



CreditRiskMonitor’s warning of Ferrellgas Partners, L.P.’s (“Ferrellgas Partners”) bankruptcy risk was determined by a combination of factors:

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MONTHLY AVERAGE FRISK® SCORE

CreditRiskMonitor's FRISK® score had been warning of financial stress at Ferrellgas Partners, L.P. (OTC: FGPRQ) for more than a year. The company ultimately filed for bankruptcy on January 11, 2020.

Ferrellgas announced a voluntary delisting from the NYSE to OTC market, one common development before bankruptcy filings.

Moody's downgraded Ferrellgas' CFR from Caa2 to Caa3 and cut its liquidity rating to SGL-4 over restructuring risk.

Ferrellgas reported another significant net loss of \$70 million, comparable to the same period last year, and a forbearance agreement.

Business Name	2020												2021
	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	J
Ferrellgas Partners, L.P.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

BANKRUPT!

SVP and COO voluntarily resigned effective immediately; executive departures are a key signal of financial stress.

Ferrellgas defaulted on its debt as it missed a principal interest payment but received a 30 day grace period.

The FRISK® score is 96% accurate* in predicting the risk of corporate failure/bankruptcy over a 12-month horizon. All FRISK® scores are recalculated every night for each subsequent 12-month period.

FRISK® SCORE: PROBABILITY OF BANKRUPTCY WITHIN 12 MONTHS

	FRISK®	FROM	TO
BEST	10	0.00%	0.12%
	9	0.12%	0.27%
	8	0.27%	0.34%
	7	0.34%	0.55%
	6	0.55%	0.87%
WORST	5	0.87%	1.40%
	4	1.40%	2.10%
	3	2.10%	4.00%
	2	4.00%	9.99%
	1	9.99%	50.00%

While the risk of bankruptcy varies at each FRISK® score, 96% of public companies that eventually go bankrupt enter the FRISK® "red zone" prior to filing. A FRISK® score of 5 or less is an important warning sign.

*FRISK® score accuracy of 96% is based on backtesting of U.S. public companies; results may vary by country.

THE FRISK® SCORE COMPONENTS

At the core of the CreditRiskMonitor® process is our 96% accurate FRISK® score, which indicates a company's level of financial stress on a scale of 1 to 10, based on the probability of bankruptcy over a 12-month horizon. When available, the FRISK® score incorporates a number of powerful risk indicators including:

A “Merton” type model using stock market capitalization and volatility

Financial ratios, including those used in the Altman Z”-Score Model

Bond agency ratings from Moody’s, Fitch, & DBRS Morningstar

Crowdsourced CreditRiskMonitor® Usage Data

[Crowdsourcing](#) has enhanced the accuracy and timeliness of the FRISK® score. We collect and analyze data patterns from thousands of CreditRiskMonitor® subscribers, including professionals from more than 35% of the Fortune 1000 and other large corporations worldwide.

The crowdsourcing advantage is even more powerful in our FRISK® score since many of the professionals who use our service are credit managers:

- Credit managers control one of the largest sources of working capital going into a company
- They are not held to the same “Fair Disclosure” restrictions that prevent non-disclosed information sharing on public companies
- Credit managers use a variety of non-public information sources such as their own company’s management and sales representatives to be alerted to concerns in a public company’s performance
- It is commonly known credit managers confidentially share information with other credit managers, thus collectively, their behavior helps to provide advanced insight to financial problems in public companies

[Read more in Credit Research Foundation’s quarterly journal article, “Assessing Public Company Financial Risk by Crowdsourcing the Research of Credit Professionals”](#)

DO NOT MISS THIS – MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (MD&A)

Making misleading or fraudulent statements in an MD&A is against the law – and Sarbanes-Oxley subjects CEOs and CFOs to heavy fines or even jail time for doing so. A vital feature of the CreditRiskMonitor service is the ability to quickly access a Company’s Management Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) history. Let it sink in: there are no two people in the world with better knowledge of a company’s liquidity risk than the CEO and CFO. More than any credit manager. More than any trade group. And they’re personally liable if they’re lying.

According to the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB), “MD&A should provide a balanced presentation that includes both positive and negative information about the topics discussed.”

You MUST understand trends, commitments, demands and uncertainties likely to result in a material change in Liquidity and Capital Resources, like if they can continue as a going concern. If you don’t, you need help.

Report

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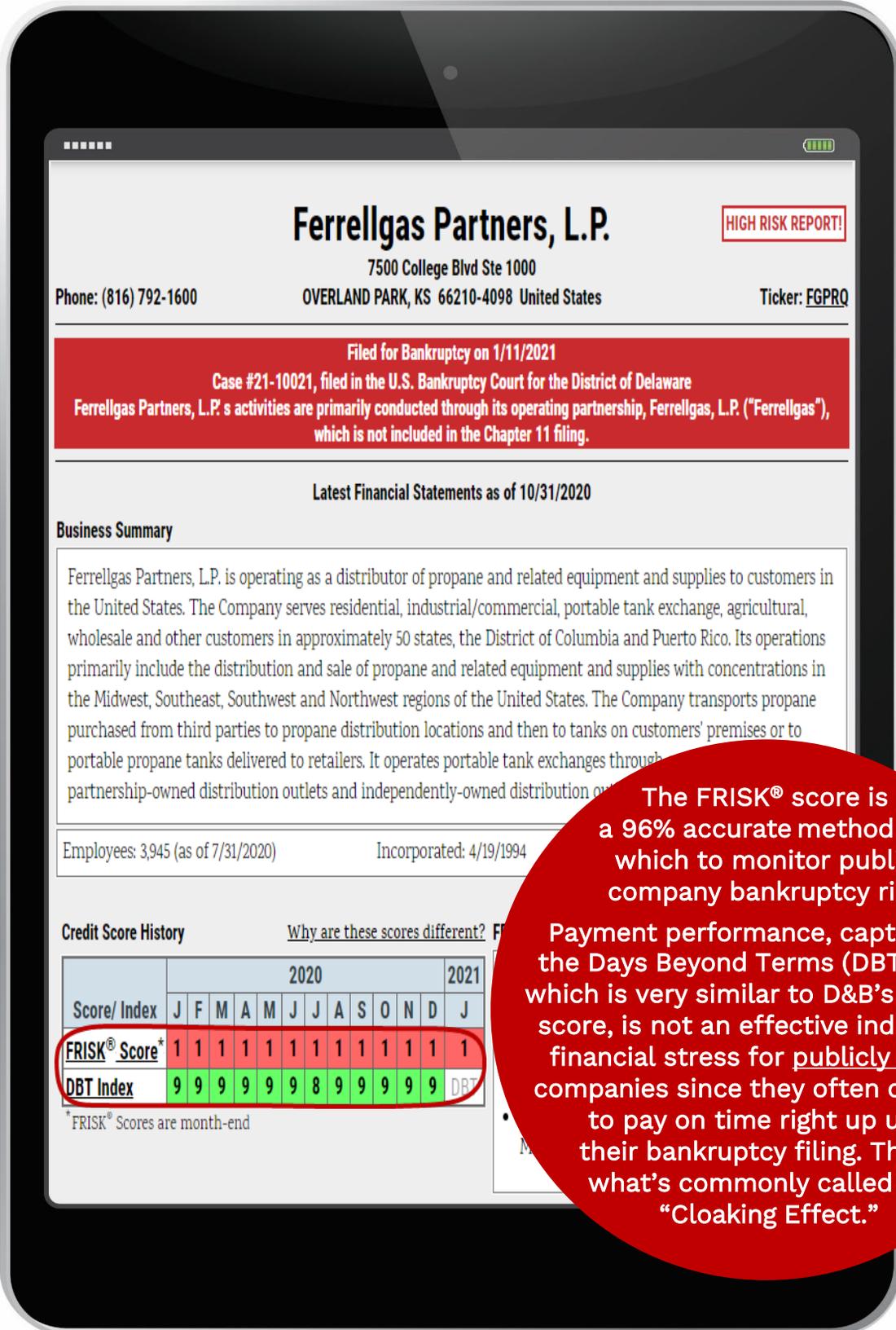
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Filed for Bankruptcy on 1/11/2021
Case #21-10021, filed in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware
Ferrellgas Partners, L.P.'s activities are primarily conducted through its operating partnership, Ferrellgas, L.P. ("Ferrellgas"), which is not included in the Chapter 11 filing.

Management Discussion and Analysis History

The indenture governing the outstanding notes of Ferrellgas Partners due June 15, 2020 contains a covenant that restricts the ability of Ferrellgas Partners to make certain restricted payments, including distributions on its common units. **Under this covenant, subject to the limited exception described below, Ferrellgas Partners may not make a restricted payment unless its consolidated fixed charge coverage ratio (defined in the indenture generally to mean the ratio of trailing four quarters consolidated EBITDA to consolidated interest expense, both as adjusted for certain, specified items) is at least 1.75x.** Ferrellgas Partners disclosed that its fixed charged covenant restricted it from making distributions until the ratio met or exceeded 1.75x, and the possibility of a refinancing, restructuring, or other transaction to improve financial flexibility. Contact your account manager to discuss these important red flags.

COMPANY REPORT DETAIL



Ferrellgas Partners, L.P.

HIGH RISK REPORT!

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Latest Financial Statements as of 10/31/2020

Business Summary

Ferrellgas Partners, L.P. is operating as a distributor of propane and related equipment and supplies to customers in the United States. The Company serves residential, industrial/commercial, portable tank exchange, agricultural, wholesale and other customers in approximately 50 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico. Its operations primarily include the distribution and sale of propane and related equipment and supplies with concentrations in the Midwest, Southeast, Southwest and Northwest regions of the United States. The Company transports propane purchased from third parties to propane distribution locations and then to tanks on customers' premises or to portable propane tanks delivered to retailers. It operates portable tank exchanges through partnership-owned distribution outlets and independently-owned distribution outlets.

Employees: 3,945 (as of 7/31/2020)

Incorporated: 4/19/1994

Credit Score History

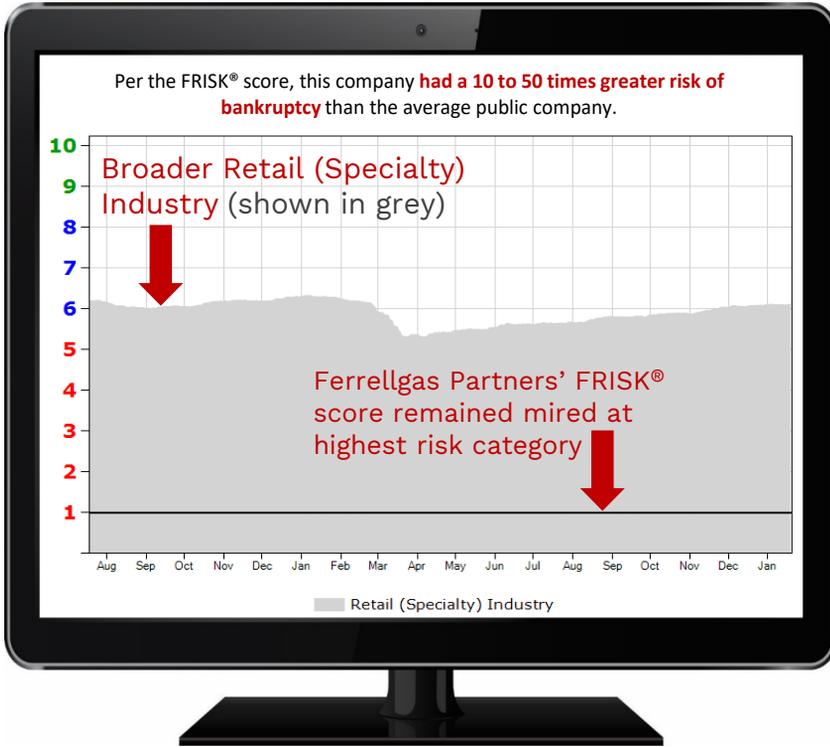
[Why are these scores different?](#) FRISK

Score/ Index	2020												2021
	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	J
FRISK® Score*	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
DBT Index	9	9	9	9	9	9	8	9	9	9	9	9	DBT

*FRISK® Scores are month-end

The FRISK® score is a 96% accurate method by which to monitor public company bankruptcy risk. Payment performance, captured by the Days Beyond Terms (DBT) index, which is very similar to D&B's PAYDEX® score, is not an effective indicator of financial stress for publicly traded companies since they often continue to pay on time right up until their bankruptcy filing. This is what's commonly called the "Cloaking Effect."

FRISK® DEEP DIVE



The FRISK® score relative to the broader Retail (Specialty) industry raised an additional red flag signaling heightened risk relative to peers, as well...

MAKING IMMEDIATE ATTENTION REQUIRED.

ADJUSTED MARKET CAP VOLATILITY



One of the inputs of the FRISK® score is a company's market cap volatility, adjusted for dividends, over the course of a year. Incorporating this information allows us to capture the "wisdom of markets" on a daily basis. This ensures our subscribers are getting the most up to date view of the risks they face since stocks tend to be more liquid and faster moving than bond prices and ratings.

FRISK® STRESS INDEX

#	Business Name	Country	Current FRISK® score
1	Ferrellgas Partners, L.P. HIGH RISK REPORT!	United States	1
2	GTI Holdings Ltd	Hong Kong	1
3	Cmistone Viet Nam JSC	Vietnam	2
4	Shanghai Dasheng Agrcltr Fin Tech Co Ltd	China	2
5	STX Corp	South Korea	3
6	Long Well International Holdings Ltd	Hong Kong	3
7	Jintai Energy Holdings Ltd	Hong Kong	3
8	Neftegazkholding AO	Russian Federation	3
9	Newocean Energy Holdings Ltd	Hong Kong	3
10	BROAD GATE SA	Poland	3

Primary industry codes only Primary and secondary industry codes

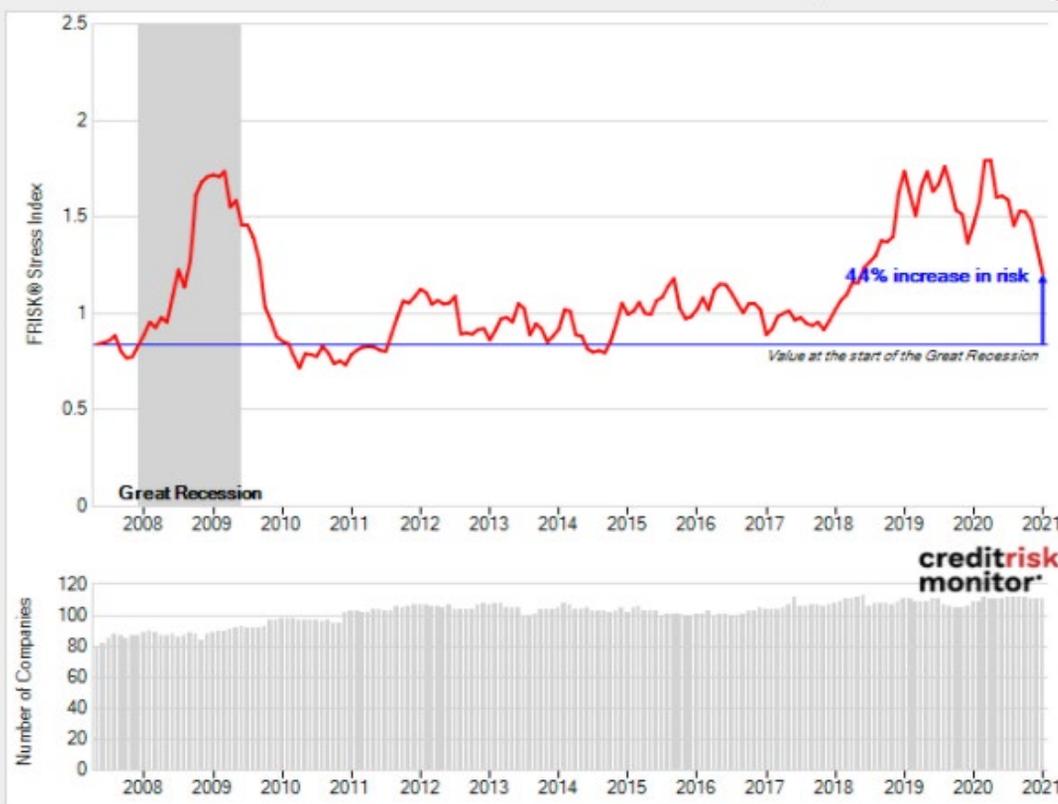
Businesses From: **CLEAR**

In Industry:

Country:

UPDATE RESULTS

Total Companies in all months: **170**



The FRISK® Stress Index shows the collective probability of failure in a group of companies (such as an industry, country or portfolio) over the next 12 months. It is designed to show trends in risk level across groups of companies and is shown on a zero to 50 scale, with 50 being the most risky.

The average probability of failure for SIC code 5172 (Petroleum and petroleum products wholesalers, except bulk station) has increased **44% since 2007**. Ferrellgas Partners was among the weakest names in the industry as evidenced by its FRISK® score of 1.

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PEER ANALYSIS ON ALTERNATE SUPPLIERS AND CUSTOMERS

The Peer Analysis expands to provide a ranking of a company's competitors, which can help provide options for alternate suppliers or new customers

Peer Group: 1948			Ranking Within Peer Group	Number Of Peers Ranked	Company Value	Peer Group Range												
						Low	Median	High										
Credit Ratings																		
Z-Score				321		-47.17	2.41	44.82										
Performance ratios:																		
Net Sales (Thousands of U.S. Dollars)	37	51	300,894		57	753,000	64,034,000											
Gross Margin % Of Sales	25	332	53.22		-829.02	13.25	100.00											
Gross Margin % Of Sales -- TTM	23	332	54.30		-829.02	12.21	98.66											
SGA % Of Sales	226	330	10.81		0.19	7.55	2,126.39											
SGA % Of Sales -- TTM	158	329																
Operating Margin % Of Sales	181	338																
Operating Margin % Of Sales -- TTM	73	338																
EBITDA Margin Of Sales	83	208																
EBITDA Margin Of Sales -- TTM	69	213																
Net Profit Margin % Of Sales	314	338																
Net Profit Margin % Of Sales -- TTM	284	338																
Pre-tax Income % Of Sales	317	338																
Effective Tax Rate	50	332																
Depreciation % Of Prop/Plant/Equipment	192	296	11.82		0.00	9.71	201.75											
Capital Expense % Of Prop/Plant/Equipment	165	240	10.57		0.01	7.97	21,331.34											
Interest Coverage	158	185	0.54		-106.35	5.25	2,153.79											
Interest Coverage -- TTM	153	200	1.00		-42.00	3.61	6,438.67											
Liquidity ratios:																		
Cash Ratio	229	335	0.18		0.00	0.37	10.92											
Quick Ratio	290	329	0.27		-0.22	0.79	18.74											
Current Ratio	314	335	0.48		0.01	1.26	21.66											
Efficiency ratios:																		
Accounts Receivable Turnover	130	334	12.47		-823.08	9.68	4,585.40											
Days Sales Outstanding	139	338	29.27		-1,060.43	36.24	3,082.87											
% of Inventory Financed by Vendors	228	291	56.52		0.00	118.51	63,752.98											
% of Inventory Financed by Vendors -- TTM	233	293	51.82		-87.18	118.87	29,988.04											
Inventory Turnover	234	330	7.43		0.00	11.59	1,491.27											
Inventory Turnover -- TTM	208	332	9.04		0.00	12.30	3,201.88											
Days Sales in Inventory	234	324	49.15		0.24	31.20	60,442.74											
Inventory to Working Capital	312	328																
Accounts Payable Turnover	95	298																
Accounts Payable Turnover -- TTM	79	302																
Leverage & debt coverage:																		
Total Debt to Equity Ratio		306																
Debt to Tangible Equity Ratio		292																
Total Debt to Assets Ratio	315	317																
Short-Term Debt % of Total Debt	143	305																
Short-Term Debt % of Working Capital	268	317																
Liabilities to Net Worth Ratio		310			0.02	1.43	31.40											
Total Liabilities to Equity Ratio		324			0.02	1.29	51.96											
TTM EBITDA to Total Debt	147	198	0.08		-2.41	0.19	79.10											
Net Debt to TTM EBITDA	155	171	11.67		-14.66	3.02	152.85											
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<p>TTM = trailing 12 months N/A = Not Available</p>																		

Ferrellgas Partners demonstrated bottom quartile ranking in key financial ratios (shown in red) versus its industry peers.

QUARTERLY PERFORMANCE RATIOS

Narrow EBITDA margins and cumulative net losses in the last five quarters

Poor interest coverage ratio & sustained annualized cash burn

Performance Ratios - Sequential Quarters

(Thousands of U.S. Dollars)

Period Ended	3 mos 10/31/2020	3 mos 7/31/2020	3 mos 4/30/2020	3 mos 1/31/2020	3 mos 10/31/2019
Net Sales \$	\$300,894	\$281,649	\$412,130	\$510,833	\$293,214
% change	6.83%	-31.66%	-19.32%	74.22%	5.06%
Gross Margin \$	\$160,126	\$153,973	\$233,495	\$269,961	\$155,894
% change	4.00%	-34.06%	-13.51%	73.17%	11.35%
% of sales	53.22%	54.67%	56.66%	52.85%	53.17%
change as % of incremental sales	31.97%	n/m	n/m	52.42%	112.43%
SG&A \$	\$32,536	\$23,352	\$25,971	\$27,754	\$23,637
% change	39.33%	-10.08%	-6.42%	17.42%	-13.85%
% of sales	10.81%	8.29%	6.30%	5.43%	8.06%
change as % of incremental sales	47.72%	n/m	n/m	1.89%	-26.89%
Operating margin \$	\$7,752	(\$16,288)	\$30,551	\$96,378	\$630
% change	147.59%	-153.31%	-68.30%	15,198.10%	102.34%
% of sales	2.58%	-5.78%	7.41%	18.87%	0.21%
change as % of incremental sales	124.92%	n/m	n/m	44.00%	195.20%
EBITDA \$	\$29,250	\$4,567	\$50,759	\$116,249	\$19,717
% change	540.46%	-91.00%	-56.34%	489.59%	369.62%
% of sales	9.72%	1.62%	12.32%	22.76%	6.72%
change as % of incremental sales	128.26%	n/m	n/m	44.36%	191.25%
EBIT \$	\$7,860	(\$16,534)	\$30,393	\$96,454	\$498
% change	147.54%	-154.40%	-68.49%	19,268.27%	101.85%
% of sales	2.61%	-5.87%	7.37%	18.88%	0.17%
change as % of incremental sales	126.76%	n/m	n/m	44.09%	194.18%
Pre-tax income \$	(\$46,366)	(\$70,548)	(\$15,310)	\$48,906	(\$45,199)
% change	34.28%	-360.80%	-131.31%	208.20%	36.90%
% of sales	-15.41%	-25.05%	-3.71%	9.57%	-15.42%
change as % of incremental sales	125.65%	n/m	n/m	43.24%	187.04%
Net income (loss) \$	(\$46,062)	(\$69,969)	(\$15,393)	\$48,207	(\$45,344)
% change	34.17%	-354.55%	-131.93%	206.31%	36.17%
% of sales	-15.31%	-24.84%	-3.74%	9.44%	-15.46%
change as % of incremental sales	124.22%	n/m	n/m	42.99%	181.79%
Tax expense \$	\$87	\$57	\$161	\$115	\$518
Effective tax rate	-0.19%	-0.08%	-1.05%	0.24%	-1.15%
Depreciation expense \$	\$21,390	\$21,101	\$20,366	\$19,795	\$19,219
% of sales	7.11%	7.49%	4.94%	3.88%	6.55%
% of capital expenses	109.95%	159.81%	66.63%	68.91%	54.90%
% of PP&E, net (annualized)	11.62%	11.47%	11.15%	10.86%	11.60%
Capital expenditures \$	\$19,454	\$13,204	\$30,564	\$28,724	\$35,005
% change	47.33%	-56.80%	6.41%	-17.94%	45.27%
% of PP&E, net (annualized)	10.57%	7.18%	16.73%	15.76%	21.13%
% of working capital (annualized)	-13.81%	-18.38%	-53.03%	-24.97%	-24.25%
Interest coverage ratio	0.54	0.08	1.11	2.44	0.43
% change	537.59%	-92.38%	-54.57%	466.60%	363.75%
Free cash flow \$	(\$30,945)	\$1,344	\$67,162	(\$35,267)	(\$27,894)
% change	-2,402.46%	-98.00%	290.44%	-26.43%	65.04%
Source:	10-Q 12/15/2020	10-K 10/15/2020	10-Q 6/4/2020	10-Q 3/11/2020	10-Q 12/6/2019

QUARTERLY LEVERAGE RATIOS

Tangible net worth trended in persistently negative territory, indicating limited borrowing capacity

Higher short-term debt relative to total debt outstanding reflected increased refinancing risk

Leverage Ratios - Sequential Quarters

(Thousands of U.S. Dollars)

Period Ended	10/31/2020	7/31/2020	4/30/2020	1/31/2020	10/31/2019
Total debt \$	\$2,545,420	\$2,545,919	\$2,509,668	\$2,267,027	\$2,248,766
% change	-0.02%	1.44%	10.70%	0.81%	2.51%
Stockholders' equity \$	(\$1,246,096)	(\$1,208,268)	(\$1,156,817)	(\$1,144,675)	(\$1,191,384)
% change	-3.13%	-4.45%	-1.06%	3.92%	-4.60%
Tangible net worth \$	(\$1,594,854)	(\$1,559,512)	(\$1,507,978)	(\$1,498,084)	(\$1,547,072)
% change	-2.27%	-3.42%	-0.66%	3.17%	-3.50%
Total assets \$	\$1,652,844	\$1,668,190	\$1,720,339	\$1,471,212	\$1,443,288
% change	-0.92%	-3.03%	16.93%	1.93%	14.28%
Total debt to assets ratio	1.54	1.53	1.46	1.54	1.56
% change	0.90%	4.62%	-5.33%	-1.10%	-10.30%
Tangible assets \$	\$1,304,086	\$1,316,946	\$1,369,178	\$1,117,803	\$1,087,600
% change	-0.98%	-3.81%	22.49%	2.78%	19.88%
Short-term debt \$	\$866,281	\$866,050	\$363,624	\$522,781	\$512,897
% change	0.03%	138.17%	-30.44%	1.93%	-30.38%
Short-term debt % of total debt	34.03%	34.02%	14.49%	23.06%	22.81%
% change	0.05%	134.78%	-37.17%	1.11%	-32.09%
Short-term debt % of working capital	-149.13%	-158.60%	-1,272.26%	-120.87%	-105.14%
% change	5.97%	87.53%	-952.57%	-14.97%	4.82%
Total liabilities \$	\$2,898,940	\$2,876,458	\$2,877,156	\$2,615,887	\$2,634,672
% change	0.78%	-0.02%	9.99%	-0.71%	9.69%
Total debt to EBITDA ratio (annualized)	21.76	139.37	12.36	4.88	28.51
% change	-84.39%	1,027.48%	153.53%	-82.90%	n/a
Source:	10-Q	10-Q	10-Q	10-Q	10-Q
	10/31/2020	7/31/2020	6/4/2020	3/11/2020	12/6/2019

Total debt to annualized EBITDA expanded to double digits, indicating limited capacity to deleverage

QUARTERLY LIQUIDITY RATIOS AND RATES OF RETURN

Constant working capital deficit

Meager cash, quick, and current ratios

Liquidity Ratios - Sequential Quarters

(Thousands of U.S. Dollars)

Period Ended	10/31/2020	7/31/2020	4/30/2020	1/31/2020	10/31/2019
Current assets \$	\$538,083	\$543,807	\$574,231	\$322,375	\$289,223
% change	-1.05%	-5.30%	78.13%	11.46%	19.82%
% of short-term debt	62.11%	62.79%	157.92%	61.67%	56.39%
Current liabilities \$	\$1,118,954	\$1,089,850	\$602,812	\$754,885	\$777,064
% change	2.67%	80.79%	-20.15%	-2.85%	-14.45%
Working capital \$	(\$580,871)	(\$546,043)	(\$28,581)	(\$432,510)	(\$487,841)
% change	-6.38%	-1,870.51%	93.39%	11.34%	26.86%
% of sales (annualized)	-48.26%	-48.47%	-1.73%	-21.17%	-41.59%
Cash \$	\$202,618	\$238,002	\$177,529	\$13,706	\$29,805
% change	-14.87%	34.06%	1,195.26%	-54.01%	169.63%
% of short-term debt	23.39%	27.48%	48.82%	2.62%	5.81%
Cash ratio	0.18	0.22	0.29	0.02	0.04
% change	-17.08%	-25.84%	1,518.13%	-52.60%	214.75%
Quick assets \$	\$306,921	\$326,756	\$309,983	\$188,231	\$148,318
% change	-6.07%	5.41%	64.68%	26.91%	27.91%
% of short-term debt	35.43%	37.73%	85.25%	36.01%	28.92%
Quick ratio	0.27	0.30	0.51	0.25	0.19
% change	-8.51%	-41.70%	106.17%	30.64%	49.49%
Current ratio	0.48	0.50	0.95	0.43	0.37
% change	-3.63%	-47.62%	123.04%	14.75%	40.08%
Source:	10-Q 12/15/2020	10-K 10/15/2020	10-Q 6/4/2020	10-Q 3/11/2020	10-Q 12/6/2019

Very weak returns on tangible assets

Rate of Return - Sequential Quarters

(Thousands of U.S. Dollars)

Period Ended	3 mos 10/31/2020	3 mos 7/31/2020	3 mos 4/30/2020	3 mos 1/31/2020	3 mos 10/31/2019
Return on total assets	-2.77%	-4.13%	-0.96%	3.31%	-3.35%
% change	32.83%	-328.14%	-129.16%	198.72%	38.84%
Return on tangible assets	-3.51%	-5.21%	-1.24%	4.37%	-4.55%
% change	32.53%	-320.85%	-128.32%	196.16%	39.84%
Source:	10-Q 12/15/2020	10-K 10/15/2020	10-Q 6/4/2020	10-Q 3/11/2020	10-Q 12/6/2019

YEAR OVER YEAR STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

Net losses for three consecutive years

Negative cash from operating activities

Statement of Cash Flows - Year-over-Year - Standardized - Year

(Thousands of U.S. Dollars)

Period Ended	3 mos 10/31/2020	3 mos 10/31/2019	3 mos 10/31/2018	3 mos 10/31/2017	3 mos 10/31/2016
Cash Flows from Operating Activities:					
Net income	(\$46,453)	(\$45,717)	(\$57,508)	(\$48,316)	(\$43,471)
Depreciation/depletion	21,390	19,219	18,992	25,732	26,202
Deferred taxes	(1)	554	150	364	143
Non-cash items	4,545	7,145	10,964	9,395	13,369
Changes in working capital	9,028	25,910	9,788	20,758	58,307
Total cash from operating activities	(11,491)	7,111	(17,614)	7,933	54,550
Cash Flows from Investing Activities:					
Capital expenditures	(19,454)	(35,005)	(23,433)	(20,154)	(10,005)
Other investing cash flow items, total	1,407	298	(3,856)	(12,659)	2,279
Total cash from investing activities	(18,047)	(34,707)	(27,289)	(32,813)	(7,726)
Cash Flows from Financing Activities:					
Financing cash flow items	(4,000)	(1,141)	(325)	(387)	(1,903)
Total cash dividends paid	n/a	0	(9,814)	(9,813)	(50,294)
Issuance/retirement of stock, net	n/a	n/a	n/a	0	(15,851)
Issuance/retirement of debt, net	(696)	47,488	(1,081)	36,420	28,898
Total cash from financing activities	(4,696)	46,347	(11,220)	26,220	(39,150)
Net change in cash	(34,234)	18,751	(56,123)	1,340	7,674
Net cash-beginning balance	333,761	11,054	119,311	5,760	4,965
Net cash-ending balance	\$299,527	\$29,805	\$63,188	\$7,100	\$12,639
Supplemental Disclosures:					
Cash interest paid	\$36,997	\$8,284	\$8,930	\$6,129	\$5,631
Cash taxes paid, supplemental	\$35	\$0	\$2	\$6	\$0
Source:	10-Q 12/15/2020	10-Q 12/6/2019	10-Q 12/6/2018	10-Q 12/7/2017	10-Q 12/9/2016

NEWS ALERTS: A TIMELINE OF CONCERNING NEWS ITEMS

In October 2019, Ferrellgas received a going concern opinion from its auditor Grant Thornton LLP and announced the hiring of financial adviser Moelis & Co. in order to address pending debt maturities. About one month later, Ferrellgas announced that it had reached an agreement within its secured creditor to amend and modify its agreements to sidestep events of default.

10/16/2019

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Propane Supplier Ferrellgas Hires Moelis To Rework Debt

Moody's downgrades Ferrellgas' CFR to Caa3, citing the partnership's challenges with performance and high financial leverage within its ratings rationale. The research note also acknowledged heightened risk of a debt recapitalization and that EBITA to interest payments had deteriorated to only 1.25x.

03/16/2020

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Moody's downgrades Ferrellgas Partners CFR to Caa3

Ferrellgas announced the pricing of \$575 million senior secured first lien notes due 2025 at 10%, along with an add-on of \$125 million, representing the highest coupon rate in the company's history. Such an expensive rate for secured debt is typically commensurate with financing transactions of highly distressed borrowers.

04/13/2020

GlobeNewswire

Ferrellgas, L.P. Announces Add-On Offering of 10.000% Senior Secured First Lien Notes Due 2025

Ferrellgas entered into a forbearance agreement with noteholders of its 8.625% senior notes in an attempt to negotiate an orderly debt restructuring agreement. However, the company's financial condition would only continue to unravel driven by weak interest coverage and ongoing net losses.

06/11/2020

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Ferrellgas Partners, L.P. Enters Into Forbearance Agreement with Noteholders

The Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer of Ferrellgas, Inc. resigned from the company effectively immediately, where Brian Herrmann would be newly appointed to hold the positions in the interim. Executive turnover in combination with other financial red flags often serves as a leading signal to a broader debt restructuring.

11/09/2020

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Ferrellgas Partners, L.P. files (8-K) Disclosing Change in Directors or Principal Officers, Financial Statements, and Exhibits

Ferrellgas Partners announced that it would enter into a prepackaged bankruptcy agreement, whereby parent debt would be eliminated and the operating partnership's debt would be refinanced, in addition to other means of raising new capital. The primary goal of such an arrangement would be to move through its financial structuring process as quickly as possible.

12/11/2020

GlobeNewswire

Ferrellgas To Place Parent In Bankruptcy

Ferrellgas Partners commenced its previously disclosed Chapter 11 bankruptcy arrangement, and fortunately, most third parties including customers, employees, suppliers, or distributors would be largely unaffected by the filing. In this particular case, unsecured bondholders would be the primary recipient of financial losses.

1/11/2021

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Ferrellgas Partners, L.P. Commences Previously Announced "Pre-Packaged" Chapter 11 Proceedings with Support of Majority of Creditors

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