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**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 18, 2020**

**DIAMONDBACK ENERGY, INC.**  
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

<b>DE</b>	<b>001-35700</b>	<b>45-4502447</b>
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

<b>500 West Texas Suite 1200 Midland, TX</b>	<b>79701</b>
(Address of principal executive offices)	(Zip code)

**(432) 221-7400**  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

**Not Applicable**  
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the Registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934:

<b>Title of each class</b>	<b>Trading Symbol(s)</b>	<b>Name of each exchange on which registered</b>
Common Stock	FANG	The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC (NASDAQ Global Select Market)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

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**Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.**

On February 18, 2020, Diamondback Energy, Inc. issued a press release announcing financial and operating results for the fourth quarter and year ended December 31, 2019. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits**

<b>Exhibit Number</b>	<b>Description</b>
99.1	<a href="#">Press release, dated February 18, 2020, entitled "Diamondback Energy, Inc. Announces Fourth Quarter and Full Year 2019 Financial and Operating Results; Doubles Dividend."</a>
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (formatted as Inline XBRL).

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**SIGNATURE**

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 thereunto duly authorized.

DIAMONDBACK ENERGY, INC.

Date: February 18, 2020

By: /s/ Teresa L. Dick  
Name: Teresa L. Dick  
Title: Executive Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer



## DIAMONDBACK ENERGY, INC. ANNOUNCES FOURTH QUARTER AND FULL YEAR 2019 FINANCIAL AND OPERATING RESULTS; DOUBLES DIVIDEND

Midland, TX (February 18, 2020) - Diamondback Energy, Inc. (NASDAQ: FANG) (“Diamondback” or the “Company”) today announced financial and operating results for the fourth quarter and full year ended December 31, 2019.

### FOURTH QUARTER 2019 HIGHLIGHTS

- Q4 2019 average production of 195.0 MBO/d (301.3 MBOE/d), with average oil production up 5% over Q3 2019 and 50% over Q4 2018
- Q4 2019 net loss of \$(487) million, which includes a \$790 million impairment due to lower SEC commodity pricing; adjusted net income (as defined and reconciled below) of \$308 million, or \$1.93 per diluted share
- Q4 2019 Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA (as defined and reconciled below) of \$869 million; adjusted EBITDA net of non-controlling interest of \$827 million
- Q4 2019 capital expenditures of \$748 million; turned 78 gross operated horizontal wells to production
- Approved a 100% increase in the annual cash dividend policy to \$1.50 per common share starting with Q4 2019 payment, subject to discretion of the Board
- Declared Q4 2019 cash dividend of \$0.375 per share payable on March 10, 2020; implies a 2.0% annualized yield based on the February 14, 2020 share closing price of \$74.97
- Repurchased 2,415,000 shares in Q4 2019 for ~\$199 million
- Closed inaugural offering of \$3.0 billion of investment grade notes; proceeds used to fully redeem \$1.25 billion of 4.75% notes and pay down a portion of outstanding credit facility borrowings
- Q4 2019 unhedged realized oil prices of \$54.74/Bbl, representing ~96% of WTI and up 6% versus Q3 2019; expect to realize ~98-101% of WTI in 2020
- Successfully traded majority of operated New Mexico acreage in the Northern Delaware Basin for operated Texas acreage in both the Midland and Delaware Basin; less than 0.1% of current net acreage now on federal land
- Closed previously announced Drop-Down transaction to subsidiary Viper Energy Partners LP (NASDAQ: VNOM) ("Viper")

"Diamondback ended 2019 in a position of strength, achieving 5% sequential oil production growth along with our highest oil realizations of the year. This, combined with our industry-leading cost structure, resulted in 18% quarter over quarter Adjusted EBITDA growth and 31% Adjusted EPS growth in the quarter. We repurchased 2.4 million shares in the quarter for approximately \$199 million, utilizing free cash flow and a \$43 million gain from interest rate swaps unwound as part of our first investment grade bond offering in November to repurchase shares at a depressed valuation. Further, Diamondback did not slow operations in the second half of 2019 and maintained continuous operations with eight completion crews running consistently through the end of the year, setting us up for continued growth and operational momentum in 2020," stated Travis Stice, Chief Executive Officer of Diamondback.

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## **FULL YEAR 2019 HIGHLIGHTS**

- Full year 2019 net income of \$240 million, or \$1.47 per diluted share; full year 2019 adjusted net income (as defined and reconciled below) of \$1.1 billion, or \$6.93 per diluted share
- Full year 2019 consolidated adjusted EBITDA of \$3.1 billion, or \$18.71 per diluted share
- Full year 2019 average production of 187.7 MBO/d (283.0 MBOE/d), an increase of 26% from combined 2018 average daily oil volumes, after adjusting for the full year 2018 impact of the Energen transaction which closed on November 29, 2018
- Full year 2019 capital expenditures of \$2,921 million; turned 317 operated horizontal wells to production
- Proved reserves as of December 31, 2019 of 1,128 MMboe (711 MMBo, 63% oil, 67% PDP), up 14% year over year; proved developed producing ("PDP") reserves of 760 MMBoe (457 MMBo, 60% oil), up 18% year over year
- 2019 consolidated proved developed finding and development ("PD F&D") costs of \$10.87/boe; drill bit finding and development costs of \$11.11/boe
- Repurchased 6,385,000 shares for ~\$598 million; represents 30% of the Board approved program for up to \$2.0 billion of stock repurchases through December 31, 2020 and ~4% of the Company's float at December 31, 2018

"Looking back, 2019 was a historic year for Diamondback. We successfully integrated our merger with Energen Resources, doubling the size of our Company while achieving greater cost synergies in a shorter period of time than originally promised at time of deal announcement. We grew pro forma oil production 26% year over year with a \$2.9 billion capital budget, increased our dividend by 50% and repurchased 6.4 million shares, or ~4% of our float entering the year. We sold non-core assets for over \$320 million of gross proceeds, dropped down mineral interests to Viper and took our midstream business public with approximately \$720 million of net proceeds to Diamondback while retaining 71% post-IPO ownership. In November, we executed the final piece of our synergy scorecard and refinanced \$3.0 billion of the Company's long-term debt following our upgrade to investment grade at a weighted average 3.23% interest rate," stated Travis Stice, Chief Executive Officer of Diamondback.

Mr. Stice continued, "While we are proud of what we accomplished in 2019, we do not spend time looking backward at our tracks in the sand, but rather looking ahead and concentrating on the future. 2020 has already brought its own industry challenges, and we are focused on navigating these challenges by staying disciplined, improving our industry-leading cost structure, growing production, increasing environmental transparency, and returning more cash to stockholders as evidenced by our dividend announcement today. Should commodity prices weaken further or remain weak for an extended period of time, we will act responsibly as we have many times in the past and reduce capital spending. If commodity prices strengthen, we will grow oil production within our previously announced 2020 budget, and return cash to stockholders or pay down debt."

## **ENVIRONMENTAL, SOCIAL, GOVERNANCE AND COMPENSATION: RECENT AND EXPECTED CHANGES**

Additionally, Diamondback today announced recent and planned changes regarding environmental, social and governance ("ESG") disclosure and performance, as well as approved and expected changes to its

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compensation program. The Company plans to provide additional detail for these and other changes in its upcoming proxy, which it expects to file in the second quarter of 2020.

- Formed Safety, Sustainability and Corporate Responsibility Committee of the Board of Directors in the fourth quarter of 2019 with the goal to become best in class in terms of both disclosure and performance as it relates to sustainable long term development of our natural resources
- Adopted Proxy Access in the fourth quarter of 2019
- Plan to add an absolute total shareholder return ("TSR") modifier to long term incentive ("LTI") compensation that reduces payouts upon negative performance period TSR, pays at target upon achieving a performance period annual TSR of 0-15%, and has a multiplier upon achieving a performance period annual TSR of greater than 15%
- Plan to replace executive employment agreements with a severance and change of control plan consistent with current market practice
- Plan to update annual short-term incentive ("STI") metrics to include an ESG component with expected weighting of 10-15%
- ESG component expected to be determined by meeting or exceeding key environmental and safety metrics including, but not limited to: flaring, GHG emissions, recycled water, fluid spill control and Total Recordable Incident Rate (safety); each metric will be measured and compensation will be tied to the metrics presented, without discretion
- Existing metrics expected to remain unchanged (return on average capital employed, per lateral foot well costs and per boe PD F&D costs, LOE and Cash G&A expense)

“Diamondback has steadily made changes to compensation and governance practices as the Company has grown and the market has evolved. The Company was one of the first in our industry to remove all growth metrics from its scorecard five years ago, replacing those metrics with cost control and capital efficiency metrics while also adding return on average capital employed in 2018. The Company is taking the next step forward in 2020 by adding tangible environmental and safety targets to the scorecard. One unique aspect of Diamondback's annual cash incentive program is that while 100 percent of senior management’s cash incentive compensation is tied to the scorecard, up to half of each employee’s discretionary cash incentive compensation is also tied to the same scorecard, creating alignment throughout the organization. Diamondback is committed to being both best in class in terms of disclosure, but more importantly performance, when it comes to sustainable development of our natural resources in West Texas, where we are headquartered and operate,” stated Steve West, Chairman of the Board of Directors of Diamondback.

## **OPERATIONS UPDATE**

Diamondback’s Q4 2019 production averaged 301.3 MBOE/d (195.0 MBO/d), up 5% quarter over quarter from 287.1 MBOE/d in Q3 2019, and up 65% year over year from 182.8 MBOE/d in Q4 2018.

During the fourth quarter of 2019, Diamondback drilled 76 gross horizontal wells and turned 78 operated horizontal wells to production. The average lateral length for the wells completed during the fourth quarter was 9,393 feet. Operated completions during the fourth quarter consisted of 37 Wolfcamp A wells, 21 Lower Spraberry wells, eight Wolfcamp B wells, six Third Bone Spring wells, two Second Bone Spring wells, two Jo Mill wells, one Middle Spraberry well and one Wolfcamp D well.

For the full year ended December 31, 2019, the Company drilled 331 gross horizontal wells and turned 317 operated horizontal wells to production. The average lateral length for wells completed during the full year

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2019 was 9,598 feet, and consisted of 179 Wolfcamp A wells, 64 Lower Spraberry wells, 33 Wolfcamp B wells, 11 Third Bone Spring wells, 10 Middle Spraberry wells, nine Second Bone Spring wells, eight Jo Mill wells, two Wolfcamp D wells and one Meramec well.

Diamondback recently began initial appraisal of its Limelight exploration acreage in Southeast Ector and Northeast Crane counties, completing its first well targeting the Meramec with a 4,720 foot lateral. This well, the Xanadu 31 1H, commenced with an average 30-day 2-stream initial production ("IP") rate of 104 boe/d per 1,000 feet (83% oil) and went on to achieve an average 90-day rate of 76 boe/d per 1,000 feet (82% oil).

In the Midland Basin, Diamondback continues to have success in the Middle Spraberry and Jo Mill intervals. The Company recently completed a three well pad in Midland County with an average lateral length of 9,253 feet. These wells commenced with an average peak 30-day IP rate of 113 boe/d per 1,000 feet (83% oil).

In the Delaware Basin, the Company continues to be encouraged by operated completions targeting the Second Bone Spring. Most recently, Diamondback completed the SNL 27-25 UNIT 4BS well with a 7,554 lateral in Pecos County, which achieved a peak 30-day IP rate of 154 boe/d per 1,000 feet (89% oil).

## **FINANCIAL UPDATE**

Diamondback's fourth quarter 2019 net loss was \$(487) million, or \$(3.04) per diluted share. Adjusted net income (a non-GAAP financial measure as defined and reconciled below) was \$308 million, or \$1.93 per diluted share, up 31% from \$1.47 in Q3 2019 and up 60% from \$1.21 in Q4 2018.

Fourth quarter 2019 Adjusted EBITDA net of non-controlling interest (as defined and reconciled below) was \$827 million, up 18% from \$699 million in Q3 2019 and up 82% from \$455 million in Q4 2018.

Fourth quarter 2019 average realized prices were \$54.74 per barrel of oil, \$1.07 per Mcf of natural gas and \$15.15 per barrel of natural gas liquids, resulting in a total equivalent unhedged price of \$39.28/BOE. As previously indicated, Diamondback expects realized prices to improve relative to WTI through the remainder of 2020 as out of market fixed differential contracts have now rolled off and converted to Diamondback's commitments on the EPIC and Gray Oak pipelines or the current Midland market price. Based on current market differentials and estimated in-basin gathering costs, Diamondback expects to realize ~98-101% of WTI in 2020, all including the effect of current basis hedges, firm transportation agreements and in-basin gathering costs.

Diamondback's cash operating costs for the fourth quarter of 2019 were \$8.77 per BOE, including lease operating expenses ("LOE") of \$4.52 per BOE, cash general and administrative ("G&A") expenses of \$0.54 per BOE and production and ad valorem taxes and gathering and transportation of \$3.71 per BOE.

In December 2019, Diamondback completed an offering of \$3.0 billion aggregate principal amount of investment grade notes, comprised of \$1.0 billion of 2.875% senior notes due 2024, \$800 million of 3.250% senior notes due 2026 and \$1.2 billion of 3.500% senior notes due 2029. Net proceeds from these transactions were used to repay a portion of the outstanding borrowings under its credit facility, and to fully redeem \$1.25 billion aggregate principal amount of its 4.750% senior notes at an aggregate purchase price of approximately \$1.3 billion.

As of December 31, 2019, Diamondback had \$109 million in standalone cash and approximately \$13 million of outstanding borrowings under its revolving credit facility.

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During the fourth quarter of 2019, Diamondback spent \$652 million on drilling and completion, \$23 million on non-operated properties, \$15 million on infrastructure and \$58 million on midstream, for total capital expenditures of \$748 million. For the year ended December 31, 2019, the Company spent \$2,452 million on drilling and completion, \$105 million on non-operated properties, \$120 million on infrastructure and \$244 million on midstream, for total capital expenditures of \$2,921 million.

### **CAPITAL RETURN PROGRAM**

Diamondback announced today that the Company's Board of Directors declared a cash dividend of \$0.375 per common share for the fourth quarter of 2019 payable on March 10, 2020, to stockholders of record at the close of business on March 3, 2020.

During the fourth quarter of 2019, Diamondback repurchased 2,415,000 shares of common stock for approximately \$199 million. For the full year 2019, Diamondback repurchased 6,385,000 shares, or approximately 30% of the Board approved program.

The repurchase program is authorized to extend through December 31, 2020, and the Company intends to purchase stock under the repurchase program opportunistically with funds from cash generated from operations and liquidity events such as the sale of assets. This repurchase program may be suspended from time to time, modified, extended or discontinued by the Board of Directors at any time. Purchases under the repurchase program may be made from time to time in open market or privately negotiated transactions in compliance with Rule 10b-18 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and will be subject to market conditions, applicable legal requirements, contractual obligations and other factors. Any stock purchased as part of this program will be retired and made available for future issuances by the Company.

### **RESERVES**

Ryder Scott Company, L.P. prepared estimates of Diamondback's proved reserves as of December 31, 2019. Reference prices of \$55.69 per barrel of oil and \$2.58 per MMBtu of natural gas were used in accordance with applicable rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission. Realized prices with applicable differentials were \$51.88 per barrel of oil, \$0.18 per Mcf of natural gas and \$15.65 per barrel of natural gas liquids.

Proved reserves at year-end 2019 of 1,128 MMboe represent a 14% increase over year-end 2018 reserves. Proved developed reserves increased by 18% to 760 MMboe (67% of total proved reserves) as of December 31, 2019, reflecting the continued development of the Company's horizontal well inventory. Proved undeveloped reserves ("PUD" or "PUDs") increased to 368 MMboe, a 6% increase over year-end 2018, and are comprised of 499 locations, 97 which are in the Delaware Basin. Crude oil represents 63% of Diamondback's total proved reserves.

Net proved reserve additions of 239 MMboe resulted in a reserve replacement ratio of 231% (defined as the sum of extensions, discoveries, revisions and purchases, divided by annual production). The organic reserve replacement ratio was 250% (defined as the sum of extensions, discoveries and revisions, divided by annual production).

Extensions and discoveries of reserves were the primary contributor to the increase in reserves totaling 376 MMboe followed by net purchases of reserves totaling 21 MMboe, with divestitures of 41 MMboe and downward revisions of 118 MMboe. PDP extensions accounted for 41% of the total increase in reserves. PDP extensions were the result of 283 wells in which the Company has a working interest, and PUD extensions

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were the result of 291 new locations in which the Company has a working interest. Net divestitures of reserves of 20 MMboe were the net result of acquisitions of 21 MMboe and divestitures of 41 MMboe primarily associated with the sale of the Company's conventional Central Basin Platform assets. Downward revisions of 118 MMboe were the result of negative revisions due to lower product pricing of 42 MMboe and PUD downgrades of 70 MMboe primarily from changes in the corporate development plan and inventory optimization. These revisions were partially offset by positive performance revisions of 10 MMboe from increased NGL recoveries.

88% of the PUD downgrades, or 61 MMboe, are related to the reclassification of PUDs to non-proved categories that do not fit in the Company's current three year development plan due to inventory optimization and high grading after the Energen and Diamondback merger. The SEC PUD guidelines allow a company to book PUD reserves associated with projects that are to occur within the next five years, but Diamondback takes a more conservative approach to the booking of PUD reserves by choosing to book minimal PUD reserves outside of its three year development plan. The benefit of booking PUDs has decreased as the Company has grown and no longer has a reserve-based revolving credit facility after earning investment grade status in late 2019. With its current development plan, the Company expects to continue its strong PUD conversion ratio in 2020 by converting an estimated 35% of its PUDs to a Proved Developed category, and develop ~66% of the consolidated 2019 year-end PUD reserves by the end of 2021.

	Oil (MBbls)	Liquids (MBbls)	Gas (MMcf)	MBOE
Proved Reserves As of December 31, 2018	626,936	190,291	1,048,649	992,001
Extensions and discoveries	256,569	66,572	318,874	376,288
Revisions of previous estimates	(84,789)	(8,166)	(149,657)	(117,898)
Purchase of reserves in place	13,974	3,813	19,830	21,092
Divestitures	(33,269)	(3,809)	(21,272)	(40,623)
Production	(68,518)	(18,498)	(97,613)	(103,285)
Proved Reserves As of December 31, 2019	710,903	230,203	1,118,811	1,127,575

Diamondback's exploration and development costs in 2019 were \$2,871 million. PD F&D costs were \$10.87/boe. PD F&D costs are defined as exploration and development costs, excluding midstream, divided by the sum of reserves associated with transfers from proved undeveloped reserves at year-end 2018 including any associated revisions in 2019 and extensions and discoveries placed on production during 2018. Drill bit F&D costs were \$11.11/boe including the effects of all revisions including pricing revisions. Drill bit F&D costs are defined as the exploration and development costs, excluding midstream, divided by the sum of extensions, discoveries and revisions. Diamondback's approach to PUD reserve booking negatively impacted drill bit F&D in 2019. If Diamondback's PUD to PDP ratio had remained constant compared to 2018 along with constant year over year product pricing, the Company estimates its drill bit F&D would have been ~\$2.50/boe less in 2019.

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2019	2018	2017
	(In millions)		
Acquisition costs:			
Proved properties	\$ 194	\$ 5,665	\$ 455
Unproved properties	418	5,818	2,692
Development costs	956	493	145
Exploration costs	1,915	1,090	780
Total	<u>\$ 3,483</u>	<u>\$ 13,066</u>	<u>\$ 4,072</u>

### **UPDATED 2020 GUIDANCE**

Below is Diamondback's guidance for the full year 2020, which is unchanged from the production, activity and capital budget guidance released in November 2019, and has been updated to reflect unit cost expectations.

Note the 2020 capital program includes 100% working interest capital for 15 - 17 wells on the San Pedro joint venture acreage with Carlyle due to the accounting treatment of the joint venture, resulting in over \$175 million of gross capital for these projects in the consolidated budget. Per the joint development agreement, Diamondback's net capital contribution to these wells will be less than 20% of the total capital (\$35 million). The majority of the working interest associated with this development reverts back to Diamondback should certain return thresholds be met.

	2020 Guidance Diamondback Energy, Inc.	2020 Guidance Viper Energy Partners LP
Total net production – MBOE/d	310.0 - 325.0	27.0 - 30.0
Oil production – MBO/d	205.0 - 215.0	17.0 - 19.0
<i>Unit costs (\$/BOE)</i>		
Lease operating expenses, including workovers	\$4.40 - \$4.80	
Gathering and transportation	\$0.90 - \$1.10 (Q1 \$1.15 - \$1.35)	
<i>G&amp;A</i>		
Cash G&A	\$0.70 - \$0.90	Under \$0.80
Non-cash equity-based compensation	\$0.40 - \$0.65	Under \$0.25
D,D&A	\$13.00 - \$15.00	\$10.50 - \$12.50
Interest expense (net of interest income)	\$1.25 - \$1.75	\$2.75 - \$3.25
Production and ad valorem taxes (% of revenue) <sup>(a)</sup>	7.0%	7.0%
Corporate tax rate (% of pre-tax income)	23%	
Gross horizontal D,C&E/Ft. - Midland Basin	\$720 - \$750	
Gross horizontal D,C&E/Ft. - Delaware Basin	\$1,075 - \$1,125	
Gross horizontal wells completed (net)	320 - 360 (288 - 324)	
Average lateral length (Ft.)	~9,700'	
Midland Basin net lateral feet (%)	~55%	
Delaware Basin net lateral feet (%)	~45%	
<i>Capital Budget (\$ - million)</i>		
Horizontal drilling and completion	\$2,450 - \$2,600	
Midstream (ex. long-haul pipeline investments)	\$200 - \$225	
Infrastructure	\$150 - \$175	
<b>2020 Capital Spend</b>	<b>\$2,800 - \$3,000</b>	

(a) Includes production taxes of 4.6% for crude oil and 7.5% for natural gas and NGLs and ad valorem taxes.

## **CONFERENCE CALL**

Diamondback will host a conference call and webcast for investors and analysts to discuss its results for the fourth quarter of 2019 on Wednesday, February 19, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. CT. Participants should call (877) 440-7573 (United States/Canada) or (253) 237-1144 (International) and use the confirmation code 2383801. A telephonic replay will be available from 12:00 p.m. CT on Wednesday, February 19, 2020 through Wednesday, February 26, 2020 at 12:00 p.m. CT. To access the replay, call (855) 859-2056 (United States/Canada) or (404) 537-3406 (International) and enter confirmation code 2383801. A live broadcast of the earnings conference call will also be available via the internet at [www.diamondbackenergy.com](http://www.diamondbackenergy.com) under the “Investor Relations” section of the site. A replay will also be available on the website following the call.

About Diamondback Energy, Inc.

Diamondback is an independent oil and natural gas company headquartered in Midland, Texas focused on the acquisition, development, exploration and exploitation of unconventional, onshore oil and natural gas reserves in the Permian Basin in West Texas. For more information, please visit [www.diamondbackenergy.com](http://www.diamondbackenergy.com).

### Forward Looking Statements

This news release contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. All statements, other than historical facts, that address activities that Diamondback assumes, plans, expects, believes, intends or anticipates (and other similar expressions) will, should or may occur in the future are forward-looking statements. The forward-looking statements are based on management’s current beliefs, based on currently available information, as to the outcome and timing of future events, including acquisitions and sales of assets, future dividends, production, drilling and capital expenditure plans and effects of hedging arrangements. These forward-looking statements involve certain risks and uncertainties that could cause the results to differ materially from those expected by the management of Diamondback. Information concerning these risks and other factors can be found in Diamondback’s filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including its Forms 10-K, 10-Q and 8-K, which can be obtained free of charge on the Securities and Exchange Commission’s web site at <http://www.sec.gov>. Diamondback undertakes no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statement.

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**Diamondback Energy, Inc.**  
**Consolidated Balance Sheets**  
(unaudited, in millions, except share amounts)

	December 31, 2019	December 31, 2018
<b>Assets</b>		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 123	\$ 215
Restricted cash	5	—
Accounts receivable:		
Joint interest and other, net	186	96
Oil and natural gas sales	429	296
Inventories	37	37
Derivative instruments	46	231
Prepaid expenses and other	43	50
Total current assets	869	925
Property and equipment:		
Oil and natural gas properties, full cost method of accounting (\$9,207 million and \$9,670 million excluded from amortization at December 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively)	25,782	22,299
Midstream assets	931	700
Other property, equipment and land	125	147
Accumulated depletion, depreciation, amortization and impairment	(5,003)	(2,774)
Net property and equipment	21,835	20,372
Equity method investments	479	1
Derivative instruments	7	—
Deferred tax asset	142	97
Investment in real estate, net	109	116
Other assets	90	85
Total assets	\$ 23,531	\$ 21,596
<b>Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity</b>		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable-trade	\$ 179	\$ 128
Accrued capital expenditures	475	495
Other accrued liabilities	304	253
Revenues and royalties payable	278	143
Derivative instruments	27	—
Total current liabilities	1,263	1,019
Long-term debt	5,371	4,464
Derivative instruments	—	15
Asset retirement obligations	94	136
Deferred income taxes	1,886	1,785
Other long-term liabilities	11	10
Total liabilities	8,625	7,429
Commitments and contingencies		
Stockholders' equity:		
Common stock, \$0.01 par value, 200,000,000 shares authorized, 159,034,734 issued and outstanding at December 31, 2019; 200,000,000 shares authorized, 164,273,447 issued and outstanding at December 31, 2018	2	2
Additional paid-in capital	12,357	12,936
Retained earnings	890	762
Total Diamondback Energy, Inc. stockholders' equity	13,249	13,700
Non-controlling interest	1,657	467
Total equity	14,906	14,167
Total liabilities and equity	\$ 23,531	\$ 21,596

**Diamondback Energy, Inc.**  
**Consolidated Statements of Operations**  
(unaudited, \$ in millions except per share data, shares in thousands)

	Three Months Ended December 31,		Year Ended December 31,	
	2019	2018	2019	2018
<b>Revenues:</b>				
Oil, natural gas and natural gas liquid sales	\$ 1,089	\$ 623	\$ 3,887	\$ 2,130
Lease bonus	—	1	4	3
Midstream services	13	7	64	34
Other operating income	2	2	9	9
Total revenues	1,104	633	3,964	2,176
<b>Costs and expenses:</b>				
Lease operating expenses	126	76	490	205
Production and ad valorem taxes	68	40	248	133
Gathering and transportation	34	9	88	26
Midstream services	31	23	91	72
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	401	232	1,447	623
Impairment of oil and natural gas properties	790	—	790	—
General and administrative expenses	36	20	104	65
Asset retirement obligation accretion	1	1	7	2
Merger and integration expense	—	36	—	36
Other operating expense	1	1	4	3
Total costs and expenses	1,488	438	3,269	1,165
<b>Income (loss) from operations</b>	<b>(384)</b>	<b>195</b>	<b>695</b>	<b>1,011</b>
<b>Other income (expense):</b>				
Interest expense, net	(39)	(38)	(172)	(87)
Other (expense) income, net	(7)	—	(2)	89
(Loss) gain on derivative instruments, net	(111)	240	(108)	101
Gain (loss) on revaluation of investment	1	(6)	5	(1)
Loss on extinguishment of debt	(56)	—	(56)	—
Total other (expense) income, net	(212)	196	(333)	102
<b>Income (loss) before income taxes</b>	<b>(596)</b>	<b>391</b>	<b>362</b>	<b>1,113</b>
(Benefit from) provision for income taxes	(124)	85	47	168
<b>Net income (loss)</b>	<b>(472)</b>	<b>306</b>	<b>315</b>	<b>945</b>
Net income (loss) attributable to non-controlling interest	15	(1)	75	99
<b>Net income (loss) attributable to Diamondback Energy, Inc.</b>	<b>\$ (487)</b>	<b>\$ 307</b>	<b>\$ 240</b>	<b>\$ 846</b>
<b>Earnings per common share:</b>				
Basic	\$ (3.04)	\$ 2.50	\$ 1.47	\$ 8.09
Diluted	\$ (3.04)	\$ 2.50	\$ 1.47	\$ 8.06
<b>Weighted average common shares outstanding:</b>				
Basic	159,998	122,510	163,493	104,622
Diluted	160,154	122,739	163,843	104,929
<b>Dividends declared per share</b>	<b>\$ 0.3750</b>	<b>\$ 0.1250</b>	<b>\$ 0.9375</b>	<b>\$ 0.5000</b>

**Diamondback Energy, Inc.**  
**Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows**  
(unaudited, in millions)

	<b>Year Ended December 31,</b>	
	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>
<b>Cash flows from operating activities:</b>		
Net income	\$ 315	\$ 945
<b>Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:</b>		
Provision for deferred income taxes	47	168
Impairment of oil and natural gas properties	790	—
Asset retirement obligation accretion	7	2
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	1,447	623
Amortization of debt issuance costs	9	12
Loss on early extinguishment of debt	56	—
Change in fair value of derivative instruments	188	(222)
Loss from equity investment	6	—
(Gain) loss on revaluation of investment	(5)	1
Equity-based compensation expense	48	27
(Gain) loss on sale of assets, net	(1)	3
(Gain) loss on sale of inventory	(1)	—
Restricted cash	(5)	—
<b>Changes in operating assets and liabilities:</b>		
Accounts receivable	(187)	13
Inventories	(10)	(14)
Prepaid expenses and other	29	25
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(129)	(7)
Income tax payable	—	(1)
Accrued interest	(5)	(22)
Revenues and royalties payable	135	12
<b>Net cash provided by operating activities</b>	<b>2,734</b>	<b>1,565</b>
<b>Cash flows from investing activities:</b>		
Drilling, completions and non-operated additions to oil and natural gas properties	(2,557)	(1,359)
Infrastructure additions to oil and natural gas properties	(120)	(102)
Additions to midstream assets	(244)	(204)
Purchase of other property, equipment and land	(5)	(7)
Acquisition of leasehold interests	(443)	(1,371)
Acquisition of mineral interests	(333)	(440)
Proceeds from sale of assets	300	80
Investment in real estate	(1)	(111)
Funds held in escrow	—	11
Equity investments	(485)	—
<b>Net cash used in investing activities</b>	<b>(3,888)</b>	<b>(3,503)</b>
<b>Cash flows from financing activities:</b>		
Proceeds from borrowings under credit facility	2,350	2,652
Repayment under credit facility	(3,718)	(1,242)
Repayment on Energen's credit facility	—	(559)
Proceeds from senior notes	3,469	1,062

**Diamondback Energy, Inc.**  
**Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows**  
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Repayment of senior notes	(1,250)	—
Premium on extinguishment of debt	(44)	—
Proceeds from joint venture	39	—
Debt issuance costs	(18)	(25)
Public offering costs	(41)	(3)
Proceeds from public offerings	1,106	305
Proceeds from exercise of stock options	9	—
Repurchased shares for tax withholdings	(13)	(14)
Repurchased as part of share buyback	(593)	—
Dividends to stockholders	(112)	(37)
Distributions to non-controlling interest	(122)	(98)
Net cash provided by financing activities	1,062	2,041
Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents	(92)	103
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	215	112
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 123	\$ 215

**Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information:**

Interest paid, net of capitalized interest	\$ 237	\$ 114
Cash paid for income taxes	\$ —	\$ 1

**Supplemental disclosure of non-cash transactions:**

Change in accrued capital expenditures	\$ (20)	\$ 274
Capitalized stock-based compensation	\$ 17	\$ 10
Common stock issued for Ajax	\$ —	\$ 340
Common stock issued for business combination <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ —	\$ 7,136
Asset retirement obligations acquired	\$ 4	\$ 111

(1) Includes \$7 billion of Common stock issued for business combination, \$14 million for stock options assumed and \$52 million for restricted stock units assumed.



**Diamondback Energy, Inc.**  
**Selected Operating Data**  
(unaudited)

	Three Months Ended December 31,		Year Ended December 31,	
	2019	2018	2019	2018
<b>Production Data:</b>				
Oil (MBbls)	17,937	11,968	68,518	34,367
Natural gas (MMcf)	28,219	12,952	97,613	34,669
Natural gas liquids (MBbls)	5,078	2,689	18,498	7,465
Combined volumes (MBOE) <sup>(1)(2)</sup>	27,718	16,816	103,285	47,610
Daily oil volumes (BO/d)	194,972	130,091	187,721	94,156
Daily combined volumes (BOE/d) <sup>(2)</sup>	301,284	182,785	282,972	130,439
<b>Average Prices:</b>				
Oil (\$ per Bbl)	\$ 54.74	\$ 45.51	\$ 51.87	\$ 54.66
Natural gas (\$ per Mcf)	\$ 1.07	\$ 1.62	\$ 0.68	\$ 1.76
Natural gas liquids (\$ per Bbl)	\$ 15.15	\$ 21.10	\$ 14.42	\$ 25.47
Combined (\$ per BOE)	\$ 39.28	\$ 37.01	\$ 37.63	\$ 44.73
Oil, hedged (\$ per Bbl) <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 54.69	\$ 45.31	\$ 51.96	\$ 51.20
Natural gas, hedged (\$ per MMBtu) <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 1.15	\$ 1.44	\$ 0.86	\$ 1.72
Natural gas liquids, hedged (\$ per Bbl) <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 15.93	\$ 21.09	\$ 15.20	\$ 25.46
Average price, hedged (\$ per BOE) <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 39.48	\$ 36.72	\$ 38.00	\$ 42.20
<b>Average Costs per BOE:</b>				
Lease operating expense	\$ 4.52	\$ 4.51	\$ 4.74	\$ 4.31
Production and ad valorem taxes	2.46	2.36	2.40	2.79
Gathering and transportation expense	1.25	0.56	0.86	0.55
General and administrative - cash component	0.54	0.67	0.54	0.79
Total operating expense - cash	\$ 8.77	\$ 8.10	\$ 8.54	\$ 8.44
General and administrative - non-cash component	\$ 0.73	\$ 0.49	\$ 0.46	\$ 0.57
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	\$ 14.48	\$ 13.77	\$ 14.01	\$ 13.09
Interest expense, net	\$ 1.40	\$ 2.26	\$ 1.66	\$ 1.83
Merger and integration expense	\$ —	\$ 2.19	\$ —	\$ 0.77

(1) Bbl equivalents are calculated using a conversion rate of six Mcf per one Bbl.

(2) The volumes presented are based on actual results and are not calculated using the rounded numbers in the table above.

(3) Hedged prices reflect the effect of our commodity derivative transactions on our average sales prices. Our calculation of such effects includes realized gains and losses on cash settlements for commodity derivatives, which we do not designate for hedge accounting.

**NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES**

Adjusted EBITDA is a supplemental non-GAAP financial measure that is used by management and external users of our financial statements, such as industry analysts, investors, lenders and rating agencies. The Company defines Adjusted EBITDA as net income plus non-cash (gain) loss on derivative instruments, net, interest expense, net, depreciation, depletion and amortization, impairment expense, non-cash equity-based compensation expense, capitalized equity-based compensation expense, asset retirement obligation accretion expense, loss on extinguishment of debt, (gain) loss on revaluation of investment, merger and integration

expense and income tax (benefit) provision. Adjusted EBITDA is not a measure of net income as determined by United States' generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"). Management believes Adjusted EBITDA is useful because it allows it to more effectively evaluate the Company's operating performance and compare the results of its operations from period to period without regard to its financing methods or capital structure. The Company adds the items listed above to net income in arriving at Adjusted EBITDA because these amounts can vary substantially from company to company within its industry depending upon accounting methods and book values of assets, capital structures and the method by which the assets were acquired. Adjusted EBITDA should not be considered as an alternative to, or more meaningful than, net income as determined in accordance with GAAP or as an indicator of the Company's operating performance or liquidity. Certain items excluded from Adjusted EBITDA are significant components in understanding and assessing a company's financial performance, such as a company's cost of capital and tax structure, as well as the historic costs of depreciable assets, none of which are components of Adjusted EBITDA. The Company's computation of Adjusted EBITDA may not be comparable to other similarly titled measures of other companies or to such measure in our credit facility or any of our other contracts.

The following tables present a reconciliation of the non-GAAP financial measure of Adjusted EBITDA to the GAAP financial measure of net income.

**Diamondback Energy, Inc.**  
**Reconciliation of Adjusted EBITDA to Net Income**  
**(unaudited, in millions)**

	Three Months Ended December 31,		Year Ended December 31,	
	2019	2018	2019	2018
Net income (loss)	\$ (472)	\$ 306	\$ 315	\$ 945
Non-cash loss (gain) on derivative instruments, net	158	(246)	188	(222)
Interest expense, net	39	38	172	87
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	401	232	1,447	623
Impairment of oil and natural gas properties	790	—	790	—
Non-cash equity-based compensation expense	29	11	65	37
Capitalized equity-based compensation expense	(8)	(3)	(17)	(10)
Asset retirement obligation accretion expense	1	1	7	2
Loss on extinguishment of debt	56	—	56	—
Loss (gain) on revaluation of investment	(1)	6	(5)	1
Merger and integration expense	—	36	—	36
Income tax (benefit) provision	(124)	85	47	168
Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 869	\$ 466	\$ 3,065	\$ 1,667
Adjustment for non-controlling interest	(42)	(11)	(116)	(129)
Adjusted EBITDA attributable to Diamondback Energy, Inc.	\$ 827	\$ 455	\$ 2,949	\$ 1,538

**Adjusted EBITDA per common share:**

Basic	\$ 5.17	\$ 3.73	\$ 18.04	\$ 14.71
Diluted	\$ 5.16	\$ 3.72	\$ 18.00	\$ 14.67

**Weighted average common shares outstanding:**

Basic	159,998	122,510	163,493	104,622
Diluted	160,154	122,739	163,843	104,929

Adjusted net income is a non-GAAP financial measure equal to net income attributable to Diamondback Energy, Inc. adjusted for non-cash gain on derivative instruments, gain on revaluation of investments, loss on extinguishment of debt, impairment of oil and natural gas properties and related income tax adjustments. The Company's computation of adjusted net income may not be comparable to other similarly titled measures of other companies or to such measure in our credit facility or any of our other contracts.

The following table presents a reconciliation of adjusted net income to net income:

**Diamondback Energy, Inc.**  
**Adjusted Net Income**  
**(unaudited, in millions, except share amounts and per share data)**

	Three Months Ended December 31, 2019		Year Ended December 31, 2019	
	Pre-Tax Amounts	Amounts Per Share	Pre-Tax Amounts	Amounts Per Share
Net income (loss) attributable to Diamondback Energy, Inc.	\$ (487)	\$ (3.04)	\$ 240	\$ 1.47
Non-cash gain on derivative instruments	158	0.99	188	1.15
Gain on revaluation of investments	(1)	(0.01)	(5)	(0.03)
Loss on extinguishment of debt	56	0.35	56	0.34
Impairment of oil and natural gas properties	790	4.94	790	4.82
Adjusted income excluding above items	516	3.23	1,269	7.75
Income tax adjustment for above items	(208)	(1.30)	(134)	(0.82)
Adjusted net income	\$ 308	\$ 1.93	\$ 1,135	\$ 6.93

**PV-10**

PV-10 is the Company's estimate of the present value of the future net revenues from proved oil and gas reserves after deducting estimated production and ad valorem taxes, future capital costs and operating expenses, but before deducting any estimates of future income taxes. The estimated future net revenues are discounted at an annual rate of 10% to determine their "present value." The Company believes PV-10 to be an important measure for evaluating the relative significance of its oil and gas properties and that the presentation of the non-GAAP financial measure of PV-10 provides useful information to investors because it is widely used by professional analysts and investors in evaluating oil and gas companies. Because there are many unique factors that can impact an individual company when estimating the amount of future income taxes to be paid, the Company believes the use of a pre-tax measure is valuable for evaluating the Company. The Company believes that PV-10 is a financial measure routinely used and calculated similarly by other companies in the oil and gas industry.

The following table reconciles PV-10 to the Company's standardized measure of discounted future net cash flows, the most directly comparable measure calculated and presented in accordance with GAAP. PV-10 should not be considered as an alternative to the standardized measure as computed under GAAP.

(in millions)	December 31, 2019	
Standardized measure of discounted future net cash flows	\$	10,184
Add: Present value of future income tax discounted at 10%		1,075
PV-10	\$	11,259

**Derivatives**

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As of the filing date, the Company had the following outstanding derivative contracts. The Company's derivative contracts are based upon reported settlement prices on commodity exchanges, with crude oil derivative settlements based on New York Mercantile Exchange West Texas Intermediate pricing and Crude Oil Brent and with natural gas derivative settlements based on the New York Mercantile Exchange Henry Hub pricing. When aggregating multiple contracts, the weighted average contract price is disclosed.

	Crude Oil (Bbls/day, \$/Bbl)			
	Q1 2020	Q2 2020	Q3 2020	Q4 2020
<b>Swaps - WTI (Cushing)</b>	15,681	15,000	11,000	11,000
	\$ 57.65	\$ 57.52	\$ 58.13	\$ 58.13
<b>Swaps - WTI (Magellan East Houston)</b>	6,000	6,000	6,000	6,000
	\$ 62.80	\$ 62.80	\$ 62.80	\$ 62.80
<b>Swaps - Crude Brent Oil</b>	14,533	13,000	7,000	7,000
	\$ 61.34	\$ 60.84	\$ 60.74	\$ 60.74
<b>Three-Way Collar - WTI (Cushing)</b>	19,700	19,700	17,700	17,700
Short Put Price (\$/Bbl)	\$ 43.98	\$ 43.98	\$ 44.44	\$ 44.44
Long Put Price (\$/Bbl)	\$ 53.98	\$ 53.98	\$ 54.44	\$ 54.44
Ceiling Price (\$/Bbl)	\$ 65.18	\$ 65.18	\$ 65.68	\$ 65.68
<b>Three-Way Collar - WTI (Magellan East Houston)</b>	14,000	14,000	14,000	14,000
Short Put Price (\$/Bbl)	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00
Long Put Price (\$/Bbl)	\$ 60.00	\$ 60.00	\$ 60.00	\$ 60.00
Ceiling Price (\$/Bbl)	\$ 68.61	\$ 68.61	\$ 68.61	\$ 68.61
<b>Three-Way Collar - Crude Brent Oil</b>	34,250	34,250	34,250	34,250
Short Put Price (\$/Bbl)	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00
Long Put Price (\$/Bbl)	\$ 60.00	\$ 60.00	\$ 60.00	\$ 60.00
Ceiling Price (\$/Bbl)	\$ 70.76	\$ 70.76	\$ 70.76	\$ 70.76
<b>Costless Put Spreads - WTI (Cushing)</b>	1,632	2,475	2,475	2,475
Short Put Price (\$/Bbl)	\$ 50.50	\$ 50.50	\$ 50.50	\$ 50.50
Long Put Price (\$/Bbl)	\$ 60.50	\$ 60.50	\$ 60.50	\$ 60.50
<b>Costless Put Spreads - Crude Brent Oil</b>	3,462	5,250	5,250	5,250
Short Put Price (\$/Bbl)	\$ 52.38	\$ 52.38	\$ 52.38	\$ 52.38
Long Put Price (\$/Bbl)	\$ 65.00	\$ 65.00	\$ 65.00	\$ 65.00
<b>Basis Swaps - WTI</b>	41,538	41,538	41,087	41,087
	\$ (1.21)	\$ (1.21)	\$ (1.21)	\$ (1.21)
<b>Roll Swaps - WTI</b>	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000
	\$ 0.44	\$ 0.44	\$ 0.44	\$ 0.44

	Natural Gas (Mmbtu/day, \$/Mmbtu)				
	Q1 2020	Q2 2020	Q3 2020	Q4 2020	FY 2021
<b>Natural Gas Swaps - Henry Hub</b>	30,000	30,000	30,000	30,000	—
	\$ 2.55	\$ 2.55	\$ 2.55	\$ 2.55	\$ —
<b>Natural Gas Swaps - Waha Hub</b>	80,000	80,000	90,000	90,000	—
	\$ 1.68	\$ 1.68	\$ 1.58	\$ 1.58	\$ —
<b>Natural Gas Basis Swaps - Waha Hub</b>	70,000	120,000	120,000	120,000	150,000
	\$ (1.19)	\$ (1.46)	\$ (1.46)	\$ (1.46)	\$ (0.70)

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