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FORM 10-K

**ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF
1934**

For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2014

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C.H. ROBINSON WORLDWIDE, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

41-1883630

(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

14701 Charlson Road, Eden Prairie, Minnesota

(Address of principal executive offices)

55347-5088

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 952-937-8500

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

Title of each class

Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share
Preferred Share Purchase Rights

Name of each exchange on which registered

The NASDAQ National Market

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: None

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. Yes ☒ No ☐

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Act. Yes ☐ No ☒

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports) and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes ☒ No ☐

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate website, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes ☒ No ☐

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K. ☒

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one)

Large accelerated filer ☒ Accelerated filer ☐

Non-accelerated filer ☐ Smaller reporting company ☐

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes ☐ No ☒

The aggregate market value of voting stock held by non-affiliates of the registrant as of June 30, 2014 was approximately \$9,309,100,899 (based upon the closing price of \$63.79 per common share on that date as quoted on The NASDAQ Global Select Market).

As of February 24, 2015, the number of shares outstanding of the registrant's Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share, was 146,328,737.

Portions of the Registrant's Proxy Statement relating to its Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held May 7, 2015 (the "Proxy Statement"), are incorporated by reference in Part III.

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PART I

ITEM 1. BUSINESS

Overview

C.H. Robinson Worldwide, Inc. ("C.H. Robinson," "the company," "we," "us," or "our") is one of the largest third party logistics companies in the world with 2014 consolidated total revenues of \$ 13.5 billion . We are a service company. We provide freight transportation services and logistics solutions to companies of all sizes, in a wide variety of industries. During 2014 , we handled approximately 14.3 million shipments and worked with more than 46,000 active customers. We operate through a network of 281 offices in North America, Europe, Asia, and South America. We have developed global transportation and distribution networks to provide transportation and supply chain services worldwide. As a result, we have the capability of facilitating most aspects of the supply chain on behalf of our customers.

As a third party logistics provider, we enter into contractual relationships with a wide variety of transportation companies, and utilize those relationships to efficiently and cost-effectively transport our customers' freight. We have contractual relationships with approximately 66,000 transportation companies, including motor carriers, railroads (primarily intermodal service providers), and air freight and ocean carriers. Depending on the needs of our customer and their supply chain requirements, we select and hire the appropriate transportation for each shipment. Our model enables us to be flexible, provide solutions that optimize service for our customers, and minimize our asset utilization risk. As an integral part of our transportation services, we provide a wide range of value-added logistics services, such as freight consolidation, supply chain consulting and analysis, optimization, and reporting.

In addition to transportation, we provide sourcing services ("Sourcing") through Robinson Fresh ("Robinson Fresh"). Our Sourcing business is primarily the buying, selling, and marketing of fresh fruits, vegetables, and other perishable items. It was our original business when we were founded in 1905. The foundation for much of our logistics expertise can be traced to our significant experience in handling produce and temperature controlled commodities. We supply fresh produce through our network of independent produce growers and suppliers. Our customers include grocery retailers and restaurants, produce wholesalers, and foodservice distributors. In many cases, we also arrange the logistics and transportation of the products we sell and provide related supply chain services, such as replenishment, category management, and merchandising. We have developed proprietary brands of produce and have exclusive licensing agreements to distribute fresh produce under recognized consumer brand names. The produce for these brands is sourced through our preferred grower network and packed to order through contract packing agreements. We have instituted quality assurance and monitoring procedures with each of these preferred growers.

Historically, we provided fee-based payment services ("Payment Services") primarily through our subsidiary, T-Chek Systems, Inc., ("T-Chek"). T-Chek provided a variety of payment management and business intelligence services primarily to motor carrier companies and to fuel distributors. Those services included funds transfer, fuel purchasing, and online expense management. For most of these services, T-Chek charged a fee per transaction. On October 16, 2012, we sold substantially all of the assets and transferred certain liabilities of T-Chek to Electronic Funds Source, LLC ("EFS"). We continue to generate Payment Services revenues from the cash advance option we offer our contracted carriers through continued agreements with EFS.

Our flexible business model has been the main driver of our historical results and has positioned us for continued growth. One of our competitive advantages is our network of 281 offices. Our employees are in close proximity to both customers and transportation providers, which gives them broad knowledge of their local markets and enables them to respond quickly to customers' and transportation providers' changing needs. Employees act as a team in their sales efforts, customer service, and operations. A significant portion of most employees' compensation is performance-oriented, based on the profitability and their contributions to the success of the company. We believe this makes our employees more service-oriented and focused on driving growth and maximizing office productivity.

Our offices work together to complete transactions and collectively meet the needs of our customers. For large, multi-location customers, we often coordinate our efforts in one office and rely on multiple locations to deliver specific geographic or modal needs. As an example, approximately 48 percent of our truckload shipments are shared transactions between offices. Our methodology of providing services is very similar across all locations. The majority of our global network operates on a common technology platform that is used to match customer needs with supplier capabilities, to collaborate with other offices, and to utilize centralized support resources to complete all facets of the transaction.

Historically, we have grown primarily through internal growth, by increasing market share through the addition of new customers and expanding relationships with our current customers, adding new services, expanding our market presence and operations globally, and hiring additional employees. We have augmented our growth through selective acquisitions. In January 2015, we completed our acquisition of Freightquote.com, Inc. ("Freightquote"), a privately held freight broker based in Kansas City, Missouri. Freightquote provides services throughout North America. The acquisition enhances and brings synergies to our less-than-truckload and truckload businesses, and expands our e-commerce capabilities.

Our net revenues are our total revenues less purchased transportation and related services, including contracted motor carrier, rail, ocean, air, and other costs, and the purchase price and services related to the products we sell. Our net revenues are the primary indicator of our ability to source, add value, and sell services and products that are provided by third parties, and we consider them to be our primary performance measurement. Accordingly, the discussion of our results of operations focuses on the changes in our net revenues.

Transportation and Logistics Services

C.H. Robinson provides freight transportation and related logistics and supply chain services. Our services range from commitments on a specific shipment to much more comprehensive and integrated relationships. We execute these service commitments by hiring and training people, developing proprietary systems and technology processes, and utilizing our network of contracted transportation providers, including, but not limited to, contract motor carriers, railroads, air freight carriers, and ocean carriers. We make a profit on the difference between what we charge to our customers for the totality of services provided to them and what we pay to the transportation providers to handle or transport the freight. While industry definitions vary, given our extensive contracting to create a flexible network of solutions, we are generally referred to in the industry as a third party logistics company.

We provide all of the following transportation and logistics services:

- **Truckload**-Through our contracts with motor carriers, we have access to dry vans, temperature controlled vans, flatbeds, and bulk capacity. We also offer time-definite and expedited truck transportation.
- **Less Than Truckload ("LTL")**-LTL transportation involves the shipment of single or multiple pallets of freight. We focus on shipments of a single pallet or larger, although we handle any size shipment. Through our contracts with motor carriers and our operating system, we consolidate freight and freight information to provide our customers with a single source of information on their freight. In many instances, we will consolidate partial shipments for several customers into full truckloads.
- **Intermodal**-Our intermodal transportation service is the shipment of freight in trailers or containers by a combination of truck and rail. We have intermodal marketing agreements with container owners and all Class 1 railroads in North America, and we arrange local pickup and delivery (known as drayage) through local contracted motor carriers. In addition, we own approximately 1,000 intermodal containers.
- **Ocean**-As a non-vessel ocean common carrier ("NVOCC") or freight forwarder, we consolidate shipments, determine routing, select ocean carriers, contract for ocean shipments, and provide for local pickup and delivery of shipments.
- **Air**-As a certified indirect air carrier ("Indirect Air Carrier") or freight forwarder, we organize air shipments and provide door-to-door service.
- **Customs**-Our customs brokers are licensed and regulated by U.S. Customs and Border Protection to assist importers and exporters in meeting federal requirements governing imports and exports.
- **Other Logistics Services**-We provide fee-based managed services, warehousing services, small parcel, and other services.

Customers communicate their freight needs, typically on a shipment-by-shipment basis, to the C.H. Robinson team responsible for their account. The team ensures that all appropriate information about each shipment is available in our proprietary operating system. This information is entered by our employees, by the customer through our web tools, or received electronically from the customers' systems. With the help of information provided by our operating system, the salesperson then selects a contracted carrier or carriers, based upon his or her knowledge of the carrier's service capability, equipment availability, freight rates, and other relevant factors. Based on the information he or she has about the market and rates, the salesperson may either determine an appropriate price at that point or wait to communicate with a contracted carrier directly

before setting a price. In many cases, employees from different offices collaborate to hire the appropriate contracted carrier for our customers' freight, and the offices agree to an internal profit split.

Once the contracted carrier is selected, the salesperson communicates with the contract carrier to agree on the cost for the transportation and the contract carrier's commitment to provide the transportation. We are in contact with the contract carrier through numerous means of communication to meet our customers' requirements as well as track the status of the shipment from origin to delivery.

For most of our transportation and logistics services, we are a service provider. By accepting the customer's order, we accept certain responsibilities for transportation of the shipment from origin to destination. The carrier's contract is with us, not the customer, and we are responsible for prompt payment of freight charges. In the cases where we have agreed (either contractually or otherwise) to pay for claims for damage to freight while in transit, we pursue reimbursement from the contracted carrier for the claims. In our managed services business, we are acting as the shipper's agent. In those cases, the carrier's contract is typically with the customer, and we collect a fee for our services.

As a result of our logistics capabilities, some of our customers have us handle all, or a substantial portion, of their freight transportation requirements. Our employees price our services to provide a profit to us for the totality of services performed for the customer. In some cases, our services to the customer are priced on a spot market, or transactional, basis. In a number of instances, we have contracts with the customer in which we agree to handle an estimated number of shipments, usually to specified destinations, such as from the customer's plant to a distribution center. Our commitments to handle the shipments are usually at pre-determined rates. Most of our rate commitments are for one year or less and allow for renegotiation. As is typical in the transportation industry, most of these contracts do not include specific volume commitments. When we enter into prearranged rate agreements for truckload services with our customers, we usually have fuel surcharge agreements, in addition to the underlying line-haul portion of the rate.

We purchase the majority of our truckload services from our contract truckload carriers on a spot market or transactional basis, even when we are working with the customer on a contractual basis. When we enter into spot transactions with contract motor carriers, we generally negotiate a mutually agreed-upon total market rate that includes all costs, including any applicable fuel expense. However, if requested by the contract carrier, we will estimate and report fuel separately. In a small number of cases, we may get advance commitments from one or more contract carriers to transport contracted shipments for the length of our customer contract. In those cases, where we have prearranged rates with contract carriers, there is a calculated fuel surcharge based on a mutually agreed-upon formula.

In the course of providing day-to-day transportation services, our employees often identify opportunities for additional logistics services as they become more familiar with our customers' daily operations and the nuances of our customers' supply chains. We offer a wide range of logistics services on a worldwide basis that reduce or eliminate supply chain inefficiencies. We will analyze the customers' current transportation rate structures, modes of shipping, and carrier selection. We can identify opportunities to consolidate shipments for cost savings. We will suggest ways to improve operating and shipping procedures and manage claims. We can help customers minimize storage through crossdocking and other flow-through operations. We may also examine the customers' warehousing and dock procedures. Many of these services are bundled with underlying transportation services and are not typically priced separately. They are usually included as a part of the cost of transportation services provided by us, based on the nature of the customer relationship. In addition to these transportation services, we may provide additional logistics services, such as contract warehousing, consulting, transportation management, and other services, for which we are usually paid separately.

As we have emphasized integrated logistics solutions, our relationships with many customers have broadened, and we have become a key provider to them by managing a greater portion of their supply chains. We may serve our customers through specially created teams and through several locations. Our transportation services are provided to numerous international customers through our worldwide network. See Note 1 to our 2014 consolidated financial statements included in Part II, Item 8 of this report for an allocation of our total revenues from domestic and foreign customers for the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013, and 2012 and our long-lived assets as of December 31, 2014, 2013, and 2012 in the United States and in foreign locations.

The table below shows our net revenues by transportation mode for the periods indicated:

Transportation Net Revenues

Year Ended December 31, (in thousands)	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010
Truckload	\$ 1,177,990	\$ 1,054,565	\$ 1,060,120	\$ 1,037,876	\$ 919,787
LTL	258,884	239,477	224,160	198,735	156,460
Intermodal	40,631	39,084	38,815	41,189	36,550
Ocean	208,422	187,671	84,924	66,873	60,763
Air	79,125	73,089	44,444	39,371	42,315
Customs	41,575	36,578	18,225	13,100	11,866
Other Logistics Services	73,097	67,931	57,449	46,772	45,388
Total	<u>\$ 1,879,724</u>	<u>\$ 1,698,395</u>	<u>\$ 1,528,137</u>	<u>\$ 1,443,916</u>	<u>\$ 1,273,129</u>

Transportation services accounted for approximately 94 percent of our net revenues in 2014, 93 percent in 2013, and 89 percent of our net revenues in 2012. The increases in ocean, air, and customs revenues in 2012 and 2013 are primarily related to our acquisition of Phoenix International Freight Services, Ltd., ("Phoenix"), on November 1, 2012.

Sourcing

Since we were founded in 1905, we have been in the business of sourcing fresh produce. Much of our logistics expertise can be traced to our significant experience in handling produce and other perishable commodities. Because of its perishable nature, produce must be rapidly packaged, carefully transported within tight timetables, usually in temperature controlled equipment, and quickly distributed to replenish high-turnover inventories maintained by retailers, wholesalers, foodservice companies, and restaurants. In many instances, we consolidate individual customers' produce orders into truckload quantities at the point of origin and arrange for transportation of the truckloads, often to multiple destinations.

Our Sourcing customer base includes grocery retailers and restaurants, produce wholesalers, and foodservice distributors.

Our Sourcing services have expanded to include forecasting and replenishment, brand management, and category development services. We have various national and regional branded produce programs, including both proprietary brands and national licensed brands. These programs contain a wide variety of fresh bulk and value added fruits and vegetables that are high in quality. These brands have expanded our market presence and relationships with many of our retail customers. We have also instituted quality assurance and monitoring programs as part of our branded and preferred grower programs.

Sourcing accounted for approximately six percent of our net revenues in 2014, seven percent of our net revenues in 2013, and eight percent of our net revenues in 2012.

Payment Services

On October 16, 2012, we sold substantially all of the operations of T-Chek, which represented a majority of our Payment Services. However, we still earn Payment Services revenues when we advance money to our contract carriers.

Payment Services accounted for less than one percent of our net revenues in 2014 and 2013, and three percent of our net revenues in 2012.

Organization

Branch Office Network. To keep us close to our customers and markets, we operate through a network of offices. We currently have 281 branches in the following areas of the world:

<u>Region</u>	<u>Number of Branches</u>
North America	184
Europe	52
Asia	39
South America	6

Each is responsible for its own growth and profitability. Our employees are responsible for developing new business, negotiating and pricing services, receiving and processing service requests from customers, and negotiating with carriers to provide the transportation requested. In addition to routine transportation, employees are often called upon to handle customers' unusual, seasonal, and emergency needs. Shipments to be transported by truck are priced at the local level, and locations cooperate with each other to hire contract carriers to provide transportation. Employees may rely on expertise in other offices when contracting LTL, intermodal, ocean, and air shipments. Multiple offices may also work together to service larger, national accounts where the expertise and resources of more than one office are required to meet the customer's needs. Their efforts are usually coordinated by one "lead" office on the account.

Employees both sell to and service their customers. Sales opportunities are identified through our internal database, referrals from current customers, leads generated by people through knowledge of their local and regional markets, and company marketing efforts. Employees are also responsible for recruiting new over the road contract carriers, who are referred to our centralized carrier services group to confirm they are properly licensed and insured and have acceptable Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration ("FMCSA") issued safety ratings.

Network Employees. Each office is responsible for its hiring and headcount decisions, based on the needs of their office and to balance personnel resources with business requirements. Because the quality of our employees is essential to our success, we are highly selective in our recruiting and hiring. To support our hiring processes, we have a corporate recruiting group that develops a pipeline of qualified candidates that managers can draw from. Our applicants typically have college degrees, and some have business experience, although not necessarily within the transportation industry.

Early in their tenure, most newly-hired employees go through centralized training that emphasizes development of the skills necessary to become productive members of a team, including technology training on our proprietary systems and our customer service philosophy. Centralized training is followed by ongoing, on-the-job training. We expect most new employees to start contributing in a matter of weeks.

Employees operate and are compensated in large part on a team basis. The team structure is motivated by our performance-based compensation system, in which a significant portion of the cash compensation of most branch managers and employees is dependent on the profitability of their particular branch. They are paid a performance-based bonus, which is a portion of the branch's earnings for that calendar year. The percentage they can potentially earn is predetermined in an annual bonus contract and is based on their productivity and contributions to the overall success of the office. Within our 401(k) plan, employees can also receive profit sharing contributions that depend on our overall profitability and other factors. In some special circumstances, such as opening new branches, we may guarantee a level of compensation to the manager and key employees for a short period of time .

All of our managers and certain other employees who have significant responsibilities are eligible to receive equity awards because we believe these awards are an effective tool for creating long-term ownership and alignment between employees and our shareholders. Generally, these awards are eligible to vest over five-year periods and also include financial performance-based requirements for management employees.

Employees benefit both through the growth and profitability of individual offices and by achieving individual goals. They are motivated by the opportunity to advance in a variety of career paths, including management, corporate sales, and customer and carrier account management. We have a "promote from within" philosophy and fill nearly all management positions with current employees.

Shared Services. Our offices are supported by our shared and centralized services. Approximately ten percent of our employees provide shared services in centralized centers. Approximately 45 percent of these shared services employees are information technology personnel who develop and maintain our proprietary operating system software and our wide area network.

Executive Officers

The Board of Directors designates the executive officers annually. Below are the names, ages, and positions of the executive officers:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Position</u>
John P. Wiehoff	53	Chief Executive Officer, President, and Chairman of the Board
Ben G. Campbell	49	Chief Legal Officer and Secretary
Bryan D. Foe	47	President of C.H. Robinson Europe
Angela K. Freeman	47	Chief Human Resources Officer
Jordan Kass	42	President of Managed Services
James P. Lemke	47	President of Robinson Fresh
Chad M. Lindbloom	50	Chief Information Officer and Chief Financial Officer
Christopher J. O'Brien	47	Chief Commercial Officer
Stéphane D. Rambaud	50	President of Global Freight Forwarding
Scott A. Satterlee	46	President of North American Surface Transportation

John P. Wiehoff has been chief executive officer of C.H. Robinson since May 2002, president of the company since December 1999, a director since 2001, and became the chairman in January 2007. Previous positions with the company include senior vice president from October 1998, chief financial officer from July 1998 to December 1999, treasurer from August 1997 to June 1998, and corporate controller from 1992 to June 1998. Prior to that, John was employed by Arthur Andersen LLP. John also serves on the Boards of Directors of Polaris Industries Inc. (NYSE: PII), a provider of off-road vehicles, snowmobiles, motorcycles and on-road electric/hybrid powered vehicles, and Donaldson Company, Inc. (NYSE: DCI), a provider of filtration systems. He holds a Bachelor of Science degree from St. John's University.

Ben G. Campbell was named chief legal officer and secretary in January 2015. Previous positions with the company include vice president, general counsel and secretary from January 2009 to December 2014 and assistant general counsel from February 2004 to December 2008. Ben joined C.H. Robinson in 2004. Before coming to C.H. Robinson, Ben was a partner at Rider Bennett, LLP, in Minneapolis, MN. Ben holds a Bachelor of Science degree from St. John's University and a Juris Doctor from William Mitchell College of Law.

Bryan D. Foe was named president of C.H. Robinson Europe in July 2012. He has served as a vice president since 2005. Additional positions with C.H. Robinson include president of T-Chek Systems, Inc., and manager of the Valley Forge, PA, and Grand Rapids, MI, offices. Bryan joined the company in 1990. He also served as a Research Advisory Committee Member for the American Transportation Research Institute and past treasurer of the Detroit Intermodal Association. He attended the Detroit College of Business.

Angela K. Freeman was named chief human resources officer in January 2015. Prior to that, she served as vice president of human resources from August 2012 to December 2014. Additional positions with C.H. Robinson include vice president of investor relations and public affairs from January 2009 to August 2012 and director of investor relations and director of marketing communications. She also serves as the president of the C.H. Robinson Worldwide Foundation. Prior to joining C.H. Robinson in 1998, Angela was with McDermott/O'Neill & Associates, a Boston-based public affairs firm. She holds a Bachelor of Arts degree and a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of North Dakota, and a Master of Science from the London School of Economics. Angela also serves on the Board of Directors of Community Health Charities of Minnesota and of the non-profit organization LeadersUp.

Jordan Kass was named president of managed services in January 2015. He previously served as vice president of management services. Additional positions with C.H. Robinson include director of TMC. Jordan began his career in 1994 at American Backhaulers and subsequently joined C.H. Robinson in 2000 following our acquisition of American Backhaulers. Jordan holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from Indiana University.

James P. Lemke was named president of Robinson Fresh in January 2015. Prior to that, he served as senior vice president from December 2007 to December 2014, having previously served as vice president, Sourcing since 2003. Prior to that time, he served as the vice president and manager of C.H. Robinson's corporate procurement and distribution services. Jim joined the company in 1989. Jim holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in International Relations from the University of Minnesota. Jim also serves on the Foundation Board of the United Fresh Produce Association. He also serves as a director for the Children's Theatre Company.

Chad M. Lindbloom was named chief information officer in January 2015. He was named chief financial officer in 1999 and will continue to serve as CFO until his successor is identified and appointed. From June 1998 until December 1999, he served as corporate controller. Chad joined the company in 1990. Chad holds a Bachelor of Science degree and a Masters of Business Administration from the Carlson School of Management at the University of Minnesota.

Christopher J. O'Brien was named chief commercial officer in January 2015. Prior to that, he served as a senior vice president from May 2012 to December 2014. He has served as a vice president since May 2003. Additional positions with C.H. Robinson include president of the company's European division and manager of the Raleigh, NC, office. Christopher joined the company in 1993. He holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from Alma College in Michigan. Christopher also serves on the Board of Trustees of the University of Minnesota's Landscape Arboretum.

Stéphane Rambaud was named president of global freight forwarding in January 2015. Prior to that, he served as senior vice president of C.H. Robinson from November 2012 to December 2014 and as chief executive officer for Phoenix International, a privately-held international freight forwarder, which was acquired by C.H. Robinson in November 2012. Stéphane joined Phoenix International in 1985 and prior to becoming chief executive officer in 2007, he served as president from 2003 to 2007 and chief operating officer from 2000 to 2003. Stéphane completed his education at International Commerce at Académie Commerciale Internationale in Paris, France.

Scott A. Satterlee was named president of North American Surface Transportation in January 2015. Prior to that, he served as senior vice president from December 2007 to December 2014. He has served as an executive and officer of C.H. Robinson since February 2002. Additional positions with C.H. Robinson include director of operations and manager of the Salt Lake City office. Scott joined the company in 1991. Scott holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of St. Thomas. Scott also serves on the Board of Directors of Fastenal (NASDAQ: FAST), a large fastener distributor.

Employees

As of December 31, 2014, we had a total of 11,521 employees, 10,300 of whom were located in our branch offices. Services such as finance, information technology, legal, marketing, and human resource support are supported centrally.

Customer Relationships

We work to establish long-term relationships with our customers and to increase the amount of business done with each customer by providing them with a full range of logistics services. During 2014, we served over 46,000 active customers worldwide, ranging from Fortune 100 companies to small businesses in a wide variety of industries.

During 2014, our largest customer accounted for approximately two percent of total revenues and approximately one percent of net revenues. In recent years, we have grown by adding new customers and by increasing our volumes with, and providing more services to, our existing customers.

We seek additional business from existing customers and pursue new customers based on our knowledge of the marketplace and the range of logistics services that we can provide. We believe that our account management disciplines and decentralized structure enable our employees to better serve our customers by combining a broad knowledge of logistics and market conditions with a deep understanding of the specific supply chain issues facing individual customers and certain vertical industries. With the guidance of our executive and shared services teams, offices are given significant latitude to pursue opportunities and to commit our resources to serve our customers.

In 2014, we continued to expand our corporate sales, account management, and marketing support to enhance sales capabilities. The network also calls on our executives and our corporate sales staff to support them in the pursuit of new business with companies that have more complex logistics requirements.

Relationships with Transportation Providers

We continually work on establishing contractual relationships with qualified transportation providers that also meet our service requirements to provide dependable services, favorable pricing, and contract carrier availability during periods when demand for transportation equipment is greater than the supply. Because we own very little transportation equipment and do not employ the people directly involved with the delivery of our customers' freight, these relationships are critical to our success.

In 2014, we worked with approximately 66,000 transportation providers worldwide, of which the vast majority are contracted motor carriers. To strengthen and maintain our relationships with motor carriers, our employees regularly communicate with carriers and try to assist them by increasing their equipment utilization, reducing their empty miles, and repositioning their equipment. To make it easier for contract carriers to work with us, we have a policy of payment upon receipt of proof of delivery. For those contract carriers who would like a faster payment, we also offer payment within 48 hours of receipt of proof of delivery in exchange for a discount, along with offering in-trip cash advances.

Contracted motor carriers provide access to dry vans, temperature controlled vans, and flatbeds. These contract carriers are of all sizes, including owner-operators of a single truck, small and mid-size fleets, private fleets, and the largest national trucking companies. Consequently, we are not dependent on any one contract carrier. Our largest truck transportation provider was approximately two percent of our total cost of transportation in 2014. Motor carriers that had fewer than 100 tractors transported approximately 83 percent of our truckload shipments in 2014. Every motor carrier with which we do business is required to execute a contract that establishes that the carrier is acting as an independent contractor. At the time the contract is executed, and daily, through subscriptions with a third party service, we confirm that each motor carrier is properly licensed and insured, has the necessary federally-issued authority to provide transportation services, and has the ability to provide the necessary level of service on a dependable basis. Our motor carrier contracts require that the motor carrier issue invoices only to and accept payment solely from us for the shipments that they transport under their contract with us, and allow us to withhold payment to satisfy previous claims or shortages. Our standard contracts do not include volume commitments, and the initial contract rate is modified each time we confirm an individual shipment with a carrier.

We also have intermodal marketing agreements with container owners and all Class 1 railroads in North America, giving us access to additional trailers and containers. Our contracts with railroads specify the transportation services and payment terms by which our intermodal shipments are transported by rail. Intermodal transportation rates are typically negotiated between us and the railroad on a customer-specific basis. We own approximately 1,000 53-foot containers. We believe that these containers have helped us better serve our customers, and we will continue to analyze the strategy of controlling containers.

In our NVOCC ocean transportation business, we have contracts with most of the major ocean carriers which support a variety of service and rate needs for our customers. We negotiate annual contracts that establish the predetermined rates we agree to pay the ocean carriers. The rates are negotiated based on expected volumes from our customers in specific trade lanes. These contracts are often amended throughout the year to reflect changes in market conditions for our business, such as additional trade lanes.

We operate both as a consolidator and as a transactional Indirect Air Carrier ("IAC") internationally and in North America. We select air carriers and provide for local pickup and delivery of shipments. We execute our air freight services through our relationships with air carriers, through charter services, block space agreements, capacity space agreements, and transactional spot market negotiations. Through charter services, we contract part or all of an airplane to meet customer requirements. Our block space agreements and capacity space agreements are contracts for a defined time period. The contracts include fixed allocations for predetermined flights at agreed upon rates that are reviewed periodically throughout the year. The transactional negotiations afford us the ability to capture excess capacity at prevailing market rates for a specific shipment.

Competition

The transportation services industry is highly competitive and fragmented. We compete against a large number of logistics companies, trucking companies, property freight brokers, carriers offering logistics services, NVOCCs, IACs, and freight forwarders. We also buy from and sell transportation services to companies that compete with us.

In our Sourcing business, we compete with produce brokers, produce growers, produce marketing companies, produce wholesalers, and foodservice buying groups. We also buy from and sell produce to companies that compete with us.

We often compete with respect to price, scope of services, or a combination thereof, but believe that our most significant competitive advantages are:

- People-Smart, dedicated, empowered people are an extension of our customers' teams to innovate and execute their supply chain strategies;
- Process-Proven processes and solutions combine strategy with practical experience for customized action plans that succeed in the real world;
- Technology-A significant investment in our Navisphere[®] proprietary technology gives flexibility, global visibility, customized solutions, easy integration, broad connectivity, and advanced security;

- **Network**-Our customers gain local presence, regional expertise, and multiple global logistics options from one of the world's largest providers of logistics services;
- **Relationships**-A large number of unique, strong relationships provide global connections and valuable market knowledge;
- **Portfolio of Services**-A wide selection of services and products help provide our customers with consistent capacity and service levels;
- **Scale**-Our customers leverage our industry-leading capacity, broad procurement options, and substantial shipment volumes for better efficiency, service, and marketplace advantages; and
- **Stability**-Our financial strength, discipline, and consistent track record of success for strategic support of our customers' supply chains.

Seasonality

Historically, our operating results have been subject to seasonal trends. In recent years, including 2014, operating income and earnings have been lower in the first quarter than in the other three quarters. However, this was not our experience in 2013 or 2012. 2012 would have followed this pattern, but our fourth quarter results were impacted by certain significant event-specific charges and credits related to our acquisitions and divestitures. We believe this pattern has been the result of, or influenced by, numerous factors, including national holidays, weather patterns, consumer demand, economic conditions, and other similar and subtle forces. Although seasonal changes in the transportation industry have not had a significant impact on our cash flow or results of operations, we expect this trend to continue and we cannot guarantee that it will not adversely impact us in the future.

Proprietary Information Technology and Intellectual Property

Our information systems are essential to efficiently communicate, service our customers and contracted carriers, and manage our business. In 2014, we executed approximately 14.3 million shipments for more than 46,000 active customers and 66,000 contract carriers.

We rely on a combination of trademarks, copyrights, trade secrets, and nondisclosure and non-competition agreements to establish and protect our intellectual property and proprietary technology. Additionally, we have numerous registered trademarks, trade names, and logos in the United States and international locations.

In October 2012, we launched Navisphere[®], a single platform that allows customers to communicate worldwide with every party in their supply chain across languages, currencies, and continents. Navisphere[®] offers sophisticated business analytics to help improve supply chain performance and meet increasing customer demands.

The CHRWTrucks[®] web-based platform provides contracted carriers additional access to our systems. Contract carriers can access available freight, perform online check calls, keep track of receivables, and upload scanned documentation. Many of our carriers' favorite features from CHRWTrucks[®] are also available through our CHRWTrucks[®] mobile application available for Android and IOS mobile operating systems.

Our systems help our employees service customer orders, select the optimal mode of transportation, build and consolidate shipments, and identify appropriate carriers, all based on customer-specific service parameters. Our systems provide our vast organization the necessary business intelligence to allow for real time scorecards and necessary decision support in all areas of our business.

Government Regulation

Our operations may be regulated and licensed by various federal, state, and local transportation agencies in the United States and similar governmental agencies in foreign countries in which we operate.

We are subject to licensing and regulation as a property freight broker and are licensed by the U.S. Department of Transportation (“DOT”) to arrange for the transportation of property by motor vehicle. The DOT prescribes qualifications for acting in this capacity, including certain surety bonding requirements. We are also subject to regulation by the Federal Maritime Commission as an ocean freight forwarder and an NVOCC and we maintain separate bonds and licenses for each. We operate as a Department of Homeland Security certified Indirect Air Carrier, providing air freight services, subject to commercial standards set forth by the International Air Transport Association and federal regulations issued by the Transportation Security Administration. We provide customs brokerage services as a customs broker under a license issued by the Bureau of U.S. Customs and Border Protection. We also have and maintain other licenses as required by law.

Although Congress enacted legislation in 1994 that substantially preempts the authority of states to exercise economic regulation of motor carriers and brokers of freight, some intrastate shipments for which we arrange transportation may be subject to additional licensing, registration, or permit requirements. We generally contractually require and/or rely on the carrier transporting the shipment to ensure compliance with these types of requirements. We, along with the contracted carriers that we rely on in arranging transportation services for our customers, are also subject to a variety of federal and state safety and environmental regulations. Although compliance with the regulations governing licensees in these areas has not had a materially adverse effect on our operations or financial condition in the past, there can be no assurance that such regulations or changes thereto will not adversely impact our operations in the future. Violation of these regulations could also subject us to fines, as well as increased claims liability.

We buy and sell fresh produce under licenses issued by the U.S. Department of Agriculture as required by the Perishable Agricultural Commodities Act (“PACA”). Other sourcing and distribution activities may be subject to various federal and state food and drug statutes and regulations.

We are subject to a variety of other U.S. and foreign laws and regulations including, but not limited to, the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act and other similar anti-bribery and anti-corruption statutes.

Risk Management and Insurance

We contractually require all motor carriers we work with to carry at least \$750,000 in automobile liability insurance and \$25,000 in cargo insurance. We also require all motor carriers to maintain workers compensation and other insurance coverage as required by law. Many carriers have insurance exceeding these minimum requirements. Railroads, which are generally self-insured, provide limited common carrier liability protection, generally up to \$250,000 per shipment.

As a property freight broker, we are not legally liable for damage to our customers’ cargo. In our customer contracts, we may agree to assume cargo liability up to a stated maximum. We typically do not assume cargo liability to our customers above minimum industry standards in our international freight forwarding, ocean transportation, air freight businesses on international shipments, and domestic air shipments. We do offer our customers the option to purchase shippers interest coverage to insure goods in transit. When we agree to store goods for our customers for longer terms, we provide limited warehouseman’s coverage to our customers and contract for warehousing services from companies that provide us the same degree of coverage.

We maintain a broad cargo liability insurance policy to help protect us against catastrophic losses that may not be recovered from the responsible contracted carrier. We also carry various liability insurance policies, including automobile and general liability, with a \$200 million umbrella. Our contingent automobile liability coverage has a retention of \$5 million per incident.

As a seller of produce, we may, under certain circumstances, have legal responsibility arising from produce sales. We carry product liability coverage under our general liability and umbrella policies to cover tort claims. The deductible on our general liability coverage is \$250,000 per incident. In addition, in the event of a recall, we may be required to bear the costs of repurchasing, transporting, and destroying any allegedly contaminated product, as well as potential consequential damages which were generally not insured. Beginning in 2012, we carry product recall insurance coverage of \$50 million. This policy has a retention of \$5 million per incident.

Investor Information

We were reincorporated in Delaware in 1997 as the successor to a business existing, in various legal forms, since 1905. Our corporate office is located at 14701 Charlson Road, Eden Prairie, Minnesota, 55347-5088, and our telephone number is (952) 937-8500. Copies of our Annual Report on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, Current Reports on Form 8-K, and amendments to those reports filed or furnished pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 are available free of charge through our website (www.chrobinson.com) as soon as reasonably practicable after we electronically file the material with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Cautionary Statement Relevant to Forward-Looking Information

This Annual Report on Form 10-K, including our financial statements, “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations” in Item 7 of Part II of this report, and other documents incorporated by reference, contain certain “forward-looking statements” within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. When used in this Form 10-K and in our other filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, in our press releases, presentations to securities analysts or investors, in oral statements made by or with the approval of any of our executive officers, the words or phrases “believes,” “may,” “could,” “will,” “expects,” “should,” “continue,” “anticipates,” “intends,” “will likely result,” “estimates,” “projects,” or similar expressions and variations thereof are intended to identify such forward-looking statements.

Except for the historical information contained in this Form 10-K, the matters set forth in this document may be deemed to be forward-looking statements that represent our expectations, beliefs, intentions, or strategies concerning future events. These forward-looking statements are subject to certain risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from our historical experience or our present expectations, including, but not limited to, such factors such as changes in economic conditions, including uncertain consumer demand; changes in market demand and pressures on the pricing for our services; competition and growth rates within the third party logistics industry; freight levels and increasing costs and availability of truck capacity or alternative means of transporting freight; changes in relationships with existing contracted truck, rail, ocean, and air carriers; changes in our customer base due to possible consolidation among our customers; our ability to successfully integrate the operations of acquired companies with our historic operations; risks associated with litigation, including contingent auto liability and insurance coverage; risks associated with operations outside of the U.S.; risks associated with the potential impacts of changes in government regulations; risks associated with the produce industry, including food safety and contamination issues; fuel price increases or shortages; the impact of war on the economy; changes to our capital structure, and other risks and uncertainties, including those described below. Forward-looking statements speak only as of the date they are made. We undertake no obligation to update these statements in light of subsequent events or developments.

ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS

The following are important factors that could affect our financial performance and could cause actual results for future periods to differ materially from our anticipated results or other expectations, including those expressed in any forward-looking statements made in this 10-K. We may also refer to this disclosure to identify factors that may cause actual results to differ from those expressed in other forward-looking statements, including those made in oral presentations such as telephone conferences and webcasts open to the public.

Economic recessions could have a significant, adverse impact on our business. The transportation industry historically has experienced cyclical fluctuations in financial results due to economic recession, downturns in business cycles of our customers, interest rate fluctuations, and other economic factors beyond our control. Deterioration in the economic environment subjects our business to various risks, which may have a material and adverse impact on our operating results and cause us to not reach our long-term growth goals:

- **Decrease in volumes-**A reduction in overall freight volumes in the marketplace reduces our opportunities for growth. A significant portion of our freight is transactional or “spot” market opportunities. The transactional market may be more impacted than the freight market by overall economic conditions. In addition, if a downturn in our customers’ business cycles causes a reduction in the volume of freight shipped by those customers, particularly among certain national retailers or in the food, beverage, retail, manufacturing, paper, or printing industries, our operating results could be adversely affected.
- **Credit risk and working capital-**Some of our customers may face economic difficulties and may not be able to pay us, and some may go out of business. In addition, some customers may not pay us as quickly as they have in the past, causing our working capital needs to increase.
- **Transportation provider failures-**A significant number of our transportation providers may go out of business and we may be unable to secure sufficient equipment or other transportation services to meet our commitments to our customers.
- **Expense management-**We may not be able to appropriately adjust our expenses to changing market demands. Personnel expenses are our largest expense. In order to maintain high variability in our business model, it is necessary to adjust staffing levels to changing market demands. In periods of rapid change, it is more difficult to match our staffing levels to our business needs. In addition, we have other expenses that are fixed for a period of time, and we may not be able to adequately adjust them in a period of rapid change in market demand.

Higher carrier prices may result in decreased net revenue margin. Carriers can be expected to charge higher prices if market conditions warrant, or to cover higher operating expenses. Our net revenues and income from operations may decrease if we are unable to increase our pricing to our customers. Increased demand for truckload services and pending changes in regulations may reduce available capacity and increase carrier pricing.

Changing fuel costs and interruptions of fuel supplies may have an impact on our net revenue margins. In our truckload transportation business, which is the largest source of our net revenues, fluctuating fuel prices may result in decreased net revenue margin. While our different pricing arrangements with customers and contracted carriers make it very difficult to measure the precise impact, we believe that fuel costs essentially act as a pass-through cost to our truckload business. In times of fluctuating fuel prices, our net revenue margin declines.

Our dependence on third parties to provide equipment and services may impact the delivery and quality of our transportation and logistics services. We do not employ the people directly involved in delivering our customers' freight. We depend on independent third parties to provide truck, rail, ocean, and air services and to report certain events to us, including delivery information and freight claims. These independent third parties may not fulfill their obligations to us, preventing us from meeting our commitments to our customers. This reliance also could cause delays in reporting certain events, including recognizing revenue and claims. In addition, if we are unable to secure sufficient equipment or other transportation services from third parties to meet our commitments to our customers, our operating results could be materially and adversely affected, and our customers could switch to our competitors temporarily or permanently. Many of these risks are beyond our control including:

- equipment shortages in the transportation industry, particularly among contracted truckload carriers;
- changes in regulations impacting transportation;
- disruption in the supply or cost of fuel;
- reduction or deterioration in rail service; and
- unanticipated changes in transportation rates.

We are subject to negative impacts of changes in political and governmental conditions. Our operations are subject to the influences of significant political, governmental, and similar changes and our ability to respond to them, including:

- changes in political conditions and in governmental policies;
- changes in and compliance with international and domestic laws and regulations; and
- wars, civil unrest, acts of terrorism, and other conflicts.

We may be subject to negative impacts of catastrophic events . A disruption or failure of our systems or operations in the event of a major earthquake, weather event, cyber-attack, heightened security measures, actual or threatened, terrorist attack, strike, civil unrest, pandemic or other catastrophic event could cause delays in providing services or performing other critical functions. A catastrophic event that results in the destruction or disruption of any of our critical business or information systems could harm our ability to conduct normal business operations and adversely impact our operating results.

Our international operations subject us to operational and financial risks. We provide services within and between foreign countries on an increasing basis. Our business outside of the United States is subject to various risks, including:

- changes in tariffs, trade restrictions, trade agreements, and taxations;
- difficulties in managing or overseeing foreign operations and agents;
- limitations on the repatriation of funds because of foreign exchange controls;
- different liability standards; and
- intellectual property laws of countries which do not protect our rights in our intellectual property, including, but not limited to, our proprietary information systems, to the same extent as the laws of the United States.

The occurrence or consequences of any of these factors may restrict our ability to operate in the affected region and/or decrease the profitability of our operations in that region.

As we continue to expand our business internationally, we expose the company to increased risk of loss from foreign currency fluctuations and exchange controls, as well as longer accounts receivable payment cycles. Foreign currency fluctuations could result in currency translation exchange gains or losses or could affect the book value of our assets and liabilities. Furthermore, we may experience unanticipated changes to our income tax liabilities resulting from changes in geographical income mix and changing international tax legislation. We have limited control over these risks, and if we do not correctly anticipate changes in international economic and political conditions, we may not alter our business practices in time to avoid adverse effects.

Our ability to appropriately staff and retain employees is important to our variable cost model. Our continued success depends upon our ability to attract and retain a large group of motivated salespeople and other logistics professionals. In order to maintain high variability in our business model, it is necessary to adjust staffing levels to changing market demands. In periods of rapid change, it is more difficult to match our staffing level to our business needs. We cannot guarantee that we will be able to continue to hire and retain a sufficient number of qualified personnel. Because of our comprehensive employee training program, our employees are attractive targets for new and existing competitors. Continued success depends in large part on our ability to develop successful employees into managers.

We face substantial industry competition. Competition in the transportation services industry is intense and broad-based. We compete against logistics companies, as well as transportation providers that own equipment, third party freight brokers, internet matching services, internet freight brokers, and carriers offering logistics services. We also compete against carriers' internal sales forces. In addition, customers can bring in-house some of the services we provide to them. We often buy and sell transportation services from and to many of our competitors. Increased competition could reduce our market opportunity and create downward pressure on freight rates, and continued rate pressure may adversely affect our net revenue and income from operations.

We rely on technology to operate our business. We have internally developed the majority of our operating systems. Our continued success is dependent on our systems continuing to operate and to meet the changing needs of our customers and users. We rely on our technology staff and vendors to successfully implement changes to and maintain our operating systems in an efficient manner. If we fail to maintain and enhance our operating systems, we may be at a competitive disadvantage and lose customers.

As demonstrated by recent material and high-profile data security breaches, computer malware, viruses, and computer hacking and phishing attacks have become more prevalent, have occurred on our systems in the past, and may occur on our systems in the future. Previous attacks on our systems have not had a material financial impact on our operations, but we cannot guarantee that future attacks will have little to no impact on our business. Furthermore, given the interconnected nature of the supply chain and our significant presence in the industry, we believe that we may be an attractive target for such attacks.

Though it is difficult to determine what, if any, harm may directly result from any specific interruption or attack, a significant impact on the performance, reliability, security, and availability of our systems and technical infrastructure to the satisfaction of our users may harm our reputation, impair our ability to retain existing customers or attract new customers, and expose us to legal claims and government action, each of which could have a material adverse impact on our financial condition, results of operations, and growth prospects.

Because we manage our business on a decentralized basis, our operations may be materially adversely affected by inconsistent management practices. We manage our business on a decentralized basis through a network of offices throughout North America, Europe, Asia, and South America, supported by executives and shared and centralized services, with local management responsible for day-to-day operations, profitability, personnel decisions, the growth of the business, and adherence to applicable local laws. Our decentralized operating strategy can make it difficult for us to implement strategic decisions and coordinated procedures throughout our global operations. In addition, some of our offices operate with management, sales, and support personnel that may be insufficient to support growth in their respective location without significant central oversight and coordination. Our decentralized operating strategy could result in inconsistent management practices and materially and adversely affect our overall profitability and expose us to litigation.

Our earnings may be affected by seasonal changes in the transportation industry. Results of operations for our industry generally show a seasonal pattern as customers reduce shipments during and after the winter holiday season. In recent years, including 2014, our operating income and earnings have been lower in the first quarter than in the other three quarters. However, this was not our experience in 2013 or 2012. 2012 would have followed this pattern, but our fourth quarter results were impacted by certain significant event-specific charges and credits related to our acquisitions and divestitures. Although seasonal changes in the transportation industry have not had a significant impact on our cash flow or results of operations, we expect this trend to continue, and we cannot guarantee that it will not adversely impact us in the future.

We are subject to claims arising from our transportation operations. We use the services of thousands of transportation companies in connection with our transportation operations. From time to time, the drivers employed and engaged by the carriers we contract with are involved in accidents which may result in serious personal injuries. The resulting types and/or amounts of damages may be excluded by or exceed the amount of insurance coverage maintained by the contracted carrier. Although these drivers are not our employees and all of these drivers are employees, owner-operators, or independent contractors working for carriers, from time to time, claims may be asserted against us for their actions, or for our actions in retaining them. Claims against us may exceed the amount of our insurance coverage, or may not be covered by insurance at all. In addition, our automobile liability policy has a retention of \$5 million per incident. A material increase in the frequency or severity of accidents, liability claims or workers' compensation claims, or unfavorable resolutions of claims could materially and adversely affect our operating results. In addition, significant increases in insurance costs or the inability to purchase insurance as a result of these claims could reduce our profitability. Our involvement in the transportation of certain goods, including but not limited to hazardous materials, could also increase our exposure in the event one of our contracted carriers is involved in an accident resulting in injuries or contamination.

Our Sourcing business is dependent upon the supply and price of fresh produce. The supply and price of fresh produce is affected by weather and growing conditions (such as drought, insects, and disease) and other conditions over which we have no control. Commodity prices can be affected by shortages or overproduction and are often highly volatile. If we are unable to secure fresh produce to meet our commitments to our customers, our operating results could be materially and adversely affected, and our customers could switch to our competitors temporarily or permanently. To assure access to certain commodities, we occasionally make advances to growers to finance their operations. Repayment of these advances is dependent upon the growers' ability to grow and harvest marketable crops.

Buying and reselling fresh produce exposes us to possible product liability. Agricultural chemicals used on fresh produce are subject to various approvals, and the commodities themselves are subject to regulations on cleanliness and contamination. Product recalls in the produce industry have been caused by concern about particular chemicals and alleged contamination, often leading to lawsuits brought by consumers of allegedly affected produce. Because we sell produce, we may face claims for a variety of damages arising from the sale, which may include potentially uninsured consequential damages. While we are insured for up to \$201 million for product liability claims, settlement of class action claims, subject to a \$250,000 deductible, is often costly, and we cannot guarantee that our liability coverage will be adequate and will continue to be available. If we have to recall produce, we may be required to bear the cost of repurchasing, transporting, and destroying any allegedly contaminated product, as well as consequential damages, which our insurance did not cover prior to 2012. Since 2012, we have carried product recall insurance coverage of \$50 million. This policy has a retention of \$5 million per incident. Any recall or allegation of contamination could affect our reputation, particularly of our proprietary and/or licensed branded produce programs. Loss due to spoilage (including the need for disposal) is also a routine part of the sourcing business.

Our business depends upon compliance with numerous government regulations. Our operations may be regulated and licensed by various federal, state, and local transportation agencies in the United States and similar governmental agencies in foreign countries in which we operate.

We are subject to licensing and regulation as a property freight broker and are licensed by the U.S. Department of Transportation ("DOT") to arrange for the transportation of property by motor vehicle. The DOT prescribes qualifications for acting in this capacity, including certain surety bonding requirements. We are also subject to regulation by the Federal Maritime Commission as an ocean freight forwarder and an NVOCC, and we maintain separate bonds and licenses for each. We operate as a Department of Homeland Security certified Indirect Air Carrier, providing air freight services, subject to commercial standards set forth by the International Air Transport Association and federal regulations issued by the Transportation Security Administration. We provide customs brokerage services as a customs broker under a license issued by the Bureau of U.S. Customs and Border Protection. We also have and maintain other licenses as required by law.

We source fresh produce under a license issued by the U.S. Department of Agriculture. We are also subject to various regulations and requirements promulgated by other international, domestic, state, and local agencies and port authorities. Our failure to comply with the laws and regulations applicable to entities holding these licenses could materially and adversely affect our results of operations or financial condition.

Legislative or regulatory changes can affect the economics of the transportation industry by requiring changes in operating practices or influencing the demand for, and the cost of providing, transportation services. As part of our logistics services, we operate leased warehouse facilities. Our operations at these facilities include both warehousing and distribution services, and we are subject to various federal, state, and international environmental, work safety, and hazardous materials regulations. We may experience an increase in operating costs, such as security costs, as a result of governmental regulations that have been and will be adopted in response to terrorist activities and potential terrorist activities. No assurances can be given that we will be

able to pass these increased costs on to our customers in the form of rate increases or surcharges, and our operations and profitability may suffer as a result.

Department of Homeland Security regulations applicable to our customers who import goods into the United States and our contracted ocean carriers can impact our ability to provide and/or receive services with and from these parties. Enforcement measures related to violations of these regulations can slow and or prevent the delivery of shipments, which may negatively impact our operations.

We cannot predict what impact future regulations may have on our business. Our failure to maintain required permits or licenses, or to comply with applicable regulations, could result in substantial fines or revocation of our operating permits and licenses.

Our freight carriers are subject to increasingly stringent laws protecting the environment, including those relating to climate change, which could directly or indirectly have a material adverse effect on our business. Future and existing environmental regulatory requirements in the U.S. and abroad could adversely affect operations and increase operating expenses, which in turn could increase our purchased transportation costs. If we are unable to pass such costs along to our customers, our business could be materially and adversely affected. Even without any new legislation or regulation, increased public concern regarding greenhouse gases emitted by transportation carriers could harm the reputations of companies operating in the transportation logistics industries and shift consumer demand toward more locally sourced products and away from our services.

We derive a significant portion of our total revenues and net revenues from our largest customers. Our top 100 customers comprise approximately 37 percent of our consolidated total revenues and 26 percent of consolidated net revenues. Our largest customer comprises approximately two percent of our consolidated total revenues and approximately one percent of our consolidated net revenues. The sudden loss of many of our major clients could materially and adversely affect our operating results.

We may be unable to identify or complete suitable acquisitions and investments. We may acquire or make investments in complementary businesses, products, services, or technologies. We cannot guarantee that we will be able to identify suitable acquisitions or investment candidates. Even if we identify suitable candidates, we cannot guarantee that we will make acquisitions or investments on commercially acceptable terms, if at all. The timing and number of acquisitions we pursue may also cause volatility in our financial results. In addition, we may incur debt or be required to issue equity securities to pay for future acquisitions or investments. The issuance of any equity securities could be dilutive to our stockholders.

We may have difficulties integrating acquired companies. For acquisitions, success depends upon efficiently integrating the acquired business into our existing operations. These risks could be heightened if we complete a large acquisition or multiple acquisitions within a short period of time. We are required to integrate these businesses into our internal control environment, which may present challenges that are different than those presented by organic growth and that may be difficult to manage. If we are unable to successfully integrate and grow these acquisitions and to realize contemplated revenue synergies and cost savings, our business, prospects, results of operations, financial position, and cash flows could be materially and adversely affected.

Our growth and profitability may not continue, which may result in a decrease in our stock price. Our long-term growth objective is to grow earnings per share by 10 percent. There can be no assurance that our long-term growth objective will be achieved or that we will be able to effectively adapt our management, administrative, and operational systems to respond to any future growth. Future changes in and expansion of our business, or changes in economic or political conditions, could adversely affect our operating margins. Slower or less profitable growth or losses could adversely affect our stock price.

ITEM 1B. UNRESOLVED STAFF COMMENTS

None.

ITEM 2. PROPERTIES

Our corporate headquarters is in Eden Prairie, Minnesota. The total square footage of our four buildings in Eden Prairie is 357,000. This total includes approximately 221,000 square feet used for our corporate and shared services, our data center of approximately 18,000 square feet, and 118,000 square feet used for branch operations.

Most of our offices are leased from third parties under leases with initial terms ranging from three to fifteen years. Our office locations range in space from 1,000 to 153,000 square feet. The following table lists our office locations of greater than 20,000 square feet:

<u>Location</u>	<u>Approximate Square Feet</u>
Eden Prairie, MN	153,000
Eden Prairie, MN ⁽¹⁾	105,000
Eden Prairie, MN ⁽¹⁾	81,000
Chicago, IL ⁽¹⁾	80,000
Wood Dale, IL	72,000
Chicago, IL	46,000
Atlanta, GA	27,000
Elk Grove Village, IL	25,000
Woodridge, IL	22,000
Chicago, IL	21,000

(1) These properties are owned. All other properties in the table above are leased from third parties.

We also own or lease warehouses totaling approximately 1.6 million square feet of space in over 40 cities around the world. The following table lists our warehouses over 50,000 square feet:

<u>Location</u>	<u>Approximate Square Feet</u>
Long Beach, CA	228,000
Laredo, TX	148,000
Elk Grove Village, IL	107,000
Wroclaw, Poland	104,000
Bethlehem, PA	85,000
Vancouver, WA	79,000
Miramar, FL	75,000
Atlanta, GA	70,000
Plant City, FL ⁽¹⁾	65,000
Doral, FL	59,000
Cobden, IL ⁽¹⁾	52,000

(1) These properties are owned. All other properties in the table above are leased from third parties.

We consider our current office spaces and warehouse facilities adequate for our current level of operations. We have not had difficulty in obtaining sufficient office space and believe we can renew existing leases or relocate to new offices as leases expire.

ITEM 3. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

We are not subject to any pending or threatened litigation other than routine litigation arising in the ordinary course of our business operations. For such legal proceedings, we have accrued an amount that reflects the aggregate liability deemed probable and estimable, but this amount is not material to our consolidated financial position, results of operations, or cash flows. Because of the preliminary nature of many of these proceedings, the difficulty in ascertaining the applicable facts relating to many of these proceedings, the inconsistent treatment of claims made in many of these proceedings, and the difficulty of predicting the settlement value of many of these proceedings, we are not able to estimate an amount or range of any reasonably possible additional losses. However, based upon our historical experience, the resolution of these proceedings is not expected to have a material adverse effect on our consolidated financial position, results of operations, or 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

Our Common Stock began trading on The NASDAQ National Market under the symbol "CHRW" on October 15, 1997, and currently trades on the NASDAQ Global Select Market.

Quarterly market information can be found in Part II, Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data, Note 13.

On February 24, 2015, the closing sales price per share of our Common Stock as quoted on the NASDAQ Global Select Market was \$73.98 per share. On February 24, 2015, there were approximately 158 holders of record and approximately 123,777 beneficial owners of our Common Stock.

We declared quarterly dividends during 2013 for an aggregate of \$1.40 per share and quarterly dividends during 2014 for an aggregate of \$1.43 per share. We have declared a quarterly dividend of \$0.38 per share payable to shareholders of record as of March 6, 2015, payable on March 31, 2015. Our declaration of dividends is subject to the discretion of the Board of Directors. Any determination as to the payment of dividends will depend upon our results of operations, capital requirements and financial condition, and such other factors as the Board of Directors may deem relevant. Accordingly, there can be no assurance that the Board of Directors will declare or continue to pay dividends on the shares of Common Stock in the future.

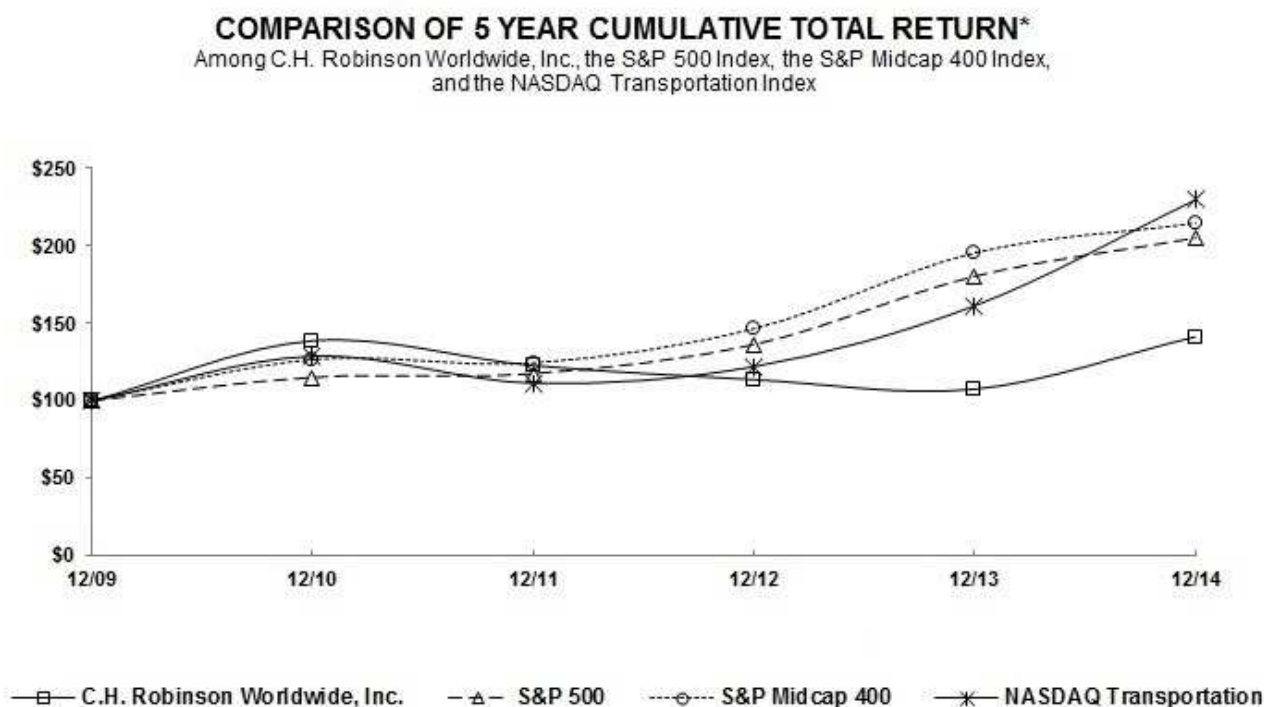
The following table provides information about company purchases of Common Stock during the quarter ended December 31, 2014 :

	Total Number of Shares Purchased ^(a)	Average Price Paid Per Share	Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans or Programs ^(a)	Maximum Number of Shares That May Yet Be Purchased Under the Plans or Programs ^(b)
October 1, 2014-October 31, 2014	341,673	\$ 67.67	337,900	10,485,542
November 1, 2014-November 30, 2014	180,563	72.34	179,200	10,306,342
December 1, 2014-December 31, 2014	7,464	74.43	—	10,306,342
Fourth quarter 2014	529,700	\$ 69.36	517,100	10,306,342

(a) The total number of shares purchased includes: (i) 517,100 shares of common stock purchased under the authorization described below; and (ii) 12,600 shares of common stock surrendered to satisfy minimum statutory tax obligations under our stock incentive plans.

(b) In August 2013, the Board of Directors increased the number of shares authorized to be repurchased by 15,000,000 shares. As of December 31, 2014, there were 10,306,342 shares remaining for future repurchases. Purchases can be made in the open market or in privately negotiated transactions, including Rule 10b5-1 plans and accelerated share repurchase programs.

The graph below compares the cumulative 5-year total return of holders of C.H. Robinson Worldwide, Inc.'s Common Stock with the cumulative total returns of the S&P 500 index, the NASDAQ Transportation index, and the S&P Midcap 400 index. The graph tracks the performance of a \$100 investment in our Common Stock and in each index (with the reinvestment of all dividends) from December 31, 2009 to December 31, 2014.



*\$100 invested on 12/31/09 in stock or index, including reinvestment of dividends.
Fiscal year ending December 31.

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	December 31,					
	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
C.H. Robinson Worldwide, Inc.	\$ 100.00	138.81	122.83	113.77	107.61	141.34
S&P 500	\$ 100.00	115.06	117.49	136.30	180.44	205.14
S&P Midcap 400	\$ 100.00	126.64	124.45	146.69	195.84	214.97
NASDAQ Transportation	\$ 100.00	128.91	111.44	122.10	161.38	229.56

The stock price performance included in this graph is not necessarily indicative of future stock price performance.

ITEM 6. SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA

This table includes selected financial data for the last five years (amounts in thousands, except per share amounts and operating data for branches and employees). This financial data should be read together with our consolidated financial statements and related notes, Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations, and other financial data appearing elsewhere in this report.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS DATA

Year Ended December 31,	2014	2013	2012 ⁽¹⁾	2011	2010
Total revenues	\$ 13,470,067	\$ 12,752,076	\$ 11,359,113	\$ 10,336,346	\$ 9,274,305
Net revenues	2,007,652	1,836,095	1,717,571	1,632,658	1,467,978
Income from operations	748,418	682,650	675,320	692,730	622,860
Net income	449,711	415,904	593,804	431,612	387,026
Net income per share					
Basic	\$ 3.06	\$ 2.65	\$ 3.68	\$ 2.63	\$ 2.35
Diluted	\$ 3.05	\$ 2.65	\$ 3.67	\$ 2.62	\$ 2.33
Weighted average number of shares outstanding (in thousands)					
Basic	147,202	156,915	161,557	164,114	164,909
Diluted	147,542	157,080	161,946	164,741	165,972
Dividends per share	\$ 1.43	\$ 1.40	\$ 1.34	\$ 1.20	\$ 1.04

BALANCE SHEET DATA

As of December 31,					
Working capital	\$ 529,599	\$ 394,504	\$ 440,073	\$ 734,911	\$ 710,161
Total assets	3,214,338	2,802,818	2,804,225	2,138,041	1,995,699
Current portion of debt	605,000	375,000	253,646	—	—
Long-term notes payable	500,000	500,000	—	—	—
Stockholders' investment	1,047,015	939,724	1,504,372	1,248,474	1,204,068

OPERATING DATA

As of December 31,					
Branches	281	285	276	235	231
Employees	11,521	11,676	10,929	8,353	7,628

- (1) The company's results for 2012 were effected by certain significant event-specific charges or credits related to our acquisitions and divestitures. See "Reported to Adjusted Statements of Operations Data" on the following page and Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations in Item 7 of Part II of this report.

Non-GAAP Data Reconciliation

To assist readers in understanding our financial performance and the impact of certain significant charges or credits related to our acquisitions and divestitures in 2012, we supplement the financial results that are generated in accordance with the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States, or GAAP, with non-GAAP financial measures. These measures include non-GAAP income from operations, non-GAAP net income, and non-GAAP basic and diluted net income per share. We believe that these non-GAAP measures provide meaningful insight into our operating performance excluding certain event-specific charges, and provide an alternative perspective of our results of operations. We use non-GAAP measures, including those set forth in the table below, to assess our operating performance for the year. Management believes that these non-GAAP financial measures reflect an additional way of analyzing aspects of our ongoing operations that, when viewed with our GAAP results, provides a more complete understanding of the factors and trends affecting our business. A reconciliation of adjusted results reflecting the exclusion of certain non-recurring transaction impacts to our GAAP results is set forth below.

Reported to Adjusted Statements of Operations Data (in thousands, except per share amounts)

Non-GAAP Financial Measures	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010
Income from Operations	\$ 748,418	\$ 682,650	\$ 675,320	\$ 692,730	\$ 622,860
Adjustments to Income from Operations ⁽¹⁾	—	—	45,196	—	—
Income from Operations-Adjusted	\$ 748,418	\$ 682,650	\$ 720,516	\$ 692,730	\$ 622,860
Interest and other (expense) income	\$ (24,987)	\$ (9,289)	\$ 283,142	\$ 1,974	\$ 1,242
Adjustments to Interest and other (expense) income ⁽²⁾	—	—	(281,551)	—	—
Interest and other (expense) income -Adjusted	\$ (24,987)	\$ (9,289)	\$ 1,591	\$ 1,974	\$ 1,242
Income before Income Taxes	\$ 723,431	\$ 673,361	\$ 958,462	\$ 694,704	\$ 624,102
Adjustments to Income before Income Taxes	—	—	(236,355)	—	—
Income before Income Taxes-Adjusted	\$ 723,431	\$ 673,361	\$ 722,107	\$ 694,704	\$ 624,102
Net Income	\$ 449,711	\$ 415,904	\$ 593,804	\$ 431,612	\$ 387,026
Adjustments to Net Income	—	—	(146,797)	—	—
Net Income-Adjusted	\$ 449,711	\$ 415,904	\$ 447,007	\$ 431,612	\$ 387,026
Net Income per Share (basic)-Adjusted	\$ 3.06	\$ 2.65	\$ 2.77	\$ 2.63	\$ 2.35
Net Income per Share (diluted)-Adjusted	\$ 3.05	\$ 2.65	\$ 2.76	\$ 2.62	\$ 2.33

(1) The adjustment to income from operations includes \$34.6 million of personnel expense and \$10.6 million of other selling, general, and administrative expenses. Adjustments to personnel expense include \$33.0 million in incremental vesting expense of our equity awards triggered by the gain on the divestiture of T-Chek and \$1.4 million of transaction-related bonuses. Adjustments to other selling, general, and administrative expenses include amounts paid to third parties for investment banking, legal, and accounting fees related to acquisitions and divestitures.

(2) The adjustment to interest and other (expense) income reflects the gain from the divestiture of T-Chek.

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

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

The following table summarizes our total revenues by service line (dollars in thousands):

For the years ended December 31,	2014	2013	Change	2012	Change
Transportation	\$ 11,921,974	\$ 11,069,710	7.7 %	\$ 9,685,415	14.3 %
Sourcing	1,533,555	1,669,134	(8.1)	1,620,183	3.0
Payment Services	14,538	13,232	9.9	53,515	(75.3)
Total	<u>\$ 13,470,067</u>	<u>\$ 12,752,076</u>	<u>5.6 %</u>	<u>\$ 11,359,113</u>	<u>12.3 %</u>

The following table illustrates our net revenue margins by services and products:

For the years ended December 31,	2014	2013	2012
Transportation	15.8%	15.3%	15.8%
Sourcing	7.5	7.6	8.4
Payment Services	85.2	81.2	99.0
Total	<u>14.9%</u>	<u>14.4%</u>	<u>15.1%</u>

The following table summarizes our net revenues by service line (dollars in thousands):

For the years ended December 31,	2014	2013	Change	2012	Change
Net revenues:					
Transportation					
Truckload	\$ 1,177,990	\$ 1,054,565	11.7 %	\$ 1,060,120	(0.5)%
LTL ⁽¹⁾	258,884	239,477	8.1	224,160	6.8
Intermodal	40,631	39,084	4.0	38,815	0.7
Ocean	208,422	187,671	11.1	84,924	121.0
Air	79,125	73,089	8.3	44,444	64.5
Customs	41,575	36,578	13.7	18,225	100.7
Other Logistics Services	73,097	67,931	7.6	57,449	18.2
Total Transportation	<u>1,879,724</u>	<u>1,698,395</u>	<u>10.7</u>	<u>1,528,137</u>	<u>11.1</u>
Sourcing	<u>115,546</u>	<u>126,950</u>	<u>(9.0)</u>	<u>136,438</u>	<u>(7.0)</u>
Payment Services	<u>12,382</u>	<u>10,750</u>	<u>15.2</u>	<u>52,996</u>	<u>(79.7)</u>
Total	<u>\$ 2,007,652</u>	<u>\$ 1,836,095</u>	<u>9.3 %</u>	<u>\$ 1,717,571</u>	<u>6.9 %</u>

(1) Less-than-truckload ("LTL")

The following table represents certain statements of operations data, shown as percentages of our net revenues:

For the years ended December 31,	2014	2013	2012
Net revenues	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0%
Operating expenses:			
Personnel expenses	46.8	45.0	44.6
Other selling, general, and administrative expenses	15.9	17.8	16.1
Total operating expenses	62.7	62.8	60.7
Income from operations	37.3	37.2	39.3
Interest and other (expense) income	(1.2)	(0.5)	16.5
Income before provision for income taxes	36.0	36.7	55.8
Provision for income taxes	13.6	14.0	21.2
Net income	22.4 %	22.7 %	34.6%

OVERVIEW

Our company. We are a global provider of transportation services and logistics solutions, operating through a network of offices in North America, Europe, Asia, and South America. As a third party logistics provider, we enter into contractual relationships with a wide variety of transportation companies, and utilize those relationships to efficiently and cost effectively transport our customers' freight. We have contractual relationships with approximately 66,000 transportation companies, including motor carriers, railroads (primarily intermodal service providers), air freight, and ocean carriers. Depending on the needs of our customer and their supply chain requirements, we select and hire the appropriate transportation for each shipment. Our model enables us to be flexible, provide solutions that optimize service for our customers, and minimize our asset utilization risk.

In addition to transportation and logistics services, we also buy and sell fresh produce and offer fee-based payment services. Our Sourcing business is the buying, selling, and marketing of fresh produce. We purchase fresh produce through our network of produce suppliers and sell it to retail grocers and restaurant chains, produce wholesalers, and foodservice providers. In some cases, we also arrange the transportation of the produce we sell through our relationships with specialized transportation companies. Those revenues are reported as Transportation revenues. Historically, our Payment Services business consisted primarily of our former subsidiary, T-Chek Systems, Inc. ("T-Chek"). On October 16, 2012, we sold substantially all of our Payment Services business to Electronic Funds Source. We continue to generate Payment Services revenues from the cash advance options we offer our contracted carriers.

Our business model. We are primarily a service company. We add value and expertise in the procurement and execution of transportation and logistics, including sourcing of produce products for our customers. Our total revenues represent the total dollar value of services and goods we sell to our customers. Our net revenues are our total revenues less purchased transportation and related services, including contracted motor carrier, rail, ocean, air, and other costs, and the purchase price and services related to the products we source. Our net revenues are the primary indicator of our ability to source, add value, and sell services and products that are provided by third parties, and we consider them to be our primary performance measurement. Accordingly, the discussion of our results of operations below focuses on the changes in our net revenues.

We keep our business model as variable as possible to allow us to be flexible and adapt to changing economic and industry conditions. We sell transportation services and produce to our customers with varied pricing arrangements. Some prices are committed to for a period of time, subject to certain terms and conditions, and some prices are set on a spot market basis. We buy most of our truckload transportation capacity and produce on a spot market basis. Because of this, our net revenue per transaction tends to increase in times when there is excess supply and decrease in times when demand is strong relative to supply.

In 2014, changing market conditions impacted our results. There were capacity constraints in nearly all of our transportation services. Additionally, we experienced a decrease in the length of haul in our North American truckload business in 2014 compared to 2013, which contributed to increased net revenue margin in our truckload transportation business. In general, a shorter length of haul can result in higher customer rates and transportation costs per mile.

We keep our personnel and other operating expenses as variable as possible. Compensation is performance-oriented and, for most employees in the office network, based on the profitability of their individual office. In 2014, we were able to leverage our past investments of talent and adapt to changing market conditions and drive efficiencies in our network. We experienced

record North American truckload productivity levels in 2014, as measured by volumes per person. In 2015, we expect to grow our headcount to support our future volume growth.

Our personnel decisions are decentralized. Our branch managers determine the appropriate number of employees for their offices, within productivity guidelines, based on their volume of business. This helps keep our personnel expense as variable as possible with the business.

Our branch office network. Our office network is a competitive advantage. Building local customer and contract carrier relationships has been an important part of our success, and our worldwide network of offices supports our core strategy of serving customers locally, nationally, and globally. Our offices help us penetrate local markets, provide face-to-face service when needed, and recruit contract carriers. Our network also gives us knowledge of local market conditions, which is important in the transportation industry because it is market driven and very dynamic.

In January 2015, we completed our acquisition of Freightquote.com, Inc. ("Freightquote"), a privately held freight broker based in Kansas City, Missouri. Freightquote provides services throughout North America. The acquisition enhances and brings synergies to our LTL and truckload businesses, and expands our e-commerce capabilities.

Our October 2012 acquisition of Apreo Logistics S.A. ("Apreo"), a leading freight forwarder based in Warsaw, Poland, enhanced our truckload capabilities in Europe. Our November 2012 acquisition of Phoenix, an international freight forwarder based in Chicago, Illinois, expanded our global forwarding network.

Our people. Because we are a service company, our continued success is dependent on our ability to continue to hire and retain talented, productive people, and to properly align our headcount and personnel expense with our business. Our headcount decreased by 155 employees during 2014. Employees act as a team in their sales efforts, customer service, and operations. A significant portion of many of our employees' compensation is performance-oriented, based on individual performance and the profitability of their office. We believe this makes our employees more service-oriented and focused on driving growth and maximizing office productivity. All of our managers and certain other employees who have significant responsibilities are eligible to receive equity awards because we believe these awards are an effective tool for creating long-term ownership and alignment between employees and our shareholders.

Our customers. In 2014, we worked with more than 46,000 active customers. We work with a wide variety of companies, ranging in size from Fortune 100 companies to small family businesses, in many different industries. Our customer base is very diverse and unconcentrated. Our top 100 customers represented approximately 37 percent of our total revenues and approximately 26 percent of our net revenues. Our largest customer was approximately two percent of our total revenues and approximately one percent of our total net revenues.

Our contracted carriers. Our contracted carrier base includes motor carriers, railroads (primarily intermodal service providers), air freight, and ocean carriers. In 2014, our carrier base was approximately 66,000, up from approximately 63,000 in 2013. Motor carriers that had fewer than 100 tractors transported approximately 83 percent of our truckload shipments in 2014. In our Transportation business, no single contracted carrier represents more than approximately two percent of our contracted carrier capacity.

2014 COMPARED TO 2013

Total revenues and direct costs. Our consolidated total revenues increased 5.6 percent in 2014 compared to 2013. Total Transportation revenues increased 7.7 percent to \$11.9 billion in 2014 from \$11.1 billion in 2013. This increase in Transportation revenues was driven by higher volumes in nearly all of our transportation modes and increased pricing to our customers. Total purchased transportation and related services increased 7.2 percent in 2014 to \$10.0 billion from \$9.4 billion in 2013. This increase was due to higher volumes in nearly all of our transportation modes and higher transportation costs. Our Sourcing revenue decreased 8.1 percent to \$1.5 billion in 2014 from \$1.7 billion in 2013. Purchased products sourced for resale decreased 8.1 percent in 2014 to \$1.4 billion from \$1.5 billion in 2013. These decreases were primarily due to decreased case volumes and a change in customer, product, and service mix. Our Payment Services revenue increased 9.9 percent to \$14.5 million in 2014 from \$13.2 million in 2013.

Net revenues. Total Transportation net revenues increased 10.7 percent to \$1.9 billion in 2014 from \$1.7 billion in 2013. Our Transportation net revenue margin increased to 15.8 percent in 2014 from 15.3 percent in 2013, largely driven by an increase in transportation rates charged to our customers, partially offset by higher transportation costs.

Our truckload net revenues increased 11.7 percent to \$1.2 billion in 2014 from \$1.1 billion in 2013 . Truckload volumes increased approximately 3 percent in 2014 . Truckload net revenue margin increased in 2014 due to increased rates charged to our customers, partially offset by increased cost of capacity. Excluding the estimated impact of the change in fuel, on average, our truckload rates increased approximately 11 percent in 2014 . Our truckload transportation costs increased approximately 10 percent, excluding the estimated impacts of the change in fuel.

LTL net revenues increased 8.1 percent to \$258.9 million in 2014 from \$239.5 million in 2013 . The increase in net revenues was driven by an increase in total shipments of approximately seven percent and increased customer pricing, partially offset by decreased net revenue margin.

Our intermodal net revenue increase of 4.0 percent to \$40.6 million in 2014 from \$39.1 million in 2013 was driven largely by a change in the mix of business and improved customer pricing, partially offset by volume declines.

Our ocean transportation net revenues increased 11.1 percent to \$208.4 million in 2014 from \$187.7 million in 2013 . The increase in net revenues was primarily due to increased volumes and net revenue margin.

Our air transportation net revenues increased 8.3 percent to \$79.1 million in 2014 from \$73.1 million in 2013 . The increase was primarily due to increased net revenue margin and volumes.

Our customs net revenues increased 13.7 percent to \$41.6 million in 2014 from \$36.6 million in 2013 . The increase was due to increased transaction volumes.

Other logistics services net revenues, which include managed services, warehousing, and small parcel, increased 7.6 percent to \$73.1 million in 2014 from \$67.9 million in 2013 . The increase in 2014 was primarily due to growth in managed services as a result of adding new customers.

Sourcing net revenues decreased 9.0 percent to \$115.5 million in 2014 from \$127.0 million in 2013 . This decrease was primarily due to a change in customer, product, and service mix. Our net revenue margin decreased to 7.5 percent in 2014 compared to 7.6 percent in 2013 .

Payment Services net revenues increased 15.2 percent to \$12.4 million in 2014 from \$10.8 million in 2013 . This was primarily due to a rate increase on our cash advance option in July 2014.

Operating expenses. Operating expenses increased 9.2 percent to \$1.3 billion in 2014 from \$1.2 billion in 2013 . This was due to an increase of 13.6 percent in personnel expenses and an decrease of 2.0 percent in other selling, general, and administrative expenses. As a percentage of net revenues, operating expenses decreased to 62.7 percent in 2014 from 62.8 percent in 2013 .

Our personnel expenses are driven by headcount and earnings growth. In 2014 , personnel expenses increased to \$939.0 million from \$826.7 million in 2013 . Our personnel expenses as a percentage of net revenue increased in 2014 to 46.8 percent from 45.0 percent in 2013 . The increase in personnel expense was due primarily to an increase in expenses related to incentive plans that are designed to keep expenses variable with changes in net revenues and profitability, in addition to average headcount growth of 2.7 percent in 2014 .

Other selling, general, and administrative expenses decreased 2.0 percent to \$320.2 million in 2014 from \$326.8 million in 2013 . The decrease in our selling, general, and administrative expenses is primarily related to decreases in claims and travel expenses.

Income from operations. Income from operations increased 9.6 percent to \$748.4 million in 2014 from \$682.7 million in 2013 . Income from operations as a percentage of net revenues increased to 37.3 percent in 2014 from 37.2 percent in 2013 . This increase was due to our net revenues growing more than our operating expenses.

Interest and other (expense) income. Interest and other expense was \$25.0 million in 2014 compared to \$9.3 million in 2013 . The increase was due primarily to the interest expense related the long-term notes issued during the third quarter of 2013.

Provision for income taxes. Our effective income tax rate was 37.8 percent for 2014 and 38.2 percent for 2013 . The effective income tax rate for both periods is greater than the statutory federal income tax rate, primarily due to state income taxes, net of federal benefit.

Net income. Net income increased 8.1 percent to \$449.7 million in 2014 from \$415.9 million in 2013 . Basic net income per share increased 15.5 percent to \$3.06 . Diluted net income per share increased 15.1 percent to \$3.05 . Our weighted average basic and diluted shares outstanding decreased 6.2 percent and 6.1 percent respectively in 2014 compared to 2013, primarily due to the 8.5 million shares repurchased as part of accelerated share ("ASR") repurchase program initiated in 2013.

2013 COMPARED TO 2012

Total revenues and direct costs. Our consolidated total revenues increased 12.3 percent in 2013 compared to 2012 . Total Transportation revenues increased 14.3 percent to \$11.1 billion in 2013 from \$9.7 billion in 2012 . This increase was driven by higher volumes in nearly all of our transportation modes, the Phoenix acquisition, and increased pricing to our customers, including the impacts of higher fuel costs. Total purchased transportation and related services increased 14.9 percent in 2013 to \$9.4 billion from \$8.2 billion in 2012 . This increase was due to higher volumes in nearly all of our transportation modes, the Phoenix acquisition, and higher transportation costs. Our Sourcing revenue increased 3.0 percent to \$1.7 billion in 2013 from \$1.6 billion in 2012 . This increase was primarily due to higher case volumes. Purchased products sourced for resale increased 3.9 percent in 2013 to \$1.54 billion from \$1.48 billion in 2012 . This increase was primarily due to higher case volumes and higher cost per case. Our Payment Services revenue decreased 75.3 percent to \$13.2 million in 2013 from \$53.5 million in 2012 . The decrease was due to the sale of substantially all of our Payment Services business, T-Chek, to EFS on October 16, 2012.

Net revenues. Total Transportation net revenues increased 11.1 percent to \$1.70 billion in 2013 from \$1.53 billion in 2012 . Our Transportation net revenue margin decreased to 15.3 percent in 2013 from 15.8 percent in 2012 largely driven by higher transportation costs, partially offset by an increase in transportation rates charged to our customers.

Our truckload net revenues decreased 0.5 percent to \$1.05 billion in 2013 from \$1.06 billion in 2012 . Truckload volumes increased approximately ten percent in 2013 . Truckload net revenue margin decreased in 2013 due to increased cost of capacity, partially offset by increased rates charged to our customers. Excluding the estimated impact of the change in fuel, on average, our truckload rates increased approximately two percent in 2013 . Our truckload transportation costs increased approximately three percent, excluding the estimated impacts of the change in fuel.

LTL net revenues increased 6.8 percent to \$239.5 million in 2013 from \$224.2 million in 2012 . The increase in net revenues was driven by an increase in total shipments of seven percent, partially offset by decreased net revenue margin. Our LTL transportation costs are increasing, while customer pricing has not kept up with increases in carrier costs.

Our intermodal net revenue increase of 0.7 percent to \$39.1 million in 2013 from \$38.8 million in 2012 was driven largely by a change in the mix of business and improved customer pricing, partially offset by volume declines.

Our ocean transportation net revenues increased 121.0 percent to \$187.7 million in 2013 from \$84.9 million in 2012 . Our air transportation net revenues increased 64.5 percent to \$73.1 million in 2013 from \$44.4 million in 2012. Our customs net revenues increased 100.7 percent to \$36.6 million in 2013 from \$18.2 million in 2012. These increases were primarily driven by our acquisition of Phoenix.

Other logistics services net revenues, which include transportation management services, warehousing, and small parcel, increased 18.2 percent to \$67.9 million in 2013 from \$57.4 million in 2012 . This increase was primarily due to an increase in warehouse services.

Sourcing net revenues decreased 7.0 percent to \$127.0 million in 2013 from \$136.4 million in 2012 . This decrease was primarily due to a reduction in business with a large customer and a decrease in net revenue per case, partially offset by increased volumes. Our net revenue margin decreased to 7.6 percent in 2013 compared to 8.4 percent in 2012 .

Historically, Payment Services was comprised primarily of revenue related to our former subsidiary, T-Chek. Payment Services net revenues decreased 79.7 percent to \$10.8 million in 2013 from \$53.0 million in 2012 . The decrease was due to the T-Chek divestiture on October 16, 2012. We continue to generate Payment Services revenues from the cash advance options we offer our contracted carriers.

Operating expenses. Operating expenses increased 10.7 percent to \$1.2 billion in 2013 from \$1.0 billion in 2012 . This was due to an increase of 7.9 percent in personnel expenses and an increase of 18.3 percent in other selling, general, and administrative expenses. As a percentage of net revenues, operating expenses increased to 62.8 percent in 2013 from 60.7 percent in 2012 . This increase was primarily due to increased personnel and other selling, general, and administrative expenses as a result of our acquisitions in 2012.

Our personnel expenses are driven by headcount and earnings growth. In 2013 , personnel expenses increased to \$826.7 million from \$766.0 million in 2012 . Our personnel expenses as a percentage of net revenue increased in 2013 to 45.0 percent from 44.6 percent in 2012 . In 2013 , our average headcount increased approximately 25 percent, related primarily to the acquisitions of Apreo and Phoenix. The increase in personnel expense from headcount growth was partially offset by declines in expenses related to incentive plans that are designed to keep expenses variable with changes in net revenues and profitability.

Other selling, general, and administrative expenses increased 18.3 percent to \$326.8 million in 2013 from \$276.2 million in 2012 . The increase in our selling, general, and administrative expenses is primarily related to an increase in amortization of intangible assets acquired, occupancy, and travel, partially offset by a reduction in purchased professional services.

Income from operations. Income from operations increased 1.1 percent to \$682.7 million in 2013 from \$675.3 million in 2012 . Income from operations as a percentage of net revenues decreased to 37.2 percent in 2013 from 39.3 percent in 2012 . This decrease was due to our expenses growing faster than our net revenues. Additionally, Phoenix has a higher operating expense to net revenue ratio than C.H. Robinson has historically experienced.

Interest and other (expense) income. Interest and other expense was \$9.3 million in 2013 compared to income of \$283.1 million in 2012 . In 2013, we recorded interest expense on borrowings of \$11.1 million. In 2012, we recorded a gain of \$281.6 million on the divestiture of substantially all of our T-Chek business.

Provision for income taxes. Our effective income tax rate was 38.2 percent for 2013 and 38.0 percent for 2012 . The effective income tax rate for both periods is greater than the statutory federal income tax rate, primarily due to state income taxes, net of federal benefit.

Net income. Net income decreased 30.0 percent to \$415.9 million in 2013 from \$593.8 million in 2012 . Basic net income per share decreased 28.0 percent to \$2.65 . Diluted net income per share decreased 27.8 percent to \$2.65 .

LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

We have historically generated substantial cash from operations, which has enabled us to fund our growth while paying cash dividends and repurchasing stock. In 2012, we entered into a senior unsecured revolving credit facility to partially fund the acquisition of Phoenix. In December 2014, we amended the revolving credit facility to increase the amount available from \$500 million to \$900 million and to extend the expiration date from October 2017 to December 2019. In 2013, we entered into a Note Purchase Agreement to fund the accelerated share repurchase agreements to repurchase \$500 million worth of our common stock. The Note Purchase Agreement was amended in February 2015 to conform its financial covenants to be consistent with the amended revolving credit facility. We also expect to use the revolving credit facility, and potentially other indebtedness incurred in the future, to assist us in continuing to fund working capital, capital expenditures, possible acquisitions, dividends, and share repurchases. Cash and cash equivalents totaled \$128.9 million and \$162.0 million as of December 31, 2014 and 2013 . Cash and cash equivalents held outside the United States totaled \$80.6 million and \$80.2 million as of December 31, 2014 and 2013 . Working capital at December 31, 2014 was \$529.6 million , which included \$359.4 million of restricted cash. Working capital at December 31, 2013 was \$394.5 million .

We prioritize our investments to grow the business, as we require some working capital and a relatively small amount of capital expenditures to grow. We are continually looking for acquisitions, but those acquisitions must fit our culture and enhance our growth opportunities.

Cash flow from operating activities. We generated \$513.4 million , \$347.8 million , and \$460.3 million of cash flow from operations in 2014 , 2013 , and 2012 . The increase of \$165.6 million in cash flow from operations in 2014 is primarily the result of a \$101.5 million decrease in accrued income taxes, and increases in stock-based compensation, and accrued compensation and profit-sharing. During the first quarter of 2013, we used \$111.8 million to fund the payment of income taxes, primarily related to the gain recognized on the divestiture of T-Chek.

Cash used for investing activities. We used \$388.9 million of cash in 2014 , \$28.9 million of cash in 2013 , and \$359.1 million of cash in 2012 for investing activities. Our investing activities consist primarily of capital expenditures and cash paid for acquisitions. On December 31, 2014, we funded \$359.4 million of the purchase price for the acquisition of Freightquote, into escrow accounts pursuant to the purchase agreement and completion of the acquisition in January 2015. In 2012, cash received for the divestiture of T-Chek, net of the cash we sold, was \$274.8 million .

We used \$29.5 million , \$48.2 million , and \$50.7 million of cash for capital expenditures in 2014 , 2013 , and 2012 . We spent \$24.0 million, \$35.9 million, and \$42.0 million in 2014 , 2013 , and 2012 primarily for annual investments in information technology equipment to support our operating systems, including the purchase and development of software. These information technology investments are intended to improve efficiencies and help grow the business. Additionally, we built a new office building on our corporate campus in Eden Prairie, Minnesota. This building was completed in the first quarter of 2014 and it replaced space we previously leased in Eden Prairie. The cost of the building was approximately \$18.5 million, and the majority was funded in 2013.

In 2012, we purchased 500 intermodal containers for \$5.2 million and funded the balance of the 2011 container purchases of approximately \$2.5 million.

We anticipate capital expenditures in 2015 to be approximately \$50 million to \$55 million.

During the second quarter of 2013, we received \$19.1 million in cash from the settlement of post-closing and working capital adjustments, in accordance with the Phoenix purchase agreement. We used cash of \$583.6 million for acquisitions in 2012. On October 1, 2012, we acquired Apreo for \$22.8 million, net of cash acquired. On November 1, 2012, we paid \$560.8 million in cash for Phoenix, net of cash acquired.

Cash used for financing activities. We used \$143.6 million , \$364.9 million , and \$264.3 million of cash flow for financing activities in 2014 , 2013 , and 2012 .

In 2014 and 2013 , we had net short-term borrowings of \$230.0 million and \$121.4 million , respectively. On October 29, 2012, we entered into a senior unsecured revolving credit facility for up to \$500 million with a \$500 million accordion feature. In December of 2014, we amended this facility to increase the amount available from \$500 million to \$900 million and extended the expiration of the facility from October 2017 to December 2019. This facility had \$605.0 million outstanding as of December 31, 2014 . The original purpose of this facility was to partially fund the acquisition of Phoenix and will assist us in continuing to fund working capital, capital expenditures, possible acquisitions, dividends, and share repurchases. Advances under the facility carry an interest rate based on our total funded debt to total capitalization, as measured at the end of each quarter, and are based on a spread over LIBOR for outstanding balances. In addition, there is a commitment fee on the average daily undrawn stated amount under each letter of credit issued under the facility. The credit agreement contains certain financial covenants that require us to maintain a minimum fixed leverage ratio and minimum liquidity. We were in compliance with all of the credit facility's debt covenants as of December 31, 2014 .

On August 23, 2013, we entered into a Note Purchase Agreement for \$500.0 million, of which the entire balance was outstanding as of December 31, 2014 , and December 31, 2013 . The primary purpose of this agreement was to fund the ASR agreements that were entered into on August 24, 2013. The agreement contains certain financial covenants that require us to maintain a minimum leverage ratio, an interest coverage ratio, and minimum liquidity. We were in compliance with all the covenants in the Notes as of December 31, 2014 . The Note Purchase Agreement was amended in February 2015 to conform its financial covenants to be consistent with the amended revolving credit facility.

We used \$215.0 million , \$220.3 million , and \$275.4 million to pay cash dividends in 2014 , 2013 , and 2012 . The decrease in 2014 was due to a decrease in the number of shares outstanding compared to 2013. The decrease in 2013 was due to a fifth quarterly dividend paid in 2012 and a lower number of shares outstanding in 2013, partially offset by an increase in the dividend rate in 2013 to \$0.35 per share from \$0.33 per share in 2012.

We also used \$164.0 million , \$757.3 million , and \$245.1 million on share repurchases in 2014 , 2013 , and 2012 . The increase in 2013 was due to the \$500.0 million of shares repurchased as part of the ASR agreements entered into during the third quarter of 2013. We received 6.1 million shares of common stock with a fair value of \$350.0 million during the third quarter of 2013, which represented approximately 70 percent of the total shares expected to be repurchased under the agreements. In December 2013, one of the banks terminated their ASR agreement and delivered 1.2 million shares. In February 2014, the remaining ASR agreement was terminated. Approximately 1.2 million shares were delivered as final settlement of the remaining agreement. In August 2013, the Board of Directors increased the number of shares authorized to be repurchased by 15,000,000 shares. As of December 31, 2014 , there were 10,306,342 shares remaining for future repurchases. The number of shares we repurchase, if any, during future periods will vary based on our cash position, potential uses of our cash, and market conditions.

Assuming no change in our current business plan, management believes that our available cash, together with expected future cash generated from operations, the amount available under our credit facility, and credit available in the market, will be sufficient to satisfy our anticipated needs for working capital, capital expenditures, and cash dividends in future periods. We also believe we could obtain funds under lines of credit or other forms of indebtedness on short notice, if needed.

CRITICAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND ESTIMATES

Our consolidated financial statements include accounts of the company and all majority-owned subsidiaries. The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States requires management to make estimates and assumptions. In certain circumstances, those estimates and assumptions can affect amounts reported in the accompanying consolidated financial statements and related footnotes. In preparing our financial statements, we have made our best estimates and judgments of certain amounts included in the financial statements, giving due consideration to materiality. We do not believe there is a great likelihood that materially different amounts would be reported related to the accounting policies described below. However, application of these accounting policies involves the exercise of judgment and use of assumptions as to future uncertainties and, as a result, actual results could differ from these estimates. Note 1 of the Notes to consolidated financial statements includes a summary of the significant accounting policies and methods used in the preparation of our consolidated financial statements. The following is a brief discussion of our critical accounting policies and estimates.

Revenue recognition. Total revenues consist of the total dollar value of goods and services purchased from us by customers. Net revenues are total revenues less the direct costs of transportation, products, and handling. We act principally as the service provider for these transactions and recognize revenue as these services are rendered or goods are delivered. At that time, our obligations to the transactions are completed and collection of receivables is reasonably assured. Most transactions in our Transportation and Sourcing businesses are recorded at the gross amount we charge our customers for the service we provide and goods we sell. In these transactions, we are the primary obligor, we have credit risk, we have discretion to select the supplier, and we have latitude in pricing decisions.

Additionally, in our Sourcing business, we take loss of inventory risk during shipment and have general inventory risk. Certain transactions in customs brokerage, transportation management, and sourcing are recorded at the net amount we charge our customers for the service we provide because many of the factors stated above are not present.

Valuations for accounts receivable. Our allowance for doubtful accounts is calculated based upon the aging of our receivables, our historical experience of uncollectible accounts, and any specific customer collection issues that we have identified. The allowance of \$41.1 million as of December 31, 2014, increased compared to the allowance of \$39.3 million as of December 31, 2013. This increase was primarily due to growth in our accounts receivable balance. We believe that the recorded allowance is sufficient and appropriate based on our customer aging trends, the exposures we have identified, and our historical loss experience.

Goodwill. We manage and report our operations as one operating segment. Our branches represent a series of components that are aggregated for the purpose of evaluating goodwill for impairment on an enterprise-wide basis. The fair value of the enterprise-wide reporting unit substantially exceeds the book value; therefore we have determined that there is no goodwill impairment as of December 31, 2014.

Stock-based compensation. We issue stock awards, including stock options, performance shares, and restricted stock units, to key employees and outside directors. In general, the awards vest over five years, either based on the company's earnings growth or the passage of time. The fair value of each share-based payment award is established on the date of grant. For grants of restricted shares and restricted units, the fair value is established based on the market price on the date of the grant, discounted for post-vesting holding restrictions. The discounts on outstanding grants vary from 17 percent to 22 percent and are calculated using the Black-Scholes option pricing model. Changes in the measured stock price volatility and interest rates are the primary reason for changes in the discount. For grants of options, we use the Black-Scholes option pricing model to estimate the fair value of the awards. The determination of the fair value is affected by our stock price and a number of assumptions, including expected volatility, expected life, risk-free interest rate, and expected dividends.

DISCLOSURES ABOUT CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATIONS AND COMMERCIAL CONTINGENCIES

The following table aggregates all contractual commitments and commercial obligations, due by period, that affect our financial condition and liquidity position as of December 31, 2014 (dollars in thousands):

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Thereafter	Total
Borrowings under credit agreements	\$ 605,000	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 605,000
Long-term notes payable ⁽¹⁾	21,388	21,388	21,388	21,388	21,388	698,000	804,940
Operating Leases ⁽²⁾	43,903	35,419	28,295	18,794	13,559	9,807	149,777
Purchase Obligations ⁽³⁾	62,515	5,062	1,242	363	363	—	69,545
Total	\$ 732,806	\$ 61,869	\$ 50,925	\$ 40,545	\$ 35,310	\$ 707,807	\$ 1,629,262

(1) Amounts payable relate to the semi-annual interest due on the long-term notes and the principal amount at maturity.

(2) We have certain facilities and equipment under operating leases.

(3) Purchase obligations include agreements for services that are enforceable and legally binding and that specify all significant terms. As of December 31, 2014, such obligations include ocean and air freight capacity, telecommunications services, and maintenance contracts.

We have no capital lease obligations. Long-term liabilities consist of noncurrent income taxes payable, long-term notes payable, and the obligation under our non-qualified deferred compensation plan. Due to the uncertainty with respect to the timing of future cash flows associated with our unrecognized tax benefits at December 31, 2014, we are unable to make reasonably reliable estimates of the period of cash settlement with the respective taxing authority. Therefore, \$24.0 million of unrecognized tax benefits have been excluded from the contractual obligations table above. See Note 5 to the consolidated financial statements for a discussion on income taxes. The obligation under our non-qualified deferred compensation plan has also been excluded from the above table as the timing of cash payment is uncertain. As of December 31, 2014, we did not have any off-balance sheet arrangements as defined in Item 303 (a)(4)(ii) of SEC Regulation S-K.

ITEM 7A. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

We had \$128.9 million of cash and investments on December 31, 2014, consisting entirely of cash and cash equivalents. Although these investments are subject to the credit risk of the issuer, we manage our investment portfolio to limit our exposure to any one issuer. Substantially all of the cash equivalents are money market securities from treasury and tax exempt money issuers. Because of the credit risk criteria of our investment policies and practices, the primary market risks associated with these investments are interest rate and liquidity risks.

We are a party to a credit agreement with various lenders consisting of a \$900 million revolving loan facility. Interest accrues on the revolving loan at variable rates based on LIBOR or "prime" plus the applicable add-on percentage as defined. At December 31, 2014, there was \$605.0 million outstanding on the revolving loan.

We are a party to the Note Purchase Agreement, as amended, with various institutional investors with fixed rates consisting of: (i) \$175,000,000 of the company's 3.97 percent Senior Notes, Series A, due August 27, 2023, (ii) \$150,000,000 of the company's 4.26 percent Senior Notes, Series B, due August 27, 2028, and (iii) \$175,000,000 of the company's 4.60 percent Senior Notes, Series C, due August 27, 2033. At December 31, 2014, there was \$500.0 million outstanding on the notes.

A hypothetical 100-basis-point change in the interest rate would not have a material effect on our earnings. We do not use derivative financial instruments to manage interest rate risk or to speculate on future changes in interest rates. A rise in interest rates could negatively affect the fair value of our investments. Market risk arising from changes in foreign currency exchange rates are not material due to the size of our international operations.

ITEM 8. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY DATA

REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

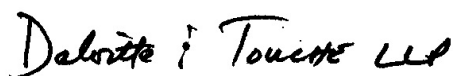
To the Board of Directors and Stockholders of
C.H. Robinson Worldwide, Inc.
Eden Prairie, MN

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of C.H. Robinson Worldwide, Inc. and subsidiaries (the "Company") as of December 31, 2014 and 2013, and the related consolidated statements of operations and comprehensive income, stockholders' investment, and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2014. Our audits also included the financial statement schedule listed in the Index at Item 15. These financial statements and financial statement schedule are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial statements and financial statement schedule based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, such consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of C.H. Robinson Worldwide, Inc. and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2014 and 2013 and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2014, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Also, in our opinion, such financial statement schedule, when considered in relation to the basic consolidated financial statements taken as a whole, presents fairly, in all material respects, the information set forth therein.

We have also audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2014, based on the criteria established in *Internal Control - Integrated Framework (2013)* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission and our report dated March 2, 2015 expressed an unqualified opinion on the Company's internal control over financial reporting.



Minneapolis, Minnesota
March 2, 2015

REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Directors and Stockholders of
C.H. Robinson Worldwide, Inc.
Eden Prairie, MN

We have audited the internal control over financial reporting of C.H. Robinson Worldwide, Inc. and subsidiaries (the "Company") as of December 31, 2014, based on criteria established in *Internal Control - Integrated Framework (2013)* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission. The Company's management is responsible 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 Controls over Financial Reporting. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's internal control over financial reporting based on our audit.

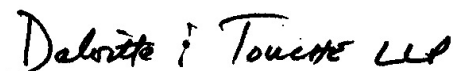
We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. Our audit included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk, and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

A company's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed by, or under the supervision of, the company's principal executive and principal financial officers, or persons performing similar functions, and effected by the company's board of directors, management, and other personnel 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 (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (2) 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 (3) 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 the inherent limitations of internal control over financial reporting, including the possibility of collusion or improper management override of controls, material misstatements due to error or fraud may not be prevented or detected on a timely basis. Also, projections of any evaluation of the effectiveness of the 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.

In our opinion, the Company maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2014, based on the criteria established in *Internal Control-Integrated Framework (2013)* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission.

We have also audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the consolidated financial statements and financial statement schedule as of and for the year ended December 31, 2014 of the Company and our report dated March 2, 2015 expressed an unqualified opinion on those financial statements and financial statement schedule.



Minneapolis, Minnesota
March 2, 2015

**C.H. ROBINSON WORLDWIDE, INC.
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS**

	December 31,	
(In thousands, except per share data)	2014	2013
ASSETS		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 128,940	\$ 162,047
Restricted cash	359,388	—
Receivables, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$41,051 and \$39,292	1,571,591	1,449,581
Deferred tax asset	7,746	8,286
Prepaid expenses and other	37,794	44,571
Total current assets	2,105,459	1,664,485
Property and equipment	313,688	300,795
Accumulated depreciation and amortization	(161,217)	(140,092)
Net property and equipment	152,471	160,703
Goodwill	825,038	829,073
Other intangible assets, net of accumulated amortization of \$36,917 and \$33,325	98,330	117,467
Other assets	33,040	31,090
Total assets	\$ 3,214,338	\$ 2,802,818
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' INVESTMENT		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 716,654	\$ 685,890
Outstanding checks	78,601	69,117
Accrued expenses—		
Compensation and profit-sharing contribution	125,624	85,247
Income taxes	4,616	11,681
Other accrued liabilities	45,365	43,046
Current portion of debt	605,000	375,000
Total current liabilities	1,575,860	1,269,981
Long-term debt	500,000	500,000
Noncurrent income taxes payable	24,279	21,584
Deferred tax liabilities	66,961	70,618
Other long term liabilities	223	911
Total liabilities	2,167,323	1,863,094
Commitments and contingencies		
Stockholders' investment:		
Preferred stock, \$.10 par value, 20,000 shares authorized; no shares issued or outstanding	—	—
Common stock, \$.10 par value, 480,000 shares authorized; 178,621 and 179,030 shares issued, 146,458 and 150,197 outstanding	14,646	15,020
Additional paid-in capital	321,968	217,894
Retained earnings	2,648,539	2,413,833
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(28,610)	(10,620)
Treasury stock at cost (32,163 and 28,833 shares)	(1,909,528)	(1,696,403)
Total stockholders' investment	1,047,015	939,724
Total liabilities and stockholders' investment	\$ 3,214,338	\$ 2,802,818

See accompanying notes to the consolidated financial statements.

C.H. ROBINSON WORLDWIDE, INC.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS AND COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

(In thousands, except per share data)	For the years ended December 31,		
	2014	2013	2012
Revenues:			
Transportation	\$ 11,921,974	\$ 11,069,710	\$ 9,685,415
Sourcing	1,533,555	1,669,134	1,620,183
Payment Services	14,538	13,232	53,515
Total revenues	13,470,067	12,752,076	11,359,113
Costs and expenses:			
Purchased transportation and related services	10,042,250	9,371,315	8,157,278
Purchased products sourced for resale	1,418,009	1,542,184	1,483,745
Purchased payment services	2,156	2,482	519
Personnel expenses	939,021	826,661	766,006
Other selling, general, and administrative expenses	320,213	326,784	276,245
Total costs and expenses	12,721,649	12,069,426	10,683,793
Income from operations	748,418	682,650	675,320
Interest and other (expense) income	(24,987)	(9,289)	283,142
Income before provision for income taxes	723,431	673,361	958,462
Provision for income taxes	273,720	257,457	364,658
Net income	449,711	415,904	593,804
Other comprehensive loss	(17,990)	(1,275)	(230)
Comprehensive income	\$ 431,721	\$ 414,629	\$ 593,574
Basic net income per share	\$ 3.06	\$ 2.65	\$ 3.68
Diluted net income per share	\$ 3.05	\$ 2.65	\$ 3.67
Basic weighted average shares outstanding	147,202	156,915	161,557
Dilutive effect of outstanding stock awards	340	165	389
Diluted weighted average shares outstanding	147,542	157,080	161,946

See accompanying notes to the consolidated financial statements.

C.H. ROBINSON WORLDWIDE, INC.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF STOCKHOLDERS' INVESTMENT

(In thousands, except per share data)	Common Shares Outstanding	Amount	Additional Paid-in Capital	Retained Earnings	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss	Treasury Stock	Total Stockholders' Investment
Balance December 31, 2011	163,441	\$ 16,344	\$ 205,794	\$ 1,845,032	\$ (9,115)	\$ (809,581)	\$ 1,248,474
Net income				593,804			593,804
Foreign currency translation adjustment					(230)		(230)
Dividends declared, \$1.34 per share				(220,607)			(220,607)
Stock issued for acquisition	1,108	111	60,041				60,152
Stock issued for employee benefit plans	712	71	(32,435)			40,450	8,086
Issuance of restricted stock	276	28	(28)				—
Stock-based compensation expense	28	3	57,813			1,647	59,463
Excess tax benefit on deferred compensation and employee stock plans			12,294				12,294
Repurchase of common stock	(4,238)	(424)				(256,640)	(257,064)
Balance December 31, 2012	161,327	16,133	303,479	2,218,229	(9,345)	(1,024,124)	1,504,372
Net income				415,904			415,904
Foreign currency translation adjustment					(1,275)		(1,275)
Dividends declared, \$1.40 per share				(220,300)			(220,300)
Stock issued for employee benefit plans	263	26	(45,106)			10,102	(34,978)
Issuance of restricted stock	335	34	(34)				—
Stock-based compensation expense	30	3	7,346			1,747	9,096
Excess tax benefit on deferred compensation and employee stock plans			27,209				27,209
Repurchase of common stock	(11,758)	(1,176)	(75,000)			(684,128)	(760,304)
Balance December 31, 2013	150,197	15,020	217,894	2,413,833	(10,620)	(1,696,403)	939,724
Net income				449,711			449,711
Foreign currency translation adjustment					(17,990)		(17,990)
Comprehensive income							431,721
Dividends declared, \$1.43 per share				(215,005)			(215,005)
Stock issued for employee benefit plans	405	40	(24,644)			23,937	(667)
Issuance of restricted stock	(410)	(41)	41				—
Stock-based compensation expense	30	3	46,119			1,599	47,721
Excess tax benefit on deferred compensation and employee stock plans			7,558				7,558
Repurchase of common stock	(3,764)	(376)	75,000			(238,661)	(164,037)
Balance December 31, 2014	146,458	\$ 14,646	\$ 321,968	\$ 2,648,539	\$ (28,610)	\$ (1,909,528)	\$ 1,047,015

See accompanying notes to the consolidated financial statements.

C.H. ROBINSON WORLDWIDE, INC.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(In thousands)	For the year ended December 31,		
	2014	2013	2012
OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Net income	\$ 449,711	\$ 415,904	\$ 593,804
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:			
Depreciation and amortization	57,009	56,882	38,090
Provision for doubtful accounts	15,092	15,587	10,459
Stock-based compensation	47,861	9,094	59,381
Gain on divestiture	(1,848)	—	(281,551)
Deferred income taxes	(3,117)	25,226	(14,442)
Loss on sale/disposal of assets	710	314	3,208
Other long-term liabilities	—	5	513
Changes in operating elements, net of effects of acquisitions:			
Receivables	(137,102)	(87,316)	(88,107)
Prepaid expenses and other	6,294	(5,254)	5,260
Other non-current assets	380	—	—
Accounts payable and outstanding checks	40,251	47,488	61,732
Accrued compensation and profit-sharing contribution	40,236	(15,097)	(19,064)
Accrued income taxes	(4,370)	(105,857)	104,542
Other accrued liabilities	2,319	(9,199)	(13,483)
Net cash provided by operating activities	513,426	347,777	460,342
INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Purchases of property and equipment	(22,364)	(40,354)	(36,096)
Purchases and development of software	(7,138)	(7,852)	(14,560)
Cash received for divestiture, net of cash sold	—	—	274,802
Acquisitions, net of cash acquired	—	19,126	(583,631)
Restricted cash	(359,388)	—	—
Other	(6)	221	419
Net cash used for investing activities	(388,896)	(28,859)	(359,066)
FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Proceeds from stock issued for employee benefit plans	11,942	15,166	18,868
Stock tendered for payment of withholding taxes	(12,604)	(50,144)	(10,782)
Payment of contingent purchase price	—	(927)	(12,661)
Repurchase of common stock	(164,041)	(757,305)	(245,067)
Cash dividends	(215,008)	(220,257)	(275,353)
Excess tax benefit on stock-based compensation	7,558	27,209	12,294
Proceeds from short-term borrowings	4,823,000	4,165,023	324,051
Payments on short-term borrowings	(4,593,000)	(4,043,669)	(75,688)
Debt issuance costs	(1,484)	—	—
Proceeds from long-term borrowings	—	500,000	—
Net cash used for financing activities	(143,637)	(364,904)	(264,338)
Effect of exchange rates on cash	(14,000)	(1,986)	(588)
Net change in cash and cash equivalents	(33,107)	(47,972)	(163,650)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	162,047	210,019	373,669
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	\$ 128,940	\$ 162,047	\$ 210,019
Stock issued for acquisition	\$	\$	\$

Cash paid for income taxes	\$	271,979	\$	313,799	\$	257,580
Cash paid for interest	\$	27,066	\$	3,875	\$	518

See accompanying notes to the consolidated financial statements.

C.H. ROBINSON WORLDWIDE, INC.
NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

BASIS OF PRESENTATION. C.H. Robinson Worldwide, Inc. and our subsidiaries (“the company,” “we,” “us,” or “our”) are a global provider of transportation services and logistics solutions through a network of 281 offices operating in North America, Europe, Asia, and South America. The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of C.H. Robinson Worldwide, Inc. and our majority owned and controlled subsidiaries. Our minority interests in subsidiaries are not significant. All intercompany transactions and balances have been eliminated in the consolidated financial statements.

USE OF ESTIMATES. The preparation of financial statements, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States, requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities. We are also required to disclose contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Our ultimate results could differ from those estimates.

REVENUE RECOGNITION. Total revenues consist of the total dollar value of goods and services purchased from us by customers. Our net revenues are our total revenues less purchased transportation and related services, including contracted motor carrier, rail, ocean, air, and other costs, and the purchase price and services related to the products we source. We act principally as the service provider for these transactions and recognize revenue as these services are rendered or goods are delivered. At that time, our obligations to the transactions are completed and collection of receivables is reasonably assured. Most transactions in our Transportation and Sourcing businesses are recorded at the gross amount we charge our customers for the service we provide and goods we sell. In these transactions, we are the primary obligor, we have credit risk, we have discretion to select the supplier, and we have latitude in pricing decisions. Additionally, in our Sourcing business, we take loss of inventory risk during shipment and have general inventory risk. Certain transactions in customs brokerage, transportation management services, and sourcing are recorded at the net amount we charge our customers for the service we provide because many of the factors stated above are not present.

ALLOWANCE FOR DOUBTFUL ACCOUNTS. Accounts receivable are reduced by an allowance for amounts that may become uncollectible in the future. We continuously monitor payments from our customers and maintain a provision for uncollectible accounts based upon our customer aging trends, historical loss experience, and any specific customer collection issues that we have identified.

FOREIGN CURRENCY. Most balance sheet accounts of foreign subsidiaries are translated or remeasured at the current exchange rate as of the end of the year. Statement of operations items are translated at average exchange rates during the year. The resulting translation adjustment is recorded as a separate component of comprehensive income in our statement of operations and comprehensive income.

SEGMENT REPORTING AND GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION. We operate in the transportation and logistics industry. We provide a wide range of products and services to our customers and contract carriers, including transportation services, produce sourcing, freight consolidation, contract warehousing, and information services. Each of these is a significant component to optimizing logistics solutions for our customers.

These services are performed throughout our offices, as an integrated offering for which our customers are typically provided a single invoice. Our offices work together to complete transactions and collectively meet the needs of our customers. For large multi-location customers, we often coordinate our efforts in one location and rely on multiple locations to deliver specific geographic or modal needs. As an example, approximately 48 percent of our truckload transactions are shared transactions between offices. In addition, our methodology of providing services is very similar across all locations. The majority of our global network operates on a common technology platform that is used to match customer needs with supplier capabilities, to collaborate with other locations, and to utilize centralized support resources to complete all facets of the transaction. Accordingly, our chief operating decision maker analyzes our business as a single segment, relying on net revenues and operating income across our network of offices as the primary performance measures.

The following table presents our total revenues (based on location of the customer) and long-lived assets (including intangible and other assets) by geographic regions (in thousands):

	For the year ended December 31,		
	2014	2013	2012
Total revenues			
United States	\$ 11,800,140	\$ 11,140,163	\$ 10,183,596
Other locations	1,669,927	1,611,913	1,175,517
Total revenues	<u>\$ 13,470,067</u>	<u>\$ 12,752,076</u>	<u>\$ 11,359,113</u>

	December 31,		
	2014	2013	2012
Long-lived assets			
United States	\$ 257,587	\$ 284,693	\$ 281,729
Other locations	26,254	24,567	27,991
Total long-lived assets	<u>\$ 283,841</u>	<u>\$ 309,260</u>	<u>\$ 309,720</u>

CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS. Cash and cash equivalents consist of bank deposits.

RESTRICTED CASH. On December 31, 2014, we funded \$359.4 million of the purchase price for the acquisition of Freightquote, into an escrow account pursuant to the purchase agreement, pending the effective date of closing of the acquisition in January 2015. Funds were released on January 2, 2015.

PREPAID EXPENSES AND OTHER. Prepaid expenses and other include such items as prepaid rent, software maintenance contracts, insurance premiums, other prepaid operating expenses, and inventories, consisting primarily of produce and related products held for resale.

PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT. Property and equipment are recorded at cost. Maintenance and repair expenditures are charged to expense as incurred. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated lives of the assets of 3 to 30 years. Amortization of leasehold improvements is computed over the shorter of the lease term or the estimated useful lives of the improvements.

We recognized the following depreciation expense (in thousands):

2014	\$ 29,340
2013	27,757
2012	24,254

A summary of our property and equipment as of December 31 is as follows (in thousands):

	2014	2013
Furniture, fixtures, and equipment	\$ 180,233	\$ 168,354
Buildings	79,981	64,639
Corporate aircraft	11,334	11,334
Leasehold improvements	25,545	24,489
Land	14,983	15,008
Construction in progress	1,612	16,971
Less accumulated depreciation	(161,217)	(140,092)
Net property and equipment	<u>\$ 152,471</u>	<u>\$ 160,703</u>

GOODWILL AND OTHER INTANGIBLE ASSETS. Goodwill is the difference between the purchase price of a company and the fair market value of the acquired company's net identifiable assets. Other intangible assets include customer lists, contract carrier lists, and non-competition agreements. These intangible assets are being amortized using the straight-line method over their estimated lives, ranging from 3 to 8 years. Goodwill is not amortized, but is tested for impairment using a fair value approach. Goodwill is tested for impairment annually or more frequently if events warrant. Intangible assets are evaluated for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. See Note 2.

OTHER ASSETS. Other assets include such items as purchased and internally developed software, and the investments related to our nonqualified deferred compensation plan. We amortize software using the straight-line method over 3 years. We recognized the following amortization expense of purchased and internally developed software (in thousands):

2014	\$	8,921
2013		8,759
2012		7,528

A summary of our purchased and internally developed software as of December 31 is as follows (in thousands):

	2014	2013
Purchased software	\$ 21,872	\$ 20,433
Internally developed software	27,429	24,358
Less accumulated amortization	(35,369)	(29,802)
Net software	\$ 13,932	\$ 14,989

INCOME TAXES. Income taxes are accounted for using the asset and liability method. Under this method, deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the future tax consequences of temporary differences between the carrying amounts and tax bases of assets and liabilities using enacted rates.

Annual tax provisions include amounts considered sufficient to pay assessments that may result from examination of prior year tax returns; however, the amount ultimately paid upon resolution of issues raised may differ from the amounts accrued.

The financial statement benefits of an uncertain income tax position are recognized when more likely than not, based on the technical merits, the position will be sustained upon examination. Unrecognized tax benefits are, more likely than not, owed to a taxing authority, and the amount of the contingency can be reasonably estimated. Uncertain income tax positions are included in "Noncurrent income taxes payable" in the consolidated balance sheets.

Provisions are made for U.S. taxes on undistributed earnings of foreign subsidiaries and related companies.

COMPREHENSIVE INCOME. Comprehensive income includes any changes in the equity of an enterprise from transactions and other events and circumstances from non-owner sources. Our only component of other comprehensive income is foreign currency translation adjustment. It is presented on our consolidated statements of operations and comprehensive income.

STOCK-BASED COMPENSATION. We issue stock awards, including stock options, performance shares, and restricted stock units, to key employees and outside directors. In general, the awards vest over five years, either based on the company's earnings growth or the passage of time. The fair value of each share-based payment award is established on the date of grant. For grants of performance shares and restricted stock units, the fair value is established based on the market price on the date of the grant, discounted for post-vesting holding restrictions. The discounts on outstanding grants vary from 17 percent to 22 percent and are calculated using the Black-Scholes option pricing model. Changes in measured stock volatility and interest rates are the primary reason for changes in the discount.

For grants of options, we use the Black-Scholes option pricing model to estimate the fair value of share-based payment awards. The determination of the fair value of share-based awards is affected by our stock price and a number of assumptions, including expected volatility, expected life, risk-free interest rate, and expected dividends.

NOTE 2: GOODWILL AND OTHER INTANGIBLE ASSETS

The change in the carrying amount of goodwill is as follows (in thousands):

	2014	2013
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 829,073	\$ 822,215
Acquisitions	—	5,331
Translation	(4,035)	1,527
Balance, end of year	<u>\$ 825,038</u>	<u>\$ 829,073</u>

We complete an impairment test on goodwill annually. This impairment test did not result in any impairment losses. There is no aggregate goodwill impairment for any of the periods presented.

A summary of our other intangible assets, with finite lives, which include primarily customer relationships and non-competition agreements, as of December 31 is as follows (in thousands):

	2014	2013
Gross	\$ 133,372	\$ 148,917
Accumulated amortization	(36,917)	(33,325)
Net	<u>\$ 96,455</u>	<u>\$ 115,592</u>

Other intangible assets, with indefinite lives, as of December 31, is as follows (in thousands):

	2014	2013
Trademarks	\$ 1,875	\$ 1,875

Amortization expense for other intangible assets was (in thousands):

2014	\$ 18,748
2013	20,128
2012	6,308

Intangible assets at December 31, 2014 , will be amortized over the next seven years, and that expense is as follows (in thousands):

2015	\$ 16,939
2016	16,922
2017	16,623
2018	16,225
2019	16,225
Thereafter	13,521
Total	<u>\$ 96,455</u>

NOTE 3: FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENT

Accounting guidance on fair value measurements for certain financial assets and liabilities requires that assets and liabilities carried at fair value be classified and disclosed in one of the following three categories:

- Level 1-Quoted market prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.
- Level 2-Observable market-based inputs or unobservable inputs that are corroborated by market data.
- Level 3-Unobservable inputs reflecting the reporting entity's own assumptions or external inputs from inactive markets.

A financial asset or liability's classification within the hierarchy is determined based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

The following table presents information as of December 31, 2012, about our financial assets and liabilities that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis, according to the valuation techniques we used to determine their fair values (in thousands).

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total Fair Value
Contingent purchase price related to acquisitions	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 922	\$ 922
Total liabilities at fair value	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 922	\$ 922

In measuring the fair value of the contingent payment liability, we used an income approach that considers the expected future earnings of the acquired businesses and the resulting contingent payments, discounted at a risk-adjusted rate.

The table below sets forth a reconciliation of our beginning and ending Level 3 financial liability balance (in thousands). We had no Level 3 liabilities as of December 31, 2014 .

	2014	2013	2012
Balance, beginning of period	\$ —	\$ 922	\$ 13,070
Payments of contingent purchase price	—	(927)	(12,661)
Total unrealized losses included in earnings	—	5	513
Balance, end of period	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 922

NOTE 4. FINANCING ARRANGEMENTS

On October 29, 2012, we entered into a senior unsecured revolving credit facility for up to \$500 million with a \$500 million accordion feature (the "Credit Agreement"), with a syndicate of financial institutions led by U.S. Bank. The purpose of this facility was to partially fund the acquisition of Phoenix and to allow us to continue to fund working capital, capital expenditures, dividends, and share repurchases. In December 2014, we amended the credit facility to increase the amount available from \$500 million to \$900 million and to extend the expiration date from October 2017 to December 2019.

As of December 31, 2014 and 2013, we had \$605.0 million and \$375.0 million in borrowings outstanding under the Credit Agreement, which is classified as a current liability on the consolidated balance sheets. The recorded amount of borrowings outstanding approximates fair value because of the short maturity period of the debt; therefore, we consider these borrowings to be a Level 2 financial liability.

Borrowings under the Credit Agreement generally bear interest at a variable rate determined by a pricing schedule or the base rate (which is the highest of (a) the administrative agent's prime rate, (b) the federal funds rate plus 0.50 percent, or (c) the sum of one-month LIBOR plus a specified margin). As of December 31, 2014, the variable rate equaled LIBOR plus 1.50 percent. In addition, there is a commitment fee on the average daily undrawn stated amount under each letter of credit issued under the facility. The weighted average interest rate incurred on borrowings during 2014 was approximately 1.7 percent and at December 31, 2014, was approximately 1.3 percent. The weighted average interest rate incurred on borrowings during 2013 was approximately 1.2 percent and at December 31, 2013, was approximately 1.7 percent.

The Credit Agreement contains various restrictions and covenants. Among other requirements, we may not permit our leverage ratio, as of the end of each of our fiscal quarters, of (i) Consolidated Funded Indebtedness to (ii) Consolidated Total Capitalization to be greater than 0.65 to 1.00 . We were in compliance with the financial debt covenants as of December 31, 2014 . As a result of amending the Note Purchase Agreement in February, 2015, the ratio of (i) Consolidated Funded Indebtedness to (ii) EBITDA (earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization), as of the end of each of our fiscal quarters, may not exceed 3.00 to 1.00 .

The Credit Agreement also contains customary events of default. If an event of default under the Credit Agreement occurs and is continuing, then the administrative agent may declare any outstanding obligations under the Credit Agreement to be immediately due and payable. In addition, if we become the subject of voluntary or involuntary proceedings under any bankruptcy, insolvency, or similar law, then any outstanding obligations under the Credit Agreement will automatically become immediately due and payable.

On August 23, 2013, we entered into a Note Purchase Agreement with certain institutional investors (the “Purchasers”) named therein (the “Note Purchase Agreement”). Pursuant to the Note Purchase Agreement, the Purchasers purchased, on August 27, 2013, (i) \$175,000,000 aggregate principal amount of the company’s 3.97 percent Senior Notes, Series A, due August 27, 2023 (the “Series A Notes”), (ii) \$150,000,000 aggregate principal amount of the company’s 4.26 percent Senior Notes, Series B, due August 27, 2028 (the “Series B Notes”), and (iii) \$175,000,000 aggregate principal amount of the company’s 4.60 percent Senior Notes, Series C, due August 27, 2033 (the “Series C Notes” and, together with the Series A Notes and the Series B Notes, the “Notes”). Interest on the fixed-rate Notes is payable semi-annually in arrears. We applied the proceeds of the sale of the Notes for share repurchases. See Note 9.

The Note Purchase Agreement contains customary provisions for transactions of this type, including representations and warranties regarding the company and its subsidiaries and various covenants, including covenants that require us to maintain specified financial ratios. The Note Purchase Agreement includes the following financial covenants: we will not permit our leverage ratio, as of the end of each of our fiscal quarters, of (i) Consolidated Funded Indebtedness to (ii) Consolidated Total Capitalization to be greater than 0.65 to 1.00 ; we will not permit the interest coverage ratio, as of the end of each of our fiscal quarters and for the twelve-month period ending, of (i) Consolidated EBIT (earnings before income taxes) to (ii) Consolidated Interest Expense to be less than 2.00 to 1.00 ; we will not permit, as of the end of each of our fiscal quarters, Consolidated Priority Debt to exceed 15% of Consolidated Total Assets. We were in compliance with all of the financial debt covenants as of December 31, 2014 . The Note Purchase Agreement was amended in February 2015 to conform its financial covenants to be consistent with the amended revolving credit facility. As a result of amending the Note Purchase Agreement in February 2015, the ratio of (i) Consolidated Funded Indebtedness to (ii) EBITDA (earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization), as of the end of each of our fiscal quarters, may not exceed 3.00 to 1.00 .

The Note Purchase Agreement provides for customary events of default, generally with corresponding grace periods, including, without limitation, payment defaults with respect to the Notes, covenant defaults, cross-defaults to other agreements evidencing indebtedness of the company or its subsidiaries, certain judgments against the company or its subsidiaries, and events of bankruptcy involving the company or its material subsidiaries. The occurrence of an event of default would permit certain Purchasers to declare certain Notes then outstanding to be immediately due and payable.

Under the terms of the Note Purchase Agreement, the Notes are redeemable, in whole or in part, at 100% of the principal amount being redeemed together with a “make-whole amount,” and accrued and unpaid interest (as defined in the Note Purchase Agreement) with respect to each Note. The obligations of the company under the Note Purchase Agreement and the Notes are guaranteed by C.H. Robinson Company, a Delaware corporation and a wholly-owned subsidiary of the company, and by C.H. Robinson Company, Inc., a Minnesota corporation and an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the company.

The Notes were issued by the company to such initial Purchasers in a private placement in reliance on Section 4(2) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. The Notes will not be or have not been registered under the Securities Act and may not be offered or sold in the United States, absent registration or an applicable exemption from registration requirements.

The fair value of long-term debt approximated carrying value of \$516.3 million at December 31, 2014 , and \$500.0 million at December 31, 2013 , based on observable market-based inputs. If our long-term debt was recorded at fair value, it would be classified as Level 2.

NOTE 5: INCOME TAXES

C.H. Robinson Worldwide, Inc. and its 80 percent (or more) owned U.S. subsidiaries file a consolidated federal income tax return. We file unitary or separate state returns based on state filing requirements. With few exceptions, we are no longer subject to audits of U.S. federal, state and local, or non-U.S. income tax returns before 2008.

A reconciliation of the beginning and ending amount of unrecognized tax benefits, excluding interest and penalties, is as follows (in thousands):

	2014	2013	2012
Unrecognized tax benefits, beginning of period	\$ 16,897	\$ 16,788	\$ 7,668
Additions based on tax positions related to the current year	2,002	1,572	4,172
Additions for tax positions of prior years	839	1,105	6,911
Reductions for tax positions of prior years	(183)	(1,464)	(1,061)
Lapse in statute of limitations	(1,281)	(238)	(286)
Settlements	—	(866)	(616)
Unrecognized tax benefits, end of the period	\$ 18,274	\$ 16,897	\$ 16,788

As of December 31, 2014, we had \$24.0 million of unrecognized tax benefits and related interest and penalties, all of which would affect our effective tax rate if recognized. We are not aware of any tax positions for which it is reasonably possible that the total amount of unrecognized tax benefit will significantly increase or decrease in the next 12 months.

Income tax expense considers amounts which may be needed to cover exposures for open tax years. We do not expect any material impact related to open tax years; however, actual settlements may differ from amounts accrued.

We recognize interest and penalties related to uncertain tax positions in the provision for income taxes. During the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013, and 2012, we recognized approximately \$1.5 million, \$1.2 million, and \$0.8 million in interest and penalties. We had approximately \$5.7 million and \$4.6 million for the payment of interest and penalties accrued within noncurrent taxes payable as of December 31, 2014 and 2013. These amounts are not included in the reconciliation above.

The components of the provision for income taxes consist of the following for the years ended December 31 (in thousands):

	2014	2013	2012
Tax provision:			
Federal	\$ 224,468	\$ 180,351	\$ 326,708
State	32,110	26,351	38,931
Foreign	20,259	25,529	13,461
	276,837	232,231	379,100
Deferred provision (benefit):			
Federal	(5,302)	24,877	(11,674)
State	(755)	3,623	(1,334)
Foreign	2,940	(3,274)	(1,434)
	(3,117)	25,226	(14,442)
Total provision	\$ 273,720	\$ 257,457	\$ 364,658

A reconciliation of the provision for income taxes using the statutory federal income tax rate to our effective income tax rate for the years ended December 31 is as follows:

	2014	2013	2012
Federal statutory rate	35.0%	35.0%	35.0%
State income taxes, net of federal benefit	2.8	2.9	2.7
Other	—	0.3	0.3
	37.8%	38.2%	38.0%

Deferred tax assets (liabilities) are comprised of the following at December 31 (in thousands):

	2014	2013
Deferred tax assets:		
Compensation	\$ 78,516	\$ 71,751
Receivables	13,397	11,780
Other	8,103	8,541
Deferred tax liabilities:		
Intangible assets	(115,761)	(113,518)
Prepaid assets	(10,808)	(9,948)
Long-lived assets	(19,018)	(20,310)
Undistributed earnings of foreign subsidiaries	(13,616)	(10,600)
Other	(28)	(28)
Net deferred tax (liabilities) assets	<u>\$ (59,215)</u>	<u>\$ (62,332)</u>

We had foreign net operating loss carryforwards with a tax effect of \$8.3 million as of December 31, 2014 and \$7.8 million as of December 31, 2013. A full valuation allowance has been established for these net operating loss carryforwards due to the uncertainty of the use of the tax benefit in future periods.

NOTE 6: CAPITAL STOCK AND STOCK AWARD PLANS

PREFERRED STOCK. Our Certificate of Incorporation authorizes the issuance of 20,000,000 shares of Preferred Stock, par value \$0.10 per share. There are no shares of Preferred Stock outstanding. The Preferred Stock may be issued by resolution of our Board of Directors at any time without any action of the stockholders. The Board of Directors may issue the Preferred Stock in one or more series and fix the designation and relative powers. These include voting powers, preferences, rights, qualifications, limitations, and restrictions of each series. The issuance of any such series may have an adverse effect on the rights of holders of Common Stock and may impede the completion of a merger, tender offer, or other takeover attempt.

COMMON STOCK. Our Certificate of Incorporation authorizes 480,000,000 shares of Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share. Subject to the rights of Preferred Stock which may from time to time be outstanding, holders of Common Stock are entitled to receive dividends out of funds legally available, when and if declared by the Board of Directors, and to receive their share of the net assets of the company legally available for distribution upon liquidation or dissolution.

For each share of Common Stock held, stockholders are entitled to one vote on each matter to be voted on by the stockholders, including the election of directors. Holders of Common Stock are not entitled to cumulative voting. The stockholders do not have preemptive rights. All outstanding shares of Common Stock are fully paid and nonassessable.

STOCK AWARD PLANS. Stock-based compensation cost is measured at the grant date based on the value of the award and is recognized as expense as it vests. A summary of our total compensation expense recognized in our consolidated statements of operations and comprehensive income for stock-based compensation is as follows (in thousands):

	2014	2013	2012
Stock options	\$ 9,243	\$ 5	\$ 3,585
Stock awards	36,510	6,808	53,481
Company expense on ESPP discount	2,108	2,281	2,315
Total stock-based compensation expense	<u>\$ 47,861</u>	<u>\$ 9,094</u>	<u>\$ 59,381</u>

On May 9, 2013, our shareholders approved our 2013 Equity Incentive Plan, which allows us to grant certain stock awards, including stock options at fair market value and performance shares and restricted stock units, to our key employees and outside directors. A maximum of 3,400,000 shares, plus the shares remaining available for future grants under the 1997 Plan as of May 9, 2013, can be granted under this plan. Approximately 3,048,819 shares were available for stock awards as of December 31, 2014. Shares subject to awards that expire or are canceled without delivery of shares or that are settled in cash, generally become available again for issuance under the plan.

We have awarded performance-based stock options to certain key employees. These options are subject to certain vesting requirements over a five -year period, based on the company's earnings growth. Any options remaining unvested at the end of the five year vesting period are forfeited to the company. Although participants can exercise options via a stock swap exercise, we do not issue reloads (restoration options) on the grants made after 2003.

The fair value of these options is established based on the market price on the date of grant, discounted for post-vesting holding restrictions, calculated using the Black-Scholes option pricing model. Changes in measured stock price volatility and interest rates are the primary reasons for changes in the discount. These grants are being expensed based on the terms of the awards. As of December 31, 2014 , unrecognized compensation expense related to stock options was \$51.0 million . The amount of future expense to be recognized will be based on the company's earnings growth and certain other conditions.

The following schedule summarizes stock option activity in the plan. All outstanding unvested options as of December 31, 2014 , relate to the performance-based grants from 2011 through 2014 .

	Options	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Aggregate Intrinsic Value (in thousands)	Average Remaining Life (years)
Outstanding at December 31, 2013	3,497,544	\$ 62.21		
Grants	1,215,018	74.55		
Exercised	(787)	68.81		
Terminated	(7,155)	58.25		
Outstanding at December 31, 2014	4,704,620	\$ 65.40	\$ 44,644	8.6
Vested at December 31, 2014	926,218	\$ 63.28	\$ 10,751	7.9
Exercisable at December 31, 2014	926,218	\$ 63.28	\$ 10,751	7.9

Additional potential dilutive stock options totaling 218,932 for 2013 and 127,323 for 2012 have been excluded from our diluted net income per share calculations because these securities' exercise prices were anti-dilutive (e.g., greater than the average market price of our common stock).

Information on the intrinsic value of options exercised is as follows (in thousands):

2014	\$ 4
2013	7,640
2012	15,516

The following table summarizes performance-based options by year of grant:

Year of grant	First vesting date	Last vesting date	Options granted, net of forfeitures	Weighted average grant date fair value	Unvested options
2011	December 31, 2012	December 31, 2016	911,430	\$ 15.72	537,744
2012	December 31, 2013	December 31, 2017	1,155,285	13.15	957,394
2013	December 31, 2014	December 31, 2018	1,424,531	11.83	1,070,145
2014	December 31, 2015	December 31, 2019	1,213,374	14.23	1,213,374
			4,704,620	\$ 13.53	3,778,657

Determining Fair Value

We estimated the fair value of stock options granted using the Black-Scholes option pricing model. We estimate the fair value of restricted shares and units using the Black-Scholes option pricing model-protective put method. A description of significant assumptions used to estimate the expected volatility, risk-free interest rate, and expected terms is as follows:

Expected Volatility -Expected volatility was determined based on implied volatility of our traded options and historical volatility of our stock price.

Risk-Free Interest Rate -The risk-free interest rate was based on the implied yield available on U.S. Treasury zero-coupon issues at the date of grant with a term equal to the expected term.

Expected Term - Expected term represents the period that our stock-based awards are expected to be outstanding and was determined based on historical experience and anticipated future exercise patterns, giving consideration to the contractual terms of unexercised stock-based awards.

The fair value per option was estimated using the Black-Scholes option pricing model with the following assumptions:

	2014 Grants	2013 Grants	2012 Grants
Risk-free interest rate	1.93-1.96%	.18-1.94%	.18-.89%
Dividend per share (quarterly amounts)	\$0.35-0.38	\$0.35	\$0.33-0.35
Expected volatility factor	22.0-25.0%	25.0-27.5%	26.0-27.5%
Expected option term	6.3 years	.01-6.3 years	.01-6 years
Weighted average fair value per option	\$ 14.23	\$ 11.73	\$ 13.61

FULL VALUE AWARDS. We have awarded performance shares and restricted stock units to certain key employees and non-employee directors. These awards are subject to certain vesting requirements over a five -year period, based on the company's earnings growth. The awards also contain restrictions on the awardees' ability to sell or transfer vested awards for a specified period of time. The fair value of these awards is established based on the market price on the date of grant, discounted for post-vesting holding restrictions. The discounts on outstanding grants vary from 17 percent to 22 percent and are calculated using the Black-Scholes option pricing model-protective put method. Changes in measured stock price volatility and interest rates are the primary reasons for changes in the discount. These grants are being expensed based on the terms of the awards.

The following table summarizes our unvested performance shares and restricted stock unit grants as of December 31, 2014 :

	Number of Performance Shares and Restricted Stock Units	Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value
Unvested at December 31, 2013	2,028,669	\$ 51.55
Granted	321,995	60.70
Vested	(516,165)	51.26
Forfeitures	(298,345)	45.88
Unvested at December 31, 2014	1,536,154	\$ 54.67

The following table summarizes performance shares and restricted stock units by year of grant:

Year of grant	First vesting date	Last vesting date	Performance shares and stock units granted, net of forfeitures	Weighted average grant date fair value ⁽¹⁾	Unvested performance shares and restricted stock units
2010	December 31, 2011	December 31, 2015	686,919	63.28	288,506
2011	December 31, 2012	December 31, 2016	596,676	53.72	352,037
2012	December 31, 2013	December 31, 2017	333,881	48.65	277,121
2013	December 31, 2014	December 31, 2018	396,735	46.45	297,552
2014	December 31, 2015	December 31, 2019	320,738	60.74	320,938
			2,334,949	\$ 55.54	1,536,154

(1) Amount shown is the weighted average grant date fair value of performance shares and restricted stock units granted, net of forfeitures.

We have also awarded restricted shares and restricted stock units to certain key employees that vest primarily based on their continued employment. The value of these awards is established by the market price on the date of the grant and is being expensed over the vesting period of the award. The following table summarizes these unvested restricted share and restricted stock unit grants as of December 31, 2014 :

	Number of Restricted Shares and Stock Units	Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value
Unvested at December 31, 2013	851,485	\$ 45.68
Granted	355,878	61.96
Vested	(187,049)	43.15
Forfeitures	(66,190)	47.60
Unvested at December 31, 2014	954,124	\$ 52.12

We have also issued to certain key employees and non-employee directors restricted stock units which are fully vested upon issuance. These units contain restrictions on the awardees' ability to sell or transfer vested units for a specified period of time. The fair value of these units is established using the same method discussed above. These grants have been expensed during the year they were earned.

A summary of the fair value of full value awards vested (in thousands):

2014	\$ 36,510
2013	6,808
2012	53,562

As of December 31, 2014 , there was unrecognized compensation expense of \$134.2 million related to previously granted full value awards. The amount of future expense to be recognized will be based on the company's earnings growth and certain other conditions.

EMPLOYEE STOCK PURCHASE PLAN. Our 1997 Employee Stock Purchase Plan allows our employees to contribute up to \$10,000 of their annual cash compensation to purchase company stock. Purchase price is determined using the closing price on the last day of the quarter discounted by 15 percent . Shares are vested immediately. The following is a summary of the employee stock purchase plan activity (dollar amounts in thousands):

	Shares purchased by employees	Aggregate cost to employees	Expense recognized by the company
2014	231,564	\$ 11,943	\$ 2,108
2013	259,730	12,928	2,281
2012	248,405	13,116	2,315

SHARE REPURCHASE PROGRAMS. During 2009 and 2012, our Board of Directors authorized stock repurchase programs that allow management to repurchase 10,000,000 shares under each authorization. The activity under those programs for each of the periods reported is as follows (dollar amounts in thousands):

	Shares repurchased	Total value of shares repurchased
2009 Program		
2010 Purchases	1,394,831	\$ 90,500
2011 Purchases	3,540,171	246,935
2012 Purchases	4,237,555	257,064
2013 Purchases	827,443	48,048

	Shares repurchased	Total value of shares repurchased
2012 Program		
2013 Purchases	10,000,000	\$ 579,853

As of December 31, 2014 , there were no shares remaining for repurchase under the 2009 or 2012 authorization. During 2013, our Board of Directors increased the number of shares authorized to be repurchased by 15,000,000 shares. The activity under this authorization is as follows (dollar amounts in thousands):

	Shares repurchased	Total value of shares repurchased
2013 Program		
2013 Purchases	930,075	\$ 57,689
2014 Purchases	3,763,583	239,037

As of December 31, 2014 , there were 10,306,342 shares remaining for repurchase under the 2013 authorization.

NOTE 7: COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS. We offer a defined contribution plan, which qualifies under section 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code and covers all eligible U.S. employees. Annual profit-sharing contributions are determined by us, in accordance with the provisions of the plan. We can also elect to make matching contributions to the plan. Defined contribution plan expense, including matching contributions, was approximately (in thousands):

2014	\$ 30,112
2013	19,907
2012	24,769

We have committed to a defined contribution match of four percent of eligible compensation in 2015.

NONQUALIFIED DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN. The Robinson Companies Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Plan provided certain employees the opportunity to defer a specified percentage or dollar amount of their cash and stock compensation. Participants could elect to defer up to 100 percent of their cash compensation. The accumulated benefit obligation was \$0.2 million as of December 31, 2014 , and \$0.9 million as of December 31, 2013. We have purchased investments to fund the future liability. The investments had an aggregate market value of \$0.2 million as of December 31, 2014 , and \$0.9 million as of December 31, 2013, and are included in other assets in the consolidated balance sheets. In addition, all restricted shares vested but not yet delivered, as well as a deferred share award granted to our CEO and vesting ratably over 15 years, are held within this plan.

LEASE COMMITMENTS. We lease certain facilities and equipment under operating leases. Information regarding our lease expense is as follows (in thousands):

2014	\$ 56,871
2013	54,753
2012	41,689

Minimum future lease commitments under noncancelable lease agreements in excess of one year as of December 31, 2014 , are as follows (in thousands):

2015	\$ 43,903
2016	35,419
2017	28,295
2018	18,794
2019	13,559
Thereafter	9,807
Total	<u>\$ 149,777</u>

In addition to minimum lease payments, we are typically responsible under our lease agreements to pay our pro rata share of maintenance expenses, common charges, and real estate taxes of the buildings in which we lease space.

LITIGATION. We are not subject to any pending or threatened litigation other than routine litigation arising in the ordinary course of our business operations, including 20 contingent auto liability cases as of December 31, 2014. For such legal proceedings, we have accrued an amount that reflects the aggregate liability deemed probable and estimable, but this amount is not material to our consolidated financial position, results of operations, or cash flows. Because of the preliminary nature of many of these proceedings, the difficulty in ascertaining the applicable facts relating to many of these proceedings, the inconsistent treatment of claims made in many of these proceedings, and the difficulty of predicting the settlement value of many of these proceedings, we are not able to estimate an amount or range of any reasonably possible additional losses. However, based upon our historical experience, the resolution of these proceedings is not expected to have a material effect on our consolidated financial position, results of operations, or cash flows.

NOTE 8: ACQUISITIONS AND DIVESTITURES

On November 1, 2012, we acquired all of the outstanding stock of Phoenix International Freight Services, Ltd. (“Phoenix”) for the purpose of expanding our current market presence and service offerings in international freight forwarding. Total purchase consideration was \$677.3 million, net of post-closing cash and working capital adjustments, in accordance with the purchase agreement. The acquisition price was financed with \$60.2 million in newly-issued common stock (representing 1.1 million shares), borrowings under the revolving credit facility of approximately \$173.0 million discussed in Note 4, and the remainder with cash on hand. The following is a summary of the allocation of purchase consideration to the estimated fair value of net assets for the acquisition of Phoenix (in thousands):

Cash and cash equivalents	\$	75,372
Receivables		125,595
Other current assets		7,209
Property and equipment		12,160
Identifiable intangible assets		130,000
Goodwill		453,208
Other noncurrent assets		13,542
Total assets	\$	817,086
Accounts payable	\$	(45,367)
Accrued expenses		(14,340)
Other liabilities		(80,106)
Estimated net assets acquired	\$	677,273

Identifiable intangible assets and estimated useful lives are as follows (dollars in thousands):

	Estimated Life (years)	
Customer relationships	8	\$ 129,800
Noncompete agreements	5	200
Total identifiable intangible assets		\$ 130,000

The Phoenix goodwill is a result of acquiring and retaining the Phoenix existing workforce and expected synergies from integrating their business into C.H. Robinson. The goodwill is not deductible for tax purposes.

The measurement period adjustments during the year ended December 31, 2013, to the previously recorded opening balances related primarily to changes in the allocation of purchase consideration to certain accounts, based on resolution of certain working capital adjustments with the selling shareholders. The adjustments during 2013 resulted in a \$1.5 million increase in receivables, a \$5.3 million increase in goodwill, a \$1.7 million decrease in current deferred taxes, a \$2.1 million decrease in non-current deferred assets, a \$3.0 million decrease in taxes payable, and a \$10.6 million increase in other assets. The other asset recorded is an indemnification asset that approximates the estimated contingencies related to uncertain tax positions. Any subsequent changes in the indemnification asset will be recorded in interest and other (expense) income in our consolidated statement of operations and comprehensive income. The offset to these adjustments was a reduction in the estimated receivable amount from the selling shareholders. The measurement period adjustments were recorded prospectively, as they are not considered material to the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2013.

On October 16, 2012, we sold substantially all of the operations of our subsidiary, T-Chek Systems, Inc. ("T-Chek"), which represented a majority of our Payment Services business, to Electronic Funds Source, LLC ("EFS") for \$302.5 million in cash. EFS acquired the assets and assumed certain liabilities of T-Chek. We recorded a gain on the sale of the assets and liabilities of approximately \$281.6 million during the fourth quarter of 2012.

On an unaudited pro forma basis, assuming the T-Chek divestiture and the Phoenix acquisition had closed on January 1, 2012, the results of C.H. Robinson excluding T-Chek and including Phoenix would have resulted in the following (in thousands):

	December 31, 2012			
	C.H. Robinson As Reported	T-Chek Operations	Phoenix Operations	Combined Pro Forma
Total revenues	\$ 11,359,113	\$ (41,623)	\$ 692,836	\$ 12,010,326
Income from operations	675,320	(20,578)	24,131	678,873
Net income	593,804	(12,804)	11,976	592,976

Phoenix pro forma financial information includes the following adjustments for the twelve months ended December 31 (in thousands):

	2012
Eliminate personnel costs from purchased transportation and related services	\$ (24,422)
Eliminate personnel costs from selling, general, and administrative services	(50,065)
Reclassify costs to personnel expenses	74,487
Contractual changes in compensation	(5,080)
Additional amortization expense on identifiable intangible assets	13,555
Rent expense for new lease agreements	280
Depreciation on acquired building	123
Incremental interest expense	(2,127)
Additional bonus paid by sellers	(1,400)
Third party advisory fees paid by sellers	(582)
Elimination of variable interest entities not acquired	215
Tax effect	(1,487)

The pro forma consolidated financial information was prepared for comparative purposes only and includes certain adjustments, as noted above. The adjustments are estimates based on currently available information and actual amounts may have differed materially from these estimates. They do not reflect the effect of costs or synergies that would have been expected to result from the integration of the acquisition. The pro forma information does not purport to be indicative of the results of operations that actually would have resulted had the acquisition occurred at the beginning of each period presented or of future results of the consolidated entity.

On October 1, 2012, we acquired all of the outstanding stock of the operating subsidiaries of Apreo Logistics S.A. ("Apreo"), a leading freight forwarder based in Warsaw, Poland, for the purpose of expanding our current market presence and service offerings in Europe. The total purchase price of Apreo was approximately \$26.5 million, which was paid in cash. We recorded \$17.4 million of goodwill and other intangible assets related to this acquisition. The goodwill will not be deductible for tax purposes. The results of our operations for 2012 were not materially impacted by this acquisition.

The results of operations and financial condition of these acquisitions have been included in our consolidated financial statements since their acquisition dates.

NOTE 9: ACCELERATED SHARE REPURCHASE

On August 24, 2013, we entered into two letter agreements with unrelated third party financial institutions to repurchase an aggregate of \$500.0 million of our outstanding common stock (the "ASR agreements"). The total aggregate number of shares repurchased pursuant to these agreements was determined based on the volume-weighted average price of our common stock during the purchase period, less a fixed discount of 0.94%. Under the ASR agreements, we paid \$500.0 million to the financial institutions and received 6.1 million shares of common stock with a fair value of \$350.0 million during the third quarter of 2013, which represented approximately 70 percent of the total shares expected to be repurchased under the agreements. One of the two financial institutions terminated their ASR agreement and delivered 1.2 million shares on December 13, 2013. We recorded this transaction as an increase in treasury stock of \$425.0 million, and recorded the remaining \$75.0 million as a decrease to additional paid in capital on our consolidated balance sheet as of December 31, 2013. In accordance with the terms of the other ASR agreement, we had the option to settle our delivery obligation, if any, in cash or shares and we may be required to settle in cash in very limited circumstances. We accounted for the variable component of shares to be delivered under the ASR agreements as a forward contract indexed to our common stock, which met all of the applicable criteria for equity classification, and therefore, was not accounted for as a derivative instrument, but instead was also accounted for as a component of equity. The remaining ASR agreement continued to meet those requirements for equity classification as of December 31, 2013. In February 2014, the remaining ASR agreement was terminated. Approximately 1.2 million shares were delivered as final settlement of the remaining agreement. We reclassified the \$75.0 million recorded in additional paid in capital to treasury stock during the first quarter of 2014.

The delivery of 7.3 million shares of our common stock reduced our outstanding shares used to determine our weighted average shares outstanding for purposes of calculating basic and diluted earnings per share for the 12 months ended December 31, 2014 and December 31, 2013. These shares, along with the 1.2 million shares received in February 2014, reduced our outstanding shares used to determine our weighted average shares outstanding for the purposes of calculating basic and diluted earnings per share for the 12 months ended December 31, 2014. We evaluated the ASR agreement for the potential dilutive effects of any shares remaining to be received upon settlement and determined that the additional shares would be anti-dilutive, and therefore were not included in our EPS calculation for the three and twelve months ended December 31, 2013.

NOTE 10: CHANGES IN ACCUMULATED OTHER COMPREHENSIVE LOSS

Accumulated other comprehensive loss is included in the Stockholders' investment on our consolidated balance sheet. The recorded balance, at December 31, 2014, and December 31, 2013, was \$28.6 million and \$10.6 million, respectively. Accumulated other comprehensive loss is comprised solely of foreign currency translation adjustment at December 31, 2014 and 2013.

NOTE 11: SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

On January 2, 2015, we acquired all of the outstanding stock of Freightquote.com, Inc. ("Freightquote"), a privately-held freight broker which provides services throughout North America. For the year ended December 31, 2014, Freightquote had gross revenues of approximately \$623 million and net revenues of approximately \$124 million. The total purchase price of Freightquote was approximately \$365 million, which was paid in cash and is subject to post-closing adjustments.

The Note Purchase Agreement was amended in February 2015 to conform its financial covenants to be consistent with the amended revolving credit facility.

NOTE 12: RECENTLY ISSUED ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

In May 2014, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued a final standard on revenue recognition from contracts with customers. The new standard sets forth a single comprehensive model for recognizing and reporting revenue. The new standard is effective for the company in 2017, and it permits the use of either a retrospective or a cumulative effect transition method. We are evaluating the effect of the new standard on our consolidated financial statements and related disclosures, and have not yet selected a transition method or determined the impact of this standard on our consolidated financial statements.

NOTE 13: SUPPLEMENTARY DATA (UNAUDITED)

Our unaudited results of operations for each of the quarters in the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013 are summarized below (in thousands, except per share data).

2014	March 31	June 30	September 30	December 31
Revenues:				
Transportation	\$ 2,803,704	\$ 3,038,923	\$ 3,069,056	\$ 3,010,291
Sourcing	335,808	460,816	393,980	342,951
Payment Services	3,073	3,179	4,326	3,960
Total revenues	3,142,585	3,502,918	3,467,362	3,357,202
Costs and expenses:				
Purchased transportation and related services	2,375,825	2,555,371	2,575,069	2,535,985
Purchased products sourced for resale	308,962	425,922	364,179	318,946
Purchased payment services	563	588	550	455
Personnel expenses	220,297	238,986	244,621	235,117
Other selling, general, and administrative expenses	79,967	81,669	79,606	78,971
Total costs and expenses	2,985,614	3,302,536	3,264,025	3,169,474
Income from operations	156,971	200,382	203,337	187,728
Net income	\$ 93,187	\$ 118,596	\$ 124,981	\$ 112,947
Basic net income per share	\$ 0.63	\$ 0.80	\$ 0.85	\$ 0.77
Diluted net income per share	\$ 0.63	\$ 0.80	\$ 0.85	\$ 0.77
Basic weighted average shares outstanding	148,517	147,826	146,646	145,856
Dilutive effect of outstanding stock awards	491	148	210	794
Diluted weighted average shares outstanding	149,008	147,974	146,856	146,650
Market price range of common stock:				
High	\$ 60.31	\$ 64.09	\$ 69.50	\$ 77.49
Low	\$ 50.21	\$ 51.10	\$ 63.09	\$ 63.42

2013	March 31	June 30	September 30	December 31
Revenues:				
Transportation	\$ 2,603,182	\$ 2,818,077	\$ 2,880,901	\$ 2,767,550
Sourcing	387,852	466,811	432,373	382,098
Payment Services	3,233	3,374	3,391	3,234
Total revenues	2,994,267	3,288,262	3,316,665	3,152,882
Costs and expenses:				
Purchased transportation and related services	2,181,930	2,386,932	2,450,923	2,351,530
Purchased products sourced for resale	356,006	428,059	401,820	356,299
Purchased payment services	609	669	616	588
Personnel expenses	212,645	206,009	204,388	203,619
Other selling, general, and administrative expenses	74,371	84,117	82,563	85,733
Total costs and expenses	2,825,561	3,105,786	3,140,310	2,997,769
Income from operations	168,706	182,476	176,355	155,113
Net income	\$ 103,343	\$ 111,872	\$ 107,737	\$ 92,952
Basic net income per share	\$ 0.64	\$ 0.70	\$ 0.69	\$ 0.62
Diluted net income per share	\$ 0.64	\$ 0.70	\$ 0.69	\$ 0.62
Basic weighted average shares outstanding	160,637	159,818	156,924	150,856
Dilutive effect of outstanding stock awards	53	99	120	274
Diluted weighted average shares outstanding	160,690	159,917	157,044	151,130
Market price range of common stock:				
High	\$ 67.93	\$ 61.91	\$ 62.46	\$ 61.94
Low	\$ 55.81	\$ 53.74	\$ 55.26	\$ 55.92

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

None.

ITEM 9A. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

Disclosure Controls and Procedures

Under the supervision and with the participation of our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, we evaluated the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the “Exchange Act”). Based upon that evaluation, the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that, as of the end of the period covered by this report, our disclosure controls and procedures were effective.

Management’s Report on Internal Controls Over Financial Reporting

Our management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting, as such term is defined in Rule 13a-15(f) under the Exchange Act. All internal control systems, no matter how well designed, have inherent limitations. Therefore, even those systems determined to be effective can provide only reasonable assurance with respect to financial statement preparation and presentation.

Under the supervision and with the participation of our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, we conducted an evaluation of the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting based on the framework in *Internal Control-Integrated Framework (2013)* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission. Based on our evaluation under the framework in *Internal Control-Integrated Framework (2013)*, our management concluded that our internal control over financial reporting was effective as of December 31, 2014.

The effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2014, has been audited by Deloitte & Touche LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, as stated in their report, which is included in Item 8.

Changes in Internal Controls Over Financial Reporting

There have not been any changes to the company’s internal control over financial reporting during the fourth quarter, to which this report relates, 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

ITEM 10. DIRECTORS, EXECUTIVE OFFICERS, AND CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

Information with respect to our Board of Directors contained under the heading “Proposal One: Election of Directors,” and information contained under the heading “Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Reporting Compliance” in the Proxy Statement, are incorporated in this Form 10-K by reference. Information with respect to our executive officers is provided in Part I, Item 1 of this Form 10-K.

We have adopted a code of ethics that applies to our principal executive officer, principal financial officer, principal accounting officer, directors, and all other company employees performing similar functions. This code of ethics, which is part of our corporate compliance program, is posted on the Investors page of our website at www.chrobinson.com under the caption “Code of Ethics.”

We intend to satisfy the disclosure requirement under Item 10 of Form 8-K regarding an amendment to, or waiver from, a provision of this code of ethics by posting such information on our website, at the web address specified above.

ITEM 11. EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

The information contained under the heading “Named Executive Compensation” in the Proxy Statement (except for the information set forth under the subcaption “Compensation Committee Report on Executive Compensation”) is incorporated in this Form 10-K by reference.

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

(a) Equity Compensation Plans

The following table summarizes share and exercise price information about our equity compensation plans as of December 31, 2014 :

Plan Category	Number of securities to be issued upon exercise of outstanding options, warrants and rights	Weighted average exercise price of outstanding options, warrants and rights	Number of securities remaining available for future issuance under equity compensation plans (excluding securities reflected in the first column)
Equity compensation plans approved by security holders ⁽¹⁾	8,591,709	\$ 65.40	3,048,819
Equity compensation plans not approved by security holders	—	—	—
Total	8,591,709	\$ 65.40	3,048,819

(1) Includes stock available for issuance under our Employee Stock Purchase Plan, as well as options, restricted stock granted and shares that may become subject to future awards under our 2013 Equity Incentive Plan. Specifically, 3,887,089 shares remain available under our Employee Stock Purchase Plan, and 4,704,620 options remain outstanding for future exercise. Under our 2013 Equity Incentive Plan, 3,048,819 shares may become subject to future awards in the form of stock option grants or the issuance of restricted stock.

(b) Security Ownership

The information contained under the heading “Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management” in the Proxy Statement is incorporated in this Form 10-K by reference.

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

The information contained under the heading “Related Party Transactions” in the Proxy Statement is incorporated in this Form 10-K by reference.

ITEM 14. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTANTING FEES AND SERVICES

The information contained under the heading “Proposal Four: Ratification of Independent Auditors” in the Proxy Statement is incorporated in this Form 10-K by reference.

PART IV

ITEM 15. EXHIBITS, FINANCIAL STATEMENT SCHEDULES

(a) The following documents are filed as part of this report:

(1) The company's 2014 Consolidated Financial Statements and the Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm are included in Part II, Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data.

(2) Financial Statement Schedules-The following Financial Statement Schedule should be read in conjunction with the Consolidated Financial Statements and Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm included in Part II, Item 8 of this Annual report on Form 10-K:

Schedule II Valuation and Qualifying Accounts

Schedules other than the one listed above are omitted due to the absence of conditions under which they are required or because the information called for is included in Consolidated Financial Statements or the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

(b) Index to Exhibits-See Exhibit Index on page 60 for a description of the documents that are filed as Exhibits to this report on Form 10-K or incorporated by reference herein. Any document incorporated by reference is identified by a parenthetical referencing the SEC filing which included the document. We will furnish a copy of any Exhibit at no cost to a security holder upon request.

SCHEDULE II. VALUATION AND QUALIFYING ACCOUNTS

Allowance for Doubtful Accounts

The transactions in the allowance for doubtful accounts for the years ended December 31 were as follows (in thousands):

	2014	2013	2012
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 39,292	\$ 34,560	\$ 31,328
Provision	15,092	15,587	10,459
Write-offs	(13,333)	(10,855)	(7,227)
Balance, end of year	<u>\$ 41,051</u>	<u>\$ 39,292</u>	<u>\$ 34,560</u>

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the 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, in the City of Eden Prairie, State of Minnesota, on March 2, 2015.

C.H. ROBINSON WORLDWIDE, INC.

By: /s/ BEN G. CAMPBELL
Ben G. Campbell
Chief Legal Officer and Secretary

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 March 2, 2015.

<u>Signature</u>	<u>Title</u>
<u>/s/ JOHN P. WIEHOFF</u> John P. Wiehoff	Chief Executive Officer, President, and Chairman of the Board (Principal Executive Officer)
<u>/s/ CHAD M. LINDBLOOM</u> Chad M. Lindbloom	Chief Information Officer and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer and Principal Accounting Officer)
<u>*</u> Scott P. Anderson	Director
<u>*</u> Robert Ezrilov	Director
<u>*</u> Wayne M. Fortun	Director
<u>*</u> Mary J. Steele Guilfoile	Director
<u>*</u> Jodee Kozlak	Director
<u>*</u> David W. MacLennan	Director
<u>*</u> ReBecca Koenig Roloff	Director
<u>*</u> Brian P. Short	Director
<u>*</u> James B. Stake	Director

*By: /s/ BEN G. CAMPBELL

INDEX TO EXHIBITS

<u>Number</u>	<u>Description</u>
2.1	Asset Purchase Agreement by and among C.H. Robinson Worldwide, Inc., T-Chek Systems, Inc., and Electronic Funds Source LLC, dated as of October 16, 2012 (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 2.1 to the Registrant's Form 8-K filed on October 17, 2012)
2.2	Purchase Agreement dated as of September 24, 2012, among Phoenix International Freight Services, Ltd., the Selling Shareholders thereto, James William McInerney and Emil Sanchez, solely in their respective capacities as Selling Shareholder Representatives, and C.H. Robinson Worldwide, Inc. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 2.1 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on November 1, 2012)
2.3	Agreement and Plan of Merger dated December 1, 2014 among C.H. Robinson Company Inc., Jayhawk Merger Subsidiary, Inc., Freightquote.com, Inc., and the Stockholders' Representative named therein (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 2.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K dated December 2, 2014)
3.1	Certificate of Incorporation of the Company (as amended on May 19, 2012 and incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed May 15, 2012)
3.2	Bylaws of the Company (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed on August 15, 1997, Registration No. 333-33731)
3.3	Certificate of Designation of Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock of the Company (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.3 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed on October 9, 1997, Registration No. 333-33731)
4.1	Form of Certificate for Common Stock (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed on October 9, 1997, Registration No. 333-33731, file no. 000-23189)
4.2	Amended and Restated Rights Agreement between the Company and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K, dated September 10, 2007)
†10.1	1997 Omnibus Stock Plan (as amended May 18, 2006) (Incorporated by reference to Appendix A to the Proxy Statement on Form DEF 14A, filed on April 6, 2006, file no. 000-23189)
†10.2	C.H. Robinson Worldwide, Inc. 2013 Equity Incentive Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on May 14, 2013)
10.3	Credit Agreement dated as of October 29, 2012, among C.H. Robinson Worldwide, Inc., the lenders party thereto, and U.S. Bank National Association, as Administrative Agent for the Lenders, as Swing Line Lender and as LC Issuer (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed November 1, 2012)
10.4	Omnibus Amendment dated December 31, 2014 among C.H. Robinson Worldwide, Inc., the guarantors and lenders party thereto and U.S. Bank National Association, as LC Issuer, Swing Line Lender and Administrative Agent for the lenders, to that certain Credit Agreement dated, as of October 29, 2012, by and among the C.H. Robinson Company, Inc., the lenders, and U.S. Bank National Association, as LC Issuer Sing Line Lender and Administrative Agent for the Lenders (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on January 6, 2015)
10.5	Letter Agreement dated as of August 24, 2013, by and between C.H. Robinson Worldwide, Inc. and J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, as agent for JP Morgan Chase Bank, National Association (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on August 26, 2013)
10.6	Letter Agreement dated as of August 24, 2013, by and between C.H. Robinson Worldwide, Inc. and Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on August 26, 2013)
10.7	Note Purchase Agreement dated as of August 23, 2013, by and among the Company and the Purchasers (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on August 26, 2013)
*10.8	First Amendment to Note Purchase Agreement dated February 20, 2015, by and among the Company and the Purchasers
†10.9	Form of Management-Employee Agreement (Key Employee) (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.4 to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2007, file no. 000-23189)

- †10.10 Form of Management Confidentiality and Noncompetition Agreement (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.5 to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2007, file no. 000-23189)
- †10.11 C.H. Robinson Worldwide, Inc. 2010 Non-Equity Incentive Plan (Incorporated by reference to Appendix A to the Proxy Statement on Form DEF 14A, filed on March 26, 2010)
- †10.12 Robinson Companies Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Plan (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.8 to the Registrant's Annual Report on 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012)
- †10.13 Award of Deferred Shares into the Robinson Companies Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Plan, dated December 21, 2000, by and between C.H. Robinson Worldwide, Inc. and John P. Wiehoff (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.22 to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2000, file no. 000-23189)
- †10.14 Form of Restricted Stock Award for U.S. Managerial Employees (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.12 to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008, file no. 000-23189)

<u>Number</u>	<u>Description</u>
†10.15	Form of Restricted Unit Award for U.S. Managerial Employees (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.13 to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008, file no. 000-23189)
†10.16	2012 Form of Incentive Stock Option Agreement (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.13 to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011)
†10.17	2012 Form of Restricted Stock Award for U.S. Managerial Employees (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.14 to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011)
†10.18	2012 Form of Restricted Stock Award for Officers (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.15 to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011)
†10.19	2012 Form of Time-Based Restricted Stock Unit Award (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.15 to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012)
*†10.20	Form of Incentive Stock Option Agreement
*†10.21	Form of Performance Share Award for Officers
*†10.22	Form of Performance Share Award for U.S. Managerial Employees
*†10.23	Form of Time-Based Restricted Stock Unit Award
†10.24	Key Employee Agreement (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.22 to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2013)
†10.25	Employee Confidentiality and Protection of Business Agreement (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.23 to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2013)
*21	Subsidiaries of the Company
*23.1	Consent of Deloitte & Touche LLP
*24	Powers of Attorney
*31.1	Certification of the Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
*31.2	Certification of the Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
*32.1	Certification of the Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
*32.2	Certification of the Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
*101	The following financial statements from our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014, filed on March 2, 2015, formatted in XBRL: (i) Consolidated Statement of Operations for the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013, and 2012, (ii) Consolidated Balance Sheets as of December 31, 2014 and 2013, (iii) Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows for the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013, (iv) Consolidated Statements of Stockholders' Investment for the years ended 2014, 2013, and 2012, and (v) the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements, tagged as blocks of text
*	Filed herewith
†	Management contract or compensatory plan or arrangement required to be filed as an exhibit to Form 10-K pursuant to Item 15(c) of the Form 10-K Report

**FIRST AMENDMENT TO
NOTE PURCHASE AGREEMENT**

THIS FIRST AMENDMENT TO NOTE PURCHASE AGREEMENT (this “*Amendment*”), is made and entered into as of February 20, 2015, by and among C.H. Robinson Worldwide, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the “*Company*”), The Prudential Insurance Company of America and the other holders of Notes (as defined in the Note Agreement defined below) that are signatories hereto (together with their successors and assigns, the “*Noteholders*”).

W I T N E S S E T H :

WHEREAS, the Company and the Noteholders are parties to a certain Note Purchase Agreement, dated as of August 23, 2013 (as amended, restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time, the “*Note Agreement*”; capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined shall have the meanings assigned to such terms in the Note Agreement), pursuant to which the Noteholders have purchased Notes from the Company;

WHEREAS, the Company has requested that the Noteholders amend certain provisions of the Note Agreement, and subject to the terms and conditions hereof, the Noteholders are willing to do so;

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the sufficiency and receipt of all of which are acknowledged, the Company and the Noteholders agree as follows:

1. **Amendments**.

(a) Section 1 of the Note Agreement is amended by adding the following as a new paragraph at the end of Section 1:

If the Leverage Holiday pursuant to Section 10.6(a)(ii) has been exercised, the interest rate payable on the Notes shall be increased by 0.50% per annum (the “**Incremental Interest**”) during the Leverage Holiday Period. All Notes shall be deemed amended as of the First Amendment Date to reflect the inclusion of Incremental Interest on the terms set forth in the preceding sentence.

(b) Section 8.8 of the Note Agreement is amended by replacing subsection (f) of such Section in its entirety with the following:

(f) *Certain Definitions*. “**Change in Control**” means (i) the acquisition by any Person, or two or more Persons acting in concert, of beneficial ownership (within the meaning of Rule 13d-3 of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) of 30% or more of the outstanding shares of voting stock of the Company on a fully diluted basis; or (ii) if, within any twelve-month period, individuals who at the beginning of such period were directors of the Company (together with any new directors whose election by the board of directors of the Company or whose nomination for election by the stockholders of the

Company was approved by a vote of the majority of the directors then in office who either were directors at the beginning of such period or whose election or nomination for election was previously so approved) shall cease to constitute at least a majority of the board of directors of the Company.

(c) Section 8.9 of the Note Agreement is amended by replacing the reference to “Section 10.7(e)” in the first paragraph of such Section with “Section 10.7(f)”.

(d) Section 9.1 of the Note Agreement is amended by (i) adding “, Sanctions (as such term is defined in the Credit Agreement)” immediately following the reference to “the USA PATRIOT Act” and (ii) adding the following at the end of Section 9.1:

The Company will maintain in effect and use commercially reasonable efforts to enforce policies and procedures designed to ensure compliance by the Company, its Subsidiaries and their respective directors, officers, employees and agents with Anti-Corruption Laws and applicable Sanctions (as such term is defined in the Credit Agreement).

(e) Section 10.5 of the Note Agreement is amended by deleting “and” at the end of subsection (j), re-lettering subsection (k) as subsection (l), replacing the references to “Section 10.5(k)” in subsection (l) with “Section 10.5(l)”, and inserting the following as subsection (k):

(k) Liens incurred in connection with any transfer of an interest (whether characterized as the grant of a security interest or the transfer of ownership) in Receivables or related assets as part of a Qualified Receivables Transaction; provided that the sum of the aggregate amount of Receivables Transaction Attributed Indebtedness plus Consolidated Priority Debt does not exceed 20% of Consolidated Total Assets immediately after giving effect to any such transfer or Qualified Receivables Transaction.

(f) Section 10.6 of the Note Agreement is amended by replacing such Section in its entirety with the following:

Section 10.6. Financial Covenants.

(a) Leverage Ratio.

(i) Prior to the Credit Agreement Covenant Release Date, the Company will not permit the ratio, determined as of the end of each of its fiscal quarters, of (i) Consolidated Funded Indebtedness to (ii) Consolidated Total Capitalization to be greater than 0.65 to 1.00.

(ii) On and after the Credit Agreement Covenant Release Date, the Company will not permit the Leverage Ratio, determined as of the end of each of its fiscal quarters, to be greater than 3.00 to 1.00; provided that, if the Leverage Holiday has been exercised and the request therefor has been given effect, the

Company will not permit the Leverage Ratio, determined as of the end of each of four consecutive fiscal quarters beginning with the fiscal quarter in which the Leverage Holiday is exercised, to be greater than 3.50 to 1.00. For the avoidance of doubt, after the Leverage Holiday Period ends, the Leverage Ratio required under this Section 10.6(a)(ii) will revert to 3.00 to 1.00.

(b) **Interest Coverage Ratio.** The Company will not permit the ratio, determined as of the end of each of its fiscal quarters for the twelve-month period then ending, of (i) Consolidated EBIT to (ii) Consolidated Interest Expense to be less than 2.00 to 1.00.

(c) **Priority Debt Ratio.** The Company will not permit, as of the end of each of its fiscal quarters, Consolidated Priority Debt to exceed 15% of Consolidated Total Assets. The Company will not permit the sum of the aggregate amount of Receivables Transaction Attributed Indebtedness plus Consolidated Priority Debt to exceed 20% of Consolidated Total Assets immediately after giving effect to the incurrence of any Consolidated Priority Debt.

(d) **Most Favored Lender Status.** (i) Notwithstanding the foregoing or anything to the contrary set forth herein, if, after the First Amendment Effective Date (i) any financial covenant set forth in the Material Credit Facility or any other agreements, documents and instruments delivered in connection therewith (together with all definitions and relative components used therein) becomes more restrictive than any corresponding financial covenant set forth in this Section 10.6 (including any financial covenants added hereto after the First Amendment Effective Date) or (ii) any additional financial covenant is added to the Material Credit Facility (each additional, or amended and more restrictive, financial covenant, being an “ **Additional Financial Covenant** ”), then this Agreement automatically, and without any further action by the Company or any other party hereto, shall be amended to apply such more restrictive financial covenant (or such additional financial covenant, as applicable) set forth in the Material Credit Facility in lieu of (or in addition to, as the case may be) such financial covenant set forth in this Section 10.6. The Company shall promptly (and in any event within three (3) Business Days) notify the holders of the Notes of any such modification and shall promptly deliver all amendment documentation reasonably requested by the holders of the Notes to give further effect to such modifications hereunder.

(ii) If after the date of execution of any amendment or other agreement implementing an Additional Financial Covenant, such Additional Financial Covenant is excluded, terminated, loosened, relaxed, amended or otherwise modified under the Material Credit Facility, then and in such event any such Additional Financial Covenant theretofore included in this Agreement pursuant to the requirements of this Section 10.6(d) shall then and thereupon, without any further action on the part of the Company or any of the holders of the Notes, be so excluded, terminated, loosened, relaxed, amended or otherwise modified; provided that (1) if

a Default or Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing at the time any such Additional Financial Covenant is to be so excluded, terminated, loosened, relaxed, amended or otherwise modified under this Section 10.6(d), the prior written consent of the Required Holders shall be required as a condition to the exclusion, termination, loosening, relaxation, tightening, amendment or other modification of any such Additional Financial Covenant and (2) in no event shall the financial covenants contained in this Agreement as in effect on the First Amendment Date be deemed or construed to be excluded, terminated, loosened, relaxed or otherwise made less restrictive by operation of the terms of this Section 10.6(d)(ii), and only any such Additional Financial Covenant shall be so excluded, terminated, loosened, relaxed, amended or otherwise modified pursuant to the terms hereof. The Company shall promptly (and in any event within three (3) Business Days) notify the holders of the Notes of any such modification and shall promptly deliver all amendment documentation reasonably requested by the holders of the Notes to give further effect to such modifications hereunder.

(iii) To the extent that (1) lenders under the Material Credit Facility receive any fee or other compensation for agreeing or consenting to any action described in clause (ii) above in respect of any Additional Financial Covenant, (2) as a result, pursuant to clause (ii) above, the corresponding Additional Financial Covenant, as incorporated into this Agreement, is similarly excluded, terminated, loosened, relaxed, amended, or otherwise modified, and (3) the Company has not otherwise paid the holders of the Notes fees in connection with such action, then the Company shall pay the holders of the Notes equivalent fees and compensation based upon their pro rata holdings of Notes.

(g) Section 10.7 of the Note Agreement is amended by deleting “and” at the end of subsection (d), re-lettering subsection (e) as subsection (f) and inserting the following as subsection (e):

(e) Any transfer of an interest (whether characterized as the grant of a security interest or the transfer of ownership) in Receivables and related assets as part of a Qualified Receivables Transaction;

(h) Schedule A of the Note Agreement is amended by adding the following definitions in the appropriate alphabetical order:

“ **Additional Financial Covenant** ” is defined in Section 10.6(d)(i).

“ **Consolidated EBITDA** ” means Consolidated Net Income plus, to the extent deducted from revenues in determining Consolidated Net Income and without duplication, (i) Consolidated Interest Expense, (ii) expense for taxes paid in cash or accrued, (iii) depreciation, (iv) amortization, (v) extraordinary non-cash expenses, charges or losses incurred other than in the ordinary course of business and (vi) non-cash expenses related to stock based compensation, minus, to the extent included in Consolidated Net Income, (1) extraordinary income or gains realized other than in the ordinary course of business, (2) interest income, (3) income tax credits and

refunds (to the extent not netted from tax expense), (4) any cash payments made during such period in respect of items described in clauses (v) or (vi) above subsequent to the fiscal quarter in which the relevant non-cash expenses, charges or losses were incurred, all calculated for the Company and its Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis. For the purposes of calculating Consolidated EBITDA for any period of four (4) consecutive fiscal quarters (each, a “Reference Period”), (i) if at any time during such Reference Period the Company or any Subsidiary shall have made any Material Disposition, the Consolidated EBITDA for such Reference Period shall be reduced by an amount equal to the Consolidated EBITDA (if positive) attributable to the property that is the subject of such Material Disposition for such Reference Period or increased by an amount equal to the Consolidated EBITDA (if negative) attributable thereto for such Reference Period, and (ii) if during such Reference Period the Company or any Subsidiary shall have made a Material Acquisition, Consolidated EBITDA for such Reference Period shall be calculated after giving pro forma effect thereto on a basis approved by the Required Holders in their reasonable credit judgment as if such Material Acquisition occurred on the first day of such Reference Period.

“ **Credit Agreement Covenant Release Date** ” means the date on which (x) the financial covenant contained in the Credit Agreement testing the Consolidated Funded Indebtedness to Consolidated Total Capitalization shall have been removed and replaced with a financial covenant testing the Leverage Ratio and (y) the Leverage Ratio test contained in the Credit Agreement shall be no more restrictive than the financial covenant set forth in Section 10.6(a)(ii).

“ **First Amendment Effective Date** ” means February 20, 2015.

“ **Incremental Interest** ” is defined in Section 1.

“ **Leverage Holiday** ” means, in connection with a Leveraged Acquisition, the Company’s request (sent by the Company at least 10 days prior to consummating such Leveraged Acquisition) to increase the Leverage Ratio above 3.00 to 1.00 to the level set forth in the proviso in Section 10.6(a)(ii); provided, that (x) only one Leverage Holiday shall be given effect during any five-year period, (y) no Default or Event of Default shall be in existence immediately before or after the consummation of such acquisition and (z) such request shall be given effect concurrently with the consummation of such acquisition.

“ **Leverage Holiday Period** ” means the period commencing on the date that the Leveraged Acquisition is consummated and continuing through and including the last day of the fourth consecutive fiscal quarter ending thereafter, inclusive of the fiscal quarter in which the Company requests such Leverage Holiday; provided, however, that notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event the Company gives written notice to the holders of the Notes not less than 10 days prior to the end of the second or third fiscal quarter ending date subsequent to the consummation of the Leveraged Acquisition requesting the termination of the Leverage Holiday Period, the Leverage

Holiday Period shall terminate (and, accordingly, the Incremental Interest shall cease to accrue) as of the last day of the such second or third fiscal quarter ending date, as the case may be.

“ **Leverage Ratio** ” means, as of any date of calculation, the ratio of (i) Consolidated Funded Indebtedness outstanding on such date to (ii) Consolidated EBITDA for the four fiscal quarters ended on such date.

“ **Leveraged Acquisition** ” means an acquisition by the Company or any Subsidiary which is not prohibited by this Agreement.

“ **Qualified Receivables Entity** ” means a newly-formed Subsidiary or other special-purpose entity which engages solely in activities in connection with Qualified Receivables Transactions.

“ **Qualified Receivables Transaction** ” means any transaction or series of transactions that may be entered into by the Company or any Subsidiary pursuant to which the Company or any Subsidiary may sell, convey or otherwise transfer to a Qualified Receivables Entity, or any other Person, any interest (whether characterized as the grant of a security interest or the transfer of ownership) in any Receivables and rights related thereto, whether such transaction or series of transactions constitutes a secured loan or credit facility, a true sale of assets to a Qualified Receivables Entity or other Person, or otherwise, provided that (i) the documents evidencing such transaction or series of transactions are acceptable to the Required Holders in their reasonable discretion, and (ii) the Receivables Transaction Attributed Indebtedness outstanding at any one time does not exceed \$250,000,000.

“ **Receivable** ” means any right to the payment of a monetary obligation now or hereafter owing to the Company or any Subsidiary, whether evidenced by or constituting an account, instrument, chattel paper or general intangible.

“ **Receivables Transaction Attributed Indebtedness** ” means the amount of obligations outstanding under the legal documents entered into as part of any Qualified Receivables Transaction on any date of determination that would be characterized as principal if such Qualified Receivables Transaction were structured as a secured lending transaction rather than as a purchase.

(i) The definition of “Consolidated Priority Debt” set forth in Schedule A of the Note Agreement is amended by (x) replacing the reference to “Section 10.5(k)” in subsection (a) thereof with “Section 10.5(l)” and (y) replacing the reference to “Section 10.5(j)” in subsection (b)(vi) thereof with “Section 10.5(k)”.

(j) Schedule A of the Note Agreement is further amended by replacing the definitions of “Credit Agreement”, “Default Rate” and “Indebtedness” with the following:

“Credit Agreement” means that certain Credit Agreement dated as of October 29, 2012, among the Company, the lending institutions listed on the signature pages thereof, and their respective successors and assigns, and U.S. Bank National Association, a national banking association, as LC Issuer, Swing Line Lender and Administrative Agent, including any renewals, extensions, amendments, replacements or refinancing thereof.

“ Default Rate ” means that rate of interest that is the greater of (i) 2% per annum above the rate of interest stated in clause (a) of the first paragraph of the Notes (such effective rate of interest to include any Incremental Interest pursuant to Section 1) or (ii) 2% over the rate of interest publicly announced by JPMorganChase Bank, N.A. in New York, New York as its “base” or “prime” rate.

“ Indebtedness ” of a Person means such Person’s (i) obligations for borrowed money (including the Obligations hereunder), (ii) obligations representing the deferred purchase price of Property or services (other than accounts payable arising in the ordinary course of such Person’s business payable on terms customary in the trade and contingent earn-out obligations), (iii) Indebtedness, whether or not assumed, secured by Liens or payable out of the proceeds or production from Property now or hereafter owned or acquired by such Person, (iv) obligations which are evidenced by notes, acceptances, or other similar instruments, (v) obligations of such Person to purchase securities or other Property arising out of or in connection with the sale of the same or substantially similar securities or Property (other than the withholding of securities under employee incentive plans), (vi) Capitalized Lease Obligations, (vii) obligations of such Person as an account party with respect to standby and commercial Letters of Credit, (viii) Contingent Obligations of such Person in respect of Indebtedness, (ix) Receivables Transaction Attributed Indebtedness and (x) Net Mark-to-Market Exposure under Rate Management Transactions and other Financial Contracts.

2. **Conditions to Effectiveness of this Amendment .** Notwithstanding any other provision of this Amendment and without affecting in any manner the rights of the holders of the Notes hereunder, it is understood and agreed that this Amendment shall not become effective, and the Company shall have no rights under this Amendment, until the Noteholders shall have received (i) reimbursement or payment of its costs and expenses incurred in connection with this Amendment or the Note Agreement (including reasonable fees, charges and disbursements of King & Spalding LLP, counsel to the Noteholders), and (ii) each of the following documents:

- (a) executed counterparts to this Amendment from the Company, each of the Guarantors and the Noteholders;

(b) a duly executed copy of the Credit Agreement, in form and substance satisfactory to the Noteholders;

(c) a duly executed certificate of its Secretary or Assistant Secretary, dated the date of the Closing, certifying as to (i) the resolutions attached thereto and other corporate proceedings relating to the authorization, execution and delivery of this Amendment, (ii) the Company's organizational documents as then in effect (or certifying that there have been no changes or modifications thereof to the documents delivered pursuant to Section 4.3(b) of the Note Agreement and (iii) a good standing certificate (or analogous documentation if applicable) for the Company from the Secretary of State (or analogous governmental entity) of the jurisdiction of its organization, to the extent generally available in such jurisdiction; and

(d) a written opinion of counsel to the Company and Guarantors (which may include local counsel and in-house counsel), addressed to the Noteholders, in form and substance reasonably acceptable to the Noteholders.

3. **Representations and Warranties.** To induce the Noteholders to enter into this Amendment, each of the Company and the Subsidiary Guarantors hereby represents and warrants to the Noteholders that:

(a) Each of the Company and the Subsidiary Guarantors is a corporation duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of its jurisdiction of incorporation, and is duly qualified as a foreign corporation and is in good standing in each jurisdiction in which such qualification is required by law, other than those jurisdictions as to which the failure to be so qualified or in good standing would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect. Each of the Company and the Subsidiary Guarantors has the corporate power and authority to own or hold under lease the properties it purports to own or hold under lease, to transact the business it transacts and proposes to transact, to execute and deliver this Amendment and to perform the provisions hereof and thereof.

(b) This Amendment has been duly authorized by all necessary corporate action on the part of the Company and the Subsidiary Guarantors, and this Amendment constitutes a legal, valid and binding obligation of the Company and the Subsidiary Guarantors, enforceable against the Company and the Subsidiary Guarantors in accordance with its terms, except as such enforceability may be limited by (i) applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or other similar laws affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights generally and (ii) general principles of equity (regardless of whether such enforceability is considered in a proceeding in equity or at law).

(c) This Amendment and the most recent consolidated financial statements delivered to the holders of the Notes pursuant to Section 7.1(a) and Section 7.1(b) of the Note Agreement (this Amendment and such financial statements delivered to the holders being referred to, collectively, as the "**Amendment Disclosure Documents**"), taken as a whole, do not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state any material fact necessary to make the statements therein not misleading in light of the circumstances under which they were made. Since December 31, 2013, there has been no change in the financial condition, operations, business or properties of the

Company or any Subsidiary except changes that would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(d) All of the most recent consolidated financial statements delivered to the holders of the Notes pursuant to Section 7.1(a) and Section 7.1(b) of the Note Agreement (including in each case the related schedules and notes) fairly present in all material respects the consolidated financial position of the Company and its Subsidiaries as of the respective dates of such financial statements and the consolidated results of their operations and cash flows for the respective periods so specified and have been prepared in accordance with GAAP consistently applied throughout the periods involved except as set forth in the notes thereto (subject, in the case of any interim financial statements, to normal year-end adjustments). The Company and its Subsidiaries do not have any Material liabilities that are not disclosed in the Amendment Disclosure Documents.

(e) The execution, delivery and performance by the Company and the Subsidiary Guarantors of this Amendment will not (i) contravene, result in any breach of, or constitute a default under, or result in the creation of any Lien in respect of any property of the Company or any Subsidiary under, any indenture, mortgage, deed of trust, loan, purchase or credit agreement, lease, corporate charter or by laws, shareholders agreement or any other agreement or instrument to which the Company or any Subsidiary is bound or by which the Company or any Subsidiary or any of their respective properties may be bound or affected, (ii) conflict with or result in a breach of any of the terms, conditions or provisions of any order, judgment, decree or ruling of any court, arbitrator or Governmental Authority applicable to the Company or any Subsidiary or (iii) violate any provision of any statute or other rule or regulation of any Governmental Authority applicable to the Company or any Subsidiary. No consent, approval or authorization of, or registration, filing or declaration with, any Governmental Authority is required in connection with the execution, delivery or performance by the Company of this Amendment.

(f) The Company and its Subsidiaries have good and sufficient title to their respective Material properties, including all such properties reflected in the audited balance sheet for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2013 or purported to have been acquired by the Company or any Subsidiary after such date (except as sold or otherwise disposed of in the ordinary course of business), in each case free and clear of Liens prohibited by the Note Agreement, except for those defects in title and Liens that, individually or in the aggregate, would not have a Material Adverse Effect. All Material leases are valid and subsisting and are in full force and effect in all material respects.

(g) Neither the Company nor any Subsidiary is in default and no waiver of default is currently in effect, in the payment of any principal or interest on any Indebtedness of the Company or such Subsidiary and no event or condition exists with respect to any Indebtedness of the Company or any Subsidiary the outstanding principal amount of which exceeds \$10,000,000 that would permit (or that with notice or the lapse of time, or both, would permit) one or more Persons to cause such Indebtedness to become due and payable before its stated maturity or before its regularly scheduled dates of payment.

(h) After giving effect to this Amendment, (i) the representations and warranties contained in Section 5.8, Section 5.9, Section 5.11, Section 5.12 (but excluding Section 5.12(d)), Section 5.16 (but excluding Section 5.16(b) and Section 5.16(d)(iii)) and Section 5.17 of the Note

Agreement are true and correct in all material respects, except to the extent any such representation or warranty is stated to relate solely to an earlier date, in which case such representation or warranty shall have been true and correct in all material respects on and as of such earlier date, and (ii) no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing as of the date hereof.

(i) As of the date hereof, no Subsidiary of the Company has guaranteed or become liable, whether as a borrower, or as an additional or co-borrower or otherwise, for or in respect of any Indebtedness under the Material Credit Facility, other than the Subsidiaries of the Company that have executed this Amendment.

(j) The Company, its Subsidiaries and, to the knowledge of any of the Company's officers, their respective officers, employees, directors and agents, are in compliance with Anti-Corruption Laws and applicable Sanctions (as defined in the Credit Agreement) in all material respects. None of the Company, any Subsidiary or, to the knowledge of any of the Company's officers, any of their respective directors, officers or employees or any Person owning, directly or indirectly, 50% or more of the Company or any Subsidiary, is a Sanctioned Person (as such term is defined in the Credit Agreement).

4. **Reaffirmations of Guaranty**. Each Subsidiary Guarantor consents to the execution and delivery by the Company of this Amendment and jointly and severally ratify and confirm the terms of the Subsidiary Guaranty with respect to the Indebtedness now or hereafter outstanding under the Note Agreement as amended hereby and all promissory notes issued thereunder. Each Subsidiary Guarantor acknowledges that, notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein or in any other document evidencing any Indebtedness of the Company to the Noteholders or any other obligation of the Company, or any actions now or hereafter taken by the Noteholders with respect to any obligation of the Company, the Subsidiary Guaranty (i) is and shall continue to be a primary obligation of the Subsidiary Guarantors, (ii) is and shall continue to be an absolute, unconditional, joint and several, continuing and irrevocable guaranty of payment, and (iii) is and shall continue to be in full force and effect in accordance with its terms. Nothing contained herein to the contrary shall release, discharge, modify, change or affect the original liability of the Subsidiary Guarantors under the Subsidiary Guaranty.

5. **Effect of Amendment**. Except as set forth expressly herein, all terms of the Note Agreement, as amended hereby, and the other Note Documents shall be and remain in full force and effect and shall constitute the legal, valid, binding and enforceable obligations of the Company to all holders of the Notes. The execution, delivery and effectiveness of this Amendment shall not, except as expressly provided herein, operate as a waiver of any right, power or remedy of the holders of the Notes under the Note Agreement, nor constitute a waiver of any provision of the Note Agreement. From and after the date hereof, all references to the Note Agreement shall mean the Note Agreement as modified by this Amendment. This Amendment shall constitute a Note Document for all purposes of the Note Agreement.

6. **Governing Law**. This Amendment shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the internal laws of the State of New York and all applicable federal laws of the United States of America.

7. **No Novation**. This Amendment is not intended by the parties to be, and shall not be construed to be, a novation of the Note Agreement or an accord and satisfaction in regard thereto.

8. **Costs and Expenses**. The Company agrees to pay on demand all costs and expenses of the Noteholders in connection with the preparation, execution and delivery of this Amendment, including, without limitation, the reasonable fees and out-of-pocket expenses of outside counsel for the Noteholders with respect thereto.

9. **Counterparts**. This Amendment may be executed by one or more of the parties hereto in any number of separate counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original and all of which, taken together, shall be deemed to constitute one and the same instrument. Delivery of an executed counterpart of this Amendment by facsimile transmission or by electronic mail in pdf form shall be as effective as delivery of a manually executed counterpart hereof.

10. **Binding Nature**. This Amendment shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto, any other holders of Notes from time to time and their respective successors, successors-in-titles, and assigns.

11. **Entire Understanding**. This Amendment sets forth the entire understanding of the parties with respect to the matters set forth herein, and shall supersede any prior negotiations or agreements, whether written or oral, with respect thereto.

12. **Successors; Enforceability**. The terms and provisions of this Amendment shall be binding upon the Company, the Guarantors and the Noteholders and their respective successors and assigns, and shall inure to the benefit of the Company, the Guarantors and the Noteholders and the successors and assigns of the Noteholders.

13. **Severability**. Any provision in this Amendment that is held to be inoperative, unenforceable, or invalid in any jurisdiction shall, as to that jurisdiction, be inoperative, unenforceable, or invalid without affecting the remaining provisions in that jurisdiction or the operation, enforceability, or validity of that provision in any other jurisdiction, and to this end the provisions of this Amendment are declared to be severable.

14. **Release**. In further consideration of the execution by the Noteholders of this Amendment, the Company, on behalf of itself and each of its affiliates, and all of the successors and assigns of each of the foregoing (collectively, the “**Releasors**”), hereby completely, voluntarily, knowingly, and unconditionally releases and forever discharges the Noteholders, each of their advisors, professionals and employees, each affiliate of the foregoing and all of their respective successors and assigns (collectively, the “**Releasees**”), from any and all claims, actions, suits, and other liabilities, including, without limitation, any so-called “lender liability” claims or defenses (collectively, “**Claims**”), whether arising in law or in equity, which any of the Releasors ever had, now has or hereinafter can, shall or may have against any of the Releasees for, upon or by reason of any matter, cause or thing whatsoever from time to time occurred on or prior to the date hereof, in any way concerning, relating to, or arising from (i) any of the Releasors in connection with the Note Agreement, the Notes, the Subsidiary Guarantors and other related documents and the transactions contemplated thereby, (ii) the obligations of the Company and the Subsidiary

Guarantors under the Note Agreement, the Notes, the Subsidiary Guaranties and all other related documents, and (iii) the financial condition, business operations, business plans, prospects or creditworthiness of the Company or any affiliate thereof. The Releasors hereby acknowledge that they have been advised by legal counsel of the meaning and consequences of this release.

[signature pages follow]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Amendment to be duly executed, under seal in the case of the Company and the Guarantors, by their respective authorized officers as of the day and year first above written.

COMPANY:

C. H. ROBINSON WORLDWIDE, INC.

By: /s/ Troy A. Renner

Name: Troy A. Renner

Title: Treasurer

GUARANTORS:

C. H. ROBINSON COMPANY , as a Guarantor

By: /s/ Ben G. Campbell

Name: Ben G. Campbell

Title: Chief Legal Officer and Secretary

C. H. ROBINSON COMPANY, INC. , as a Guarantor

By: /s/ Ben G. Campbell

Name: Ben G. Campbell

Title: Chief Legal Officer and Secretary

NOTEHOLDERS:

**THE PRUDENTIAL INSURANCE COMPANY
OF AMERICA**

By: /s/ Joshua Shipley
Vice President

**PRUCO LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY OF
NEW JERSEY**

By: /s/ Joshua Shipley
Assistant Vice President

**THE GIBRALTAR LIFE INSURANCE CO.
LTD.**

By: Prudential Investment Management Japan
Co., Ltd., as Investment Manager

By: Prudential Investment Management, Inc.,
as Sub-Adviser

By: /s/ Joshua Shipley
Vice President

**PRUDENTIAL RETIREMENT INSURANCE
AND ANNUITY COMPANY
PRUDENTIAL ARIZONA REINSURANCE
UNIVERSAL COMPANY**

By: Prudential Investment Management, Inc.
(as Investment Manager)

By: /s/ Joshua Shipley
Vice President

**FARMERS INSURANCE EXCHANGE
MID CENTURY INSURANCE COMPANY
THE LINCOLN NATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE
COMPANY
COMPANION LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY
UNITED OF OMAHA LIFE INSURANCE
COMPANY
THE PENN MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE
COMPANY**

By: Prudential Private Placement Investors,
L.P. (as Investment Advisor)

By: Prudential Private Placement Investors, Inc.
(as its General Partner)

By: /s/ Joshua Shipley
Vice President

NEW YORK LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

By: /s/ James M. Belletire

Name: James M. Belletire

Title: Vice President

**NEW YORK LIFE INSURANCE AND ANNUITY
CORPORATION**

By: NYL Investors LLC, its Investment Manager

By: /s/ James M. Belletire

Name: James M. Belletire

Title: Vice President

**NEW YORK LIFE INSURANCE AND ANNUITY
CORPORATION INSTITUTIONALLY OWNED
LIFE INSURANCE SEPARATE ACCOUNT (BOLI
30C)**

By: NYL Investors LLC, its Investment Manager

By: /s/ James M. Belletire

Name: James M. Belletire

Title: Vice President

METROPOLITAN LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

By: /s/ John A. Wills

Name: John A. Wills

Title: Managing Director

**METLIFE INSURANCE K.K., formerly known as METLIFE ALICO LIFE
INSURANCE K.K.**

By: MetLife Investment Management, LLC, Its
Investment Manager

By: /s/ C. Scott Inglis

Name: C. Scott Inglis

Title: Managing Director

EMPLOYERS REASSURANCE CORPORATION

By: MetLife Investment Management, LLC, Its
Investment Manager

By: /s/ C. Scott Inglis

Name: C. Scott Inglis

Title: Managing Director

C.H. ROBINSON INCENTIVE STOCK OPTION (PERFORMANCE-BASED U.S.) AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT (the “Agreement”), made on the Grant Date set forth in the C. H. Robinson Worldwide, Inc. Equity Award letter dated _____ by and between **C.H. ROBINSON WORLDWIDE, INC.**, a Delaware corporation (the “Company”), and the employee named on the C. H. Robinson Worldwide, Inc. Equity Award letter (“Employee”), pursuant to the Company’s 2013 Equity Incentive Plan (the “Plan”).

Unless the context indicates otherwise, terms that are not defined in this Agreement shall have the meaning set forth in the Plan as it currently exists or as it is amended in the future. For good and valuable consideration, the receipt and adequacy of which are hereby acknowledged, the Company and Employee hereby agree as follows:

1. Grant of Option

The Company hereby grants to Employee, on the Grant Date set forth in the C. H. Robinson Worldwide, Inc. Equity Award letter, the right and option (hereinafter called the “Option”) to purchase all or any part of an aggregate of the number of shares of Common Stock, par value \$0.10 per share (the “Common Stock”), set forth on the C. H. Robinson Worldwide, Inc. Equity Award letter (the “Option Shares”) at the price per share set forth on the C. H. Robinson Worldwide, Inc. Equity Award letter on the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement and in the Plan. This Option is intended to be an incentive stock option within the meaning of Section 422 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “Code”). The Option shall terminate at the close of business ten (10) years from the Award Date, or such shorter period as is prescribed herein. Employee shall not have any of the rights of a stockholder with respect to the shares subject to the Option until such shares shall be issued to Employee upon the proper exercise of the Option.

2. Vesting and Exercisability

(a) The Measurement Period for performance shall be January 1 through December 31 of a calendar/fiscal year during the years _____. Beginning on December 31, ____, and on each December 31 thereafter through December 31, ____, a portion of the Option will vest, but only if and only to the extent that the Company’s Vesting Indicator (“VI”) is greater than zero for the respective Measurement Period, as determined by the Compensation Committee of the Company’s Board of Directors, and the applicable Service conditions set forth in this Agreement are satisfied. The VI is defined as the sum of 10 percentage points plus the percentage increase (or decrease) in Company diluted net income per share for the applicable Measurement Period over the prior year rounded to two decimal places. For purposes of calculating the VI for any year during the Measurement Period, the growth for a year is the percentage the current year’s EPS exceeds the greater of the previous year’s diluted net income per share or the diluted net income per share for _____. That sum, in turn, is rounded to the nearest whole percentage.

Example:

	Prior Year	Measurement Period	Percentage Increase
Diluted net income per share	\$ 2.00	\$ 2.19	9.50%
Add: 10 Percentage Points			19.50%
Rounded to the Nearest Whole Percentage			VI=20.00%

In determining how many Option Shares are vested with respect to each Measurement Period, the VI is multiplied by the total number of Option Shares covered by the Option, with the result then rounded to the nearest whole share.

Example:

Option Grant: 1,000 Option Shares	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
VI:	20%	12%	26%
Rounded Number of Option Shares Vested as of Dec. 31:	200	120	260

(b) The Compensation Committee's calculation of VI shall be final, and the Compensation Committee retains the discretion to eliminate unusual items, if any, for purposes of calculating the VI for any particular Measurement Period (including adjustments to the computation of diluted net income per share).

(c) Subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein and in the Plan, the vested portion of this Option shall be exercisable by Employee until the termination of the Option. The vesting terms provided above shall be cumulative, meaning that to the extent the Option has not already been exercised and has not expired, terminated or been forfeited, Employee or the person otherwise entitled to exercise the Option under the terms of this Agreement and the Plan may at any time purchase all or any portion of the then vested Option Shares. Any Option Shares not vested after the calculation of VI for the Measurement Period ending December 31, ____ shall be forfeited by the Employee and cancelled.

(d) During the lifetime of Employee, the Option shall be exercisable only by Employee and shall not be assignable or transferable by Employee, other than by will or the laws of descent and distribution, as further provided in Section 6(c) of the Plan.

(e) Notwithstanding Section 2(a), the vesting of this Option shall be accelerated, and this Option may be exercised as to all Option Shares remaining subject to this Option Agreement, on the date of a Change in Control.

(f) Employee understands that to the extent that the aggregate Fair Market Value (determined at the time the Option was granted) of the shares of Common Stock with respect to which all incentive stock options within the meaning of Section 422 of the Code are exercisable for the first time by Employee during any calendar year exceed \$100,000, in accordance with Section 422(d) of the Code such options shall be treated as options that do not qualify as incentive stock options.

3. Effect of Termination of Employment

(a) Except as otherwise provided herein, if Employee ceases to be an Employee (as defined in the Plan) prior to the termination of the Option, then Employee shall (i) forfeit the Option Shares that have not yet become vested, which shall be cancelled and be of no further force or effect, and (ii) subject to Section 3(b), retain the right to exercise any Option Shares that have previously become vested until the termination date of the Option. If, prior to any termination of Employment, Employee has executed and continues to adhere to a Management-Employee ("Key Employee") Agreement in favor of the Company which contains a non-competition provision, then the Option shall not be terminated and vesting shall continue through the end of two (2) additional Measurement Periods following Employee's termination of Employment with the Company. In addition, if prior to any termination of Employment, Employee has executed and continues to adhere to a Management-Employee ("Key Employee") Agreement in favor of the Company which contains a non-competition provision and if Employee has a minimum of five (5) consecutive years of service at the time of such termination, then the Option shall not terminate and vesting shall continue through the end of additional Measurement Periods following such termination according to the following schedule:

Sum of Age in Whole Years and Tenure in Whole Years	Additional Years of Potential Vesting
At least 50 and less than 60	3 years
At least 60 and less than 70	4 years
At least 70 and greater	5 years

Age and Tenure are individually rounded up to the nearest whole number and Tenure is defined as the period of time between Employee's date of separation from Service and Employee's last date of hire (or in the case of an acquisition, the equivalent last date of hire with the acquired entity). Under no event, however, will any entitlement to continued vesting under this Section 3(a) cause the vesting period of this Option to exceed five (5) years. Employee understands that if the Option or any portion of the Option is exercised in accordance with the above later than three months from the date of termination of employment, the Option or such portion of the Option may not qualify for treatment as an incentive stock option within the meaning of Section 422 of the Code.

(b) Notwithstanding the foregoing, if Employee embezzles or misappropriates Company funds or property, or is determined by the Company to have failed to comply with the terms and conditions of any of the following agreements which Employee may have executed in favor of the Company: i) Confidentiality and Noncompetition Agreement, ii) Management-Employee Agreement, iii) Sales-

Employee Agreement, iv) Data Security Agreement, or v) any other agreement containing post-employment restrictions (collectively the “Obligations”), will immediately and automatically forfeit the Option, whether vested or unvested, and will retain no rights with respect to such Option.

(c) If Employee shall die while this Option is still exercisable according to its terms, or if employment is terminated because Employee has died or become subject to a Disability while in the employ of the Company or a subsidiary, if any, and Employee shall not have fully exercised the Option, such Option shall immediately vest in full and may be exercised at any time up to the expiration of the Option after Employee’s death or date of termination of employment for Disability by Employee, personal representatives or administrators, or guardians of Employee, as applicable, or by any person or persons to whom the Option is transferred by will or the applicable laws of descent and distribution.

4. Manner of Exercise

(a) The Option may be exercised only by Employee or as otherwise provided herein or in the Plan by delivering within the Option period written notice to the Company at its principal office. The notice shall state the number of Option Shares as to which the Option is being exercised and be accompanied by payment in full of the Option price for all Option Shares designated in the notice.

(b) Employee may pay the Option price in cash, by check (bank check, certified check or personal check), by money order, or with the approval of the Company (i) by delivering to the Company for cancellation shares of Common Stock of the Company with a Fair Market Value as of the date the Option is exercised equal to the purchase price of the Option Shares being purchased or (ii) by delivering to the Company a combination of cash and shares of Common Stock of the Company with an aggregate Fair Market Value equal to the purchase price.

5. Additional Forfeiture Provisions

Employee and the Company have entered into one or more of the agreements included as Obligations under Section 3(b). Any shares of Common Stock of the Company acquired by Employee pursuant to the exercise of this Option shall be forfeited to the Company, in full, if Employee violates any of the terms of the Obligations or embezzles or misappropriates Company funds or property.

6. Miscellaneous

(a) This Option is issued pursuant to the Company’s 2013 Equity Incentive Plan, a copy of which has been provided to the Employee, and is subject to its terms. This Agreement and the other documents governing the Option shall be subject to the choice of law provisions of Section 18(e) of the Plan.

(b) This Agreement shall not confer on Employee any right with respect to continuance of employment by the Company or any of its affiliates, nor will it interfere in any way with the right of the Company to terminate such employment at any time for any reason. Employee shall have none of the rights of a stockholder with respect to shares subject to this Option until such shares shall have been issued to Employee upon exercise of this Option.

(c) The exercise of all or any parts of this Option shall only be effective at such time that the sale of Common Stock pursuant to such exercise will not violate any state or federal securities or other laws.

(d) If there shall be any change in the shares of Common Stock of the Company through merger, consolidation, reorganization, recapitalization, dividend in the form of stock (of whatever amount), stock split or other change in the corporate structure of the Company, and all or any portion of the Option shall then be unexercised and not yet expired, appropriate adjustments in the outstanding Option shall be made by the Company in accordance with Section 12(a) of the Plan. Such adjustments shall include, where appropriate, changes in the number of shares of Common Stock and the price per share subject to the outstanding Option as further provided in Section 12(a) of the Plan.

(e) The Company shall at all times during the term of the Option reserve and keep available such number of shares as will be sufficient to satisfy the requirements of this Agreement.

(f) If Employee shall dispose of any of the shares of Common Stock of the Company acquired by Employee pursuant to the exercise of the Option within two years from the date the Option was granted or within one year after the transfer of any such shares to Employee upon exercise of the Option, then in order to provide the Company with the opportunity to claim the benefit of any income tax deduction which may be available to it under the circumstances, Employee shall promptly notify the Company of

the dates of acquisition and disposition of such shares, the number of shares so disposed of and the consideration, if any, received for such shares. In order to comply with all applicable federal or state income tax laws or regulations, the Company may take such action as it deems appropriate to insure (i) notice to the Company of any disposition of the Common Stock of the Company within the time periods described above and (ii) that, if necessary, all applicable federal or state payroll, withholding, income or other taxes are withheld or collected from Employee.

(g) In order to provide the Company with the opportunity to claim the benefit of any income tax deduction which may be available to it upon the exercise of the Option when the Option does not qualify as an incentive stock option within the meaning of Section 422 of the Code and in order to comply with all applicable federal or state income tax laws or regulations, the Company may take such action as it deems appropriate to insure that, if necessary, all applicable federal or state payroll, withholding, income or other taxes are withheld or collected from Employee. Employee may elect to satisfy his federal and state income tax withholding obligations upon exercise of this option by (i) having the Company withhold a portion of the shares of Common Stock otherwise to be delivered upon exercise of such option having a Fair Market Value equal to the amount of federal and state income tax required to be withheld upon such exercise, in accordance with such rules as the Company may from time to time establish, or (ii) delivering to the Company shares of its Common Stock other than the shares issuable upon exercise of such option with a fair market value equal to such taxes, in accordance with such rules.

C.H. ROBINSON WORLDWIDE, INC.

C.H. ROBINSON 2013 PERFORMANCE SHARE PROGRAM FOR OFFICERS

C.H. Robinson Worldwide, Inc. (the “Company”) is permitted under the terms of its 2013 Equity Incentive Plan (the “Plan”) to issue its shares and other derivative securities to employees at various times and in various forms. The Company’s Compensation Committee has approved a 2013 Performance Share Program for Officers (the “Program”) pursuant to which performance share awards (the “Awards”) will be made to designated officers of the Company. Each such Award will be subject to the terms of a participant-specific award notice (a “Notice”), the general terms of the Program as contained in this Program Outline, and the terms of the Plan. Unless the context clearly indicates otherwise, any capitalized term used but not defined in this Program Outline will have the meaning set forth in the Plan as it currently exists or as it is amended in the future.

Program Outline

1. Each participant in the Program will be granted a number of performance shares as specified in the applicable Notice on the Grant Date specified in the Notice, and the performance shares will be credited to the participant’s account maintained by the Company. Each performance share that vests represents the right to receive one share of the Company’s common stock on the settlement date for the Award. Vesting of performance shares will be conditioned upon the satisfaction of the performance and continued Service conditions described below.
2. The Measurement Period for performance shall be January 1 through December 31 of each calendar/fiscal year during the years _____. Beginning on December 31, ____, and on each December 31 thereafter through December 31, ____, a portion of the Award will vest, but only if and only to the extent that the Company’s Vesting Indicator (“VI”) is greater than zero for the respective year, as determined by the Compensation Committee, and the applicable Service conditions set forth below are satisfied. The VI is defined as the sum of 10 percentage points plus the percentage increase (or decrease) in Company diluted net income per share for the applicable Measurement Period over the prior year rounded to two decimal places. For purposes of calculating the VI for any year during the Measurement Period, the growth for a year is the percentage the current year’s EPS exceeds the greater of the previous year’s diluted net income per share or the diluted net income per share for _____. That sum, in turn, is rounded to the nearest whole percentage.

Example

	Prior Year	Current Year	Percentage Increase
Diluted net income per share	\$2.00	\$2.19	9.50%
Add: 10 Percentage Points			19.50%
Rounded to the Nearest Whole Percentage			VI=20.00%

3. In determining how many performance shares subject to an Award are vested with respect to each Measurement Period, the VI is multiplied by the total number of performance shares subject to the Award, with the result then rounded to the nearest whole performance share.

Example

Grant of 1,000 Performance Shares	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
VI:	20%	12%	26%
Rounded Number of Performance Shares Vested as of Dec. 31:	200	120	260

4. The Compensation Committee’s calculation of VI shall be final, and the Compensation Committee retains the discretion to eliminate unusual items, if any, for purposes of calculating the VI for any particular Measurement Period (including adjustments to the computation of diluted net income per share). To the extent that any Award is intended to be Performance-Based Compensation, the Compensation Committee’s exercise of this discretion shall be in accordance with the requirements of Section 162(m) of the Code.
5. A participant’s performance shares may vest pursuant to paragraph 2 above with respect to this award for up to 5 years (and may vest in less than 5 years if the VI during such time period is sufficiently high enough). Any performance shares remaining unvested after the calculation of VI for the Measurement Period ending December 31, ____ will be forfeited and deleted from participant’s account, and the participant will retain no rights with respect to the forfeited performance shares.

6. Except as otherwise provided in this paragraph and in paragraphs 14 and 15, a participant's performance shares will vest upon satisfaction of the performance condition only while the participant remains a Service Provider. If, prior to any separation from Service, a participant has executed and continues to adhere to a Management-Employee ("Key Employee") Agreement in favor of the Company which contains a non-competition provision, then such participant's Award shall not be terminated and vesting shall continue (to the extent the performance condition has been satisfied) through the end of two (2) additional Measurement Periods following the participant's separation from Service. In addition, if prior to any separation from Service, a participant has executed and continues to adhere to a Management-Employee ("Key Employee") Agreement in favor of the Company which contains a non-competition provision, and if such participant has a minimum of five (5) consecutive years of Service at the time of such separation, then such participant's Award shall not be terminated and vesting shall continue (to the extent the performance condition has been satisfied) through the end of additional Measurement Periods following such separation from Service according to the following schedule:

<u>Sum of Age in Whole Years and Tenure in Whole Years</u>	<u>Additional Years of Potential Vesting</u>
At least 50 and less than 60	3 years
At least 60 and less than 70	4 years
At least 70 or greater	5 years

Age and Tenure are individually rounded up to the nearest whole number and Tenure is defined as the period of time between a participant's date of separation from Service and the participant's last date of hire (or in the case of an acquisition, the equivalent last date of hire with the acquired entity). Under no event, however, will any entitlement to continued vesting under this paragraph cause the vesting period of any Award to exceed the five (5) year period specified in paragraph 5.

7. Notwithstanding the foregoing, participants who embezzle or misappropriate Company funds or property, or who the Company has determined have failed to comply with the terms and conditions of any of the following agreements which they may have executed in favor of the Company: (i) Confidentiality and Noncompetition Agreement, (ii) Management-Employee Agreement, (iii) Sales-Employee Agreement, (iv) Data Security Agreement, or (v) any other agreement containing post-employment restrictions, will automatically forfeit all Awards, whether vested or unvested, and will retain no rights with respect to such performance shares.
8. Unless a participant has elected a different time and form of settlement as provided in paragraph 17, and except as otherwise provided in paragraphs 14 and 15, shares of the Company's common stock shall be delivered to a participant in settlement of vested performance shares in a single lump sum distribution of shares upon the earlier of (i) two years after the participant's separation from Service, or (ii) February 15, _____. If a participant is entitled to continued vesting of performance shares following a separation from Service as provided in paragraph 6, shares of Company common stock shall be delivered in settlement of such additional vested performance shares at the time specified in clause (i) of the previous sentence to the extent that the shares relate to a Measurement Period that ended at least 75 days prior to the time specified in clause (i), and shall be delivered within 75 days of the end of any subsequent Measurement Period.
9. Performance shares may not be sold, exchanged, assigned, transferred, discounted, pledged or otherwise disposed of at any time prior to delivery of the settlement shares as described herein.
10. A participant will be entitled to receive payments on the performance shares credited to the participant's account, whether vested or unvested, when and if dividends are declared by the Company's Board of Directors on the Company's common stock, in an amount of cash per performance share equal to the per share dividend amount payable to common stockholders of the Company. Such payments will be payable on the next regularly occurring payroll date after the corresponding dividend payment date. Such payments made before delivery of shares in settlement of performance shares will be paid through the Company's payroll process and treated as compensation income for tax purposes and will be subject to income and payroll tax withholding by the Company.
11. In order to comply with all applicable federal, state or local tax laws or regulations, at the time that shares are delivered to a participant in settlement of performance shares, the Company will withhold the minimum required statutory taxes based on the Fair Market Value of the shares at the time of delivery. In order to satisfy any such tax withholding obligation, the Company will withhold a portion of the shares otherwise to be delivered with a Fair Market Value equal to the amount of such taxes.
12. A performance share Award shall confer no rights of continued Service to any participant, nor will it interfere in any way with the right of the Company to terminate such Service at any time. The Company retains all rights to enforce any other agreement or contract that the Company has with any participant.

13. If there shall be any change in the Company's common stock through merger, consolidation, reorganization, recapitalization, dividend in the form of stock (of whatever amount), stock split or other change in the corporate structure of the Company, appropriate adjustments shall be made in the number of performance shares that are vested or unvested under an Award as contemplated by Section 12(a) of the Plan.
14. In the event of a Change in Control (as defined in the Plan after giving effect to the final sentence of Section 2(f) thereof), the vesting of outstanding performance shares shall be accelerated and shares in settlement of such vested performance shares shall be delivered as soon as administratively practical, but in all events by the date that is 60 days after the date of the Change in Control.
15. In the event a participant dies or is determined to be subject to a Disability while a Service Provider, vesting of outstanding performance shares shall be accelerated and shares shall be delivered in settlement of such vested performance shares as soon as administratively practical, but in all events by the date that is 60 days after the date of the death or Disability.
16. The Awards are made pursuant to the Plan, a copy of which has been provided to each participant, and are subject to its terms. The terms of this Program Outline will be interpreted as to be consistent with the Plan, but if any provision in this Program Outline is inconsistent with the terms of the Plan, the terms of the Plan will prevail. By participating in the Company's 2013 Performance Share Program for Officers, a participant shall be deemed to have accepted all the conditions of the Plan, the Notice, this Program Outline, and the terms and conditions of any rules adopted by the Compensation Committee pursuant to the Plan and shall be fully bound thereby. The documents governing an Award shall be subject to the choice of law provisions of Section 18(e) of the Plan. To the extent an Award is subject to Code Section 409A, it shall be subject to and administered in accordance with Section 18(g) of the Plan, including subjecting any share delivery or amount payable to a "specified employee" as the result of a "separation from service" (as those terms are defined in Code Section 409A) to the six-month payment delay rule described there. If the six month payment delay rule is applicable, then any shares that would have otherwise have been delivered during that six-month period will be delivered upon completion of that six-month period, and any subsequent share deliveries shall be made as scheduled. Notwithstanding the foregoing, although the intent is to comply with Code Section 409A, a participant shall be responsible for all taxes and penalties that could result from a failure to comply (the Company and its employees shall not be responsible for such taxes and penalties).
17. Using the election form that has been provided to each participant, and in accordance with the terms and conditions contained in that election form, a participant may elect to receive delivery of shares of Company common stock in settlement of vested performance shares at such later time or times and in a lump sum or installments as may be specified in such election form.

C.H. ROBINSON 2013 PERFORMANCE SHARE PROGRAM

(U.S. Managers)

C.H. Robinson Worldwide, Inc. (the “Company”) is permitted under the terms of its 2013 Equity Incentive Plan (the “Plan”) to issue its shares and other derivative securities to employees at various times and in various forms. The Company’s Compensation Committee has approved a 2013 Performance Share Program (the “Program”) pursuant to which performance share awards (the “Awards”) will be made to designated managerial employees of the Company and its Subsidiaries. Each such Award will be subject to the terms of a participant-specific award notice (a “Notice”), the general terms of the Program as contained in this Program Outline, and the terms of the Plan. Unless the context clearly indicates otherwise, any capitalized term used but not defined in this Program Outline will have the meaning set forth in the Plan as it currently exists or as it is amended in the future.

Program Outline

- Each participant in the Program will be granted a number of performance shares as specified in the applicable Notice on the Grant Date specified in the Notice, and the performance shares will be credited to the participant’s account maintained by the Company. Each performance share that vests represents the right to receive one share of the Company’s common stock on the settlement date for the Award. Vesting of performance shares will be conditioned upon the satisfaction of the performance and continued Service conditions described below.
- The Measurement Period for performance shall be January 1 through December 31 of each calendar/fiscal year during the years _____. Beginning on December 31, ____, and on each December 31 thereafter through December 31, ____, a portion of the Award will vest, but only if and only to the extent that the Company’s Vesting Indicator (“VI”) is greater than zero for the respective Measurement Period, as determined by the Compensation Committee, and the applicable Service conditions set forth below are satisfied. The VI is defined as the sum of 10 percentage points plus the percentage increase (or decrease) in Company diluted net income per share for the applicable Measurement Period over the prior year rounded to two decimal places. For purposes of calculating the VI for any year during the Measurement Period, the growth for a year is the percentage the current year’s EPS exceeds the greater of the previous year’s diluted net income per share or the diluted net income per share for _____. That sum, in turn, is rounded to the nearest whole percentage.

Example

	Prior Year	Current Year	Percentage Increase
Diluted net income per share	\$2.00	\$2.19	9.5%
Add: 10 Percentage Points			19.50%
Rounded to the Nearest Whole Percentage			VI=20.00%

- In determining how many performance shares subject to an Award are vested with respect to each Measurement Period, the VI is multiplied by the total number of performance shares subject to the Award, with the result then rounded to the nearest whole performance share.

Example

Grant of 1,000 Performance Shares	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
VI:	20%	12%	26%
Rounded Number of Performance Shares Vested as of Dec. 31:	200	120	260

- The Compensation Committee’s calculation of the VI shall be final, and the Compensation Committee retains the discretion to eliminate unusual items, if any, for purposes of calculating the VI for any particular Measurement Period (including adjustments to the computation of diluted net income per share).
- A participant’s performance shares may vest pursuant to paragraph 2 above with respect to this award for up to 5 years (and may vest in less than 5 years if the VI during such time period is sufficiently high enough). Any performance shares remaining unvested after the calculation of VI for the Measurement Period ending December 31, ____ will be forfeited and deleted from participant’s account, and the participant will retain no rights with respect to the forfeited performance shares.
- Except as otherwise provided in this paragraph and in paragraphs 14 and 15, a participant’s performance shares will vest upon satisfaction of the performance condition only while the participant remains a Service Provider. If, prior to any separation from Service, a participant has executed and continues to adhere to a Management-Employee (“Key Employee”) Agreement in favor of

the Company which contains a non-competition provision, then such participant's Award shall not be terminated and vesting shall continue (to the extent the performance condition has been satisfied) through the end of two (2) additional Measurement Periods following the participant's separation from Service. In addition, if prior to any separation from Service, a participant has executed and continues to adhere to a Management-Employee ("Key Employee") Agreement in favor of the Company which contains a non-competition provision, and if such participant has a minimum of five (5) consecutive years of Service at the time of such separation, then such participant's Award shall not be terminated and vesting shall continue (to the extent the performance condition has been satisfied) through the end of additional Measurement Periods following such separation from Service according to the following schedule:

<u>Sum of Age in Whole Years and Tenure in Whole Years</u>	<u>Additional Years of Potential Vesting</u>
At least 50 and less than 60	3 years
At least 60 and less than 70	4 years
At least 70 or greater	5 years

Age and Tenure are individually rounded up to the nearest whole number and Tenure is defined as the period of time between a participant's date of separation from Service and the participant's last date of hire (or in the case of an acquisition, the equivalent last date of hire with the acquired entity). Under no event, however, will any entitlement to continued vesting under this paragraph cause the vesting period of any Award to exceed the five (5) year period specified in paragraph 5.

7. Notwithstanding the foregoing, participants who embezzle or misappropriate Company funds or property, or who the Company has determined have failed to comply with the terms and conditions of any of the following agreements which they may have executed in favor of the Company: (i) Confidentiality and Noncompetition Agreement, (ii) Management-Employee Agreement, (iii) Sales-Employee Agreement, (iv) Data Security Agreement, or (v) any other agreement containing post-employment restrictions, will automatically forfeit all Awards, whether vested or unvested, and will retain no rights with respect to such performance shares.
8. Except as otherwise provided in paragraphs 14 and 15, shares of the Company's common stock shall be delivered to a participant in settlement of vested performance shares in a single lump sum distribution of shares upon the earlier of (i) two years after the participant's separation from Service, or (ii) February 15, ____.
9. Performance shares may not be sold, exchanged, assigned, transferred, discounted, pledged or otherwise disposed of at any time prior to delivery of the settlement shares as described herein.
10. A participant will be entitled to receive payments on the performance shares credited to the participant's account, whether vested or unvested, when and if dividends are declared by the Company's Board of Directors on the Company's common stock, in an amount of cash per performance share equal to the per share dividend amount payable to common stockholders of the Company. Such payments will be payable on the next regularly occurring payroll date after the corresponding dividend payment date. Such payments made before delivery of shares in settlement of performance shares will be paid through the Company's payroll process and treated as compensation income for tax purposes and will be subject to income and payroll tax withholding by the Company.
11. In order to comply with all applicable federal, state or local tax laws or regulations, at the time that shares are delivered to a participant in settlement of performance shares, the Company will withhold the minimum required statutory taxes based on the Fair Market Value of the shares at the time of delivery. In order to satisfy any such tax withholding obligation, the Company will withhold a portion of the shares otherwise to be delivered with a Fair Market Value equal to the amount of such taxes.
12. A performance share Award shall confer no rights of continued Service to any participant, nor will it interfere in any way with the right of the Company to terminate such Service at any time. The Company retains all rights to enforce any other agreement or contract that the Company has with any participant.
13. If there shall be any change in the Company's common stock through merger, consolidation, reorganization, recapitalization, dividend in the form of stock (of whatever amount), stock split or other change in the corporate structure of the Company, appropriate adjustments shall be made in the number of performance shares that are vested or unvested under an Award as contemplated by Section 12(a) of the Plan.
14. In the event of a Change in Control (as defined in the Plan after giving effect to the final sentence of Section 2(f) thereof), the vesting of outstanding performance shares shall be accelerated and shares in settlement of such vested performance shares shall be delivered as soon as administratively practical, but in all events by the date that is 60 days after the date of the Change in Control.

15. In the event a participant dies or is determined to be subject to a Disability while a Service Provider, vesting of outstanding performance shares shall be accelerated and shares shall be delivered in settlement of such vested performance shares as soon as administratively practical, but in all events by the date that is 60 days after the date of the death or Disability.
16. The Awards are made pursuant to the Plan, a copy of which has been provided to each participant, and are subject to its terms. The terms of this Program Outline will be interpreted as to be consistent with the Plan, but if any provision in this Program Outline is inconsistent with the terms of the Plan, the terms of the Plan will prevail. By participating in the Company's 2013 Performance Share Program, a participant shall be deemed to have accepted all the conditions of the Plan, the Notice, this Program Outline, and the terms and conditions of any rules adopted by the Compensation Committee pursuant to the Plan and shall be fully bound thereby. The documents governing an Award shall be subject to the choice of law provisions of Section 18(e) of the Plan. To the extent an Award is subject to Code Section 409A, it shall be subject to and administered in accordance with Section 18(g) of the Plan, including subjecting any share delivery or amount payable to a "specified employee" as the result of a "separation from service" (as those terms are defined in Code Section 409A) to the six-month payment delay rule described there. If the six month payment delay rule is applicable, then any shares that would have otherwise have been delivered during that six-month period will be delivered upon completion of that six-month period, and any subsequent share deliveries shall be made as scheduled. Notwithstanding the foregoing, although the intent is to comply with Code Section 409A, a participant shall be responsible for all taxes and penalties that could result from a failure to comply (the Company and its employees shall not be responsible for such taxes and penalties).

C.H. ROBINSON 2013 RESTRICTED STOCK UNIT PROGRAM

(U.S. EMPLOYEES)

C.H. Robinson Worldwide, Inc. (the “Company”) is permitted under the terms of its 2013 Equity Incentive Plan (the “Plan”) to issue its shares and other derivative securities to employees at various times and in various forms. The Company’s Compensation Committee has approved a 2013 Restricted Stock Unit Program (the “Program”) pursuant to which restricted stock unit awards (the “Awards”) will be made to designated employees of the Company and its U.S. Subsidiaries. Each such Award will be subject to the terms of a participant-specific award notice (a “Notice”), the general terms of the Program as contained in this Program Outline, and the terms of the Plan. Unless the context clearly indicates otherwise, any capitalized term used but not defined in this Program Outline will have the meaning set forth in the Plan as it currently exists or as it is amended in the future.

Program Outline

1. Each participant in the Program will be granted a number of restricted stock units (the “Units”) as specified in the applicable Notice on the Grant Date specified in the Notice, and the Units will be credited to the participant’s account maintained on the books and records of the Company until the Units are settled in shares of the Company’s common stock as provided below. Each Unit that vests represents the right to receive one share of the Company’s common stock on the settlement date for the Award. Vesting of Units will be conditioned upon the satisfaction of the continued Service conditions described below.
2. Except as otherwise provided in paragraphs 11 and 12, Units granted to a participant will vest in equal annual installments over a five (5) year period contingent on the participant’s continued Service. Beginning on December 31, ____, and on each December 31 thereafter through December 31, ____, an equal portion (20%) of the Units will vest and become a right to receive an equal number of shares of the Company’s common stock.
3. A participant’s Units vest only while the participant remains a Service Provider. A participant must be a Service Provider on December 31 of a particular year in order to vest in any Units for that year. If a participant is separated from Service, whether voluntarily or involuntarily, prior to vesting of any Units, the Units remaining unvested as of the date of separation will be forfeited, and the participant will retain no rights with respect to the forfeited Units.
4. Notwithstanding the foregoing, participants who embezzle or misappropriate Company funds or property, or who the Company has determined have failed to comply with the terms and conditions of any of the following agreements which they may have executed in favor of the Company: (i) Confidentiality and Noncompetition Agreement, (ii) Management-Employee Agreement, (iii) Sales-Employee Agreement, (iv) Data Security Agreement, or (v) any other agreement containing post-employment restrictions, will automatically forfeit all Awards, whether vested or unvested, and will retain no rights with respect to such Units.
5. Except as otherwise provided in paragraphs 11 and 12, shares of the Company’s common stock shall be delivered to a participant in settlement of vested Units in a single lump sum distribution of shares upon the earlier of (i) two years after the participant’s separation from Service, or (ii) February 15, ____.
6. Units may not be sold, exchanged, assigned, transferred, discounted, pledged or otherwise disposed of at any time prior to delivery of the settlement shares as described herein.
7. A participant will be entitled to receive payments on the Units credited to the participant’s account, whether vested or unvested, when and if dividends are declared by the Company’s Board of Directors on the Company’s common stock, in an amount of cash per Unit equal to the per share dividend amount payable to common stockholders of the Company. Such payments will be payable on the next regularly occurring payroll date after the corresponding dividend payment date. Such payments made before delivery of shares in settlement of Units will be paid through the Company’s payroll process and treated as compensation income for tax purposes and will be subject to income and payroll tax withholding by the Company.
8. In order to comply with all applicable federal, state or local tax laws or regulations, at the time that shares are delivered to a participant in settlement of performance shares, the Company will withhold the minimum required statutory taxes based on the Fair Market Value (as defined in the Plan) of the shares at the time of delivery. In order to satisfy any such tax withholding obligation, the Company will withhold a portion of the shares otherwise to be delivered with a Fair Market Value equal to the amount of such taxes.
9. A restricted stock unit Award shall confer no rights of continued Service to any participant, nor will it interfere in any way with the right of the Company to terminate such Service at any time. The Company retains all rights to enforce any other agreement or contract that the Company has with any participant.

10. If there shall be any change in the Company's common stock through merger, consolidation, reorganization, recapitalization, dividend in the form of stock (of whatever amount), stock split or other change in the corporate structure of the Company, appropriate adjustments shall be made in the number of Units that are vested or unvested under an Award as contemplated by Section 12(a) of the Plan.
11. In the event of a Change in Control (as defined in the Plan after giving effect to the final sentence of Section 2(f) thereof), the Compensation Committee may, in its discretion, accelerate the vesting of all outstanding Units, and shares in settlement of any such vested Units shall be delivered as soon as administratively practical, but in all events by the date that is 60 days after the date of the Change in Control.
12. In the event a participant dies or is determined to be subject to a Disability while a Service Provider, vesting of outstanding Units shall be accelerated and shares shall be delivered in settlement of such vested Units as soon as administratively practical, but in all events by the date that is 60 days after the date of the death or Disability.
13. The Awards are made pursuant to the Plan, a copy of which has been provided to each participant, and are subject to its terms. The terms of this Program Outline will be interpreted as to be consistent with the Plan, but if any provision in this Program Outline is inconsistent with the terms of the Plan, the terms of the Plan will prevail. By participating in the Company's 2013 Restricted Stock Unit Program, a participant shall be deemed to have accepted all the conditions of the Plan, the Notice, this Program Outline, and the terms and conditions of any rules adopted by the Compensation Committee pursuant to the Plan and shall be fully bound thereby. The documents governing an Award shall be subject to the choice of law provisions of Section 18(e) of the Plan. To the extent an Award is subject to Code Section 409A, it shall be subject to and administered in accordance with Section 18(g) of the Plan, including subjecting any share delivery or amount payable to a "specified employee" as the result of a "separation from service" (as those terms are defined in Code Section 409A) to the six-month payment delay rule described there. If the six month payment delay rule is applicable, then any shares that would have otherwise have been delivered during that six-month period will be delivered upon completion of that six-month period, and any subsequent share deliveries shall be made as scheduled. Notwithstanding the foregoing, although the intent is to comply with Code Section 409A, a participant shall be responsible for all taxes and penalties that could result from a failure to comply (the Company and its employees shall not be responsible for such taxes and penalties).

SUBSIDIARIES OF C.H. ROBINSON WORLDWIDE, INC.

The following is a list of subsidiaries of the Company as of December 31, 2014, omitting some subsidiaries which, considered in aggregate, would not constitute a significant subsidiary.

Name	Where incorporated
C.H. Robinson International, Inc.	Minnesota, USA
C.H. Robinson Worldwide Chile, S.A.	Chile
C.H. Robinson de Mexico, S.A. de C.V.	Mexico
C.H. Robinson Company (Canada) Ltd.	Canada
C.H. Robinson Company	Delaware, USA
C.H. Robinson Company, Inc.	Minnesota, USA
C.H. Robinson Worldwide Foundation	Minnesota, USA
C.H. Robinson Worldwide Logistics (Dalian) Co. Ltd.	China
C.H. Robinson Worldwide (Hong Kong) Ltd.	Hong Kong
C.H. Robinson Worldwide Argentina, S.A.	Argentina
C.H. Robinson Worldwide Logistica Do Brasil Ltda.	Brazil
C.H. Robinson Worldwide Colombia SAS	Colombia
C.H. Robinson Worldwide Uruguay S.A.	Uruguay
C.H. Robinson Czech Republic s.r.o.	Czech Republic
C.H. Robinson France SAS	France
C.H. Robinson Worldwide GmbH	Germany
C.H. Robinson Hungary Transport, LLC (C.H. Robinson Hungaria Kft)	Hungary
C.H. Robinson Europe B.V.	Netherlands
C.H. Robinson Iberica SL	Spain
C.H. Robinson Austria GmbH	Austria
C.H. Robinson Switzerland GmbH	Switzerland

CHROBINSON Logistics and Transport Services Limited (Turkey)	Turkey
C.H. Robinson Worldwide Freight India Private Limited	India
C.H. Robinson Belgium BVBA	Belgium
C.H Robinson Worldwide (Shanghai) Co. Ltd.	China
C.H. Robinson Worldwide Singapore Pte. Ltd	Singapore
C.H. Robinson Project Logistics Ltd.	Canada
CH Robinson Project Logistics Sdn. Bhd.	Malaysia
C.H. Robinson Worldwide (Australia) Pty. Ltd.	Australia
C.H. Robinson Worldwide (Ireland) Ltd.	Ireland
C.H. Robinson Worldwide (UK) Ltd.	United Kingdom
C.H. Robinson International Puerto Rico, Inc.	Puerto Rico
C.H. Robinson Luxembourg, SARL	Luxembourg
C.H. Robinson Worldwide Peru SA	Peru
C.H. Robinson Worldwide (Malaysia) Sdn. Bhd.	Malaysia
C.H. Robinson Project Logistics Pte. Ltd.	Singapore
C.H. Robinson Sourcing SAS	France
C.H. Robinson Sweden AB	Sweden
C.H. Robinson International Italy, SRL	Italy
C.H. Robinson Project Logistics, Inc.	Texas, USA
Rosemont Farms, LLC	Minnesota, USA
C.H. Robinson Worldwide SA de CV	Mexico
Robinson Holding Company	Minnesota, USA
FoodSource, LLC	Minnesota, USA
C.H. Robinson Polska S.A.	Poland
Apréo Logistics GmbH	Germany
C.H. Robinson Freight Services, Ltd. (USA)	Illinois, USA

C.H. Robinson Freight Services (Ireland) Ltd.

Ireland

CH Robinson Freight Services (Malaysia) Sdn. Bhd.

Malaysia

C.H. Robinson Freight Services (Korea) Ltd.	Korea
C.H. Robinson Freight Services (Taiwan) Ltd.	Taiwan
C.H. Robinson Freight Services (China) Ltd.	China
Phoenix International Freight Services, Ltd. (UK)	UK
C.H. Robinson Freight Services (Singapore) Pte. Ltd.	Singapore
C.H. Robinson Freight Services (Thailand) Ltd.	Thailand
C.H. Robinson International (India) Private Ltd.	India
C.H. Robinson Freight Services Lanka (Private) Limited	Sri Lanka
Phoenix International Tahiti SARL	French Polynesia
CHR Holdings (Hong Kong) Limited	Hong Kong
C.H. Robinson Freight Services (Hong Kong) Limited	Hong Kong
C.H. Robinson Freight Services (Vietnam) Company Limited	Vietnam
C.H. Robinson Worldwide Costa Rica, SA	Costa Rica

CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We consent to the incorporation by reference in Registration Statement Nos. 333-41027, 333-53047, 333- 47080, 333-110396, 333-155166, and 333-191235 on Form S-8 of our reports dated March 2, 2015, relating to the consolidated financial statements and financial statement schedule of C.H. Robinson Worldwide, Inc. and subsidiaries, and the effectiveness of C.H. Robinson Worldwide, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting, appearing in this Annual Report on Form 10-K of C.H. Robinson Worldwide, Inc. for the year ended December 31, 2014.

Deloitte & Touche LLP

Minneapolis, MN

March 2, 2015

POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS, that each person whose signature appears below constitutes and appoints each of John P. Wiehoff and Ben G. Campbell (with full power to act alone), as his or her true and lawful attorneys-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 the Annual Report on Form 10-K of C.H. Robinson Worldwide, Inc. for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2014, and any and all amendments to said Annual Report, and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto, and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, and to file the same with such other authorities as necessary, granting unto said attorneys-in-fact and agents full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite or necessary to be done in and about the premises, 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.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Power of Attorney has been signed by the following persons on the dates indicated.

Signature**Date**

/s/ SCOTT P. ANDERSON

February 5, 2015

Scott P. Anderson

/s/ ROBERT EZRILOV

February 5, 2015

Robert Ezrilov

/s/ WAYNE M. FORTUN

February 5, 2015

Wayne M. Fortun

/s/ MARY J. STEELE GUILFOILE

February 5, 2015

Mary J. Steele Guilfoile

/s/ JODEE KOZLAK

February 5, 2015

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/s/ DAVID W. MACLENNAN

February 5, 2015

David W. MacLennan

/s/ REBECCA KOENIG ROLOFF

February 5, 2015

ReBecca Koenig Roloff

/s/ BRIAN P. SHORT

February 5, 2015

Brian P. Short

/s/ JAMES B. STAKE

February 5, 2015

James B. Stake

**Certification of Chief Executive Officer
Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002**

I, John P. Wiehoff, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this annual report on Form 10-K of C.H. Robinson Worldwide, 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(s) 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.

March 2, 2015

/s/ JOHN P. WIEHOFF

Signature:

Name:

Title:

John P. Wiehoff

Chief Executive Officer

Certification of Chief Financial Officer
Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

I, Chad M. Lindbloom, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this annual report on Form 10-K of C.H. Robinson Worldwide, 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(s) 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.

March 2, 2015

Signature:	<u>/s/ CHAD M. LINDBLOOM</u>
Name:	Chad M. Lindbloom
Title:	Chief Information Officer and Chief Financial Officer

**CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO
18 U.S.C. §1350,
AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO
SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

In connection with the Annual Report of C.H. Robinson Worldwide, Inc. (the “Company”) on Form 10-K for the period ended December 31, 2014 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the “Report”), I, John P. Wiehoff, Chief Executive Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

1. The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
2. The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

/s/ JOHN P. WIEHOFF

John P. Wiehoff
Chief Executive Officer

March 2, 2015

**CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO
18 U.S.C. §1350,
AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO
SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

In connection with the Annual Report of C.H. Robinson Worldwide, Inc. (the “Company”) on Form 10-K for the period ended December 31, 2014 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the “Report”), I, Chad M. Lindbloom, Chief Financial Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

1. The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
2. The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

/s/ CHAD M. LINDBLOOM

Chad M. Lindbloom

Chief Information Officer and Chief Financial Officer

March 2, 2015