### CHESAPEAKE'S OUTLOOK AS OF JULY 16, 2008

### Years Ending December 31, 2008, 2009 and 2010.

We have adopted a policy of periodically providing guidance on certain factors that affect our future financial performance. As of July 16, 2008, we are using the following key assumptions in our projections for the full years 2008, 2009 and 2010.

The primary changes from our May 1, 2008 Outlook are in *italicized bold* and are explained as follows:

- 1) Production guidance has been updated for full years 2009 and 2010;
- 2) Certain budgeted capital expenditure assumptions and cash flow sources have been updated; and
- 3) Shares outstanding have been updated to reflect our recent common stock offering and to incorporate the effects of certain contingent convertible senior notes.

The company will provide its traditional full hedging update disclosure with its 2008 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter earnings release.

	Year Ending <u>12/31/2008</u>	Year Ending 12/31/2009	Year Ending 12/31/2010
Estimated Production <sup>(a)</sup>	12/01/2000	12/01/2000	12/01/2010
Natural gas – bcf	791 – 801	943 – 963	1,122 - 1,162
Oil – mbbls	11,000	12,000	13,000
Natural gas equivalent – bcfe	857 – 867	1,015 – 1,035	1,200 –1,240
Daily natural gas equivalent midpoint – mmcfe	2,360	2,810	3,340
Year-over-year production increase	21%	19%	19%
NYMEX Prices (b) (for calculation of realized hedging of	effects only):		
Natural gas - \$/mcf	\$8.14	\$8.00	\$8.00
Oil - \$/bbl	\$84.48	\$80.00	\$80.00
Estimated Realized Hedging Effects (based on assun	ned NYMEX prices abo	ve):	
Natural gas - \$/mcf	\$1.17	\$0.93	\$0.40
Oil - \$/bbl	\$(7.47)	\$1.78	\$4.34
Estimated Differentials to NYMEX Prices:			
Natural gas - \$/mcf	10 – 14%	10 – 14%	10 – 14%
Oil - \$/bbl	7 – 9%	7 – 9%	7 – 9%
Operating Costs per Mcfe of Projected Production:			
Production expense	\$0.95 – 1.05	\$1.00 – 1.10	\$1.05 – 1.15
Production taxes (~ 5% of O&G revenues) (c)	\$0.35 - 0.40	\$0.35 - 0.40	\$0.35 - 0.40
General and administrative <sup>(d)</sup>	\$0.33 - 0.37	0.33 - 0.37	\$0.33 - 0.37
Stock-based compensation (non-cash)	\$0.10 - 0.12	\$0.10 - 0.12	\$0.10 - 0.12
DD&A of natural gas and oil assets	\$2.50 - 2.70	2.50 - 2.70	\$2.50 - 2.70
Depreciation of other assets	\$0.20 - 0.24	\$0.20 - 0.24	\$0.20 - 0.24
Interest expense <sup>(e)</sup>	\$0.50 - 0.55	\$0.50 - 0.55	\$0.50 - 0.55
Other Income per Mcfe:			
Natural gas and oil marketing income	\$0.09 - 0.11	\$0.09 - 0.11	\$0.09 – 0.11
Service operations income	\$0.04 – 0.06	\$0.04 – 0.06	\$0.04 – 0.06
Book Tax Rate	38.5%	38.5%	38.5%
Equivalent Shares Outstanding – in millions:			
Basic	<i>530</i>	<i>563</i>	<i>574</i>
Diluted	<i>566</i>	601	609

Cash Flow Projections – in millions	Year Ending <u>12/31/2008</u>	Year Ending 12/31/2009	Year Ending 12/31/2010
Inflows: Operating cash flow before changes in assets and liabilities <sup>(f)</sup> Sale of leasehold and producing properties <sup>(a)</sup> Debt and equity offerings Proceeds from investments and other Total Cash Inflows	\$5,500 - 5,600 \$8,000 - 8,500 \$4,600 \$500 \$18,600 - 19,200	\$6,800 - 7,200 \$3,000 - 4,000 - \$600 <u>\$10,400 - 11,800</u>	\$8,300 - 9,500 \$3,000 - 4,000 - \$700 \$12,000 - 14,200
Outflows: Drilling Acquisition of leasehold and producing properties Geophysical costs Midstream, compression and other PP&E Dividends, Sr. Notes redemption, capitalized interest, etc. Total Cash Outflows	(\$5,500 - 6,000) (\$7,000 - 8,000) (\$300) (\$1,700 - 2,300) (\$1,100) (\$15,600 - 17,700)	(\$6,000 - 6,500) (\$2,000 - 2,300) (\$300) (\$1,000 - 1,300) (\$600) (\$9,900 - 11,000)	(\$6,300 - 6,800) (\$2,000 - 2,300) (\$300) (\$1,000 - 1,300) (\$600) (\$10,200 - 11,300)
Net Cash Change	<u>\$900 – \$3,600</u>	<u>(\$600) – \$1,900</u>	<u>\$700 – \$4,000</u>

- (a) The 2008 forecast reflects both completed and anticipated sales by the company of: 1) producing properties for \$625 million in the 2008 second quarter in a volumetric production payment (VPP) transaction; 2) Haynesville undeveloped leasehold for \$1.650 billion in the 2008 third quarter; 3) Arkoma Basin properties for \$1.50 1.75 billion in the 2008 third quarter; and 4) undeveloped leasehold or producing properties for \$3.5 4.5 billion in the 2008 second half. The 2009 and 2010 forecasts assume that the company sells undeveloped leasehold or producing properties for \$3.0-4.0 billion in each year.
- (b) NYMEX oil prices have been updated for actual contract prices through March 2008 and NYMEX natural gas prices have been updated for actual contract prices through April 2008.
- (c) Severance tax per mcfe is based on NYMEX prices of \$84.48 per bbl of oil and \$7.60 to \$8.90 per mcf of natural gas during 2008; and \$80.00 per bbl of oil and \$7.80 to \$9.10 per mcf of natural gas during 2009 and 2010.
- (d) Excludes expenses associated with non-cash stock compensation.
- (e) Does not include gains or losses on interest rate derivatives (SFAS 133).
- (f) A non-GAAP financial measure. We are unable to provide a reconciliation to projected cash provided by operating activities, the most comparable GAAP measure, because of uncertainties associated with projecting future changes in assets and liabilities.

## CHESAPEAKE'S PREVIOUS OUTLOOK AS OF MAY 1, 2008 (PROVIDED FOR REFERENCE ONLY)

# THE OPERATIONS AND CAPITAL EXPENDITURE GUIDANCE BELOW IS NOW SUPERSEDED BY OUTLOOK AS OF JULY 16, 2008.

### Quarter Ending June 30, 2008 and Years Ending December 31, 2008, 2009 and 2010

We have adopted a policy of periodically providing guidance on certain factors that affect our future financial performance. As of May 1, 2008, we are using the following key assumptions in our projections for the second quarter of 2008 and the full years 2008, 2009 and 2010.

The primary changes from our March 31, 2008 Outlook are in italicized bold and are explained as follows:

- 1) Our first guidance for the 2008 second quarter and the full year 2010 has been provided;
- 2) Production guidance has been updated for full years 2008 and 2009;
- 3) Projected effects of changes in our hedging positions have been updated;
- 4) Certain cost assumptions and budgeted capital expenditure assumptions have been updated; and
- 5) Shares outstanding have been updated to reflect the exercise of the over-allotment option in our recent common stock offering and to incorporate the effects of our contingently convertible notes.

	Quarter Ending <u>6/30/2008</u>	Year Ending 12/31/2008	Year Ending 12/31/2009	Year Ending <u>12/31/2010</u>
Estimated Production <sup>(a)</sup> Natural gas – bcf Oil – mbbls Natural gas equivalent – bcfe	190 - 192 2,700 206 - 208	791 – 801 11,000 857 – 867	<b>918 – 938</b> <b>12,000</b> 990 – 1,010	1,052 – 1,092 13,000 1,130 –1,170
Daily natural gas equivalent midpoint – mmcfe	2,275	2,360	2,740	3,150
Year-over-year production increase	22%	21%	16%	15%
NYMEX Prices <sup>(b)</sup> (for calculation of realized hedging Natural gas - \$/mcf Oil - \$/bbl	effects only): \$8.53 \$80.00	\$8.14 \$84.48	\$8.00 \$80.00	\$8.00 \$80.00
Estimated Realized Hedging Effects (based on assur Natural gas - \$/mcf Oil - \$/bbl Estimated Differentials to NYMEX Prices: Natural gas - \$/mcf Oil - \$/bbl	med NYMEX prices \$0.50 \$(4.66) 10 – 14% 7 – 9%	above): \$1.17 \$(7.47) 10 – 14% 7 – 9%	<b>\$0.93</b> <b>\$1.78</b> 10 – 14% 7 – 9%	\$0.40 \$4.34 10 – 14% 7 – 9%
Operating Costs per Mcfe of Projected Production: Production expense Production taxes (~ 5% of O&G revenues) (c) General and administrative (d) Stock-based compensation (non-cash) DD&A of natural gas and oil assets Depreciation of other assets Interest expense (e) Other Income per Mcfe: Natural gas and oil marketing income Service operations income	\$0.95 - 1.05 \$0.35 - 0.40 \$0.33 - 0.37 \$0.08 - 0.10 \$2.50 - 2.70 \$0.20 - 0.24 \$0.50 - 0.55 \$0.09 - 0.11 \$0.04 - 0.06	\$0.95 - 1.05 \$0.35 - 0.40 \$0.33 - 0.37 \$0.10 - 0.12 \$2.50 - 2.70 \$0.20 - 0.24 \$0.50 - 0.55 \$0.09 - 0.11 \$0.04 - 0.06	\$1.00 - 1.10 \$0.35 - 0.40 \$0.33 - 0.37 \$0.10 - 0.12 \$2.50 - 2.70 \$0.20 - 0.24 \$0.50 - 0.55 \$0.09 - 0.11 \$0.04 - 0.06	\$1.05 - 1.15 \$0.35 - 0.40 \$0.33 - 0.37 \$0.10 - 0.12 \$2.50 - 2.70 \$0.20 - 0.24 \$0.50 - 0.55 \$0.09 - 0.11 \$0.04 - 0.06
Book Tax Rate Equivalent Shares Outstanding – in millions: Basic Diluted Budgeted E&P Capital Expenditures, net – in millions		38.5% 514 550	38.5% 529 564	38.5% 541 572
Drilling Acquisition of leasehold and producing properties Sale of leasehold and producing properties <sup>(a)</sup> Geological and geophysical costs Total budgeted E&P capital expenditures, net	\$1,300 - 1,500 \$600 - 800 \$(625) \$75 \$1,350 - 1,750	\$5,500 - 6,000 \$2,100 - 2,600 \$(2,975 - 3,225) \$300 \$4,925 - \$5,675	\$5,750 - 6,250 \$1,500 - 2,000 \$(1,000 - 1,500) \$300 \$6,550 - \$7,050	\$6,000 - 6,500 \$1,500 -2,000 \$(1,000 - 1,500) \$300 \$6,800 - \$7,300

- (a) The 2008 and 2009 forecasts assume that the company sells: 1) producing properties for \$625 million in the 2008 second quarter in a volumetric production payment (VPP) transaction; 2) Arkoma Basin properties for \$1.50 1.75 billion in the 2008 third quarter; 3) undeveloped leasehold or producing properties for \$600 million in the 2008 second half; and 4) undeveloped leasehold or producing properties for \$1.0-1.5 billion in each of 2009 and 2010.
- (b) NYMEX oil prices have been updated for actual contract prices through March 2008 and NYMEX natural gas prices have been updated for actual contract prices through April 2008.
- (c) Severance tax per mcfe is based on NYMEX prices of: \$80.00 per bbl of oil and \$7.40 to \$8.70 per mcf of natural gas during Q2 2008; \$84.48 per bbl of oil and \$7.60 to \$8.90 per mcf of natural gas during calendar 2008; and \$80.00 per bbl of oil and \$7.80 to \$9.10 per mcf of natural gas during calendar 2009 and 2010.
- (d) Excludes expenses associated with non-cash stock compensation.
- (e) Does not include gains or losses on interest rate derivatives (SFAS 133).

### **Commodity Hedging Activities**

The company utilizes hedging strategies to hedge the price of a portion of its future natural gas and oil production. These strategies include:

- (i) For swap instruments, Chesapeake receives a fixed price and pays a floating market price to the counterparty. The fixed-price payment and the floating-price payment are netted, resulting in a net amount due to or from the counterparty.
- (ii) Basis protection swaps are arrangements that guarantee a price differential for oil or natural gas from a specified delivery point. For Mid-Continent basis protection swaps, which have negative differentials to NYMEX, Chesapeake receives a payment from the counterparty if the price differential is greater than the stated terms of the contract and pays the counterparty if the price differential is less than the stated terms of the contract. For Appalachian basis protection swaps, which have positive differentials to NYMEX, Chesapeake receives a payment from the counterparty if the price differential is less than the stated terms of the contract and pays the counterparty if the price differential is greater than the stated terms of the contract.
- (iii) For knockout swaps, Chesapeake receives a fixed price and pays a floating market price. The fixed price received by Chesapeake includes a premium in exchange for the possibility to reduce the counterparty's exposure to zero, in any given month, if the floating market price is lower than certain predetermined knockout prices.
- (iv) For cap-swaps, Chesapeake receives a fixed price and pays a floating market price. The fixed price received by Chesapeake includes a premium in exchange for a "cap" limiting the counterparty's exposure. In other words, there is no limit to Chesapeake's exposure but there is a limit to the downside exposure of the counterparty
- (v) For written call options, Chesapeake receives a premium from the counterparty in exchange for the sale of a call option. If the market price exceeds the fixed price of the call option, Chesapeake pays the counterparty such excess. If the market price settles below the fixed price of the call option, no payment is due from Chesapeake.
- (vi) Collars contain a fixed floor price (put) and ceiling price (call). If the market price exceeds the call strike price or falls below the put strike price, Chesapeake receives the fixed price and pays the market price. If the market price is between the call and the put strike price, no payments are due from either party.
- (vii) A three-way collar contract consists of a standard collar contract plus a written put option with a strike price below the floor price of the collar. In addition to the settlement of the collar, the put option requires Chesapeake to make a payment to the counterparty equal to the difference between the put option price and the settlement price if the settlement price for any settlement period is below the put option strike price.

Commodity markets are volatile, and as a result, Chesapeake's hedging activity is dynamic. As market conditions warrant, the company may elect to settle a hedging transaction prior to its scheduled maturity date and lock in the gain or loss on the transaction.

Chesapeake enters into natural gas and oil derivative transactions in order to mitigate a portion of its exposure to adverse market changes in natural gas and oil prices. Accordingly, associated gains or losses from the derivative transactions are reflected as adjustments to natural gas and oil sales. All realized gains and losses from natural gas and oil derivatives are included in natural gas and oil sales in the month of related production. Pursuant to SFAS 133, certain derivatives do not qualify for designation as cash flow hedges. Changes in the fair value of these nonqualifying derivatives that occur prior to their maturity (i.e., because of temporary fluctuations in value) are reported currently in the consolidated statement of operations as unrealized gains (losses) within natural gas and oil sales.

Following provisions of SFAS 133, changes in the fair value of derivative instruments designated as cash flow hedges, to the extent effective in offsetting cash flows attributable to hedged risk, are recorded in other comprehensive income until the hedged item is recognized in earnings. Any change in fair value resulting from ineffectiveness is recognized currently in natural gas and oil sales.

Excluding the swaps assumed in connection with the acquisition of CNR which are described below, the company currently has the following open **natural gas swaps** in place and also has the following gains from **lifted natural gas swaps**:

				Open Swap		Total Lifted Gain
			Assuming	Positions as a	Total Gains	per Mcf of
		Avg. NYMEX	Natural Gas	% of Estimated	from Lifted	Estimated
	Open Swaps	Strike Price	Production	Total Natural	Swaps	Total Natural Gas
	in Bcf's	of Open Swaps	in Bcf's of:	Gas Production	(\$ millions)	Production
Q2 2008	139.4	\$8.66	191	73%	\$40.2	\$0.21
Q3 2008	150.0	\$8.97	203	74%	\$39.3	<i>\$0.</i> 19
Q4 2008	142.6	\$9.53	214	67%	\$50.2	\$0.23
Q2-Q4 2008 <sup>(1)</sup>	432.0	\$9. <i>0</i> 5	608	71%	\$129.7	\$0.21
Total 2009 <sup>(1)</sup>	467.6	\$9.44	928	50%	\$32.6	\$0.04
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Total 2010 <sup>(1)</sup>	214.5	\$9.56	1,072	20%	\$(4.2)	\$0.00

<sup>(1)</sup> Certain hedging arrangements include cap-swaps and knockout swaps with provisions limiting the counterparty's exposure below prices ranging from \$5.45 to \$6.50 covering 187 bcf in 2008, 5.45 to \$7.25 covering 332 bcf in 2009 and \$5.45 to \$7.25 covering 172 bcf in 2010.

The company currently has the following open **natural gas collars** in place:

	Open Collars in Bcf's	Avg. NYMEX Floor Price	Avg. NYMEX Ceiling Price	Assuming Natural Gas Production in Bcf's of:	Open Collars as a % of Estimated Total Natural Gas Production
Q2 2008	10.9	\$8.27	\$9.92	191	6%
Q3 2008	11.0	\$8.27	\$9.92	203	5%
Q4 2008	9.2	\$8.20	\$9.91	214	4%
Q2-Q4 2008	31.1	\$8.25	\$9.92	608	5%
Total 2009 <sup>(1)</sup>	45.7	\$8.14	\$10.82	928	5%
Total 2010 <sup>(1)</sup>	3.7	\$7.30	\$12.00	1,072	0%

<sup>(1)</sup> Certain collar arrangements include three-way collars that include written put options with strike prices ranging from \$5.50 to \$6.00 covering 46 bcf in 2009 and at \$6.00 covering 4 bcf in 2010.

Note: Not shown above are written call options covering 128 bcf of production in 2008 at a weighed average price of \$10.16 for a weighted average premium of \$0.68, 178 bcf of production in 2009 at a weighed average price of \$11.29 for a weighted average premium of \$0.50 and 161 bcf of production in 2010 at a weighed average price of \$10.71 for a weighted average premium of \$0.60.

The company has the following **natural gas basis protection swaps** in place:

	Mid-Cor	<u>ntinent</u>	<u>Appalachia</u>		
	Volume in Bcf's	NYMEX less*:	Volume in Bcf's	NYMEX plus*:	
2008	132.4	0.36	23.0	0.33	
2009	91.1	0.33	16.9	0.28	
2010	<del>_</del>	_	10.2	0.26	
2011	<del>_</del>	_	12.1	0.25	
2012	<u> 10.7</u>	<u> </u>			
Totals	234.2	\$ 0.35	62.2	\$ 0.29	
* weighted average					

We assumed certain liabilities related to open derivative positions in connection with the CNR acquisition in November 2005. In accordance with SFAS 141, these derivative positions were recorded at fair value in the purchase price allocation as a liability of \$592 million (\$128 million as of March 31, 2008). The recognition of the derivative liability and other assumed liabilities resulted in an increase in the total purchase price which was allocated to the assets acquired. Because of this accounting treatment, only cash settlements for changes in fair value subsequent to the acquisition date for the derivative positions assumed result in adjustments to our natural gas and oil revenues upon settlement. For example, if the fair value of the derivative positions assumed does not change, then upon the sale of the underlying production and corresponding settlement of the derivative positions, cash would be paid to the counterparties and there would be no adjustment to natural gas and oil revenues related to the derivative positions. If, however, the actual sales price is different from the price assumed in the original fair value calculation, the difference would be reflected as either a decrease or increase in natural gas and oil revenues, depending upon whether the sales price was higher or lower, respectively, than the prices assumed in the original fair value calculation. For accounting purposes, the net effect of these acquired hedges is that we hedged the production volumes listed below at their fair values on the date of our acquisition of CNR.

Pursuant to SFAS 149 "Amendment of SFAS 133 on Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities," the assumed CNR derivative instruments are deemed to contain a significant financing element and all cash flows associated with these positions are reported as financing activity in the statement of cash flows.

#### The following details the CNR derivatives (natural gas swaps) we have assumed:

	Open Swaps in Bcf's	Avg. NYMEX Strike Price Of Open Swaps (per Mcf)	Avg. Fair Value Upon Acquisition of Open Swaps (per Mcf)	Initial Liability Acquired (per Mcf)	Assuming Natural Gas Production in Bcf's of:	Open Swap Positions as a % of Estimated Total Natural Gas Production
Q2 2008	9.6	\$4.68	\$7.41	(\$2.73)	191	5%
Q3 2008	9.7	\$4.68	\$7.41	(\$2.74)	203	5%
Q4 2008	9.7	\$4.66	\$7.84	(\$3.17)	214	5%
Q2-Q4 2008	29.0	\$4.67	<i>\$7.55</i>	(\$2.88)	608	5%
Total 2009	18.3	\$5.18	\$7.28	(\$2.10)	928	2%

Note: Not shown above are collars covering 3.7 bcf of production in 2009 at an average floor and ceiling of \$4.50 and \$6.00.

The company also has the following **crude oil swaps** in place:

			Assuming	Open Swap	Total Losses	Total Lifted Losses per bbl of
	Open		Oil	Positions as a %	from Lifted	Estimated
	Swaps	Avg. NYMEX	Production	of Estimated	Swaps	Total Oil
	in mbbls	Strike Price	in mbbls of:	Total Oil Production	(\$ millions)	Production
Q2 2008	1,896	75.58	2,700	70%	\$(4.7)	\$(1.75)
Q3 2008	2,039	76.92	2,730	<b>75%</b>	\$(4.6)	\$(1.69)
Q4 2008	1,886	79.01	2,825	<b>67%</b>	\$(4.7)	\$(1.68)
Q2-Q4 2008 <sup>(1)</sup>	5,821	\$77.16	8,255	71%	\$(14.0)	\$(1.70)
Total 2009 <sup>(1)</sup>	8,395	\$82.33	12,000	70%		_
Total 2010 <sup>(1)</sup>	4,745	\$90.25	13,000	37%	_	_

<sup>(1)</sup> Certain hedging arrangements include cap-swaps and knockout swaps with provisions limiting the counterparty's exposure below prices ranging from \$45.00 to \$65.00 covering 3,423 mbbls in 2008, from \$52.50 to \$60.00 covering 7,848 mbbls in 2009 and \$60.00 covering 4,745 mbbls in 2010.

Note: Not shown above are written call options covering 2,109 mbbls of production in 2008 at a weighted average price of \$82.82 for a weighted average premium of \$3.17, 2,555 mbbls of production in 2009 at a weighted average price of \$82.14 for a weighted average premium of \$4.98 and 2,555 mbbls of production in 2010 at a weighted average price of \$96.43 for a weighted average premium of \$3.79.