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#### FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Except for any historical information contained herein, the matters discussed or incorporated by reference in this Annual Report on Form 10-K (this "Form 10-K") contain certain forward-looking statements within the meaning of the federal securities laws. These statements relate to analyses and other information, available as of the date hereof which are based on forecasts of future results and estimates of amounts not yet determinable. These statements also relate to our contemplated future prospects, developments and business strategies.

These forward-looking statements are identified by their use of terms and phrases such as "anticipate," "believe," "could," "estimate," "expect," "intend," "may," "plan," "predict," "project," "will" and similar terms and phrases, including references to assumptions. Although we believe that our plans, intentions and expectations reflected in or suggested by such forward-looking statements are reasonable, we cannot assure you that such plans, intentions or expectations will be achieved. Important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from our forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to:

- prolonged weakness in general economic conditions, including adverse effects on the overall travel and leisure related industries:
- unfavorable weather conditions or the impact of natural disasters;
- risks related to our reliance on information technology, including our failure to maintain the integrity of our customer or employee data and our ability to adapt to technological developments or industry trends;
- risks related to cyber-attacks;
- willingness of our guests to travel due to terrorism, the uncertainty of military conflicts or outbreaks of contagious diseases, and the cost and availability of travel options and changing consumer preferences;
- the seasonality of our business combined with adverse events that occur during our peak operating periods;
- competition in our mountain and lodging businesses;
- the high fixed cost structure of our
- business;
- our ability to fund resort capital expenditures;
- risks related to a disruption in our water supply that would impact our snowmaking capabilities and operations;
- our reliance on government permits or approvals for our use of public land or to make operational and capital improvements;
- risks related to federal, state, local and foreign government laws, rules and regulations:
- risks related to changes in security and privacy laws and regulations which could increase our operating costs and adversely affect our ability to market our products and services effectively;
- risks related to our workforce, including increased labor costs, loss of key personnel and our ability to hire and retain a sufficient seasonal workforce;
- adverse consequences of current or future legal
   algings.
- a deterioration in the quality or reputation of our brands, including our ability to protect our intellectual property and the risk of accidents at our mountain resorts;
- our ability to successfully integrate acquired businesses, or that acquired businesses may fail to perform in accordance with expectations, including Hotham, Falls Creek, Peak Resorts or future acquisitions;
- our ability to satisfy the requirements of Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 with respect to acquired businesses;
- risks associated with international operations;
- fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates where the Company has foreign currency exposure, primarily the Canadian and Australian dollars:
- changes in accounting judgments and estimates, accounting principles, policies or guidelines or adverse determinations by taxing authorities, as well as risks associated with uncertainty of the impact of tax reform legislation in the United States;
- a materially adverse change in our financial condition;
- other risks and uncertainties included under Part I, Item 1A, "Risk Factors" in this document.

All forward-looking statements attributable to us or any persons acting on our behalf are expressly qualified in their entirety by these cautionary statements.

If one or more of these risks or uncertainties materialize, or if underlying assumptions prove incorrect, our actual results may vary materially from those expected, estimated or projected. Given these uncertainties, users of the information included or incorporated by reference in this Form 10-K, including investors and prospective investors, are cautioned not to place undue reliance on such forward-looking statements. Actual results may differ materially from those suggested by the forward-looking statements that we make for a number of reasons including those described above and in Part I, Item 1A, "Risk Factors" of this Form 10-K. All

forward-looking statements are made only as of the date hereof. Except as may be required by law, we do not intend to update these forward-looking statements, even if new information, future events or other circumstances have made them incorrect or misleading.

#### PART I

#### ITEM 1. BUSINESS

#### General

Vail Resorts, Inc., together with its subsidiaries, is referred to throughout this document as "we," "us," "our" or the "Company."

Vail Resorts, Inc., a Delaware corporation, was organized as a holding company in 1997 and operates through various subsidiaries. Our operations are grouped into three business segments: Mountain, Lodging and Real Estate, which represented approximately 86%, 14% and 0%, respectively, of our net revenue for our fiscal year ended July 31, 2019 ("Fiscal 2019").

As of July 31, 2019, our Mountain segment operates seventeen world-class mountain resort properties and three urban ski areas, as well as ancillary services, primarily including:

- · ski school,
- · dining, and
- retail/rental operations.

Our Lodging segment includes the following:

- owned and/or managed luxury hotels under our RockResorts brand, as well as other strategic lodging properties
- owned and/or managed condominiums located in proximity to our mountain resorts.
- certain National Park Service ("NPS") concessionaire properties, including Grand Teton Lodge Company ("GTLC"), which operates destination resorts
  at Grand Teton National Park,
- a Colorado resort ground transportation company, and
- mountain resort golf courses.

We refer to "Resort" as the combination of the Mountain and Lodging segments. Our Real Estate segment owns, develops and sells real estate in and around our resort communities.

For financial information and other information about the Company's segments and geographic areas, see Item 7. "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" and Item 8. "Financial Statements and Supplementary Data" below.

#### **Peak Resorts Acquisition**

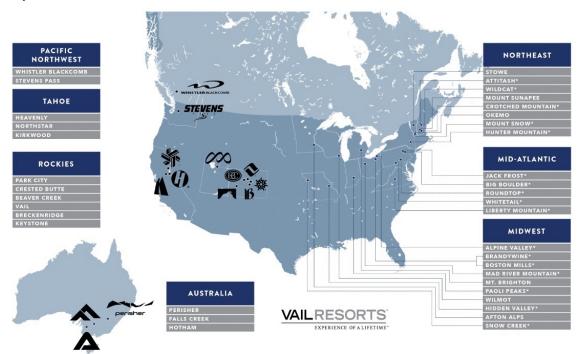
On September 24, 2019, through a wholly-owned subsidiary, we acquired 100 percent of the outstanding stock of Peak Resorts, Inc. ("Peak Resorts") at a purchase price of \$11.00 per share or approximately \$265 million. Through the acquisition we added 17 U.S. ski areas to our network of resorts, which are located near major metropolitan areas including New York, Boston, Washington D.C., Baltimore, Philadelphia, Cleveland, St. Louis, Kansas City, and Louisville.

The newly acquired resorts in the Northeast include Mount Snow in Vermont; Hunter Mountain in New York; and Attitash Mountain Resort, Wildcat Mountain and Crotched Mountain in New Hampshire. In the Mid-Atlantic, the newly acquired resorts include Liberty Mountain Resort, Roundtop Mountain Resort, Whitetail Resort, Jack Frost and Big Boulder in Pennsylvania. In the Midwest, the newly acquired resorts include Alpine Valley, Boston Mills, Brandywine and Mad River Mountain in Ohio; Hidden Valley and Snow Creek in Missouri; and Paoli Peaks in Indiana.

The ski areas owned by Peak Resorts offer a breadth of activities, services and amenities, including skiing, snowboarding, terrain parks, tubing, dining, lodging, equipment rentals and sales, ski and snowboard instruction, mountain biking, golf and other summer activities. Due to the timing of closing, we have not incorporated information pertaining to Peak Resorts throughout Part I, Item I, Business, unless explicitly noted. For additional information, see the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

# **Mountain Segment**

Our portfolio of world-class mountain resorts and urban ski areas includes:



\*Denotes a mountain resort or urban ski area that was acquired subsequent to Fiscal 2019 in the Peak Resorts transaction and therefore is not included in the consolidated financial results of the Company as of or for the year ended July 31, 2019.

# **United States**

# Colorado and Utah Resorts (Rocky Mountain Region)

- Breckenridge Ski Resort ("Breckenridge") the most visited mountain resort in the United States ("U.S.") for the 2018/2019 ski season with five
  interconnected peaks offering an expansive variety of terrain for every skill level, including access to above tree line intermediate and expert terrain, and
  progressive and award-winning terrain parks.
- Vail Mountain Resort ("Vail Mountain") the second most visited mountain resort in the U.S. for the 2018/2019 ski season. Vail Mountain offers some
  of the most expansive and varied terrain in North America with approximately 5,300 skiable acres including seven world renowned back bowls and the
  resort's rustic Blue Sky Basin.
- Park City Resort ("Park City") the third most visited mountain resort in the U.S. for the 2018/2019 ski season and the largest by acreage in the U.S. Park City offers 7,300 acres of skiable terrain for every type of skier and snowboarder and offers guests an outstanding ski experience with fine dining, ski school, retail and lodging.
- Keystone Resort ("Keystone") the fifth most visited mountain resort in the U.S. for the 2018/2019 ski season and home to the highly renowned A51
  Terrain Park, as well as the largest area of night skiing in Colorado. Keystone also offers guests a unique skiing opportunity through guided snow cat ski
  tours accessing five bowls. Keystone is a premier destination for families with its "Kidtopia" program focused on providing activities for kids on and off
  the mountain.
- Beaver Creek Resort ("Beaver Creek") the tenth most visited mountain resort in the U.S. for the 2018/2019 ski season. Beaver Creek is a European-style
  resort with multiple villages and also includes a world renowned children's ski school program focused on providing a first-class experience with unique
  amenities such as a dedicated children's gondola.

Crested Butte Mountain Resort ("Crested Butte") - acquired in September 2018, Crested Butte is located in southwest Colorado and includes over 1,500 skiable acres and over 3,000 feet of vertical drop. Crested Butte is known for its historic town, iconic mountain peaks and legendary skiing and riding terrain.

#### Lake Tahoe Resorts

- Heavenly Mountain Resort ("Heavenly") the eleventh most visited mountain resort in the U.S. for the 2018/2019 ski season. Heavenly is located near
  the South Shore of Lake Tahoe with over 4,800 skiable acres, straddling the border of California and Nevada and offers unique and spectacular views of
  Lake Tahoe. Heavenly offers great nightlife, including its proximity to several casinos.
- Northstar Resort ("Northstar") Northstar, located near the North Shore of Lake Tahoe, is the premier luxury mountain resort destination near Lake Tahoe which offers premium lodging, a vibrant base area and over 3,000 skiable acres. Northstar's village features high-end shops and restaurants, a conference center and a 9,000 square-foot skating rink.
- Kirkwood Mountain Resort ("Kirkwood") located about 35 miles southwest of South Lake Tahoe, offering a unique location atop the Sierra Crest.
   Kirkwood is recognized for offering some of the best high alpine advanced terrain in North America with 2,000 feet of vertical drop and over 2,300 acres of terrain.

#### Northeast Resorts

- Stowe Mountain Resort ("Stowe") acquired in June 2017, Stowe is a premier mountain resort located in Northern Vermont which offers high-end lodging and dining options. The mountain offers 116 trails on 485 skiable acres, with a variety of terrain for skiers of all skill levels.
- Okemo Mountain Resort ("Okemo") acquired in September 2018, Okemo is located in southern Vermont, approximately three hours from Boston and four hours from New York City, and has developed a reputation for superior guest service, snow quality, grooming, terrain parks and family programs. Okemo offers 667 acres of skiable terrain with the most vertical feet of skiing in southern Vermont.
- Mount Sunapee Resort ("Mount Sunapee") acquired in September 2018, Mount Sunapee is the premier ski area in southern New Hampshire, located approximately 90 minutes from Boston. Mount Sunapee is a family-focused ski area overlooking Lake Sunapee, with excellent snowmaking and grooming across its 230 skiable acres with a variety of terrain for skiers of all skill levels, including four terrain parks.

# Pacific Northwest Resort

• Stevens Pass Resort ("Stevens Pass") - acquired in August 2018, Stevens Pass is located less than 85 miles from Seattle and sits on the crest of Washington State's Cascade Range. Stevens Pass offers 1,125 acres of skiable terrain, including 52 runs and numerous bowls, glades and faces.

# Urban Ski Areas

• Afton Alps Ski Area ("Afton Alps"), located near the Minneapolis/St. Paul metropolitan area, is the largest ski area near a major city in the Midwest and offers 48 trails, with night skiing, riding and tubing. Mount Brighton Ski Area ("Mt. Brighton"), located near Detroit, offers 26 trails with night skiing and riding. Wilmot Mountain ("Wilmot"), located in southern Wisconsin, is near the Chicago metropolitan area and offers 25 trails, four terrain parks, a ski and snowboard school, a ski racing program and a tubing hill.

# International Resorts

- Whistler Blackcomb ("Whistler Blackcomb") acquired in October 2016 and located in the Coast Mountains of British Columbia, Canada, approximately 85 miles from the Vancouver International Airport, Whistler Blackcomb is the most visited and largest year-round mountain resort in North America, with two mountains connected by the PEAK 2 PEAK gondola, which combined offer over 200 marked runs, over 8,000 acres of terrain, 14 alpine bowls, three glaciers and one of the longest ski seasons in North America. In the summer Whistler Blackcomb offers a variety of activities, including hiking trails, a bike park and sightseeing. Whistler Blackcomb is a popular destination for international visitors and was home to the 2010 Winter Olympics.
- Perisher Ski Resort ("Perisher") located in New South Wales, Australia, Perisher provides accessibility, significant lodging and the market's most skiable acreage for the country's largest cities, including Sydney, Melbourne, Adelaide,

Canberra and Brisbane. Perisher offers over 3,000 skiable acres on seven peaks and includes the resort areas known as Perisher Valley, Smiggin Holes, Blue Cow and Guthega, along with ski school, lodging, food and beverage, retail/rental and transportation operations.

- Falls Creek Alpine Resort ("Falls Creek") acquired in April 2019, Falls Creek is the largest ski resort in Victoria, Australia with over 1,100 skiable acres. Falls Creek features a variety of terrain that is well suited to families and first-timers. Additionally, the resort provides a variety of different lodging properties alongside restaurants, bars, and nightlife offerings.
- Hotham Alpine Resort ("Hotham") acquired in April 2019 and located in Victoria, Australia. Hotham is considered the "Powder Capital" of Australia, and is the only resort in the Southern Hemisphere where the village is located on top of the mountain, providing outstanding views and ski-in, ski-out opportunities from anywhere in the village with over 790 skiable acres.

Our resorts in Colorado, Utah, Lake Tahoe, Vermont, New Hampshire, Washington State and British Columbia, Canada are year-round mountain resorts that provide a comprehensive resort experience to a diverse clientele with an attractive demographic profile. Our resorts offer a broad complement of winter and summer recreational activities, including skiing, snowboarding, snowshoeing, snowtubing, sightseeing, mountain biking, guided hiking, zip lines, challenge ropes courses, alpine slides, mountain coasters, children's activities and other recreational activities.

Our Mountain segment derives revenue through the sale of lift tickets, including pass products, as well as a comprehensive offering of amenities available to guests, including ski and snowboard lessons, equipment rentals and retail merchandise sales, a variety of dining venues, private club operations and other winter and summer recreational activities. In addition to providing extensive guest amenities, we also lease some of our owned and leased commercial space to third party operators to add unique restaurants and retail stores to the mix of amenities at the base of our resorts.

Please see section above titled "Peak Resorts Acquisition" for our recently completed acquisition of Peak Resorts, which has not been incorporated in detail into this Part I of our Form 10-K, unless explicitly noted.

#### Ski Industry/Competition

There are approximately 770 ski areas in North America with approximately 475 in the U.S., ranging from small ski area operations that service day skiers to large resorts that attract both day skiers and destination resort guests looking for a comprehensive vacation experience. We have a large presence in the Rocky Mountain region and the Lake Tahoe region, and also operate resorts in the Pacific Northwest and Northeast. During the 2018/2019 North American ski season, combined skier visits for all ski areas in North America were approximately 79.7 million. Our North American mountain resorts and urban ski areas, owned as of July 31, 2019, had approximately 13.8 million skier visits during the 2018/2019 ski season representing approximately 17.3% of North American skier visits.

There is limited opportunity for development of new destination ski resorts due to the limited private lands on which ski areas can be built, the difficulty in obtaining the appropriate governmental approvals to build on public lands and the significant capital needed to construct the necessary infrastructure. As such, there have been virtually no new destination ski resorts in North America for over 35 years, which has and should continue to allow the best-positioned destination resorts to benefit from future industry growth. Our resorts compete with other major destination mountain resorts, including, among others, Aspen Snowmass, Copper Mountain, Mammoth, Deer Valley, Snowbird, Squaw Valley USA, Killington, Sierra at Tahoe, Steamboat, Jackson Hole and Winter Park, as well as other ski areas in Colorado, California, Nevada, Utah, the Pacific Northwest, the Northeast, Southwest and British Columbia, Canada, and other destination ski areas worldwide as well as non-ski related vacation options and destinations. Additionally, our pass products compete with other multi-resort frequency and pass products in North America, including the IKON Pass, the Mountain Collective Pass and various regional and local pass products.

The ski industry statistics stated in this section have been derived primarily from data published by Colorado Ski Country USA, Canadian Ski Council, Kottke National End of Season Survey 2018/2019 (the "Kottke Survey") as well as other industry publications.

# Our Competitive Strengths

Our premier resorts and business model differentiate our Company from the rest of the ski industry. We have iconic, branded mountain resorts in important ski destinations in Colorado, Utah, Lake Tahoe, the Northeast and the Pacific Northwest, including British Columbia, Canada. Through our sales of pass products, we provide our guests with a strong value proposition in return for guests committing to ski at our resorts prior to, or very early into the ski season, which we believe attracts more guests to our

resorts. We believe we invest in more capital improvements than our competitors and we create synergies by operating multiple resorts, which enhances our profitability by enabling customers to access our network of resorts with our pass products. Most of our mountain resorts located in the U.S. typically rank in the most visited ski resorts in the U.S. (five of the top ten for the 2018/2019 U.S. ski season), and most of our mountain resorts consistently rank in the top ranked ski resorts in North America according to industry surveys, which we attribute to our mountain resorts' ability to provide a high-quality experience.

We believe the following factors contribute directly to each resort's success:

#### Exceptional Mountain Experience

 World-Class Mountain Resorts and Integrated Base Resort Areas

Our mountain resorts offer a multitude of skiing and snowboarding experiences for the beginner, intermediate, advanced and expert levels. Each mountain resort is fully integrated into expansive resort base areas offering a broad array of lodging, dining, retail, nightlife and other amenities, some of which we own or manage, to our guests.

#### · Snow Conditions

Our resorts in the Rocky Mountain region of Colorado and Utah, the Sierra Nevada Mountains in Lake Tahoe and the Coast Mountains in British Columbia, Canada receive average annual snowfall between 20 and 39 feet. Even in these areas which receive abundant snowfall, we have invested in significant snowmaking systems that help provide a more consistent experience, especially in the early season. Our calendar year 2019 capital plan includes a significant investment in our snowmaking systems in Colorado that will transform the early-season terrain experience at Vail, Keystone and Beaver Creek. Our mountain resorts in the Northeast U.S. and in Australia receive less snowfall than our western North American mountain resorts, but we have invested in snowmaking operations at these resorts in order to provide a consistent experience for our guests. Additionally, we provide several hundred acres of groomed terrain at each of our mountain resorts with extensive fleets of snow grooming equipment.

# · Lift Service

We systematically upgrade our lifts and put in new lifts to increase uphill capacity and streamline skier traffic to maximize the guest experience. In the past several years, we have installed several high speed chairlifts and gondolas across our mountain resorts, including a new 10-person gondola running from the base to the top of Blackcomb Mountain, replacing the Wizard and Solar four person chairs with a single state-of-the-art gondola; upgrading the four-person Emerald express chairlift to a high speed six-person chairlift on Whistler Mountain; upgrading the three-person fixed grip Catskinner chairlift to a four-person high speed lift at Blackcomb Mountain; upgrading the fixed grip High Meadow chair to a four person high speed lift at the Canyons area of Park City; replacing the Galaxy two-person chairlift with a three-person chairlift at Heavenly, new high speed, six-passenger chairlift replacements for each of the Northwoods lift at Vail Mountain, the Peak 10 Falcon SuperChair at Breckenridge and the Montezuma lift at Keystone; a new high speed, four person chair replacement for the Drink of Water chair at Beaver Creek; a high speed quad replacement for the Sun Up chairlift at Vail Mountain and several lift replacements at Wilmot. For the 2019/2020 ski season, planned upgrades to various chairlifts include the Daisy and Brooks lifts at Stevens Pass; the Teocalli lift at Crested Butte; the Tombstone lift at Park City and completion of the new Leichardt lift at Perisher.

#### · Terrain Parks

Our mountain resorts and urban ski areas are committed to leading the industry in terrain park design, education and events for the growing segment of freestyle skiers and snowboarders. Each of our mountain resorts has multiple terrain parks that include progressively-challenging features. These park structures, coupled with freestyle ski school programs, promote systematic learning from basic to professional skills.

# Extraordinary Service and Amenities

# • Commitment to the Guest Experience

Our focus is to provide quality service at every touch point of the guest journey. Prior to arrival at our mountain resorts, guests can receive personal assistance through our full-service, central reservations group and through our comprehensive websites to book desired lodging accommodations, lift tickets and pass products, ski school lessons, equipment rentals, activities and other resort services. Upon arrival, our resort staff serve as ambassadors to engage guests, answer questions and create a customer-focused environment. We offer EpicMix, an online and mobile application that, through radio frequency technology, captures a guest's activity on the mountain (e.g. number of ski days, vertical feet skied and chairlift activity), allows a guest to share his or her experience, photos and accomplishments with family and friends on social

networks, allows guests to access real time lift line wait times and allows our ski school instructors to certify the attainment of certain skills and ski levels. We also introduced the world's first digital mountain assistant ("EMMA"), which uses artificial intelligence and natural language processing to offer information on everything from grooming, lift line wait times and parking, in addition to recommendations on rentals, lessons and dining options. For the 2019/2020 North American ski season, we plan to make technology investments to increase lift ticket express fulfillment capacity through new mobile technology across our 17 North American resorts to allow skiers and snowboarders who purchased lift tickets in advance on-line to bypass the ticket window entirely. Additionally, we are focused on improving the guest ski/snowboard rental experience with the development of a new "pod" concept in several of our high-volume locations where the guest is no longer required to wait in a number of different lines during their rental experience.

We also solicit guest feedback through a variety of surveys and results, which are used to ensure high levels of customer satisfaction, understand trends and develop future resort programs and amenities. We then utilize this guest feedback to help us focus our capital spending and operational efforts to the areas of the greatest need.

# Season Pass & Epic Day Pass Products

We offer a variety of pass products, primarily season pass and Epic Day Pass products, for all of our mountain resorts and urban ski areas that are marketed towards both out-of-state and international ("Destination") guests as well as in-state and local ("Local") guests. These pass products are available for purchase prior to the start of the ski season, offering our guests a better value in exchange for their commitment to ski at our resorts before the season begins. Our pass program drives strong customer loyalty and mitigates exposure to more weather sensitive guests, leading to greater revenue stability and allowing us to capture valuable guest data. Additionally, our pass product customers typically ski more days each season than those guests who do not buy pass products, which leads to additional ancillary spending. Our pass products generated approximately 47% of our total lift revenue for Fiscal 2019. In addition, our pass products attract new guests to our mountain resorts and urban ski areas. Sales of pass products are a key component of our overall Mountain segment revenue and help create strong synergies among our mountain resorts and urban ski areas. Our pass products range from providing access for a certain number of days to one or a combination of our mountain resorts and urban ski areas to our Epic Pass which provides unrestricted and unlimited access to all our mountain resorts and urban ski areas. Additionally, beginning with the 2019/2020 North American pass product selling season, we are offering the Epic Day Pass, a customizable one to seven day pass product, purchased in advance of the season, for those skiers and riders who expect to ski a certain number of days during the season. All of our various pass product options can be found on our consumer website www.snow.com. Information on our websites does not constitute part of this document.

As part of our continued strategy to drive pass product sales and create a stronger connection between key skier markets and our iconic destination mountain resorts, we have continued to expand our portfolio of properties in recent years. In April 2019, we acquired Falls Creek and Hotham, located in Victoria, Australia, expanding our portfolio of Australian ski resorts to complement Perisher, which we acquired in June 2015. Australia is an important international ski market, estimated to generate more than one million skier visits annually to resorts in North America, Japan and Europe. Stevens Pass in Washington State, acquired in August 2018, is located 85 miles from Seattle and 250 miles from Whistler Blackcomb, a world-renowned international skiing destination which receives more than two million skier visits each year, which we acquired in October 2016. We have also made strategic acquisitions of mountain resorts located in the Northeast U.S. recently, including Okemo in Vermont (acquired in September 2018), Mount Sunapee in New Hampshire (acquired in September 2018) and Stowe in Vermont (acquired in June 2017). These resorts are premier, high-end ski resorts for skiers and snowboarders on the East Coast, which draw visitors from New York City, Boston and the broader Northeast skier population. Additionally, our urban ski areas are strategically positioned near key U.S. population centers; Wilmot in Wisconsin near the Chicago and Milwaukee metropolitan areas, Afton Alps in Minnesota near Minneapolis/St. Paul and Mt. Brighton in Michigan near Detroit. This close proximity to major Midwestern skier markets allows guests to visit regularly during the week, including popular night skiing, or on the weekends. These cities offer major airports with routine direct flights to Denver, San Francisco, Salt Lake City and Vancouver. Additionally, we enter into strategic long-term season pass alliance agreements with third-party mountain resorts including Telluride Ski Resort in Colorado, Sun Valley Resort in Idaho, Snowbasin Resort in Utah, Hakuba Valley and Rusutsu Resort in Japan, Resorts of the Canadian Rockies in Canada, Les 3 Vallées in France, 4 Vallées in Switzerland and Skirama Dolomiti in Italy, which further increases the value proposition of our pass products.

#### • Premier Ski Schools

Our mountain resorts are home to some of the highest quality and most widely recognized ski and snowboard schools in the industry. Through a combination of outstanding training and abundant work opportunities, our ski schools have become home to many of the most experienced and credentialed professionals in the business. We complement our instructor staff with state-of-the-art facilities and extensive learning terrain, all with a keen attention to guest needs. We offer a wide variety of adult and child group and private lesson options with a goal of creating lifelong skiers and riders and showcasing to our guests all the terrain our resorts have to offer.

#### Dining

Our resorts provide a variety of quality on-mountain and base village dining venues, ranging from top-rated fine dining restaurants to trailside express food service outlets. We operate approximately 215 dining venues at our mountain resorts and urban ski areas.

# Retail/Rental

We have approximately 290 retail/rental locations specializing in sporting goods including ski, snowboard and cycling equipment. In addition to providing a major retail/rental presence at each of our mountain resorts, we also have retail/rental locations throughout the Colorado Front Range and at other Colorado and California ski resorts, as well as the San Francisco Bay Area, Salt Lake City and Minneapolis. Many of the locations in the Colorado Front Range and in the San Francisco Bay Area also offer prime venues for selling our pass products.

# · On-Mountain Activities

We are a ski industry leader in providing comprehensive destination vacation experiences, including on-mountain activities designed to appeal to a broad range of interests. In addition to our exceptional ski experiences, guests can choose from a variety of non-ski related activities such as snowtubing, snowshoeing, guided snowmobile and scenic snow cat tours, backcountry expeditions, horse-drawn sleigh rides and high altitude dining. During the summer season, our mountain resorts offer non-ski related recreational activities and provide guests with a wide array of options including scenic chairlift and gondola rides; mountain biking; horseback riding; guided hiking; 4x4 Jeep tours; and our Epic Discovery program at Vail Mountain, Heavenly and Breckenridge. The Epic Discovery program encourages "learn through play" by featuring extensive environmental educational elements interspersed between numerous activities, consisting of zip lines, children's activities, challenge ropes courses, tubing, mountain excursions, an alpine slide and alpine coasters.

# Lodging and Real Estate

High quality lodging options are an integral part of providing a complete resort experience. Our owned and managed hotels and resorts proximate to our mountain resorts, including six RockResorts branded properties and a significant inventory of managed condominium units, provide numerous accommodation options for our mountain resort guests. More recently, our real estate efforts have focused on the potential to expand our destination bed base and upgrade our resorts through the sale of land parcels to third-party developers which in turn provides opportunity for the development of condominiums, luxury hotels, parking and commercial space for restaurants and retail shops. Our Lodging and Real Estate segments have and continue to invest in resort related assets and amenities or seek opportunities to expand and enhance the overall resort experience.

# **Lodging Segment**

Our Lodging segment includes the following operations, which collectively offer a wide range of services to guests (additional property details provided in Item 2. Properties):

- Owned and managed lodging properties, including those under our luxury hotel management company, RockResorts:
- Managed condominium units which are in and around our mountain resorts in Colorado, Lake Tahoe, Utah, Vermont and British Columbia, Canada;
- Two NPS concessionaire properties in and near Grand Teton National Park in Wyoming;
- · a resort ground transportation company in Colorado; and
- Company-owned mountain resort golf courses including five in Colorado, one in Wyoming and two in Vermont, as well as two Company-operated mountain golf courses; one in Lake Tahoe, California and one in Park City, Utah.

The Lodging segment currently includes approximately 5,500 owned and managed hotel rooms and condominium units. Our lodging strategy seeks to complement and enhance our mountain resort operations through our ownership or management of

lodging properties and condominiums proximate to our mountain resorts and selective management of luxury resorts in premier destination locations.

In addition to our portfolio of owned or managed luxury resort hotels and other hotels and properties, our lodging business also features a Colorado ground transportation company, which represents the first point of contact with many of our guests when they arrive by air to Colorado. We offer year-round ground transportation from Denver International Airport and Eagle County Airport to the Vail Valley (locations in and around Vail, Beaver Creek, Avon and Edwards), Aspen (locations in and around Aspen and Snowmass) and Summit County (which includes Keystone, Breckenridge, Copper Mountain, Frisco and Silverthorne).

#### Lodging Industry/Market

Hotels are categorized by Smith Travel Research, a leading lodging industry research firm, as luxury, upper upscale, upscale, mid-price and economy. The service quality and level of accommodations of our RockResorts' hotels place them in the luxury segment, which represents hotels achieving the highest average daily rates ("ADR") in the industry, and includes such brands as the Four Seasons, Ritz-Carlton and Starwood's Luxury Collection hotels. Our other hotels are categorized in the upper upscale and upscale segments of the hotel market. The luxury and upper upscale segments consist of approximately 754,000 rooms at approximately 2,300 properties in the U.S. as of July 2019. For Fiscal 2019, our owned hotels, which include a combination of certain RockResort hotels as well as other hotels in proximity to our mountain resorts, had an overall ADR of \$256.50 a paid occupancy rate of 68.4% and revenue per available room ("RevPAR") of \$175.45, as compared to the upper upscale segment is appropriate as our mix of owned hotels include those in the luxury and upper upscale segments, as well as certain of our hotels that fall in the upscale segment. The highly seasonal nature of our lodging properties generally results in lower average occupancy as compared to the upper upscale segment of the lodging industry as a whole.

#### Competition

Competition in the hotel industry is generally based on quality and consistency of rooms, restaurants, meeting facilities and services, the attractiveness of locations, availability of a global distribution system and price. Our properties compete within their geographic markets with hotels and resorts that include locally-owned independent hotels, as well as facilities owned or managed by national and international chains, including such brands as Four Seasons, Hilton, Hyatt, Marriott, Ritz-Carlton, Starwood's Luxury Collection and Westin. Our properties also compete for convention and conference business across the national market. We believe we are highly competitive in the resort hotel niche for the following reasons:

- All of our hotels are located in unique, highly desirable resort destinations;
- Our hotel portfolio has achieved some of the most prestigious hotel designations in the world, including two properties in our portfolio that are currently rated as AAA 4-Diamond;
- Many of our hotels (both owned and managed) are designed to provide a look that feels indigenous to their surroundings, enhancing the guest's
  vacation experience;
- Each of our RockResorts hotels provides the same high level of quality and services, while still providing unique characteristics which distinguish the resorts from one another. This appeals to travelers looking for consistency in quality and service offerings together with an experience more unique than typically offered by larger luxury hotel chains;
- Many of the hotels in our portfolio provide a wide array of amenities available to the guest such as access to world-class ski and golf resorts, spa and fitness facilities, water sports and a number of other outdoor activities, as well as highly acclaimed dining options;
- Conference space with the latest technology is available at most of our hotels. In addition, guests at Keystone can use our company-owned Keystone Conference Center, the largest conference facility in the Colorado Rocky Mountain region with more than 100,000 square feet of meeting, exhibit and function space;
- We have a central reservations system that leverages off of our mountain resort reservations system and has an online planning and booking platform, offering our guests a seamless and useful way to make reservations at our resorts; and
- We actively upgrade the quality of the accommodations and amenities available at our hotels through capital improvements. Capital funding for
  third-party owned properties is provided by the owners of those properties to maintain standards required by our management contracts. Projects at
  our owned properties completed over the past several years include extensive refurbishments and upgrades to the Grand Summit Hotel, Colter Bay
  Village Cabins, and DoubleTree by Hilton Breckenridge. Additionally, we have completed guest room renovations at the Keystone Lodge and The
  Pines Lodge.

#### National Park Concessionaire Properties

We own GTLC, which is based in the Jackson Hole area in Wyoming and operates within Grand Teton National Park under a 15-year concessionaire agreement with the NPS that expires December 31, 2021. We also own Flagg Ranch, located in Moran, Wyoming and centrally located between Yellowstone National Park and Grand Teton National Park on the John D. Rockefeller, Jr. Memorial Parkway (the "Parkway"). Flagg Ranch operates under a 15-year concessionaire agreement with the NPS that expires October 31, 2026. GTLC also owns Jackson Hole Golf & Tennis Club ("JHG&TC"), located outside Grand Teton National Park near Jackson, Wyoming. GTLC's operations within Grand Teton National Park and JHG&TC have operating seasons that generally run from June through the end of September.

We primarily compete with such companies as Aramark Parks & Resorts, Delaware North Companies Parks & Resorts, Forever Resorts and Xanterra Parks & Resorts in retaining and obtaining NPS concessionaire agreements. Four full-service concessionaires provide accommodations within Grand Teton National Park, including GTLC. GTLC offers three lodging options within Grand Teton National Park: Jackson Lake Lodge, a full-service, 385-room resort with 17,000 square feet of conference facilities; Jenny Lake Lodge, a small, rustically elegant retreat with 37 cabins; and Colter Bay Village, a facility with 166 log cabins, 66 tent cabins, 337 campsites and a 112-space RV park. GTLC offers dining options as extensive as its lodging options, with cafeterias, casual eateries and fine dining establishments. GTLC's resorts provide a wide range of activities for guests to enjoy, including cruises on Jackson Lake, boat rentals, horseback riding, guided fishing, float trips, golf and guided Grand Teton National Park tours. As a result of the extensive amenities offered, as well as the tremendous popularity of the National Park System, GTLC's accommodations within Grand Teton National Park operate near full capacity during their operating season.

#### **Real Estate Segment**

We have extensive holdings of real property at our mountain resorts primarily throughout Summit and Eagle Counties in Colorado. Our real estate operations, through Vail Resorts Development Company ("VRDC"), a wholly-owned subsidiary, include planning, oversight, infrastructure improvement, development, marketing and sale of our real property holdings. In addition to the cash flow generated from real estate development sales, these development activities benefit our Mountain and Lodging segments by (1) creating additional resort lodging and other resort related facilities and venues (primarily restaurants, spas, commercial space, private mountain clubs, skier services facilities and parking structures) that provide us with the opportunity to create new sources of recurring revenue, enhance the guest experience and expand our destination bed base; (2) controlling the architectural themes of our resorts; and (3) expanding our property management and commercial leasing operations.

The principal activities of our Real Estate segment include the sale of land parcels to third-party developers and planning for future real estate development projects, including zoning and acquisition of applicable permits. We continue undertaking preliminary planning and design work on future projects and are pursuing opportunities with third-party developers rather than undertaking our own significant vertical development projects. We believe that, due to the low carrying cost of our real estate land investments, we are well situated to promote future projects with third-party developers while limiting our financial risk.

#### Marketing and Sales

Our Mountain segment's marketing and sales efforts are increasingly oriented around data analytics to drive targeted and personalized marketing to our existing and prospective guests. We capture guest data on the vast majority of guest transactions through our pass product sales program, e-commerce platforms including mobile lift ticket sales, the EpicMix application and operational processes at our lift ticket windows. We promote our resorts using guest-centric marketing campaigns via email and direct mail, promotional programs, digital marketing (including social, search and display) and traditional media advertising where appropriate (e.g. targeted print, TV and radio). We also have marketing programs directed at attracting groups, corporate meetings and convention business. Most of our marketing efforts drive traffic to our websites, where we provide our guests with information regarding each of our resorts, including services and amenities, reservations information, virtual tours and the opportunity to book/purchase our full suite of products (e.g. lift access, lodging, ski and ride school, rentals, etc.) for their visits. We also enter into strategic alliances with companies to enhance the guest experience at our resorts, as well as to create opportunities for crossmarketing.

For our Lodging segment, we promote our hotels and lodging properties through marketing and sales programs, which include marketing directly to many of our guests through our digital channels (search, social and display), promotional programs, and print media advertising. We also promote comprehensive vacation experiences through various package offerings and promotions (combining lodging, lift tickets, ski school lessons, ski rental equipment, transportation and dining), all of which are designed to drive traffic to our websites and central reservations call center. In addition, our hotels have active sales forces to generate conference and group business. We market our resort properties in conjunction with our mountain resort marketing efforts where appropriate, given the strong synergies across the two businesses.

Across both the Mountain and Lodging segments, sales made through our websites and call center allow us to transact directly with our guests, enabling us to further expand our customer base for future analytics and guest-centric marketing efforts.

# Seasonality

Ski resort operations are highly seasonal in nature, with a typical ski season in North America generally beginning in mid-November and running through mid-April. In an effort to partially mitigate the concentration of our revenue in the winter months in North America, we offer several non-ski related activities in the summer months such as sightseeing, mountain biking, guided hiking, 4x4 Jeep tours, golf (included in the operations of the Lodging segment) and our Epic Discovery program. These activities also help attract destination conference and group business to our resorts in our off-season. In addition, the operating results of our Australian resorts, for which the ski season generally occurs from June through early October, partially counterbalances the concentration of our revenues during this seasonally lower period in North America.

Our lodging business is also highly seasonal in nature, with peak seasons primarily in the winter months (with the exception of GTLC, Flagg Ranch, certain managed properties and mountain resort golf operations). We actively promote our extensive conference facilities and have added more off-season activities to help offset the seasonality of our lodging business. Additionally, we operate ten golf courses: The Canyons Golf Course at Park City, The Beaver Creek Golf Club, The Keystone Ranch Golf Course, The River Course at Keystone, JHG&TC near Jackson, Wyoming, The Northstar Resort Golf Course, the Tom Fazio and Greg Norman courses at Red Sky Ranch near the Beaver Creek Resort and the Okemo Valley Golf Club and Tater Hill Golf Club in Vermont.

#### **Environmental Stewardship and Social Responsibility**

Environmental stewardship is a core philosophy for us. Our resorts operate in some of the world's greatest natural environments, and we are compelled to care for and conserve them. Through our corporate social responsibility and sustainability program, Epic Promise, we focus on resource conservation, forest health and building stronger local communities through contributions to local non-profit organizations. Our environmental stewardship efforts are diverse and touch nearly every area of our operations. In 2017, we launched our Commitment to Zero, a pledge to have a zero net operating footprint by 2030. This commitment includes achieving zero net emissions by finding operational energy efficiencies, investing in renewable energy and investing in offsets and other emissions reduction projects, zero waste to landfills by diverting 100 percent of waste from our operations and zero net operating impact to forests and habitat by restoring an acre of forest for every acre displaced by our operations.

As a result of this commitment, Vail Resorts was accepted as the first travel and tourism company into *RE100*, a collaborative initiative uniting more than 100 global and influential businesses which are committed to 100 percent renewable electricity. In addition, we have partnered with several organizations to help raise resources for local environmental programs, including The Nature Conservancy, the National Forest Foundation, The Tahoe Fund, Mountain Trails Foundation in Park City and the EnviroFund at Whistler Blackcomb. We encourage our employees to help protect the environment and support their local community with over 26,000 volunteer hours donated annually. Our charitable giving focuses on supporting education and youth programs, encouraging innovation in, and implementation of, environmental stewardship practices and enhancing the quality of life in the communities in which we operate.

Finally, our EpicPromise Foundation (the "Foundation"), which was established in 2015, is a charitable foundation funded by annual contributions from the Company and its employees. The Foundation supports Vail Resorts' employees and their families via grants for emergency relief and scholarships. For more information on both the Foundation and our environmental stewardship, visit www.EpicPromise.com. Information on our websites does not constitute part of this document.

#### **Employees**

At fiscal year end, we employed approximately 6,600 year-round employees. During the height of our most recent operating seasons, we employed approximately 31,900 additional seasonal employees. In addition, we employed approximately 400 year-round employees and 100 seasonal employees on behalf of the owners of our managed hotel properties. We consider our employee relations to be good.

# **Intellectual Property**

The development of intellectual property is part of our overall business strategy, and we regard our intellectual property as an important element of our success. Accordingly, we protect our intellectual property rights and seek to protect against its unauthorized use through international, national and state laws and common law rights. We file applications for and obtain trademark registrations and have filed for patents to protect inventions and will continue to do so where appropriate. We also seek to maintain our trade secrets and confidential information by nondisclosure policies and through the use of appropriate confidentiality agreements and contractual provisions.

In the highly competitive industry in which we operate, trademarks, service marks, trade names and logos are very important in the sales and marketing of our mountain resorts and urban ski areas, lodging properties and services. We seek to register and protect our trademarks, service marks, trade names and logos and have obtained a significant number of registrations for those trademarks. We believe our brands have become synonymous in the travel and leisure industry with a reputation for excellence in service and authentic hospitality. Among other national and international trademark registrations, the Company owns U.S. federal registrations for  $Epic^{\otimes}$ ,  $Epic Pass^{\otimes}$ ,  $Vail Resorts^{\otimes}$ ,  $Vail^{\otimes}$ ,  $Beaver Creek^{\otimes}$ ,  $Breckenridge^{\otimes}$ ,  $Keystone^{\otimes}$  and  $Heavenly^{\otimes}$ . The Company also owns Canadian and U.S. trademark registrations for the *Whistler Blackcomb* name and logo. The Company licenses the right to use the federally registered trademark *Northstar California* from CLP Northstar, LLC.

#### Regulation and Legislation

# U.S. Forest Service Resorts

#### Federal Regulation

The operations of Breckenridge, Vail Mountain, Keystone, Beaver Creek, Crested Butte, Stevens Pass, Heavenly and Kirkwood are conducted primarily on land under the jurisdiction of the U.S. Forest Service (collectively, the "Forest Service Resorts"). The 1986 Ski Area Permit Act (the "1986 Act") allows the Forest Service to grant Term Special Use Permits (each, a "SUP") for the operation of ski areas and construction of related facilities on National Forest lands. In November 2011, the 1986 Act was amended by the Ski Area Recreational Opportunity Enhancement Act (the "Enhancement Act") to clarify the Forest Service's authority to approve facilities primarily for year-round recreation. Under the 1986 Act, the Forest Service has the authority to review and approve the location, design and construction of improvements in the permit area and many operational matters.

Each individual national forest is required by the National Forest Management Act to develop and maintain a Land and Resource Management Plan (a "Forest Plan"), which establishes standards and guidelines for the Forest Service to follow and consider in reviewing and approving our proposed actions.

# Special Use Permits

Each of the Forest Service Resorts operates under a SUP, and the acreage and expiration date information for each SUP is as follows:

Forest Service Resort	Acres	<b>Expiration Date</b>
Breckenridge	5,702	December 31, 2029
Vail Mountain	12,353	December 1, 2031
Keystone	8,376	December 31, 2032
Beaver Creek	3,849	November 8, 2039
Crested Butte	4,350	September 27, 2058
Stevens Pass	2,443	August 15, 2058
Heavenly	7,050	May 1, 2042
Kirkwood	2,330	March 1, 2052

We anticipate requesting a new SUP for each Forest Service Resort prior to its expiration date as provided by Forest Service regulations and the terms of each existing SUP. We are not aware of the Forest Service refusing to issue a new SUP to replace an expiring SUP for a ski resort in operation at the time of expiration. The Forest Service can also terminate a SUP if it determines that termination is required in the public interest. However, to our knowledge, no SUP has ever been terminated by the Forest Service over the opposition of the permit holder.

Each SUP contains a number of requirements, including indemnifying the Forest Service from third-party claims arising out of our operation under the SUP and compliance with applicable laws, such as those relating to water quality and endangered or threatened species. For use of the land authorized by the SUPs, we pay a fee to the Forest Service ranging from 1.5% to 4.0% of adjusted gross revenue for activities authorized by the SUPs. Included in the calculation are sales from, among other things, lift tickets, season passes, ski school lessons, food and beverage, certain summer activities, equipment rentals and retail merchandise.

The SUPs may be revised or amended to accommodate changes initiated by us or by the Forest Service to change the permit area or permitted uses. The Forest Service may amend a SUP if it determines that such amendment is in the public interest. While the Forest Service is required to seek the permit holder's consent to any amendment, an amendment can be finalized over a permit holder's objection. Permit amendments must be consistent with the Forest Plan and are subject to the provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act ("NEPA"), both of which are discussed below.

# Master Development Plans

The 1986 Act requires a Master Development Plan ("MDP") for each ski area that is granted a SUP, and all improvements that we propose to make on National Forest System lands under any of our SUPs must be included in a MDP, which describes the existing and proposed facilities, developments and area of activity within the permit area. The MDPs are reviewed by the Forest Service for compliance with the Forest Plan and other applicable laws and, if found to be compliant, are accepted by the Forest Service. Notwithstanding acceptance by the Forest Service of the conceptual MDPs, individual projects still require separate applications and compliance with NEPA and other applicable laws before the Forest Service will approve such projects. We update or amend our MDPs for our Forest Service Resorts from time to time.

#### **Private Land Resorts**

The operations of Park City, Northstar, Afton Alps, Mt. Brighton and Wilmot are conducted primarily on private land and are not under the jurisdiction of the Forest Service (collectively, the "Private Land Resorts"). While Beaver Creek also operates on Forest Service land, a significant portion of the skiable terrain, primarily in the lower main mountain, Western Hillside, Bachelor Gulch and Arrowhead Mountain areas, is located on land that we own.

Although not governed by federal regulation, the Private Land Resorts may be governed by local laws and regulations. For example, specific projects and master development plans at Northstar require approval by Placer County, California. Additionally, a portion of Park City is part of the Canyons Specially Planned Area ("SPA") pursuant to a Summit County, Utah ordinance adopted in 1998, and a Development Agreement and Master Development Plan with affected property owners, developers and the county, the most recent versions of which were adopted in 1999. Other land use within the SPA is within the jurisdiction of Summit County, Utah. Land use at Park City is within the jurisdiction of Summit County, Utah and Park City Municipal Corporation. The portions of the resort located within Park City Municipal Corporation are subject to a Development Agreement with the municipality, the most recent version of which was entered into in 1998.

# Whistler Blackcomb

Whistler Blackcomb is made up of two mountains: Whistler Mountain and Blackcomb Mountain. Whistler Mountain and Blackcomb Mountain are located on Crown Land within the traditional territory of the Squamish and Lil'wat Nations. The relationship between Whistler Blackcomb and Her Majesty, the Queen in Right of British Columbia (the "Province") is largely governed by Master Development Agreements (the "MDAs") between the Province and Whistler Mountain Resort Limited Partnership ("Whistler LP") with respect to Whistler Mountain, and between the Province and Blackcomb Skiing Enterprises Limited Partnership ("Blackcomb LP") with respect to Blackcomb Mountain. Together, Whistler LP and Blackcomb LP are referred to as the "Partnerships."

The MDAs, which were entered into in February 2017, have a term of 60 years (expiring on February 23, 2077) and are replaceable for an additional 60 years by option exercisable by the Partnerships after the first 30 years of the initial term. In accordance with the MDAs, the Partnerships are obligated to pay annual fees to the Province at a percentage of gross revenues related to the operation of certain activities at Whistler Blackcomb.

The MDAs require that each of the mountains be developed, operated and maintained in accordance with its respective master plan, which contains requirements as to matters such as trail design and development, passenger lift development and environmental concerns. The MDAs grant a general license to use the Whistler Mountain lands and the Blackcomb Mountain lands for the operation and development of the Whistler Blackcomb. The MDAs also provide for the granting of specific tenures of land owned by the Province to the Whistler LP or the Blackcomb LP, as applicable, by way of rights-of-way, leases or licenses. Each Partnership is permitted to develop new improvements to Whistler Mountain or Blackcomb Mountain, as the case may be, within standard municipal type development control conditions. We are obligated to indemnify the Province from third-party claims arising out of our operations under the MDAs.

#### Northeast Resorts

Stowe and Okemo operate partially on land that we own and partially on land we lease from the State of Vermont. With respect to Stowe, the land we own is on the Spruce Peak side of the resort while the land we lease from the State of Vermont is located on Mt. Mansfield in the Mt. Mansfield State Forest. The initial ten year term of the lease commenced in June 1967, and the lease provides for eight separate ten year extension options. The current term of the lease extends through June 2027, and there are three remaining ten year extension options. With respect to Okemo, we own the Jackson Gore base area land and lease most of the skiable terrain from the State of Vermont. The initial ten year term of the lease commenced in December 1963, and the lease provides for eight separate ten year extension options. The current term of the lease extends through December 2023, and there are three remaining ten year extension options. Under both leases, the land can be used for the development and operation of a ski area including ski trails, ski lifts, warming shelters, restaurants and maintenance facilities. For use of the land under the leases, we pay a fee to the State of Vermont based on revenue for activities authorized by the lease, such as lift tickets, season passes, food and beverage, summer activities and retail merchandise. We are obligated to indemnify the State of Vermont from third-party claims arising out of our operations under the lease.

Mount Sunapee lies within the Mount Sunapee State Park and operates on land that we lease from the State of New Hampshire. The initial twenty year term of the lease commenced in July 1998, and the lease provides for three separate ten year extension options. The current term of the lease extends through June 2028, and there are two remaining ten year extension options. The land can be managed and operated as a ski area and summer recreational facility, including all of its support activities, to provide year-round outdoor recreation. For use of the land under the lease, we pay a fee to the State of New Hampshire that includes both a base fee and a fee based on revenue from activities authorized by the lease, such as lift tickets, season passes, food and beverage, summer activities and retail merchandise. We are obligated to indemnify the State of New Hampshire from third-party claims arising out of our operations under the lease.

#### Australian Resorts

Perisher: Perisher is located in the Kosciuszko National Park, the largest national park in New South Wales, Australia. The resort includes four villages (Perisher Valley, Smiggin Holes, Guthega and Blue Cow) and their associated ski fields, as well as the site of the Skitube Alpine Railway at Bullock's Flat, which is accredited in accordance with the Rail Safety National Law (NSW) No. 82a. The Office of Environment and Heritage ("OEH"), an agency of the New South Wales government, which is part of the Department of Planning and Environment, is responsible for the protection and conservation of the Kosciuszko National Park. The National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974 (NSW) ("NPW Act") establishes the National Parks and Wildlife Service and is responsible for the control and management of the Kosciusko National Park.

The NPW Act requires the Kosciuszko National Park to be managed in accordance with the principles specified in that legislation, including the provision for sustainable visitor or tourist use and enjoyment that is compatible with the conservation of the national park's natural and cultural values. The legislation also authorizes the Minister for the Environment and the Minister for Heritage (the "Minister") to grant leases and licenses of land within the Kosciuszko National Park for various purposes, including for purposes related to sustainable visitor or tourist use and enjoyment. Under this power, the Minister has granted to Perisher a lease and a license of specified land within the Kosciusko National Park until June 30, 2048, with an option to renew for an additional period of 20 years. The Minister has also granted Perisher a lease of the parking lot at Perisher Valley that expires on December 31, 2025. Subject to certain conditions being met, the lease for the Perisher Valley parking lot can be extended until June 30, 2048, with an option to renew for a further 20 years. The lease and license provide for the payment of a minimum annual base rent with periodic increases in base rent over the term, turnover rent payments based on a percentage of certain gross revenue, remittance of park user fees and certain other charges, also subject to periodic increases over the term.

Falls Creek and Hotham: Falls Creek and Hotham are located in the Alpine National Park in Victoria, Australia. Falls Creek and Hotham both operate on Crown land permanently reserved under the Crown Land (Reserves) Act 1978 (Vic), with the exception of three small parcels of freehold land within the Hotham resort area. Each resort is subject to the Alpine Resorts (Management) Act 1997 (Vic) (the "ARM Act"), which is in place to manage the development, promotion, management and use of the resorts on a sustainable basis and in a manner that is compatible with the alpine environment. The ARM Act established the Alpine Resorts Commission to plan for the direction and sustainable growth of Victoria's five alpine resorts (including Falls Creek and Hotham). This includes review and coordination of the implementation of an Alpine Resorts Strategic Plan to which Falls Creek and Hotham are subject.

The ARM Act also established each of the Falls Creek Resort Management Board and Hotham Resort Management Board (the "RMBs"), each of which is appointed by, and responsible to, the Minister for Energy, Environment and Climate Change (the "Minister"). The RMBs are responsible for the management and collection of fees for entrance into the Alpine National Park and

from Falls Creek and Hotham ski resorts. The ARM Act authorizes the RMBs to grant leases subject to Ministerial approval, and under this power, the entities operating the Hotham and Falls Creek resorts have each been leased land within the Alpine National Park under various long-term leases with differing expiration dates. The main lease for the ski field at Falls Creek expires December 31, 2040, while the main lease for the ski field at Hotham expires December 31, 2057. The key ski field leases provide for the payment of rent with both a fixed and variable component, a community service charge payable to the ARCC and a ski patrol contribution payable to RMBs. At Hotham, we also lease land known as 'Dinner Plain' within the Alpine National Park which expires on June 30, 2031, with an option to extend for a further 10 years.

The Alpine Resorts (Management) Regulations 2009 (Vic) gives the RMBs the power to declare the snow season, temporarily close the resort to entry if there is a significant danger to public safety, determine parts of a resort to which entry is prohibited, set aside areas of the resort for public use, parking, driving of vehicles, or landing of aircraft, and determine the areas for cross country ski trails, skiing, snowboarding and other snow play activities.

We also own and operate the Hotham Airport. The regulation of aviation safety in Australia is governed by the Civil Aviation Act 1988 (Cth) (the "CAA"), and regulations and standards made pursuant to the CAA, including the Civil Aviation Regulations 1988 (Cth) and Civil Aviation Safety Regulations 1998 (Cth).

#### **Concessionaire Agreements**

GTLC operates three lodging properties, food and beverage services, retail, camping and other services within the Grand Teton National Park under a concessionaire agreement with the NPS. Our concessionaire agreement with the NPS for GTLC expires on December 31, 2021, and we pay a fee to the NPS of a percentage of the majority of our sales occurring in Grand Teton National Park.

Flagg Ranch Company, a wholly-owned subsidiary, provides lodging, food and beverage services, retail, service station, recreation and other services on the Parkway located between Grand Teton National Park and Yellowstone National Park. Our concession contract with the NPS for the Parkway expires on October 31, 2026, and we pay a fee to the NPS of a percentage of the majority of our sales occurring in the Parkway.

Prior to expiration of these concession contracts, we will have the opportunity to bid against other prospective concessionaires for award of a new contract. The NPS may suspend operations under the concession contract at any time if the NPS determines it is necessary to protect visitors or resources within the Grand Teton National Park or during a Federal Government shutdown. NPS may also terminate the concession contract for breach, following notice and a 15 day cure period or if it believes termination is necessary to protect visitors or resources within the Grand Teton National Park.

#### **Environmental Regulations**

National Environmental Policy Act; California Environmental Quality Act

NEPA requires an assessment of the environmental impacts of "significant" proposed actions on National Forest land, such as expansion of a ski area, installation of new lifts or snowmaking facilities or construction of new trails or buildings. We must comply with NEPA when seeking Forest Service approval of such improvements, except in limited cases where projects are not expected to have environmental impacts, which can be submitted to a Categorical Exclusion. The Forest Service is responsible for preparing and compiling the required environmental studies, usually through third-party consultants. NEPA allows for different types of environmental studies, depending on, among other factors, the scope and size of the expected impact of the proposed project. An Environmental Assessment ("EA") is typically used for projects where the environmental impacts are expected to be limited. For projects with more significant expected impacts, an Environmental Impact Statement ("EIS") is more commonly required. An EIS is more detailed and broader in scope than an EA.

During the requisite environmental study, the Forest Service is required to analyze alternatives to the proposed action (including not taking the proposed action), as well as impacts that may be unavoidable. Following completion of the requisite environmental study, the Forest Service may decide not to approve the proposed action or may decide to approve an alternative. In either case, we may be forced to abandon or alter our development or expansion plans.

Proposed actions at Kirkwood, Northstar and certain portions of Heavenly may also be subject to the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA"), which is similar to NEPA in that it requires the California governmental entity approving any proposed action at Kirkwood, Northstar, or on the California portion of Heavenly to study potential environmental impacts. Projects with significant expected impacts require an Environmental Impact Report while more limited projects may be approved based on a Mitigated Negative Declaration.

#### Forest & Range Practices Act and Watershed Sustainability Act

The Forest & Range Practices Act ("FRPA") is the principal legislation that governs mountain resorts in British Columbia, including Whistler Blackcomb. The FRPA outlines how all forest and range practices and resource-based activities are to be conducted on Crown (Public) land in British Columbia, while ensuring protection of everything in and on the lands, such as plants, animals and ecosystems. All forest and range licensees' activities are governed by FRPA and its regulations during all stages of planning, road building, logging, and reforestation, including removing timber for ski trail development. The FRPA is mostly based on self-compliance and does not specifically express standards for ski area development. Whistler Blackcomb is also subject to the Watershed Sustainability Act ("WSA"), which is the principal law for managing the diversion and use of water resources in British Columbia and is applicable to Whistler Blackcomb's use of water for drinking consumption and snowmaking. The WSA requires Whistler Blackcomb to obtain certain approvals and conduct monitoring of its streams.

# Vermont Land Use and Development Act

Specifically, in Vermont, the operations of Stowe and Okemo are subject to Vermont's state-wide Land Use and Development Act known as "Act 250." Act 250, administered by the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources, regulates the impacts of development to, among other things, waterways, air, wildlife and earth resources using ten criteria that are designed to safeguard the environment, community life and aesthetic character of Vermont. Stowe and Okemo each have a Master Plan detailing the development considerations within the resort boundary. All projects within each resort's Master Plan have completed or will need to complete the Act 250 review process at the project level.

# Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 (NSW, Australia)

The Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 (NSW) ("EPAAct") is the principal legislation regulating land use and development in New South Wales, Australia. Perisher relies on a suite of planning approvals (and existing use rights) granted under the EPA Act to operate the resort. Various types of development that facilitate commercial ski resort operations are also permitted to be carried out without planning approval pursuant to the State Environmental Planning Policy (Kosciusko National Park - Alpine Resorts) 2007 and the Snowy River Local Environmental Plan 2013. Strategic planning documents have been adopted to provide a framework for the assessment and approval of future development at the resort, including the Perisher Range Resorts Master Plan, Perisher Blue Ski Resort Ski Slope Master Plan and Kosciuszko National Park Plan of Management. Perisher holds a number of environmental approvals to regulate its operations, including an environment protection license for the sewage treatment plant at Bullock's Flat and a suite of licenses for the storage of diesel, heating oil and propane in storage tanks across the resort. Perisher implemented an Environmental Management System to manage compliance with the environmental regulatory framework, and mitigate potential environmental risks arising from its operations.

Environment Protection Act 1970 and the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (Victoria, Australia)

Falls Creek and Hotham are subject to the *Environment Protection Act 1970* (Vic) ("EP Act") and the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (Cth) ("EPBC Act"). The EP Act sets out a system of requirements for approvals and licenses for certain premises where activities may have an effect on the environment. It also contains policies relating to pollution. Approval is required under the EPBC Act if an action is likely to have a significant impact on a matter of national environmental significance.

# State, Local and Other Regulations

Various federal, state, local and provincial regulations also govern our resort operations, including liquor licensing and food safety regulations applicable to our food and beverage operations and safety standards relating to our lift operations and heli-ski operations at Whistler Blackcomb. In addition, each resort is subject to and must comply with state, county, regional and local government land use regulations and restrictions, including, for example, employee housing ordinances, zoning and density restrictions, noise ordinances, and wildlife, water and air quality regulations.

# Water and Snowmaking

We rely on a supply of water for operation of our ski areas for domestic and snowmaking purposes and for real estate development. Availability of water depends on existence of adequate water rights, as well as physical delivery of the water when and where it is needed. To provide a level of predictability in dates of operation and favorable snow surface conditions at our ski areas, we rely on snowmaking, which requires a significant volume of water, most of which is viewed as a non-consumptive use. Approximately 80% of the water is returned to the watershed at spring runoff. Examples of our water sources include:

- In Colorado, we own or have ownership interests in water rights in reservoir companies, reservoirs, surface streams, groundwater wells and other sources
- Park City receives water for snowmaking from the Park City Municipal Corporation and Summit Water Distribution Company pursuant to various long-term agreements.
- Whistler Blackcomb receives water rights used for snowmaking through licenses from the Province which describe annual allowable volumes on a number of its mountain creeks, and Whistler Blackcomb typically uses only a small percentage of its licensed water.
- Heavenly's primary sources of water purchased for domestic and snowmaking uses are the South Tahoe Public Utility District and Kingsbury General
  Improvement District, which are California and Nevada utilities, respectively.
- Northstar obtains water through a cooperative arrangement with the Northstar Community Services District ("NCSD"). Together with the NCSD, we, through our lease with affiliates of EPR Properties, control surface water rights that we use for snowmaking.
- Kirkwood co-owns with the Forest Service surface water rights sufficient for current and planned snowmaking at the resort. Kirkwood's water is stored in nearby Caples Lake under contract with its owner/operator.
- Afton Alps, Mt. Brighton and Wilmot rely on on-site water wells and reservoirs for snowmaking.
- Perisher is subject to the Water Act of 1912 (NSW) ("NSW Water Act"), which regulates the use of water sources (such as rivers, lakes and groundwater aquifers) in the Kosciuszko National Park. Perisher relies on six water licenses issued under the NSW Water Act and a water extraction agreement with an independent third party for the purposes of extracting water for snowmaking.
- Falls Creek and Hotham are subject to the *Water Act 1989* (Vic) (the "Vic Water Act"), which regulates the use of water resources and entitlements in Victoria. Falls Creek and Hotham each relies on a water diversion license issued under the Vic Water Act, which authorizes them to take and use water from a specified waterway to operate works and for snowmaking purposes.

#### **Available Information**

We file with or furnish to the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") reports, including our annual report on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, current reports on Form 8-K and amendments to those reports pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"). These reports, proxy statements and other information are available free of charge on our corporate website <a href="www.vailresorts.com">www.vailresorts.com</a> as soon as reasonably practicable after they are electronically filed with or furnished to the SEC. Information on our websites does not constitute part of this document. Materials filed with or furnished to the SEC are also made available on its website at <a href="www.sec.gov">www.sec.gov</a>. Copies of any materials we file with the SEC can be obtained at <a href="www.sec.gov">www.sec.gov</a> or at the SEC's public reference room at 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549. Information on the operation of the public reference room is available by calling the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330.

# ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS.

Our operations and financial results are subject to various risks and uncertainties that could adversely affect our financial position, results of operations and cash flows. The risks described below should carefully be considered together with the other information contained in this report.

# Risks Related to Our Business

We are subject to the risk of prolonged weakness in general economic conditions including adverse effects on the overall travel and leisure related industries. Skiing, travel and tourism are discretionary recreational activities that can entail a relatively high cost of participation and may be adversely affected by economic slowdown or recession. Economic conditions in North America, Europe and parts of the rest of the world, including high unemployment, erosion of consumer confidence, sovereign debt issues and financial instability in the global markets, may potentially have negative effects on the travel and leisure industry and on our results of operations. As a result of these and other economic uncertainties, we have previously experienced and may experience in the future, among other items, a change in bookings trends such that guest reservations are made much closer to the actual date of stay, a decrease in the length of stay and/or a decrease in group bookings. We cannot predict what impact these uncertainties may have on overall travel and leisure or more specifically, on our guest visitation, guest spending or other related trends and the ultimate impact it will have on our results of operations. Additionally, the actual or perceived fear of weakness in the economy could also lead to decreased spending by our guests. This could be further exacerbated by the fact that we charge some of the highest prices for single day lift tickets and ancillary services in the ski industry; however, we offer pass products, including the Epic Day Pass, that are available at a discount to the single day lift tickets. In the event of a decrease in visitation and overall guest spending we may be required to offer a higher amount of discounts and incentives than we have historically, which would adversely impact our operating results. Our resorts also serve as a destination for international guests. To the extent there are material changes in exchange rates relative to the U.S. dollar, it could impact the volume of intern

We are vulnerable to unfavorable weather conditions and the impact of natural disasters. Our ability to attract guests to our resorts is influenced by weather conditions and by the amount and timing of snowfall during the ski season. Unfavorable weather conditions can adversely affect skier visits and our revenue and profits. Unseasonably warm weather may result in inadequate natural snowfall and reduce skiable terrain, which increases the cost of snowmaking and could render snowmaking, wholly or partially, ineffective in maintaining quality skiing conditions, including in areas which are not accessible by snowmaking equipment. On the other hand, excessive natural snowfall may significantly increase the costs incurred to groom trails and may make it difficult for guests to access our mountain resorts. In the past 20 years, our resorts in the Rocky Mountain region of Colorado and Utah, the Sierra Nevada Mountains in Lake Tahoe and the Coast Mountains in British Columbia, Canada have averaged between 20 and 39 feet of annual snowfall, which is significantly in excess of the average for North American ski resorts. However, there can be no assurance that our resorts will receive seasonal snowfalls near their historical average in the future. As an example of weather variability, during the 2017/2018 season, we experienced historically low snowfall across our western U.S. resorts for the first half of the ski season, with snowfall in Vail, Beaver Creek and Park City through January 31, 2018 at the lowest levels recorded in over 30 years while Tahoe was more than 50% below the 20-year average. During the 2018/2019 ski season, however, our western U.S. resorts experienced above-average snowfall. Past snowfall levels or consistency of snow conditions can impact the levels of sales of pass products or other advanced bookings. Additionally, the early season snow conditions and skier perceptions of early season snow conditions can influence the momentum and success of the overall ski season. Unfavorable weather conditions can adversely affect our resorts and lodging properties as guests tend to delay or postpone vacations if conditions differ from those that typically prevail at such resorts for a given season. Although we have created geographic diversification to help mitigate the impact of weather variability, there is no way for us to predict future weather patterns or the impact that weather patterns may have on our results of operations or visitation.

A severe natural disaster, such as a forest fire, may interrupt our operations, damage our properties, reduce the number of guests who visit our resorts in affected areas and negatively impact our revenue and profitability. Damage to our properties could take a long time to repair and there is no guarantee that we would have adequate insurance to cover the costs of repair and recoup lost profits. Furthermore, such a disaster may interrupt or impede access to our affected properties or require evacuations and may cause visits to our affected properties to decrease for an indefinite period. The ability to attract visitors to our resorts is also influenced by the aesthetics and natural beauty of the outdoor environment where our resorts are located. A severe forest fire or other severe impacts from naturally occurring events could negatively impact the natural beauty of our resorts and have a long-term negative impact on our overall guest visitation as it would take several years for the environment to recover.

Additionally, there is scientific research that emissions of greenhouse gases continue to alter the composition of the global atmosphere in ways that are affecting and are expected to continue affecting the global climate. The effect of climate change, including any impact of global warming, could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations as a result of increased weather variability and/or warmer overall temperatures, which would likely adversely affect skier visits and our revenue and profits.

Failure to maintain the integrity and security of our internal, employee or guest data could result in damages to our reputation and subject us to costs, fines or lawsuits. Our business relies on the use of large volumes of data. We collect and retain guest data, including credit card numbers and other personal information, for various business purposes, including transactional marketing and promotional purposes. We also maintain personal information about our employees. We store and use data in a variety of information systems, including some systems maintained by service providers. Maintaining the integrity and security of that data can be costly and is critical to our business, and our guests and employees have a high expectation that we will adequately protect their personal information.

Cyber-attacks could disrupt our business. Despite our efforts, information networks and systems are vulnerable to service interruptions or to security breaches from inadvertent or intentional actions by our employees or vendors, or from attacks by malicious third parties. In recent years, there has been a rise in the number of sophisticated cyber-attacks on network and information systems, and as a result, the risks associated with such an event continue to increase. We have experienced cybersecurity threats and incidents, none of which has been material to us to date. We have taken, and continue to take, steps to address these concerns by implementing security and internal controls. However, there can be no assurance that a system interruption, security breach or unauthorized access will not occur. Cyber threats and attacks are constantly evolving and becoming more sophisticated, which increases the difficulty and cost of detecting and defending against them. Cyber threats and attacks can have cascading impacts across networks, systems and operations. Those events may include process breakdowns, security architecture or design vulnerabilities, or may result from the acts of third parties, such as computer hackings, cyber-attacks, computer viruses, worms or other destructive or disruptive software, denial of service attacks, malicious social engineering or other malicious activities. Any such interruption, breach or unauthorized access to our network or systems, or the networks or systems of our vendors, could adversely affect our business operations and result in the loss of critical or sensitive confidential information or intellectual property, as well as impact our ability to meet regulatory or compliance obligations, and could result in financial, legal, business and

reputational harm to us. These events also could result in large expenditures to repair or replace the damaged properties, products, services, networks or information systems to protect them from similar events in the future.

Leisure and business travel are particularly susceptible to various factors outside of our control, including terrorism, the uncertainty of military conflicts, outbreaks of contagious diseases, the cost and availability of travel options and change in consumer preferences. Our business is sensitive to the willingness of our guests to travel. Acts of terrorism, the spread of contagious diseases, political events and developments in military conflicts in areas of the world from which we draw our guests could depress the public's propensity to travel and cause severe disruptions in both domestic and international air travel and consumer discretionary spending, which could reduce the number of visitors to our resorts and have an adverse effect on our results of operations. Many of our guests travel by air and the impact of higher prices for commercial airline services and availability of air services could cause a decrease in visitation by Destination guests to our resorts. A significant portion of our guests also travel by vehicle and higher gasoline prices could adversely impact our guests' willingness to travel to our resorts. Higher cost of travel may also affect the amount that guests are willing to spend at our resorts and could negatively impact our revenue particularly for lodging, ski school, dining and retail/rental.

Additionally, our success depends on our ability to attract visitors to our ski resorts. Changes in consumer tastes and preferences, particularly those affecting the popularity of skiing and snowboarding, and other social and demographic trends could adversely affect the number of skier visits during a ski season. A significant decline in skier visits compared to historical levels would have a material adverse effect on our business, prospects, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows

Our business is highly seasonal. Our mountain and lodging operations are highly seasonal in nature. Peak operating season for our North American mountain resorts is from late November to mid-April, and accordingly, revenue and profits from our mountain and most of our lodging operations are substantially lower and historically result in losses from late spring to late fall. Conversely, peak operating seasons for our Australian resorts, GTLC and Flagg Ranch, mountain summer activities (including our Epic Discovery program), sightseeing and our golf courses generally occur from June to the end of September. Revenue and profits generated by our Australian resorts, GTLC and Flagg Ranch, mountain summer activities/sightseeing and golf peak season operations are not nearly sufficient to fully offset our off-season losses from our other mountain and lodging operations. For Fiscal 2019, approximately 80% of total combined Mountain and Lodging segment net revenue (excluding Lodging segment revenue associated with reimbursement of payroll costs) was earned during our second and third fiscal quarters. This seasonality is partially mitigated by the sale of pass products (which for Fiscal 2019 accounted for approximately 47% of the total lift revenue) predominately occurring during the period prior to the start of the ski season as the cash from those sales is collected in advance and revenue is mostly recognized in the second and third quarters. In addition, the timing of major holidays and school breaks can impact vacation patterns and therefore visitation at our mountain resorts and urban ski areas. If we were to experience an adverse event or realize a significant deterioration in our operating results during our peak periods (our fiscal second and third quarters) we would be unable to fully recover any significant declines due to the seasonality of our business. Operating results for any three-month period are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be achieved for any subsequent quarter or for a full fiscal

The Forest Service authorized year-round recreational activities, which allows our mountain resorts on Forest Service land to offer more summer-season recreational opportunities, including our Epic Discovery program that we launched at Heavenly, Vail and Breckenridge. We anticipate that as these summer activities mature, and with Whistler Blackcomb's robust summer activities and the activities at our other resorts, we could realize incremental summer guest visitation and revenue. However, our summer activities may not generate the projected revenue and profit margins we expect, and even if our future plans are successful, we do not expect that these enhanced summer operations will fully mitigate the seasonal losses that our mountain operations experience from late spring to late fall.

We face significant competition. The ski resort and lodging industries are highly competitive. The number of U.S. skier visits has generally ranged between 51 million and 61 million annually over the last decade, with approximately 59.3 million visits for the 2018/2019 U.S. ski season. There are approximately 475 ski areas in the U.S. that serve local and destination guests, and these ski areas can be more or less impacted by weather conditions based on their location and snowmaking capabilities. The factors that we believe are important to customers include:

- proximity to population centers;
- availability and cost of transportation to ski
- availability and quality of lodging options in resort
- ease of travel to ski areas (including direct flights by major
- pricing of lift tickets and/or pass products and the magnitude, quality and price of related ancillary services (ski school, dining and retail/rental), amenities and lodging;
- snowmaking facilities;

- type and quality of skiing and snowboarding offered;
- duration of the ski season;
- weather conditions; and
- · reputation.

There are many competing options for our guests, including other major resorts in Colorado, Utah, California, Nevada, the Pacific Northwest, Northeast, Southwest and British Columbia, Canada, and other major destination ski areas worldwide. Our guests can choose from any of these alternatives, as well as non-skiing vacation options and destinations around the world. In addition, other forms of leisure such as sporting events and participation in other competing indoor and outdoor recreational activities are available to potential guests.

RockResorts hotels, our other hotels and our property management business compete with numerous other hotel and property management companies that may have greater financial resources than we do and they may be able to adapt more quickly to changes in customer requirements or devote greater resources to promotion of their offerings than us.

The high fixed cost structure of mountain resort operations can result in significantly lower margins if revenues decline. The cost structure of our mountain resort operations has a significant fixed component with variable expenses including, but not limited to, land use permit or lease fees and other resort related fees; credit card fees; retail/rental cost of sales; labor; and resort, dining and ski school operations. Any material declines in the economy, elevated geopolitical uncertainties and/or significant changes in historical snowfall patterns, as well as other risk factors discussed herein, could adversely affect revenue. As such, our margins, profits and cash flows may be materially reduced due to declines in revenue given our relatively high fixed cost structure. In addition, increases in wages and other labor costs, energy, healthcare, insurance, transportation and fuel, property taxes, minimum lease payments and other expenses included in our fixed cost structure may also reduce our margin, profits and cash flows.

We may not be able to fund resort capital expenditures. We regularly expend capital to construct, maintain and renovate our mountain resorts and properties in order to remain competitive, maintain the value and brand standards of our mountain resorts and properties and comply with applicable laws and regulations. We cannot always predict where capital will need to be expended in a given fiscal year and capital expenditures can increase due to forces beyond our control. We currently anticipate we will spend approximately \$139 million to \$143 million on resort capital expenditures during calendar year 2019, excluding one-time items associated with integrations, the one-time Triple Peaks and Stevens Pass transformation plan, real estate related capital and reimbursable investments. We expect that our total calendar year 2019 capital plan will be approximately \$190 million to \$195 million, which includes \$18 million of reimbursable investments associated with insurance recoveries and tenant improvements; \$14 million in the first phase of a two-year, \$35 million investment program for these newly acquired resorts, \$7 million in capital for the integration of Falls Creek and Hotham. The calendar year 2019 capital plan also includes \$3 million of investment related to our sustainability commitment focused on energy efficiency opportunities in snowmaking as well as other electrical and lighting applications. Our ability to fund capital expenditures will depend on our ability to generate sufficient cash flow from operations and/or to borrow from third parties in the debt or equity markets. We cannot provide assurances that our operations will be able to generate sufficient cash flow to fund such costs, or that we will be able to obtain sufficient financing on adequate terms, or at all. Our ability to generate cash flow and to obtain third-party financing will depend upon many factors, including:

- our future operating performance;
- general economic conditions and economic conditions affecting the resort industry, the ski industry and the capital markets;
- competition; and
- legislative and regulatory matters affecting our operations and business:

Any inability to generate sufficient cash flows from operations or to obtain adequate third-party financing could cause us to delay or abandon certain projects and/or plans.

A disruption in our water supply would impact our snowmaking capabilities and operations Our operations are heavily dependent upon our access to adequate supplies of water for snowmaking and to otherwise conduct our operations. Our mountain resorts are subject to federal, state, provincial and local laws and regulations relating to water rights. Changes in these laws and regulations may adversely affect our operations. In addition, a severe and prolonged drought may adversely affect our water supply and increase the cost of snowmaking. A significant change in law or policy, impact from climate change or any other interference with our access to adequate supplies of water to support our current operations or an expansion of our operations would have a material adverse effect on our business, prospects, financial position, results of operations and cash flows.

We rely on various government permits and landlord approvals at our U.S. resorts. Our U.S. resort operations require permits and approvals from certain federal, state and local authorities, including the Forest Service, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, the States of Vermont and New Hampshire and NPS. Virtually all of our ski trails and related activities, including our current and proposed comprehensive summer activities plan, at Vail Mountain, Breckenridge, Keystone, Crested Butte, Stevens Pass, Heavenly, Kirkwood, and a majority of Beaver Creek are located on National Forest land. The Forest Service has granted us permits to use these lands, but maintains the right to review and approve many operational matters, as well as the location, design and construction of improvements in these areas. Currently, our permits expire on the following dates:

Forest Service Resort	<b>Expiration Date</b>
Breckenridge	December 31, 2029
Vail Mountain	December 1, 2031
Keystone	December 31, 2032
Beaver Creek	November 8, 2039
Crested Butte	September 27, 2058
Stevens Pass	August 15, 2058
Heavenly	May 1, 2042
Kirkwood	March 1, 2052

The Forest Service can terminate or amend these permits if, in its opinion, such termination is required in the public interest. A termination or amendment of any of our permits could have a materially adverse effect on our business and operations. In order to undertake improvements and new development, we must apply for permits and other approvals. These efforts, if unsuccessful, could impact our expansion efforts. Furthermore, Congress may materially increase the fees we pay to the Forest Service for use of these National Forest lands. Stowe and Okemo are partially located on land we lease from the State of Vermont, and Mount Sunapee is located on land we lease from the State of New Hampshire. We are required to seek approval from such states for certain developments and improvements made to the resort. Our Northstar and Park City resorts are conducted pursuant to long-term leases with third parties who require us to operate the resorts in accordance with the terms of the leases and seek certain approvals from the respective landlords for improvements made to the resorts. The initial lease term for Northstar with affiliates of EPR Properties expires in January 2027 and allows for three 10-year renewal options. We entered into a transaction agreement, master lease agreement and ancillary transaction documents with affiliate companies of Talisker Corporation ("Talisker"), and the initial lease term for our Park City resort with Talisker expires in May 2063 and allows for six 50-year renewal options. Additionally, GTLC and Flagg Ranch operate under concessionaire agreements with the NPS that expire on December 31, 2021 and October 31, 2026, respectively. There is no guarantee that at the end of the initial lease/license or agreements under which we operate our resorts we will renew or, if desired, be able to negotiate new terms that are favorable to us. Additionally, our resorts that operate on privately-owned land are subject to local land use regulation and oversight by county and/or town government and may no

We rely on foreign government leases and landlord approvals, and are subject to certain related laws and regulations, at our international resorts. Our international resort operations require permits and approvals from certain foreign authorities, including the Province of British Columbia and the New South Wales and Victoria, Australia governments. Our operations at Whistler Blackcomb are located on Crown Land within the traditional territory of the Squamish and Lil'wat Nations, and the operations and future development of both Whistler Mountain and Blackcomb Mountain are governed by Master Development Agreements, which expire on February 23, 2077. We have a lease and a license for Perisher within the Kosciusko National Park which expires in June 2048, with an option to renew for an additional period of 20 years. Perisher relies on a suite of planning approvals (and existing use rights) granted under the Australian EPA Act to operate the resort. Strategic planning documents have been adopted to provide a framework for the assessment and approval of future development at the resort. Perisher also holds a number of environmental approvals to regulate its operations, including an environment protection license and a suite of dangerous goods licenses related to the storage of diesel, heating oil and propane in storage tanks across the resort. Each of Falls Creek and a majority of Hotham is located in the Alpine National Park in Victoria, Australia that is permanently reserved under the Crown Land Act and subject to the ARM Act. The ARM Act established the Falls Creek RMB and the Hotham RMB, which is responsible for the management and collection of fees from Falls Creek and Hotham, respectively, including the authority to (i) declare the snow season, (ii) temporarily close the applicable resort if entry would be a significant danger to public safety, and (iii) determine which portions of the applicable resort are open to the public and the activities that are permitted

on those portions of such resort. There is no guarantee that at the end of the initial lease/license or agreements under which we operate our resorts we will renew or, if desired, be able to negotiate new terms that are favorable to us. Failure to comply with the provisions, obligations and terms (including renewal requirements and deadlines) of our material permits and leases could adversely impact our operating results.

We are subject to extensive environmental and health and safety laws and regulations in the ordinary course of business. Our operations are subject to a variety of federal, state, local and foreign environmental laws and regulations including those relating to air emissions, discharges to water, storage, treatment and disposal of wastes and other liquids, land use, remediation of contaminated sites, protection of natural resources such as wetlands and sustainable visitor or tourist use and enjoyment. For example, future expansions of certain of our mountain facilities must comply with applicable forest plans approved under the National Forest Management Act, federal, state and foreign wildlife protection laws or local zoning requirements, and in Vermont, our operations must comply with Act 250, which regulates the impacts of development to, among other things, waterways, air, wildlife and earth resources, and any projects must be completed pursuant to a Master Plan. In addition, most projects to improve, upgrade or expand our ski areas are subject to environmental review under the NEPA, FRPA, Act 250, the CEQA, the Australian NPW Act, the Australian EPA Act or the Australian EP Act, as applicable. The NEPA and CEQA require the Forest Service, or other governmental entities, to study any proposal for potential environmental impacts and include various alternatives in its analysis. Our ski area improvement proposals may not be approved or may be approved with modifications that substantially increase the cost or decrease the desirability of implementing the project. Our facilities are subject to risks associated with mold and other indoor building contaminants. From time to time our operations are subject to inspections by environmental regulators or other regulatory agencies. We are also subject to worker health and safety requirements. We believe our operations are in substantial compliance with applicable material environmental, health and safety requirements. However, our efforts to comply do not eliminate the risk that we may be held liable, incur fines or be subject to claims for damages, and that the amount of any liability, fines, damages or remediation costs may be material for, among other things, the presence or release of regulated materials at, on or emanating from properties we now or formerly owned or operated, newly discovered environmental impacts or contamination at or from any of our properties, or changes in environmental laws and regulations or their enforcement.

Changes in security and privacy laws and regulations could increase our operating costs, increase our exposure to fines and litigation, and adversely affect our ability to market our products, properties and services effectively. The information, security, and privacy requirements imposed by applicable laws and governmental regulation and the requirements of the payment card industry are increasingly demanding in the U.S. and other jurisdictions where we operate. Maintaining compliance with applicable security and privacy regulations may increase our operating costs or our exposure to potential fines and litigation in connection with the enforcement of such regulations, or otherwise impact our ability to market our products, properties and services to our guests. Additionally, we rely on a variety of direct marketing techniques, including email marketing, online advertising, and postal mailings. Changes in U.S. or international law affecting marketing, solicitation or privacy, could adversely affect our marketing activities and force changes in our marketing strategy or increase the costs of marketing.

We rely on information technology to operate our businesses and maintain our competitiveness, and any failure to adapt to technological developments or industry trends could harm our business or competitive position. We depend on the use of sophisticated information technology and systems for central reservations, point of sale, marketing, customer relationship management and communication, procurement, maintaining the privacy of guest and employee data, administration and technologies we make available to our guests. We must continuously improve and upgrade our systems and infrastructure to offer enhanced products, services, features and functionality, while maintaining the reliability and integrity of our systems, network security and infrastructure. Our future success also depends on our ability to adapt our infrastructure to meet rapidly evolving consumer trends and demands and to respond to competitive service and product offerings. In addition, we may not be able to maintain our existing systems or replace or introduce new technologies and systems as quickly as we would like or in a cost-effective manner. Delays or difficulties implementing new or enhanced systems may keep us from achieving the desired results in a timely manner, to the extent anticipated, or at all. Any interruptions, outages or delays in our systems, or deterioration in their performance, could impair our ability to process transactions and could decrease the quality of service we offer to our guests. Also, we may be unable to devote adequate financial resources to new technologies and systems in the future. If any of these events occur, our business and financial performance could suffer.

We depend on a seasonal workforce. Our mountain and lodging operations are highly dependent on a large seasonal workforce. We recruit year-round to fill thousands of seasonal staffing needs each season and work to manage seasonal wages and the timing of the hiring process to ensure the appropriate workforce is in place. Furthermore, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to recruit and hire adequate seasonal personnel as the business requires. Immigration law reform could also impact our workforce because we recruit and hire foreign nationals as part of our seasonal workforce. Increased seasonal wages or an inadequate workforce could have an adverse impact on our results of operations.

We are subject to risks associated with our workforce, including increased labor costs. We are subject to various federal, state and foreign laws governing matters such as minimum wage requirements, overtime compensation and other working conditions, work authorization requirements, discrimination and family and medical leave. Labor costs and labor-related benefits are primary components in the cost of our operations. Labor shortages, affordable employee housing shortages and increased employee turnover and health care mandates could also increase our labor costs and labor-related benefits. As minimum wage rates increase, including further potential federal and state legislative changes to the minimum wage rate, we may need to increase not only the wages of our minimum wage employees but also the wages paid to employees at wage rates that are above the minimum wage. From time to time, we have also experienced non-union employees attempting to unionize. While only a very small portion of our employees are unionized at present, we may experience additional union activity in the future, which could lead to disruptions in our business, increases in our operating costs and/or constraints on our operating flexibility. These potential labor impacts could adversely impact our results of operations.

If we do not retain our key personnel, our business may suffer. The success of our business is heavily dependent on the leadership of key management personnel, including our senior executive officers. If any of these persons were to leave, it could be difficult to replace them, and our business could be harmed. We do not maintain "key-man" life insurance on any of our employees.

We are subject to litigation in the ordinary course of business. We are, from time to time, subject to various asserted or unasserted legal proceedings and claims. Any such claims, regardless of merit, could be time consuming and expensive to defend and could divert management's attention and resources. While we believe we have adequate insurance coverage and/or accrue for loss contingencies for all known matters that are probable and can be reasonably estimated, we cannot assure you that the outcome of all current or future litigation will not have a material adverse effect on us and our results of operations.

Our business depends on the quality and reputation of our brands, and any deterioration in the quality or reputation of these brands could have an adverse impact on our business. A negative public image or other adverse events could affect the reputation of one or more of our mountain resorts, other destination resorts, hotel properties and other businesses or more generally impact the reputation of our brands. If the reputation or perceived quality of our brands declines, our market share, reputation, business, financial condition or results of operations could be adversely impacted. Additionally, our intellectual property, including our trademarks, domain names and other proprietary rights, constitutes a significant part of our value. Any misappropriation, infringement or violation of our intellectual property rights could also diminish the value of our brands and their market acceptance, competitive advantages or goodwill, which could adversely affect our business.

There is a risk of accidents occurring at our mountain resorts or competing mountain resorts which may reduce visitation and negatively impact our operations. Our ability to attract and retain guests depends, in part, upon the external perceptions of the Company, the quality and safety of our resorts, services and activities, including summer activities, and our corporate and management integrity. While we maintain and promote an on-mountain safety program, there are inherent risks associated with our resort activities. An accident or an injury at any of our resorts or at resorts operated by competitors, particularly an accident or injury involving the safety of guests and employees that receives media attention, could negatively impact our brand or reputation, cause loss of consumer confidence in us, reduce visitation at our resorts, and negatively impact our results of operations. The considerable expansion in the use of social media over recent years has compounded the impact of negative publicity. If any such incident occurs during a time of high seasonal demand, the effect could disproportionately impact our results of operations.

Our acquisitions, including Hotham, Falls Creek or Peak Resorts, might not be successful. We have acquired, and may continue to acquire, certain mountain resorts, hotel properties and other businesses complementary to our own, as well as developable land in proximity to our resorts. Acquisitions are complex to evaluate, execute and integrate. We cannot ensure that we will be able to accurately evaluate or successfully integrate and manage acquired mountain resorts, properties and businesses and increase our profits from these operations. We continually evaluate potential acquisitions both domestically and internationally and intend to actively pursue acquisition opportunities, some of which could be significant. As a result, we face various risks from acquisitions, including:

- our evaluation of the synergies and/or long-term benefits of an acquired business;
- our inability to integrate acquired businesses into our operations as planned;
- diversion of our management's attention;
- increased expenditures (including legal, accounting and due diligence expenses, higher administrative costs to support the acquired entities, information technology, personnel and other integration expenses);
- potential increased debt
  - leverage;
- · potential issuance of dilutive equity
- securities;
- litigation arising from acquisition activity;
- · potential goodwill or other intangible asset impairments; and

 unanticipated problems or liabilities.

In addition, we run the risk that any new acquisitions may fail to perform in accordance with expectations, and that estimates of the costs of improvements and integration for such properties may prove inaccurate.

We have recently acquired companies that were not subject to rules and regulations promulgated under the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, as amended ("Sarbanes-Oxley"), and, therefore, they may lack the internal controls of a U.S. public company, which could ultimately affect our ability to ensure compliance with the requirements of Section 404 of Sarbanes-Oxley. We have recently acquired companies that were not previously subject to the rules and regulations promulgated under Sarbanes-Oxley and accordingly were not required to establish and maintain an internal control infrastructure meeting the standards promulgated under Sarbanes-Oxley. Our assessment of and conclusion on the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting as of July 31, 2019 did not include certain elements of the internal controls of Stevens Pass, Triple Peaks, Hotham and Falls Creek, all of which were acquired during our fiscal year ended July 31, 2019.

Although our management will continue to review and evaluate the effectiveness of our internal controls in light of these acquisitions, we cannot provide any assurances that there will be no significant deficiencies or material weaknesses in our internal control over financial reporting. Any significant deficiencies or material weaknesses in the internal control structure of our acquired businesses may cause significant deficiencies or material weaknesses in our internal control over financial reporting, which could have a material adverse effect on our business and our ability to comply with Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act.

Our international operations subject us to additional risks. As a result of the acquisitions of Perisher, Whistler Blackcomb, Hotham and Falls Creek, and potential future international acquisitions, we have increased our operations outside of the United States. We are accordingly subject to a number of risks relating to doing business internationally, any of which could significantly harm our business. These risks include:

- restriction on the transfer of funds to and from foreign countries, including potentially negative tax consequences;
- currency exchange rates;
- increased exposure to general market and economic conditions outside the United States:
- additional political risk:
- compliance with international laws and regulations (including anti-corruption regulations, such as the U.S. Foreign Corrupt Practices
  Act):
- data security; and
- · foreign tax treaties and policies.

Exchange rate fluctuations could result in significant foreign currency gains and losses and affect our business results. We are exposed to currency translation risk because the results of Whistler Blackcomb, Hotham, Falls Creek and Perisher are reported in their local currencies, which we then translate to U.S. dollars for inclusion in our consolidated financial statements. As a result, changes in foreign exchange rates, in particular between the Canadian dollar, Australian dollar and the U.S. dollar, affect the amounts we record for our foreign assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses, and could have a negative effect on our financial results. We currently do not enter into hedging arrangements to minimize the impact of foreign currency fluctuations. We expect that our exposure to foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations will increase as Whistler Blackcomb, Hotham, Falls Creek and Perisher grow and if we acquire other international resorts.

We are subject to accounting and tax regulations and use certain estimates and judgments that may differ significantly from actual results, including adverse determinations by tax authorities. Implementation of existing and future legislation, rulings, standards and interpretations from the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") or other regulatory bodies could affect the presentation of our financial statements and related disclosures. Future regulatory requirements could significantly change our current accounting practices and disclosures. Such changes in the presentation of our financial statements and related disclosures could change an investor's interpretation or perception of our financial position and results of operations.

We use many methods, estimates and judgments in applying our accounting policies (see "Critical Accounting Policies" in Item 7 of this Form 10-K). Such methods, estimates and judgments are, by their nature, subject to substantial risks, uncertainties and assumptions, and factors may arise over time that lead us to change our methods, estimates and judgments. Changes in those methods, estimates and judgments could significantly affect our results of operations.

We are subject to income and other taxes in the United States and in multiple foreign jurisdictions. Due to economic and political conditions, tax rates in various jurisdictions may be subject to significant change. Our effective tax rates could be affected by changes in the mix of earnings in countries with differing statutory tax rates, changes in the valuation of deferred tax assets and liabilities, or changes in tax laws or their interpretation. For example, the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (the "Tax Act") was enacted on December 22, 2017 and resulted in broad and significantly complex changes that impacted the corporate tax rate, our deferred

income taxes and the taxation of our foreign earnings. The comprehensive impact of the Tax Act is subject to future guidance and interpretations by the U.S. Treasury Department, the Internal Revenue Service and other standard-setting bodies, which could impact our effective tax rate and may have adverse or uncertain effects on our business and financial condition.

We are also subject to the examination of tax returns and other tax matters by the Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") and other tax authorities and governmental bodies. We regularly assesses the likelihood of an adverse outcome resulting from these examinations to determine the adequacy of our provision for taxes. There can be no assurance as to the outcome of these examinations. If our effective tax rates were to increase or if the ultimate determination of our taxes owed is for an amount in excess of amounts previously accrued, our financial condition, operating results and cash flows could be adversely affected.

# Risks Relating to Our Capital Structure

Our stock price is highly volatile. The market price of our stock is highly volatile and subject to wide fluctuations in response to factors such as the following, some of which are beyond our control:

- quarterly variations in our operating
- operating results that vary from the expectations of securities analysts and investors:
- change in valuations, including our real estate held for sale:
- · changes in the overall travel, gaming, hospitality and leisure industries;
- changes in expectations as to our future financial performance, including financial estimates by securities analysts and investors or such guidance provided by us;
- announcements by us or companies in the travel, gaming, hospitality and leisure industries of significant contracts, acquisitions, dispositions, strategic partnerships, joint ventures, capital commitments, plans, prospects, service offerings or operating results;
- additions or departures of key personnel;
- future sales of our
  - securities;
- trading and volume fluctuations;
- other risk factors as discussed herein;
  - and
- · other unforeseen events

Stock markets in the U.S. have often experienced extreme price and volume fluctuations. Market fluctuations, as well as general political and economic conditions including acts of terrorism, military conflicts, prolonged economic uncertainty, a recession or interest rate or currency rate fluctuations, could adversely affect the market price of our stock.

We cannot provide assurance that we will continue to increase dividend payments and/or pay dividends. In fiscal 2011, our Board of Directors approved the commencement of a regular quarterly cash dividend on our common stock at an annual rate of \$0.60 per share, subject to quarterly declaration. Since the initial commencement of a regular quarterly cash dividend, our Board of Directors has annually approved an increase to our cash dividend on our common stock. On March 7, 2019, our Board of Directors approved an increase to our quarterly cash dividend to \$1.76 per share, subject to quarterly declaration. This dividend is anticipated to be funded through cash flow from operations, available cash on hand and borrowings under the revolver portion of the Eighth Amended and Restated Credit Agreement ("Vail Holdings Credit Agreement"). Although we anticipate paying regular quarterly dividends on our common stock for the foreseeable future, the declaration of dividends is subject to the discretion of our Board of Directors, and is limited by applicable state law concepts of available funds for distribution, as well as contractual restrictions. As a result, the amount, if any, of the dividends to be paid in the future will depend upon a number of factors, including our available cash on hand, anticipated cash needs, overall financial condition, restrictions contained in our senior credit facility, the Vail Holdings Credit Agreement, any future contractual restrictions, future prospects for earnings and cash flows, as well as other factors considered relevant by our Board of Directors. In addition, our Board of Directors may also suspend the payment of dividends at any time if it deems such action to be in the best interests of the Company and its stockholders. If we do not pay dividends, the price of our common stock must appreciate for investors to realize a gain on their investment in Vail Resorts, Inc. This appreciation may not occur and our stock may in fact depreciate in value.

Anti-takeover provisions affecting us could prevent or delay a change of control that is beneficial to our stockholders. Provisions of our certificate of incorporation and bylaws, provisions of our debt instruments and other agreements and provisions of applicable Delaware law and applicable federal and state regulations may discourage, delay or prevent a merger or other change of control that holders of our securities may consider favorable. These provisions could:

- delay, defer or prevent a change in control of our Company:
- discourage bids for our securities at a premium over the market price;
- adversely affect the market price of, and the voting and other rights of the holders of our securities;

 impede the ability of the holders of our securities to change our management.

Our indebtedness could adversely affect our financial health and prevent us from fulfilling our obligations. As of July 31, 2019, we had \$1,580.1 million of outstanding indebtedness, which includes \$340.3 million for the Canyons Lease obligation. This amount also consisted of \$914.4 million of borrowings from the term loan facility under the Vail Holdings Credit Agreement, \$208.0 million of borrowings under the revolver portion of the Vail Holdings Credit Agreement, and \$45.5 million of borrowings under Whistler Blackcomb's credit facility. In August 2018, we entered into our Eighth Amended and Restated Credit Agreement and increased the term loan facility by approximately \$265.6 million, of which \$70.0 million was borrowed on August 15, 2018 in connection with the closing of the Stevens Pass acquisition with the remainder borrowed on September 27, 2018 in connection with the closing of the Triple Peaks acquisition. In April 2019, we entered into a First Amendment to our Eighth Amended and Restated Credit Agreement and increased the revolving loan facility to \$500.0 million. Additionally, on September 23, 2019, we entered into a Second Amendment to our Eighth Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, which increased the term loan facility by approximately \$335.6 million in connection with the closing of the Peak Resorts acquisition and to prepay certain portions of the debt assumed in connection with acquisition. Our borrowings under the Vail Holdings Credit Agreement are subject to interest rate changes substantially increasing our risk to changes in interest rates. Borrowings under the Vail Holdings Credit Agreement, including the term loan facility, currently bear interest at a rate of LIBOR plus 1.25% on an annual basis. Interest rate margins may fluctuate based upon the ratio of our Net Funded Debt to Adjusted EBITDA on a trailing four-quarter basis. We also have, on a cumulative basis, minimum lease payment obligations could have important consequences. For example, it could:

- make it more difficult for us to satisfy our obligations;
- increase our vulnerability to general adverse economic and industry conditions:
- require us to dedicate a substantial portion of our cash flow from operations to payments on our indebtedness, including the annual payments under the Canyons lease, thereby reducing the availability of our cash flow to fund working capital, capital expenditures, real estate developments, marketing efforts and other general corporate purposes;
- limit our flexibility in planning for, or reacting to, changes in our business and the industry in which we
  operate;
- place us at a competitive disadvantage compared to our competitors that have less debt;
- limit our ability to borrow additional funds.

We may be able to incur substantial additional indebtedness in the future. The terms of our senior credit facility do not fully prohibit us from doing so. If we incur additional debt, the related risks that we face could intensify.

Restrictions imposed by the terms of our indebtedness may prevent or limit our future business plans. The operating and financial restrictions and covenants in our credit agreements may adversely affect our ability to finance future operations or capital needs or to engage in other business activities and strategic initiatives that may be in our long-term best interests. For example, the credit agreements contain a number of restrictive covenants that impose significant operating and financial restrictions on us, including restrictions on our ability to, among other things:

- incur additional debt or sell preferred stock:
- pay dividends, repurchase our stock and make other restricted payments;
- create liens;
- make certain types of investments;
- engage in sales of assets and subsidiary stock;
- enter into sales-leaseback transactions;
- enter into transactions with affiliates;
- issue guarantees of debt;
- transfer all or substantially all of our assets or enter into merger or consolidation transactions;
- make capital expenditures.

In addition, there can be no assurance that we will meet the financial covenants contained in our credit agreements. If we breach any of these restrictions or covenants, or suffer a material adverse change which restricts our borrowing ability under our senior credit facility, we would not be able to borrow funds thereunder without a waiver. Any inability to borrow could have an adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations. In addition, a breach, if uncured, could cause a default under the senior credit facility and our other debt. Our indebtedness may then become immediately due and payable. We may not have or be able to obtain sufficient funds to make these accelerated payments.

We cannot guarantee that we will repurchase our common stock pursuant to our share repurchase program or that our share repurchase program will enhance long-term stockholder value. Share repurchases could also increase the volatility of the price of our common stock and could diminish our cash reserves. In March 2006, our Board of Directors approved a share repurchase program, authorizing the Company to repurchase up to 3,000,000 shares of common stock. In July 2008, the Board of Directors increased the authorization by an additional 1,500,000 shares for a total authorization to repurchase shares of up to 7,500,000 shares. Since inception of its share repurchase program through July 31, 2019, the Company has repurchased 5,904,723 shares at a cost of approximately \$358.0 million. As of July 31, 2019, 1,595,277 shares remained available to repurchase under the existing share repurchase program which has no expiration date.

Although our Board of Directors has approved a share repurchase program, the share repurchase program does not obligate us to repurchase any specific dollar amount or to acquire any specific number of shares. The timing and amount of repurchases, if any, will depend upon several factors, including market and business conditions, the trading price of our common stock and the nature of other investment opportunities. The repurchase program may be limited, suspended or discontinued at any time without prior notice. In addition, repurchases of our common stock pursuant to our share repurchase program could cause our stock price to be higher than it would be in the absence of such a program and could potentially reduce the market liquidity for our stock. Additionally, our share repurchase program could diminish our cash reserves, which may impact our ability to finance future growth and to pursue possible future strategic opportunities and acquisitions. There can be no assurance that any share repurchases will enhance stockholder value because the market price of our common stock may decline below levels at which we repurchased shares of stock. Although our share repurchase program is intended to enhance long-term stockholder value, there is no assurance that it will do so and short-term stock price fluctuations could reduce the program's effectiveness.

# ITEM 1B. UNRESOLVED STAFF COMMENTS.

None.

#### ITEM 2. PROPERTIES.

The following table sets forth the principal properties that we own or lease for use in our operations:

Location	Ownership	Use
Afton Alps, MN	Owned	Ski resort operations, including ski lifts, ski trails, golf course, clubhouse, buildings, commercial space and other improvements
Arrowhead Mountain, CO	Owned	Ski resort operations, including ski lifts, ski trails, buildings and other improvements, property management and commercial space
BC Housing RiverEdge, CO	26% Owned	Employee housing facilities
Bachelor Gulch Village, CO	Owned	Ski resort operations, including ski lifts, ski trails, buildings and other improvements, property management and commercial space
Beaver Creek Resort, CO	Owned	Ski resort operations, including ski lifts, ski trails, buildings and other improvements, property management, commercial space and real estate held for sale or development
Beaver Creek Mountain, CO (3,849 acres)	SUP	Ski trails, ski lifts, buildings and other improvements
Beaver Creek Mountain Resort, CO	Owned	Golf course, clubhouse, commercial space and residential condominium units
Breckenridge Ski Resort, CO	Owned	Ski resort operations, including ski lifts, ski trails, buildings and other improvements, property management, commercial space and real estate held for sale or development
Breckenridge Mountain, CO (5,702 acres)	SUP	Ski trails, ski lifts, buildings and other improvements
Breckenridge Terrace, CO	50% Owned	Employee housing facilities
Broomfield, CO	Leased	Corporate offices
Colter Bay Village, WY	Concessionaire contrac	t Lodging and dining facilities
Crested Butte Mountain Resort, CO	Owned	Buildings, other improvements and land used for operation of Crested Butte Mountain Resort

Location	Ownership	Use			
Crested Butte Mountain Resort, CO (4,350 acres)	SUP	Ski trails, ski lifts, buildings and other improvements			
Double Tree by Hilton Breckenridge, CO	Owned	Lodging, dining and conference facilities			
Eagle-Vail, CO	Owned	Warehouse facility			
Edwards, CO	Leased	Administrative offices			
Falls Creek Alpine Resort, Victoria, Australia (1,112 acres)	Leased	Ski resort operations, including ski lifts, ski trails, buildings and other improvements			
Headwaters Lodge & Cabins at Flagg Ranch, WY	Concessionaire cor	ntract Lodging and dining facilities			
Heavenly Mountain Resort, CA & NV	Owned	Ski resort operations, including ski lifts, ski trails, buildings and other improvements and commercial space			
Heavenly Mountain, CA & NV (7,050 acres)	SUP	Ski trails, ski lifts, buildings and other improvements			
Hotham Alpine Resort, Victoria, Australia (791 acres)	Leased	Ski resort operations, including ski lifts, ski trails, buildings and other improvements			
Hotham Airport, Victoria, Australia	Owned	Regional airport			
Jackson Hole Golf & Tennis Club, WY	Owned	Golf course, clubhouse, tennis and dining facilities			
Jackson Lake Lodge, WY	Concessionaire cor	ntract Lodging, dining and conference facilities			
Jenny Lake Lodge, WY	Concessionaire cor	ntract Lodging and dining facilities			
Keystone Conference Center, CO	Owned	Conference facility			
Keystone Lodge, CO	Owned	Lodging, spa, dining and conference facilities			
Keystone Resort, CO	Owned	Ski resort operations, including ski lifts, ski trails, buildings and other improvements, commercial space, property management, dining and real estate held for sale or development			
Keystone Mountain, CO (8,376 acres)	SUP	Ski trails, ski lifts, buildings and other improvements			
Keystone Ranch, CO	Owned	Golf course, clubhouse and dining facilities			
Kirkwood Mountain Resort, CA	Owned	Ski resort operations, including ski lifts, ski trails, buildings and other improvements, property management and commercial space			
Kirkwood Mountain, CA (2,330 acres)	SUP	Ski trails, ski lifts, buildings and other improvements			
Mount Sunapee Resort, NH (850 acres)	Leased	Ski resort operations, including ski lifts, ski trails, buildings and other improvements and commercial space			
Mt. Brighton, MI	Owned	Ski resort operations, including ski lifts, ski trails, golf course, clubhouse buildings, commercial space and other improvements			
Mt. Mansfield, VT (approximately 1,400 acres)	Leased	Ski trails, ski lifts, buildings and other improvements used for operation of Stowe Mountain Resort			
Northstar California Resort, CA (7,200 acres)	Leased (1)	Ski trails, ski lifts, golf course, commercial space, dining facilities, buildings and other improvements			
Northstar Village, CA	Leased (1)	Commercial space, ski resort operations, dining facilities, buildings, property management and other improvements			
Okemo Mountain Resort, VT	Owned	Ski resort operations, including ski lifts, ski trails, buildings and other improvements, property management and commercial space			
Okemo Mountain, VT (1,223 acres)	Leased	Ski resort operations, including ski lifts, ski trails, dining facilities, buildings and other improvements			
Okemo Valley Golf Club, VT	Owned	Golf course, dining facilities and commercial space			
Park City Mountain, UT (8,900 acres)	Leased <sup>(2)</sup>	Ski resort operations including ski lifts, ski trails, buildings, commercial space, dining facilities, property management, conference facilities and other improvements (including areas previously referred to as Canyons Resort, UT)			
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Location	Ownership	Use
Park City Mountain, UT (220 acres)	Owned	Ski trails, ski lifts, dining facilities, commercial space, buildings, real estate held for sale or development and other improvements
Perisher Ski Resort, NSW, Australia (3,335 acres)	Owned/Leased/Licensed	Ski trails, ski lifts, dining facilities, commercial space, railway, buildings, lodging, conference facilities and other improvements
Red Cliffs Lodge, CA	Leased	Dining facilities, ski resort operations, commercial space, administrative offices
Red Sky Ranch, CO	Owned	Golf courses, clubhouses, dining facilities and real estate held for sale or development
River Course at Keystone, CO	Owned	Golf course and clubhouse
Seasons at Avon, CO	Leased/50% Owned	Administrative offices and commercial space
SSI Venture, LLC ("VRR") Properties; CO, CA, NV, UT, MN & BC, Canada	Owned/Leased	Approximately 260 rental and retail stores (of which approximately 125 stores are currently held under lease) for recreational products, and 6 leased warehouses
Ski Tip Lodge, CO	Owned	Lodging and dining facilities
Stevens Pass, WA	Owned	Employee housing and guest parking facilities
Stevens Pass Mountain, WA (2,443 acres)	SUP	Ski trails, ski lifts, buildings and other improvements
Stevens Pass Ski Resort, WA	Owned	Ski resort operations, including ski lifts, ski trails, buildings and other improvements and commercial space
Stowe Mountain Resort, VT	Owned	Ski resort operations, including ski lifts, ski trails, buildings and other improvements and commercial space
Tater Hill Golf Course, VT	Owned	Golf course, clubhouse and dining facilities
The Arrabelle at Vail Square, CO	Owned	Lodging, spa, dining and conference facilities
The Lodge at Vail, CO	Owned	Lodging, spa, dining and conference facilities
The Osprey at Beaver Creek, CO	Owned	Lodging, dining and conference facilities
The Tarnes at Beaver Creek, CO	31% Owned	Employee housing facilities
Tenderfoot Housing, CO	50% Owned	Employee housing facilities
The Pines Lodge at Beaver Creek, CO	Owned	Lodging, dining and conference facilities
The Village Hotel, Breckenridge, CO	Owned	Lodging, dining, conference facilities and commercial space
Vail Mountain, CO	Owned	Ski resort operations, including ski lifts, ski trails, buildings and other improvements, property management, commercial space and real estate held for sale or development
Vail Mountain, CO (12,353 acres)	SUP	Ski trails, ski lifts, buildings and other improvements
Whistler Blackcomb Resort, BC, Canada	75% Owned	Ski resort operations, including ski lifts, ski trails, buildings and other improvements, property management, commercial space and real estate held for sale or development
Whistler Mountain and Blackcomb Mountain, BC, Canada	MDA	Ski resort operations, including ski lifts, ski trails, buildings and other improvements
Whistler Blackcomb Resort, BC, Canada	Leased	Employee housing facilities
Wilmot Mountain, WI	Owned	Ski trails, ski lifts, buildings and other improvements

Many of our properties are used across all segments in complementary and interdependent ways.

<sup>(1)</sup> The operations of Northstar are conducted on land and with operating assets owned by affiliates of EPR Properties under operating leases which were assumed by us. The leases provide for the payment of a minimum annual base rent with periodic increases in base rent over the lease term. In addition, the leases provide for the payment of percentage rent based on a percentage of gross revenues generated at the property over certain thresholds. The initial term of the leases expires in fiscal 2027, and is subject to three 10-year renewal options.

<sup>(2)</sup> The operations of portions of Park City are conducted pursuant to a long-term lease on land and with certain operating assets owned by TCFC LeaseCo, LLC and TCFC PropCo, LLC. The lease provides for the payment of a minimum annual base

rent with periodic increases in base rent over the lease term and participating contingent payments of a percentage of the amount by which EBITDA for resort operations exceeds certain thresholds, also subject to periodic increases over the lease term. The initial term of the lease expires in fiscal 2063 and is subject to six 50-year renewal options. Additionally, in connection with the lease, we entered into certain ancillary agreements with third parties, including leases and easements, allowing for various resort operations.

# ITEM 3. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS.

In May 2016, Kirkwood received a Notice of Violation ("NOV") from the State of California Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (the "Regional Water Board") regarding the disposition of asphalt grindings used in parking lot surfacing in and around Kirkwood Creek. We have cooperated with the Regional Water Board staff and the California Department of Fish and Wildlife ("CDFW") to satisfactorily resolve the matters identified in the NOV.

On December 13, 2017, Kirkwood entered into a Settlement Agreement and Stipulation for Entry of Administrative Liability Order ("Stipulated Order") with the Regional Water Board and CDFW. Under the Stipulated Order, Kirkwood agreed to be responsible for monetary penalties and agency costs totaling approximately \$0.8 million, of which approximately half will be fulfilled by a supplemental environmental project run by the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation. All of these amounts have been paid by third-party insurance. The remaining remediation work required by the Stipulated Order and requested by the agencies should be completed in calendar year 2019, depending on permits and weather conditions.

We do not expect the resolution of the above item to have a material impact on our results of operations or cash flows.

We are a party to various lawsuits arising in the ordinary course of business. We believe that we have adequate insurance coverage and/or have accrued for all loss contingencies for asserted and unasserted matters and that, although the ultimate outcome of such claims cannot be ascertained, current pending and threatened claims are not expected, individually or in the aggregate, to have a material adverse impact on our financial position, results of operations and cash flows.

#### ITEM 4. MINE SAFETY DISCLOSURES.

Not applicable.

# **PART II**

# ITEM 5. MARKET FOR REGISTRANT'S COMMON EQUITY, RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS AND ISSUER PURCHASES OF EQUITY SECURITIES.

#### Market Information and Dividend Policy

Our common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE") under the symbol "MTN." As of September 23, 2019, 40,285,628 shares of common stock were outstanding, held by approximately 270 holders of record.

The following table sets forth information on the high and low sales prices of our common stock on the NYSE and the quarterly cash dividends declared per share of common stock for each quarterly period for the two most recently completed fiscal years.

	Market Price Per Share				Cash Dividends Declared	
Quarter Ended	High		Low		Per Share	
Fiscal Year 2019						
July 31, 2019	\$ 249.67	\$	209.78	\$	1.76	
April 30, 2019	\$ 229.09	\$	188.31	\$	1.76	
January 31, 2019	\$ 286.40	\$	177.92	\$	1.47	
October 31, 2018	\$ 302.76	\$	228.07	\$	1.47	
Fiscal Year 2018						
July 31, 2018	\$ 291.61	\$	221.56	\$	1.47	
April 30, 2018	\$ 236.23	\$	200.68	\$	1.47	
January 31, 2018	\$ 237.77	\$	204.86	\$	1.053	
October 31, 2017	\$ 232.71	\$	209.80	\$	1.053	

In fiscal 2011, our Board of Directors approved the commencement of a regular quarterly cash dividend on our common stock at an annual rate of \$0.60 per share, subject to quarterly declaration. Since the initial commencement of a regular quarterly cash dividend, our Board of Directors has annually approved an increase to our cash dividend on our common stock and on March 7, 2019, our Board of Directors approved a 20% increase to our quarterly cash dividend to an annual rate of \$7.04 per share, subject to quarterly declaration. This dividend is anticipated to be funded through cash flow from operations, available cash on hand and borrowings under the revolver portion of our Eighth Amended and Restated Credit Agreement (the "Vail Holdings Credit Agreement"). Subject to the discretion of our Board of Directors, applicable law and contractual restrictions, we anticipate paying regular quarterly dividends on our common stock for the foreseeable future. The amount, if any, of the dividends to be paid in the future will depend upon our available cash on hand, anticipated cash needs, overall financial condition, restrictions contained in the Vail Holdings Credit Agreement, future prospects for earnings and cash flows, as well as other factors considered relevant by our Board of Directors.

#### Repurchase of Equity Securities

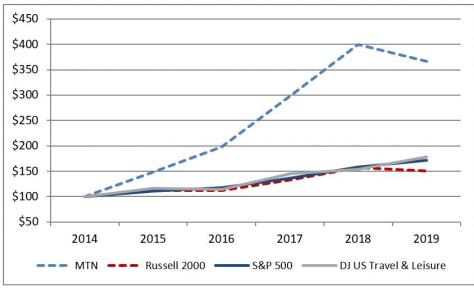
The Company did not repurchase any shares of common stock during the fourth quarter of the year ended July 31, 2019 ("Fiscal 2019"). The share repurchase program is conducted under authorizations made from time to time by our Board of Directors. On March 9, 2006, the Company's Board of Directors approved a share repurchase program, authorizing the Company to repurchase up to 3,000,000 shares of common stock. On July 16, 2008, the Company's Board of Directors increased the authorization by an additional 3,000,000 shares, and on December 4, 2015, the Company's Board of Directors increased the authorization by an additional 1,500,000 shares for a total authorization to repurchase shares of up to 7,500,000 shares. Since inception of this stock repurchase program through July 31, 2019, the Company has repurchased 5,904,723 shares at a cost of approximately \$358.0 million. As of July 31, 2019, 1,595,277 shares remained available to repurchase under the existing repurchase authorization. Repurchases under these authorizations may be made from time to time at prevailing prices as permitted by applicable laws, and subject to market conditions and other factors. These authorizations have no expiration date.

# Performance Graph

The total return graph below is presented for the period from the beginning of our fiscal year ended July 31, 2015 through the end of Fiscal 2019. The comparison assumes that \$100 was invested at the beginning of the period in our common stock ("MTN"),

The Russell 2000 Stock Index, The Standard & Poor's 500 Stock Index and the Dow Jones U.S. Travel and Leisure Stock Index, with dividends reinvested where applicable. We include the Dow Jones U.S. Travel and Leisure Index as we believe we compete in the travel and leisure industry.

The performance graph is not deemed filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") and is not to be incorporated by reference into any of our filings under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Exchange Act, unless such filings specifically incorporate the performance graph by reference therein.



# ITEM 6. SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA.

The following table presents selected historical consolidated financial data derived from our Consolidated Financial Statements for the periods indicated. The financial data for our fiscal years ended and as of July 31, 2015 through July 31, 2019 should be read in conjunction with those Consolidated Financial Statements, related notes thereto and Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations. The table presented below is unaudited. The data presented below is in thousands, except for diluted net income per share attributable to Vail Resorts, Inc., cash dividends declared per share, effective ticket price ("ETP"), average daily rate ("ADR") and revenue per available room ("RevPAR") amounts.

Year Ended July 31,

				Tear Ended bury 51						
		<b>2019</b> (1)		2018 (1)		2017 (1)		2016 (1)		2015 (1)
Statement of Operations Data:										
Total net revenue	\$	2,271,575	\$	2,011,553	\$	1,907,218	\$	1,601,286	\$	1,399,924
Total segment operating expense		1,571,738		1,396,023		1,322,841		1,152,496		1,058,432
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Other operating expense, net		(223,568)		(206,713)		(205,121)		(165,811)		(130,979)
Other expense, net		(77,304)		(68,725)		(30,807)		(40,360)		(61,185)
Income before (provision) benefit from income taxes	\$	398,965	\$	340,092	\$	348,449	\$	242,619	\$	149,328
Net Income and Dividends:										
Net income (2)	\$	323,493	\$	401,230	\$	231,718	\$	149,454	\$	114,610
Net income attributable to Vail Resorts, Inc. (2)	\$	301,163	\$	379,898	\$	210,553	\$	149,754	\$	114,754
Diluted net income per share attributable to Vail Resorts, Inc.(2)	\$	7.32	\$	9.13	\$	5.22	\$	4.01	\$	3.07
Cash dividends declared per share	\$	6.46	\$	5.046	\$	3.726	\$	2.865	\$	2.075
Other Data:										
Mountain										
Skier visits <sup>(3)</sup>		14,998		12,345		12,047		10,032		8,466
ETP (4)	\$	68.89	\$	71.31	\$	67.93	\$	65.59	\$	63.37
Lodging										
$ADR^{(5)}$	\$	300.47	\$	300.90	\$	302.80	\$	280.38	\$	270.84
RevPAR <sup>(6)</sup>	\$	121.81	\$	131.08	\$	127.95	\$	122.61	\$	112.67
Real Estate										
Real estate held for sale and investment(7)	\$	101,021	\$	99,385	\$	103,405	\$	111,088	\$	129,825
Other Balance Sheet Data										
Cash and cash equivalents(8)	\$	108,850	\$	178,145	\$	117,389	\$	67,897	\$	35,459
Total assets (9)	\$	4,426,077	\$	4,064,984	\$	4,110,718	\$	2,482,018	\$	2,487,292
Long-term debt, net (including long-term debt due within one year)	\$	1,576,260	\$	1,272,732	\$	1,272,421	\$	700,263	\$	814,501
Net Debt (10)	\$	1,467,410	\$	1,094,587	\$	1,155,032	\$	632,366	\$	779,042
Total Vail Resorts, Inc. stockholders' equity	\$	1,500,627	\$	1,589,434	\$	1,571,156	\$	874,540	\$	866,568

#### Notes to Selected Financial Data:

- (1) We have made several mountain resort acquisitions during the past five years, which impacts comparability between years, including Falls Creek and Hotham (acquired April 2019); Crested Butte, Mount Sunapee and Okemo (acquired September 2018); Stevens Pass (acquired August 2018); Stowe (acquired June 2017); Whistler Blackcomb (acquired October 2016); Perisher (acquired June 2015) and Park City Mountain Resort (acquired September 2014).
- (2) Net income, net income attributable to Vail Resorts, Inc. and diluted net income per share attributable to Vail Resorts, Inc. were positively impacted during the year ended July 31, 2018 as a result of one-time tax benefits related to comprehensive U.S. tax legislation, which also resulted in a decreased federal U.S. corporate tax rate prospectively from January 1, 2018, and excess tax benefits from employee share award exercises, as discussed subsequently in this document.
- (3) A skier visit represents a person purchasing a ticket or utilizing a pass to access a mountain resort or urban ski area for any part of one day during a winter ski season and includes complimentary access.
- (4) ETP is calculated by dividing lift revenue by total skier visits during the respective periods.
- (5) ADR is calculated by dividing total room revenue (includes both owned room and managed condominium unit revenue) by the number of occupied rooms during the respective periods.
- (6) RevPAR is calculated by dividing total room revenue (includes both owned room and managed condominium unit revenue) by the number of rooms that are available to guests during the respective periods.
- (7) Real estate held for sale and investment includes all land, development costs and other improvements associated with real estate held for sale and investment.
- (8) Cash and cash equivalents exclude restricted cash.

- (9)
- We adopted a new accounting pronouncement as of July 31, 2016, which requires that deferred tax assets and liabilities be classified as noncurrent on the balance sheet. This adoption was applied prospectively and, as such, prior periods have not been adjusted.

  Net Debt, a non-GAAP financial measure, is defined as long-term debt, net plus long-term debt due within one year less cash and cash equivalents. Refer to the end of the Results of Operations section of Item 7. "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" for a reconciliation (10) of Net Debt to long-term debt, net.

# ITEM 7. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS.

The following Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations ("MD&A") should be read in conjunction with the Consolidated Financial Statements and notes related thereto included in this Form 10-K. To the extent that the following MD&A contains statements which are not of a historical nature, such statements are forward-looking statements which involve risks and uncertainties. These risks include, but are not limited to, those discussed in Item 1A, "Risk Factors" in this Form 10-K. The following discussion and analysis should be read in conjunction with the Forward-Looking Statements section and Item 1A, "Risk Factors" each included in this Form 10-K.

The MD&A includes discussion of financial performance within each of our three segments. We have chosen to specifically include Reported EBITDA (defined as segment net revenue less segment operating expense, plus or minus segment equity investment income or loss and for the Real Estate segment, plus gain or loss on sale of real property) and Net Debt (defined as long-term debt, net plus long-term debt due within one year less cash and cash equivalents), in the following discussion because we consider these measurements to be significant indications of our financial performance and available capital resources. Resort Reported EBITDA, Total Reported EBITDA and Net Debt are not measures of financial performance or liquidity defined under generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"). We utilize Reported EBITDA in evaluating our performance and in allocating resources to our segments. We also believe that Net Debt is an important measurement as it is an indicator of our ability to obtain additional capital resources for our future cash needs. Refer to the end of the Results of Operations section for a reconciliation of Reported EBITDA to net income attributable to Vail Resorts, Inc. and Net Debt to long-term debt, net.

Items excluded from Reported EBITDA and Net Debt are significant components in understanding and assessing financial performance or liquidity. Reported EBITDA and Net Debt should not be considered in isolation or as an alternative to, or substitute for, net income, net change in cash and cash equivalents or other financial statement data presented in the Consolidated Financial Statements as indicators of financial performance or liquidity. Because Resort Reported EBITDA, Total Reported EBITDA and Net Debt are not measurements determined in accordance with GAAP and are thus susceptible to varying calculations, Resort Reported EBITDA, Total Reported EBITDA and Net Debt, as presented herein, may not be comparable to other similarly titled measures of other companies. In addition, our segment Reported EBITDA (i.e. Mountain, Lodging and Real Estate), the measure of segment profit or loss required to be disclosed in accordance with GAAP, may not be comparable to other similarly titled measures of other companies.

#### Overview

Our operations are grouped into three integrated and interdependent segments: Mountain, Lodging and Real Estate. We refer to "Resort" as the combination of the Mountain and Lodging segments. The Mountain, Lodging and Real Estate segments represented approximately 86%, 14% and 0%, respectively, of our net revenue for Fiscal 2019.

#### Mountain Segment

The Mountain segment, as of July 31, 2019, was comprised of the operations of seventeen mountain resort properties and three urban ski areas including:

Mountain Resorts:	Location:
1. Vail Mountain Resort ("Vail Mountain")	Colorado
2. Breckenridge Ski Resort ("Breckenridge")	Colorado
3. Keystone Resort ("Keystone")	Colorado
4. Beaver Creek Resort ("Beaver Creek")	Colorado
5. Crested Butte Mountain Resort ("Crested Butte")	Colorado
6. Heavenly Mountain Resort ("Heavenly")	Lake Tahoe area of Nevada and California
7. Northstar Resort ("Northstar")	Lake Tahoe area of California
8. Kirkwood Mountain Resort ("Kirkwood")	Lake Tahoe area of California
9. Mount Sunapee Resort ("Mount Sunapee")	New Hampshire
10. Park City Resort ("Park City")	Utah
11. Stowe Mountain Resort ("Stowe")	Vermont
12. Okemo Mountain Resort ("Okemo")	Vermont
13. Stevens Pass Mountain Resort ("Stevens Pass")	Washington
14. Whistler Blackcomb Resort ("Whistler Blackcomb")	British Columbia, Canada
15. Perisher Ski Resort ("Perisher")	New South Wales, Australia
16. Falls Creek Alpine Resort ("Falls Creek")	Victoria, Australia
17. Hotham Alpine Resort ("Hotham")	Victoria, Australia
Urban Ski Areas:	Location:
1. Afton Alps Ski Area ("Afton Alps")	Minnesota
2. Mount Brighton Ski Area ("Mt. Brighton")	Michigan
3. Wilmot Mountain ("Wilmot")	Wisconsin

Additionally, we operate ancillary services, primarily including ski school, dining and retail/rental operations, and for our Australian resorts, including lodging and transportation operations. Mountain segment revenue is seasonal, with the majority of revenue earned from our North American mountain resorts and ski areas occurring in our second and third fiscal quarters and the majority of revenue earned from our Australian resorts occurring in our first and fourth fiscal quarters. Our North American mountain resorts were open for business for the 2018/2019 ski season primarily from mid-November through mid-April, which is the peak operating season for the Mountain segment. Our single largest source of Mountain segment revenue is the sale of lift tickets (including pass products), which represented approximately 53%, 51% and 51% of Mountain segment net revenue for Fiscal 2019, the fiscal year ended July 31, 2018 ("Fiscal 2018") and the fiscal year ended July 31, 2017 ("Fiscal 2017"), respectively.

Lift revenue is driven by volume and pricing. Pricing is impacted by both absolute pricing, as well as the demographic mix of guests, which impacts the price points at which various products are purchased. The demographic mix of guests that visit our North American mountain resorts is divided into two primary categories: (1) out-of-state and international ("Destination") guests and (2) in-state and local ("Local") guests. For the 2018/2019 North American ski season, Destination guests comprised approximately 57% of our North American mountain resort skier visits, while Local guests comprised approximately 43% of our North American mountain resort skier visits, which compares to approximately 59% and 41%, respectively, for the 2017/2018 North American ski season. Destination guests generally purchase our higher-priced lift ticket products and utilize more ancillarly services such as ski school, dining and retail/rental, as well as lodging at or around our mountain resorts. Destination guest visitation during a ski season is less likely to be impacted by changes in the weather during the current ski season, but may be more impacted by adverse economic conditions, the global geopolitical climate or weather conditions in the immediately preceding ski season. Local guests tend to be more value-oriented and weather sensitive.

We offer a variety of pass products for all of our mountain resorts and ski areas (collectively, "Resorts"), marketed towards both Destination and Local guests. Our pass product offerings range from providing access to one or a combination of our Resorts to our Epic Pass, which allows pass holders unlimited and unrestricted access to all of our Resorts. Additionally, beginning with the 2019/2020 North American ski season, we are offering the Epic Day Pass, a customizable one to seven day pass product, purchased in advance of the season, for those skiers and riders who expect to ski a certain number of days during the season. Our pass program provides a compelling value proposition to our guests, which in turn assists us in developing a loyal base of customers who commit

to ski at our Resorts generally in advance of the ski season and typically ski more days each season at our Resorts than those guests who do not buy pass products. Additionally, we have entered into strategic long-term season pass alliance agreements with third-party mountain resorts including Telluride Ski Resort in Colorado, Sun Valley Resort in Idaho, Snowbasin Resort in Utah, Hakuba Valley and Rusutsu Resort in Japan, Resorts of the Canadian Rockies in Canada, Les 3 Vallées in France, 4 Vallées in Switzerland and Skirama Dolomiti in Italy, which further increases the value proposition of our pass products. As such, our pass program drives strong customer loyalty, mitigates exposure to more weather sensitive guests, generates additional ancillary spending and provides cash flow in advance of winter season operations. In addition, our pass program attracts new guests to our Resorts. All of our pass products, including the Epic Pass and Epic Day Pass, are predominately sold prior to the start of the ski season. Pass product revenue, although primarily collected prior to the ski season, is recognized in the Consolidated Statements of Operations throughout the ski season primarily based on historical visitation (see Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements).

Lift revenue consists of pass product lift revenue ("pass revenue") and non-pass product lift revenue ("non-pass revenue"). Approximately 47%, 47% and 43% of total lift revenue was derived from pass revenue for Fiscal 2019, Fiscal 2018 and Fiscal 2017, respectively.

The cost structure of our mountain resort operations has a significant fixed component with variable expenses including, but not limited to, land use permit or lease fees, credit card fees, retail/rental cost of sales and labor, ski school labor and expenses associated with dining operations. As such, profit margins can fluctuate greatly based on the level of revenues associated with visitation.

### **Lodging Segment**

Operations within the Lodging segment include (i) ownership/management of a group of luxury hotels through the RockResorts brand proximate to our Colorado and Utah mountain resorts; (ii) ownership/management of non-RockResorts branded hotels and condominiums proximate to our North American mountain resorts; (iii) National Park Service ("NPS") concessionaire properties including Grand Teton Lodging Company ("GTLC"); (iv) a Colorado resort ground transportation company and (v) mountain resort golf courses.

The performance of our lodging properties (including managed condominium units and our Colorado resort ground transportation company) proximate to our mountain resorts is closely aligned with the performance of the Mountain segment and generally experiences similar seasonal trends, particularly with respect to visitation by Destination guests. Revenues from such properties represented approximately 70%, 68% and 68% of Lodging segment net revenue (excluding Lodging segment revenue associated with reimbursement of payroll costs) for Fiscal 2019, Fiscal 2018 and Fiscal 2017, respectively. Management primarily focuses on Lodging net revenue excluding payroll cost reimbursements and Lodging operating expense excluding reimbursed payroll costs (which are not measures of financial performance under GAAP) as the reimbursements are made based upon the costs incurred with no added margin; as such, the revenue and corresponding expense have no effect on our Lodging Reported EBITDA, which we use to evaluate Lodging segment performance. Revenue of the Lodging segment during our first and fourth fiscal quarters is generated primarily by the operations of our NPS concessionaire properties (as their operating season generally occurs from June to the end of September); mountain resort golf operations and seasonally lower volume from our other owned and managed properties and businesses.

### Real Estate Segment

The principal activities of our Real Estate segment include the sale of land parcels to third-party developers and planning for future real estate development projects, including zoning and acquisition of applicable permits. We continue undertaking preliminary planning and design work on future projects and are pursuing opportunities with third-party developers rather than undertaking our own significant vertical development projects. Additionally, real estate development projects by third-party developers most often result in the creation of certain resort assets that provide additional benefit to the Mountain segment. We believe that, due to our low carrying cost of real estate land investments, we are well situated to promote future projects by third-party developers while limiting our financial risk. Our revenue from the Real Estate segment and associated expense can fluctuate significantly based upon the timing of closings and the type of real estate being sold, causing volatility in the Real Estate segment's operating results from period to period.

#### Recent Trends, Risks and Uncertainties

We have identified the following significant factors (as well as uncertainties associated with such factors) that could impact our future financial performance:

• The timing and amount of snowfall can have an impact on Mountain and Lodging revenue, particularly with regard to skier visits and the duration and frequency of guest visitation. To help mitigate this impact, we sell a variety of pass products prior to the beginning of the ski season which results in a more stabilized stream of lift revenue. In March

2019, we began our early pass product sales program for the 2019/2020 North American ski season. Through September 22, 2019, North American ski season pass sales increased approximately 14% in units and approximately 15% in sales dollars as compared to the period in the prior year through September 23, 2018, including Military Pass sales in both periods. Pass sales exclude Peak Resorts pass sales in both periods and are adjusted to eliminate the impact of foreign currency by applying an exchange rate of \$0.75 between the Canadian dollar and U.S. dollar in both periods for Whistler Blackcomb pass sales. Excluding sales of Military Passes, season pass sales increased approximately 13% in units and 14% in sales dollars over the comparable prior year period. We cannot predict if this favorable trend will continue for the entire duration of the fall 2019 North American pass sales campaign, nor can we predict the overall impact that pass product sales will have on lift revenue for the 2019/2020 North American ski season

- In Fiscal 2019, our lift revenue was favorably impacted by non-pass price increases at our mountain resorts that were implemented for the 2018/2019 North American ski season. Non-pass prices for the 2019/2020 North American ski season have not yet been finalized; and, as such, there can be no assurances as to the level of price increases, if any, which will occur and the impact that pricing may have on visitation or revenue.
- Our Fiscal 2019 results for our Mountain segment showed improvement over Fiscal 2018 largely due to strong pass sales growth for the 2018/2019 North American ski season, strong growth in visitation and spending at our western U.S. resorts and the incremental operations of Stevens Pass, Triple Peaks and Falls Creek/Hotham (acquired in August 2018, September 2018 and April 2019, respectively). After the challenging early season period for Destination visitation during the 2018/2019 North American ski season, our results for the remainder of the season were largely in line with our original expectations, with strong growth in visitation and spending compared to the prior year, including a strong finish to the season with good conditions across our western U.S. destination resorts. However, we continued experiencing relative weakness in international visitation compared to the prior year, particularly at Whistler Blackcomb. We cannot predict whether our resorts will experience normal snowfall conditions for the upcoming 2019/2020 North American ski season nor can we estimate the impact there may be to advance bookings, guest travel, pass product sales, lift revenue (excluding pass products), retail/rental sales or other ancillary services revenue next ski season as a result of past snowfall conditions.
- Key North American economic indicators have remained steady into calendar year 2019, including strong consumer confidence and declines in the unemployment rate. However, the growth in the North American economy may be impacted by economic challenges in North America or declining or slowing growth in economies outside of North America, accompanied by devaluation of currencies, rising inflation, trade tariffs and fluctuating commodity prices. Given these economic uncertainties, we cannot predict what the impact of the overall North American or global economy will be on overall travel and leisure spending or more specifically, on our guest visitation, guest spending or other related trends for the upcoming 2019/2020 North American ski season.
- As of July 31, 2019, we had \$108.9 million in cash and cash equivalents, as well as \$214.4 million available under the revolver component of the Vail Holdings Credit Agreement (which represents the total commitment of \$500.0 million less outstanding borrowings of \$208.0 million and certain letters of credit outstanding of \$77.6 million). Additionally, we have a credit facility which supports the liquidity needs of Whistler Blackcomb (the "Whistler Credit Agreement"). As of July 31, 2019 we had C\$239.1 million (\$181.2 million) available under the revolver component of the Whistler Credit Agreement (which represents the total commitment of C\$300.0 million (\$227.3 million) less outstanding borrowings of C\$60.0 million (\$45.4 million) and a letter of credit outstanding of C\$0.9 million (\$0.7 million)). On August 15, 2018, we amended our Vail Holdings Credit Agreement in the form of an Eighth Amended and Restated Credit Agreement to provide for an incremental term loan of \$265.6 million, increasing the capacity of the term loan to \$950.0 million, to fund the acquisitions of Stevens Pass and Triple Peaks, as discussed and defined below. Subsequently, on April 15, 2019, we entered into the First Amendment to the Eighth Amended and Restated Credit Agreement which primarily extended the maturity date for the outstanding term loans and revolver facility to April 15, 2024, increased the amount of dividends we are permitted to pay in each fiscal quarter under the agreement and increased the amount of the revolver facility from \$400.0 million to \$500.0 million. Additionally, on September 23, 2019, we entered into the Second Amendment to the Eighth Amended and Restated Credit Agreement which increased the term loan facility by approximately \$335.6 million to fund the acquisition of Peak Resorts and to prepay certain portions of the debt assumed in connection with the acquisition, as discussed and defined below, and extended the maturity date for the outstanding term loans and revolver facility to September 23, 2024. During Fiscal 2019, we also entered into an amendment of the Whistler Credit Agreement which extended the maturity date of the revolving credit facility to December 2023. No other material terms of the Whistler Credit Agreement were altered.

We believe that the terms of our credit agreements allow for sufficient flexibility in our ability to make future acquisitions, investments, distributions to stockholders and incur additional debt. This, combined with the continued positive cash

flow from operating activities of our Mountain and Lodging segments less resort capital expenditures, has and is anticipated to continue to provide us with significant liquidity. We believe our liquidity will allow us to consider strategic investments and other forms of returning value to our stockholders including additional share repurchases and the continued payment of a quarterly cash dividend.

- On September 24, 2019, through a wholly-owned subsidiary, we acquired 100 percent of the outstanding stock of Peak Resorts, Inc. ("Peak Resorts") at a purchase price of \$11.00 per share or approximately \$265 million. Through the acquisition we added 17 U.S. ski areas to our network of resorts located near major metropolitan areas including New York, Boston, Washington D.C., Baltimore, Philadelphia, Cleveland, St. Louis, Kansas City, and Louisville. The ski areas owned by Peak Resorts offer a breadth of activities, services and amenities, including skiing, snowboarding, terrain parks, tubing, dining, lodging, equipment rentals and sales, ski and snowboard instruction, mountain biking, golf and other summer activities. We funded the cash purchase price through incremental term loan borrowings, as discussed above, in conjunction with our September 23, 2019 amendment of the Vail Holdings Credit Agreement. We expect that the acquisition of Peak Resorts will positively contribute to our results of operations; however, we cannot predict the ultimate impact the new resorts will have on our future results of operations.
- On April 4, 2019, through a wholly-owned subsidiary, we acquired ski field leases and related infrastructure used to operate two resorts in Victoria, Australia. We acquired Australian Alpine Enterprises Holdings Pty. Ltd and all related corporate entities that operate the Falls Creek and Hotham resorts from Living and Leisure Australia Group, a subsidiary of Merlin Entertainments, for a purchase price of approximately AU\$178.9 million (\$127.4 million), after adjustments for certain agreed-upon terms, including an increase in the purchase price for operating losses incurred for the period from December 29, 2018 through closing. The acquisition included the ski school, retail/rental, reservation and property management operations at both resort areas and we funded the cash purchase price through cash on-hand. We expect that the acquisition of Falls Creek and Hotham will positively contribute to our results of operations; however, we cannot predict the ultimate impact the new resorts will have on our future results of operations.
- On August 15, 2018, through a wholly-owned subsidiary, we acquired Stevens Pass Resort in the State of Washington from Ski Resort Holdings, LLC for a total purchase price of \$64.0 million. We borrowed \$70.0 million on August 15, 2018 under the term loan of our Vail Holdings Credit Agreement, as discussed above, primarily to fund the acquisition of Stevens Pass. Additionally, on September 27, 2018, we acquired Triple Peaks, LLC ("Triple Peaks"), the parent company of Okemo Mountain Resort in Vermont, Crested Butte Mountain Resort in Colorado and Mount Sunapee Resort in New Hampshire, for a cash purchase price of approximately \$74.1 million, after adjustments for certain agreed-upon terms. In addition, contemporaneous with the closing of the transaction, Triple Peaks paid \$155.0 million to satisfy the remaining obligations for the leases that all three resorts had with Ski Resort Holdings, with funds provided by us. Accordingly, the total purchase price, including the repayment of lease obligations, was \$229.1 million, for which we utilized cash on hand and borrowed \$195.6 million under the term loan of our Vail Holdings Credit Agreement to fund the transaction and associated acquisition related expenses. We expect that the acquisitions of Stevens Pass and Triple Peaks will positively contribute to our results of operations; however, we cannot predict whether we will realize all of the synergies expected from the operations of Stevens Pass and Triple Peaks and the ultimate impact the new resorts will have on our future results of operations.

# **Results of Operations**

#### Summary

Shown below is a summary of operating results for Fiscal 2019, Fiscal 2018 and Fiscal 2017 (in thousands):

	Year Ended July 31,									
	 2019	2018		2017						
Mountain Reported EBITDA	\$ 678,594 \$	591,605	\$	566,338						
Lodging Reported EBITDA	28,100	25,006		27,087						
Resort Reported EBITDA	\$ 706,694 \$	616,611	\$	593,425						
Real Estate Reported EBITDA	\$ (4,317) \$	957	\$	(399)						
Income before (provision) benefit from income taxes	\$ 398,965 \$	340,092	\$	348,449						
Net income attributable to Vail Resorts, Inc.	\$ 301.163 \$	379.898	\$	210.553						

A discussion of segment results, including reconciliations of segment Reported EBITDA to net income attributable to Vail Resorts, Inc., and other items can be found below.

The sections titled "Fiscal 2019 compared to Fiscal 2018" and "Fiscal 2018 compared to Fiscal 2017" in each of the Mountain and Lodging segment discussions below provide comparisons of financial and operating performance for Fiscal 2019 to Fiscal 2018 and Fiscal 2018 to Fiscal 2017, respectively, unless otherwise noted. The operating results reported above do not include any results from the Peak Resorts acquisition as the closing of that transaction occurred on September 24, 2019, and the results of those operations will be reflected prospectively from the closing date in our consolidated financial statements.

# Mountain Segment

Mountain segment operating results for Fiscal 2019, Fiscal 2018 and Fiscal 2017 are presented by category as follows (in thousands, except ETP):

					Percentage					
		Yea	r Ended July 31		Increase/(De	ecrease)				
	2019		2018		2017	2019/2018	2018/2017			
Mountain net revenue:										
Lift	\$ 1,033,234	\$	880,293	\$	818,341	17.4 %	7.6 %			
Ski school	215,060		189,910		177,748	13.2 %	6.8 %			
Dining	181,837		161,402		150,587	12.7 %	7.2 %			
Retail/rental	320,267		296,466		293,428	8.0 %	1.0 %			
Other	205,803		194,851		171,682	5.6 %	13.5 %			
Total Mountain net revenue	1,956,201		1,722,922		1,611,786	13.5 %	6.9 %			
Mountain operating expense:										
Labor and labor-related benefits	507,811		443,891		403,020	14.4 %	10.1 %			
Retail cost of sales	121,442		111,198		112,902	9.2 %	(1.5)%			
Resort related fees	96,240		87,111		83,503	10.5 %	4.3 %			
General and administrative	233,159		214,090		199,582	8.9 %	7.3 %			
Other	320,915		276,550		248,324	16.0 %	11.4 %			
Total Mountain operating expense	1,279,567		1,132,840		1,047,331	13.0 %	8.2 %			
Mountain equity investment income, net	1,960		1,523		1,883	28.7 %	(19.1)%			
Mountain Reported EBITDA	\$ 678,594	\$	591,605	\$	566,338	14.7 %	4.5 %			
Total skier visits	14,998		12,345		12,047	21.5 %	2.5 %			
ETP	\$ 68.89	\$	71.31	\$	67.93	(3.4)%	5.0 %			

Mountain Reported EBITDA includes \$16.5 million, \$15.7 million and \$15.0 million of stock-based compensation expense for Fiscal 2019, Fiscal 2018 and Fiscal 2017, respectively.

# Fiscal 2019 compared to Fiscal 2018

The results reflect an increase in Mountain Reported EBITDA of \$87.0 million, or 14.7%, primarily as a result of strong North American pass sales growth for the 2018/2019 North American ski season, strong growth in visitation and spending at our western U.S. resorts and the incremental operations of Stevens Pass, Triple Peaks and Falls Creek/Hotham (acquired in August 2018, September 2018 and April 2019, respectively). Although our Destination guest visitation was less than expected in the pre-holiday period, results from the key holiday weeks through the spring were largely in line with our original expectations, which, when combined with incremental skier visits from Stevens Pass, Triple Peaks and Falls Creek/Hotham, resulted in an increase in total skier visitation of 21.5%. Operating results from Whistler Blackcomb and Perisher, which are translated from Canadian dollars and Australian dollars, respectively, to U.S. dollars, were adversely affected by a decrease in the Canadian and Australian dollar exchange rates relative to the U.S. dollar as compared to prior year, resulting in a decline in Mountain Reported EBITDA of approximately \$8 million, which the Company calculated on a constant currency basis by applying current period foreign exchange rates to the prior period results. Additionally, Fiscal 2019 and Fiscal 2018 results include \$16.4 million and \$10.2 million of acquisition and integration related expenses, respectively.

Lift revenue increased \$152.9 million, or 17.4%, due to increases in both pass revenue and non-pass revenue, as well as incremental revenue from Triple Peaks, Stevens Pass, Falls Creek and Hotham. Pass revenue increased 16.8%, which was driven by a combination of an increase in pricing and units sold and was also favorably impacted by increased pass sales to Destination guests as well as military guests through the introduction of the Military Epic Pass. Non-pass revenue increased 17.9% primarily due to incremental non-pass skier visitation at Triple Peaks, Stevens Pass, Falls Creek and Hotham, and increased non-pass visitation at our western U.S. resorts, which benefited from improved conditions as compared to the prior year and an increase in total non-pass ETP of 4.9%. Total ETP decreased \$2.42, or 3.4%, primarily due to higher skier visitation by season pass holders, lower ETP from the acquired Triple Peaks, Stevens Pass, Falls Creek and Hotham resorts and the new Military Epic Pass, partially offset by price increases in both our lift ticket and pass products.

Ski school revenue increased \$25.2 million, or 13.2%, and dining revenue increased \$20.4 million, or 12.7%, primarily as a result of incremental revenue at Triple Peaks, Stevens Pass, Falls Creek and Hotham and increased revenue at our other U.S. resorts primarily as a result of higher skier visitation.

Retail/rental revenue increased \$23.8 million, or 8.0%, of which retail revenue increased \$13.6 million, or 6.7%, and rental revenue increased \$10.2 million, or 11.0%. The increase in both retail revenue and rental revenue was primarily attributable to higher sales volumes at stores proximate to our western U.S. resorts and other stores in Colorado, as well as incremental revenue from Triple Peaks, Stevens Pass, Falls Creek and Hotham. These increases were partially offset by removing the low-margin golf product line from our Colorado city stores, store closures and a decrease in sales at Whistler Blackcomb.

Other revenue mainly consists of summer visitation and mountain activities revenue, employee housing revenue, guest services revenue, commercial leasing revenue, marketing and internet advertising revenue, private club revenue (which includes both club dues and amortization of initiation fees), municipal services revenue and other recreation activity revenue. Other revenue is also comprised of Australian resort lodging and transportation revenue. For Fiscal 2019, other revenue increased \$11.0 million, or 5.6%, primarily attributable to incremental revenue from Triple Peaks, Stevens Pass, Falls Creek and Hotham, as well as increases in marketing revenue and mountain activities and services revenue.

Operating expense increased \$146.7 million, or 13.0%, which was primarily attributable to the inclusion of Triple Peaks, Stevens Pass, Falls Creek and Hotham, whose operating expenses were recorded prospectively from their respective dates of acquisition. Additionally, operating expense includes \$16.4 million and \$10.2 million of acquisition and integration related expenses for Fiscal 2019 and Fiscal 2018, respectively.

Labor and labor-related benefits increased 14.4% primarily due to incremental labor expenses from Triple Peaks, Stevens Pass, Falls Creek and Hotham and increased staffing levels at our western U.S. resorts as compared to the prior year due to historic low snowfall during the prior year period, as well as wage increases associated with our minimum wage initiatives, which were in excess of our historical minimum wage increases, and higher variable compensation accruals. Retail cost of sales increased 9.2% compared to an increase in retail sales of 6.7%. Resort related fees increased 10.5% primarily due to incremental expenses from Triple Peaks and Stevens Pass as well as increases in revenue on which those fees are based. General and administrative expense increased 8.9% primarily due to incremental expenses from Triple Peaks, Stevens Pass, Falls Creek and Hotham, an increase in variable compensation accruals and an increase in allocated corporate overhead costs primarily associated with marketing and information technology. Other expense increased 16.0% primarily due to incremental expenses from Triple Peaks, Stevens Pass, Falls Creek and Hotham, as well as increases in season pass alliance expense, acquisition and integration related expenses, employee housing expense, fuel expense and rent expense.

Mountain equity investment income, net primarily includes our share of income from the operations of a real estate brokerage joint venture.

# Fiscal 2018 compared to Fiscal 2017

The results reflected an increase in Mountain Reported EBITDA of \$25.3 million, or 4.5%, primarily as a result of strong North American pass sales growth for the 2017/2018 North American ski season and the incremental operations of Stowe (acquired in June 2017). Our results across all lines of business at our western U.S. resorts during Fiscal 2018 were impacted by challenging ski conditions as a result of historically low snowfall for the first half of the 2017/2018 ski season, although conditions progressively improved during the third quarter of Fiscal 2018. Total skier visitation increased 2.5%, which was primarily the result of incremental skier visitation at Stowe and an increase in skier visitation at Whistler Blackcomb and Perisher, partially offset by lower skier visitation to our western U.S. resorts. The Fiscal 2018 and Fiscal 2017 results included \$10.2 million and \$10.8 million of acquisition and integration related expenses, respectively.

Lift revenue increased \$62.0 million, or 7.6%, primarily due to an increase in pass revenue and incremental revenue from Stowe. Pass revenue increased 17.7%, which was driven by a combination of an increase in both pricing and units sold, which was favorably impacted by increased pass sales to Destination guests. Non-pass revenue was flat, which was primarily the result of incremental non-pass revenue from Stowe and an increase in non-pass revenue from Whistler Blackcomb, as well as an increase in ETP excluding season pass holders of 2.4%, offset by a decrease in non-pass skier visitation at our western U.S. resorts. Total ETP increased \$3.38, or 5.0%, primarily due to price increases in both our lift ticket products and pass products and slightly lower average visitation by pass product holders during the 2017/2018 North American ski season as compared with the 2016/2017 North American ski season.

Ski school revenue increased \$12.2 million, or 6.8%, primarily as a result of increased revenue at Whistler Blackcomb and Park City, as well as incremental revenue from Stowe. Dining revenue increased \$10.8 million, or 7.2%, primarily as a result of incremental revenue from Stowe and increased revenue from Whistler Blackcomb, reflecting a full year of operations as compared to Fiscal 2017, which included operations from the date of acquisition, October 17, 2016, through July 31, 2017. However, these increases were partially offset by lower revenue at our western U.S. resorts, which experienced delays in the opening of certain on-mountain dining venues as a result of challenging weather conditions for the first half of the 2017/2018 North American ski season.

Retail/rental revenue increased \$3.0 million, or 1.0%, of which rental revenue increased \$2.9 million, or 3.2%, and retail revenue was relatively flat. Both rental and retail revenue were positively impacted by an increase in revenue at Whistler Blackcomb and incremental revenue from Stowe, partially offset by decreased revenue at stores proximate to our western U.S. resorts and other city stores.

Other revenue mainly consists of summer visitation and mountain activities revenue, employee housing revenue, guest services revenue, commercial leasing revenue, marketing and internet advertising revenue, private club revenue (which includes both club dues and amortization of initiation fees), municipal services revenue and other recreation activity revenue. Other revenue is also comprised of Perisher lodging and transportation revenue. For Fiscal 2018, other revenue increased \$23.2 million, or 13.5%, primarily attributable to incremental summer activities and events revenue at Whistler Blackcomb and the inclusion of Stowe operations.

Operating expense for Fiscal 2018 increased \$85.5 million, or 8.2%, which was primarily attributable to the inclusion of Stowe operations and incremental operating expenses from Whistler Blackcomb as a result of reflecting a full year of operations as compared to Fiscal 2017, which included operations from the date of acquisition, October 17, 2016, through July 31, 2017.

Labor and labor-related benefits increased 10.1% primarily due to incremental expense from Whistler Blackcomb and Stowe, as well as normal wage adjustments, partially offset by lower performance-based variable compensation. Resort related fees increased 4.3% primarily due to higher revenue on which those fees are based and incremental expenses from Stowe. General and administrative expense increased 7.3% due to higher corporate overhead costs, including incremental expenses from Stowe, partially offset by lower estimated performance-based variable compensation. Other expense increased 11.4% primarily due to incremental expenses from Whistler Blackcomb and Stowe, as well as increases in repairs and maintenance expense, utilities expense (primarily related to increased snowmaking operations), food and beverage cost of sales commensurate with increases in dining revenue and property taxes, partially offset by a decrease in rent expense.

Mountain equity investment income, net primarily includes our share of income from the operations of a real estate brokerage joint venture.

#### **Lodging Segment**

Lodging segment operating results for Fiscal 2019, Fiscal 2018 and Fiscal 2017 are presented by category as follows (in thousands, except ADR and RevPAR):

Percentage

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			Year	r Ended July 31	,		Increase/(Decrease)			
	<u> </u>	2019		2018		2017	2019/2018	2018/2017		
Lodging net revenue:										
Owned hotel rooms	\$	64,826	\$	65,252	\$	63,939	(0.7)%	2.1 %		
Managed condominium rooms		86,236		70,198		65,694	22.8 %	6.9 %		
Dining		53,730		48,554		48,449	10.7 %	0.2 %		
Transportation		21,275		21,111		22,173	0.8 %	(4.8)%		
Golf		19,648		18,110		17,837	8.5 %	1.5 %		
Other		54,617		47,577		46,238	14.8 %	2.9 %		
		300,332		270,802		264,330	10.9 %	2.4 %		
Payroll cost reimbursements		14,330		13,841		14,184	3.5 %	(2.4)%		
Total Lodging net revenue		314,662		284,643		278,514	10.5 %	2.2 %		
Lodging operating expense:										
Labor and labor-related benefits		135,940		121,733		117,183	11.7 %	3.9 %		
General and administrative		41,256		37,716		37,217	9.4 %	1.3 %		
Other		95,036		86,347		82,843	10.1 %	4.2 %		
		272,232		245,796		237,243	10.8 %	3.6 %		
Reimbursed payroll costs		14,330		13,841		14,184	3.5 %	(2.4)%		
Total Lodging operating expense		286,562		259,637		251,427	10.4 %	3.3 %		
Lodging Reported EBITDA	\$	28,100	\$	25,006	\$	27,087	12.4 %	(7.7)%		
Owned hotel statistics:										
ADR	\$	256.50	\$	250.50	\$	245.31	2.4 %	2.1 %		
RevPar	\$	175.45	\$	173.34	\$	168.14	1.2 %	3.1 %		
Managed condominium statistics:										
ADR	\$	324.34	\$	336.29	\$	347.64	(3.6)%	(3.3)%		
RevPar	\$	107.67	\$	116.26	\$	113.08	(7.4)%	2.8 %		
Owned hotel and managed condominium statistics (combined)(1):										
ADR	\$	300.47	\$	300.90	\$	302.80	(0.1)%	(0.6)%		
RevPar	\$	121.81	\$	131.08	\$	127.95	(7.1)%	2.4 %		

<sup>(1)</sup> Owned hotel and managed condominium statistics (combined) for Fiscal 2019 declined from the prior comparative period primarily due to the inclusion of properties acquired through the Triple Peaks acquisition, prospectively from the date of acquisition, as well as a new property management contract for units proximate to our Tahoe resorts.

Lodging Reported EBITDA includes \$3.2 million of stock-based compensation expense for each of Fiscal 2019, Fiscal 2018 and Fiscal 2017.

#### Fiscal 2019 compared to Fiscal 2018

Lodging Reported EBITDA for Fiscal 2019 increased \$3.1 million, or 12.4%, primarily due to the incremental operations of Triple Peaks.

Revenue from managed condominium rooms increased \$16.1 million, or 22.8%, primarily due to incremental revenue from Okemo and Crested Butte, as well as revenue from incremental managed Tahoe lodging properties that we did not manage in the prior year. Dining revenue increased \$5.2 million, or 10.7%, primarily due to incremental revenue from our Okemo and Crested Butte lodging properties and an increase in dining revenue at our Park City lodging properties. Golf revenue increased \$1.5 million, or 8.5%, primarily due to incremental revenue from our golf courses at Okemo, as well as higher revenue at our golf courses in Beaver Creek and at GTLC. Other revenue increased \$7.0 million, or 14.8%, primarily due to an increase in allocated corporate

revenue, incremental revenue from our lodging properties at Okemo and Crested Butte, a business interruption insurance recovery related to a closed event facility in Breckenridge and increases in ancillary revenue.

Operating expense (excluding reimbursed payroll costs) increased 10.8%. Labor and labor-related benefits increased 11.7%, primarily due to incremental labor expenses from Okemo, Crested Butte and the incremental managed Tahoe lodging properties that we did not manage in the prior year, as well as wage increases associated with our minimum wage initiatives, which were in excess of our historical minimum wage increases. General and administrative expense increased 9.4% due to higher corporate overhead costs. Other expense increased 10.1% primarily due to incremental expenses from Okemo and Crested Butte, as well as an increase in variable operating expenses associated with increases in revenue.

Revenue from payroll cost reimbursements and the corresponding reimbursed payroll costs relates to payroll costs at managed hotel properties where we are the employer and all payroll costs are reimbursed by the owners of the properties under contractual arrangements. Since the reimbursements are made based upon the costs incurred with no added margin, the revenue and corresponding expense have no effect on our Lodging Reported EBITDA.

#### Fiscal 2018 compared to Fiscal 2017

Lodging Reported EBITDA for Fiscal 2018 decreased \$2.1 million, or 7.7% primarily due to general cost increases and a one-time benefit recorded in Fiscal 2017 for association fees with respect to a lodging property at Park City.

Revenue from owned hotel rooms increased \$1.3 million, or 2.1%, primarily due to an increase in occupancy at Flagg Ranch, which incurred an early closure in Fiscal 2017 as a result of a forest fire in Grand Teton National Park, as well as an increase in revenue at GTLC, partially offset by decreased revenue at our owned Colorado lodging properties as a result of lower winter visitation. Revenue from managed condominium rooms increased \$4.5 million, or 6.9%, primarily due to increased revenue at our Colorado managed properties as a result of increased demand, partially offset by a decrease in ADR, as well as incremental revenue from a Park City lodging property which was temporally closed for renovations in the prior year. Additionally, managed condominium rooms revenue was positively impacted by incremental revenue at Whistler Blackcomb.

Transportation revenue decreased \$1.1 million, or 4.8%, primarily due to decreased passenger volume. Other revenue increased \$1.3 million, or 2.9%, primarily due to increases in conference services revenue and ancillary revenue, partially offset by a business interruption insurance recovery recorded in Fiscal 2017 related to the early closure of our Flagg Ranch property in September 2016, as discussed above.

Operating expense (excluding reimbursed payroll costs) increased \$8.6 million, or 3.6%. Labor and labor-related benefits increased \$4.6 million, or 3.9%, primarily resulting from higher labor expense for Park City and Flagg Ranch, which were both closed for a portion of the prior year period, incremental expenses from Whistler Blackcomb and normal wage increases, partially offset by lower performance-based variable compensation. Other expense increased \$3.5 million, or 4.2%, primarily due to a one-time benefit for association fees with respect to a lodging property at Park City that was recorded in Fiscal 2017, as well as increases in variable operating expenses and an increase in property taxes.

Revenue from payroll cost reimbursements and the corresponding reimbursed payroll costs relates to payroll costs at managed hotel properties where we are the employer and all payroll costs are reimbursed by the owners of the properties under contractual arrangements. Since the reimbursements are made based upon the costs incurred with no added margin, the revenue and corresponding expense have no effect on our Lodging Reported EBITDA.

# Real Estate Segment

Our Real Estate net revenue is primarily determined by the timing of closings and the mix of real estate sold in any given period. Different types of projects have different revenue and profit margins; therefore, as the real estate inventory mix changes, it can greatly impact Real Estate segment net revenue, operating expense, gain on sale of real property and Real Estate Reported EBITDA.

Real Estate segment operating results for Fiscal 2019, Fiscal 2018 and Fiscal 2017 are presented by category as follows (in thousands):

							Percentage					
			Yea	r Ended July 31	,		Increase/(Decrease)					
		2019		2018		2017	2019/2018	2018/2017				
Total Real Estate net revenue	\$	712	\$	3,988	\$	16,918	(82.1)%	(76.4)%				
Real Estate operating expense:												
Cost of sales (including sales commis	sions)	13		3,927		14,534	(99.7)%	(73.0)%				
Other, net		5,596		(381)		9,549	1,568.8 %	(104.0)%				
Total Real Estate operating expense		5,609		3,546		24,083	58.2 %	(85.3)%				
Gain on sale of real property		580		515		6,766	12.6 %	(92.4)%				
Real Estate Reported EBITDA	\$	(4,317)	\$	957	\$	(399)	(351.1)%	339.8 %				

#### Fiscal 2019

We closed on two land sales during the third quarter of Fiscal 2019 with third party developers at Keystone (One River Run site) and Breckenridge (East Peak 8 site) for proceeds of approximately \$16.0 million, including \$4.8 million associated with the sale of density for the Breckenridge property. The land parcel sales were accounted for as financing arrangements as a result of the Company's continuing involvement with the underlying assets that were sold, including but not limited to, the obligation to repurchase finished commercial space from the development projects upon completion. As a result, the estimated gain of \$3.6 million associated with the East Peak 8 site and the estimated loss of \$3.2 million associated with the One River Run site will be deferred until the Company no longer maintains continuing involvement. Additionally, the Company's future obligation to repurchase finished commercial space in the two completed projects, as well as other related capital spending, will result in total estimated capital expenditures of up to approximately \$9.5 million in future fiscal years.

Other, net operating expense of \$5.6 million was primarily comprised of general and administrative costs, such as labor and labor-related benefits, professional services and allocated corporate overhead costs. Real Estate Reported EBITDA also included a gain on sale of real property of \$0.6 million for the sale of land parcels.

#### Fiscal 2018

During Fiscal 2018, we closed on the sales of development land parcels for \$3.5 million which were recorded within Real Estate net revenue.

Other, net operating expense included the recognition of a \$5.5 million benefit (non-cash in the period) related to a legal settlement in Fiscal 2015 for which cash proceeds were received and established as a liability for estimated future remediation costs of a construction development. All known items have been remediated and, based on continued monitoring, the Company has concluded that the need for further remediation is remote. Additionally, other, net operating expense included general and administrative costs, such as labor and labor-related benefits, professional services and allocated corporate costs. Real Estate Reported EBITDA also included a gain on sale of real property of \$0.5 million for the sale of a land parcel.

# Fiscal 2017

Real Estate segment net revenue was primarily driven by the closing of four condominium units at The Ritz-Carlton Residences, Vail (\$13.6 million of revenue with an average selling price of \$3.4 million and an average price per square foot of \$1,345) and two condominium units at One Ski Hill Place in Breckenridge (\$2.3 million of revenue with an average sales price of \$1.1 million and an average price per square foot of \$983). The average price per square foot of both of these projects is driven by their premier locations and the comprehensive and exclusive amenities related to these projects. All remaining condominium units were sold in Fiscal 2017.

Operating expense included cost of sales of \$13.4 million resulting from the closing of four condominium units at The Ritz-Carlton Residences, Vail (average cost per square foot of \$1,131) and two condominium units at One Ski Hill Place (average cost per square foot of \$838). Additionally, sales commissions of approximately \$1.0 million were incurred commensurate with revenue recognized. Other operating expense of \$9.5 million was primarily comprised of a \$4.3 million one-time charge related to the resolution of a financial contingency to the Town of Vail for incremental parking capacity, as well as general and administrative costs, which includes marketing expense for the real estate available for sale, carrying costs for units available for sale and overhead costs, such as labor and labor-related benefits, professional services and allocated corporate costs.

In addition, we recorded a gain on sale of real property of \$6.5 million for a land parcel in Breckenridge which sold for \$9.3 million during Fiscal 2017.

#### Other Items

In addition to segment operating results, the following items contributed to our overall financial position (in thousands).

	Y	ear	Ended July		Percentage Increase/(Decrease)		
	 2019		2018		2017	2019/2018	2018/2017
Depreciation and amortization	\$ (218,117)	\$	(204,462)	\$	(189,157)	6.7 %	8.1 %
Change in fair value of contingent consideration	\$ (5,367)	\$	1,854	\$	(16,300)	(389.5)%	111.4 %
Investment income and other, net	\$ 3,086	\$	1,944	\$	6,114	58.7 %	(68.2)%
Interest expense, net	\$ (79,496)	\$	(63,226)	\$	(54,089)	25.7 %	16.9 %
Foreign currency (loss) gain on intercompany loans	\$ (2,854)	\$	(8,966)	\$	15,285	68.2 %	(158.7)%
(Provision) benefit from income taxes	\$ (75,472)	\$	61,138	\$	(116,731)	223.4 %	(152.4)%

Depreciation and amortization. Depreciation and amortization expense for Fiscal 2019 and Fiscal 2018 increased over the applicable prior fiscal year primarily due to assets acquired in the Stevens Pass, Triple Peaks, Falls Creek and Hotham acquisitions (each acquired in Fiscal 2019), in addition to assets acquired in the Stowe acquisition (acquired in Fiscal 2017) and discretionary capital projects completed at our resorts in each fiscal year.

Change in fair value of contingent consideration We recorded a loss of \$5.4 million during Fiscal 2019 primarily related to the estimated Contingent Consideration payment for Fiscal 2019. We recorded a gain of \$1.9 million during Fiscal 2018 primarily related to a decrease in the estimated Contingent Consideration payment for Fiscal 2018. A loss of \$16.3 million was recorded during Fiscal 2017 related to an increase in the estimated fair value of the future participating contingent payments under the lease for Park City. The fair value of contingent consideration is based on assumptions for EBITDA of Park City in future periods, as calculated under the lease on which participating payments are determined. The estimated fair value of the contingent consideration was \$27.2 million and \$21.9 million as of July 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

Investment income and other, net. Investment income and other, net for Fiscal 2017 included various nonrecurring transactions, including a \$3.4 million gain recognized on short-term foreign currency forward contracts that were entered into in conjunction with funding the cash consideration required for the Whistler Blackcomb acquisition, a \$0.9 million gain recorded for the sale of a lodging property and a \$0.8 million non-cash gain recognized on an investment in Whistler Blackcomb shares that were held prior to the acquisition.

Interest expense, net. Interest expense, net for Fiscal 2019 increased compared to Fiscal 2018 primarily due to interest expense associated with incremental term loan borrowings under the Vail Holdings Credit Agreement of \$265.6 million during Fiscal 2019, which were used to fund the Stevens Pass and Triple Peaks acquisitions in August 2018 and September 2018, respectively, as well as an increase in interest rates. Interest expense, net for Fiscal 2018 increased compared to Fiscal 2017 primarily due to interest expense associated with incremental term loan borrowings under the Vail Holdings Credit Agreement of \$509.4 million during Fiscal 2017, which were used to fund the cash consideration portion of the Whistler Blackcomb acquisition in October 2016, in addition to the Whistler Credit Agreement which was assumed as part of the Whistler Blackcomb acquisition, and an increase in interest rates.

Foreign currency (loss) gain on intercompany loans. Foreign currency (loss) gain on intercompany loans was associated with an intercompany loan from Vail Holdings, Inc. to Whistler Blackcomb in the amount of \$210.0 million that was funded, effective as of November 1, 2016, in connection with the acquisition of Whistler Blackcomb. This intercompany loan requires foreign currency remeasurement to Canadian dollars, the functional currency for Whistler Blackcomb. As a result, foreign currency fluctuations associated with the loan are recorded within our results of operations.

(Provision) benefit from income taxes. Our effective tax rate (provision) benefit was (18.9%), 18.0%, and (33.5%) in Fiscal 2019, Fiscal 2018 and Fiscal 2017, respectively. Our tax (provision) benefit and effective tax rate are driven primarily by the amount of pre-tax income, which is adjusted for items that are deductible or non-deductible for tax purposes only (i.e. permanent items), excess tax benefits from employee share awards, enacted tax legislation and taxable income generated by state and foreign jurisdictions that varies from the consolidated pre-tax income and the amount of net income attributable to noncontrolling interests. The increase in the effective tax rate provision during Fiscal 2019 compared to Fiscal 2018 was primarily due to a one-time, net

tax benefit of \$61.0 million recorded during Fiscal 2018 as a result of the Tax Act (discussed further below), as well as a reduction in excess tax benefits from employee share awards that were exercised (stock appreciation awards) and that vested (restricted stock awards), which are recorded within (provision) benefit from income taxes on the Company's Consolidated Statements of Operations prospectively from August 1, 2017 as a result of accounting guidance that became effective for Fiscal 2018. As a result of adopting this guidance, we recorded \$12.9 million and \$71.1 million of excess tax benefits within (provision) benefit from income taxes on our Consolidated Statement of Operations for Fiscal 2019 and Fiscal 2018, respectively.

On December 22, 2017, the U.S. government enacted comprehensive tax legislation commonly referred to as the Tax Act. The Tax Act transitioned the U.S. tax system to a new territorial system and lowered the statutory federal corporate income tax rate from 35% to 21%. The reduction of the statutory federal corporate tax rate to 21% became effective on January 1, 2018. As a result of the Tax Act, we recorded a one-time, net tax benefit of \$61.0 million on our Consolidated Statement of Operations during Fiscal 2018. Due to the reduction in the federal corporate tax rate, we remeasured our U.S. net deferred tax liabilities as of the effective date of the Tax Act using the reduced statutory federal corporate income tax rate. The U.S. net deferred tax liabilities remeasurement resulted in a one-time tax benefit of \$67.0 million, which was recognized as a discrete item and was recorded within (provision) benefit from income taxes on our Consolidated Statement of Operations during Fiscal 2018. Also, in transitioning to the new territorial tax system, the Tax Act requires us to include certain foreign earnings of non-U.S. subsidiaries in our taxable income. Such foreign earnings were subject to a one-time transition tax at the time of enactment of the Tax Act, which was \$6.0 million and was recorded during Fiscal 2018.

#### Reconciliation of Segment Earnings

The following table reconciles segment Reported EBITDA to net income attributable to Vail Resorts, Inc. for Fiscal 2019, Fiscal 2018 and Fiscal 2017 (in thousands):

	Year Ended July 31,								
	2019	2018	2017						
Mountain Reported EBITDA	\$ 678,594 \$	591,605	\$ 566,338						
Lodging Reported EBITDA	28,100	25,006	27,087						
Resort Reported EBITDA	706,694	616,611	593,425						
Real Estate Reported EBITDA	(4,317)	957	(399)						
Total Reported EBITDA	702,377	617,568	593,026						
Depreciation and amortization	(218,117)	(204,462)	(189,157)						
Loss on disposal of fixed assets and other, net	(664)	(4,620)	(6,430)						
Change in fair value of contingent consideration	(5,367)	1,854	(16,300)						
Investment income and other, net	3,086	1,944	6,114						
Foreign currency (loss) gain on intercompany loans	(2,854)	(8,966)	15,285						
Interest expense, net	(79,496)	(63,226)	(54,089)						
Income before (provision) benefit from income taxes	398,965	340,092	348,449						
(Provision) benefit from income taxes	(75,472)	61,138	(116,731)						
Net income	323,493	401,230	231,718						
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests	(22,330)	(21,332)	(21,165)						
Net income attributable to Vail Resorts, Inc.	\$ 301,163 \$	379,898	\$ 210,553						

The following table reconciles Net Debt (defined as long-term debt, net plus long-term debt due within one year less cash and cash equivalents) to long-term debt, net (in thousands):

	<b>July 31</b> ,							
	2019	2018						
Long-term debt, net	\$ 1,527,744 \$	1,234,277						
Long-term debt due within one year	48,516	38,455						
Total debt	1,576,260	1,272,732						
Less: cash and cash equivalents	108,850	178,145						
Net Debt	\$ 1,467,410 \$	1,094,587						

#### Liquidity and Capital Resources

Changes in significant sources and uses of cash for Fiscal 2019, Fiscal 2018 and Fiscal 2017 are presented by categories as follows (in thousands):

	Teal Ended July 31,						
	 2019	2018	2017				
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 634,231 \$	548,486 \$	470,983				
Net cash used in investing activities	\$ (596,034) \$	(134,579) \$	(676,660)				
Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities	\$ (99,558) \$	(350,715) \$	255,617				

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Historically, we have lower cash available at our fiscal year-end (as well as at the end of our first fiscal quarter of each year) as compared to our second and third fiscal quarter-ends, primarily due to the seasonality of our Mountain segment operations.

### Fiscal 2019 compared to Fiscal 2018

We generated \$634.2 million of cash from operating activities during Fiscal 2019, an increase of \$85.7 million when compared to \$548.5 million of cash generated during Fiscal 2018. The increase in operating cash flows was primarily a result of improved Mountain segment operating results in Fiscal 2019, including operating benefits from the recent acquisitions of Triple Peaks, Stevens Pass, Falls Creek and Hotham, as compared to Fiscal 2018. Additionally, the increase in operating cash flows was a result of an increase in accounts payable. These increases were partially offset by an increase in cash interest payments during Fiscal 2019 primarily associated with incremental term loan borrowings under our Vail Holdings Credit Agreement and an increase in estimated foreign tax payments.

Cash used in investing activities for Fiscal 2019 increased by \$461.5 million, primarily due to cash payments of \$419.0 million, net of cash acquired, related to the acquisitions of Triple Peaks, Stevens Pass, Falls Creek and Hotham during Fiscal 2019 as well as an increase in capital expenditures of \$51.4 million during Fiscal 2019 compared to Fiscal 2018.

Cash used in financing activities decreased \$251.2 million during Fiscal 2019 compared to Fiscal 2018, primarily due to proceeds from incremental borrowings under the term loan portion of our Vail Holdings Credit Agreement of \$265.6 million during Fiscal 2019, which was used to fund the Triple Peaks and Stevens Pass acquisitions. In addition, cash used in financing activities benefited from (i) a reduction of \$76.8 million for employee taxes related to exercises of share awards, (ii) a reduction of \$26.9 million in net payments on borrowings under our Whistler Credit Agreement and (iii) \$11.2 million of proceeds related to real estate sales transactions completed during Fiscal 2019, that are reflected as financing arrangements. These decreases in cash used in financing activities were partially offset by an increase in repurchases of common stock of \$59.2 million, an increase in dividends paid of \$56.4 million and payments for commitments in conjunction with the Canyons transaction of \$9.5 million.

#### Fiscal 2018 compared to Fiscal 2017

We generated \$548.5 million of cash from operating activities during Fiscal 2018, an increase of \$77.5 million when compared to \$471.0 million of cash generated during Fiscal 2017. The increase in operating cash flows was primarily a result of improved Mountain segment operating results in Fiscal 2018, including operating benefits from the recent acquisitions of Stowe and Whistler Blackcomb, as compared to Fiscal 2017. Additionally, the increase in operating cash flows was a result of an increase in accounts payable and a decrease in estimated tax payments primarily as a result of an increase in excess tax benefits from employee share awards that vested (restricted stock awards) or were exercised (stock appreciation awards), as applicable, during Fiscal 2018 and the enactment of the Tax Act. These increases were partially offset by an increase in cash interest payments during Fiscal 2018 from incremental term loan borrowings under our Vail Holdings Credit Agreement and borrowings under the Whistler Credit Agreement. Additionally, we generated \$3.3 million of proceeds from real estate development land parcel sales during Fiscal 2018 compared to \$14.9 million in proceeds (net of sales commissions and deposits previously received) from real estate development project closings that occurred in Fiscal 2017.

Cash used in investing activities for Fiscal 2018 decreased by \$542.1 million, primarily due to cash payments during Fiscal 2017 related to the acquisitions of Whistler Blackcomb for \$506.2 million, net of cash acquired (cash portion of consideration), and Stowe for \$40.7 million, as well as a decrease in capital expenditures of \$3.8 million during Fiscal 2018 compared to Fiscal 2017, partially offset by a reduction in cash received from the sale of real property.

Cash used in financing activities increased \$606.3 million during Fiscal 2018, compared to Fiscal 2017, primarily due to the reduction of net proceeds from borrowings under our Vail Holdings Credit Agreement during Fiscal 2017, which was used to fund

a portion of the cash consideration for the Whistler Blackcomb acquisition. Cash payments made on behalf of employees for taxes related to exercises of share awards increased \$87.8 million and dividends paid increased \$57.9 million during Fiscal 2018, compared to Fiscal 2017. Additionally, cash outflows related to repurchases of common stock in Fiscal 2018 increased by \$25.6 million as compared to Fiscal 2017.

#### Significant Sources of Cash

We had \$108.9 million of cash and cash equivalents as of July 31, 2019, compared to \$178.1 million as of July 31, 2018. We generated \$634.2 million of cash from operating activities during Fiscal 2019 compared to \$548.5 million and \$471.0 million generated during Fiscal 2018 and Fiscal 2017, respectively. We currently anticipate that our Mountain and Lodging segment operating results will continue to provide a significant source of future operating cash flows (primarily those generated in our second and third fiscal quarters).

In addition to our \$108.9 million of cash and cash equivalents at July 31, 2019, we had \$214.4 million available under the revolver component of our Vail Holdings Credit Agreement as of July 31, 2019 (which represents the total commitment of \$500.0 million less outstanding borrowings of \$208.0 million and certain letters of credit outstanding of \$77.6 million). Also, to further support the liquidity needs of Whistler Blackcomb, we had C\$239.1 million (\$181.2 million) available under the revolver component of our Whistler Credit Agreement (which represents the total commitment of C\$300.0 million (\$227.3 million) less outstanding borrowings of C\$60.0 million (\$45.4 million) and a letter of credit outstanding of C\$0.9 million (\$0.7 million)). We expect that our liquidity needs in the near term will be met by continued use of operating cash flows and borrowings under both the Vail Holdings Credit Agreement and Whistler Credit Agreement, if needed. The Vail Holdings Credit Agreement and the Whistler Credit Agreement provide adequate flexibility and are priced favorably with any new borrowings currently priced at LIBOR plus 1.25% and Bankers Acceptance Rate plus 1.75%, respectively.

### Significant Uses of Cash

#### Capital Expenditures

We have historically invested significant amounts of cash in capital expenditures for our resort operations, and we expect to continue to do so, subject to operating performance particularly as it relates to discretionary projects. In addition, we may incur capital expenditures for retained ownership interests associated with thirdparty real estate development projects. Currently planned capital expenditures primarily include investments that will allow us to maintain our high-quality standards, as well as certain incremental discretionary improvements at our Resorts and throughout our owned hotels. We evaluate additional discretionary capital improvements based on an expected level of return on investment. We currently anticipate we will spend approximately \$139 million to \$143 million on resort capital expenditures during calendar year 2019, excluding one-time items associated with integrations, the one-time Triple Peaks and Stevens Pass transformation plan, real estate related capital and reimbursable investments. We expect that our total calendar year 2019 capital plan will be approximately \$190 million to \$195 million, including items noted above for integration and acquisitions, real estate related projects and approximately \$18 million of reimbursable investments associated with insurance recoveries and tenant improvements. Included in these estimated capital expenditures are approximately \$85 million to \$90 million of maintenance capital expenditures, which are necessary to maintain appearance and level of service appropriate to our resort operations. Discretionary expenditures for calendar year 2019 include, among other projects, significant investments in our snowmaking systems in Colorado that will transform the early-season terrain experience at Vail, Keystone and Beaver Creek; technology investments to increase lift ticket express fulfillment capacity through new mobile technology across our 17 North American Resorts to allow skiers and snowboarders who purchased tickets in advance to bypass the ticket window entirely; and a new permanent Tombstone BBQ restaurant at Park City. We also plan to make significant one-time investments across the recently acquired resorts of Crested Butte, Okemo, Mount Sunapee and Stevens Pass, which will include replacing and upgrading the Daisy and Brooks lifts at Stevens Pass and the Teocalli Lift at Crested Butte and on-mountain restaurant upgrades at Okemo. We plan to spend approximately \$14 million in the first phase of a two-year, \$35 million investment program for these newly acquired resorts. Additionally, we plan to spend approximately \$7 million in capital for the integration of Triple Peaks and Stevens Pass, \$2 million in capital for the integration of Peak Resorts and \$1 million in capital for the integration of Falls Creek and Hotham. The calendar year 2019 capital plan also includes \$3 million of investment related to our sustainability commitment focused on energy efficiency opportunities in snowmaking as well as other electrical and lighting applications. We currently plan to utilize cash on hand, borrowings available under our credit agreements and/or cash flow generated from future operations to provide the cash necessary to complete our capital plans.

Approximately \$79.0 million was spent for capital expenditures in calendar year 2019 as of July 31, 2019, leaving approximately\$111.0 million to \$116.0 million to spend in the remainder of calendar year 2019, including anticipated investments for integration and acquisitions, summer capital, real estate related projects and reimbursable investments associated with insurance recoveries and tenant improvements. We currently plan to utilize cash on hand, borrowings available under our credit agreements and/or cash flow generated from future operations to provide the cash necessary to complete our capital plans.

#### Acquisition of Peak Resorts

On September 23, 2019, we entered into an amendment to our Vail Holdings Credit Agreement in which the term loan was increased by approximately \$335.6 million, and we utilized the proceeds to fund the acquisition of 100 percent of the outstanding stock of Peak Resorts on September 24, 2019 at a purchase price of \$11.00 per share or approximately \$265 million, and to prepay certain portions of the debt assumed in connection with the acquisition.

#### Acquisitions of Hotham and Falls Creek

On April 4, 2019, we utilized cash on hand to acquire ski field leases and related infrastructure used to operate two resorts in Victoria, Australia. The Company acquired Australian Alpine Enterprises Holdings Pty. Ltd and all related corporate entities that operate the Falls Creek and Hotham resorts from Living and Leisure Australia Group, a subsidiary of Merlin Entertainments, for a purchase price of approximately AU\$178.9 million (\$127.4 million), after adjustments for certain agreed-upon terms, including an increase in the purchase price for operating losses incurred for the period from December 29, 2018 through closing.

#### Acquisitions of Stevens Pass and Triple Peaks

On August 15, 2018, we borrowed \$70.0 million under the term loan of our Vail Holdings Credit Agreement, primarily to fund the acquisition of Stevens Pass, which was acquired for a cash purchase price of \$64.0 million. On September 27, 2018, we acquired Triple Peaks for a cash purchase price of approximately \$74.1 million, after adjustments for certain agreed-upon terms. In addition, contemporaneous with the closing of the transaction, Triple Peaks paid \$155.0 million to pay the remaining obligations for the leases that all three resorts had with Ski Resort Holdings, with funds provided by the Company. Accordingly, the total purchase price, including repayment of lease obligations, was \$229.1 million, for which we utilized cash on hand and borrowed \$195.6 million under the term loan of our Vail Holdings Credit Agreement to fund the transaction and associated acquisition related expenses.

#### <u>Debt</u>

As of July 31, 2019, principal payments on the majority of our long-term debt (\$1,379.5 million of the total \$1,580.1 million debt outstanding as of July 31, 2019) are not due until fiscal year 2024 and beyond. As of July 31, 2019 and 2018, total long-term debt, net (including long-term debt due within one year) was \$1,576.3 million and \$1,272.7 million, respectively. Net Debt (defined as long-term debt, net plus long-term debt due within one year less cash and cash equivalents) increased from \$1,094.6 million as of July 31, 2018 to \$1,467.4 million as of July 31, 2019, primarily due to \$265.6 million in incremental term loans utilized to fund the Stevens Pass and Triple Peaks acquisitions, as discussed above, resulting from the August 15, 2018 amended and restated Vail Holdings Credit Agreement.

On April 15, 2019, we entered into the First Amendment to the Vail Holdings Credit Agreement, which primarily extended the maturity date for the outstanding term loans and revolver facility to April 15, 2024, increased the amount of dividends we are permitted to pay in each fiscal quarter under the agreement and increased the amount of the revolver facility from \$400.0 million to \$500.0 million. Subsequently, on September 23, 2019, we entered into the Second Amendment to the Vail Holdings Credit Agreement, which increased the term loan facility by approximately \$335.6 million in connection with the closing of the Peak Resorts acquisition and to prepay certain portions of the debt assumed in the acquisition, as discussed above. The Vail Holdings Credit Agreement provides for (i) a revolving loan facility in an aggregate principal amount of \$500.0 million and (ii) a term loan facility in an aggregate principal amount of up to \$1.25 billion. Additionally, during Fiscal 2019, we entered into an amendment of the Whistler Credit Agreement which extended the maturity date of the revolving credit facility to December 2023. No other material terms of the Whistler Credit Agreement were altered. We expect that our liquidity needs in the near term will be met by continued use of operating cash flows and borrowings under both the Vail Holdings Credit Agreement and Whistler Credit Agreement.

Our debt service requirements can be impacted by changing interest rates as we had approximately \$1.2 billion of variable-rate debt outstanding as of July 31, 2019. A 100-basis point change in LIBOR would cause our annual interest payments to change by approximately \$12.2 million. Additionally, the annual payments associated with the financing of the Canyons transaction increase by the greater of CPI less 1%, or 2%. The fluctuation in our debt service requirements, in addition to interest rate and inflation changes, may be impacted by future borrowings under our credit agreements or other alternative financing arrangements we may enter into. Our long term liquidity needs depend upon operating results that impact the borrowing capacity under our credit agreements, which can be mitigated by adjustments to capital expenditures, the flexibility of investment activities and the ability to obtain favorable future financing. We can respond to liquidity impacts of changes in the business and economic environment by managing our capital expenditures, the timing of new real estate development activity and the payment of our regular quarterly cash dividend of common stock.

#### Share Repurchase Program

Our share repurchase program is conducted under authorizations made from time to time by our Board of Directors. On March 6, 2006, our Board of Directors initially authorized the repurchase of up to 3,000,000 shares of Vail Resorts common stock ("Vail Shares") and later authorized additional repurchases of up to 3,000,000 additional Vail Shares (July 16, 2008) and 1,500,000 Vail Shares (December 4, 2015), for a total authorization to repurchase shares of up to 7,500,000 Vail Shares. During Fiscal 2019, we repurchased 353,007 shares of common stock at a cost of \$85.0 million. Since the inception of this stock repurchase program through July 31, 2019, we have repurchased 5,904,723 Vail Shares at a cost of approximately \$358.0 million. As of July 31, 2019, 1,595,277 Vail Shares remained available to repurchase under the existing repurchase authorization. Vail Shares purchased pursuant to the repurchase program will be held as treasury shares and may be used for the issuance of shares under the Company's share award plan. Repurchases under the program may be made from time to time at prevailing prices as permitted by applicable laws, and subject to market conditions and other factors. The timing, as well as the number of Vail Shares that may be repurchased under the program, will depend on several factors, including our future financial performance, our available cash resources and competing uses for cash that may arise in the future, the restrictions in our Vail Holdings Credit Agreement, prevailing prices of Vail Shares and the number of Vail Shares that become available for sale at prices that we believe are attractive. The share repurchase program has no expiration date.

#### Dividend Payments

In fiscal year 2011, our Board of Directors approved the commencement of a regular quarterly cash dividend on our common stock at an annual rate of \$0.60 per share, subject to quarterly declaration. Since the initial commencement of a regular quarterly cash dividend, our Board of Directors has annually approved an increase to our cash dividend on our common stock and on March 7, 2019, our Board of Directors approved a 20% increase in our quarterly cash dividend to \$1.76 per share (or approximately \$71.0 million per quarter based upon shares outstanding as of July 31, 2019). For the year ended July 31, 2019, we paid cash dividends of \$6.46 per share (\$260.6 million in the aggregate.) These dividends were funded through available cash on hand and borrowing under the revolving portion of our Vail Holdings Credit Agreement. Subject to the discretion of our Board of Directors, applicable law and contractual restrictions, we anticipate paying regular quarterly cash dividends on our common stock for the foreseeable future. The amount, if any, of the dividends to be paid in the future will depend on our available cash on hand, anticipated cash needs, overall financial condition, restrictions contained in our Vail Holdings Credit Agreement, future prospects for earnings and cash flows, as well as other factors considered relevant by our Board of Directors.

#### Covenants and Limitations

We must abide by certain restrictive financial covenants under our credit agreements. The most restrictive of those covenants include the following covenants: for the Vail Holdings Credit Agreement, Net Funded Debt to Adjusted EBITDA ratio and the Interest Coverage ratio (each as defined in the Vail Holdings Credit Agreement) and for the Whistler Credit Agreement Consolidated Total Leverage Ratio and Consolidated Interest Coverage Ratio (each as defined in the Whistler Credit Agreement). In addition, our financing arrangements limit our ability to make certain restricted payments, pay dividends on or redeem or repurchase stock, make certain investments, make certain affiliate transfers and may limit our ability to enter into certain mergers, consolidations or sales of assets and incur certain indebtedness. Our borrowing availability under the Vail Holdings Credit Agreement is primarily determined by the Net Funded Debt to Adjusted EBITDA ratio, which is based on our segment operating performance, as defined in the Vail Holdings Credit Agreement. Our borrowing availability under the Whistler Credit Agreement is primarily determined based on the commitment size of the credit facility and our compliance with the terms of the Whistler Credit Agreement.

We were in compliance with all restrictive financial covenants in our debt instruments as of July 31, 2019. We expect that we will continue to meet all applicable financial maintenance covenants in our credit agreements throughout the year ending July 31, 2020. However, there can be no assurance that we will continue to meet such financial covenants. If such covenants are not met, we would be required to seek a waiver or amendment from the banks participating in our credit agreements. There can be no assurance that such waiver or amendment would be granted, which could have a material adverse impact on our liquidity.

#### **Contractual Obligations**

As part of our ongoing operations, we enter into arrangements that obligate us to make future payments under contracts such as debt agreements, lease agreements and construction agreements in conjunction with our resort capital expenditures. Debt obligations, which totaled \$1,580.1 million as of July 31, 2019, are recognized as liabilities in our Consolidated Balance Sheet. Obligations under construction contracts are not recognized as liabilities in our Consolidated Balance Sheet until services and/or goods are received which is in accordance with GAAP. Additionally, operating lease and service contract obligations, which totaled \$370.1 million as of July 31, 2019, are not recognized as liabilities in our Consolidated Balance Sheet, which is in accordance with GAAP. A summary of our contractual obligations as of July 31, 2019 is presented below (in thousands):

			Payments Due by Period									
	Fiscal				2-3		4-5		More than			
<b>Contractual Obligations</b>	Total		2020		years		years		5 years			
Long-Term Debt (Outstanding Principal) (1)	\$ 1,580,130	\$	54,666	\$	97,228	\$	1,027,843	\$	400,393			
Fixed Rate Interest (1)	1,253		211		372		299		371			
Canyons Obligation (2)	1,648,150		28,262		58,230		60,583		1,501,075			
Operating Leases and Service Contracts (3)	370,077		65,196		94,484		67,871		142,526			
Purchase Obligations and Other (4)	537,315		399,829		108,649		402		28,435			
Total Contractual Cash Obligations	\$ 4,136,925	\$	548,164	\$	358,963	\$	1,156,998	\$	2,072,800			

- (1) The fixed-rate interest payments, as well as long-term debt payments, included in the table above, assume that all debt outstanding as of July 31, 2019 will be held to maturity. Interest payments associated with variable-rate debt have not been included in the table. Assuming that our approximately \$1.2 billion of variable-rate long-term debt as of July 31, 2019 is held to maturity and utilizing interest rates in effect at July 31, 2019, our annual interest payments (including commitment fees and letter of credit fees) on variable rate long-term debt as of July 31, 2019 is anticipated to be approximately \$43.4 million for Fiscal 2020, approximately \$41.7 million for Fiscal 2021 and approximately \$36.5 million for at least each of the next three years subsequent to Fiscal 2021. The future annual interest obligations noted herein are estimated only in relation to debt outstanding as of July 31, 2019 and do not reflect interest obligations on potential future debt.
  - Included in Long-Term Debt (Outstanding Principal) are \$11.2 million of proceeds resulting from real estate transactions accounted for as a financing arrangements. Fiscal 2020 payments shown above include approximately \$6.2 million of proceeds, which are expected to be recognized on the Company's Statement of Operations during the year ending July 31, 2020 as a result of the anticipated resolution of continuing involvement, with no associated cash outflow (see Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for additional information).
- (2) Reflects principal and interest expense payments associated with the remaining lease term of the Canyons obligation, initially 50 years, assuming a 2% per annum (floor) increase in payments. Any potential increases to the annual fixed payment above the 2% floor due to inflation linked index of CPI less 1% have been excluded.
- (3) The payments under noncancelable operating leases included in the table above reflect the applicable minimum lease payments and exclude any potential contingent rent payments.
- (4) Purchase obligations and other primarily include amounts which are classified as trade payables, accrued payroll and benefits, accrued fees and assessments, contingent consideration liability, accrued taxes (including taxes for uncertain tax positions) on our Consolidated Balance Sheet as of July 31, 2019; and, other commitments for goods and services not yet received, including construction contracts and minimum commitments under season pass alliance agreements, not included on our Consolidated Balance Sheet as of July 31, 2019 in accordance with GAAP.

# **Off Balance Sheet Arrangements**

We do not have off balance sheet transactions that are expected to have a material effect on our financial condition, revenue, expenses, results of operations, liquidity, capital expenditures or capital resources.

#### **Critical Accounting Policies**

The preparation of Consolidated Financial Statements in conformity with GAAP requires us to select appropriate accounting policies and to make judgments and estimates affecting the application of those accounting policies. In applying our accounting policies, different business conditions or the use of different assumptions may result in materially different amounts reported in the Consolidated Financial Statements.

We have identified the most critical accounting policies which were determined by considering accounting policies that involve the most complex or subjective decisions or assessments. We also have other policies considered key accounting policies; however, these policies do not meet the definition of critical accounting policies because they do not generally require us to make estimates or judgments that are complex or subjective. We have reviewed these critical accounting policies and related disclosures with our Audit Committee of the Board of Directors.

#### Goodwill and Intangible Assets

#### Description

The carrying value of goodwill and indefinite-lived intangible assets are evaluated for possible impairment on an annual basis or between annual tests if an event occurs or circumstances change that would more likely than not reduce the estimated fair value of a reporting unit or indefinite-lived intangible asset below its carrying value. Other intangible assets are evaluated for impairment only when there is evidence that events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of these assets may not be recoverable.

#### Judgments and Uncertainties

Application of the goodwill and indefinite-lived intangible asset impairment test requires judgment, including the identification of reporting units, assignment of assets and liabilities to reporting units, assignment of goodwill to reporting units and determination of the estimated fair value of reporting units and indefinite-lived intangible assets. We perform a qualitative analysis to determine whether it is more likely than not that the fair value of a reporting unit or indefinite-lived intangible asset exceeds the carrying amount. If it is determined, based on qualitative factors, that the fair value of the reporting unit or indefinite-lived intangible asset may be more likely than not less than carrying amount, or if significant changes to macro-economic factors related to the reporting unit or intangible asset have occurred that could materially impact fair value, a quantitative impairment test would be required, in which we would determine the estimated fair value of our reporting units using a discounted cash flow analysis and determine the estimated fair value of indefinite-lived intangible assets primarily using the income approach based upon estimated future revenue streams. These analyses require significant judgments, including estimation of future cash flows, which is dependent on internal forecasts, available industry/market data (to the extent available), estimation of the long-term rate of growth for our business including expectations and assumptions regarding the impact of general economic conditions on our business, estimation of the useful life over which cash flows will occur (including terminal multiples), determination of the respective weighted average cost of capital and market participant assumptions. Changes in these estimates and assumptions could materially affect the determination of estimated fair value and impairment for each reporting units expected to benefit from the acquisition generating the goodwill.

#### Effect if Actual Results Differ From Assumptions

Goodwill and indefinite-lived intangible assets are tested for impairment at least annually as of May 1. Based upon our annual impairment test performed during the fourth fiscal quarter of Fiscal 2019, the estimated fair value of our reporting units and indefinite-lived intangible assets were in excess of their respective carrying values, and as such no impairment of goodwill or indefinite-lived intangible assets existed.

Fair value determinations require considerable judgment and are sensitive to changes in underlying assumptions and factors. As a result, there can be no assurance that the estimates and assumptions made for purposes of the annual goodwill impairment test will prove to be an accurate prediction of the future. Examples of events or circumstances that could reasonably be expected to negatively affect the underlying key assumptions and ultimately impact the estimated fair value of our reporting units may include such items as: (1) prolonged adverse weather conditions resulting in a sustained decline in guest visitation; (2) a prolonged weakness in the general economic conditions in which guest visitation and spending is adversely impacted; and (3) volatility in the equity and debt markets which could result in a higher discount rate.

While historical performance and current expectations have resulted in estimated fair values of our reporting units in excess of carrying values, if our assumptions are not realized, it is possible that an impairment charge may need to be recorded in the future. However, it is not possible at this time to determine if an impairment charge would result or if such a charge would be material.

As of July 31, 2019, we had \$1,608.2 million of goodwill and \$233.4 million of indefinite-lived intangible assets recorded on our Consolidated Balance Sheet. There can be no assurance that the estimates and assumptions made for purposes of the annual goodwill impairment tests for goodwill will prove to be an accurate prediction of the future.

#### Tax Contingencies

#### Description

We must make certain estimates and judgments in determining income tax expense for financial statement purposes. These estimates and judgments occur in the calculation of tax credits and deductions and in the calculation of certain tax assets and liabilities, which arise from differences in the timing of recognition of revenue and expense for tax and financial statement purposes, as well as the interest and penalties relating to uncertain tax positions. The calculation of our tax liabilities involves dealing with uncertainties in the application of complex tax regulations, including those enacted under the Tax Act. We recognize liabilities for uncertain tax positions based on a two-step process. The first step is to evaluate the tax position for recognition by determining if the weight of available evidence indicates that it is more likely than not that the position will be sustained on audit, including resolution of related appeals or litigation processes, if any. The second step requires us to estimate and measure the largest tax benefit that is cumulatively greater than 50% likely of being realized upon ultimate settlement. It is inherently difficult and subjective to estimate such amounts, as this requires us to determine the probability of various possible outcomes. This evaluation is based on factors including, but not limited to, changes in facts or circumstances, changes in tax law, interpretation of tax law, effectively settled issues under audit and new audit activity. A significant amount of time may pass before a particular matter, for which we may have established a reserve, is audited and fully resolved.

#### Judgments and Uncertainties

The estimates of our tax contingencies reserve contain uncertainty because management must use judgment to estimate the potential exposure associated with our various filing positions.

#### Effect if Actual Results Differ From Assumptions

We believe the estimates and judgments discussed herein are reasonable and we have adequate reserves for our tax contingencies for uncertain tax positions. Our reserves for uncertain tax positions, including any income tax related interest and penalties (\$78.5 million as of July 31, 2019), relate to the treatment of the Talisker lease payments as payments of debt obligations and that the tax basis in Canyons goodwill is deductible. Actual results could differ and we may be exposed to increases or decreases in those reserves and tax provisions that could be material.

An unfavorable tax settlement could require the use of cash and could possibly result in increased tax expense and effective tax rate and/or adjustments to our deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities in the year of resolution. A favorable tax settlement could possibly result in a reduction in our tax expense, effective tax rate, income taxes payable, other long-term liabilities and/or adjustments to our deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities in the year of settlement or in future years.

# Depreciable Lives of Assets

#### Description

Mountain and lodging operational assets, furniture and fixtures, computer equipment, software, vehicles and leasehold improvements are primarily depreciated using the straight-line method over the estimated useful life of the asset. Assets may become obsolete or require replacement before the end of their useful life in which the remaining book value would be written-off or we could incur costs to remove or dispose of assets no longer in use.

#### Judgments and Uncertainties

The estimates of our useful lives of the assets contain uncertainty because management must use judgment to estimate the useful life of the asset.

#### Effect if Actual Results Differ From Assumptions

Although we believe the estimates and judgments discussed herein are reasonable, actual results could differ, and we may be exposed to increased expense related to depreciable assets disposed of, removed or taken out of service prior to its originally estimated useful life, which may be material. A 10% decrease in the estimated useful lives of depreciable assets would have increased depreciation expense by approximately \$22.2 million for Fiscal 2019.

#### **Business Combinations**

#### Description

A component of our growth strategy has been to acquire and integrate businesses that complement our existing operations. We account for business combinations in accordance with the guidance for business combinations and related literature. Accordingly, we allocate the purchase price of acquired businesses to the identifiable tangible and intangible assets acquired and liabilities assumed based upon their estimated fair values at the date of acquisition. The difference between the purchase price and the estimated fair value of the net assets acquired or the excess of the aggregate estimated fair values of assets acquired and liabilities assumed is recorded as goodwill. In determining the estimated fair values of assets acquired and liabilities assumed in a business combination, we use various recognized valuation methods including present value modeling and referenced market values (where available). Valuations are performed by management or independent valuation specialists under management's supervision, where appropriate.

#### Judgments and Uncertainties

Accounting for business combinations requires our management to make significant estimates and assumptions, especially at the acquisition date, including our estimates for intangible assets, contractual obligations assumed and contingent consideration, where applicable. Although we believe the assumptions and estimates we have made in the past have been reasonable and appropriate, they are based in part on historical experience and information obtained from the management of the acquired companies and are inherently uncertain. Examples of critical estimates in valuing certain of the intangible assets we have acquired include but are not limited to determination of weighted average cost of capital, market participant assumptions, royalty rates, terminal multiples and estimates of future cash flows to be generated by the acquired assets. In addition to the estimates and assumptions applied to valuing intangible assets acquired, the determination of the estimated fair value of contingent consideration, including estimating the likelihood and timing of achieving the relevant thresholds for contingent consideration payments, requires the use of subjective judgments. We estimate the fair value of the Park City contingent consideration payments using an option pricing valuation model which incorporates, among other factors, projected achievement of specified financial performance measures, discounts rates and volatility for the respective business.

#### Effect if Actual Results Differ From Assumptions

We believe that the estimated fair values assigned to the assets acquired and liabilities assumed are based on reasonable assumptions that a marketplace participant would use. While we use our best estimates and assumptions to accurately value assets acquired and liabilities assumed at the acquisition date our estimates are inherently uncertain and subject to refinement. As a result, during the measurement period, which may be up to one year from the acquisition date, we may record adjustments to the assets acquired and liabilities assumed with the corresponding offset to goodwill. Upon the conclusion of the measurement period or final determination of the estimated fair values of assets acquired or liabilities assumed, whichever comes first, any subsequent adjustments would be recorded in our Consolidated Statements of Operations.

We recognize the fair value of contingent consideration at the date of acquisition as part of the consideration transferred to acquire a business. The liability associated with contingent consideration is remeasured to fair value at each reporting period subsequent to the date of acquisition taking into consideration changes in financial projections and long-term growth rates, among other factors, that may impact the timing and amount of contingent consideration payments until the term of the agreement has expired or the contingency is resolved. Increases in the fair value of contingent consideration are recorded as losses in our Consolidated Statements of Operations, while decreases in fair value are recorded as gains.

# New Accounting Standards

Refer to the Summary of Significant Accounting Policies within the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for a discussion of new accounting standards.

#### Inflation

Although we cannot accurately determine the precise effect of inflation on our operations, management does not believe inflation has had a material effect on the results of operations in the last three fiscal years. When the costs of operating resorts increase, we generally have been able to pass the increase on to our customers. However, there can be no assurance that increases in labor and other operating costs due to inflation will not have an impact on our future profitability.

In May 2013, we entered into a long-term lease pursuant to which we assumed the operations of Canyons which includes the ski terrain and related amenities. The lease has an initial term of 50 years with six 50-year renewal options. The lease provides for \$25.0 million in annual payments, which increase each year by an inflation linked index of CPI less 1%, with a floor of 2% per annum. As lease payments increase annually, there can be no assurance that these increases will be offset by increased cash flow generated from operations at Park City.

#### Seasonality and Quarterly Results

Our mountain and lodging operations are seasonal in nature. In particular, revenue and profits for our North America mountain and most of our lodging operations are substantially lower and historically result in losses from late spring to late fall. Conversely, peak operating seasons for our NPS concessionaire properties, our mountain resort golf courses and Perisher's ski season occur during the North American summer months while the North American winter months result in operating losses. Revenue and profits generated by NPS concessionaire properties summer operations, golf operations and Perisher's ski operations are not sufficient to fully offset our off-season losses from our North American mountain and other lodging operations. During Fiscal 2019, approximately 80% of total combined Mountain and Lodging segment net revenue (excluding Lodging segment revenue associated with reimbursement of payroll costs) was earned during the second and third fiscal quarters. Therefore, the operating results for any three-month period are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be achieved for any subsequent quarter or for a full year (see Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements).

# ITEM 7A. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK.

Interest Rate Risk. Our exposure to market risk is limited primarily to the fluctuating interest rates associated with variable rate indebtedness. At July 31, 2019, we had approximately \$1.2 billion of variable rate indebtedness, representing approximately 77% of our total debt outstanding, at an average interest rate during Fiscal 2019 of 3.6%. Based on variable-rate borrowings outstanding as of July 31, 2019, a 100-basis point (or 1.0%) change in LIBOR would result in our annual interest payments changing by \$12.2 million. Our market risk exposure fluctuates based on changes in underlying interest rates.

Foreign Currency Exchange Rate Risk. We are exposed to currency translation risk because the results of our international entities are reported in local currency, which we then translate to U.S. dollars for inclusion in our consolidated financial statements. As a result, changes between the foreign exchange rates, in particular the Canadian dollar and Australian dollar compared to the U.S. dollar, affect the amounts we record for our foreign assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses, and could have a negative effect on our financial results. Additionally, we have foreign currency transaction exposure from an intercompany loan to Whistler Blackcomb that is not deemed to be permanently invested, which has and could materially change due to fluctuations in the Canadian dollar exchange rate. The results of Whistler Blackcomb and Perisher are reported in Canadian dollars and Australian dollars respectively, which we then translate to U.S. dollars for inclusion in our consolidated financial statements. We do not currently enter into hedging arrangements to minimize the impact of foreign currency fluctuations on our operations.

The following table summarizes the amounts of foreign currency translation adjustments, net of tax, and foreign currency (loss) gain on intercompany loans, recognized in comprehensive income (in thousands):

	Year Ended July 31,							
	2019			2018		2017		
Foreign currency translation adjustments, net of tax	\$	(34,287)	\$	(61,957)	\$	64,152		
Foreign currency (loss) gain on intercompany loans	\$	(2,854)	\$	(8,966)	\$	15,285		

# ITEM 8. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY DATA.

# Vail Resorts, Inc.

Consolidated Financial Statements for the Years Ended July 31, 2019, 2018 and 2017

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#### Management's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

Management of Vail Resorts, Inc. (the "Company") is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting, as such term is defined in Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. The Company's internal control over financial reporting is designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting to future periods are subject to the risk that the controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

Management, including the Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, assessed the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of July 31, 2019. In making this assessment, management used the criteria established in *Internal Control-Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission in 2013. Based on this assessment, management concluded that, as of July 31, 2019, the Company's internal control over financial reporting was effective. Management's evaluation and conclusion on the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting as of July 31, 2019 excluded certain elements of internal controls of Falls Creek and Hotham (acquired in April 2019), Triple Peaks (acquired in September 2018) and Stevens Pass (acquired in August 2018) due to the timing of these acquisitions. Those elements of the acquired resorts' internal controls over financial reporting that have been excluded represent approximately less than 1% of total consolidated assets and approximately 7% of total consolidated net revenues of the Company as of and for the year ended July 31, 2019.

The Company's independent registered public accounting firm, PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, has issued an attestation report on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of July 31, 2019, as stated in the Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm on the following page.

#### Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the Board of Directors and Stockholders of Vail Resorts, Inc.

# Opinions on the Financial Statements and Internal Control over Financial Reporting

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Vail Resorts, Inc. and its subsidiaries (the "Company") as of July 31, 2019 and July 31, 2018, and the related consolidated statements of operations, of comprehensive income, of stockholders' equity and of cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended July 31, 2019, including the related notes (collectively referred to as the "consolidated financial statements"). We also have audited the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of July 31, 2019, based on criteria established in *Internal Control - Integrated Framework* (2013) issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO).

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company as of July 31, 2019 and July 31, 2018, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended July 31, 2019 in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Also in our opinion, the Company maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of July 31, 2019, based on criteria established in *Internal Control - Integrated Framework* (2013) issued by the COSO.

# Basis for Opinions

The Company's management is responsible for these consolidated financial statements, for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting, and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting, included in the accompanying Management's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting. Our responsibility is to express opinions on the Company's consolidated financial statements and on the Company's internal control over financial reporting based on our audits. We are a public accounting firm registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (PCAOB) and are required to be independent with respect to the Company in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud, and whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects.

Our audits of the consolidated financial statements included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements. Our audits also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the consolidated financial statements. Our audit of internal control over financial reporting included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, and testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk. Our audits also included performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinions.

As described in Management's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting, management has excluded certain elements of the internal control over financial reporting of Falls Creek and Hotham, Triple Peaks, and Stevens Pass from its assessment of internal control over financial reporting as of July 31, 2019, because they were acquired by the Company in purchase business combinations in April 2019, September 2018, and August 2018, respectively. Subsequent to the acquisitions, certain elements of Falls Creek and Hotham's, Triple Peaks', and Stevens Pass' internal control over financial reporting and related processes were integrated into the Company's existing systems and internal control over financial reporting. Those controls that were not integrated have been excluded from management's assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting as of July 31, 2019. We have also excluded these elements of the internal control over financial reporting of Falls Creek and Hotham, Triple Peaks, and Stevens Pass from our audit of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. The excluded elements represent controls of less than 1% of consolidated assets and approximately 7% of consolidated revenues.

#### Definition and Limitations of Internal Control over Financial Reporting

A company's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. A company's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (i) pertain

to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (ii) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (iii) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

#### Critical Audit Matters

The critical audit matters communicated below are matters arising from the current period audit of the consolidated financial statements that were communicated or required to be communicated to the audit committee and that (i) relate to accounts or disclosures that are material to the consolidated financial statements and (ii) involved our especially challenging, subjective, or complex judgments. The communication of critical audit matters does not alter in any way our opinion on the consolidated financial statements, taken as a whole, and we are not, by communicating the critical audit matters below, providing separate opinions on the critical audit matters or on the accounts or disclosures to which they relate.

#### Fair Value Measurement of the Contingent Consideration

As described in Note 9 to the consolidated financial statements, the Company has established a liability of \$27.2 million as of July 31, 2019 for additional amounts that management believes are likely to be paid to the previous owner of Park City (the "Contingent Consideration"). The Company remeasures the Contingent Consideration to fair value at each reporting date until the contingency is resolved. The estimated fair value of Contingent Consideration includes the future period resort operations of Park City in the calculation of EBITDA on which participating contingent payments are made, which is determined on the basis of estimated subsequent year performance, escalated by an assumed growth factor. Fair value is estimated using an option pricing valuation model. As described by management, key assumptions in determining the fair value under this model included a long-term discount rate, volatility, and future period Park City EBITDA.

The principal considerations for our determination that performing procedures relating to the fair value measurement of the Contingent Consideration is a critical audit matter are (i) the significant judgments made by management when developing the fair value measurement, which in turn led to a high degree of auditor judgment, subjectivity, and effort in performing procedures and evaluating audit evidence related to management's option pricing valuation model and cash flow projections, including significant assumptions for the long-term discount rate, volatility, and future period Park City EBITDA; and (ii) the audit effort involved the use of professionals with specialized skill and knowledge to assist in performing these procedures and evaluating the audit evidence obtained from these procedures.

Addressing the matter involved performing procedures and evaluating audit evidence in connection with forming our overall opinion on the consolidated financial statements. These procedures included testing the effectiveness of controls relating to management's fair value measurement of the Contingent Consideration including controls over the Company's model, significant assumptions, and data. The procedures also included, among others, testing management's process for developing the fair value measurement; evaluating the appropriateness of the option pricing valuation model; testing the completeness, accuracy, and relevance of underlying data used in the model; and evaluating the significant assumptions used by management, including the long-term discount rate, volatility, and future period Park City EBITDA. Evaluating management's assumptions related to the long-term discount rate, volatility, and future period Park City EBITDA involved evaluating whether the assumptions used by management were reasonable considering (i) the current and past EBITDA performance of Park City; (ii) the consistency with external market data; and (iii) whether these assumptions were consistent with evidence obtained in other areas of the audit. Professionals with specialized skill and knowledge were used to assist in the evaluation of the Company's option pricing model and certain significant assumptions, including the discount rate and volatility.

Valuation of Property, Plant, and Equipment Acquired in Business Combinations

As described in Note 6 to the consolidated financial statements, the Company completed the acquisitions of Stevens Pass Resort, Triple Peaks, and Falls Creek and Hotham Resorts during the year ended July 31, 2019. The aggregate purchase consideration for these business combinations was approximately \$420.5 million, resulting in the recognition of an aggregate amount of approximately \$249.6 million of related property, plant and equipment ("Acquired PPE"). The process of estimating the fair value of the Acquired PPE includes the use of certain estimates and assumptions related to replacement cost and physical condition at the time of acquisition.

The principal considerations for our determination that performing procedures relating to the valuation of the Acquired PPE is a critical audit matter are (i) the high degree of auditor subjectivity and effort in performing procedures and evaluating audit evidence over management's valuation of the assets acquired, including the significant assumptions, such as replacement cost and physical condition at the time of acquisition; and (ii) the audit effort involved the use of professionals with specialized skill and knowledge to assist in performing these procedures and evaluating the audit evidence obtained from these procedures.

Addressing the matter involved performing procedures and evaluating audit evidence in connection with forming our overall opinion on the consolidated financial statements. These procedures included testing the effectiveness of controls relating to the acquisition accounting, including controls over management's valuation of the Acquired PPE. These procedures also included, among others, (i) reading the purchase agreement; (ii) testing management's process for estimating the fair value of Acquired PPE; and (iii) evaluating management's assumptions of replacement cost and physical condition at the time of acquisition used to estimate the fair value of the Acquired PPE. Professionals with specialized skill and knowledge were used to assist in the evaluation of the Company's valuation method and certain significant assumptions, including the replacement cost and physical condition at the time of acquisition, and evaluating whether the assumptions used by management were reasonable considering consistency with external market and industry data.

/s/ PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP Denver, Colorado September 26, 2019

We have served as the Company's auditor since 2002.

# Vail Resorts, Inc. Consolidated Balance Sheets (In thousands, except per share amounts)

July 31, 2019 2018 Assets Current assets: Cash and cash equivalents \$ 108.850 \$ 178,145 Restricted cash 9,539 6,895 Accounts receivable, net of allowances of \$724 and \$1,278, respectively 270,896 230,829 Inventories, net of reserves of \$2,031 and \$1,534, respectively 96,539 85,588 Other current assets 42,116 37,279 538,736 Total current assets 527,940 Property, plant and equipment, net (Note 7) 1,842,500 1,627,219 Real estate held for sale and investment 101,021 99,385 Deferred charges and other assets 40,237 43,386 Goodwill, net (Note 7) 1,608,206 1,475,686 280,572 Intangible assets, net (Note 7) 306,173 Total assets \$ 4,426,077 \$ 4,064,984 Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity Current liabilities: Accounts payable and accrued liabilities (Note 7) \$ 607,857 \$ 504,533 Income taxes payable 62,760 50,632 Long-term debt due within one year (Note 5) 48,516 38,455 Total current liabilities 719,133 593,620 1,527,744 1,234,277 Long-term debt, net (Note 5) Other long-term liabilities (Note 7) 283,601 291,506 168,759 Deferred income taxes (Note 10) 133,918 Total liabilities 2,699,237 2,253,321 Commitments and contingencies (Note 12) Stockholders' equity: Preferred stock, \$0.01 par value, 25,000 shares authorized, no shares issued and outstanding Common stock, \$0.01 par value, 100,000 shares authorized and 46,190 and 46,021 shares issued, 460 respectively 461 Exchangeable shares, \$0.01 par value, 56 and 58 shares issued and outstanding, respectively (Note 4) 1 Additional paid-in capital 1,130,083 1,137,467 Accumulated other comprehensive loss (31,730)(2,227)Retained earnings 759,801 726,722 Treasury stock, at cost; 5,905 and 5,552 shares, respectively (Note 15) (357,989)(272,989)Total Vail Resorts, Inc. stockholders' equity 1,500,627 1,589,434 Noncontrolling interests 226,213 222,229 Total stockholders' equity 1,726,840 1,811,663 Total liabilities and stockholders' equity 4,426,077 \$ 4,064,984

# Vail Resorts, Inc. Consolidated Statements of Operations (In thousands, except per share amounts)

Year Ended July 31, 2019 2018 2017 Net revenue: \$ Mountain and Lodging services and other 1,807,930 \$ 1,584,310 \$ 1,477,654 Mountain and Lodging retail and dining 462,933 423,255 412,646 1,890,300 Resort net revenue 2,270,863 2,007,565 Real Estate 712 3,988 16,918 Total net revenue 2,271,575 2,011,553 1,907,218 Operating expense (exclusive of depreciation and amortization shown separately below): 1,101,670 966,566 891,135 Mountain and Lodging operating expense Mountain and Lodging retail and dining cost of products sold 190,044 174,105 170,824 General and administrative 274,415 251,806 236,799 Resort operating expense 1,566,129 1,392,477 1,298,758 Real Estate, net 5,609 3,546 24,083 Total segment operating expense 1,571,738 1,396,023 1,322,841 Other operating (expense) income: (218,117)Depreciation and amortization (204,462)(189,157)Gain on sale of real property 580 515 6,766 Change in fair value of contingent consideration (Note 9) (5,367)1,854 (16,300)Loss on disposal of fixed assets and other, net (664)(4,620)(6,430)Income from operations 476,269 408,817 379,256 Mountain equity investment income, net 1,960 1,523 1,883 Investment income and other, net 3,086 1,944 6,114 Foreign currency (loss) gain on intercompany loans (Note 5) 15,285 (2,854)(8,966)Interest expense, net (79,496)(63,226)(54,089)348,449 Income before (provision) benefit from income taxes 398,965 340,092 (Provision) benefit from income taxes (Note 10) (75,472)61,138 (116,731)401,230 231,718 Net income 323,493 Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests (22,330)(21,332)(21,165)

The accompanying Notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

\$

\$

\$

301,163 \$

7.46 \$

7.32 \$

6.46 \$

Net income attributable to Vail Resorts, Inc.

Cash dividends declared per share

Basic net income per share attributable to Vail Resorts, Inc.

Diluted net income per share attributable to Vail Resorts, Inc.

Per share amounts (Note 4):

379,898 \$

9.40 \$

9.13 \$

5.046 \$

210,553

5.36

5.22

3.726

# Vail Resorts, Inc. Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income (In thousands)

Year Ended July 31, 2019 2018 2017 231,718 Net income 323,493 \$ 401,230 \$ Foreign currency translation adjustments and other (net of tax of \$0, \$1,981 and (\$2,831), respectively) (34,287) (61,957) 64,152 289,206 339,273 295,870 Comprehensive income Comprehensive income attributable to noncontrolling interests (5,997) (17,546)(39,372)Comprehensive income attributable to Vail Resorts, Inc. \$ 271,660 \$ 333,276 \$ 256,498

# Vail Resorts, Inc. Consolidated Statements of Stockholders' Equity (In thousands, except share amounts)

	Cor	nmon Stock	Additional Paid in Capital	Accumulated Other Comprehensive (Loss) Income	Retained Earnings	Treasury Stock	Total Vail Resorts, Inc. Stockholders' Equity	Noncontrolling Interests	Total Stockholders' Equity
	Vail								
Deleger July 21, 2016	Resorts \$ 416			¢ (1.550)	¢497.77	\$(24C 070)	\$ 874,540	e 12.026	¢ 000 466
Balance, July 31, 2016	\$ 410	<b>5</b> —	\$ 635,986	\$ (1,550)	\$480,007	\$(246,979)	\$ 8/4,540	\$ 13,926	\$ 888,466
Comprehensive income:	_		_		210 552		210.552	21.165	221.710
Net income Foreign currency translation	_	_	_	_	210,553	_	210,553	21,165	231,718
adjustments, net of tax	_	_	_	45,945	_		45,945	18,207	64,152
Total comprehensive income							256,498	39,372	295,870
Stock-based compensation (Note 16)	_	_	18,315	_	_	_	18,315	_	18,315
Shares issued for acquisition (Note 6)	33	4	574,608	_	_	_	574,645	_	574,645
Exchangeable share transfers	3	(3)	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Issuance of shares under share award plan, net of shares withheld for employee taxes (Note 16)	2	_	(16,277)	_	_	_	(16,275)	_	(16,275)
Tax benefit from share award plan	_	_	9,878	_	_	_	9,878	_	9,878
Repurchases of common stock (Note 15)	_	_	_	_	_	(210)	(210)	_	(210)
Dividends (Note 4)	_	_	_	_	(146,235)	_	(146,235)	_	(146,235)
Acquisition of noncontrolling interest (Note 6)	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	182,579	182,579
Distributions to noncontrolling interests, net	_	_	-	_	_	_	_	(8,074)	(8,074)
Balance, July 31, 2017	454	1	1,222,510	44,395	550,985	(247,189)	1,571,156	227,803	1,798,959
Comprehensive income:									
Net income	_	_	_	_	379,898	_	379,898	21,332	401,230
Foreign currency translation adjustments, net of tax	_	_	_	(46,622)	_	_	(46,622)	(15,335)	(61,957)
Total comprehensive income						•	333,276	5,997	339,273
Stock-based compensation (Note 16)	_	_	19,040	_	_		19,040	_	19,040
Measurement period adjustment (Note 6)	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	(1,776)	(1,776)
Issuance of shares under share award plan, net of shares withheld for employee taxes (Note 16)	6	_	(104,083)	_	_	_	(104,077)	_	(104,077)
Repurchases of common stock (Note 15)	_	_	_	_	_	(25,800)	(25,800)	_	(25,800)
Dividends (Note 4)	_	_	_	_	(204,161)	_	(204,161)	_	(204,161)
Distributions to noncontrolling interests, net	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	(9,795)	(9,795)
Balance, July 31, 2018	460	1	1,137,467	(2,227)	726,722	(272,989)	1,589,434	222,229	1,811,663
Comprehensive income:									
Net income	_		_	_	301,163	_	301,163	22,330	323,493
Foreign currency translation adjustments, net of tax	_	<u> </u>	_	(29,503)	_	_	(29,503)	(4,784)	(34,287)
Total comprehensive income						•	271,660	17,546	289,206
Stock-based compensation (Note 16)	_	_	19,856	_	_	_	19,856	_	19,856
Cumulative effect for adoption of revenue standard (Notes 2 & 3)	_	_	_	_	(7,517)	_	(7,517)	_	(7,517)
Issuance of shares under share award plan, net of shares withheld for employee taxes (Note 16)	1	_	(27,240)	_	_	_	(27,239)	_	(27,239)
Repurchases of common stock (Note 15)	_	_	_	_	_	(85,000)	(85,000)	_	(85,000)
Dividends (Note 4)	_	_	_	_	(260,567)		(260,567)		(260,567)
Distributions to noncontrolling interests, net	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	(13,562)	(13,562)
Balance, July 31, 2019	\$ 461	\$ 1	\$1,130,083	\$ (31,730)	\$759,801	\$(357,989)	\$ 1,500,627	\$ 226,213	\$ 1,726,840

# Vail Resorts, Inc. Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (In thousands)

		Year Ended July 31,		
		2019	2018	2017
Cash flows from operating activities:				
Net income	\$	323,493 \$	401,230 \$	231,718
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:				
Depreciation and amortization		218,117	204,462	189,157
Cost of real estate sales		_	3,701	13,097
Stock-based compensation expense		19,856	19,040	18,315
Deferred income taxes, net		22,419	(45,770)	36,437
Canyons obligation accreted interest expense		5,752	5,723	5,687
Change in fair value of contingent consideration		5,367	(1,854)	16,300
Foreign currency loss (gain) on intercompany loans		2,854	8,966	(15,285)
Gain on sale of real property		(580)	(515)	(6,766)
Other non-cash income, net		(13,875)	(13,784)	(15,063)
Changes in assets and liabilities, net of effects of acquisitions:				
Accounts receivable, net		(35,406)	(44,261)	(36,291)
Inventories, net		(7,274)	(963)	8,086
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities		23,296	1,879	(22,119)
Deferred revenue		35,628	42,007	24,217
Income taxes payable - excess tax benefit from share award plans		(12,932)	(71,077)	(9,878)
Income taxes payable - other		38,773	38,453	27,954
Other assets and liabilities, net		8,743	1,249	5,417
Net cash provided by operating activities		634,231	548,486	470,983
Cash flows from investing activities:				
Capital expenditures		(192,035)	(140,611)	(144,432)
Acquisition of businesses, net of cash acquired		(419,044)	(1,356)	(547,044)
Other investing activities, net		15,045	7,388	14,816
Net cash used in investing activities		(596,034)	(134,579)	(676,660)
Cash flows from financing activities:				
Proceeds from borrowings under Vail Holdings Credit Agreement		543,625	225,000	669,375
Proceeds from borrowings under Whistler Credit Agreement		26,518	46,513	16,917
Repayments of borrowings under Vail Holdings Credit Agreement		(235,625)	(182,500)	(213,125)
Repayments of borrowings under Whistler Credit Agreement		(45,060)	(91,941)	(53,889)
Employee taxes paid for share award exercises		(27,239)	(104,077)	(16,275)
Repurchases of common stock		(85,000)	(25,800)	(210)
Dividends paid		(260,567)	(204,161)	(146,235)
Other financing activities, net		(16,210)	(13,749)	(941)
Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities		(99,558)	(350,715)	255,617
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash		(5,290)	(5,814)	3,779
Net (decrease) increase in cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash		(66,651)	57,378	53,719
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash:		(**,****)		22,7.22
Beginning of period	\$	185,040 \$	127,662 \$	73,943
End of period	\$	118,389 \$	185,040 \$	127,662
Cash paid for interest	\$	70,888 \$	53,842 \$	46,454
Cash paid for interest  Taxes paid, net	\$	70,888 \$ 27,212 \$	53,842 \$ 16,945 \$	46,454
Non-cash investing activities:	φ	21,212 \$	10,740 \$	47,3/3
ron-east investing detivities.				
Accrued capital expenditures	\$	18,420 \$	15,638 \$	14,631

#### **Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements**

#### 1. Organization and Business

Vail Resorts, Inc. ("Vail Resorts") is organized as a holding company and operates through various subsidiaries. Vail Resorts and its subsidiaries (collectively, the "Company") operate in three business segments: Mountain, Lodging and Real Estate. The Company refers to "Resort" as the combination of the Mountain and Lodging segments.

In the Mountain segment, as of July 31, 2019, the Company operated seventeen mountain resort properties and three urban ski areas including:

Mountain Resorts:	Location:
1. Vail Mountain Resort ("Vail Mountain")	Colorado
2. Breckenridge Ski Resort ("Breckenridge")	Colorado
3. Keystone Resort ("Keystone")	Colorado
4. Beaver Creek Resort ("Beaver Creek")	Colorado
5. Crested Butte Mountain Resort ("Crested Butte")	Colorado
6. Heavenly Mountain Resort ("Heavenly")	Lake Tahoe area of Nevada and California
7. Northstar Resort ("Northstar")	Lake Tahoe area of California
8. Kirkwood Mountain Resort ("Kirkwood")	Lake Tahoe area of California
9. Mount Sunapee Resort ("Mount Sunapee")	New Hampshire
10. Park City Resort ("Park City")	Utah
11. Stowe Mountain Resort ("Stowe")	Vermont
12. Okemo Mountain Resort ("Okemo")	Vermont
13. Stevens Pass Mountain Resort ("Stevens Pass")	Washington
14. Whistler Blackcomb Resort ("Whistler Blackcomb")	British Columbia, Canada
15. Perisher Ski Resort ("Perisher")	New South Wales, Australia
16. Falls Creek Alpine Resort ("Falls Creek")	Victoria, Australia
17. Hotham Alpine Resort ("Hotham")	Victoria, Australia
Urban Ski Areas:	Location:
1. Afton Alps Ski Area ("Afton Alps")	Minnesota
2. Mount Brighton Ski Area ("Mt. Brighton")	Michigan
3. Wilmot Mountain ("Wilmot")	Wisconsin

Additionally, the Mountain segment includes ancillary services, primarily including ski school, dining and retail/rental operations, and for the Company's Australian resorts, including lodging and transportation operations. Several of the resorts located in the United States ("U.S.") operate primarily on federal land under the terms of Special Use Permits granted by the U.S. Department of Agriculture Forest Service. The operations of Whistler Blackcomb are conducted on land owned by the government of the Province of British Columbia, Canada within the traditional territory of the Squamish and Lil'wat Nations. The operations of the Company's Australian resorts are conducted pursuant to long-term leases and licenses on land owned by the governments of New South Wales and Victoria, Australia. Okemo, Mount Sunapee and Stowe operate on land leased from the respective states in which the resorts are located and on land owned by the Company.

In the Lodging segment, the Company owns and/or manages a collection of luxury hotels and condominiums under its RockResorts brand, as well as other strategic lodging properties and a large number of condominiums located in proximity to the Company's North American mountain resorts, National Park Service ("NPS") concessionaire properties including the Grand Teton Lodge Company ("GTLC"), which operates destination resorts in Grand Teton National Park, a Colorado resort ground transportation company and mountain resort golf courses.

Vail Resorts Development Company ("VRDC"), a wholly-owned subsidiary, conducts the operations of the Company's Real Estate segment, which owns, develops and sells real estate in and around the Company's resort communities.

The Company's mountain business and its lodging properties at or around the Company's mountain resorts are seasonal in nature with peak operating seasons primarily from mid-November through mid-April in North America. The operating season at the Company's Australian resorts, NPS concessionaire properties and golf courses generally occurs from June to early October.

#### 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Principles of Consolidation-- The accompanying Consolidated Financial Statements include the accounts of the Company and its consolidated subsidiaries for which the Company has a controlling financial interest. Investments in which the Company does not have a controlling financial interest are accounted for under the equity method. All significant intercompany transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

Cash and Cash Equivalents-- The Company considers all highly liquid investments with maturities of three months or less at the date of purchase to be cash equivalents.

Accounts receivable-- The Company records trade accounts receivable in the normal course of business related to the sale of products or services. The allowance for doubtful accounts is based on a specific reserve analysis and on a percentage of accounts receivable and takes into consideration such factors as historical write-offs, the economic climate and other factors that could affect collectability. Write-offs are evaluated on a case by case basis.

Inventories— The Company's inventories consist primarily of purchased retail goods, food and beverage items and spare parts. Inventories are stated at the lower of cost or net realizable value, determined using primarily an average weighted cost method. The Company records a reserve for estimated shrinkage and obsolete or unusable inventory.

Property, Plant and Equipment—Property, plant and equipment is carried at cost net of accumulated depreciation. Repairs and maintenance are expensed as incurred. Expenditures that improve the functionality of the related asset or extend the useful life are capitalized. When property, plant and equipment is retired or otherwise disposed of, the related gain or loss is included in income from operations. Leasehold improvements are amortized on the straight-line method over the shorter of the remaining lease term or estimated useful life of the asset. Depreciation is calculated on the straight-line method, including property, plant and equipment under capital leases, generally based on the following useful lives:

	Estimated Life in Years
Land improvements	10-35
Buildings and building improvements	7-30
Machinery and equipment	2-30
Furniture and fixtures	3-10
Software	3
Vehicles	3-10

Real Estate Held for Sale and Investment—The Company capitalizes as real estate held for sale and investment the original land acquisition cost, direct construction and development costs, property taxes, interest recorded on costs related to real estate under development and other related costs. Sales and marketing expenses are charged against income in the period incurred. Additionally, sales commission expenses are charged against income in the period that the related revenue from real estate sales is recorded.

Deferred Financing Costs-- Certain costs incurred with the issuance of debt and debt securities are capitalized and included as a reduction in the net carrying value of long-term debt, net of accumulated amortization, with the exception of costs incurred related to line-of-credit arrangements, which are included in deferred charges and other assets, net of accumulated amortization. Amortization is charged to interest expense over the respective term of the applicable debt issues. When debt is extinguished prior to its maturity date, the amortization of the remaining unamortized deferred financing costs, or pro-rata portion thereof, is charged to loss on extinguishment of debt.

Goodwill and Intangible Assets—The Company has classified as goodwill the cost in excess of estimated fair value of the net assets of businesses acquired in purchase transactions. The Company's major intangible asset classes are trademarks, water rights, customer lists, property management contracts, Forest Service permits and excess reorganization value. Goodwill and various indefinite-lived intangible assets, including excess reorganization value, certain trademarks, water rights and certain property management contracts, are not amortized but are subject to at least annual impairment testing. The Company tests annually (or more often, if necessary) for impairment as of May 1. Amortizable intangible assets are amortized over the shorter of their contractual terms or estimated useful lives.

The testing for impairment consists of a comparison of the estimated fair value of the assets with their net carrying values. If the net carrying amount of the assets exceed its estimated fair value, an impairment will be recognized for indefinite-lived intangibles, including goodwill, in an amount equal to that excess. If the net carrying amount of the assets does not exceed the estimated fair value, no impairment loss is recognized. For the testing of goodwill and other indefinite-lived intangible assets for impairment, the Company performs a qualitative analysis to determine whether it is more likely than not that the fair value of a reporting unit or indefinite-lived intangible asset exceeds the carrying amount. If it is determined, based on qualitative factors, that the fair value of the reporting unit or indefinite-lived intangible asset may be more likely than not less than carrying amount, or if significant changes to macro-economic factors related to the reporting unit or intangible asset have occurred that could materially impact fair value, a quantitative impairment test would be required, in which the Company would determine the estimated fair value of its reporting units using discounted cash flow analyses and determine the estimated fair value of its indefinite-lived intangible assets using an income approach. The Company determined that there was no impairment to goodwill and no material impairment to definite or indefinite-lived intangible assets for the years ended July 31, 2019, 2018 and 2017.

Long-lived Assets— The Company evaluates potential impairment of long-lived assets and long-lived assets to be disposed of whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the net carrying amount of an asset may not be fully recoverable. If the sum of the expected cash flows, on an undiscounted basis, is less than the net carrying amount of the asset, an impairment loss is recognized in the amount by which the net carrying amount of the asset exceeds its estimated fair value. The Company does not believe any events or changes in circumstances indicating an impairment of the net carrying amount of a long-lived asset occurred during the years ended July 31, 2019, 2018 and 2017.

Revenue Recognition -- The Company's significant accounting policies with regard to revenue recognition are discussed in Note 3, Revenues.

Real Estate Cost of Sales-- Costs of real estate transactions include direct project costs, common cost allocations (primarily determined on relative sales value) and sales commission expense. The Company utilizes the relative sales value method to determine cost of sales for condominium units sold within a project when specific identification of costs cannot be reasonably determined.

Foreign Currency Translation -- The functional currency of the Company's entities operating outside of the United States is the principal currency of the economic environment in which the entity primarily generates and expends cash, which is generally the local currency. The assets and liabilities of these foreign operations are translated at the exchange rate in effect as of the balance sheet dates. Income and expense items are translated using the weighted average exchange rate for the period. Translation adjustments from currency exchange, including intercompany transactions of a long-term nature, are recorded in accumulated other comprehensive (loss) income as a separate component of stockholders' equity. Intercompany transactions that are not of a long-term nature are reported as gains and losses within "segment operating expense" and for intercompany loans within "foreign currency (loss) gain on intercompany loans" on the Company's Consolidated Statements of Operations.

Reserve Estimates—The Company uses estimates to record reserves for certain liabilities, including medical claims, workers' compensation claims, third-party loss contingencies and property taxes, among other items. The Company estimates the probable costs related to these liabilities that will be incurred and records that amount as a liability in its consolidated financial statements. Additionally, the Company records, as applicable, receivables related to insurance recoveries for loss contingencies if deemed probable of recovery. These estimates are reviewed and adjusted as the facts and circumstances change. The Company records legal costs related to defending claims as incurred.

Advertising Costs-- Advertising costs are expensed at the time such advertising commences. Advertising expense for the years endedJuly 31, 2019, 2018 and 2017 was \$44.6 million, \$39.8 million and \$40.0 million, respectively, and was recorded within Mountain and Lodging operating expenses on the Company's Consolidated Statement of Operations.

Income Taxes-- Income tax expense includes U.S. tax (federal and state) and foreign income taxes. The Company's provision for income taxes is based on pre-tax income, changes in deferred tax assets and liabilities and changes in estimates with regard to uncertain tax positions. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recorded for the estimated future tax effects of temporary differences between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and amounts reported in the accompanying Consolidated Balance Sheets and for operating loss and tax credit carryforwards. The change in deferred tax assets and liabilities for the period measures the deferred tax provision or benefit for the period. Effects of changes in enacted tax laws on deferred tax assets and liabilities are reflected as adjustments to the tax provision or benefit in the period of enactment. The Company's deferred tax assets have been reduced by a valuation allowance to the extent it is deemed to be more likely than not that some or all of the deferred tax assets will not be realized. The Company recognizes liabilities for uncertain tax positions based on a two-step process. The first step is to evaluate the tax position for recognition by determining if the weight of available evidence indicates that it is "more-likely-than-not" to be sustained, on audit, including resolution of related appeals or litigation processes, if any. The second step requires the Company to estimate and measure the largest tax benefit that is cumulatively greater than 50% likely of being realized upon ultimate

settlement. Interest and penalties accrued in connection with uncertain tax positions are recognized as a component of income tax expense (see Note 10, Income Taxes, for more information).

Fair Value of Financial Instruments—The recorded amounts for cash and cash equivalents, receivables, other current assets and accounts payable and accrued liabilities approximate fair value due to their short-term nature. The fair value of amounts outstanding under the Company's credit agreements and the Employee Housing Bonds (as defined in Note 5, Long-Term Debt) approximate book value due to the variable nature of the interest rate, which is a market rate, associated with the debt.

Stock-Based Compensation-- Stock-based compensation expense is measured at the grant date based upon the estimated fair value of the award and is recognized as expense over the applicable vesting period of the award generally using the straight-line method (see Note 16, Stock Compensation Plan for more information), less the amount of forfeited awards which are recorded as they occur. The following table shows total net stock-based compensation expense for the years ended July 31, 2019, 2018 and 2017 included in the Consolidated Statements of Operations (in thousands):

	Year Ended July 31,					
	2019	2018	2017			
Mountain stock-based compensation expense	\$ 16,474 \$	15,716 \$	14,969			
Lodging stock-based compensation expense	3,219	3,215	3,215			
Real Estate stock-based compensation expense	163	109	131			
Pre-tax stock-based compensation expense	19,856	19,040	18,315			
Less: benefit from income taxes	4,589	5,406	6,290			
Net stock-based compensation expense	\$ 15,267 \$	13,634 \$	12,025			

Concentration of Credit Risk-- The Company's financial instruments that are exposed to concentrations of credit risk consist primarily of cash and cash equivalents and restricted cash. The Company places its cash and temporary cash investments in high-quality credit institutions. The Company does not enter into financial instruments for hedging, trading or speculative purposes. Concentration of credit risk with respect to accounts and notes receivables is limited due to the wide variety of customers and markets in which the Company transacts business, as well as their dispersion across many geographical areas. The Company performs ongoing credit evaluations of its customers and generally does not require collateral, but does require advance deposits on certain transactions.

Use of Estimates—The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP") requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the balance sheet date and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

## Recently Issued Accounting Standards

## Adopted Standards

In May 2014, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") No. 2014-09, "Revenue from Contracts with Customers (Topic 606)," which supersedes the revenue recognition requirements in Topic 605. This ASU is based on the principle that revenue is recognized to depict the transfer of goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the company expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services. The ASU also requires additional disclosure about the nature, amount, timing and uncertainty of revenue and cash flows arising from customer contracts, including significant judgments and changes in judgments and assets recognized from costs incurred to obtain or fulfill a contract. Subsequent to the issuance of ASU 2014-09, the FASB issued several amendments, which did not change the core principle of the guidance and were intended to clarify and improve understanding of certain topics included within the revenue standard. On August 1, 2018, the Company adopted this standard using the modified retrospective transition method for contracts which were not completed as of August 1, 2018. In accordance with this transition method, results for reporting periods beginning after August 1, 2018 are presented under Topic 606, while prior period amounts were not adjusted and continue to be reported in accordance with the Company's historical accounting methodology under Topic 605. On August 1, 2018, as a result of adopting this standard, the Company recorded an approximate \$7.5 million reduction of retained earnings with a corresponding increase in accounts payable and accrued liabilities, which was primarily associated with the measurement of the loyalty reward programs under the new standard at an estimated fair value of underlying products or services expected to be delivered to satisfy the Company's obligations associated with such loyalty programs. The application of this standard had an immaterial impact on total net revenue and net i

In accordance with the new revenue recognition standard disclosure requirements, the impact of adoption of Topic 606 on the Consolidated Balance Sheet as of July 31, 2019 was as follows (in thousands):

			As of July 31, 2019	
Balance Sheet	Balances With	hout Adoption of Topic 606	Adjustments	As Reported (Under Topic 606)
Liabilities				
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$	601,507 \$	6,350 \$	607,857
Stockholders' equity				
Retained earnings	\$	766,151 \$	(6,350) \$	759,801

In August 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-15, "Statement of Cash Flows (Topic 230): Classification of Certain Cash Receipts and Cash Payments." This standard provides guidance for eight targeted changes with respect to how cash receipts and cash payments are classified in the statements of cash flows, with the objective of reducing diversity in practice. The Company adopted this accounting standard on August 1, 2018, which did not have an impact on its consolidated financial statements.

In November 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-18, "Restricted Cash," which requires that a statement of cash flows present the change during a period for the total of cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash. Historically, under previous guidance, changes in restricted cash have been included within operating, investing or financing activities, which were eliminated under the new standard. The Company adopted this standard as of August 1, 2018, which required retrospective application to all periods presented. As a result, cash provided by operating activities during the years ended July 31, 2018 and 2017 decreased by \$3.1 million and \$2.2 million, respectively, under the new guidance as compared to what was reported under the previously required guidance, and cash used in investing activities during the year ended July 31, 2017 decreased by \$6.2 million with regard to restricted cash acquired in the Whistler Blackcomb acquisition. Additionally, due to the inclusion of restricted cash in the beginning and end of period balances, cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash as of July 31, 2018 and 2017 increased \$6.9 million and \$10.3 million, respectively, as compared to what was reported under the previously required guidance. During peak operations of the North American ski season, the Company's restricted cash balance is primarily associated with customer reservations deposits that are required to be held in a trust pursuant to statutory requirements until such reservations are fulfilled.

## Standards Being Evaluated

The authoritative guidance listed below is currently being evaluated for its impact to Company policies upon adoption as well as any significant implementation matters yet to be addressed.

In February 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-02, "Leases (Topic 842)," which supersedes "Leases (Topic 840)." The standard requires lessees to recognize the assets and liabilities arising from all leases on the balance sheet, including those classified as operating leases under previous accounting guidance, and to disclose key information about leasing arrangements. The standard also allows for an accounting policy election not to recognize on the balance sheet lease assets and liabilities for leases with a term of 12 months or less. Under the new guidance, lessees will be required to recognize a lease liability and a right-of-use asset on their balance sheets, while lessor accounting will remain largely unchanged. The standard will be effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2018, including interim periods within those years (the Company's first quarter of fiscal 2020), and as originally written must be applied using a modified retrospective transition approach to leases existing at, or entered into after, the beginning of the earliest comparative period presented in the financial statements, with early adoption permitted. In July 2018, the FASB released ASU No. 2018-11, Leases (Topic 842): Targeted Improvements which included providing an additional and optional transition method. Under this method, an entity initially applies the standard at the adoption date, including the election of certain transition reliefs, and recognizes a cumulative effect adjustment to the opening balance of retained earnings in the period of adoption.

The Company will adopt ASU 2016-02 on August 1, 2019 using the modified retrospective method provided by ASU No. 2018-11. By applying ASU 2016-02 as of the adoption date, as opposed to the beginning of the earliest period presented, the presentation and disclosure of financial information for periods before August 1, 2019 will remain unchanged. The Company has elected the package of practical expedients permitted under the transition guidance which allowed the Company to not reassess: (i) whether any existing or expired contracts are or contain leases; (ii) lease classification of any expired or existing leases; or (iii) initial direct costs for any existing leases. The Company has made an accounting policy election to not record leases on the balance sheet with an initial term of 12 months or less. The Company will recognize those lease payments in the consolidated statements of operations on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

While the Company is still finalizing its quantification of the impact that ASU 2016-02 will have on its financial statements and disclosures, it anticipates recognizing right-of-use lease assets in the range of \$212.0 million to \$232.0 million and related lease liabilities in the range of \$245.0 million to \$265.0 million for operating leases. The Company does not expect any changes related to its current capital leases, which will be considered finance leases under ASU 2016-02. As a result of adoption, the Company will reclassify net favorable and unfavorable lease balances, deferred rent credits and other amounts from assets and liabilities of approximately \$33.0 million, which will have the impact of reducing the amount it recognizes as right-of-use lease assets and which has been factored into the range above. The Company does not expect the standard to materially affect its consolidated statements of operations, consolidated statements of cash flows or debt covenant compliance agreements as of July 31, 2019.

#### 3. Revenues

## Revenue Recognition

The following provides information about the Company's composition of revenue recognized from contracts with customers and other revenues, the performance obligations under those contracts, and the significant judgments made in accounting for those contracts:

- Mountain revenue is derived from a wide variety of sources, including, among other things: lift revenue, which includes sales of lift tickets and pass products; ski school revenue, which includes the revenue derived from ski school operations; dining revenue, which includes both casual and fine dining on-mountain operations; retail sales and equipment rentals; and other on-mountain revenue, which includes private ski club revenue (which includes both club dues and amortization of initiation fees), marketing and internet advertising revenue, municipal services and lodging and transportation operations at the Company's Australian resorts. Revenue is recognized over time as performance obligations are satisfied as control of the good or service (e.g. access to ski areas, provision of ski school services, etc.) is transferred to the customer, except for the Company's retail sales and dining operations revenues which are recognized at a point in time when performance obligations are satisfied by transferring control of the underlying goods to the customer. The Company records deferred revenue primarily related to the sale of pass products. Deferred revenue is recognized throughout the ski season as the Company's performance obligations are satisfied as control of the service (e.g. access to ski areas throughout the ski season) is transferred to the customer. Transfer of control is based on an estimated number of pass product holder visits relative to total expected visits. Total expected visits are estimated based on historical data, and the Company believes this estimate provides a faithful depiction of its customers' pass product usage. When sufficient historical data to determine usage patterns is not available, such as in the case of new product offerings, deferred revenue is recognized on a straight-line basis throughout the ski season until sufficient historical usage patterns are available. The Company also includes other sources of revenue, mostly related to commercial leasing, and employee housing leasing
- Lodging revenue is derived from a wide variety of sources, including, among other things: revenue from owned hotel rooms and managed hotel rooms; revenue from hotel dining operations; transportation revenue which relates to the Company's Colorado resort ground transportation operations; and other lodging revenue which includes property management services, managed properties other costs reimbursements, private golf club revenue (which includes both club dues and amortization of initiation fees), and golf course fees. Lodging revenue also includes managed hotel property payroll cost reimbursements related to payroll costs at managed properties where the Company is the employer, which are reimbursed by the owner with no added margin. Therefore, these revenues and corresponding expenses have no net effect on the Company's operating income or net income. Other than revenue from dining operations, lodging revenue is mostly recognized over time as performance obligations are satisfied as control of the service (e.g. nightly hotel room access) is transferred to the customer.
- Real estate revenue primarily relates to the sale of development land parcels. Real estate revenue is generally recognized at a point in time when performance obligations have been satisfied, which is usually upon closing of the sales transaction and in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the Company expects to be entitled.

For certain contracts that have an original term length of one year or less, the Company uses the practical expedient applicable to such contracts and does not consider the time value of money. For contracts with an expected term in excess of one year, the Company has considered the provisions of Topic 606 in determining whether contracts contain a financing component.

The Company presents revenues in the accompanying consolidated statements of operations, net of taxes, when collected from its customers that are remitted or payable to government taxing authorities, except when products are inclusive of taxes where applicable.

### Disaggregation of Revenues

The following table presents net revenues disaggregated by segment and major revenue type for the years ended July 31, 2019, 2018 and 2017 (in thousands):

	Year Ended July 31,				
	2019		2018		2017
Mountain net revenue:					
Lift	\$ 1,033,234	\$	880,293	\$	818,341
Ski School	215,060		189,910		177,748
Dining	181,837		161,402		150,587
Retail/Rental	320,267		296,466		293,428
Other	205,803		194,851		171,682
Total Mountain net revenue	\$ 1,956,201	\$	1,722,922	\$	1,611,786
Lodging net revenue:					_
Owned hotel rooms	\$ 64,826	\$	65,252	\$	63,939
Managed condominium rooms	86,236		70,198		65,694
Dining	53,730		48,554		48,449
Transportation	21,275		21,111		22,173
Golf	19,648		18,110		17,837
Other	54,617		47,577		46,238
	300,332		270,802		264,330
Payroll cost reimbursements	14,330		13,841		14,184
Total Lodging net revenue	\$ 314,662	\$	284,643	\$	278,514
Total Resort net revenue	\$ 2,270,863	\$	2,007,565	\$	1,890,300
Total Real Estate net revenue	712		3,988		16,918
Total net revenue	\$ 2,271,575	\$	2,011,553	\$	1,907,218

### Arrangements with Multiple Performance Obligations

Several of the Company's contracts with customers include multiple performance obligations, primarily related to bundled services such as ski school packages, lodging packages and events (e.g. weddings and conferences). For such contracts, revenue is allocated to each distinct and separate performance obligation based on its relative standalone selling price. The standalone selling prices are generally based on observable prices charged to customers or estimated based on historical experience and information.

## Contract Balances

Contract liabilities are recorded primarily as deferred revenues when payments are received or due in advance of the Company's performance, including amounts which may be refundable. The deferred revenue balance is primarily related to accounts receivable or cash payments recorded in advance of satisfying the Company's performance obligations related to sales of pass products prior to the start of the ski season, private club initiation fees and other related advance purchase products, including advance purchase lift tickets, multiple-day lift tickets, ski school lessons, equipment rentals and lodging advance deposits. Due to the seasonality of the Company's operations, its largest deferred revenue balances occur during the North American pass product selling window, which generally begins in the fourth quarter of its fiscal year. Deferred revenue balances of a short-term nature were \$335.7 million and \$282.1 million as of July 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively. Deferred revenue balances of a long-term nature, comprised primarily of long-term private club initiation fee revenue, were \$124.3 million and \$126.5 million as of July 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively. For the year ended July 31, 2019, the Company recognized approximately\$274.6 million of revenue that was included in the deferred revenue balance as of July 31, 2018. As of July 31, 2019, the weighted average remaining period over which revenue for unsatisfied performance obligations on long-term private club contracts will be recognized was approximately 17 years.

Contract assets are recorded as trade receivables when the right to consideration is unconditional. Trade receivable balances were\$270.9 million and \$230.8 million as of July 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively. Payments from customers are based on billing terms established in the contracts with customers, which vary by the type of customer, the location and the products or services offered. The term between invoicing and when payment is due is not significant. For certain products or services and customer types, contracts require payment before the products are delivered or services are provided to the customer. Impairment losses related

to contract assets are recognized through the Company's allowance for doubtful accounts analysis. Contract asset write-offs are evaluated on an individual basis.

#### Costs to Obtain Contracts with Customers

The Company expects that credit card fees and sales commissions paid in order to obtain season ski pass products contracts are recoverable. Accordingly, the Company recognizes these amounts as assets when they are paid prior to the start of the ski season. As of July 31, 2019, \$1.9 million of costs to obtain contracts with customers were recorded within other current assets on the Company's Consolidated Balance Sheet. Deferred credit card fees and sales commissions are amortized commensurate with the recognition of season ski pass revenue. The Company recorded amortization of \$10.6 million, \$8.3 million and \$6.8 million for these costs during the years ended July 31, 2019, 2018 and 2017, respectively, which were recorded within Mountain and Lodging operating expenses on the Company's Consolidated Statement of Operations.

Utilizing the practical expedient provided for under Topic 606, the Company has elected to expense credit card fees and sales commissions related to non-season ski pass products and services as incurred, as the amortization period is generally one year or less for the time between customer purchase and utilization. These fees are recorded within Mountain and Lodging operating expenses on the Company's Consolidated Statements of Operations.

#### 4. Net Income Per Common Share

#### Earnings per Share

Basic earnings per share ("EPS") excludes dilution and is computed by dividing net income attributable to Vail Resorts stockholders by the weighted-average shares outstanding during the period. Diluted EPS reflects the potential dilution that could occur if securities or other contracts to issue common stock were exercised, resulting in the issuance of shares of common stock that would then share in the earnings of Vail Resorts.

In connection with the Company's acquisition of Whistler Blackcomb in October 2016 (see Note 6, Acquisitions), the Company issued consideration in the form of shares of Vail Resorts common stock (the "Vail Shares") and shares of the Company's wholly-owned Canadian subsidiary ("Exchangeco"). Whistler Blackcomb shareholders elected to receive 3,327,719 Vail Shares and 418,095 shares of Exchangeco (the "Exchangeco Shares"). Both Vail Shares and Exchangeco Shares have a par value of \$0.01 per share, and Exchangeco Shares, while outstanding, are substantially the economic equivalent of the Vail Shares and are exchangeable, at any time prior to the seventh anniversary of the closing of the acquisition, into Vail Shares. The Company's calculation of weighted-average shares outstanding includes the Exchangeco Shares.

Presented below is basic and diluted EPS for the years ended July 31, 2019, 2018 and 2017 (in thousands, except per share amounts):

	Year Ended July 31,										
		2	019	)		20	18		20	017	
		Basic		Diluted		Basic		Diluted	Basic		Diluted
Net income per share:											
Net income attributable to Vail Resorts	\$	301,163	\$	301,163	\$	379,898	\$	379,898	\$ 210,553	\$	210,553
Weighted-average shares outstanding		40,292		40,292		40,337		40,337	39,158		39,158
Weighted-average Exchangeco shares outstanding		57		57		60		60	93		93
Total Weighted-average shares outstanding		40,349		40,349		40,397		40,397	39,251		39,251
Effect of dilutive securities		_		809		_		1,221	_		1,115
Total shares		40,349		41,158		40,397		41,618	39,251		40,366
Net income per share attributable to Vail Resorts, Inc.	\$	7.46	\$	7.32	\$	9.40	\$	9.13	\$ 5.36	\$	5.22

The Company computes the effect of dilutive securities using the treasury stock method and average market prices during the period. The number of shares issuable on the exercise of share based awards that were excluded from the calculation of diluted net income per share because the effect of their inclusion would have been anti-dilutive totaled approximately 4,000, 2,000 and 9,000 for the years ended July 31, 2019, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

## Dividends

On March 7, 2019, the Company's Board of Directors approved an increase of approximately 20% in the annual cash dividend to an annual rate of \$7.04 per share, subject to quarterly declaration. For the year ended July 31, 2019, the Company paid cash dividends of \$6.46 per share (\$260.6 million in the aggregate). On September 25, 2019 the Company's Board of Directors approved

a quarterly cash dividend of \$1.76 per share payable on October 25, 2019 to stockholders of record as of October 8, 2019. Additionally, a Canadian dollar equivalent dividend on the Exchangeco Shares will be payable on October 25, 2019 to the shareholders of record on October 8, 2019.

#### 5. Long-Term Debt

Long-term debt as of July 31, 2019 and 2018 is summarized as follows (in thousands):

	Maturity	July 31, 2019	July 31, 2018
Vail Holdings Credit Agreement revolver (a)	2024	\$ 208,000 \$	130,000
Vail Holdings Credit Agreement term loan (a)	2024	914,375	684,375
Whistler Credit Agreement revolver (b)	2023	45,454	65,353
Employee housing bonds (c)	2027-2039	52,575	52,575
Canyons obligation (d)	2063	340,261	334,509
Other (e)	2020-2032	19,465	9,270
Total debt		1,580,130	1,276,082
Less: Unamortized debt issuance costs		3,870	3,350
Less: Current maturities (f)		48,516	38,455
Long-term debt, net		\$ 1,527,744 \$	1,234,277

(a) On August 15, 2018, in order to fund the Stevens Pass and Triple Peaks acquisitions (see Note 6, Acquisitions), the Company's wholly-owned subsidiary, Vail Holdings, Inc. ("VHI") entered into the Eighth Amended and Restated Credit Agreement (the "Vail Holdings Credit Agreement"), with Bank of America, N.A., as administrative agent, and other lenders named therein, through which those lenders agreed to provide an additional \$265.6 million in incremental term loans and agreed, on behalf of all lenders, to extend the maturity date for the outstanding term loans and revolver facility under the Vail Holdings Credit Agreement to August 15, 2023. Subsequently, on April 15, 2019, the Company entered into an amendment to the Vail Holdings Credit Agreement which primarily extended the maturity date for the outstanding term loans and revolver facility to April 15, 2024, increased the amount of dividends the Company is permitted to pay in each fiscal quarter under the agreement and increased the amount of the revolver facility by \$100.0 million. The Vail Holdings Credit Agreement consists of a \$500.0 million revolving credit facility and a \$950.0 million term loan facility. VHI's obligations under the Vail Holdings Credit Agreement are guaranteed by the Company and certain of its subsidiaries and are collateralized by a pledge of all the capital stock of VHI and substantially all of its subsidiaries (with certain additional exceptions for the pledge of the capital stock of foreign subsidiaries). In addition, pursuant to the terms of the Vail Holdings Credit Agreement, VHI has the ability to increase availability (under the revolver or in the form of term loans) to an aggregate principal amount not to exceed the greater of (i) \$1.2 billion and (ii) the product of 2.75 and the trailing twelve-month Adjusted EBITDA, as defined in the Vail Holdings Credit Agreement. The term loan facility is subject to quarterly amortization of principal of approximately \$11.9 million, which began on January 31, 2019, in equal installments, for a total of five percent payable in each year and the final payment of all amounts outstanding, plus accrued and unpaid interest due in April 2024. The proceeds of the loans made under the Vail Holdings Credit Agreement may be used to fund the Company's working capital needs, capital expenditures, acquisitions, investments and other general corporate purposes, including the issuance of letters of credit. Borrowings under the Vail Holdings Credit Agreement, including the term loan facility, bear interest annually at LIBOR plus 1.25% as of July 31, 2019 (3.48% as of July 31, 2019). Interest rate margins may fluctuate based upon the ratio of the Company's Net Funded Debt to Adjusted EBITDA on a trailing four-quarter basis. The Vail Holdings Credit Agreement also includes a quarterly unused commitment fee, which is equal to a percentage determined by the Net Funded Debt to Adjusted EBITDA ratio, as each such term is defined in the Vail Holdings Credit Agreement, times the daily amount by which the Vail Holdings Credit Agreement commitment exceeds the total of outstanding loans and outstanding letters of credit (0.25% as of July 31, 2019). The unused amounts are accessible to the extent that the Net Funded Debt to Adjusted EBITDA ratio does not exceed the maximum ratio allowed at quarter-ends and the Adjusted EBITDA to interest on Funded Debt (as defined in the Vail Holdings Credit Agreement) ratio does not fall below the minimum ratio allowed at quarter-ends. The Vail Holdings Credit Agreement provides for affirmative and negative covenants that restrict, among other things, the Company's ability to incur indebtedness, dispose of assets, make capital expenditures, make distributions and make investments. In addition, the Vail Holdings Credit Agreement includes the following restrictive financial covenants: Net Funded Debt to Adjusted EBITDA ratio and Adjusted EBITDA to interest on Funded Debt ratio.

On September 23, 2019, VHI entered into a further amendment to its Vail Holdings Credit Agreement, dated August 15, 2018, which increased the term loan facility by approximately \$335.6 million and extended the maturity date to September 23, 2024. Refer to Note 18, Subsequent Events, for additional information.

- (b) The WB Partnerships (as defined in Note 6, Acquisitions) are party to a credit agreement, dated as of November 12, 2013 (as amended, the "Whistler Credit Agreement"), by and among Whistler Mountain Resort Limited Partnership ("Whistler LP"), Blackcomb Skiing Enterprises Limited Partnership ("Blackcomb LP"), certain subsidiaries of Whistler LP and Blackcomb LP party thereto as guarantors (the "Whistler Subsidiary Guarantors"), the financial institutions party thereto as lenders and The Toronto-Dominion Bank, as administrative agent. The Whistler Credit Agreement consists of a C\$300.0 million revolving credit facility, and during the year ended July 31, 2019, the Company entered into an amendment of the Whistler Credit Agreement which extended the maturity date of the revolving credit facility to December 15, 2023. No other material terms of the Whistler Credit Agreement were altered. The WB Partnerships' obligations under the Whistler Credit Agreement are guaranteed by the Whistler Subsidiary Guarantors and are collateralized by a pledge of the capital stock of the Whistler Subsidiary Guarantors and a pledge of substantially all of the assets of Whistler LP, Blackcomb LP and the Whistler Subsidiary Guarantors. In addition, pursuant to the terms of the Whistler Credit Agreement, the WB Partnerships have the ability to increase the commitment amount by up to C\$75.0 million, subject to lender approval. Borrowings under the Whistler Credit Agreement are available in Canadian or U.S. dollars and bear interest annually, subject to an applicable margin based on the WB Partnerships' Consolidated Total Leverage Ratio (as defined in the Whistler Credit Agreement), with pricing as of July 31, 2019, in the case of borrowings (i) in Canadian dollars, at the WB Partnerships' option, either (a) at the Canadian Prime Rate plus 0.75% per annum or (b) by way of the issuance of bankers' acceptances plus 1.75% per annum; and (ii) in U.S. dollars, at the WB Partnerships option, either at (a) the U.S. Base Rate plus 0.75% per annum or (b) Bankers Acceptance Rate plus 1.75% per annum. As of July 31, 2019 all borrowings under the Whistler Credit Agreement were made in Canadian dollars and by way of the issuance of bankers' acceptances plus 1.75% (3.76% as of July 31, 2019). The Whistler Credit Agreement also includes a quarterly unused commitment fee based on the Consolidated Total Leverage Ratio, which as of July 31, 2019 is equal to 0.3937% per annum. The Whistler Credit Agreement provides for affirmative and negative covenants that restrict, among other things, the WB Partnerships' ability to incur indebtedness and liens, dispose of assets, make capital expenditures, make distributions and make investments. In addition, the Whistler Credit Agreement includes the restrictive financial covenants (leverage ratios and interest coverage ratios) customary for facilities of this type.
- (c) The Company has recorded the outstanding debt of four Employee Housing Entities (each an "Employee Housing Entity" and collectively the "Employee Housing Entities"): Breckenridge Terrace, Tarnes, BC Housing and Tenderfoot. The proceeds of the Employee Housing Bonds were used to develop apartment complexes designated primarily for use by the Company's seasonal employees at its Colorado mountain resorts. The Employee Housing Bonds are variable rate, interest-only instruments with interest rates tied to LIBOR plus 0% to 0.09% (2.23% to 2.32% as of July 31, 2019).

Interest on the Employee Housing Bonds is paid monthly in arrears and the interest rate is adjusted weekly. No principal payments are due on the Employee Housing Bonds until maturity. Each Employee Housing Entity's bonds were issued in two series. The bonds for each Employee Housing Entity are backed by letters of credit issued under the Vail Holdings Credit Agreement. The table below presents the principal amounts outstanding for the Employee Housing Bonds as of July 31, 2019 (in thousands):

	Maturity (a)	Tranche A	Tranche B	Total
Breckenridge Terrace	2039	\$ 14,980 \$	5,000 \$	19,980
Tarnes	2039	8,000	2,410	10,410
BC Housing	2027	9,100	1,500	10,600
Tenderfoot	2035	5,700	5,885	11,585
Total		\$ 37,780 \$	14,795 \$	52,575

(d) On May 24, 2013, VR CPC Holdings, Inc. ("VR CPC"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, entered into a transaction agreement with affiliate companies of Talisker Corporation ("Talisker") pursuant to which the parties entered into a master lease agreement (the "Lease") and certain ancillary transaction documents on May 29, 2013 related to the former stand-alone Canyons Resort ("Canyons"), pursuant to which the Company assumed the resort operations of the Canyons. The Lease between VR CPC and Talisker has an initial term of 50 years with six 50-year renewal options. The Lease provides for \$25 million in annual payments, which increase each year by an inflation-linked index of CPI less 1% per annum, with a floor of 2% Vail Resorts has guaranteed the payments under the Lease. The obligation at July 31, 2019 represents future lease payments for the remaining initial lease term of 50 years (including annual increases at the floor of 2%) discounted using an interest rate of 10%, and includes accumulated accreted interest expense of approximately \$34.9 million.

- (e) During the year ended July 31, 2019, the Company completed two real estate sales transactions that were accounted for as financing arrangements as a result of the Company's continuing involvement with the underlying assets that were sold, including but not limited to, the obligation to repurchase finished commercial space from the development projects upon completion. The Company received approximately \$11.2 million of proceeds for these sales transactions during the year ended July 31, 2019, which are reflected within long-term debt, net. Other obligations also consist of a \$3.9 million note outstanding to the Colorado Water Conservation Board, which matures on September 16, 2028, and other financing arrangements. Other obligations, including the Colorado Water Conservation Board note, bear interest at rates ranging from 5.1% to 5.5%.
- (f) Current maturities represent principal payments due in the next 12 months, and exclude approximately \$6.2 million of proceeds resulting from a real estate transaction accounted for as a financing arrangement, as discussed above, which are expected to be recognized on the Company's Statement of Operations during the year ending July 31, 2020 as a result of the anticipated resolution of continuing involvement, with no associated cash outflow.

Aggregate maturities for debt outstanding, including capital lease obligations, as of July 31, 2019 reflected by fiscal year are as follows (in thousands):

	Total
2020 (1)	\$ 54,666
2021	48,580
2022	48,648
2023	48,719
2024	979,124
Thereafter	400,393
Total debt	\$ 1,580,130

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes approximately \$6.2 million of proceeds resulting from a real estate transaction accounted for as a financing arrangement, as discussed above, which are expected to be recognized on the Company's Statement of Operations during the year ending July 31, 2020 as a result of the anticipated resolution of continuing involvement, with no associated cash outflow.

The Company recorded interest expense of \$79.5 million, \$63.2 million and \$54.1 million for the years ended July 31, 2019, 2018 and 2017, respectively, of which \$1.3 million, \$1.3 million and \$1.1 million, respectively, was amortization of deferred financing costs. The Company was in compliance with all of its financial and operating covenants required to be maintained under its debt instruments for all periods presented.

In connection with the acquisition of Whistler Blackcomb, VHI funded a portion of the purchase price through an intercompany loan to Whistler Blackcomb of \$210.0 million, which was effective as of November 1, 2016 and requires foreign currency remeasurement to Canadian dollars, the functional currency for Whistler Blackcomb. As a result, foreign currency fluctuations associated with the loan are recorded within the Company's results of operations. The Company recognized approximately \$(2.9) million, \$(9.0) million and \$15.3 million of non-cash foreign currency (loss) gain on the intercompany loan to Whistler Blackcomb during the years ended July 31, 2019, 2018 and 2017, respectively, on the Company's Consolidated Statements of Operations.

### 6. Acquisitions

#### Falls Creek and Hotham Resorts

On April 4, 2019, the Company, through a wholly-owned subsidiary, acquired ski field leases and related infrastructure used to operate two resorts in Victoria, Australia. The Company acquired Australian Alpine Enterprises Holdings Pty. Ltd and all related corporate entities that operate the Falls Creek and Hotham resorts from Living and Leisure Australia Group, a subsidiary of Merlin Entertainments, for a cash purchase price of approximately AU\$178.9 million (\$127.4 million), after adjustments for certain agreed-upon terms, including an increase in the purchase price for operating losses incurred for the period from December 29, 2018 through closing. The acquisition included the mountain operations of both resorts, including base area skier services (ski and snowboard school facilities, retail and rental, reservation and property management operations).

The following summarizes the purchase consideration and the preliminary purchase price allocation to estimated fair values of the identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed at the date the transaction was effective (in thousands):

	uisition Date ited Fair Value
Current assets	\$ 6,986
Property, plant and equipment	54,889
Goodwill	71,538
Identifiable intangible assets and other assets	5,833
Liabilities	(11,894)
Net assets acquired	\$ 127,352

Identifiable intangible assets acquired in the transaction were primarily related to trade names. The process of estimating the fair value of the property, plant, and equipment includes the use of certain estimates and assumptions related to replacement cost and physical condition at the time of acquisition. The excess of the purchase price over the aggregate estimated fair values of assets acquired and liabilities assumed was recorded as goodwill. The goodwill recognized is attributable primarily to expected synergies, the assembled workforce of Falls Creek and Hotham and other factors. None of the goodwill is expected to be deductible for income tax purposes under Australian tax law. The Company recognized \$4.6 million of acquisition related expenses associated with the transaction, including stamp duty expense of \$2.9 million, within Mountain and Lodging operating expense in its Consolidated Statement of Operations for the year ended July 31, 2019. The operating results of Falls Creek and Hotham are reported within the Mountain segment prospectively from the date of acquisition.

#### Stevens Pass Resort

On August 15, 2018, the Company, through a wholly-owned subsidiary, acquired Stevens Pass Resort in the State of Washington from Ski Resort Holdings, LLC, an affiliate of Oz Real Estate ("Ski Resort Holdings"), for total cash consideration of \$64.0 million, after adjustments for certain agreed-upon terms. The Company borrowed \$70.0 million on August 15, 2018 under its Vail Holdings Credit Agreement term loan (see Note 5, Long-Term Debt) to fund the transaction and associated acquisition related expenses. The acquisition included the mountain operations of the resort, including base area skier services (food and beverage, retail and rental, lift ticket offices and ski and snowboard school facilities).

The following summarizes the purchase consideration and the preliminary purchase price allocation to estimated fair values of the identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed at the date the transaction was effective (in thousands):

	Acquisition Date stimated Fair Value
Current assets	\$ 752
Property, plant and equipment	34,865
Goodwill	28,878
Identifiable intangible assets	2,680
Deferred income taxes, net	886
Liabilities	(4,029)
Net assets acquired	\$ 64,032

The process of estimating the fair value of the property, plant, and equipment includes the use of certain estimates and assumptions related to replacement cost and physical condition at the time of acquisition. The excess of the purchase price over the aggregate estimated fair values of assets acquired and liabilities assumed was recorded as goodwill. The goodwill recognized is attributable primarily to expected synergies, the assembled workforce of Stevens Pass and other factors, and is expected to be deductible for income tax purposes. The Company recognized \$1.2 million of acquisition related expenses associated with the transaction within Mountain and Lodging operating expense in its Consolidated Statement of Operations for the year ended July 31, 2019. The operating results of Stevens Pass are reported within the Mountain segment prospectively from the date of acquisition.

#### Triple Peaks

On September 27, 2018, the Company, through a wholly-owned subsidiary, acquired Triple Peaks, LLC ("Triple Peaks"), the parent company of Okemo Mountain Resort in Vermont, Crested Butte Mountain Resort in Colorado, and Mount Sunapee Resort in New Hampshire, for a cash purchase price of approximately \$74.1 million, after adjustments for certain agreed-upon terms. In addition, contemporaneous with the closing of the transaction, Triple Peaks paid \$155.0 million to pay the remaining obligations of the leases that all three resorts had with Ski Resort Holdings, with funds provided by the Company. Accordingly, the total purchase price, including the repayment of lease obligations, was \$229.1 million, for which the Company utilized cash on hand and borrowed \$195.6 million under the Vail Holdings Credit Agreement term loan (see Note 5, Long-Term Debt) to fund the transaction and associated acquisition related expenses. The Company obtained a new Special Use Permit from the U.S. Forest Service for Crested Butte, and assumed the state land leases for Okemo and Mount Sunapee. The acquisition included the mountain operations of the resorts, including base area skier services (food and beverage, retail and rental, lift ticket offices and ski and snowboard school facilities).

The following summarizes the purchase consideration and the preliminary purchase price allocation to estimated fair values of the identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed at the date the transaction was effective (in thousands):

	quisition Date ated Fair Value
Current assets	\$ 5,197
Property, plant and equipment	159,799
Goodwill	51,633
Identifiable intangible assets	27,360
Deferred income taxes, net	3,093
Liabilities	(17,989)
Net assets acquired	\$ 229,093

Identifiable intangible assets acquired in the transaction were primarily related to property management contracts and trade names. The process of estimating the fair value of the property, plant, and equipment includes the use of certain estimates and assumptions related to replacement cost and physical condition at the time of acquisition. The excess of the purchase price over the aggregate estimated fair values of assets acquired and liabilities assumed was recorded as goodwill. The goodwill recognized is attributable primarily to expected synergies, the assembled workforce of the resorts and other factors, and is expected to be deductible for income tax purposes. The Company recognized \$2.8 million of acquisition related expenses associated with the transaction within Mountain and Lodging operating expense in its Consolidated Statement of Operations for the year ended July 31, 2019. The operating results of Triple Peaks are reported within the Mountain and Lodging segments prospectively from the date of acquisition.

The estimated fair values of assets acquired and liabilities assumed in the acquisitions of Falls Creek, Hotham, Stevens Pass and Triple Peaks are preliminary and are based on the information that was available as of the respective acquisition dates. The Company believes that this information provides a reasonable basis for estimating the fair values of assets acquired and liabilities assumed; however, the Company is obtaining additional information necessary to finalize those estimated fair values. Therefore, the preliminary measurements of estimated fair values reflected are subject to change. The Company expects to finalize the valuation and complete the purchase consideration allocation no later than one year from the respective acquisition dates.

Pro Forma Financial Information for Falls Creek, Hotham, Stevens Pass and Triple Peaks

The following presents the unaudited pro forma consolidated financial information of the Company as if the acquisitions of Falls Creek, Hotham, Stevens Pass and Triple Peaks were completed on August 1, 2017, the beginning of the fiscal year preceding the fiscal year in which the acquisitions occurred. The following unaudited pro forma financial information includes adjustments for (i) depreciation on acquired property, plant and equipment; (ii) amortization of intangible assets recorded at the date of the

transactions; (iii) lease expenses incurred by the prior owners which the Company will not be subject to; (iv) transaction and business integration related costs; and (v) interest expense associated with financing the transactions. This unaudited pro forma financial information is presented for informational purposes only and does not purport to be indicative of the results of future operations or the results that would have occurred had the transaction taken place on August 1, 2017 (in thousands, except per share amounts).

	 Year Ended July 31,				
	2019	2018			
Pro forma net revenue	\$ 2,303,728	\$ 2,197,659			
Pro forma net income attributable to Vail Resorts, Inc.	\$ 307,060	\$ 389,086			
Pro forma basic net income per share attributable to Vail Resorts, Inc.	\$ 7.61	\$ 9.63			
Pro forma diluted net income per share attributable to Vail Resorts, Inc.	\$ 7.46	\$ 9.35			

#### Stowe

On June 7, 2017, the Company, through a wholly-owned subsidiary, acquired Stowe Mountain Resort in Stowe, Vermont, from Mt. Mansfield Company, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of American International Group, Inc., for total cash consideration of \$40.7 million. The Company acquired all of the assets related to the mountain operations of the resort, including base area skier services (food and beverage, retail and rental, lift ticket offices and ski and snowboard school facilities). The purchase price was allocated to identifiable tangible and intangible assets acquired based on their estimated fair values at the acquisition date. The Company has completed its purchase price allocation and has recorded \$39.2 million in property, plant and equipment; \$3.0 million in intangible assets; \$2.3 million in other assets; and \$3.8 million of assumed liabilities on the date of acquisition. The Company recognized \$2.0 million of transaction related expenses associated with the transaction in Mountain and Lodging operating expense in the Consolidated Statements of Operations for the year ended July 31, 2017. The operating results of Stowe are reported within the Mountain segment.

#### Whistler Blackcomb

On October 17, 2016, the Company, through Exchangeco, acquired all of the outstanding common shares of Whistler Blackcomb, for aggregate purchase consideration paid to Whistler Blackcomb shareholders of \$1.09 billion. The consideration paid consisted of (i) approximately C\$673.8 million (\$512.6 million) in cash (or C\$17.50 per Whistler Blackcomb share), (ii) 3,327,719 Vail Shares and (iii) 418,095 Exchangeco Shares. Each Exchangeco Share is exchangeable by the holder thereof for one Vail Share (subject to customary adjustments for stock splits or other reorganizations). In addition, the Company may require all outstanding Exchangeco Shares to be exchanged into an equal number of Vail Shares upon the occurrence of certain events and at any time following the seventh anniversary of the closing of the acquisition. While outstanding, holders of Exchangeco Shares are entitled to cast votes on matters for which holders of Vail Shares are entitled to vote and are entitled to receive dividends economically equivalent to the dividends declared by the Company with respect to the Vail Shares.

Whistler Blackcomb owns a 75% interest in each of Whistler LP and Blackcomb LP (the "WB Partnerships"), which together operate Whistler Blackcomb resort, a year round mountain resort in British Columbia, Canada with a comprehensive offering of recreational activities, including both snow sports and summer activities. The remaining 25% limited partnership interest in each of the WB Partnerships is owned by Nippon Cable Co. Ltd. ("Nippon Cable"), an unrelated party to the Company. The WB Partnerships hold land leases and rights-of-way under long-term agreements with the government of the province of British Columbia, Canada within the traditional territory of the Squamish and Lil'wat Nations, which provide for the use of land at Whistler Mountain and Blackcomb Mountain.

The Company executed forward contracts for the underlying Canadian dollar cash consideration to economically hedge the risk associated with the U.S. dollar to Canadian dollar exchange rates. The Company's total cost was \$509.2 million to accumulate C\$673.8 million which was required for the cash component of the purchase consideration. The estimated fair value of the Canadian dollars was approximately \$512.6 million upon settlement. Accordingly, the Company realized a gain of \$3.4 million on foreign currency exchange rate changes. The gain on foreign currency is a separate transaction as it primarily benefited the Company and therefore the Company recorded this gain within Investment income and other, net in its Consolidated Statement of Operations for the year ended July 31, 2017. The estimated fair value of \$512.6 million is considered the cash component of the purchase consideration.

The Company held shares of Whistler Blackcomb common stock prior to the acquisition and, as such, the acquisition-date estimated fair value of this previously held investment was a component of the purchase consideration. Based on the acquisition-date estimated fair value of this investment of \$4.3 million, the Company recorded a gain of \$0.8 million within Investment income and other, net in its Consolidated Statement of Operations for the year ended July 31, 2017.

Nippon Cable's 25% limited partnership interest is a noncontrolling economic interest containing certain protective rights and no ability to participate in the day to day operations of the WB Partnerships. The WB Partnership agreements provide that distributions made out of the partnerships be made on the basis of 75% to Whistler Blackcomb and 25% to Nippon Cable. In addition, based upon the terms of the WB Partnership agreements, the annual distribution rights are non-transferable and transfer of the limited partnership interest is limited to Nippon Cable's entire interest. Accordingly, the estimate of fair value associated with the noncontrolling interest at the date of acquisition has been determined based on expected underlying cash flows of the WB Partnerships discounted at a rate commensurate with a market participant's expected rate of return for an equity instrument with these associated restrictions.

The following summarizes the purchase consideration and the estimated fair values of the identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed at the date the transaction was effective (in thousands, except exchange ratio and share price):

(in thousands, except exchange ratio and share price amounts)	Acquisiti	ion Date Estimated Fair Value
Total Whistler Blackcomb shares acquired		38,500
Exchange ratio as of October 14, 2016		0.097294
Total Vail Resorts shares issued to Whistler Blackcomb shareholders		3,746
Vail Resorts closing share price on October 14, 2016	\$	153.41
Total value of Vail Resorts shares issued	\$	574,645
Total cash consideration paid at C\$17.50 (\$13.31 on October 17, 2016) per Whistler Blackcomb share		512,558
Total purchase consideration to Whistler Blackcomb shareholders		1,087,203
Estimated fair value of previously held investment in Whistler Blackcomb		4,308
Estimated fair value of Nippon Cable's 25% interest in Whistler Blackcomb		180,803
Total estimated purchase consideration	\$	1,272,314
Allocation of total estimated purchase consideration:		
Estimated fair values of assets acquired:		
Current assets	\$	36,820
Property, plant and equipment		332,609
Real estate held for sale and investment		8,216
Goodwill		956,459
Identifiable intangibles		150,681
Deferred income taxes, net		7,992
Other assets		1,973
Current liabilities		(74,358)
Assumed long-term debt		(144,922)
Other long-term liabilities	<u>_</u>	(3,156)
Net assets acquired	\$	1,272,314

During the year ended July 31, 2018, the Company recorded adjustments in the measurement period to its purchase price allocation which decreased the estimated fair value of noncontrolling interest and season pass holder relationships intangible asset with a corresponding net decrease to goodwill.

The estimated fair values of definite-lived and indefinite-lived identifiable intangible assets were determined using significant estimates and assumptions. The estimated fair value and estimated useful lives of identifiable intangible assets, where applicable, are as follows.

	Estima	ted Fair Value	Weighted Average Amortization Period
	(\$ in	thousands)	(in years) (1)
Trademarks	\$	139,977	n/a
Season pass holder relationships		6,596	5
Property management contracts		4,108	n/a
Total acquired identifiable intangible assets	\$	150,681	

<sup>(1)</sup> Trademarks and property management contracts are indefinite-lived intangible assets.

The excess of the purchase consideration over the aggregate estimated fair values of assets acquired and liabilities assumed was recorded as goodwill. The goodwill recognized is attributable primarily to expected cost efficiencies from the elimination of certain public company costs as well as other select areas of general and administrative functions, synergies, including utilization of the Company's yield management strategies at Whistler Blackcomb and increased pass product sales and visitation across the Company's resort portfolio, the assembled workforce of Whistler Blackcomb and other factors. The goodwill is not deductible for income tax purposes. The operating results of Whistler Blackcomb, which are primarily recorded in the Mountain segment, contributed \$257.8 million of net revenue and \$65.6 million of earnings for the year ended July 31, 2017, prospectively from the acquisition date of October 17, 2016. The Company recognize \$3.2 million of Whistler Blackcomb transaction related expenses in Mountain operating expense in the Consolidated Statement of Operations for the year ended July 31, 2017.

On February 23, 2017, Whistler LP, by its general partner Whistler Blackcomb Holdings Inc. ("WBHI"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, entered into a master development agreement (the "Whistler MDA") with Her Majesty, the Queen in Right of British Columbia (the "Province") with respect to the operation and development of Whistler Mountain. Additionally, on February 23, 2017, Blackcomb LP, by its general partner WBHI, entered into a master development agreement (the "Blackcomb MDA" and together with the Whistler MDA, the "MDAs") with the Province with respect to the operation and development of Blackcomb Mountain. Each of Whistler LP and Blackcomb LP were operating under existing master development agreements that terminated upon execution of the new MDAs. The MDAs grant a general license to the WB Partnerships to use the Whistler Mountain lands and the Blackcomb Mountain lands for the operation and development of the Whistler Blackcomb Resort. Each WB Partnership is permitted to develop new improvements to Whistler Mountain or Blackcomb Mountain, as the case may be, within standard municipal type development control conditions. The MDAs each have a term of 60 years and are replaceable for an additional 60 years by option exercisable by the WB Partnerships after the first30 years of the initial term. In accordance with the MDAs, each WB Partnership is obligated to pay annual fees to the Province at a percentage certain gross revenues related to the Whistler Blackcomb Resort.

# 7. Supplementary Balance Sheet Information

The composition of property, plant and equipment, including capital lease assets, follows (in thousands):

	July 31,		
		2019	2018
Land and land improvements	\$	619,561 \$	552,271
Buildings and building improvements		1,284,438	1,193,528
Machinery and equipment		1,160,817	1,007,250
Furniture and fixtures		309,271	283,694
Software		118,815	113,699
Vehicles		65,556	60,697
Construction in progress		79,282	59,579
Gross property, plant and equipment		3,637,740	3,270,718
Accumulated depreciation		(1,795,240)	(1,643,499)
Property, plant and equipment, net	\$	1,842,500 \$	1,627,219

Depreciation expense, which included depreciation of assets recorded under capital leases, for the years endedJuly 31, 2019, 2018 and 2017 totaled \$210.7 million, \$199.2 million and \$180.8 million, respectively.

The following table shows the composition of property, plant and equipment recorded under capital leases as of July 31, 2019 and 2018 (in thousands):

	July 31,		
	2019	2018	
Land	\$ 31,818 \$	31,818	
Land improvements	49,228	49,228	
Buildings and building improvements	42,160	42,660	
Machinery and equipment	60,384	60,384	
Gross property, plant and equipment	183,590	184,090	
Accumulated depreciation	(56,040)	(46,502)	
Property, plant and equipment, net	\$ 127,550 \$	137,588	

The composition of goodwill and intangible assets follows (in thousands):

	July 31,		
	 2019	2018	
Goodwill			
Goodwill	\$ 1,625,560 \$	1,493,040	
Accumulated amortization	(17,354)	(17,354)	
Goodwill, net	\$ 1,608,206 \$	1,475,686	
Indefinite-lived intangible assets			
Trademarks	\$ 215,905 \$	205,083	
Other	42,166	41,160	
Total gross indefinite-lived intangible assets	258,071	246,243	
Accumulated amortization	(24,713)	(24,713)	
Indefinite-lived intangible assets, net	\$ 233,358 \$	221,530	
Amortizable intangible assets			
Trademarks	\$ 42,108 \$	42,971	
Other	67,538	47,604	
Total gross amortizable intangible assets	109,646	90,575	
Accumulated amortization	(36,831)	(31,533)	
Amortizable intangible assets, net	72,815	59,042	
Total gross intangible assets	367,717	336,818	
Total accumulated amortization	(61,544)	(56,246)	
Total intangible assets, net	\$ 306,173 \$	280,572	

Amortization expense for intangible assets subject to amortization for the years endedJuly 31, 2019, 2018 and 2017 totaled \$7.4 million, \$5.3 million and \$8.3 million, respectively, and is estimated to be approximately \$4.7 million annually, on average, for the next five fiscal years.

The changes in the net carrying amount of goodwill allocated between the Company's segments for the years endedJuly 31, 2019 and 2018 are as follows (in thousands):

	Mountain	Lodging	Goodwill, net
Balance at July 31, 2017	\$ 1,451,844 \$	67,899 \$	1,519,743
Acquisitions (including measurement period adjustments)	344	_	344
Effects of changes in foreign currency exchange rates	(44,401)	_	(44,401)
Balance at July 31, 2018	1,407,787	67,899	1,475,686
Acquisitions	152,049	_	152,049
Effects of changes in foreign currency exchange rates	(19,529)	_	(19,529)
Balance at July 31, 2019	\$ 1,540,307 \$	67,899 \$	1,608,206

The composition of accounts payable and accrued liabilities follows (in thousands):

	July 31,		
	2019	2018	
Trade payables	\$ 96,377 \$	80,793	
Deferred revenue	335,669	282,103	
Accrued salaries, wages and deferred compensation	50,318	40,034	
Accrued benefits	37,797	33,963	
Deposits	32,108	26,646	
Other accruals	55,588	40,994	
Total accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 607,857 \$	504,533	

The composition of other long-term liabilities follows (in thousands):

	July 31,		
	2019	2018	
Private club deferred initiation fee revenue	\$ 109,749 \$	114,319	
Unfavorable lease obligation, net	19,017	21,839	
Other long-term liabilities	154,835	155,348	
Total other long-term liabilities	\$ 283,601 \$	291,506	

## 8. Investments in Affiliates

The Company held the following investments in equity method affiliates as of July 31, 2019:

Equity Method Affiliates	Ownership Interest
Slifer, Smith, and Frampton/Vail Associates Real Estate, LLC ("SSF/VARE")	50%
KRED	50%
Clinton Ditch and Reservoir Company	43%

The Company had total net investments in equity method affiliates of \$8.8 million and \$7.7 million as of July 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively, classified as deferred charges and other assets in the accompanying Consolidated Balance Sheets. The amount of retained earnings that represent undistributed earnings of 50-percent-or-less-owned entities accounted for by the equity method was \$5.4 million and \$4.4 million as of July 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively. During the years ended July 31, 2019, 2018 and 2017, distributions in the amounts of \$1.0 million, \$1.5 million and \$1.9 million, respectively, were received from equity method affiliates.

SSF/VARE is a real estate brokerage with multiple locations in Eagle and Summit Counties, Colorado in which the Company has a 50% ownership interest. SSF/VARE leases space for real estate offices from the Company. The Company recognized approximately \$0.4 million in revenue related to these leases for each of the years ended July 31, 2019, 2018 and 2017.

## 9. Fair Value Measurements

The FASB issued fair value guidance that establishes how reporting entities should measure fair value for measurement and disclosure purposes. The guidance establishes a common definition of fair value applicable to all assets and liabilities measured at fair value and prioritizes the inputs into valuation techniques used to measure fair value. Accordingly, the Company uses valuation techniques which maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs when determining fair value. The three levels of the hierarchy are as follows:

Level 1: Inputs that reflect unadjusted quoted prices in active markets that are accessible to the Company for identical assets or liabilities;

Level 2: Inputs include quoted prices for similar assets and liabilities in active and inactive markets or that are observable for the asset or liability either directly or indirectly; and

Level 3: Unobservable inputs which are supported by little or no market activity.

The table below summarizes the Company's cash equivalents, other current assets and Contingent Consideration measured at estimated fair value (all other assets and liabilities measured at fair value are immaterial) (in thousands):

	Estimated Fair Value Measurement as of July 31, 2019				
Description	·	Total	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Assets:					
Money Market	\$	3,043 \$	3,043 \$	— \$	_
Commercial Paper	\$	2,401 \$	— \$	2,401 \$	_
Certificates of Deposit	\$	7,871 \$	— \$	7,871 \$	_
Liabilities:					
Contingent Consideration	\$	27 200 \$	_	\$	27 200

	Estimated Fair Value Measurement as of July 31, 2018			
Description	Total	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Assets:				
Money Market	\$ 3,021 \$	3,021 \$	— \$	_
Commercial Paper	\$ 2,401 \$	— \$	2,401 \$	_
Certificates of Deposit	\$ 11,249 \$	— \$	11,249 \$	_
X : 1 35:				
Liabilities:				
Contingent Consideration	\$ 21,900 \$	— \$	— \$	21,900

The Company's cash equivalents and other current assets are measured utilizing quoted market prices or pricing models whereby all significant inputs are either observable or corroborated by observable market data.

The following change in Contingent Consideration during the years ended July 31, 2019 and 2018 were as follows (in thousands):

Balance at July 31, 2017	\$ 27,400
Payment	(3,646)
Change in estimated fair value	(1,854)
Balance at July 31, 2018	21,900
Payment	(67)
Change in estimated fair value	5,367
Balance at July 31, 2019	\$ 27,200

The Lease for Park City, as discussed in Note 5, Long-term Debt, provides for participating contingent payments (the "Contingent Consideration") to the landlord of 42% of the amount by which EBITDA for the Park City resort operations, as calculated under the Lease, exceeds approximately \$35 million, as established at the transaction date, with such threshold amount subsequently increased annually by an inflation linked index and a 10% adjustment for any capital improvements or investments made under the Lease by the Company. The estimated fair value of Contingent Consideration includes the future period resort operations of Park City in the calculation of EBITDA on which participating contingent payments are made, which is determined on the basis of estimated subsequent year performance, escalated by an assumed growth factor. The Company estimated the fair value of the Contingent Consideration payments using an option pricing valuation model. Key assumptions included a discount rate of 11.15%, volatility of 17.0% and future period Park City EBITDA, which are unobservable inputs and thus are considered Level 3 inputs. The Company prepared a sensitivity analysis to evaluate the effect that changes on certain key assumptions would have on the estimated fair value of the Contingent Consideration. A change in the discount rate of 100 basis points or a 5% change in estimated subsequent year performance would result in a change in the estimated fair value within the range of approximately \$3.8 million to \$5.3 million.

Contingent Consideration is classified as a liability in our Consolidated Balance Sheets and is remeasured to an estimated fair value at each reporting date until the contingency is resolved. During the year ended July 31, 2019, the Company made a payment to the landlord for Contingent Consideration of approximately \$0.1 million and recorded an increase in the estimated fair value of approximately \$5.4 million primarily related to the Contingent Consideration payment for the year ended July 31, 2019 and other key assumptions noted above, resulting in an estimated fair value of the Contingent Consideration of \$27.2 million as of July 31, 2019, which is reflected in accounts payable and accrued liabilities and other long-term liabilities in the Consolidated Balance Sheet.

## 10. Income Taxes

On December 22, 2017, the U.S. government enacted comprehensive tax legislation commonly referred to as the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (the "Tax Act"). The Tax Act includes broad and complex changes to the U.S. tax code that impacted the Company's accounting and reporting for income taxes during the year ended July 31, 2018. These changes primarily consist of a reduction in the U.S. federal corporate income tax rate from 35% to 21%, the remeasurement of U.S. net deferred tax liabilities as of the effective date utilizing the new U.S. federal corporate income tax rate of 21%, the elimination of the domestic production activities deduction, as well as revised limitations on certain business expenses and executive compensation deductions under "Section 162(m)" of the Internal Revenue Code and provides for a tax on global intangible low-taxed income ("GILTI"), a base erosion anti-abuse tax ("BEAT") and a deduction for foreign derived intangible income ("FDII").

On December 22, 2017, the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") staff issued Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 118 ("SAB 118") to provide guidance related to accounting for the income tax effects of the Tax Act. SAB 118 provides that companies (i) should record the effects of the changes from the Tax Act for which the accounting is complete. In addition, SAB 118 established a one-year measurement period (through December 22, 2018) where a provisional amount could be subject to adjustment, and requires certain qualitative and quantitative disclosures related to provisional amounts and accounting during the measurement period.

As a result of the Tax Act, the Company recorded a one-time, net tax benefit of \$61.0 million on its Consolidated Statement of Operations for the year ended July 31, 2018, as described below. The Company has determined there is no GILTI inclusion for the year, BEAT would not apply and there is no FDII deduction for the year. The Company has not made a policy decision regarding whether to record deferred taxes on GILTI or use the period cost method as the Company has yet to be subject to a GILTI inclusion.

Due to the reduction in the U.S. corporate tax rate, the Company remeasured its U.S. net deferred tax liabilities as of the effective date and recognized a one-time benefit of \$67.0 million as a discrete item in the benefit from income taxes for the year ended July 31, 2018, which was a reduction in net deferred tax liabilities in the accompanying Consolidated Balance Sheet as of July 31, 2018. The Company also recorded a charge for the Transition Tax of \$6.0 million as a discrete item in the benefit from income taxes for the year ended July 31, 2018.

The Tax Act does not provide for additional income taxes for any remaining undistributed foreign earnings not subject to the Transition Tax, or for any additional outside basis differences inherent in foreign entities, as these amounts continue to be indefinitely reinvested in those foreign operations. Substantially all of the Company's unremitted foreign earnings that have not been previously taxed have now been subjected to U.S. taxation under the Transition Tax. The Company has made no additional provision for U.S. income taxes or additional non-U.S. taxes on the remaining unremitted accumulated earnings of non-U.S. subsidiaries. It is not practical at this time to determine the income tax liability related to any remaining undistributed earnings or additional basis difference not subject to the Transition Tax.

U.S. and foreign components of income before (provision) benefit from income taxes is as follows (in thousands):

	Year Ended July 31,			
	2019	2018	2017	
U.S.	\$ 306,323 \$	264,379 \$	251,478	
Foreign	92,642	75,713	96,971	
Income before income taxes	\$ 398,965 \$	340,092 \$	348,449	

Deferred income taxes reflect the net tax effects of temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and income tax purposes. Significant components of the Company's deferred tax liabilities and assets are as follows (in thousands):

	July 31,		
	2019	2018	
Deferred income tax liabilities:			
Fixed assets	\$ 153,182 \$	126,697	
Intangible assets	73,146	54,708	
Other	13,425	12,865	
Total	239,753	194,270	
Deferred income tax assets:			
Canyons obligation	13,922	13,145	
Stock-based compensation	9,620	9,824	
Investment in Partnerships	13,281	15,113	
Deferred compensation and other accrued benefits	10,674	9,220	
Contingent Consideration	6,771	5,476	
Unfavorable lease obligation, net	4,896	5,580	
Net operating loss carryforwards and other tax credits	5,631	5,716	
Other, net	18,850	11,501	
Total	83,645	75,575	
Valuation allowance for deferred income taxes	(5,365)	(5,450)	
Deferred income tax assets, net of valuation allowance	78,280	70,125	
Net deferred income tax liability	\$ 161,473 \$	124,145	

The components of deferred income taxes recognized in the Consolidated Balance Sheets are as follows (in thousands):

	 July 31,					
	2019	2018				
Non-current deferred income tax asset	\$ 7,286 \$	9,773				
Net non-current deferred income tax liability	168,759	133,918				
Net deferred income tax liability	\$ 161,473 \$	124,145				

Significant components of the provision (benefit) from income taxes are as follows (in thousands):

		Ended July 31,		
	•	2019	2018	2017
Current:				
Federal	\$	24,309 \$	(43,366) \$	55,887
State		8,539	9,562	8,096
Foreign		20,205	18,436	16,311
Total current		53,053	(15,368)	80,294
Deferred:				
Federal		16,983	(45,922)	29,065
State		5,282	2,941	3,601
Foreign		154	(2,789)	3,771
Total deferred		22,419	(45,770)	36,437
Provision (benefit) from income taxes	\$	75,472 \$	(61,138) \$	116,731

A reconciliation of the income tax (benefit) provision from continuing operations and the amount computed by applying the United States federal statutory income tax rate to income before income taxes is as follows:

	Year Ended July 31,					
	2019	2018	2017			
At U.S. federal income tax rate	21.0 %	26.8 %	35.0 %			
State income tax, net of federal benefit	2.8 %	3.0 %	2.2 %			
Change in uncertain tax positions	(1.6)%	<u> </u>	<u> </u>			
Change in valuation allowance	<u> </u>	0.3 %	0.9 %			
Excess tax benefits related to stock-based compensation	(3.0)%	(20.9)%	<u> </u>			
Impacts of the Tax Act	— %	(24.7)%	<u> </u>			
Noncontrolling interests	(1.5)%	(1.7)%	(2.1)%			
Foreign rate differential	0.4 %	(1.5)%	(3.4)%			
Other	0.8 %	0.7 %	0.9 %			
Effective tax rate	18.9 %	(18.0)%	33.5 %			

A reconciliation of the beginning and ending amount of unrecognized tax benefits associated with uncertain tax positions, excluding associated deferred tax benefits and accrued interest and penalties, if applicable, is as follows (in thousands):

		Ended July 31,		
		2019	2018	2017
Balance, beginning of year	\$	78,242 \$	76,111 \$	57,032
Additions based on tax positions related to the current year		_	_	_
Additions for tax positions of prior years		11,520	12,394	19,079
Reductions for tax positions of prior years		_	_	_
Lapse of statute of limitations		(17,540)	(10,263)	_
Settlements		_	_	_
Balance, end of year	\$	72,222 \$	78,242 \$	76,111

As of July 31, 2019, the Company's unrecognized tax benefits associated with uncertain tax positions relate to the treatment of the Talisker lease payments as payments of debt obligations and that the tax basis in Canyons goodwill is deductible, and are included within "other long-term liabilities" in the accompanying Consolidated Balance Sheets.

During the year ended July 31, 2019, the Company experienced a reduction in the uncertain tax positions due to the lapse of the statute of limitations of \$17.5 million, which was offset with an increase to the uncertain tax position of \$11.5 million. Interest and penalties associated with the statute of limitations lapse were approximately \$2.3 million. The Company is not aware of any

tax positions for which it is reasonably possible that the total amounts of unrecognized tax benefits will change materially in the next twelve months. Additionally, the Company expects a reduction to its uncertain tax positions for the fiscal year ending July 31, 2020, due to the lapse of the statute of limitations. As of July 31, 2019 and 2018, accrued interest and penalties, net of tax, was \$6.3 million and \$5.2 million, respectively. For the years ended July 31, 2019, 2018 and 2017, the Company recognized as income tax expense \$1.1 million, \$1.6 million and \$2.0 million of interest expense and penalties, net of tax, respectively.

The Company's major tax jurisdictions in which it files income tax returns is the U.S. federal jurisdiction, various state jurisdictions, Australia, and Canada. The Company is no longer subject to U.S. federal examinations for tax years prior to 2015. With few exceptions, the Company is no longer subject to examination by various U.S. state jurisdictions for tax years prior to 2013. Additionally, the Company is no longer subject to audits for the tax years prior to 2014 for Australia and Canada.

The Company has NOL carryforwards totaling \$8.9 million which are primarily comprised of state net operating loss ("NOL") carryforwards that expire by the year ending July 31, 2031. As of July 31, 2019, the Company has recorded a valuation allowance on \$4.0 million of these NOL carryforwards as the Company has determined that it is more likely than not that these NOL carryforwards will not be realized. Additionally, the Company has foreign tax credit carryforwards of \$4.2 million, which expire by the year ending July 31, 2027. As of July 31, 2019, the Company has recorded a valuation allowance of \$4.2 million on foreign tax credit carryforwards as the Company has determined that it is more likely than not that these foreign tax credit carryforwards will not be realized.

## 11. Related Party Transactions

The Company has the right to appoint four of nine directors of the Beaver Creek Resort Company of Colorado ("BCRC"), a non-profit entity formed for the benefit of property owners and certain others in Beaver Creek. The Company has a management agreement with the BCRC, renewable for one-year periods, to provide management services on a fixed fee basis. Management fees and reimbursement of operating expenses paid to the Company under its agreement with the BCRC during the years ended July 31, 2019, 2018 and 2017 were \$9.6 million, \$9.2 million and \$8.9 million, respectively.

#### 12. Commitments and Contingencies

## Metropolitan Districts

The Company credit-enhances \$6.3 million of bonds issued by Holland Creek Metropolitan District ("HCMD") through a\$6.4 million letter of credit issued under the Vail Holdings Credit Agreement. HCMD's bonds were issued and used to build infrastructure associated with the Company's Red Sky Ranch residential development. The Company has agreed to pay capital improvement fees to Red Sky Ranch Metropolitan District ("RSRMD") until RSRMD's revenue streams from property taxes are sufficient to meet debt service requirements under HCMD's bonds. The Company recorded a liability of \$2.0 million, primarily within other long-term liabilities in the accompanying Consolidated Balance Sheets, as of both July 31, 2019 and 2018 with respect to the estimated present value of future RSRMD capital improvement fees. The Company estimates that it will make capital improvement fee payments under this arrangement through the year ending July 31, 2031.

### Guarantees/Indemnifications

As of July 31, 2019, the Company had various other letters of credit outstanding totaling \$71.9 million, consisting of \$53.4 million to support the Employee Housing Bonds and \$18.5 million primarily for workers' compensation, a wind energy purchase agreement and insurance-related deductibles. The Company also had surety bonds of \$10.4 million as of July 31, 2019, primarily to provide collateral for its U.S. workers compensation self-insurance programs.

In addition to the guarantees noted above, the Company has entered into contracts in the normal course of business that include certain indemnifications under which it could be required to make payments to third parties upon the occurrence or non-occurrence of certain future events. These indemnities include indemnities related to licensees in connection with third-parties' use of the Company's trademarks and logos, liabilities associated with the infringement of other parties' technology and software products, liabilities associated with the use of easements, liabilities associated with employment of contract workers and the Company's use of trustees, and liabilities associated with the Company's use of public lands and environmental matters. The duration of these indemnities generally is indefinite and generally do not limit the future payments the Company could be obligated to make.

As permitted under applicable law, the Company and certain of its subsidiaries have agreed to indemnify their directors and officers over their lifetimes for certain events or occurrences while the officer or director is, or was, serving the Company or its subsidiaries in such a capacity. The maximum potential amount of future payments the Company could be required to make under these indemnification agreements is unlimited; however, the Company has a director and officer insurance policy that should enable the Company to recover a portion of any amounts paid.

Unless otherwise noted, the Company has not recorded any significant liabilities for the letters of credit, indemnities and other guarantees noted above in the accompanying Consolidated Financial Statements, either because the Company has recorded on its Consolidated Balance Sheets the underlying liability associated with the guarantee, the guarantee is with respect to the Company's own performance and is therefore not subject to the measurement requirements as prescribed by GAAP, or because the Company has calculated the estimated fair value of the indemnification or guarantee to be immaterial based on the current facts and circumstances that would trigger a payment under the indemnification clause. In addition, with respect to certain indemnifications it is not possible to determine the maximum potential amount of liability under these potential obligations due to the unique set of facts and circumstances likely to be involved in each particular claim and indemnification provision. Historically, payments made by the Company under these obligations have not been material.

As noted above, the Company makes certain indemnifications to licensees for their use of the Company's trademarks and logos. The Company does not record any liabilities with respect to these indemnifications.

### Commitments

The operations of Northstar are conducted on land and with operating assets owned by affiliates of EPR Properties, a real-estate investment trust, primarily under operating leases which were assumed in the acquisition of Northstar by the Company. The leases provide for the payment of a minimum annual base rent over the lease term which is recognized on a straight-line basis over the remaining lease term from the date of assumption. In addition, the leases provide for the payment of percentage rent of certain gross revenues generated at the property over a revenue threshold which is incrementally adjusted annually. The initial term of the leases expires in fiscal 2027 and allows for three 10-year extensions at the Company's option. The operations of Perisher are conducted on land under a license and lease granted by the Office of Environment and Heritage, an agency of the New South Wales government, which initially commenced in 2008, which the Company assumed in its acquisition of Perisher. The lease and license has a term that expires in fiscal 2048 and allows for an option to renew for an additional20 years. The lease and license provide for the payment of an initial minimum annual base rent, with annual CPI increases, and percentage rent of certain gross revenue generated at the property. The operations of Falls Creek and Hotham are conducted on land under leases granted by the Governor of the State of Victoria, Australia and its dependencies, which initially commenced in 1991 and 1992, respectively, which the Company assumed in its acquisition of Falls Creek and Hotham in April 2019. The leases have terms that expire in fiscal 2041 for Falls Creek and fiscal 2058 for Hotham, and provide for the payment of rent with both a fixed and variable component. Additionally, the Company has entered into strategic long-term season pass alliance agreements with third-party mountain resorts in which the Company has committed to pay minimum revenue guarantees over the remaining terms of these agreements.

The Company has executed or assumed as lessee other operating leases for the rental of office and commercial space, employee residential units and land primarily through fiscal 2079. Certain of these leases have renewal terms at the Company's option, escalation clauses, rent holidays and leasehold improvement incentives. Rent holidays and rent escalation clauses are recognized on a straight-line basis over the lease term. Leasehold improvement incentives are recorded as leasehold improvements and amortized over the shorter of their economic lives or the term of the lease. For the years ended July 31, 2019, 2018 and 2017, the Company recorded lease expense (including Northstar, Perisher, Falls Creek & Hotham), excluding executory costs, related to these agreements of \$57.8 million, \$52.8 million and \$51.9 million, respectively, which is included in the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Operations.

As of July 31, 2019, the Canyons obligation was \$340.3 million, which represents the estimated annual lease payments for the remaining initial 50 year term of the lease assuming annual increases at the floor of 2% and discounted using an interest rate of 10%.

Future minimum operating lease payments under the above leases and future minimum capital lease payments under the Canyons obligation as of July 31, 2019 reflected by fiscal year are as follows (in thousands):

	<b>Operating Leases</b>			Capital Leases
2020	\$	44,984	\$	28,253
2021		42,512		28,818
2022		39,440		29,394
2023		34,840		29,982
2024		30,836		30,582
Thereafter		142,526		1,805,048
Total future minimum lease payments	\$	335,138	\$	1,952,077
Less amount representing interest				(1,611,816)
Net future minimum lease payments			\$	340,261

#### Self Insurance

The Company is self-insured for claims under its U.S. health benefit plans and for the majority of workers' compensation claims in the U.S. Workers compensation claims in the U.S. are subject to stop loss policies. The self-insurance liability related to workers' compensation is determined actuarially based on claims filed. The self-insurance liability related to claims under the Company's U.S. health benefit plans is determined based on analysis of actual claims. The amounts related to these claims are included as a component of accrued benefits in accounts payable and accrued liabilities (see Note 7, Supplementary Balance Sheet Information).

#### Legal

The Company is a party to various lawsuits arising in the ordinary course of business. Management believes the Company has adequate insurance coverage and/or has accrued for all loss contingencies for asserted and unasserted matters deemed to be probable losses and estimable. As of July 31, 2019 and 2018, the accruals for the above loss contingencies were not material individually or in the aggregate.

## 13. Segment and Geographic Area Information

## Segment Information

The Company has three reportable segments: Mountain, Lodging and Real Estate. The Company refers to "Resort" as the combination of the Mountain and Lodging segments. The Mountain segment includes the operations of the Company's mountain resorts/ski areas and related ancillary activities. The Lodging segment includes the operations of the Company's owned hotels, RockResorts, NPS concessionaire properties, condominium management, Colorado resort ground transportation operations and mountain resort golf operations. The Real Estate segment owns, develops and sells real estate in and around the Company's resort communities. The Company's reportable segments, although integral to the success of the others, offer distinctly different products and services and require different types of management focus. As such, these segments are managed separately.

The Company reports its segment results using Reported EBITDA (defined as segment net revenue less segment operating expenses, plus or minus segment equity investment income or loss, and for the Real Estate segment, plus gain or loss on sale of real property). The Company reports segment results in a manner consistent with management's internal reporting of operating results to the chief operating decision maker (Chief Executive Officer) for purposes of evaluating segment performance.

Items excluded from Reported EBITDA are significant components in understanding and assessing financial performance. Reported EBITDA should not be considered in isolation or as an alternative to, or substitute for, net income, net change in cash and cash equivalents or other financial statement data presented in the consolidated financial statements as indicators of financial performance or liquidity.

The Company utilizes Reported EBITDA in evaluating the performance of the Company and in allocating resources to its segments. Mountain Reported EBITDA consists of Mountain net revenue less Mountain operating expense plus or minus Mountain equity investment income or loss. Lodging Reported EBITDA consists of Lodging net revenue less Lodging operating expense. Real Estate Reported EBITDA consists of Real Estate net revenue less Real Estate operating expense plus gain or loss on sale of real property. All segment expenses include an allocation of corporate administrative expense. Assets are not allocated between

segments, or used to evaluate performance, except as shown in the table below. The accounting policies specific to each segment are the same as those described in Note 2, Summary of Significant Accounting Policies.

Following is key financial information by reportable segment which is used by management in evaluating performance and allocating resources (in thousands):

	Year Ended July 31,				
	 2019	2018	2017		
Net revenue:					
Lift tickets	\$ 1,033,234 \$	880,293 \$	818,341		
Ski school	215,060	189,910	177,748		
Dining	181,837	161,402	150,587		
Retail/rental	320,267	296,466	293,428		
Other	205,803	194,851	171,682		
Total Mountain net revenue	1,956,201	1,722,922	1,611,786		
Lodging	314,662	284,643	278,514		
Resort	2,270,863	2,007,565	1,890,300		
Real Estate	712	3,988	16,918		
Total net revenue	\$ 2,271,575 \$	2,011,553 \$	1,907,218		
Segment operating expense:					
Mountain	\$ 1,279,567 \$	1,132,840 \$	1,047,331		
Lodging	286,562	259,637	251,427		
Resort	1,566,129	1,392,477	1,298,758		
Real Estate, net	5,609	3,546	24,083		
Total segment operating expense	\$ 1,571,738 \$	1,396,023 \$	1,322,841		
Gain on sale of real property	\$ 580 \$	515 \$	6,766		
Mountain equity investment income, net	\$ 1,960 \$	1,523 \$	1,883		
Reported EBITDA:					
Mountain	\$ 678,594 \$	591,605 \$	566,338		
Lodging	28,100	25,006	27,087		
Resort	706,694	616,611	593,425		
Real Estate	(4,317)	957	(399)		
Total Reported EBITDA	\$ 702,377 \$	617,568 \$	593,026		
Real estate held for sale and investment	\$ 101,021 \$	99,385 \$	103,405		
Reconciliation to net income attributable to Vail Resorts, Inc.:					
Total Reported EBITDA	\$ 702,377 \$	617,568 \$	593,026		
Depreciation and amortization	(218,117)	(204,462)	(189,157)		
Change in fair value of contingent consideration	(5,367)	1,854	(16,300)		
Loss on disposal of fixed assets and other, net	(664)	(4,620)	(6,430)		
Investment income and other, net	3,086	1,944	6,114		
Foreign currency (loss) gain on intercompany loans	(2,854)	(8,966)	15,285		
Interest expense, net	(79,496)	(63,226)	(54,089)		
Income before (provision) benefit from income taxes	398,965	340,092	348,449		
(Provision) benefit from income taxes	(75,472)	61,138	(116,731)		
Net income	323,493	401,230	231,718		
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests	(22,330)	(21,332)	(21,165)		
Net income attributable to Vail Resorts, Inc.	\$ 301,163 \$	379,898 \$	210,553		

## Geographic Information

Net revenue and property, plant and equipment, net by geographic region are as follows (in thousands).

		Yea	r Ended July 31,			
Net revenue		2019	2018	2017		
U.S.	\$	1,865,062 \$	1,610,323 \$	1,578,276		
International (a)		406,513	401,230	328,942		
Total net revenue	\$	2,271,575 \$	2,011,553 \$	1,907,218		

	As of July 31,			
Property, plant and equipment, net	2019			
U.S.	\$	1,381,378 \$	1,210,169	
International (a)		461,122	417,050	
Total property, plant and equipment, net	\$	1,842,500 \$	1,627,219	

<sup>(</sup>a) The only individual international country (i.e. except the U.S.) to account for more than 10% of the Company's revenue and property plant and equipment, net was Canada. Canada accounted for \$308.1 million, \$321.0 million and \$257.8 million of revenue for the years ended July 31, 2019, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and for \$319.4 million and \$316.8 million of property, plant and equipment, net as of July 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

## 14. Selected Quarterly Financial Data (Unaudited)

Vear	Ended	July	31.	2019

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(in thousands, except per share amounts)	Full Year	Fourth Quarter	Third Quarter	Second Quarter	First Quarter
Total net revenue	\$ 2,271,575	\$ 244,006 \$	957,987	\$ 849,578	\$ 220,004
Income (loss) from operations	\$ 476,269	\$ (120,582) \$	422,598	\$ 301,848	\$ (127,595)
Net income (loss)	\$ 323,493	\$ (92,301) \$	308,530	\$ 217,990	\$ (110,726)
Net income (loss) attributable to Vail Resorts, Inc.	\$ 301,163	\$ (89,525) \$	292,134	\$ 206,349	\$ (107,795)
Basic net income (loss) per share attributable to Vail Resorts, Inc.	\$ 7.46	\$ (2.22) \$	7.26	\$ 5.12	\$ (2.66)
Diluted net income (loss) per share attributable to Vail Resorts, Inc.	\$ 7.32	\$ (2.22) \$	7.12	\$ 5.02	\$ (2.66)

## Year Ended July 31, 2018

(in thousands, except per share amounts)		Full Year		Fourth Quarter	Third Quarter		Second Quarter		First Quarter
Total net revenue	\$	2,011,553	\$	211,637 \$	844,491	\$	734,575	\$	220,850
Income (loss) from operations	\$	408,817	\$	(112,986) \$	367,978	\$	257,541	\$	(103,716)
Net income (loss)	\$	401,230	\$	(87,791) \$	272,275	\$	248,673	\$	(31,927)
Net income (loss) attributable to Vail Resorts, Inc.	\$	379,898	\$	(83,660) \$	256,252	\$	235,691	\$	(28,385)
Basic net income (loss) per share attributable to Vail Resorts, Inc.	\$	9.40	\$	(2.07) \$	6.34	\$	5.82	\$	(0.71)
Diluted net income (loss) per share attributable to Vail Resorts, Inc.	\$	9.13	\$	(2.07) \$	6.17	\$	5.67	\$	(0.71)

### 15. Share Repurchase Program

On March 9, 2006, the Company's Board of Directors approved a share repurchase program, authorizing the Company to repurchase up to3,000,000 Vail Shares. On July 16, 2008, the Company's Board of Directors increased the authorization by an additional 3,000,000 Vail Shares, and on December 4, 2015, the Company's Board of Directors increased the authorization by an additional 1,500,000 Vail Shares for a total authorization to repurchase shares of up to7,500,000 Vail Shares. During the year ended July 31, 2019, the Company repurchased 353,007 Vail Shares (at a total cost of \$85.0 million). During the year ended July 31, 2018, the Company repurchased 115,422 Vail Shares (at a total cost of \$25.8 million). During the year ended July 31, 2017, the Company repurchased 1,317 Vail Shares (at a total cost of \$0.2 million). Since inception of this stock repurchase program throughJuly 31, 2019, the Company has repurchased 5,904,723 shares at a cost of approximately \$358.0 million. As of July 31, 2019, 1,595,277 Vail Shares remained available to repurchase under the existing share repurchase program, which has no expiration date. Vail Shares purchased pursuant to the repurchase program will be held as treasury shares and may be used for issuance under the Company's employee share award plan.

## 16. Stock Compensation Plan

The Company has a share award plan (the "Plan") which has been approved by the Company's stockholders. Under the Plan, up to 4.4 million shares of common stock could be issued in the form of options, stock appreciation rights, restricted shares, restricted share units, performance shares, performance share units, dividend equivalents or other share-based awards to employees, directors or consultants of the Company or its subsidiaries or affiliates. The terms of awards granted under the Plan, including exercise price, vesting period and life, are set by the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors. All share-based awards (except for restricted shares and restricted share units) granted under the Plan have a life of ten years. Most awards vest ratably over three years; however, some have been granted with different vesting schedules. Of the awards outstanding, none have been granted to non-employees (except those granted to non-employee members of the Board of Directors of the Company) under the Plan. At July 31, 2019, approximately 3.6 million share based awards were available to be granted under the Plan.

The fair value of stock-settled stock appreciation rights ("SARs") granted in the years endedfuly 31, 2019, 2018 and 2017 were estimated on the date of grant using a lattice-based option valuation model that applies the assumptions noted in the table below. A lattice-based model considers factors such as exercise behavior, and assumes employees will exercise equity awards at different times over the contractual life of the equity awards. As a lattice-based model considers these factors, and is more flexible, the Company considers it to be a better method of valuing equity awards than a closed-form Black-Scholes model. Because lattice-based option valuation models incorporate ranges of assumptions for inputs, those ranges are disclosed. Expected volatility is based on historical volatility of the Company's stock. The Company uses historical data to estimate equity award exercises and employee terminations within the valuation model; separate groups of employees that have similar historical exercise behavior are considered separately for valuation purposes. The expected term of equity awards granted is derived from the output of the option valuation model and represents the period of time that equity awards granted are expected to be outstanding; the range given below results from certain groups of employees exhibiting different behavior. The risk-free rate for periods within the contractual life of the equity award is based on the United States Treasury yield curve in effect at the time of grant.

	y ear Ended July 31,		
	2019	2018	2017
Expected volatility	38.6%	40.0%	40.3%
Expected dividends	2.1%	2.0%	2.2%
Expected term (average in years)	6.0-6.6	5.8-6.4	5.5-6.2
Risk-free rate	2.4-2.9%	1.2-2.3%	0.5-1.5%

The Company records actual forfeitures related to unvested awards upon employee terminations.

A summary of aggregate SARs award activity under the Plan as of July 31, 2019, 2018 and 2017, and changes during the years then ended is presented below (in thousands, except exercise price and contractual term):

	Awards	Weighted-Average Exercise Price	Weighted-Average Remaining Contractual Term	Aggregate Intrinsic Value
Outstanding at August 1, 2016	2,381 \$	52.98		
Granted	143 \$	174.42		
Exercised	(215) \$	60.05		
Forfeited or expired	(19) \$	108.06		
Outstanding at July 31, 2017	2,290 \$	59.12		
Granted	86 \$	237.86		
Exercised	(1,049) \$	33.25		
Forfeited or expired	(3) \$	172.03		
Outstanding at July 31, 2018	1,324 \$	91.01		
Granted	80 \$	293.82		
Exercised	(219) \$	49.09		
Forfeited or expired	(14) \$	217.58		
Outstanding at July 31, 2019	1,171 \$	111.12	4.9 years	\$ 162,835
Vested and expected to vest at July 31, 2019	1,160 \$	109.93	4.9 years	\$ 162,604
Exercisable at July 31, 2019	1,003 \$	87.92	4.4 years	\$ 159,244

The weighted-average grant-date estimated fair value of SARs granted during the years endedJuly 31, 2019, 2018 and 2017 was \$98.19, \$78.07 and \$50.78, respectively. The total intrinsic value of SARs exercised during the years ended July 31, 2019, 2018 and 2017 was \$41.2 million, \$213.8 million and \$22.6 million, respectively. The Company had 131,000, 169,000 and 247,000 SARs that vested during the years endedJuly 31, 2019, 2018 and 2017, respectively. These awards had a total estimated fair value of \$15.2 million, \$18.5 million and \$19.6 million at the date of vesting for the years endedJuly 31, 2019, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

A summary of the status of the Company's nonvested SARs as of July 31, 2019 and changes during the year then ended is presented below (in thousands, except fair value amounts):

		Weighted-Average Grant-Date
	Awards	Fair Value
Outstanding at July 31, 2018	232	\$ 56.72
Granted	80	\$ 98.19
Vested	(130)	\$ 51.76
Forfeited	(14)	\$ 75.85
Nonvested at July 31, 2019	168	\$ 80.75

A summary of the status of the Company's nonvested restricted share units as of July 31, 2019 and changes during the year then ended is presented below (in thousands, except fair value amounts):

	Awards	Weighted-Average Grant-Date Fair Value
Nonvested at July 31, 2018	176	\$ 163.83
Granted	68	\$ 264.44
Vested	(102)	\$ 142.69
Forfeited	(16)	\$ 200.50
Nonvested at July 31, 2019	126	\$ 230.10

The Company granted 68,000 restricted share units during the year endedJuly 31, 2019 with a weighted-average grant-date estimated fair value of \$264.44. The Company granted 77,000 restricted share units during the year endedJuly 31, 2018 with a weighted-average grant-date estimated fair value of \$215.14. The Company granted 91,000 restricted share units during the year endedJuly 31, 2017 with a weighted-average grant-date estimated fair value of \$154.19. The Company had 102,000, 101,000 and 121,000 restricted share units that vested during the years endedJuly 31, 2019, 2018 and 2017, respectively. These units had a total estimated fair value of \$28.8 million, \$23.5 million and \$19.3 million at the date of vesting for the years endedJuly 31, 2019, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

As of July 31, 2019, there was \$24.9 million of total unrecognized compensation expense related to nonvested share-based compensation arrangements granted under the Plan, of which \$14.8 million, \$8.7 million and \$1.4 million of expense is expected to be recognized in the years endingJuly 31, 2020, 2021 and 2022, respectively, assuming no share-based awards are granted in the future or forfeited. The tax benefit realized or expected to be realized from SARs exercised and restricted stock units vested was \$16.3 million, \$79.7 million and \$15.5 million for the years endedJuly 31, 2019, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

The Company has a policy of using either authorized and unissued shares or treasury shares, including shares acquired by purchase in the open market, to satisfy equity award exercises.

## 17. Retirement and Profit Sharing Plans

The Company maintains a defined contribution retirement plan (the "Retirement Plan"), qualified under Section 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code, for its U.S. employees. Under this Retirement Plan, U.S. employees are eligible to make before-tax contributions on the first day of the calendar month following the later of: (i) their employment commencement date or (ii) the date they turn 21. Participants may contribute up to 100% of their qualifying annual compensation up to the annual maximum specified by the Internal Revenue Code. The Company matches an amount equal to 50% of each participant's contribution up to 6% of a participant's bi-weekly qualifying compensation starting the pay period containing the first day of the month after obtaining the later of: (i) 12 months of employment with at least 1,000 service hours from the commencement date or (ii) if 1,000 hours within the first 12 months was not completed, then after the employee completed a cumulative 1,500 service hours. The Company's matching contribution is entirely discretionary and may be reduced or eliminated at any time.

Total Retirement Plan expense recognized by the Company for the years endedJuly 31, 2019, 2018 and 2017 was \$7.9 million, \$6.9 million and \$5.4 million, respectively.

#### 18. Subsequent Events

#### Amendment of Vail Holdings Credit Facility

On September 23, 2019, VHI, a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, entered into an amendment to the Vail Holdings Credit Agreement, which increased the amount of the outstanding term loan by approximately \$335.6 million and extended the maturity date of the Vail Holdings Credit Agreement to September 23, 2024. The proceeds from the term loan increase were utilized to fund the acquisition of Peak Resorts, Inc. ("Peak Resorts'), as discussed below, and to prepay certain portions of the debt assumed in connection with the acquisition.

## Acquisition of Peak Resorts, Inc.

On September 24, 2019, VHI, a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, completed its previously announced acquisition of Peak Resorts, a Missouri corporation, through the merger of VRAD Holdings, Inc., formerly a Missouri corporation and a wholly-owned subsidiary of VHI ("Merger Sub"), with and into Peak Resorts, with Peak Resorts surviving as a wholly-owned subsidiary of VHI (the "Merger"). The Merger was consummated pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of July 20, 2019 (the "Merger Agreement"), by and among VHI, Merger Sub, Peak Resorts and, solely for the purposes stated in Section 9.14 of the Merger Agreement, the Company. At the effective time of the Merger (the "Effective Time") and pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Merger Agreement, (i) each share of outstanding common stock of Peak Resorts (other than shares owned (A) by VHI or Merger Sub and (B) by Peak Resorts in treasury) ceased to be outstanding and was converted into the right to receive \$11.00 in cash, without interest; (ii) each outstanding share of Series A Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock of Peak Resorts (the "Series A Preferred Stock") was converted into the right to receive an amount equal to the sum of: (a) \$1,748.81; plus (b) the aggregate amount of all accrued and unpaid dividends on the applicable issuance of Series A Preferred Stock as of the Effective Time, in cash without interest; (iii) each outstanding restricted stock unit that was granted pursuant to Peak Resorts 2014 Equity Incentive Plan became fully vested and was cancelled and extinguished in exchange for the right to receive \$11.00 in cash, without interest; and (iv) each warrant issued by Peak Resorts to purchase shares of common stock of Peak Resorts that was issued and outstanding immediately prior to the Effective Time (collectively, the "Warrants"), was cancelled in exchange for the right to receive an amount in cash, without interest, equal to the product of: (a) the aggregate number of shares of common stock of Peak Resorts in respect o

The aggregate consideration paid by the Company to the former Peak Resorts stockholders in the Merger was approximately \$265 million, excluding related transaction fees and expenses. The Company funded the payment of the aggregate consideration with the proceeds from the September 23, 2019 amendment of the Vail Holdings Credit Agreement, as discussed above.

# ITEM 9. CHANGES IN AND DISAGREEMENTS WITH ACCOUNTANTS ON ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE.

None.

## ITEM 9A. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES.

#### **Disclosure Controls and Procedures**

Management of the Company, including the Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") and Chief Financial Officer ("CFO"), have evaluated the effectiveness of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures as of the end of the period covered by this Form 10-K. The term "disclosure controls and procedures" means controls and other procedures established by the Company that are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by the Company in the reports that it files or submits under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms. Disclosure controls and procedures include, without limitation, controls and procedures designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by the Company in the reports that it files or submits under the Exchange Act is accumulated and communicated to the Company's management, including its CEO and CFO, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

Based upon their evaluation of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures, the CEO and the CFO concluded that, as of the end of the period covered by this Form 10-K, the disclosure controls are effective to provide reasonable assurance that information required to be disclosed by the Company in the reports that it files or submits under the Exchange Act is accumulated and communicated to management, including the CEO and CFO, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure and are effective to provide reasonable assurance that such information is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified by the SEC's rules and forms.

The Company, including its CEO and CFO, does not expect that the Company's controls and procedures will prevent or detect all error and all fraud. A control system, no matter how well conceived or operated, can provide only reasonable, not absolute, assurance that the objectives of the control system are met.

## Management's Annual Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

The report of management required under this Item 9A is contained in Item 8 of this Form 10-K under the caption "Management's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting."

## Attestation Report of the Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

The attestation report required under this Item 9A is contained in Item 8 of this Form 10-K under the caption "Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm."

## **Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

There were no changes in the Company's internal control over financial reporting during the quarter ended July 31, 2019 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

## ITEM 9B. OTHER INFORMATION.

None.

### **PART III**

We expect to file with the SEC in October 2019 (and, in any event, not later than 120 days after the close of our last fiscal year), a definitive Proxy Statement, pursuant to SEC Regulation 14A in connection with our Annual Meeting of Shareholders to be held in December 2019.

## ITEM 10. DIRECTORS, EXECUTIVE OFFICERS AND CORPORATE GOVERNANCE.

The information required by this item is incorporated herein by reference from the Company's definitive Proxy Statement for the 2019 annual meeting of stockholders under the sections entitled "Information with Respect to Nominees," "Management" and "Corporate Governance."

#### ITEM 11. EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION.

The information required by this item is incorporated herein by reference from the Company's definitive Proxy Statement for the 2019 annual meeting of stockholders under the section entitled "Executive Compensation."

# ITEM 12. SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN BENEFICIAL OWNERS AND MANAGEMENT AND RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS.

The information required by this item is incorporated herein by reference from the Company's definitive Proxy Statement for the 2019 annual meeting of stockholders under the sections entitled "Security Ownership of Directors and Executive Officers," "Information as to Certain Stockholders" and "Executive Compensation - Securities Authorized for Issuance under Equity Compensation Plans."

## ITEM 13. CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS AND RELATED TRANSACTIONS, AND DIRECTOR INDEPENDENCE.

The information required by this item is incorporated herein by reference from the Company's definitive Proxy Statement for the 2019 annual meeting of stockholders under the sections entitled "Determinations Regarding Independence" and "Transactions with Related Persons."

# ITEM 14. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING FEES AND SERVICES.

The information required by this item is incorporated herein by reference from the Company's definitive Proxy Statement for the 2019 annual meeting of stockholders under the section entitled "Proposal 2. Ratification of the Selection of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm."

#### PART IV

## ITEM 15. EXHIBITS, FINANCIAL STATEMENT SCHEDULES.

- a) Index to Financial Statements.
  - See "Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data" for the index to the Financial Statements.
  - (2) Schedules have been omitted because they are not required or not applicable, or the required information is shown in the financial statements or notes to the financial statements.
  - (3) See the Index to Exhibits below.

The following exhibits are either filed or furnished herewith (as applicable) or, if so indicated, incorporated by reference to the documents indicated in parentheses, which have previously been filed or furnished (as applicable) with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Posted Exhibit Number	Description
2.1	Transaction Agreement, dated as of May 24, 2013, between VR CPC Holdings, Inc. and ASC Utah LLC, Talisker Land Holdings, LLC, Talisker Canyons Lands LLC, Talisker Canyons Leaseco LLC, American Skiing Company Resort Properties LLC, Talisker Canyons Propoc LLC and Talisker Canyons Finance Co LLC. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 2.1 on Form 8-K of Vail Resorts, Inc. filed on May 30, 2013) (File No. 001-09614).
2.2	Purchase and Sale Agreement, dated as of September 11, 2014, between VR CPC Holdings, Inc. and Greater Park City Company, Powdr Corp., Greater Properties, Inc., Park Properties, Inc. and Powdr Development Company. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 2.1 on Form 10-Q of Vail Resorts, Inc. for the quarter ended October 31, 2014) (File No. 001-09614).
2.3	Arrangement Agreement, dated as of August 5, 2016, between Vail Resorts, Inc., 1068877 B.C. Ltd. and Whistler Blackcomb Holdings Inc. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 2.1 on Form 8-K of Vail Resorts, Inc. filed on August 8, 2016) (File No. 001-09614).

Posted Exhibit Number	Description
2.4	Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of July 20, 2019, by and among Vail Holdings, Inc., VRAD Holdings, Inc. and Peak Resorts, Inc., and solely with respect to Section 9.14, Vail Resorts, Inc. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 2.1 on Form 8-K of Vail Resorts, Inc. filed on July 22, 2019) (File No. 001-09614).
3.1	Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of Vail Resorts, Inc., dated January 5, 2005. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 on Form 10-Q of Vail Resorts, Inc. for the quarter ended January 31, 2005)(File No. 001-09614).
3.2	Certificate of Amendment of Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of Vail Resorts, Inc., dated December 7, 2011. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 on Form 8-K of Vail Resorts, Inc. filed on December 8, 2011) (File No. 001-09614).
3.3	Certificate of Designations of Special Voting Preferred Stock of Vail Resorts, Inc., dated October 17, 2016. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 on Form 8-K of Vail Resorts, Inc. filed on October 17, 2016) (File No. 001-09614).
3.4	Amended and Restated Bylaws of Vail Resorts, Inc., dated December 7, 2011. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2 on Form 8-K of Vail Resorts, Inc. filed on December 8, 2011) (File No. 001-09614).
10.1	Forest Service Unified Permit for Heavenly ski area, dated April 29, 2002 (File No. 001-09614).
10.2(a)	Forest Service Unified Permit for Keystone ski area, dated December 30, 1996. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.2(a) on Form 10-Q of Vail Resorts, Inc. for the quarter ended October 31, 2002) (File No. 001-09614).
10.2(b)	Amendment No. 2 to Forest Service Unified Permit for Keystone ski area. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.2(b) on Form 10-Q of Vail Resorts, Inc. for the quarter ended October 31, 2002) (File No. 001-09614).
10.2(c)	Amendment No. 3 to Forest Service Unified Permit for Keystone ski area. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 (c) on Form 10-K of Vail Resorts, Inc. for the year ended July 31, 2005) (File No. 001-09614).
10.2(d)	Amendment No. 4 to Forest Service Unified Permit for Keystone ski area. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 (d) on Form 10-K of Vail Resorts, Inc. for the year ended July 31, 2005) (File No. 001-09614).
10.2(e)	Amendment No. 5 to Forest Service Unified Permit for Keystone ski area. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 (e) on Form 10-K of Vail Resorts, Inc. for the year ended July 31, 2005) (File No. 001-09614).
10.3(a)	Forest Service Unified Permit for Breckenridge ski area, dated December 31, 1996. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.3(a) on Form 10-Q of Vail Resorts, Inc. for the quarter ended October 31, 2002) (File No. 001-09614).
10.3(b)	Amendment No. 1 to Forest Service Unified Permit for Breckenridge ski area. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.3(b) on Form 10-Q of Vail Resorts, Inc. for the quarter ended October 31, 2002) (File No. 001-09614).
10.3(c)	Amendment No. 2 to Forest Service Unified Permit for Breckenridge ski area. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.4 (c) on Form 10-K of Vail Resorts, Inc. for the year ended July 31, 2005) (File No. 001-09614).
10.3(d)	Amendment No. 3 to Forest Service Unified Permit for Breckenridge ski area. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.4 (d) on Form 10-K of Vail Resorts, Inc. for the year ended July 31, 2005) (File No. 001-09614).
10.3(e)	Amendment No. 4 to Forest Service Unified Permit for Breckenridge ski area. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.4 (e) on Form 10-K of Vail Resorts, Inc. for the year ended July 31, 2005) (File No. 001-09614).
10.3(f)	Amendment No. 5 to Forest Service Unified Permit for Breckenridge ski area. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.4(f) on Form 10-Q of Vail Resorts, Inc. for the quarter ended January 31, 2006) (File No. 001-09614).
10.4(a)	Forest Service Unified Permit for Beaver Creek ski area. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.4(a) on Form 10-Q of Vail Resorts, Inc. for the quarter ended October 31, 2002) (File No. 001-09614).
10.4(b)	Exhibits to Forest Service Unified Permit for Beaver Creek ski area. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.4(b) on Form 10-Q of Vail Resorts, Inc. for the quarter ended October 31, 2002) (File No. 001-09614).
10.4(c)	Amendment No. 1 to Forest Service Unified Permit for Beaver Creek ski area. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.5(c) on Form 10-K of Vail Resorts, Inc. for the year ended July 31, 2005) (File No. 001-09614).
10.4(d)	Amendment No. 2 to Forest Service Unified Permit for Beaver Creek ski area. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.5(d) on Form 10-K of Vail Resorts, Inc. for the year ended July 31, 2005) (File No. 001-09614).
10.4(e)	Amendment to Forest Service Unified Permit for Beaver Creek ski area. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.5(e) on Form 10-K of Vail Resorts, Inc. for the year ended July 31, 2005) (File No. 001-09614).
10.4(f)	Amendment No. 3 to Forest Service Unified Permit for Beaver Creek ski area. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.4(f) on Form 10-K of Vail Resorts, Inc. for the year ended July 31, 2008) (File No. 001-09614).
10.5(a)	Forest Service Unified Permit for Vail ski area, dated November 23, 1993. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.5(a) on Form 10-Q of Vail Resorts, Inc. for the quarter ended October 31, 2002) (File No. 001-09614).
10.5(b)	Exhibits to Forest Service Unified Permit for Vail ski area. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.5(b) on Form 10-Q of Vail Resorts, Inc. for the quarter ended October 31, 2002) (File No. 001-09614).

Posted Exhibit Number	Description
10.5(c)	Amendment No. 2 to Forest Service Unified Permit for Vail ski area. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.5(c) on Form 10-Q of Vail Resorts, Inc. for the quarter ended October 31, 2002) (File No. 001-09614).
10.5(d)	Amendment No. 3 to Forest Service Unified Permit for Vail ski area. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.6 (d) on Form 10-K of Vail Resorts, Inc. for the year ended July 31, 2005) (File No. 001-09614).
10.5(e)	Amendment No. 4 to Forest Service Unified Permit for Vail ski area. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.6 (e) on Form 10-K of Vail Resorts, Inc. for the year ended July 31, 2005) (File No. 001-09614).
10.6*	Vail Resorts, Inc. Amended and Restated 2002 Long Term Incentive and Share Award Plan. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.1 on Form 8-K of Vail Resorts, Inc. filed on December 10, 2009) (File No. 001-09614).
10.7*	Form of Stock Option Agreement. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.20 of Form 10-K of Vail Resorts, Inc. for the year ended July 31, 2007) (File No. 001-09614).
10.8*	Form of Restricted Share Unit Agreement. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 on Form 8-K of Vail Resorts, Inc. filed on December 7, 2015) (File Number 001-09614).
10.9*	Form of Share Appreciation Rights Agreement. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 on Form 8-K of Vail Resorts, Inc. filed on December 7, 2015) (File Number 001-09614)
10.10*	Vail Resorts Deferred Compensation Plan, effective as of January 1, 2005. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.22 on Form 10-K of Vail Resorts, Inc. for the year ended July 31, 2009) (File No. 001-09614).
10.11(a)*	Executive Employment Agreement made and entered into October 15, 2008 by and between Vail Resorts, Inc. and Robert A. Katz. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 of the report on Form 10-Q of Vail Resorts, Inc. for the quarter ended October 31, 2008) (File No. 001-09614).
10.11(b)*	First Amendment to Executive Employment Agreement, dated September 30, 2011, by and between Vail Resorts, Inc. and Robert A. Katz (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 on Form 8-K of Vail Resorts, Inc. filed September 30, 2011) (File No. 001-09614).
10.11(c)*	Second Amendment to Executive Employment Agreement, dated April 11, 2013, by and between Vail Resorts, Inc. and Robert A. Katz. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 on Form 10-Q of Vail Resorts, Inc. for the quarter ended April 30, 2013) (File No. 001-09614).
10.12*	Form of Indemnification Agreement. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.8 of the report on Form 10-Q of Vail Resorts, Inc. for the quarter ended October 31, 2008) (File No. 001-09614).
10.13	Master Agreement of Lease, dated May 29, 2013, between VR CPC Holdings, Inc. and Talisker Canyons Lease LLC. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 on Form 8-K of Vail Resorts, Inc. filed on May 30, 2013) (File No. 001-09614).
10.14	Guaranty of Vail Resorts, Inc., dated May 29, 2013, in connection with the Master Agreement of Lease between VR CPC Holdings, Inc. and Talisker Canyons Leaseco LLC. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 on Form 8-K of Vail Resorts, Inc. filed on May 30, 2013) (File No. 001-09614).
10.15*	Vail Resorts, Inc. Management Incentive Plan (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 on Form 10-Q of Vail Resorts, Inc. for the quarter ended October 31, 2018) (File No. 001-09614).
10.16*	Vail Resorts, Inc. 2015 Omnibus Incentive Plan (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 on Form 8-K of Vail Resorts, Inc. filed on December 7, 2015) (File Number 001-09614).
10.17(a)	Eighth Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, Annex A to that certain Amendment Agreement, dated as of August 15, 2018, among Vail Holdings, Inc., as borrower, Bank of America, N.A., as administrative agent, U.S. Bank National Association and Wells Fargo, National Association, as co-syndication Agents, and the Lenders party thereto (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 on Form 10-Q of Vail Resorts, Inc. for the quarter ended October 31, 2018) (File No. 001-09614).
10.17(b)	First Amendment tot he Eighth Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of April 15, 2019, among Vail Holdings, Inc., as borrower, and Bank of America, N.A., as administrative agent, on its own behalf and on behalf of the Lenders party thereto (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 on Form 10-Q of Vail Resorts, Inc. for the quarter ended April 30, 2019) (File No. 001-09614).
10.18(a)	Amended and Restated Credit Agreement and the amendments thereto, dated as of November 12, 2013, among Whistler Mountain Resort Limited Partnership and Blackcomb Skiing Enterprises Limited Partnership, as borrowers, the Guarantors Party thereto, the Financial Institutions named therein, The Toronto-Dominion Bank, as administrative agent, TD Securities, as lead arranger and sole bookrunner, and Royal Bank of Canada, Bank of Montreal, Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., Canadian Branch, and Bank of America, N.A., Canadian Branch, as co-documentation agents (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 on Form 10-Q of Vail Resorts, Inc. for the quarter ended October 30, 2016) (File No. 001-09614).
10.18(b)	Third Amending Agreement, dated as of February 10, 2017, among Whistler Mountain Resort Limited Partnership and Blackcomb Skiing Enterprises Limited Partnership, as borrowers, the Guarantors Party thereto, and The Toronto-Dominion Bank, as administrative agent, on its own behalf and on behalf of the Lenders (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 on Form 10-Q of Vail Resorts, Inc. for the quarter ended January 31, 2017) (File No. 001-09614).

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Fourth Amending Agreement, dated as of November 30, 2018, among Whistler Mountain Resort Limited Partnership and Blackcomb Skiing Enterprises Limited Partnership, as borrowers, the Guarantors Party thereto, and The Toronto-Dominion Bank, as administrative agent, on its own behalf and on behalf of the lenders (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 on Form 10-Q of Vail Resorts, Inc. for the quarter ended January 31, 2019) (File No. 001-09614).
Whistler Mountain Master Development Agreement, dated as of February 23, 2017, between Her Majesty the Queen in Right of the Province of British Columbia and Whistler Mountain Resort Limited Partnership (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 on Form 8-K of Vail Resorts, Inc. filed on February 27, 2017) (File No. 001-09614).
Blackcomb Mountain Master Development Agreement, dated as of February 23, 2017, between Her Majesty the Queen in Right of the Province of British Columbia and Blackcomb Skiing Enterprises Limited Partnership (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 on Form 8-K of Vail Resorts, Inc. filed on February 27, 2017) (File No. 001-09614).
Subsidiaries of Vail Resorts, Inc.
Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm.
Power of Attorney. Included on signature pages hereto.
Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
<u>Certifications of Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350 as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.</u>
The following information from the Company's Year End Report on Form 10-K for the year ended July 31, 2019 formatted in eXtensible Business Reporting Language: (i) Consolidated Balance Sheets as of July 31, 2019 and July 31, 2018; (ii) Consolidated Statements of Operations as of July 31, 2019, July 31, 2018 and July 31, 2017; (iii) Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income as of July 31, 2019, July 31, 2018 and July 31, 2017; (iv) Consolidated Statements of Stockholders' Equity as of July 31, 2019, July 31, 2018 and July 31, 2017 (v) Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows as of July 31, 2019, July 31, 2018 and July 31, 2017; and (vi) Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

 $<sup>{\</sup>bf *Management\ contracts\ and\ compensatory\ plans\ and\ arrangements.}$ 

ITEM 16. FORM 10-K SUMMARY.

None.

## **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) 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.

Date: September 26, 2019		Vail Resorts, Inc.	
	Ву:	/s/ Michael Z. Barkin	
		Michael Z. Barkin	
		Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)	
Date: September 26, 2019		Vail Resorts, Inc.	
	Ву:	/s/ Ryan H. Siurek	
		Ryan H. Siurek	-
		Senior Vice President, Controller and Chief Accounting Officer (Principal Accounting Officer)	

## POWER OF ATTORNEY

Each person whose signature appears below hereby constitutes and appoints Michael Z. Barkin or Ryan H. Siurek his or her true and lawful attorney-in-fact and agent, with full power of substitution and resubstitution, for him or her and in his or her name, place and stead, in any and all capacities, to sign any or all amendments or supplements to this Form 10-K and to file the same with all exhibits thereto and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, granting unto said attorney-in-fact and agent full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing necessary or appropriate to be done with this Form 10-K and any amendments or supplements hereto, as fully to all intents and purposes as he or she might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorney-in-fact and agent, or their substitute or substitutes, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the Registrant and in the capacities indicated on September 26, 2019.

/s/ Robert A. Katz	Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board	
Robert A. Katz	(Principal Executive Officer)	
/s/ Michael Z. Barkin	Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer	
Michael Z. Barkin	(Principal Financial Officer)	
/s/ Ryan H. Siurek	Senior Vice President, Controller and Chief Accounting Officer	
Ryan H. Siurek	(Principal Accounting Officer)	
/s/ Susan L. Decker		
Susan L. Decker	Director	
/s/ Roland A. Hernandez		
Roland A. Hernandez	Director	
/s/ John T. Redmond		
John T. Redmond	Director	
/s/ Michele Romanow		
Michele Romanow	Director	
/s/ Hilary A. Schneider		
Hilary A. Schneider	Director	
/s/ D. Bruce Sewell		
D. Bruce Sewell	Director	
/s/ John F. Sorte		
John F. Sorte	Director	
/s/ Peter A. Vaughn		
Peter A. Vaughn	Director	

## SUBSIDIARIES 1

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## VAIL RESORTS, INC.

NAME	STATE OF INCORPORATION/ FORMATION	DOING BUSINESS AS
1016563 B.C. Ltd.	British Columbia	
1089881 B.C. Ltd.	British Columbia	
2006 CIMARRON, LLC	Colorado	
AFFINITY SNOWSPORTS INC.	British Columbia	
ALL MEDIA ASSOCIATES, INC.	California	MOUNTAIN NEWS CORPORATION MOUNTAIN NEWS
ALL MEDIA HOLDINGS, INC.	Colorado	
AQUIA PTY LTD	Australia	
ARRABELLE AT VAIL SQUARE, LLC	Colorado	
AUSTRALIAN ALPINE ENTERPRISES PTY LTD	Australia	
AUSTRALIAN ALPINE RESERVATION CENTRES PTY LTD	Australia	
AVON PARTNERS II LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY	Colorado	
BCRP, INC.	Delaware	
BEAVER CREEK ASSOCIATES, INC.	Colorado	BEANO AT BEAVER CREEK HAY MEADOW AT BEAVER CREEK LATIGO AT BEAVER CREEK MCCOY PARK AT BEAVER CREEK RED TAIL AT BEAVER CREEK SPRUCE SADDLE RESTAURANT STRAWBERRY PARK AT BEAVER CREEK
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BEAVER CREEK FOOD SERVICES, INC.	Colorado	BACHELOR GULCH CLUB BEANO'S CABIN BEAVER CREPES AND COOKIES CANDY CABIN GUNDER'S TALONS
BLACK DIAMOND INSURANCE, INC.	Arizona	
BLACKCOMB MOUNTAIN DEVELOPMENT LTD.	British Columbia	
BLACKCOMB SKIING ENTERPRISES LIMITED PARTNERSHIP	British Columbia	
BLACKCOMB SKIING ENTERPRISES LTD.	British Columbia	
BOOTH CREEK SKI HOLDINGS, INC.	Delaware	
BRECKENRIDGE RESORT PROPERTIES, INC.	Colorado	BRECKENRIDGE RESORT PROPERTIES VAIL RESORTS PROPERTY MANAGEMENT
BRECKENRIDGE TERRACE, LLC	Colorado	
CB COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES, LLC	Colorado	

COLORADO MOUNTAIN EXPRESS, INC. (dba EPIC MOUNTAIN EXPRESS, INC.)	Colorado	CME CMECOUPONS CMECOUPONS.COM CME DESTINATIONS WEST CME PARTNERS CME PREMIER COLORADO MOUNTAIN EXPRESS DESTINATIONS WEST PREMIER VIP TRANSPORTATION RESORT EXPRESS ROCKY MOUNTAIN ART GUIDE ROCKY MOUNTAIN DINING GUIDE SKIER'S CONNECTION TRANSPORTATION MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS WHEELS OF FORTUNE
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COLTER BAY CONVENIENCE STORE, LLC	Wyoming	
COLTER BAY CORPORATION	Wyoming	
COLTER BAY GENERAL STORE, LLC	Wyoming	
COLTER BAY MARINA, LLC	Wyoming	
CRANKWORX EVENTS INC.	British Columbia	

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GRAND TETON LODGE COMPANY	Wyoming	
GREATER PARK CITY COMPANY	Utah	GREATER PARK CITY CORPORATION PARK CITY MOUNTAIN RESORT
GREATER PROPERTIES, INC.	Delaware	
GROS VENTRE UTILITY COMPANY	Wyoming	
HEAVENLY VALLEY, LIMITED PARTNERSHIP	Nevada	BUB'S PUB EXPEDITION KIRKWOOD HEAVENLY MOUNTAIN RESORT KIRKWOOD KIRKWOOD CENTRAL RESERVATIONS KIRKWOOD GENERAL STORE KIRKWOOD INN KIRKWOOD MOUNTAIN OUTFITTERS KIRKWOOD MOUNTAIN RESORT KIRKWOOD RESORT KIRKWOOD SERVICE CENTER KIRKWOOD SKI AND SUMMER RESORT KIRKWOOD SKI AND SUMMER NESORT KIRKWOOD SKI AND SUMMER RESORT MONTE WOLFS MOUNTAIN KITCHEN OFF THE WALL BAR AND GRILL TIMBER CREEK
HPK, LLC	Delaware	
HUNKIDORI LAND COMPANY, LLC	Colorado	
HVLP KIRKWOOD SERVICES, LLC	California	
JACKSON HOLE GOLF AND TENNIS CLUB, INC.	Wyoming	
JACKSON HOLE GOLF AND TENNIS CLUB SNACK SHACK, LLC	Wyoming	
JACKSON LAKE LODGE CORPORATION	Wyoming	
JENNY LAKE LODGE, INC.	Wyoming	
JENNY LAKE STORE, LLC	Wyoming	
JHL&S LLC	Wyoming	
KEYSTONE CONFERENCE SERVICES, INC.	Colorado	
KEYSTONE DEVELOPMENT SALES, INC.	Colorado	
KEYSTONE FOOD AND BEVERAGE COMPANY	Colorado	9280' ALPENTOP DELI DERCUM SQUARE ICE RINK KEYSTONE CORPORATE CENTER CORPORATION KEYSTONE LODGE & SPA MINER'S CART ONE SKI HILL PLACE PIONEER CROSSING
KEYSTONE FOOD AND BEVERAGE COMPANY (Continued)	Colorado	SNOW DRIFTER THE CROW'S NEST THE OVERLOOK
KEYSTONE RESORT PROPERTY MANAGEMENT COMPANY	Colorado	KEYSTONE CENTRAL RESERVATIONS KEYSTONE MOUNTAIN RESERVATIONS KEYSTONE PROPERTY MANAGEMENT
KEYSTONE/INTRAWEST, LLC	Delaware	KEYSTONE REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENTS

KEYSTONE/INTRAWEST REAL ESTATE, LLC	Colorado	
LA POSADA BEVERAGE SERVICE, LLC	Delaware	
LAKE TAHOE LODGING COMPANY	Colorado	ACCOMMODATION STATION TAHOE LODGING ZALANTA
LARKSPUR RESTAURANT & BAR, LLC	Colorado	
LODGE PROPERTIES, INC.	Colorado	THE LODGE AT VAIL
LODGE REALTY, INC.	Colorado	
MHSC DP PTY LTD	Australia	
MHSC HOTELS PTY LTD	Australia	
MHSC PROPERTIES PTY LTD	Australia	
MHSC TRANSPORTATION SERVICES PTY LTD	Australia	
MOUNT HOTHAM MANAGEMENT AND RESERVATION PTY LTD	Australia	
MOUNT HOTHAM SKIING COMPANY PTY LTD	Australia	
MOUNTAIN NEWS GMBH	Germany	
MOUNTAIN THUNDER, INC.	Colorado	
MT CB REAL ESTATE, LLC	Colorado	
NATIONAL PARK HOSPITALITY COMPANY	Colorado	
NORTHSTAR GROUP COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES, LLC	Delaware	
NORTHSTAR GROUP RESTAURANT PROPERTIES, LLC	Delaware	

OKEMO LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY	Colorado	CAMP GOKEMO JACKSON COUNTRY CLUB AT OKEMO MOUNTAIN RESORT JACKSON GORE JACKSON GORE AT OKEMO JACKSON GORE AT OKEMO JACKSON GORE COUNTRY CLUB NEW ENGLAND'S SKI RESORT OKEMO HEALTH CENTER OKEMO MOUNTAIN LODGE OKEMO MOUNTAIN LODGING BUREAU OKEMO MOUNTAIN LODGING SERVICE OKEMO MOUNTAIN RENTAL SHOP OKEMO MOUNTAIN RESERVATION SERVICE OKEMO MOUNTAIN RESORT OKEMO MOUNTAIN RESORT OKEMO MOUNTAIN RESORT PROPERTIES OKEMO MOUNTAIN SKI RENTAL AND REPAIR SHOP OKEMO RENTAL SERVICE OKEMO SKI AND RIDE SCHOOL OKEMO SPA OKEMO SPA OKEMO SPORTS CENTER OKEMO VALLEY GOLF CLUB OKEMO VALLEY GOLF CUBSE OKEMO VALLEY HORDIC CENTER SNOW STARS SNOW TRACKS LEARNING CENTER SOLITUDE VILLAGE SPORTS CENTER THE GOLF ACADEMY AT OKEMO THE ICE HOUSE THE MEETING HOUSE THE MEETING HOUSE THE SPORTS CENTER AT OKEMO THE SPRING HOUSE THE SPING HOUSE THE VILLAGE AT JACKSON GORE WOMEN'S SKI SPREE
OKEMO MOUNTAIN FOOD AND BEVERAGE, INC.	Colorado	EPIC JACKSON GORE INN SIENA AT JACKSON GORE SKY BAR SMOKEY JOE'S GRILL THE COLEMAN BROOK TAVERN THE CONER STORE AT JACKSON GORE THE INN AT JACKSON GORE THE SITTING BULL LOUNGE VERMONT PIZZA AT OKEMO WILLIE DUNN'S GRILLE
ONE RIVER RUN, LLC	Colorado	
ONE SKI HILL PLACE, LLC	Colorado	
PARK PROPERTIES, INC.	Delaware	
PEAK TO CREEK HOLDINGS CORP.	British Columbia	
PEAK TO CREEK LODGING COMPANY LTD.	British Columbia	LODGING OVATIONS

PERISHER BLUE PTY LIMITED	Australia	
PROPERTY MANAGEMENT ACQUISITION CORP., INC.	Tennessee	ROCKY MOUNTAIN RESORT LODGING COMPANY
RCR VAIL, LLC	Colorado	ROCKY MOUNTAIN RESIDENCES, LLC
ROCKRESORTS ARRABELLE, LLC	Colorado	
ROCKRESORTS CORDILLERA LODGE COMPANY, LLC	Colorado	
ROCKRESORTS COSTA RICA S.R.L.	Costa Rica	
ROCKRESORTS DR, LLC	Delaware	
ROCKRESORTS EQUINOX, INC.	Vermont	
ROCKRESORTS HOTEL JEROME, LLC	Colorado	
ROCKRESORTS INTERNATIONAL, LLC	Delaware	
ROCKRESORTS INTERNATIONAL MANAGEMENT COMPANY	Colorado	ROCKRESORTS INTERNATIONAL MANAGEMENT COMPANY, LLC
ROCKRESORTS JAMAICA LIMITED	Jamaica	
ROCKRESORTS SKI TIP, LLC	Colorado	
ROCKRESORTS (ST. LUCIA) INC.	St. Lucia	
ROCKRESORTS THIRD TURTLE, LTD.	Turks & Caicos Islands	
ROCKRESORTS WYOMING, LLC	Wyoming	
ROCKRESORTS, LLC	Delaware	
SKIINFO AS	Norway	
SKIINFO.FR S.A.R.L.	France	
SKIINFO S.R.O.	Slovakia	
SLIFER SMITH & FRAMPTON/VAIL ASSOCIATES REAL ESTATE, LLC	Colorado	SLIFER, SMITH & FRAMPTON REAL ESTATE SLIFER, SMITH & FRAMPTON/VAIL ASSOCIATES SLIFER, SMITH & FRAMPTON/VAIL ASSOCIATES LLC VAIL LIONSHEAD REAL ESTATE BROKERS VAIL-LIONSHEAD REAL ESTATE BROKERS VAIL-LIONSHEAD REAL ESTATE
SOHO DEVELOPMENT, LLC	Colorado	

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		ASPEN SPORTS AT SNOWMASS
		ASPEN SPORTS ASPEN SPORTS
		BEAVER CREEK FLY FISHER
		BICYCLE VILLAGE OF COLORADO
		BOARDER CROSS
		BOARDER CROSSING
		BOARDER X-ING
		BOOTSIE LACY B LLC
		BOULDER SKI AND BIKE
		BOULDER SKI AND BIKE DEALS
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		BRECKENRIDGE SPORTS
		BREEZE
		BREEZE SKI RENTALS
		BREEZE SKI & SPORT
		BUTTERBOX
		BUYSKIS.COM
		COLORADO SKI AND BIKE
		COLORADO SKI & GOLF
		COLORADO SNOWBOARDS
		COPPER MOUNTAIN SPORTS
		COPPER VILLAGE SPORTS
		DEPOT
		DEPOT SKI RENTALS
		EFLIN SPORTS
		EPIC MOUNTAIN GEAR
		FRISCO SPORTS
		GONDOLA SPORTS
		GORE CREEK FLY FISHERMAN
		GRAND WEST OUTFITTERS
		HAPPY THOUGHTS
		HEAVENLY SPORTS
		HOIGAARD'S
		KEYSTONE SPORTS
		KIRKWOOD MOUNTAIN SPORTS
		LIONSHEAD SPORTS
		MAX SNOWBOARD
		MINE CHILDREN'S
		MOUNTAIN ADVENTURE CENTER MOUNTAIN BASICS
		MOUNTAIN BASICS MOUNTAIN SPORTS OUTLET
		MOUNTAIN SPORTS OUTLET MOUNTAINSPORT TELLURIDE
		NORTHSTAR LOGO
		NORTHSTAR SPORTS ONE TRACK MIND
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SSI VENTURE, LLC (continued)	Colorado	PARK CITY MOUNTAIN SPORTS PEAK SPORTS RENTBOARDS.COM RENTSKIS.COM RENTSKIS GOLD RIVER RUN SPORTS ROCKY MOUNTAIN EYES AND TEES ROCKY MOUNTAIN EYES AND T'S ROCKY MOUNTAIN EYEWEAR LTD. SAN MIGUEL ANGLERS SKI DEPOT SKI DEPOT SPORTS SKI DEPOT SPORTS SNOWMASS SPORT STALKER SPECIALTY SPORTS NETWORK SPECIALTY SPORTS VENTURE STEAMBOAT SPORTS TAYLOR CREEK TAYLOR CREEK ANGLING SERVICES TAYLOR CREEK FLY SHOPS TAYLOR CREEK SPORTS TELLURIDE ADVENTURES TELLURIDE MOUNTAIN BIKE HEADQUARTERS LLC TELLURIDE MOUNTAIN BIKE HEADQUARTERS LLC TELLURIDE SPORTS THE BOARDING HOUSE THE DEPOT THE SKI DOCTOR TRUE NORTH VAIL FISHING VAIL FLY-FISHING VAIL FLY-FISHING VAIL FLY-FISHING VAIL RESORTS RETAIL WINTER PARK SKI RENTALS WINTER PARK SKI SWAP
SSV HOLDINGS, INC.	Colorado	NEVE SPORTS
SSV ONLINE LLC	Wisconsin	OUTDOOR OUTLET
SSV ONLINE HOLDINGS, INC.	Colorado	
STAGECOACH DEVELOPMENT, LLC	Nevada	
STAMPEDE CANTEEN, LLC	Wyoming	
SUMMIT SKI LIMITED	British Columbia	
TCRM COMPANY	Delaware	
TENDERFOOT SEASONAL HOUSING, LLC	Colorado	
TETON HOSPITALITY SERVICES, INC.	Wyoming	
THE CANYONS GOLF CLUB, LLC	Colorado	
THE CHALETS AT THE LODGE AT VAIL, LLC	Colorado	THE LODGE AT VAIL CHALETS

THE SUNAPEE DIFFERENCE LLC	New Hampshire	MOUNT SUNAPEE CUTTING EDGE LEARNING CENTER MOUNT SUNAPEE CUTTING EDGE SKI SCHOOL MOUNT SUNAPEE LODGING BUREAU MOUNT SUNAPEE LODGING SERVICE MOUNT SUNAPEE NEW HAMPSHIRE'S RESORT MOUNT SUNAPEE RENTAL SHOP MOUNT SUNAPEE RESERVATION BUREAU MOUNT SUNAPEE RESERVATION SERVICE MOUNT SUNAPEE RESORT MOUNT SUNAPEE SKI AND SNOWBOARD SHOP MOUNT SUNAPEE SKI AREA MOUNT SUNAPEE SKI AREA MOUNT SUNAPEE SKI SHOP MOUNT SUNAPEE SKI SHOP MOUNT SUNAPEE SKI SHOP NOUNT SUNAPEE SKI SHOP NOUNT SUNAPEE SKI SHOP NOUNT SUNAPEE SKI SHOP NOUNT SUNAPEE SKOWSPORTS SHOP NEW HAMPSHIRE'S BEST CORDUROY SNOW PROS VILLAGE AT MOUNT SUNAPEE
THE VAIL CORPORATION	Colorado	WHISK AROUND THE MOUNTAIN  ARROWHEAD ALPINE CLUB ASPEN GROVE AVAIL ADVENTURE OUTFITTERS, LTD. BACHELOR GULCH CLUB BACHELOR GULCH BEAVER CREEK CLUB BEAVER CREEK RESORT PASSPORT CLUB PRATER LANE PLAY SCHOOL RED SKY GOLF CLUB GUEST CLUBHOUSE PRO SHOP RED SKY GOLF CLUB MEMBER PRO SHOP THE ARRABELLE CLUB THE OSPREY AT BEAVER CREEK THE PASSPORT CLUBHOUSE AT GOLDEN PEAK THE YOUNGER GENERATION TV8 VAIL ASSOCIATES, INC. VAIL CONSULTANTS VAIL MOUNTAIN VAIL MOUNTAIN HIKING CENTER VAIL RESORTS MANAGEMENT COMPANY VAIL SNOWBOARD SUPPLY
THE VILLAGE AT BRECKENRIDGE ACQUISITION CORP., INC.	Tennessee	BRECKENRIDGE MOUNTAIN LODGE MAGGIE CAFETERIA MOUNTAIN THUNDER PROPERTY MANAGEMENT COMPANY ROCKY MOUNTAIN RESORT LODGING THE VILLAGE AT BRECKENRIDGE THE VILLAGE AT BRECKENRIDGE RESORT VILLAGE PUB
TRIMONT LAND COMPANY	California	NORTHSTAR AT TAHOE RESORT NORTHSTAR CALIFORNIA

TRIPLE PEAKS, LLC	Colorado	
VA RANCHO MIRAGE I, INC.	Colorado	
VA RANCHO MIRAGE II, INC.	Colorado	
VA RANCHO MIRAGE RESORT, L.P.	Delaware	
VAIL ASSOCIATES HOLDINGS, LTD.	Colorado	
VAIL ASSOCIATES INVESTMENTS, INC.	Colorado	WARREN LAKES VENTURE, LTD.
VAIL ASSOCIATES REAL ESTATE, INC.	Colorado	
VAIL FOOD SERVICES, INC.	Colorado	BISTRO 14 EXTRA EXTRA FOX HOLLOW GOLF COURSE CLUBHOUSE GOLDEN PEAK GRILL GOLDEN PEAK RESTAURANT AND CANTINA IN THE DOG HAUS ONE ELK RESTAURANT RIPPEROO'S CORNER CAFÉ SALSA'S THE LIONS DEN BAR & GRILL TWO ELK RESTAURANT VAIL MOUNTAIN DINING COMPANY WAFFLE WAY WILDWOOD EXPRESS WILDWOOD SMOKEHOUSE
VAIL HOLDINGS FINANCE B.V.	Netherlands	

VAIL HOLDINGS, INC.	Colorado	APRÉS LOUNGE AVON AT BEAVER CREEK. AVON-VAIL COMPANY
		BEAVER CREEK ADVERTISING AGENCY
		BEAVER CREEK EQUESTRIAN CENTER
		BEAVER CREEK GOLF AND TENNIS CLUB
		BEAVER CREEK GOLF CLUB BAR & GRILL
		BEAVER CREEK GOLF CLUB
		BEAVER CREEK GUIDES
		BEAVER CREEK JEEP GUIDES
		BEAVER CREEK SKI PATROL
		BEAVER CREEK SKI RENTAL
		BEAVER CREEK SKI REPAIR BEAVER CREEK SKI RESORT
		BEAVER CREEK SKI RESORT BEAVER CREEK SKI SCHOOL
		BEAVER CREEK SKI SERVICE
		BEAVER CREEK SKI SHOPS
		BEAVER CREEK SPORTING GOODS
		BEAVER CREEK SPORT SHOP
		BEAVER CREEK SPORTS
		BEAVER CREEK TENNIS CLUB
		BEAVER CREEK VACATION RESORT
		EAGLE RESIDENCES
		GAME CREEK CLUB LODGE AT BEAVER CREEK
		PLAZA LODGE AT BEAVER CREEK
		THE ENCLAVE RESTAURANT
		THE INN AT BEAVER CREEK
		TRAIL'S END BAR
		VAIL ASSOCIATES DEVELOPMENT
		CORPORATION
		VAIL/BEAVER CREEK CENTRAL
		RESERVATIONS
		VAIL-BEAVER CREEK COMPANY
		VAIL BEAVER CREEK REAL ESTATE VAIL MOUNTAIN CLUB
		VAIL MOUNTAIN CLUB VAIL MOUNTAIN RESORT
		VAIL MOUNTAIN RESORT AND
		CONFERENCE CENTER
		VAIL PRODUCTIONS
		WILDWOOD SHELTER
VAIL HOTEL MANAGEMENT COMPANY, LLC	Colorado	
VAIL RESORTS DEVELOPMENT COMPANY	Colorado	VAIL ASSOCIATES REAL ESTATE GROUP
VAIL RESORTS LODGING COMPANY	Delaware	PARK CITY RENTAL MANAGEMENT
		COMPANY
		VAIL RESORTS HOSPITALITY
VAIL RR, INC.	Colorado	

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VAIL SUMMIT RESORTS, INC.	Colorado	BEAVER CREEK VILLAGE TRAVEL BRECKENRIDGE HOSPITALITY
		BRECKENRIDGE LODGING & HOSPITALITY
		BRECKENRIDGE MOUNTAIN RESORT
		BRECKENRIDGE PROPERTY MANAGEMENT
		BRECKENRIDGE SKI RESORT
		BRECKENRIDGE SKI RESORT
		CORPORATION
		COLORADO VACATIONS
		KEYSTONE CONFERENCE CENTER KEYSTONE LODGE &
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		RESERVATIONS
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		ROCKY MOUNTAIN SKI CONSOLIDATORS
		VAIL/BEAVER CREEK CENTRAL
		RESERVATIONS
		VAIL/BEAVER CREEK RESERVATIONS
		VAIL/BEAVER CREEK TRAVEL
VAIL TRADEMARKS, INC.	Colorado	VAIL RESORTS TRADEMARKS
VAIL/ARROWHEAD, INC.	Colorado	
VAIL/BEAVER CREEK RESORT PROPERTIES, INC.	Colorado	ARROWHEAD PROPERTY MANAGEMENT
		COMPANY  DAGUELOR CHARLEST PROPERTY
		BACHELOR GULCH PROPERTY
		MANAGEMENT COMPANY BEAVER CREEK RESORT PROPERTIES
		BEAVER CREEK RESORT TROTERTIES BEAVER CREEK TENNIS CENTER
		TRAPPER'S CABIN
		VAIL PROPERTY MANAGEMENT
VAMHC, INC.	Colorado	
VR ACQUISITION, INC.	California	
VR AUSTRALIA HOLDINGS PTY LTD	Australia	
VR CPC HOLDINGS, INC.	Delaware	CANYONS GOLF COURSE BEVERAGE
		CARTS
		CANYONS RESORT
		COBRA DOG SHACK
		KRISTI'S COFFEE CAFÉ
		LEGACY LODGE
		LEGACY SPORTS LEGENDS AT THE RESORT
		MID MOUNTAIN
		MINER'S CAMP RESTAURANT
		PARK CITY MOUNTAIN RESORT
		PARK CITY MOUNTAIN
		PARK CITY RESORT
		SNOW HUT
		SUMMIT HOUSE
		THE CANYONS
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VR CPC SERVICES, LLC	Delaware	

VR HEAVENLY CONCESSIONS, INC.	California	
VR HEAVENLY I, INC.	Colorado	
VR HEAVENLY II, INC.	Colorado	
VR HOLDINGS, INC.	Colorado	
VR NE HOLDINGS, LLC	Delaware	JACKSON COUNTRY CLUB JACKSON GORE AT OKEMO MOUNTAIN RESORT JACKSON GORE LODGE JACKSON GORE RENTALS JACKSON GORE RESERVATIONS JACKSON GORE VACATION CLUB JACKSON GORE VACATIONS JACKSON GORE VILLAGE JACKSON GORE VILLAGE JACKSON GORE VILLAGE LODGING SERVICE JACKSON GORE VILLAGE RENTALS JACKSON GORE VILLAGE SPORT AND FITNESS CENTER
VR NW HOLDINGS, INC.	Delaware	
VR US HOLDINGS, INC.	Delaware	AFTON ALPS AFTON ALPS RESORT BRUHN'S MT. BRIGHTON MT. BRIGHTON RESORT ONE CREEK MOUNTAIN GRILL SKI HILL GRILL THE TRUCK
VR US HOLDINGS II, LLC		STOWE MOUNTAIN RESORT ADVENTURE CENTER CLIFF HOUSE RESTAURANT CUBS CHILD CARE GONDOLA CAFÉ LODGE AT MT. MANSFIELD LODGE AT STOWE MOUNTAIN RESORT MIDWAY CAFÉ MT. MANSFIELD BASELODGE
	Delaware	MT. MANSFIELD SKI PATROL OCTAGON CAFETERIA SMUGGLERS DEN SPRUCE BASE CAMP SPURCE CAMP BASE LODGE SPRUCE CAMP SPRUCE LODGET AT MT. MANSFIELD STOWE ADVENTURE CENTER STOWE BASE CAMP STOWE CUBS DAYCARE THE CANTEEN RESTAURANT THE FIRESIDE TAVERN THE INN AT THE MOUNTAIN THE OCTAGON TOLL HOUSE CONFERENCE CENTER TREETOP ADVENTURE ZIPTOUR ADVENTURE
VR WM HOLDINGS, LLC	Delaware	MT. MANSFIELD SKI PATROL OCTAGON CAFETERIA SMUGGLERS DEN SPRUCE BASE CAMP SPURCE CAMP BASE LODGE SPRUCE CAMP SPRUCE LODGET AT MT. MANSFIELD STOWE ADVENTURE CENTER STOWE BASE CAMP STOWE CUBS DAYCARE THE CANTEEN RESTAURANT THE FIRESIDE TAVERN THE INN AT THE MOUNTAIN THE OCTAGON TOLL HOUSE CONFERENCE CENTER TREETOP ADVENTURE

WB LAND INC.	British Columbia	

WB LAND (CREEKSIDE SNOW SCHOOL) INC.	British Columbia	
WB/T DEVELOPMENT LTD.	British Columbia	
WHISTLER & BLACKCOMB MOUNTAIN RESORTS LIMITED	British Columbia	
WHISTLER ALPINE CLUB INC.	British Columbia	
WHISTLER BLACKCOMB EMPLOYMENT CORP.	British Columbia	
WHISTLER BLACKCOMB HOLDINGS INC. (f/k/a 1068877 BC Ltd.)	British Columbia	
WHISTLER/BLACKCOMB MOUNTAIN EMPLOYEE HOUSING LTD.	British Columbia	
WHISTLER BLACKCOMB GENERAL PARTNER LTD.	British Columbia	
WHISTLER HELI-SKIING LTD.	British Columbia	
WHISTLER MOUNTAIN RESORT LIMITED PARTNERSHIP	British Columbia	
WHISTLER SKI SCHOOL LTD.	British Columbia	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Includes only those entities owned 50% or greater.

### CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We hereby consent to the incorporation by reference in the Registration Statements on Form S-8 (Nos. 333-145934, 333-169552, and 333-208357) of Vail Resorts, Inc. of our report dated September 26, 2019 relating to the financial statements and the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting, which appears in this Form 10-K.

/s/PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

Denver, Colorado September 26, 2019

### CERTIFICATION OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

#### I, Robert A. Katz, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this annual report on Form 10-K of Vail Resorts, Inc.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: September 26, 2019

/s/ ROBERT A. KATZ

Robert A. Katz

Chief Executive Officer

## CERTIFICATION OF THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

#### I, Michael Z. Barkin, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this annual report on Form 10-K of Vail Resorts, Inc.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: September 26, 2019

/s/ MICHAEL Z. BARKIN

Michael Z. Barkin

Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

# CERTIFICATION OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350 AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, each of the undersigned hereby certifies in his capacity as an officer of Vail Resorts, Inc. (the "Company") that the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended July 31, 2019 (the "Report") fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and that the information contained in such Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and the results of operations of the Company at the end of and for the periods covered by such Report.

Date: September 26, 2019	
	/s/ ROBERT A. KATZ
	Robert A. Katz
	Chief Executive Officer
Date: September 26, 2019	
	/s/ MICHAEL Z. BARKIN
	Michael Z. Barkin
	Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

This certification is being furnished solely pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, is not a part of the Form 10-K to which it refers, and is, to the extent permitted by law, provided by each of the above signatories to the extent of his respective knowledge. This certification is not deemed filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission and is not to be incorporated by reference into any filing of Vail Resorts, Inc. under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (whether made before or after the date of the Form 10-K), irrespective of any general incorporation language contained in such filing. A signed original of this written statement required by Section 906 has been provided to Vail Resorts, Inc. and will be furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission or its staff upon request.