers until the end of the month. The main factors that affect our total revenue are the number of revenue miles driven, rates per mile, quantity of products hauled and the amount of fuel surcharges.

The Company's operations are influenced by a number of external and internal factors. External factors include levels of economic and industrial activity in the United States and the Southeast, driver availability and cost, government regulations regarding driver qualifications and limitations on the hours drivers can work, petroleum product demand in the Southeast which is driven in part by tourism and commercial aviation, and fuel costs. Internal factors include revenue mix, equipment utilization, Company imposed restrictions on hiring drivers under the age of 23 or drivers without at least one year of driving experience, auto and workers' compensation accident frequencies and severity, administrative costs, and group health claims experience.

Our operating costs primarily consist of the following:

- Compensation and Benefits - Wages and employee benefits for our drivers and terminal support personnel is the largest component of our operating costs. These costs are impacted by such factors as miles driven, driver pay increases, driver turnover

and training costs and additional driver pay due to temporary out-of-town deployments to serve new business;

- **Fuel Expenses** - Our fuel expenses will vary depending on miles driven as well as such factors as fuel prices (which can be highly volatile), the fuel efficiency of our fleet and the average haul length;

- **Repairs and Tires** - This category consists of vehicle maintenance and repairs (excluding shop personnel) and tire expense (including amortization of tire cost and road repairs). These expenses will vary based on such factors as miles driven, the age of our fleet, and tire prices.

- **Other Operating Expenses** - This category consists of tolls, hiring costs, out-of-town driver travel cost, terminal facility maintenance and other operating expenses. These expenses will vary based on such factors as, driver availability and out-of-town driver travel requirements, business growth and inflation among others;

- **Insurance and Losses** - This includes costs associated with insurance premiums, and the self-insured portion of liability, worker’s compensation, health insurance and cargo claims and wreck repairs. We work very hard to manage these expenses through our safety and wellness programs, but these expenses will vary depending on the frequency and severity of accident and health claims, insurance markets and deductible levels;

- **Depreciation Expense** - Depreciation expense consists of the depreciation of the cost of fixed assets such as tractors and trailers over the life assigned to those assets. The amount of depreciation expense is impacted by equipment prices and the timing of new equipment purchases. We expect the cost of new tractors and trailers to continue to increase, impacting our future depreciation expense;

- **Rents, Tags and Utilities Expenses** - This category consists of rents payable on leased facilities and leased equipment, federal highway use taxes, vehicle registrations, license and permit fees and personal property taxes assessed against our equipment, communications, utilities and real estate taxes;

- **Sales, General and Administrative Expenses** - This category consists of the wages, bonus accruals, benefits, travel, vehicle and office costs for our administrative personnel as well as professional fees and amortization charges for intangible assets purchased in acquisitions of other businesses;

- **Corporate Expenses** - Corporate expenses consist of wages, bonus accruals, insurance and other benefits, travel, vehicle and office costs for corporate executives, director fees, stock option expense and aircraft expense;

- **Gains/Loss on Disposition of Property, Plant & Equipment** - Our financial results for any period may be impacted by any gain or loss that we realize on the sale of used equipment, losses on wrecked equipment, and disposition of other assets. We periodically sell used equipment as we replace older tractors and trailers. Gains or losses on equipment sales can vary significantly from period to period depending on the timing of our equipment

replacement cycle, market prices for used equipment and losses on wrecked equipment.

To measure our performance, management focuses primarily on total revenue growth, transportation revenue growth, revenue miles, our preventable accident frequency rate (“PAFR”), our operating ratio (defined as our operating expenses as a percentage of our operating revenue), turnover rate (excluding drivers related to Charlotte closure) and average driver count (defined as average number of revenue producing drivers under employment over the specified time period) as compared to the same period in the prior year.

ITEM	FY 2019 vs. FY 2018
Total Revenue	Down 4.7%
Transportation Revenue	Down 4.7%
Revenue Miles	Down by 6%
PAFR	Improved from 2.27 to 1.99
Operating Ratio	Constant at 98.2%
Driver Turnover Rate	Increased from 68% to 78%
Avg. Driver Count incl. owner oper.	Down 6%

**Highlights of Fiscal 2019**

- The Company’s net income was \$1,763,000, or \$.53 per share, compared to net income of \$5,119,000, or \$1.54 per share in the same period last year. This year’s net income included \$634,000, or \$.19 per share, from gains on real estate sales. Net income last year included \$3,444,000, or \$1.04 per share, due to a deferred tax benefit resulting from the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017. Income before income taxes was \$2,393,000 this period versus \$2,197,000 in the same period last year.

- Our revenues and revenue miles declined from fiscal 2018 primarily due to a 6% reduction in our average driver count (including owner operators) as we continue to be impacted by the nationwide driver shortage.

- Insurance and losses were down \$2,303,000 due mainly to lower auto liability expense (\$1,355,000) resulting from the favorable settlement of several prior years’ claims and lower health expense (\$657,000) due in large part to the recent changes to our wellness and specialty drug plans.

- Depreciation expense was down \$889,000 as we sold excess equipment to right size our fleet.

**COMPARATIVE RESULTS OF OPERATIONS**

	Fiscal Years ended September 30					
(dollars in thousands)	2019	%	2018	%	2017	%
<b>Revenue miles</b> (in thousands)	<b>35,666</b>		37,924		38,000	
<b>Revenues:</b>						
Transportation revenue	<b>\$98,279</b>	90.4%	103,131	90.4%	105,334	93.9%
Fuel surcharges	<b>10,437</b>	9.6%	10,934	9.6%	6,831	6.1%
Total Revenues	<b>108,716</b>	100.0%	114,065	100.0%	112,165	100.0%
<b>Cost of operations:</b>						
Compensation and benefits	<b>47,549</b>	43.7%	48,010	42.1%	48,109	42.9%
Fuel expenses	<b>15,805</b>	14.5%	17,434	15.3%	14,991	13.4%
Repairs & tires	<b>7,373</b>	6.8%	7,194	6.3%	7,077	6.5%
Other operating	<b>4,811</b>	4.4%	4,679	4.1%	4,418	3.9%
Insurance and losses	<b>9,426</b>	8.7%	11,729	10.3%	10,728	9.6%
Depreciation expense	<b>7,870</b>	7.3%	8,759	7.7%	9,542	8.5%
Rents, tags & utilities	<b>3,406</b>	3.1%	3,385	3.0%	3,384	3.0%
Sales, general & administrative	<b>9,884</b>	9.1%	9,735	8.5%	9,404	8.4%
Corporate expenses	<b>2,270</b>	2.1%	2,124	1.8%	2,711	2.4%
Gain on disposition of PP&E	<b>(1,657)</b>	(1.5%)	(1,030)	(.9%)	(571)	(.5%)
Total cost of operations	<b>106,737</b>	98.2%	112,019	98.2%	109,793	97.9%
Total operating profit	<b>\$1,979</b>	1.8%	2,046	1.8%	2,372	2.1%

**Fiscal Year 2019 versus 2018** – Total revenues for the year were \$108,716,000, down \$5,349,000 from the prior year. Transportation revenues (excluding fuel surcharges) were \$98,279,000, down \$4,852,000. Miles declined by 2,258,000 to 35,666,000 versus 37,924,000 last year. The decline in miles and revenues was primarily due to the decline in our average number of drivers from 580 in fiscal year 2018 to 538 in fiscal year 2019 and the closure of our Charlotte terminal in May 2019.

Fuel expenses decreased by \$1,629,000 due to fewer miles driven. Repair and tire expense increased \$179,000 due to more high-dollar repairs this fiscal year versus last fiscal year. Other operating expenses were up \$132,000 due to increased tolls (most of which is billed to the customer), driver hiring and out of town driver expense. Insurance and losses were down \$2,303,000 due mainly to lower auto liability expense (\$1,355,000) resulting from the favorable settlement of several prior years' claims and lower health expense (\$657,000) due in large part to the recent changes to our wellness and specialty drug plans. Depreciation expense

was down \$889,000 as we sold excess equipment to right size our fleet. Sales, general & administrative costs increased \$149,000 due mainly to increased driver recruiting efforts and higher IT expense (on now completed system upgrades). Gain on disposition of assets increased \$627,000 due primarily to a gain of \$866,000 on the sale of a prior terminal site in Ocoee, Florida and a gain of \$231,000 on the insurance settlement for hurricane damages and losses sustained at our Panama City, Florida location.

As a result, operating profit was \$1,979,000 compared to \$2,046,000 in the prior fiscal year. Operating ratio was 98.2 versus a 98.2 last year.

**Fiscal Year 2018 versus 2017** – Total revenues for fiscal 2018 were \$114,065,000, up \$1,900,000 from the prior year. Transportation revenues (excluding fuel surcharges) were \$103,131,000, down \$2,203,000 or 2.1% mainly due to the business losses in the second and third quarters of fiscal 2017 partially offset by the replacement of a meaningful portion of that business starting in the second quarter of fiscal 2018. Miles declined by 76,000 to 37,924,000 versus 38,000,000 in fiscal 2017.

Compensation and benefits decreased \$99,000 as a result of reducing personnel costs (\$439,000) and lower driver pay and benefits expense (\$1,155,000) mostly offset by higher owner operator pay (\$1,495,000) as we added owner operators during fiscal 2018. Net fuel expense (i.e. gross fuel expenses less fuel surcharges) decreased by \$1,660,000 due to higher fuel surcharges on higher average diesel prices. Other operating expenses increased \$261,000 due mainly to increased tolls (in most cases we bill our customers for toll expenses), environmental accruals and site maintenance and repairs at some of our terminal offices. Insurance and losses were up \$1,001,000 due mainly to higher liability (\$708,000) and medical (\$575,000) claims partially offset by lower workers' compensation expense. Depreciation expense was down \$783,000 as a result of right sizing our fleet. SG&A was up \$331,000 due mainly to severance expense, reorganizing our IT department, upgrading our IT infrastructure and higher advertising costs related to hiring drivers. Corporate expenses were down \$587,000 due mainly to a decrease in legal and consulting fees and corporate management changes that occurred at the beginning of fiscal 2018. Gain on sale of assets increased \$459,000 as we sold excess equipment, including excess trailers.

As a result, operating profit was \$2,046,000 compared to \$2,372,000 in fiscal 2017. Operating ratio was 98.2 versus 97.9 in fiscal 2017.

**LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES**

The Company maintains its operating accounts with Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. and these accounts directly sweep overnight against the Wells Fargo revolver. As of September 30, 2019, we had no debt outstanding on this revolver, \$3,001,000 outstanding under letters of credit and \$31,999,000 available for additional borrowings. The Company expects our fiscal year 2020 cash generation to cover the cost of our operations and all of our budgeted capital expenditures.

**Cash Flows** - The following table summarizes our cash flows from operating, investing and financing activities for each of the periods presented (in thousands of dollars):

Years Ended September 30	2019	2018	2017
Total cash provided by (used for):			
Operating activities	\$ 10,429	7,772	10,660
Investing activities	5,362	(19,809)	(5,376)
Financing activities	(559)	749	—
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	\$ 15,232	(11,288)	5,284
Outstanding debt at the beginning of the period	\$ —	—	—
Outstanding debt at the end of the period	\$ —	—	—

**Operating Activities** - Net cash provided by operating activities (as set forth in the cash flow statement) was \$10,429,000 for the year ended September 30, 2019, \$7,772,000 in 2018 and \$10,660,000 in 2017. The total of net income plus depreciation and amortization less gains on asset dispositions decreased \$4,953,000 versus last year. These changes are described above under “Comparative Results of Operations”. Deferred income tax decreased \$4,105,000 in the prior year primarily due to a reduction in income tax expense related to the enactment of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act. Accounts receivable decreased \$1,278,000 in the current year due to lower September revenues and improved days sales outstanding. These changes comprise the majority of the increase in net cash provided by operating activities.

**Investing Activities** - Investing activities include the purchase of property and equipment, purchase and maturity of Treasury bills, any business acquisitions and proceeds from sales of property and equipment upon retirement. For the year ended September 30, 2019, net cash provided by investing activities was \$5,362,000 which included \$26,500,000 in proceeds on maturities of Treasury bills offset by \$6,328,000 for the purchase of plant, property and equipment net of proceeds from retirements and \$14,810,000 for the purchase of Treasury bills. For the year ended September 30, 2018, we spent \$19,809,000 on investing activities which included \$2,574,000 for the purchase of equipment net of proceeds from retirements and \$17,235,000 for the purchase of Treasury bills.

In 2018, cash required by investing activities was \$19,809,000 compared to \$5,376,000 in 2017.

**Financing Activities** - Financing activities primarily include net changes to our outstanding revolving debt and proceeds from the sale of shares of common stock through employee equity incentive plans. For the year ended September 30, 2019 cash used in financing activities was \$559,000 due to bank overdrafts in the prior year, debt issue costs related to a revised and restated revolver credit agreement and stock option exercises. For the year ended September 30, 2018 cash provided by financing

activities was \$749,000. The Company had no outstanding long-term debt on September 30, 2019 or September 30, 2018.

The Company had no financing activities in the year ended September 30, 2017.

**Credit Facilities** - The Company has a five-year credit agreement with Wells Fargo Bank N.A. which provides a \$35 million revolving line of credit with a \$10 million sublimit for stand-by letters of credit. The amounts outstanding under the credit agreement bear interest at a rate of 1.0% over LIBOR, which may change quarterly based on the Company’s ratio of consolidated total debt to consolidated total capital. A commitment fee of 0.15% per annum is payable quarterly on the unused portion of the commitment, which fee may change quarterly based on our ratio of consolidated total debt to consolidated total capital. The credit agreement contains certain conditions and financial covenants, including a minimum \$40 million tangible net worth. As of September 30, 2019, the tangible net worth covenant would have limited our ability to pay dividends or repurchase stock with borrowed funds to a maximum of \$21.8 million combined.

**Cash Requirements** - The Company currently expects its fiscal 2020 capital expenditures to be approximately \$8.4 million for replacement equipment which we expect to be fully funded by our cash generated from our operations. On December 4, 2019 the Company’s Board of Directors declared a special cash dividend of \$3.00 per share on the Company’s outstanding common stock. This one-time, special dividend is payable on January 30, 2020, to shareholders of record at the close of business on January 15, 2020. The Board of Directors also declared a quarterly dividend of \$0.15 per share, payable on January 30, 2020, to shareholders of record on January 15, 2020.

While the Company is affected by environmental regulations, such regulations are not expected to have a major effect on the Company’s capital expenditures or operating results.

The Company expects that cash flows from operating activities, cash on hand and the funds available under its revolving credit agreement will be adequate to finance these capital expenditures, dividends and its working capital needs for the next 12 months and the foreseeable future.

**OFF-BALANCE SHEET ARRANGEMENTS**

Except for the letters of credit described above under “Liquidity and Capital Resources,” the Company does not have any off balance sheet arrangements that either have, or are reasonably likely to have, a current or future material effect on its financial condition.

**CRITICAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States requires us to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities as of the date of the consolidated financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the respective reporting periods. Accounting estimates are considered to be critical if (1) the nature of the estimates and assumptions is material due to the levels of subjectivity and judgment necessary to account for highly uncertain matters or the susceptibility of such matters to change; and (2) the impact of the estimates and assumptions on financial condition or operating performance is material. Actual results could differ from the estimates and assumptions used. Management of the Company considers the following accounting policies critical to the reported operations of the Company:

**Accounts Receivable Valuation.** The Company is subject to customer credit risk that could affect the collection of outstanding accounts receivable. To mitigate these risks, the Company performs credit reviews on all new customers and periodic credit reviews on existing customers. A detailed analysis of late and slow pay customers is prepared monthly and reviewed by senior management. The overall collectability of outstanding receivables is evaluated and allowances are recorded as appropriate. Significant changes in customer credit could require increased allowances and affect cash flows.

**Property and Equipment and Impairment of Assets.** Property and equipment is recorded at cost less accumulated depreciation. Provision for depreciation of property and equipment is computed using the straight-line method based on the following estimated useful lives:

	<u>Years</u>
Buildings and improvements	7-39
Revenue equipment	7-10
Other equipment	3-10

The Company periodically reviews property and equipment for potential impairment whenever events or circumstances indicate the carrying amount of a long-lived asset may not be recoverable. The analysis consists of a review of future anticipated results considering business prospects and asset utilization. If the sum of these future cash flows (undiscounted and without interest charges) is less than the carrying amount of the assets, the Company would record an impairment loss based on the fair value of the assets with the fair value of the assets generally based upon an estimate of the discounted future cash flows expected with regards to the assets and their eventual disposition as the measure of fair value. The Company performs an annual impairment test on goodwill and other intangible assets. Changes in estimates or assumptions could have an impact on the Company's financials.

**Claims and Insurance Accruals.** The nature of the transportation business subjects the Company to risks arising from workers' compensation, automobile liability, and general liability claims. The Company retains the exposure on liability claims of \$250,000 and \$500,000 for worker's compensation claims and has third party coverage for amounts exceeding the retention up to the amount of the policy limits. The Company expenses during the year an estimate of risk insurance losses based upon independent actuarial analysis, insurance company estimates, and our monthly review of claims reserve changes. In making claim reserve changes we rely upon estimates of our insurance company adjusters, attorney evaluations, and judgment of our management. Our estimates require judgment concerning the nature, severity, comparative liability, jurisdiction, legal and investigative costs of each claim. Claims involving serious injury have greater uncertainty of the eventual cost. In the past, our estimate of the amount of individual claims has increased from insignificant amounts to the full deductible as we learn more information about the claim in subsequent periods. We obtain an independent actuarial analysis at least twice annually to assist in estimating the total loss reserves expected on claims including claim development and incurred but not reported claims. We also retain exposure on employee health benefits up to \$250,000 per covered participant each calendar year plus a \$84,500 aggregate deductible for any claims exceeding \$250,000. We estimate claim liability using historical payment trends and specific knowledge of larger claims. Health claims are expensed as the health services are rendered so there is only a two month lag in payments on average. We are usually aware of the larger claims before closing each accounting period reducing

the amount of uncertainty of the estimate. Our accrued insurance liabilities for retiree benefits are recorded by actuarial calculation. Our accrued insurance liabilities for claims as of September 30, 2019, 2018, and 2017 amounted to \$2.7 million, \$2.1 million and \$.8 million, respectively. Payments made under a captive agreement for each year's loss fund are scheduled in advance using actuarial methodology. The captive agreement provides that we will share in the underwriting results, good or bad, within a \$250,000 per occurrence layer of loss through retrospective premium adjustments. Including the potential exposure in the captive we have \$4.2 million of estimated insurance liabilities. In the event that actual costs for these claims are different than estimates we will have adjustments in future periods. It is likely that we will experience either gains or losses of 5-10% of prior year estimated insurance liabilities in any year.

**Income Taxes.** The Company accounts for income taxes under the asset-and-liability method. Deferred tax assets and liabilities represent items that will result in taxable income or a tax deduction in future years for which the related tax expense or benefit has already been recorded in our statement of earnings. Deferred tax accounts arise as a result of timing differences between when items are recognized in the consolidated financial statements compared with when they are recognized in the tax returns. The Company assesses the likelihood that deferred tax assets will be recovered from future taxable income. To the extent recovery is not probable, a valuation allowance is established and included as an expense as part of our income tax provision. No valuation allowance was recorded at September 30, 2019, as all deferred tax assets are considered more likely than not to be realized. Significant judgment is required in determining and assessing the impact of complex tax laws and certain tax-related contingencies on the provision for income taxes. As part of the calculation of the provision for income taxes, we assess whether the benefits of our tax positions are at least more likely than not of being sustained upon audit based on the technical merits of the tax position. For tax positions that are more likely than not of being sustained upon audit, we accrue the largest amount of the benefit that is more likely than not of being sustained in our financial statements. Such accruals require estimates and judgments, whereby actual results could vary materially from these estimates. Further, a number of years may elapse before a particular matter, for which an established accrual was made, is audited and resolved.

#### **CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATIONS**

The following table summarizes our contractual obligations as of September 30, 2019:

		<u>Payments due by period</u>			
		<u>Less than 1 year</u>	<u>1-3 years</u>	<u>3-5 years</u>	<u>More than 5 years</u>
Contractual Obligations (thousands of dollars)	<u>Total</u>				
Operating Leases	\$2,888	1,089	1,559	240	—
Purchase Commitments	4,909	4,883	26	—	—
Other Long-Term Liabilities	<u>981</u>	<u>77</u>	<u>154</u>	<u>154</u>	<u>596</u>
Total Obligations	<u>\$8,778</u>	<u>6,049</u>	<u>1,739</u>	<u>394</u>	<u>596</u>

**INFLATION**

Most of the Company's operating expenses are inflation-sensitive, with inflation generally producing increased costs of operations. During the past three years, inflation has been fairly modest with its impacts mostly related to equipment prices, tire prices and the compensation paid to drivers.

In addition to inflation, fluctuations in fuel prices can affect profitability. Most of the Company's contracts with customers contain fuel surcharge provisions. Although the Company historically has been able to pass through most long-term increases in fuel prices and operating taxes to customers in the form of surcharges and higher rates, there is no guarantee that this will be possible in the future. See "Risk Factors—We may be adversely impacted by fluctuations in the price and availability of fuel."

**SEASONALITY**

Our business is subject to seasonal trends common in the refined petroleum products delivery industry. We typically face reduced demand for refined petroleum products delivery services during the winter months and increased demand during the spring and summer months. Further, operating costs and earnings are generally adversely affected by inclement weather conditions. These factors generally result in lower operating results during the first and second fiscal quarters of the year and cause our operating results to fluctuate from quarter to quarter. Our fuel efficiency is somewhat lower in colder months.

**FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS**

Certain matters discussed in this report contain forward-looking statements that are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those indicated by such forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements relate to, among other things, capital expenditures, liquidity, capital resources and competition and may be indicated

by words or phrases such as "anticipate", "estimate", "plans", "projects", "continuing", "ongoing", "expects", "management believes", "the Company believes", "the Company intends" and similar words or phrases. The following factors and others discussed in the Company's periodic reports and filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission are among the principal factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from the forward-looking statements: freight demand for petroleum products including increased vehicle fuel efficiency, the increased popularity of electric vehicles recessionary and terrorist impacts on travel in the Company's markets; fuel costs and the Company's ability to recover fuel surcharges; accident severity and frequency; risk insurance markets; driver availability and cost; the impact of future regulations, including regulations regarding the transportation industry and regulations intended to reduce greenhouse gas emissions; cyber-attacks; availability and terms of financing; competition in our markets; interest rates, and inflation and general economic conditions. However, this list is not a complete statement of all potential risks or uncertainties.

These forward-looking statements are made as of the date hereof based on management's current expectations, and the Company does not undertake an obligation to update such statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise. Additional information regarding these and other risk factors may be found in the Company's other filings made from time to time with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

(In thousands, except per share amounts)

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
<b>Revenues:</b>			
Transportation revenues .....	\$ 98,279	103,131	105,334
Fuel surcharges .....	10,437	10,934	6,831
Total revenues .....	<u>108,716</u>	<u>114,065</u>	<u>112,165</u>
<b>Cost of operations:</b>			
Compensation and benefits .....	47,549	48,010	48,109
Fuel expenses .....	15,805	17,434	14,991
Repairs & tires.....	7,373	7,194	7,077
Other operating .....	4,811	4,679	4,418
Insurance and losses .....	9,426	11,729	10,728
Depreciation expense .....	7,870	8,759	9,542
Rents, tags & utilities .....	3,406	3,385	3,384
Sales, general & administrative .....	9,884	9,735	9,404
Corporate expenses .....	2,270	2,124	2,711
Gain on disposition of PP&E.....	(1,657)	(1,030)	(571)
Total cost of operations .....	<u>106,737</u>	<u>112,019</u>	<u>109,793</u>
Total operating profit .....	1,979	2,046	2,372
Interest income and other .....	446	190	6
Interest expense .....	(32)	(39)	(80)
Income before income taxes .....	2,393	2,197	2,298
Provision for (benefit from) income taxes .....	630	(2,922)	469
<b>Net income</b> .....	<u>\$ 1,763</u>	<u>5,119</u>	<u>1,829</u>
<b>Earnings per common share:</b>			
Net income-			
Basic .....	\$ .53	1.54	.55
Diluted.....	\$ .53	1.54	.55
<b>Number of shares (in thousands) used in computing:</b>			
-basic earnings per common share.....	3,342	3,318	3,299
-diluted earnings per common share.....	3,343	3,320	3,302

**Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income** -Years Ended September 30

(In thousands)

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
Net income .....	\$ 1,763	5,119	1,829
Other comp. income (loss) net of tax:			
Unrealized investment gain (loss), net .....	14	(9)	—
Loss on retiree health, net .....	(51)	(32)	—
Tax reform gain on retiree health .....	—	32	—
Comprehensive income .....	<u>\$ 1,726</u>	<u>5,110</u>	<u>1,829</u>

See notes to consolidated financial statements

(In thousands, except share data)

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
<b>Assets</b>		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents .....	\$ 15,233	1
Treasury bills available for sale.....	5,983	17,298
Accounts receivable (net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$133 and \$153, respectively) .....	6,588	7,866
Federal and state taxes receivable .....	290	547
Inventory of parts and supplies .....	949	895
Prepaid tires on equipment .....	1,616	1,746
Prepaid taxes and licenses .....	536	609
Prepaid insurance .....	2,895	2,348
Prepaid expenses, other .....	334	134
Total current assets .....	<u>34,424</u>	<u>31,444</u>
Property, plant and equipment, at cost:		
Land .....	2,597	2,773
Buildings .....	5,847	5,713
Equipment .....	82,888	86,224
	<u>91,332</u>	<u>94,710</u>
Less accumulated depreciation .....	57,765	60,799
	<u>33,567</u>	<u>33,911</u>
Goodwill .....	3,431	3,431
Intangible assets, net .....	701	855
Other assets, net .....	170	176
Total assets .....	<u>\$ 72,293</u>	<u>69,817</u>
<b>Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity</b>		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable .....	\$ 3,184	3,271
Bank Overdraft .....	—	625
Accrued payroll and benefits .....	3,906	3,963
Accrued insurance .....	1,339	1,896
Accrued liabilities, other .....	398	408
Total current liabilities .....	<u>8,827</u>	<u>10,163</u>
Deferred income taxes .....	6,237	5,940
Accrued insurance .....	1,339	204
Other liabilities .....	1,093	1,104
Commitments and contingencies (Note 11)		
Shareholders' equity:		
Preferred stock, 5,000,000 shares authorized, of which 250,000 shares are designated Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock; \$0.01 par value; none issued and outstanding .....	—	—
Common stock, \$.10 par value; (25,000,000 shares authorized; 3,351,329 and 3,328,466 shares issued and outstanding, respectively) .....	335	333
Capital in excess of par value .....	38,099	37,436
Retained earnings .....	16,235	14,472
Accumulated other comprehensive income, net .....	128	165
Total shareholders' equity .....	<u>54,797</u>	<u>52,406</u>
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity .....	<u>\$ 72,293</u>	<u>69,817</u>

See notes to consolidated financial statements

(In thousands)

<b>Cash flows from operating activities:</b>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
Net income .....	\$ 1,763	5,119	1,829
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:			
Depreciation and amortization .....	8,474	9,469	10,293
Deferred income taxes .....	297	(4,105)	(434)
Gain on asset dispositions .....	(1,645)	(1,043)	(602)
Stock-based compensation .....	590	589	808
Net changes in operating assets and liabilities:			
Accounts receivable .....	1,278	(224)	(599)
Inventory of parts and supplies .....	(54)	(40)	(44)
Prepaid expenses .....	(544)	(1,418)	198
Other assets .....	(400)	(64)	14
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities .....	(711)	(490)	(545)
Income taxes payable and receivable .....	257	(31)	(255)
Long-term insurance liabilities and other long-term liabilities .....	1,124	10	(3)
Net cash provided by operating activities .....	<u>10,429</u>	<u>7,772</u>	<u>10,660</u>
<b>Cash flows from investing activities:</b>			
Purchase of property and equipment .....	(9,576)	(4,656)	(6,332)
Purchase of Treasury bills .....	(14,810)	(17,235)	—
Maturities of Treasury bills .....	26,500	—	—
Proceeds from the sale of property, plant and equipment .....	3,248	2,082	956
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities .....	<u>5,362</u>	<u>(19,809)</u>	<u>(5,376)</u>
<b>Cash flows from financing activities:</b>			
(Decrease) Increase in bank overdrafts.....	(625)	625	—
Debt issue cost .....	(9)	—	—
Proceeds from exercised stock options .....	75	124	—
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities .....	<u>(559)</u>	<u>749</u>	<u>—</u>
<b>Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents .....</b>	<b>15,232</b>	<b>(11,288)</b>	<b>5,284</b>
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year .....	1	11,289	6,005
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the year .....	<u>\$ 15,233</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>11,289</u>
<b>Supplemental disclosures of cash flow information:</b>			
Cash paid during the year for:			
Interest .....	\$ 29	33	53
Income taxes .....	\$ 123	1,427	1,578

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

(In thousands, except share amounts)

	Common Stock		Capital in Excess of Par Value	Retained Earnings	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income, net	Total Stockholders' Investment
	Shares	Amount				
Balance as of October 1, 2016 .....	3,289,353	\$ 329	\$ 35,919	\$ 7,524	\$ 174	\$ 43,946
Stock-based compensation .....			440			440
Shares granted to Directors .....	14,449	1	367			368
Net income .....				1,829		1,829
Balance as of September 30, 2017 .....	<u>3,303,802</u>	<u>\$ 330</u>	<u>\$ 36,726</u>	<u>\$ 9,353</u>	<u>\$ 174</u>	<u>\$ 46,583</u>
Exercise of stock options .....	5,801	1	123			124
Stock-based compensation .....			221			221
Shares granted to Directors .....	18,863	2	366			368
Net income .....				5,119		5,119
Unrealized loss on investment, net .....					(9)	(9)
Loss on retiree health, net .....					(32)	(32)
Tax reform gain on retiree health .....					32	32
Balance as of September 30, 2018 .....	<u>3,328,466</u>	<u>\$ 333</u>	<u>\$ 37,436</u>	<u>\$ 14,472</u>	<u>\$ 165</u>	<u>\$ 52,406</u>
Exercise of stock options .....	4,000		75			75
Stock-based compensation .....			227			227
Shares granted to Directors .....	18,863	2	361			363
Net income .....				1,763		1,763
Unrealized loss on investment, net .....					14	14
Loss on retiree health, net .....					(51)	(51)
Balance as of September 30, 2019 .....	<u>3,351,329</u>	<u>\$ 335</u>	<u>\$ 38,099</u>	<u>\$ 16,235</u>	<u>\$ 128</u>	<u>\$ 54,797</u>

**1. Accounting Policies.**

**DESCRIPTION OF BUSINESS** - The business of the Company, conducted through our wholly owned subsidiary, Florida Rock & Tank Lines, Inc., is to transport petroleum and other liquids and dry bulk commodities. We do not own any of the products we haul, rather, we act as a third party carrier to deliver our customers' products from point A to point B predominately using Company employees driving Company owned tractors and tank trailers. Approximately 86% of our business consists of hauling liquid petroleum products (mostly gas and diesel fuel) from large scale fuel storage facilities to our customers' retail outlets (e.g. convenience stores, truck stops and fuel depots) where we off-load the product into our customers' fuel storage tanks for ultimate sale to the retail consumer. The remaining 14% of our business consists of hauling our customers' dry bulk commodities such as cement, lime and various industrial powder products and liquid chemicals. Our operations are comprised of one reportable segment.

**PRINCIPLES OF CONSOLIDATION** - The consolidated financial statements were prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") and include the accounts, certain assets, liabilities, and expenses of Patriot and its wholly owned subsidiaries that comprise the Company. All significant intercompany transactions within the consolidated entity have been eliminated.

**CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS** - The Company considers all highly liquid debt instruments with maturities of three months or less at time of purchase to be cash equivalents. Bank overdrafts consist of outstanding checks not yet presented to a bank for settlement, net of cash held in accounts with right of offset.

**TREASURY BILLS AVAILABLE FOR SALE** - Consists of maturities of 3 months to 1 year at time of purchase.

**INVENTORY** - Inventory of parts and supplies is valued at the lower of cost (first-in, first-out) or market.

**TIRES ON EQUIPMENT** - The value of tires on tractors and trailers is accounted for as a prepaid expense and amortized over the life of the tires as a function of miles driven.

**REVENUE AND EXPENSE RECOGNITION** - Transportation revenue, including fuel surcharges, is recognized when the services have been rendered to customers or delivery has occurred, the pricing is fixed or determinable and collectibility is reasonably assured. Transportation expenses are recognized as incurred.

The Company adopted ASU No. 2014-09, "Revenue from Contracts with Customers" on October 1, 2018. Management has identified that a legally enforceable contract with its customers is executed by both parties at the point of pickup of the shipper's product, as evidenced by the bill of lading. Although the Company may have master agreements with its customers, these master agreements only establish terms. There is no financial obligation to the shipper until the Company takes possession of the load and there are no significant performance obligations after delivery. Revenue is

recognized for each individual load and the amount of revenue in progress at the end of each quarter is insignificant. There is no significant amount of judgment or uncertainty in recording revenue. The Company's adoption of this guidance did not result in a material impact on its financial statements.

**ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE** - Accounts receivable are recorded net of discounts and provisions for estimated allowances. We estimate allowances on an ongoing basis by considering historical and current trends. We record estimated bad debts expense as a selling, general and administrative expense. We estimate the net collectibility of our accounts receivable and establish an allowance for doubtful accounts based upon this assessment. Specifically, we analyze the aging of accounts receivable balances, historical bad debts, customer concentrations, customer credit-worthiness, current economic trends and changes in customer payment terms. Any trade accounts receivable balances written off are charged against the allowance for doubtful accounts. The Company has not experienced any significant credit-related losses in the past three years.

**PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT** - Property and equipment is recorded at cost less accumulated depreciation. Provision for depreciation of property and equipment is computed using the straight-line method based on the following estimated useful lives:

	<u>Years</u>
Building and improvements	7-39
Revenue equipment	7-10
Other equipment	3-10

The Company recorded depreciation expenses for 2019, 2018 and 2017 of \$8,317,000, \$9,298,000 and \$10,089,000, respectively. Gains and losses upon disposition are reflected in operating results in the period of disposition. Direct internal and external costs to implement computer systems and internal-use software are capitalized. Capitalized costs are depreciated over the estimated useful life of the system or software, generally 5 years, beginning when site installation or module development is complete and ready for use.

**IMPAIRMENT OF LONG-LIVED ASSETS** - The Company periodically reviews its long-lived assets, which include property and equipment and purchased intangible assets subject to amortization, for potential impairment whenever events or circumstances indicate the carrying amount of a long-lived asset may not be recoverable. The analysis consists of a review of future anticipated results considering business prospects and asset utilization. If the sum of these future cash flows (undiscounted and without interest charges) is less than the carrying amount of the assets, the Company would record an impairment loss based on the fair value of the assets with the fair value of the assets generally based upon an estimate of the discounted future cash flows expected with regards to the assets and their eventual disposition.

**GOODWILL** - Goodwill represents the excess of the purchase price over the estimated fair value of the net assets acquired in the acquisition of a business. Goodwill is not amortized,

but rather is tested for impairment annually and when events or changes in circumstances indicate that the fair value of a reporting unit with goodwill has been reduced below carrying value. The impairment test requires allocating goodwill and other assets and liabilities to reporting units. The Company's operations are comprised of one operating segment and therefore one reporting unit. The fair value of each reporting unit is determined and compared to the book value of the reporting unit. If the fair value of the reporting unit is less than the book value, including goodwill, then the recorded goodwill is impaired to its implied fair value with a charge to operating expense.

**INSURANCE** - The Company has a \$250,000 to \$500,000 self-insured retention per occurrence in connection with certain of its workers' compensation, automobile liability, and general liability insurance programs ("risk insurance"). The Company is also self-insured for its employee health insurance benefits and carries stop loss coverage for losses over \$250,000 per covered participant per year plus a \$84,500 aggregate. The Company has established an accrued liability for the estimated cost in connection with its portion of its risk and health insurance losses incurred and reported. Claims paid by the Company are charged against the liability. Additionally, the Company maintains an accrued liability for incurred but not reported claims based on historical analysis of such claims. Payments made under a captive agreement for each year's loss fund are scheduled in advance using actuarial methodology. The captive agreement provides that we will share in the underwriting results, good or bad, within a \$250,000 per occurrence layer of loss through retrospective premium adjustments. The method of calculating the accrual liability is subject to inherent uncertainty. If actual results are less favorable than the estimates used to calculate the liabilities, the Company would have to record expenses in excess of what has been accrued.

**INCOME TAXES** - Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized based on differences between financial statement and tax bases of assets and liabilities using presently enacted tax rates. Deferred income taxes result from temporary differences between pre-tax income reported in the financial statements and taxable income. The Company recognizes liabilities for uncertain tax positions based on a two-step process. The first step is to evaluate the tax position for recognition by determining if the weight of available evidence indicates that it is more likely than not that the position will be sustained on audit. The second step is to estimate and measure the tax benefit as the largest amount that is more than 50% likely to be realized upon ultimate settlement. It is inherently difficult and subjective to estimate such amounts, as the amounts rely upon the determination of the probability of various possible outcomes. The Company reevaluates these uncertain tax positions on a quarterly basis. This evaluation is based on factors including, but not limited to, changes in facts or circumstances, changes in tax law and expiration of statutes of limitations, effectively settled issues under audit, and audit activity. Such a change in recognition or measurement would result in the recognition of a tax benefit or an additional charge

to the tax provision. It is the Company's policy to recognize as additional income tax expense the items of interest and penalties directly related to income taxes.

**STOCK BASED COMPENSATION** - The Company accounts for compensation related to share based plans by recognizing the grant date fair value of stock options and other equity-based compensation issued to Company employees over the requisite employee service period using the straight-line attribution model. In addition, compensation expense must be recognized for the change in fair value of any awards modified, repurchased or cancelled after the grant date. The fair value of each grant is estimated on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model. The assumptions used in the model and related impact are discussed in Footnote 6.

**PENSION PLAN** - The Company has a defined benefit plan for certain key employees, See note 9 discussion of MSP Plan, and accounts for its pension plan following the requirements of FASB ASC Topic 715, "Compensation - Retirement Benefits", which requires an employer to: (a) recognize in its statement of financial position the funded status of a benefit plan; (b) measure defined benefit plan assets and obligations as of the end of the employer's fiscal year (with limited exceptions); and (c) recognize as a component of other comprehensive income, net of tax, the gains or losses and prior service costs or credits that arise but are not recognized as components of net periodic benefit costs pursuant to prior existing guidance.

**EARNINGS PER COMMON SHARE** - Basic earnings per common share are based on the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the periods. Diluted earnings per common share are based on the weighted average number of common shares and potential dilution of securities that could share in earnings. The differences between basic and diluted shares used for the calculation are the effect of employee and director stock options and restricted stock.

**USE OF ESTIMATES** - The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Certain accounting policies and estimates are of more significance in the financial statement preparation process than others. The most critical accounting policies and estimates include the economic useful lives and salvage values of our vehicles and equipment, provisions for uncollectible accounts receivable, estimates of exposures related to our insurance claims plans, and estimates for taxes. To the extent that actual, final outcomes are different than these estimates, or that additional facts and circumstances result in a revision to these estimates, earnings during that accounting period will be affected.

**ENVIRONMENTAL** - Environmental expenditures that benefit future periods are capitalized. Expenditures that relate to an existing condition caused by past operations, and which do not contribute to current or future revenue generation, are expensed. Liabilities are recorded for the estimated amount of expected environmental assessments and/or remedial efforts. Estimation of such liabilities includes an assessment of engineering estimates, continually evolving governmental laws and standards, and potential involvement of other potentially responsible parties.

**COMPREHENSIVE INCOME** - Comprehensive income consists of net income and other comprehensive income (loss). Other comprehensive income (loss) refers to expenses, gains, and losses that are not included in net income, but rather are recorded directly in shareholder's equity.

**RECENTLY ISSUED ACCOUNTING STANDARDS** - In May 2014, the FASB issued ASU No. 2014-09, "Revenue from Contracts with Customers" which replaces existing revenue recognition standards and significantly expand the disclosure requirements for revenue arrangements. The new standard requires an entity to recognize revenue when it transfers promised goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration the entity expects to receive in exchange for those goods or services. This update also requires additional disclosure about the nature, amount, timing, and uncertainty of revenue and cash flows arising from customer contracts, including significant judgments and changes in judgments and assets recognized from costs incurred to obtain or fulfill a contract. It may be adopted either retrospectively or on a modified retrospective basis to new contracts and existing contracts with remaining performance obligations as of the effective date. Management has identified that a legally enforceable contract with its customers is executed by both parties at the point of pickup of the shipper's product, as evidenced by the bill of lading. Although the Company may have master agreements with its customers, these master agreements only establish terms. There is no financial obligation to the shipper until the Company takes possession of the load. Revenue is recognized for each individual load and the amount of revenue in progress at the end of each quarter is insignificant. There is no significant amount of judgment or uncertainty in recording revenue. The Company adopted this standard on October 1, 2018, and its adoption of this guidance did not result in a material impact on its financial statements.

In February 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-02, "Leases", which requires lessees to recognize a right-to-use asset and a lease liability for the obligation to make lease payments measured at the present value of the lease payments for all leases with terms greater than twelve months. The provisions of this update and additional guidance in subsequent ASUs will become effective for us beginning October 1, 2019. In July 2018, the FASB issued ASU No. 2018-11, "Leases" which provides an optional transition method allowing entities to initially apply the new leases standard at the adoption date and recognize a cumulative-effect adjustment to the opening

balance of retained earnings in the period of adoption, with no restatement of comparative prior periods required. We currently intend to adopt the standard using this optional transition method. As of September 30, 2019, the Company has 8 property leases with an expected life over 12 months and 30 leased tractors and expects to recognize \$3,873,000 in right-to-use assets and \$4,104,000 in corresponding lease obligations upon adoption.

## **2. Related Party Agreements.**

The Company provides FRP Holdings, Inc. (FRP) certain services including the services of certain shared executive officers. A written agreement exists outlining the terms of such services and the boards of the respective companies amended and extended this agreement for one year effective April 1, 2019.

The consolidated statements of income reflect charges and/or allocation to FRP Holdings, Inc. for these services of \$1,398,000, \$1,441,000, and \$1,606,000 for fiscal 2019, 2018 and 2017, respectively. Included in the charges above are amounts recognized for corporate executive stock-based compensation expense. These charges are reflected as a reduction to corporate expenses.

We employ an allocation method to allocate said expenses and thus we believe that the allocations to FRP are a reasonable approximation of the costs related to FRP's operations, but any such related-party transactions cannot be presumed to be carried out on an arm's-length basis.

Patriot provided information technology services and previously subleased office space to Bluegrass Materials Company, LLC ("Bluegrass"). Mr. John Baker, brother of Edward L. Baker and uncle of Thompson S. Baker II, serves as Chairman of Bluegrass, and his son, Edward L. Baker II, serves as its Chief Executive Officer. Messrs. John Baker and Edward L. Baker II have a beneficial ownership interest in Bluegrass. Bluegrass paid \$16,000 to the Company for fiscal 2017 for such information technology services and office space. The services to Bluegrass ceased on December 31, 2016. Patriot paid \$7,000 to Bluegrass for information technology services for fiscal 2017.

## **3. Debt.**

On December 28, 2018 the Company entered into a First Amendment to the 2015 Credit Agreement (the "Credit Agreement") with Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. ("Wells Fargo"), effective December 14, 2018. The Credit Agreement modifies the Company's prior Credit Agreement with Wells Fargo, dated January 30, 2015. The Credit Agreement establishes a five year revolving credit facility with a maximum facility amount of \$35 million, with a separate sublimit for standby letters of credit. The credit facility limit may be increased to \$50 million upon request by the Company, subject to the lender's discretion and the satisfaction of certain conditions. The interest rate under the Credit Agreement will be a maximum of 1.50% over LIBOR, which may be reduced quarterly to 1.25% or 1.0% over LIBOR if the Company meets a specified ratio of consolidated total debt to consolidated total capital.

A commitment fee of 0.144% per annum is payable quarterly on the unused portion of the commitment but the amount may be reduced to 0.1145% or 0.086% if the Company meets a specified ratio of consolidated total debt to consolidated total capital. As of September 30, 2019, we had no outstanding debt borrowed on this revolver, \$3,001,000 in commitments under letters of credit and \$31,999,000 available for additional borrowings. The letter of credit fee is 1% and the applicable interest rate would have been 3.0435% on September, 2019.

This credit agreement contains certain conditions, affirmative financial covenants and negative covenants including a minimum tangible net worth. The Company was in compliance with all of its loan covenants as of September 30, 2019.

#### 4. Operating Leases.

The Company leases certain assets under operating leases, which primarily consist of real estate leases for the corporate office and some of our terminal locations and 30 full-service leased 2019 model year tractors located in key areas without Company maintenance shops. Certain operating leases provide for renewal options, which can vary by lease and are typically offered at their fair rental value. The Company has not made any residual value guarantees related to its operating leases; therefore, there is no corresponding liability recorded on the Balance Sheets.

Future minimum annual lease payments for assets under operating leases as of September 30, 2019 are as follows (in thousands):

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Total</u>
2020	\$ 1,089
2021	825
2022	734
2023	240
2024	—
Thereafter	—
Total minimum lease payments	<u>\$ 2,888</u>

Aggregate expense under operating leases was \$1,549,000, \$1,274,000 and \$1,198,000 for 2019, 2018 and 2017, respectively. Certain operating leases include rent escalation provisions, which are recognized as expense on a straight-line basis.

#### 5. Earnings Per Share.

Basic earnings per common share are based on the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the periods. Diluted earnings per common share are based on the weighted average number of common shares and potential dilution of securities that could share in earnings. The differences between basic and diluted shares used for the calculation are the effect of employee and director stock options.

The following details the computations of the basic and diluted earnings per common share. (dollars and shares in thousands, except per share amounts.)

	<u>Years Ended September 30</u>		
	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
Common shares:			
Weighted average common shares outstanding during the period - shares used for basic earnings per common share	3,342	3,318	3,299
Common shares issuable under share based payment plans which are potentially dilutive	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>
Common shares used for diluted earnings per common share	<u>3,343</u>	<u>3,320</u>	<u>3,302</u>
Net income	<u>\$ 1,763</u>	<u>5,119</u>	<u>1,829</u>
Earnings per common share			
Basic	<u>\$ .53</u>	<u>1.54</u>	<u>.55</u>
Diluted	<u>\$ .53</u>	<u>1.54</u>	<u>.55</u>

For 2019 and 2018, 181,983 and 147,909 shares, respectively, attributable to outstanding stock options were excluded from the calculation of diluted earnings per share because their inclusion would have been anti-dilutive.

#### 6. Stock-Based Compensation Plans.

**PARTICIPATION IN FRP PLANS** - Prior to the Company's spin-off from FRP Holdings, Inc. (FRP) in January 2015, the Company's directors, officers and key employees previously were eligible to participate in FRP's 2000 Stock Option Plan and the 2006 Stock Option Plan under which options for shares of common stock were granted to directors, officers and key employees.

**POST SPIN-OFF PATRIOT INCENTIVE STOCK PLAN** - As part of the spin-off transaction, the Board of Directors of the Company adopted the Patriot Transportation Holding, Inc. Incentive Stock Plan. ("Patriot Plan") in January, 2015. In exchange for all outstanding FRP options held on January 30, 2015, existing Company directors, officers and key employees holding option grants in the FRP Stock Option Plan(s) were issued new grants in the Patriot and FRP Plans based upon the relative value of Patriot and FRP immediately following the completion of the spin-off with the same remaining terms. All related compensation expense has been allocated to the Company (rather than FRP) and included in corporate expenses. The number of common shares available for future issuance in the Patriot Plan was 252,180 at September 30, 2019.

Patriot utilizes the Black-Scholes valuation model for estimating fair value of stock compensation for options awarded to officers and employees. Each grant is evaluated based upon assumptions at the time of grant. The assumptions are no dividend yield, expected volatility between 26% and

46%, risk-free interest rate of .3 to 3.0% and expected life of 3.0 to 7.0 years.

The dividend yield of zero is based on the fact that Patriot has not paid cash dividends. Expected volatility is estimated based on historical experience over a period equivalent to the expected life in years. The risk-free interest rate is based on the U.S. Treasury constant maturity interest rate at the date of grant with a term consistent with the expected life of the options granted. The expected life calculation is based on the observed and expected time to exercise options by the employees.

In December 2016, the Company approved and issued a long-term performance incentive to an officer in the form of stock appreciation rights. The Company granted 80,000 stock appreciation rights. The market price was \$23.13 on the date of grant and the executive will get a cash award at age 65 based upon the stock price at that date compared to the stock price at the date of grant but in no event will the award be less than \$500,000. The Company plans to expense the fair value of the award over the 9.1 year vesting period to the officer's attainment of age 65. The accrued liability under this plan as of September 30, 2019 and 2018 was \$252,000 and \$161,000, respectively.

In March 2017, in recognition of Thompson S. Baker II's outstanding service to FRP, the Board approved the vesting of all of Mr. Baker's outstanding FRP stock options, which expired 90 days following the termination of his employment. The vesting of Mr. Baker's outstanding FRP options that were issued prior to the spin-off required modification stock compensation expense of \$150,000. FRP reimbursed Patriot for this cost.

The annual director stock grant was 18,863 shares in fiscal 2019 at \$19.25, 18,863 shares in fiscal 2018 at \$19.53, and 14,449 shares in fiscal 2017 at \$25.50, based on the market prices indicated on the date of the grants.

The Company recorded the following stock compensation expense in its consolidated statements of income (in thousands):

	Years Ended September 30		
	2019	2018	2017
Stock option grants	\$ 227	221	440
Annual director stock award	363	368	368
	<u>\$ 590</u>	<u>589</u>	<u>808</u>

A summary of Company stock options is presented below (in thousands, except share and per share amounts):

Options	Number Of Shares	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Weighted Average Remaining Term (yrs)	Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value (000's)
Outstanding at October 1, 2016	110,811	\$ 22.52	6.2	\$ 999
Granted	40,780	21.25		272
Forfeited	(1,336)	24.24		(12)
Outstanding at September 30, 2017	150,255	\$ 22.16	6.3	\$ 1,259
Granted	33,960	18.57		240
Exercised	(5,801)	21.44		(53)
Forfeited	(5,319)	22.03		(48)
Outstanding at September 30, 2018	173,095	\$ 21.49	6.3	\$ 1,398
Granted	29,920	20.10		240
Exercised	(4,000)	18.84		(31)
Forfeited	(10,000)	18.24		(76)
Outstanding at September 30, 2019	189,015	\$ 21.49	6.3	\$ 1,531
Exercisable at September 30, 2019	104,084	\$ 22.45	5.0	\$ 854
Vested during twelve months ended September 30, 2019	19,724			\$ 174

The following table summarizes information concerning stock options outstanding at September 30, 2019:

Range of Exercise Prices per Share	Shares Under Option	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Weighted Average Remaining Life
Non-exercisable:			
\$16.50 – \$20.63	57,088	8.84	8.7
\$20.64 - \$25.78	26,387	22.01	6.8
\$25.79-32.23	1,456	26.77	5.2
	<u>84,931</u>	<u>\$20.32</u>	<u>8.0 Years</u>
Exercisable:			
\$16.50 - \$20.63	32,854	18.62	3.6
\$20.64 - \$25.78	53,468	22.70	5.9
\$25.79 - \$32.23	17,762	28.80	4.7
	<u>104,084</u>	<u>\$22.45</u>	<u>5.0 Years</u>
Total	<u>189,015</u>	<u>\$21.49</u>	<u>6.3 Years</u>

The aggregate intrinsic value of exercisable Company options was \$9,000 and the aggregate intrinsic value of all outstanding in-the-money options was \$9,000 based on the Company's market closing price of \$17.90 on September 30, 2019 less exercise prices.

The realized tax benefit from option exercises during fiscal 2019 was \$62,000 which pertained to FRP options exercised

that were granted prior to the Spin-off to persons employed by Patriot. The unrecognized compensation expense of Patriot options granted as of September 30, 2019 was \$504,000, which is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 3.1 years.

## 7. Income Taxes.

Fiscal 2018 net income included \$3,444,000 due to a deferred tax benefit resulting from revaluing the company's net deferred tax liabilities per the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017. As the Company has a September 30 fiscal year-end, the lower corporate income tax rate will be phased in, resulting in a U.S. statutory federal rate of approximately 24.28% for our fiscal year ending September 30, 2018, and 21% for subsequent fiscal years. The effective tax rate including the effect of state income taxes, but not including excess tax benefits from stock option exercises, is projected to decrease from 39.5% to 30.5% for fiscal 2018 and 27.5% for subsequent years. The tax rate for any year could be higher due to the impact of net worth taxes, permanent differences, and penalties and interest on lower than projected book income.

The provision for or benefit from income taxes for continuing operations for fiscal years ended September 30 consists of the following (in thousands):

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
Current:			
Federal	\$227	865	739
State	<u>92</u>	<u>304</u>	<u>164</u>
	319	1,169	903
Deferred	<u>311</u>	<u>(4,091)</u>	<u>(434)</u>
Total	<u>\$630</u>	<u>(2,922)</u>	<u>469</u>

A reconciliation between the amount of tax shown above and the amount computed at the statutory Federal income tax rate follows (in thousands):

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
Amount computed at statutory Federal rate	\$474	532	781
State income taxes (net of Federal income tax benefit)	146	131	108
Excess tax benefits from stock option exercises	—	(170)	(427)
Gain on rate change due to Tax Cut and Jobs Act of 2017	—	(3,444)	—
Other, net	<u>10</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>7</u>
Provision for income taxes	<u>\$630</u>	<u>(2,922)</u>	<u>469</u>

In this reconciliation, the category "Other, net" consists of changes in permanent tax differences related to non-deductible expenses, goodwill tax amortization, interest and penalties, and adjustments to prior year estimates.

The types of temporary differences and their related tax effects that give rise to deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities at September 30, are presented below (in thousands):

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Deferred tax liabilities:		
Property and equipment	\$7,178	6,849
Prepaid expenses	<u>624</u>	<u>478</u>
Gross deferred tax liabilities	7,802	7,327
Deferred tax assets:		
Insurance liabilities	599	448
Employee benefits and other	<u>966</u>	<u>939</u>
Gross deferred tax assets	<u>1,565</u>	<u>1,387</u>
Net deferred tax liability	<u>\$6,237</u>	<u>5,940</u>

The Company has no unrecognized tax benefits.

Tax returns in the U.S. and various states are subject to audit by taxing authorities. As of September 30, 2019, the earliest tax year that remains open for audit in the United States is 2014. We do not have any material unpaid assessments.

## 8. Accrued Insurance.

The Company has established an accrued liability for the estimated cost in connection with its portion of its risk and health insurance losses incurred and reported. Payments made under a captive agreement for each year's risk loss fund are scheduled in advance using actuarial methodology. Captive insurance assets available to us to settle risk insurance liabilities are not reported on our balance sheet as we do not control or consolidate the captive.

The accrued insurance liability at September 30 is summarized as follows (in thousands):

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Accrued insurance, current portion	\$1,339	1,896
Prepaid insurance claims	(1,607)	(1,235)
Accrued insurance, non-current	<u>1,339</u>	<u>204</u>
Total accrued insurance reported on the Company's balance sheet	\$1,071	865
Captive agreement assets	<u>3,143</u>	<u>3,644</u>
Gross insurance liability estimate	<u>\$4,214</u>	<u>4,509</u>

## 9. Employee Benefits.

The Company and certain subsidiaries and related entities The Company and certain subsidiaries and related entities (FRP) have a savings/profit sharing plan for the benefit of qualified employees. The savings feature of the plan incorporates the provisions of Section 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code under which an eligible employee may elect to save a portion (within limits) of their compensation on a tax deferred basis. Patriot contributes to a participant's account an amount equal to 50% (with certain limits) of the participant's contribution. Additionally, the Company may make an annual discretionary contribution to the plan as determined by the Board of Directors, with certain limitations. The plan provides for deferred vesting with benefits payable upon retirement or earlier termination of employment. The Company's cost was \$780,000 in 2019, \$784,000 in 2018 and \$768,000 in 2017.

The Company has a Management Security Plan (MSP) for

certain key employees. The accruals for future benefits are based upon the remaining years to retirement of the participating employees and other actuarial assumptions. The expense for fiscal 2019, 2018 and 2017 was \$20,000, \$22,000 and \$23,000, respectively. The accrued benefit related to the Company under this plan as of September 30, 2019 and 2018 was \$567,000 and \$613,000, respectively.

The Company provides certain health benefits for retired employees. Employees may become eligible for those benefits if they were employed by the Company prior to December 10, 1992, meet the service requirements and reach retirement age while working for Patriot. The plan is contributory and unfunded. The Company accrues its allocated estimated cost of retiree health benefits over the years that the employees render service. The accrued postretirement benefit obligation for this plan related to the Company as of September 30, 2019 and 2018 was \$221,000 and \$204,000, respectively. The net periodic postretirement benefit credit or cost allocated to the Company was (\$58,000), (\$32,000) and (\$33,000) for fiscal 2019, 2018 and 2017, respectively. The discount rate used in determining the Net Periodic Postretirement Benefit Cost was 3.7% for 2019, 3.7% for 2018 and 3.7% for 2017. The discount rate used in determining the Accumulated Postretirement Benefit Obligation (APBO) was 3.73% for 2019, 3.73% for 2018, and 3.73% for 2017. No medical trend is applicable because the Company's share of the cost is frozen.

#### 10. Fair Value Measurements.

Fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The fair value hierarchy prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value into three broad levels. Level 1 means the use of quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities. Level 2 means the use of values that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data. Level 3 means the use of inputs are those that are unobservable and significant to the overall fair value measurement.

During fiscal year 2018 and 2019, the Company invested in treasury bills with maturities at time of purchase of 3 months to 1 year. The unrealized gains on these investments of \$14,000 in 2019 and the unrealized loss was \$13,000 in 2018. The unrealized gains and losses are recorded as part of comprehensive income and based on the market value (Level 1). The amortized cost of the investments was \$5,977,000 and the carrying amount and fair value was \$5,983,000 as of September 30, 2019. The amortized cost of the investments was \$17,311,000 and the carrying amount and fair value was \$17,298,000 as of September 30, 2018.

At September 30, 2019 and September 30, 2018, the carrying amount reported in the consolidated balance sheets for cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, accounts payable and other financial instruments approximate their fair value based upon the short-term nature of these items.

#### 11. Contingent Liabilities.

The Company is involved in litigation on a number of matters and is subject to certain claims which arise in the normal course of business. The Company has retained certain self-insurance risks with respect to losses for third party liability and property damage. There is a reasonable possibility that the Company's estimate of vehicle and workers' compensation liability may be understated or overstated but the possible range cannot be estimated. The liability at any point in time depends upon the relative ages and amounts of the individual open claims. In the opinion of management none of these matters are expected to have a material adverse effect on the Company's financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

#### 12. Concentrations.

**MARKET** - The Company primarily serves customers in the petroleum industry in the Southeastern U.S. Significant economic disruption or downturn in this geographic region or within these industries could have an adverse effect on our financial statements.

**CUSTOMERS** - During fiscal 2019, the Company's ten largest customers accounted for approximately 63.1% of our revenue and one of these customers accounted for 19.2% of our revenue. Accounts receivable from the ten largest customers was \$4,264,000 and \$4,875,000 at September 30, 2019 and September 30, 2018 respectively. The loss of any one of these ten customers could have a material adverse effect on the Company's revenues and income.

**DEPOSITS** - Cash and cash equivalents are comprised of cash at Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. The balances may exceed FDIC limits.

#### 13. Unusual or Infrequent Items Impacting Results.

First quarter 2019 net income included \$634,000, or \$.19 per share, from gains on real estate sales. Second quarter 2019 net income included \$179,000 or \$.05 per share, from a gain of \$247,000 on the insurance settlement for hurricane damages and losses sustained at our Panama City, Florida location in this year's first quarter.

First quarter 2018 net income included \$3,041,000, or \$.92 per share, due to a deferred tax benefit resulting from revaluing the company's net deferred tax liabilities per the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017. As the Company has a September 30 fiscal year-end, the lower corporate income tax rate will be phased in, resulting in a U.S. statutory federal rate of approximately 24.28% for our fiscal year ending September 30, 2018, and 21% for subsequent fiscal years. The effective tax rate including the effect of state income taxes, but not including excess tax benefits from stock option exercises, decreased from 39.5% to 30.5% for fiscal 2018 and was projected to be 27.5% for subsequent years.

Fourth quarter 2018 net income included \$403,000, or \$.12 per share, due to a deferred tax benefit resulting from finalizing the revaluation of the company's net deferred tax liabilities per the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017.

**14. Goodwill and Intangible Assets.**

The changes in gross carrying amounts of goodwill are as follows (in thousands):

	<u>Goodwill</u>
October 1, 2016	\$ 3,431
No activity	—
September 30, 2017	<u>3,431</u>
No activity	—
September 30, 2018	<u>3,431</u>
No activity	—
September 30, 2019	<u>\$ 3,431</u>

The Company assesses goodwill for impairment on an annual basis in the fourth quarter, or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate that the asset might be impaired.

The Company reviews intangible assets, including customer value, trade name and non-compete agreements, for impairment, whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of such assets may not be recoverable. Recoverability of long-lived assets is measured by a comparison of the carrying amount of the asset group to the future undiscounted net cash flows expected to be generated by those assets. If such assets are considered to be impaired, the impairment charge recognized is the amount by which the carrying amounts of the assets exceeds the fair value of the assets.

The gross amounts and accumulated amortization (including impairment) of identifiable intangible assets are as follows (in thousands):

	<u>September 30, 2019</u>		<u>September 30, 2018</u>	
	<u>Gross Amount</u>	<u>Accumulated Amortization</u>	<u>Gross Amount</u>	<u>Accumulated Amortization</u>
Amortizable intangible assets:				
Customer value (useful life 10.5 years)	4,004	3,303	4,004	3,150
Trade name (useful life 3.5 years)	72	72	72	72
Non-compete (useful life 5 years)	62	62	62	61
	<u>\$ 4,138</u>	<u>\$ 3,437</u>	<u>\$ 4,138</u>	<u>\$ 3,283</u>

Amortization expense for intangible assets was \$153,000 for 2019 and it is included in sales, general and administrative expense. Estimated amortization expense for the five succeeding years follows (in thousands):

	<u>Amount</u>
2020	\$ 153
2021	153
2022	153
2023	153
2024	89
Total	<u>\$ 701</u>

**15. Subsequent Events.**

In early November, 2019 the company closed on the acquisition of the assets of Danfair Transport out of Americus, GA. which had total revenues of approximately \$2,300,000 in 2018

On December 4, 2019 the Company's Board of Directors declared a special cash dividend of \$3.00 per share, or approximately \$10 million in the aggregate, on the Company's outstanding common stock. This one-time, special dividend is payable on January 30, 2020, to shareholders of record at the close of business on January 15, 2020. The Board of Directors also declared a quarterly dividend of \$0.15 per share, payable on January 30, 2020, to shareholders of record on January 15, 2020. While the Company currently intends to continue the quarterly dividend, the Company cannot guarantee future dividends.

**Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements**

Management of the Company is responsible for the preparation and integrity of the consolidated financial statements appearing in our Annual Report on Form 10-K. The financial statements were prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States appropriate in the circumstances and, accordingly, include certain amounts based on our best judgments and estimates. Financial information in this Annual Report on Form 10-K is consistent with that in the financial statements.

Management of the Company is responsible for establishing and maintaining a system of internal controls and procedures to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of the consolidated financial statements. Our internal control system is supported by a program of internal audits and appropriate reviews by management, written policies and guidelines, careful selection and training of qualified personnel, and a written Code of Business Conduct adopted by our Company's Board of Directors, applicable to all officers and employees of our Company and subsidiaries.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements and, even when determined to be effective, can only provide reasonable assurance with respect to financial statement preparation and presentation. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

**Management's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

Management of the Company is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting as such term is defined in Rule 13a-15(f) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Exchange Act"). Management assessed the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of September 30, 2019. In making this assessment, management used the criteria set forth by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (2017 Framework) ("COSO") in Internal Control—Integrated Framework. Based on this assessment, management believes that the Company maintained effective internal control over financial reporting as of September 30, 2019.

The Company's independent auditors, Hancock Askew & Co., LLP, a registered public accounting firm, are appointed by the Audit Committee of the Company's Board of Directors, subject to ratification by our Company's shareowners. Hancock Askew & Co., LLP has audited and reported on the consolidated financial statements of Patriot Transportation Holding, Inc. The report of the independent auditors is contained in this annual report.

**Audit Committee's Responsibility**

The Audit Committee of our Company's Board of Directors, composed solely of Directors who are independent in accordance with the requirements of the Nasdaq Stock Market listing standards, the Exchange Act, and the Company's Corporate Governance Guidelines, meets with the independent auditors, management and internal auditors periodically to discuss internal controls and auditing and financial reporting matters. The Audit Committee reviews with the independent auditors the scope and results of the audit effort. The Audit Committee also meets periodically with the independent auditors and the chief internal auditor without management present to ensure that the independent auditors and the chief internal auditor have free access to the Audit Committee. Our Audit Committee's Report can be found in the Company's Proxy Statement.

The Shareholders and Board of Directors  
Patriot Transportation Holding, Inc.

**Opinion on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Patriot Transportation Holding, Inc. (the "Company") as of September 30, 2019 and 2018, the related consolidated statements of income, comprehensive income, shareholders' equity, and cash flows for the years ended September 30, 2019, 2018 and 2017, and the related notes to the consolidated financial statements (collectively, the "consolidated financial statements"). In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company as of September 30, 2019 and 2018, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for the years ending September 30, 2019, 2018 and 2017, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

**Basis for Opinion**

These consolidated financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's consolidated financial statements based on our audit. We are a public accounting firm registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (PCAOB) and are required to be independent with respect to the Company in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether

the consolidated financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud. The Company is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of its internal control over financial reporting. As part of our audit, we are required to obtain an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion.

Our audit included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our audit also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the consolidated financial statements. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

**Hancock Askew & Co., LLP**

We have served as the Company's auditor since 2006.  
Savannah, Georgia  
December 11, 2019

### Directors

Thompson S. Baker II (1)  
Chairman of the Board of the Company  
Senior Vice President, Vulcan Materials

Edward L. Baker (1)  
Chairman Emeritus

John E. Anderson (2)(3)(4)  
Former President and Chief Executive  
Officer of Patriot Transportation Holding, Inc.

Luke E. Fichthorn III (2)(3)(4)  
Private Investment Banker,  
Twain Associates

Charles D. Hyman (2)(3)(4)  
President/Founder  
Charles D. Hyman & Company

### Officers

Robert E. Sandlin  
President and Chief Executive Officer

Matthew C. McNulty  
Vice President, Secretary and Chief Financial Officer

John D. Klopfenstein  
Controller, Treasurer and Chief Accounting Officer

James N. Anderson IV  
Vice President of Safety and Risk Management

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(1) Member of the Executive Committee

(2) Member of the Audit Committee

(3) Member of the Compensation Committee

(4) Member of the Nominating Committee

### **Patriot Transportation Holding, Inc.**

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### **Annual Meeting**

Shareholders are cordially invited to attend the Annual Shareholders Meeting which will be held at 11 a.m. local time, on Wednesday, January 29, 2020, in the Concourse Conference Room at 200 West Forsyth Street, Jacksonville, Florida 32202.

### **Transfer Agent**

American Stock Transfer & Trust Company  
59 Maiden Lane  
Plaza Level  
New York, NY 10038  
Telephone: 1-800-937-5449

### **General Counsel**

Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough LLP  
Jacksonville, Florida

### **Independent Registered Certified Public Accounting Firm**

Hancock Askew & Co., LLP  
Savannah, Georgia

### **Common Stock Listed**

The Nasdaq Stock Market  
(Symbol: PATI)

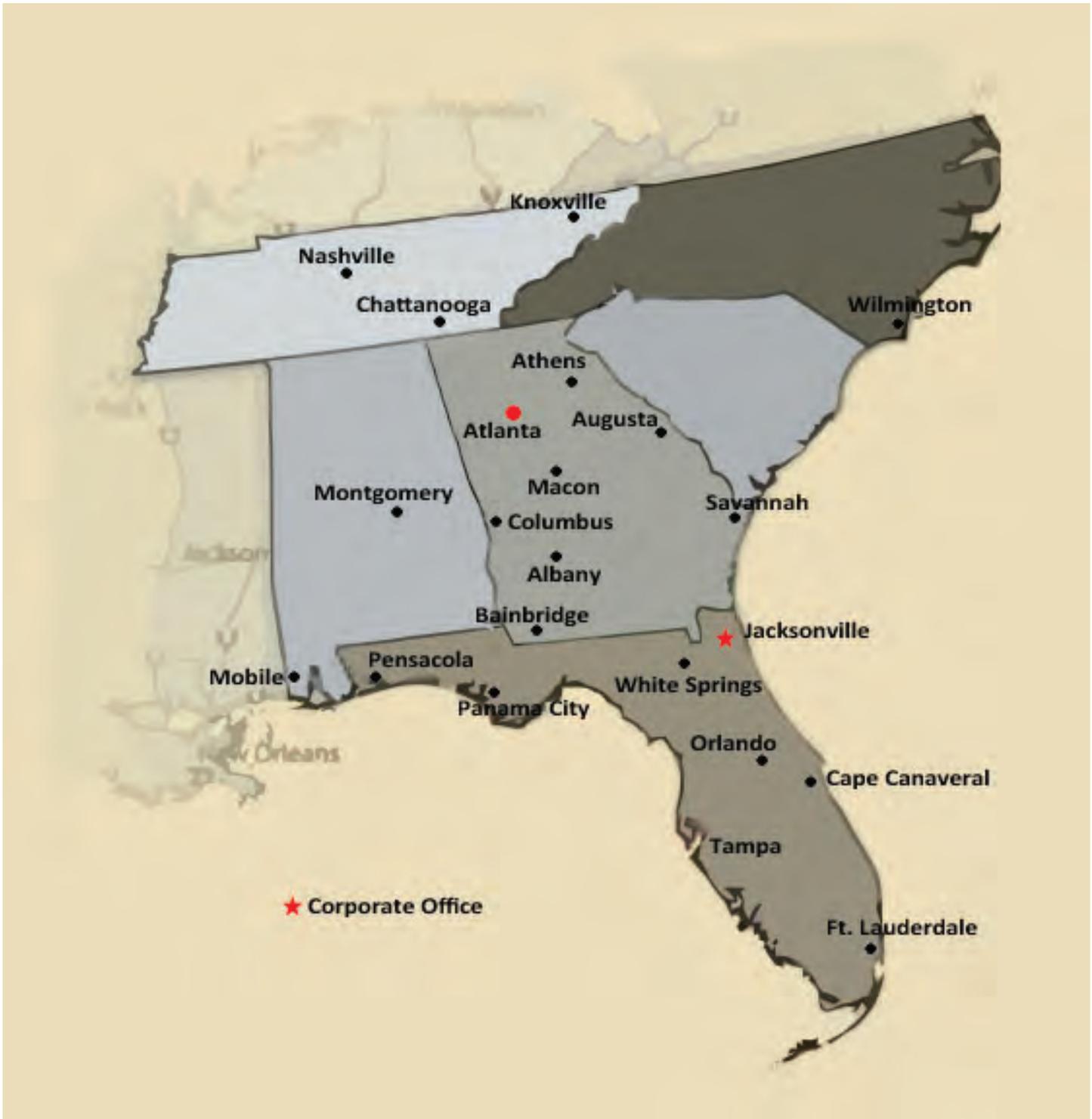
### **Form 10-K**

Shareholders may receive without charge a copy of Patriot Transportation Holding, Inc.'s annual report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2019 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission by writing to the Treasurer at 200 West Forsyth Street, 7th Floor, Jacksonville, Florida 32202. The most recent certifications by our Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer and Chief Accounting Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 are filed as exhibits to our Form 10-K.

### **Company Website**

The Company's website may be accessed at [www.patriottrans.com](http://www.patriottrans.com). All of our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission can be accessed through our website promptly after filing. This includes annual reports on Form 10-K, proxy statements, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, current reports filed or furnished on Form 8-K and all related amendments.





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