UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): February 24, 2009

Crown Castle International Corp.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware	001-16441	76-0470458
(State or other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)
1220 Augusta Drive Suite 500 Houston, TX		77057
(Address of Principal Executive	Offices	(Zip Code)
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	n 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously	v satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant
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o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

ITEM 2.02 — RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION

On February 24, 2009, the Company issued a press release disclosing its financial results for the fourth quarter and year ended 2008. The February 24 press release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K.

ITEM 9.01 — FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(c) Exhibits

As described in Item 2.02 of this Report, the following exhibit is furnished as part of this Current Report on Form 8-K:

Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Press Release dated February 24, 2009

The information in this Form 8-K and Exhibit 99.1 attached hereto shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall such information be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

CROWN CASTLE INTERNATIONAL CORP.

By: /s/ E. Blake Hawk Name: E. Blake Hawk Title: Executive Vice President and General Counsel

Date: February 24, 2009

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EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No.Description99.1Press Release dated February 24, 2009

News Release

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CROWN CASTLE INTERNATIONAL REPORTS FOURTH QUARTER AND FULL YEAR 2008 RESULTS

February 24, 2009 — HOUSTON, TEXAS — Crown Castle International Corp. (NYSE:CCI) today reported results for the quarter and year ended December 31, 2008.

"We had an excellent fourth quarter and full year 2008, exceeding our previously provided outlook for site rental gross margin, Adjusted EBITDA and recurring cash flow," stated Ben Moreland, President and Chief Executive Officer of Crown Castle. "Despite current economic conditions, leasing demand for our towers remains strong and consistent with levels experienced in 2007 and 2008, fueled by the continued demand for voice and 3G data services and the continued migration from landlines to wireless. As reflected in recent announcements by some of our largest customers, wireless communications, and particularly the wireless data market, continue to resist underlying economic trends, as evidenced by year-over-year growth in data revenues. Data revenues continue to be of increasing importance to the carriers and our results indicate that we are well-positioned to take advantage of this trend in wireless communications."

CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL RESULTS

Site rental revenues for fourth quarter 2008 increased \$17.5 million, or 5%, to \$355.0 million from \$337.5 million for the same period in the prior year. Adjusting for the impact of the 24% decrease in the Australian dollar to US dollar exchange rate from fourth quarter 2007 to fourth quarter 2008, site rental revenue grew 7%. Site rental gross margin, defined as site rental revenues less site rental cost of operations, increased 7% to \$240.8 million, up \$16.0 million in the fourth quarter of 2008 from \$224.8 million in the same period in 2007. Adjusted EBITDA for fourth quarter 2008 increased \$16.2 million, or 8%, to \$225.4 million, up from \$209.2 million for the same period in 2007. On a currency-adjusted basis, both site rental gross margin and Adjusted EBITDA grew 9% in the fourth quarter of 2008 compared to the same quarter in 2007.

Recurring cash flow, defined as Adjusted EBITDA less interest expense less sustaining capital expenditures, increased from \$110.9 million in the fourth quarter of 2007 to \$125.1 million for the fourth quarter of 2008, up 13%, or 15% on a currencyadjusted basis. Recurring cash flow per share, defined as recurring cash flow divided by weighted average common shares outstanding, was \$0.44 in the fourth quarter of 2008 compared to \$0.39 in the fourth quarter of 2007, an 11% increase, or 14% on a currency-adjusted basis.

Net loss was \$63.8 million for the fourth quarter of 2008 compared to a net loss of \$80.2 million for the same period in 2007. Net loss after deduction of dividends on preferred stock was \$69.0 million in the fourth quarter of 2008, compared to a loss of \$85.4 million for the same period in 2007. Fourth quarter 2008 net loss per share was \$0.24, compared to a net loss per share of \$0.30 in the fourth quarter of 2007.

Site rental revenues for full year 2008 increased 9% to \$1.403 billion, up \$116.1 million from \$1.286 billion for full year 2007. The comparisons between full year 2008 and full year 2007 results were not materially impacted by the Australian dollar to US dollar exchange rate. Site rental gross margin for full year 2008 increased 12% to \$946.4 million, up \$103.3 million from \$843.1 million for full year 2007. Adjusted EBITDA for full year 2008 increased \$108.5 million, or 14%, to \$867.1 million, up from \$758.6 million for full year 2007.

Recurring cash flow increased \$100.9 million, or 26%, from \$385.1 million for full year 2007 to \$485.9 million for full year 2008. Recurring cash flow per share was \$1.72 in full year 2008 compared to \$1.38 for full year 2007.

Net loss was \$48.9 million for full year 2008 compared to a net loss of \$222.8 million for full year 2007. Net loss after deduction of dividends on preferred stock was \$69.7 million for full year 2008, compared to a net loss of \$243.6 million for full year 2007. Full year 2008 net loss per share was \$0.25 compared to a net loss per share of \$0.87 for full year 2007.

US site rental revenues for the fourth quarter of 2008 increased \$22.5 million, or 7%, to \$339.3 million, compared to fourth quarter 2007 US site rental revenues of \$316.8 million. US site rental gross margin increased 9%, or \$19.9 million, in fourth quarter 2008 to \$230.0 million from \$210.1 million in the same period in 2007.

Crown Castle's fourth quarter Australia operations were negatively impacted by the approximately 24% decline in the Australian dollar to US dollar exchange rate from the fourth quarter of 2007 to the fourth quarter of 2008. Revenues from Australia represented approximately 6% of total consolidated revenues in 2008. On a currency-adjusted basis and before a non-recurring payment of \$1.8 million that was received in the fourth quarter of 2007, Australia site rental revenues and site rental gross margin for fourth quarter 2008 grew 10% over fourth quarter 2007.

INVESTMENTS AND LIQUIDITY

During the first quarter of 2009, Crown Castle issued \$900.0 million of senior notes due in 2015 and extended its revolving credit facility for 364 days. The net proceeds from the notes offering will be used for general corporate purposes including the repayment or repurchase of certain outstanding indebtedness of Crown Castle's subsidiaries. Also, during the first quarter of 2009, Crown Castle purchased \$134.8 million of its Global Signal securitized notes for \$125.5 million, which represents a 7% discount to the face amount of such notes. These purchases were comprised of \$47.1 million face value of Global Signal securitized notes due in December 2009 (purchased for \$46.5 million, including accrued interest), and \$87.8 million face value of Global Signal securitized loans due in February 2011 (purchased for \$79.0 million, including accrued interest). As of February 24, 2009, Crown Castle had approximately \$860.0 million in cash and investments (excluding restricted cash) and \$30.0 million of undrawn capacity under its revolving credit facility.

"We are very pleased to have successfully accessed the credit markets to both extend our revolving credit facility and issue the senior notes, particularly in this difficult credit environment," stated Jay Brown, Chief Financial Officer of Crown Castle. "The proceeds of the notes offering, together with the significant cash flow generated by our business and the substantial reduction in our discretionary capital expenditures, allow us to both repay the \$411.0 million of debt maturities due in the next twelve months and considerably reduce our future refinancing requirements. As anticipated, during the fourth quarter of 2008, we reduced capital expenditures on land and new tower construction by \$50.0 million, or 44%, compared to third quarter 2008, completing the majority of our in-process projects. Further, based on our current expectations, we believe 2009 expenditures on land and new tower construction will be approximately 90% lower than 2008 levels."

During the fourth quarter of 2008, Crown Castle invested \$108.0 million in capital expenditures comprised of \$12.2 million of sustaining capital expenditures and \$95.8 million of revenue generating capital expenditures, of which \$36.8 million was spent on land purchases, \$33.2 million on existing sites, and \$25.8 million on the construction and acquisition of new sites.

In the fourth quarter of 2008, Crown Castle recorded an impairment charge of \$32.2 million related to the decline in the market value of its FiberTower investment. As of December 31, 2008, Crown Castle's FiberTower investment had a carrying value of \$4.2 million.

In addition to the tables and information contained in this press release, Crown Castle will post supplemental information on its website at http://investor.crowncastle.com that will be discussed during its conference call tomorrow morning, Wednesday February 25, 2009.

OUTLOOK

The following Outlook tables are based on current expectations and assumptions. The Outlook tables include the increased interest expense associated with the \$900 million of 9% senior notes issued in January 2009, and assume a US dollar to Australian dollar exchange rate of 0.65 US dollars to 1.00 Australian dollar for first quarter and full year 2009 Outlook. For the purposes of this Outlook, interest expense is based on run-rate interest charges, and does not assume early debt retirement prior to the maturity date, with the exception of the purchases to-date.

This Outlook section contains forward-looking statements, and actual results may differ materially. Information regarding potential risks which could cause actual results to differ from the forward-looking statements herein is set forth below and in Crown Castle's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC").

The following table sets forth Crown Castle's current Outlook for the first quarter of 2009 and full year 2009:

(in millions, except per share amounts)	First Quarter 2009	Full Year 2009
Site rental revenues	\$363 to \$368	\$1,485 to \$1,500
Site rental cost of operations	\$111 to \$116	\$465 to \$475
Site rental gross margin	\$250 to \$255	\$1,015 to \$1,030
Adjusted EBITDA	\$232 to \$237	\$925 to \$945
Interest expense and amortization of deferred financing costs ^(a)	\$103 to \$108	\$440 to \$445
Sustaining capital expenditures	\$8 to \$10	\$25 to \$30
Recurring cash flow	\$119 to \$124	\$455 to \$475
Net income (loss) after deduction of dividends on preferred stock	\$(41) to \$17	\$(146) to \$(1)
Net income (loss) per share(b)	\$(0.14) to 0.06	\$(0.51) to \$0.00

(a) Inclusive of \$10.8 million and \$46.1 million, respectively, of non-cash expense.

(b) Represents net income (loss) per common share, based on 285.7 million shares outstanding as of December 31, 2008.

CONFERENCE CALL DETAILS

Crown Castle has scheduled a conference call for Wednesday, February 25, 2009, at 10:30 a.m. eastern time to discuss fourth quarter and full year 2008 results and Crown Castle's Outlook. Supplemental materials for the call can be found on the Crown Castle website at <u>http://investor.crowncastle.com</u>. Please dial 303-262-2004 and ask for the Crown Castle call at least 10 minutes prior to the start time. The conference call may also be accessed at the Internet address shown above. A telephonic replay of the conference call will be available from 12:30 p.m. eastern time on Wednesday, February 25, 2009 through 11:59 p.m. eastern time on Wednesday, March 4, 2009 and may be accessed by dialing 303-590-3000 using passcode 11126071#. An audio archive will also be available on the company's website at <u>http://investor.crowncastle.com</u> shortly after the call and will be accessible for approximately 90 days.

Crown Castle owns, operates, and leases towers and other communication structures for wireless communications. Crown Castle offers significant wireless communications coverage to 91 of the top 100 US markets and to substantially all of the Australian population. Crown Castle owns, operates and manages over 22,000 and approximately 1,600 wireless communication sites in the US and Australia, respectively. For more information on Crown Castle, please visit <u>http://www.crowncastle.com</u>.

Summary of Non-Cash Amounts in Tower Gross Margin

In accordance with applicable accounting standards, Crown Castle recognizes site rental revenues and ground lease expenses monthly on a straight-line basis, regardless of whether the receipts and payments are in equal monthly amounts. If, and to the extent the payment terms call for fixed escalations (as in fixed dollar or fixed percentage increases or rent free periods), the effect of such increases is recognized on a straight-line basis over the appropriate lease term. As a result of this accounting method, a portion of the revenue and expense recognized in a given period represents cash collected or paid in other periods.

A summary of the non-cash portions of our site rental revenues, ground lease expense, stock-based compensation for those employees directly related to tower operations, net amortization of below-market and above-market leases, and resulting impact on site rental gross margins is as follows:

(in thousands)	 ree Months Ended nber 31, 2008	For the Twelve Months Ended December 31, 2008			
Non-cash portion of site rental revenues attributable to					
straight-line recognition of revenues	\$ 9,189	\$	40,281		
Non-cash portion of ground lease expense attributable to					
straight-line recognition of expenses	(9,118)		(38,171)		
Stock-based compensation expenses directly related to tower					
operations	(249)		(935)		
Net amortization of below-market and above-market leases	154		589		
Non-cash impact on site rental gross margin	\$ (24)	\$	1,764		

Non-GAAP Financial Measures

This press release includes presentations of Adjusted EBITDA and recurring cash flow, which are non-GAAP financial measures.

Crown Castle defines Adjusted EBITDA as net income (loss) plus restructuring charges (credits), asset write-down charges, acquisition and integration costs, depreciation, amortization and accretion, interest expense and amortization of deferred financing costs, losses on purchases and redemptions of debt, net gain (loss) on interest rate swaps, impairment of available-for-sale securities, interest and other income (expense), benefit (provision) for income taxes, minority interests, cumulative effect of change in accounting principle, income (loss) from discontinued operations, and stock-based compensation expense. Adjusted EBITDA is not intended as an alternative measure of operating results or cash flow from operations (as determined in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles ("GAAP")).

Crown Castle defines recurring cash flow to be Adjusted EBITDA, less interest expense and less sustaining capital expenditures. Each of the amounts included in the calculation of recurring cash flow are computed in accordance with GAAP, with the exception of sustaining capital expenditures, which is not defined under GAAP. We define sustaining capital expenditures as capital expenditures (determined in accordance with GAAP) which do not increase the capacity or life of our revenue generating assets and include capitalized costs related to (i) maintenance activities on our towers, (ii) vehicles, (iii) information technology equipment, and (iv) office equipment. Recurring cash flow is not intended as an alternative measure of cash flow from operations or operating results (as determined in accordance with GAAP).

Adjusted EBITDA and recurring cash flow are presented as additional information because management believes these measures are useful indicators of the financial performance of our core businesses. In addition, Adjusted EBITDA is a measure of current financial performance used in our debt covenant calculations. Our measures of Adjusted EBITDA and recurring cash flow may not be comparable to similarly titled measures of other companies, including other companies in the tower sector. The tables set forth below reconcile these non-GAAP financial measures to comparable GAAP financial measures.

Reconciliations of Non-GAAP Financial Measures to Comparable GAAP Financial Measures:

Adjusted EBITDA, recurring cash flow and recurring cash flow per share for the quarters and years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007 are computed as follows:

	For the Three Months Ended					For the Twelve Months Ended				
	Dec	cember 31,	December 31		De	December 31,		cember 31,		
(in thousands, except per share amounts)		2008		2007		2008		2007		
Net income (loss)	\$	(63,817)	\$	(80,169)	\$	(48,858)	\$	(222,813)		
Adjustments to increase (decrease) net income (loss):										
Restructuring charges ^(a)						—		3,191		
Asset write-down charges		7,689		1,466		16,888		65,515		
Integration costs(a)		—		6,752		2,504		25,418		
Depreciation, amortization and accretion		130,799		132,347		526,442		539,904		
Interest expense and amortization of deferred										
financing costs		88,074		90,047		354,114		350,259		
Net gain (loss) on interest rate swaps		40,292				37,888				
Impairment of available-for-sale securities		32,151		75,623		55,869		75,623		
Interest and other income (expense)		(474)		(181)		(2,143)		(9,351)		
Benefit (provision) for income taxes		(17,282)		(24,334)		(104,361)		(94,039)		
Minority interests								(151)		
Stock-based compensation charges ^(b)		7,953		7,674		28,767		25,087		
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	225,385	\$	209,225	\$	867,110	\$	758,643		
Less: Interest expense and amortization of deferred										
financing costs		88,074		90,047		354,114		350,259		
Less: Sustaining capital expenditures		12,230		8,238		27,065		23,318		
Recurring cash flow	\$	125,081	\$	110,940	\$	485,931	\$	385,066		
Weighted average common shares outstanding —	-	,	-	,	-	,	-			
basic and diluted		285,686		281,691		282,007		279,937		
Recurring cash flow per share	\$	0.44	\$	0.39	\$	1.72	\$	1.38		

(a) Including stock-based compensation expense.

(b) Exclusive of charges included in integration costs and restructuring charges.

Adjusted EBITDA and recurring cash flow for the quarter ending March 31, 2009 and the year ending December 31, 2009 are forecasted as follows:

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	Q1 2009	Full Year 2009
(in millions)	Outlook	Outlook
Net income (loss)	\$(36) to \$22	\$(125) to \$20
Adjustments to increase (decrease) net income (loss):		
Asset write-down charges	\$2 to \$5	\$8 to \$20
Acquisitions costs	\$— to \$1	\$— to \$3
Depreciation, amortization and accretion	\$130 to \$140	\$520 to \$550
Interest and other income (expense)	\$(3) to \$—	\$(12) to \$—
Net gain (loss) on interest rate swaps ^(a)	\$(12) to \$—	\$(12) to \$—
Interest expense and amortization of deferred financing costs(b)	\$103 to \$108	\$440 to \$445
Benefit (provision) for income taxes	\$(11) to \$5	\$(43) to \$(3)
Minority interests	—	\$(1) to \$—
Stock-based compensation charges	\$6 to \$9	\$25 to \$35
Adjusted EBITDA	\$232 to \$237	\$925 to \$945
Less: Interest expense and amortization of deferred financing costs(b)	\$103 to \$108	\$440 to \$445
Less: Sustaining capital expenditures	\$8 to \$10	\$25 to \$30
Recurring cash flow	\$119 to \$124	\$455 to \$475

⁽a) Based on the interest rates and yield curves in effect as of February 19, 2009.

⁽b) Inclusive of \$10.8 million and \$46.1 million, respectively, of non-cash expense.

Other Calculations:

Sustaining capital expenditures for the quarters and years ended December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2007 is computed	<u>l</u>
<u>as follows:</u>	

		For the Three	Month	ns Ended	For the Twelve Months Ended					
(in thousands)	December 31, 2008		December 31, 2007		December 31, 2008		Dece	mber 31, 2007		
Capital Expenditures	\$	107,995	\$	108,747	\$	450,732	\$	300,005		
Less: Revenue enhancing on existing										
sites		33,157		17,913		90,111		45,818		
Less: Land purchases		36,842		35,016		201,255		133,032		
Less: New site acquisition and										
construction		25,766		47,580		132,301		97,837		
Sustaining capital expenditures	\$	12,230	\$	8,238	\$	27,065	\$	23,318		

Site rental gross margin for the quarter ending March 31, 2009 and for the year ending December 31, 2009 is forecasted as follows:

	Q1 2009	Full Year 2009
(in millions)	Outlook	Outlook
Site rental revenues	\$363 to \$368	\$ 1,485 to \$1,500
Less: Site rental cost of operations	\$ 111 to \$116	\$ 465 to \$475
Site rental gross margin	\$250 to \$255	\$1,015 to \$1,030

Cautionary Language Regarding Forward-Looking Statements

This press release contains forward-looking statements and information that are based on our management's current expectations. Such statements include, but are not limited to, plans, projections, Outlook and estimates regarding (i) leasing demand for our sites and towers, (ii) trends in wireless communications, including the migration to wireless communications and the demand for and resilience of wireless communications and 3G data services, and our ability to take advantage of such trends, (iii) the repayment, repurchase or refinancing of our debt, (iv) the use and impact of the proceeds of our 9% senior notes offering, (v) currency exchange rates, including the impact on our results, (vi) site rental revenues, (vii) site rental cost of operations, (viii) site rental gross margin, (ix) Adjusted EBITDA, (x) interest expense and amortization of deferred financing costs, (xi) capital expenditures, including expenditures on land and new towers, revenue generating expenditures and sustaining capital expenditures, (xii) recurring cash flow, including on a per share basis, (xiii) net income (loss), including on a per share basis, and (xiv) the utility of certain financial measures in analyzing our results. Such forward-looking statements are subject to certain risks, uncertainties and assumptions, including but not limited to prevailing market conditions and the following:

- We have a substantial amount of indebtedness, the majority, if not all, of which we anticipate refinancing or repaying within the next three years. In the event we do not repay or refinance such indebtedness, we could face substantial liquidity issues and might be required to issue equity securities or securities convertible into equity securities, or sell some of our assets to meet our debt payment obligations.
- Our substantial level of indebtedness could adversely affect our ability to react to changes in our business, and the terms of our debt instruments limit our ability to take a number of actions that our management might otherwise believe to be in our best interests. In addition, if we fail to comply with our covenants, our debt could be accelerated.
- Our interest rate swaps are currently in a substantial liability position and will need to be cash settled within the next three years, which could adversely affect our financial condition.
- Our business depends on the demand for wireless communications and towers, and we may be adversely affected by any slowdown in such demand.

- A substantial portion of our revenues is derived from a small number of customers, and the loss, consolidation or financial instability of, or network sharing among, any of our limited number of customers may materially decrease revenues.
- Consolidation among our customers may result in duplicate or overlapping parts of networks, which may result in a reduction of sites and have a negative effect on revenues and cash flows.
- Sales or issuances of a substantial number of shares of our common stock may adversely affect the market price of our common stock.
- A wireless communications industry slowdown may materially and adversely affect our business (including reducing demand for our towers and network services) and the business of our customers.
- As a result of competition in our industry, including from some competitors with significantly more resources or less debt than we have, we may find it more difficult to achieve favorable rental rates on our towers.
- New technologies may significantly reduce demand for our towers and negatively impact our revenues.
- New wireless technologies may not deploy or be adopted by customers as rapidly or in the manner projected.
- If we fail to retain rights to the land under our towers, our business may be adversely affected.
- If we are unable to raise capital in the future when needed, we may not be able to fund future growth opportunities.
- Our lease relating to our Spectrum has certain risk factors different from our core tower business, including that the Spectrum lease may not be renewed or continued, that the option to acquire the Spectrum may not be exercised, and that the Spectrum may not be deployed, which may result in the revenues derived from the Spectrum being less than those that may otherwise have been anticipated.
- If we fail to comply with laws and regulations which regulate our business and which may change at any time, we may be fined or even lose our right to conduct some of our business.
- Our network services business has historically experienced significant volatility in demand, which reduces the predictability of our results.
- If radio frequency emissions from wireless handsets or equipment on our towers are demonstrated to cause negative health effects, potential future claims could adversely affect our operations, costs and revenues.
- Certain provisions of our certificate of incorporation, bylaws and operative agreements and domestic and international competition laws may make it more difficult for a third party to acquire control of us or for us to acquire control of a third party, even if such a change in control would be beneficial to our stockholders.
- We are exposed to counterparty risk through our interest rate swaps and a counterparty default could adversely affect our financial condition.
- We may be adversely affected by our exposure to changes in foreign currency exchange rates relating to our operations in Australia.

Should one or more of these or other risks or uncertainties materialize, or should underlying assumptions prove incorrect, actual results may vary materially from those expected. More information about potential risk factors which could affect our results is included in our filings with the SEC.



CROWN CASTLE INTERNATIONAL CORP. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET (UNAUDITED) (in thousands)

December 31, December 31, 2008 2007 ASSETS Current assets: Cash and cash equivalents \$ 155,219 \$ 75,245 147,852 165,556 Restricted cash 37,621 33,842 Receivables, net of allowance for doubtful accounts Deferred income tax assets 28,331 113,492 Prepaid expenses, deferred site rental receivables and other current assets 116,145 109,120 497,255 Total current assets 485,168 Restricted cash 5,000 5,000 Deferred site rental receivables 144,474 127,388 Available-for-sale securities 4,216 60,085 Property and equipment, net 5,060,126 5,051,055 Goodwill 1,970,501 1,983,950 Other intangible assets, net 2,551,332 2,676,288 Deferred financing costs and other assets, net of accumulated amortization 127,456 100,561 10,361,722 10,488,133 \$ \$ LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY Current liabilities: Accounts payable \$ 33,808 \$ 37,366 Deferred rental revenues and other accrued liabilities 281,794 249,136 52,539 3,985 Interest rate swaps Short-term debt and current maturities of long-term debt 466,217 81,500 834,358 371,987 Total current liabilities Long-term debt, less current maturities 5,630,527 5,987,695 Deferred income tax liability 40,446 281,259 Interest rate swaps 488,632 61,356 Other liabilities 337,168 305,127 Total liabilities 7,331,131 7,007,424 Minority interests 314,726 313,798 Redeemable preferred stock Stockholders' equity 2,715,865 3,166,911 10,361,722 10,488,133 \$ \$



CROWN CASTLE INTERNATIONAL CORP. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS (UNAUDITED) AND OTHER FINANCIAL DATA

INTERNATIONAL 🖕 (in thousands, except per share data)

	Three Months Ended December 31,			Years Ended December,				
		2008		2007		2008		2007
Net revenues:								
Site rental	\$	355,019	\$	337,543	\$	1,402,559	\$	1,286,468
Network services and other		37,003		37,620		123,945		99,018
Total net revenues		392,022		375,163		1,526,504		1,385,486
Costs of operations (exclusive of depreciation, amortization and accretion):								
Site rental		114,239		112,718		456,123		443,342
Network services and other		21,680	_	22,258		82,452		65,742
Total costs of operations		135,919		134,976		538,575		509,084
General and administrative		38,671		38,636		149,586		142,846
Restructuring charges								3,191
Asset write-down charges		7,689		1,466		16,888		65,515
Integration costs		—		6,752		2,504		25,418
Depreciation, amortization and accretion		130,799		132,347		526,442		539,904
Operating income (loss)		78,944		60,986		292,509		99,528
Interest expense and amortization of deferred financing								
costs		(88,074)		(90,047)		(354,114)		(350,259)
Net gain (loss) on interest rate swaps		(40,292)		—		(37,888)		
Impairment of available-for-sale securities		(32,151)		(75,623)		(55,869)		(75,623)
Interest and other income (expense)		474		181		2,143		9,351
Income (loss) from continuing operations before								
income taxes and minority interests		(81,099)		(104,503)		(153,219)		(317,003)
Benefit (provision) for income taxes		17,282		24,334		104,361		94,039
Minority interests								151
Net income (loss)		(63,817)		(80,169)		(48,858)		(222,813)
Dividends on preferred stock		(5,202)	_	(5,201)		(20,806)		(20,805)
Net income (loss) after deduction of dividends on preferred stock	\$	(69,019)	\$	(85,370)	\$	(69,664)	\$	(243,618)
Net income (loss) per common share — basic and								
diluted	\$	(0.24)	\$	(0.30)	\$	(0.25)	\$	(0.87)
Weighted average common shares outstanding — basic and diluted		285,686		281,691		282,007		279,937
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	225,385	\$	209,225	\$	867,110	\$	758,643
Stock-based compensation expenses:								
Site rental cost of operations	\$	249	\$	109	\$	935	\$	396
Network services and other cost of operations	ψ	245	Ψ	98	Ψ	870	ψ	371
General and administrative		7,423		7,467		26,962		24,320
Restructuring charges				·,		20,502		2,377
Integration costs								790
Total	\$	7,953	\$	7,674	\$	28,767	\$	28,254
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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS (UNAUDITED) (in thousands)

		Twelve Mo Decem		
		2008		2007
Cash flows from operating activities:				
Net income (loss)	\$	(48,858)	\$	(222,813)
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash provided by (used for) operating				
activities:				
Depreciation, amortization and accretion		526,442		539,904
Amortization of deferred financing costs and other non-cash interest		24,830		23,913
Stock-based compensation expense		25,896		23,542
Asset write-down charges		16,888		65,515
Deferred income tax (benefit) provision		(113,557)		(98,914
Income (expense) from forward-starting interest rate swaps		34,111		_
Impairment of available-for-sale securities		55,869		75,623
Other adjustments, net		(1,787)		(1,331
Changes in assets and liabilities, excluding the effects of acquisitions:				
Increase (decrease) in liabilities		77,106		13,561
Decrease (increase) in assets		(83,939)		(68,645
Net cash provided by (used for) operating activities		513,001		350,355
Cash flows from investing activities:				
Proceeds from disposition of property and equipment		1,855		3,664
Payments for acquisitions (net of cash acquired) of businesses		(27,736)		(494,352
Capital expenditures Other		(450,732)		(300,005 (755
Net cash provided by (used for) investing activities		(476,613)		(791,448
Cash flows from financing activities:				
Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt				650,000
Proceeds from issuance of capital stock		8,444		31,176
Principal payments on long-term debt		(6,500)		(4,875
Purchases and redemptions of long-term debt		(282)		
Purchases of capital stock		(44,685)		(729,811
Borrowings under revolving credit agreements		94,400		75,000
Payments for financing costs		(1,527)		(9,108
		17,745		(33,089
Net decrease (increase) in restricted cash				(19,879
Net decrease (increase) in restricted cash Dividends on preferred stock		(19,878)		(13,0/3
Net decrease (increase) in restricted cash Dividends on preferred stock Return of capital to minority interest holders of CCAL		(19,878)		
Dividends on preferred stock		(19,878) 47,717		(37,196
Dividends on preferred stock Return of capital to minority interest holders of CCAL Net cash provided by (used for) financing activities		47,717		(37,196 (77,782
Dividends on preferred stock Return of capital to minority interest holders of CCAL Net cash provided by (used for) financing activities Effect of exchange rate changes on cash	_	 47,717 (4,131)		(37,196 (77,782 1,404
Dividends on preferred stock Return of capital to minority interest holders of CCAL Net cash provided by (used for) financing activities Effect of exchange rate changes on cash Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		47,717 (4,131) 79,974		(37,196 (77,782 1,404 (517,471
Dividends on preferred stock Return of capital to minority interest holders of CCAL	\$	 47,717 (4,131)	\$	(15,075 (37,196 (77,782 1,404 (517,471 592,716 75,245
Dividends on preferred stock Return of capital to minority interest holders of CCAL Net cash provided by (used for) financing activities Effect of exchange rate changes on cash Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$	47,717 (4,131) 79,974 75,245	\$	(37,196 (77,782 1,404 (517,471 592,716
Dividends on preferred stock Return of capital to minority interest holders of CCAL Net cash provided by (used for) financing activities Effect of exchange rate changes on cash Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	<u> </u>	47,717 (4,131) 79,974 75,245	<u> </u>	(37,196 (77,782 1,404 (517,471 592,716

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Summary Fact Sheet

(dollars in thousands)

	Quarter Ended 3/31/08			Quarter Ended 6/30/08			Quar	ter Ended 9/30)/08	Quarter Ended 12/31/08			
	CCUSA	CCAL	CCIC	CCUSA	CCAL	CCIC	CCUSA	CCAL	CCIC	CCUSA	CCAL	CCIC	
Revenues													
Site Rental	\$ 323,748	\$ 21,285	\$ 345,033	\$ 328,952	\$ 19,571	\$ 348,523	\$ 332,715	\$ 21,269	\$ 353,984	\$ 339,262	\$ 15,757	\$ 355,019	
Services	23,834	1,754	25,588	27,016	3,974	30,990	27,972	2,392	30,364	34,570	2,433	37,003	
Total Revenues	347,582	23,039	370,621	355,968	23,545	379,513	360,687	23,661	384,348	373,832	18,190	392,022	
Operating Expenses													
Site Rental	106,432	5,948	112,380	107,474	6,272	113,746	109,757	6,001	115,758	109,233	5,006	114,239	
Services	17,359	1,052	18,411	20,320	1,500	21,820	18,878	1,663	20,541	20,803	877	21,680	
Total Operating Expenses	123,791	7,000	130,791	127,794	7,772	135,566	128,635	7,664	136,299	130,036	5,883	135,919	
General & Administrative	31,032	3,954	34,986	33,845	4,647	38,492	33,220	4,217	37,437	35,342	3,329	38,671	
Add: Stock-Based Compensation	5,418	737	6,155	6,622	937	7,559	6,346	754	7,100	7,510	443	7,953	
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 198,177	\$ 12,822	\$ 210,999	\$ 200,951	\$ 12,063	\$ 213,014	\$ 205,178	\$ 12,534	\$ 217,712	\$ 215,964	\$ 9,421	\$ 225,385	
	C	Quarter Ended	3/31/08	Quarter Ended 6/30/08		/30/08	Quarter Ended 9/30/08			Quarter Ended 12/31/08			
	CCUSA	A CCAL	CCIC	CCUSA	CCAL	CCIC	CCUSA	CCAL	CCIC	CCUSA	CCAL	CCIC	
Gross Margins:													
Site Rental		7% 729					67%			68%	68%	68%	
Services	2	7% 409	% 28%	25%	62%	5 30%	33%	30%	32%	40%	64%	41%	
Adjusted EBITDA Margin	5	7% 569	% 57%	56%	6 51%	56%	57%	53%	57%	58%	52%	57%	

Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Measure (Adjusted EBITDA) to GAAP Financial Measure:

(dollars in thousands)

	Quarter Ended								
	3/31/2008		6/30/2008		9/30/2008		12/31/2008		
Net income (loss)	\$	(13,173)	\$	60,339	\$	(32,207)	\$	(63,817)	
Adjustments to increase (decrease) net income (loss):									
Asset write-down charges		1,304		4,993		2,902		7,689	
Integration costs		2,504						—	
Depreciation, amortization and accretion		132,033		131,896		131,714		130,799	
Interest and other income (expense)		(2,310)		(206)		847		(474)	
Net gain (loss) on interest rate swaps						(2,404)		40,292	
Interest expense, amortization of deferred financing									
costs		89,145		88,757		88,138		88,074	
Impairment of available-for-sale securities						23,718		32,151	
Benefit (provision) for income taxes		(4,659)		(80,324)		(2,096)		(17,282)	
Stock-based compensation		6,155		7,559		7,100		7,953	
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	210,999	\$	213,014	\$	217,712	\$	225,385	

CCI FACT SHEET Q4 2007 to Q4 2008

dollars in thousands

		Q4 '07		Q4 '08	% Change	
CCUSA						
Site Rental Revenues	\$	316,750	\$	339,262	7%	
Ending Sites		22,405		22,489	0%	
CCAL						
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Site Rental Revenues	\$		\$,	-24%	
Ending Sites		1,441		1,590	10%	
TOTAL CCIC						
Site Rental Revenues	\$	337,543	\$	355,019	5%	
Ending Sites		23,846		24,079	1%	
Ending Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	75,245*	\$	155,219*		
Debt						
Bank Debt	\$	720,125	\$	808,025		
Securitized Debt & Other Notes	\$	5,349,070	\$	5,288,719		
Total Debt	\$	6,069,195	\$	6,096,744		
6 1/4% Convertible Preferred Stock	\$	313,798	\$	314,726		
Leverage Ratios						
Net Debt / EBITDA		7.2X		6.6X		
Net Debt + Preferreds / EBITDA		7.5X		6.9X		
Last Quarter Annualized Adjusted EBITDA	\$	836,900	\$			

* Excludes Restricted Cash