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

#### FORM 8-K

#### **CURRENT REPORT**

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

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): October 23, 2008

### **DUNCAN ENERGY PARTNERS L.P.**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

**Delaware** (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization)

**1-33266** (Commission File Number)

**20-5639997** (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

1100 Louisiana, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor Houston, Texas 77002

(Address of Principal Executive Offices, including Zip Code)

(713) 381-6500

(Registrant's Telephone Number, including Area Code)

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

On October 23, 2008, Duncan Energy Partners L.P. ("Duncan Energy Partners") issued a press release announcing its financial and operating results for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2008 and 2007 and held a joint webcast conference call with Enterprise Products Partners L.P. discussing those results. A copy of the earnings press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report, which is hereby incorporated by reference into this Item 2.02. The webcast conference call will be archived and available for replay on Duncan Energy Partners' website at <a href="https://www.deplp.com">www.deplp.com</a> for 90 days.

#### Significant Relationships Referenced in this Current Report on Form 8-K

Duncan Energy Partners did not own any assets prior to February 5, 2007, which was the date it completed its initial public offering of common units. The historical business and operations of Duncan Energy Partners prior to February 5, 2007 (effective February 1, 2007 for financial accounting and reporting purposes) are referred to as "Duncan Energy Partners Predecessor" or the "Predecessor." Unless the context requires otherwise, references to "we," "us," "our," "the Partnership" or "Duncan Energy Partners" are intended to mean the business and operations of Duncan Energy Partners L.P. and its consolidated subsidiaries since February 5, 2007.

References to "DEP GP" mean DEP Holdings, LLC, which is our general partner. References to "DEP Operating Partnership" mean DEP Operating Partnership, L.P., which is a wholly owned subsidiary of Duncan Energy Partners that conducts substantially all of its business.

References to "Enterprise Products Partners" mean Enterprise Products Partners L.P., which owns Enterprise Products Operating LLC ("EPO"). Enterprise Products Partners is a publicly traded partnership, the limited partner interests of which are listed on the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE") under the ticker symbol "EPD." EPO, which is our Parent company, owns our general partner and is a significant owner of our common units. References to "Enterprise Products GP" refer to Enterprise Products GP, LLC, which is the general partner of Enterprise Products Partners and is wholly owned by Enterprise GP Holdings.

References to "TEPPCO" mean TEPPCO Partners, L.P., a publicly traded affiliate, the limited partner interests of which are listed on the NYSE under the ticker symbol "TPP." References to "TEPPCO GP" refer to Texas Eastern Products Pipeline Company, LLC, which is the general partner of TEPPCO and is wholly owned by Enterprise GP Holdings.

References to "Enterprise GP Holdings" mean Enterprise GP Holdings L.P., which owns Enterprise Products GP and Imited partner interests in Enterprise Products Partners and TEPPCO. References to "EPE Holdings" mean EPE Holdings, LLC, which is the general partner of Enterprise GP Holdings.

References to "EPCO" mean EPCO, Inc., which is a related party affiliate to all of the foregoing named entities. All of the aforementioned entities are affiliates and under common control of Dan L. Duncan, the Chairman and controlling shareholder of EPCO.

#### **Basis of Financial Statement Presentation**

Except per unit amounts, dollar amounts presented in the tabular data within this Current Report are stated in thousands of dollars.

The financial and operating data and related discussion included in the press release and this Current Report that pertain to periods prior to our initial public offering reflect the assets, liabilities and operations contributed to us by EPO at the closing of our initial public offering on February 5, 2007. We have elected February 1, 2007 as the effective closing date for financial accounting and reporting purposes with respect to Duncan Energy Partners Predecessor. The financial information of Duncan Energy Partners Predecessor reflects EPO's historical ownership of these assets, liabilities and operations. The principal business entities included in the historical combined financial statements of Duncan Energy Partners Predecessor are (on a 100% basis):

§ Mont Belvieu Caverns, LLC ("Mont Belvieu Caverns");

- § Acadian Gas, LLC ("Acadian Gas");
- § Enterprise Lou-Tex Propylene Pipeline L.P. ("Lou-Tex Propylene"), including its general partner;
- § Sabine Propylene Pipeline L.P. ("Sabine Propylene"), including its general partner; and
- § South Texas NGL Pipelines, LLC ("South Texas NGL").

EPO contributed a 66% equity interest in each of these five entities to us on February 5, 2007. EPO retained the remaining 34% equity interests in each of these subsidiaries.

We present our results of operations separately from those of Duncan Energy Partners Predecessor. We acquired substantially all of the assets and operations of the Predecessor that are included in our consolidated financial statements. There were a number of agreements and other items that went into effect at the time of our initial public offering that affect the comparability of our operating results with those of Duncan Energy Partners Predecessor. These agreements and other items include:

- § The fees Mont Belvieu Caverns charges EPO for underground storage services increased to market rates as a result of new agreements.
- § Storage well measurement gains and losses are retained by EPO rather than being allocated to Mont Belvieu Caverns.
- § A special allocation of operational measurement gains and losses to EPO from Mont Belvieu Caverns, which results in such gains and losses not impacting the net income or loss of Mont Belvieu Caverns. However, operational measurement gains and losses continue to be a component of gross operating margin.
- § Transportation revenues recorded by Lou-Tex Propylene and Sabine Propylene decreased due to the assignment of certain exchange agreements to us by EPO.

#### Use of Non-GAAP financial measures

The press release and related conference call discussion include the non-generally accepted accounting principle ("non-GAAP") financial measures of gross operating margin, distributable cash flow and EBITDA. The press release provides reconciliations of these non-GAAP financial measures to their most directly comparable financial measure calculated and presented in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"). Our non-GAAP financial measures should not be considered as alternatives to GAAP measures such as net income, operating income, cash flow from operating activities or any other GAAP measure of liquidity or financial performance.

<u>Gross operating margin</u>. We evaluate segment performance based on the non-GAAP financial measure of gross operating margin. Gross operating margin (either in total or by individual segment) is an important performance measure of the core profitability of our operations. This measure forms the basis of our internal financial reporting and is used by senior management in deciding how to allocate capital resources among business segments. We believe that investors benefit from having access to the same financial measures that our management uses in evaluating segment results. The GAAP financial measure most directly comparable to total segment gross operating margin is operating income.

We define total segment gross operating margin as consolidated operating income before (i) depreciation, amortization and accretion expense; (ii) gains and losses from asset sales and related transactions; and (iii) general and administrative expenses. Gross operating margin is exclusive of other income and expense transactions, provision for income taxes, extraordinary charges, Parent interest in income of subsidiaries and the cumulative effect of changes in accounting principles. Gross operating margin by segment is calculated by subtracting segment operating costs and expenses (net of the adjustments noted above) from segment revenues, with both segment totals

before the elimination of any intersegment and intrasegment transactions. In accordance with GAAP, intercompany accounts and transactions are eliminated in consolidation.

We include equity earnings from Evangeline in our measurement of segment gross operating margin and operating income. Our equity investment in Evangeline is a vital component of our business strategy and important to the operations of Acadian Gas. This method of operation enables us to achieve favorable economies of scale relative to the level of investment and business risk assumed versus what we could accomplish on a stand-alone basis. Evangeline's operations compliment those of Acadian Gas.

Distributable cash flow. We define distributable cash flow, which we view as a non-GAAP measure of liquidity, as net income or loss adjusted for:

- § the addition of depreciation, amortization and accretion expense;
- § the addition of cash distributions received from Evangeline, if any, less equity in the earnings of Evangeline;
- § the subtraction of sustaining capital expenditures and cash payments to settle asset retirement obligations;
- § the addition of losses or subtraction of gains relating to the sale of assets and related transactions;
- § the addition of cash proceeds from the sale of assets and related transactions;
- § the addition of losses or subtraction of gains on the monetization of financial instruments recorded in accumulated other comprehensive income, if any, less related amortization of such amounts to earnings;
- § the addition or subtraction of other miscellaneous non-cash amounts (as applicable) that affect net income or loss for the period; and
- § the subtraction of Parent interest in the foregoing adjustments.

Sustaining capital expenditures are capital expenditures (as defined by GAAP) resulting from improvements to and major renewals of existing assets. Such expenditures serve to maintain existing operations but do not generate additional revenues.

Senior management compares the distributable cash flow we generate to the cash distributions we expect to pay our partners. Using this data, management computes our distribution coverage ratio. Distributable cash flow is also a quantitative standard used by the investment community with respect to publicly traded partnerships because the value of a partnership unit is in part measured by its yield, which in turn is based on the amount of cash distributions a partnership pays to a unitholder. The GAAP measure most directly comparable to distributable cash flow is cash flows from operating activities.

<u>EBITDA</u>. We define EBITDA as net income or loss before interest expense, provision for income taxes and depreciation, accretion and amortization expense, with all such adjustments to net income or loss determined net of the Parent company's interest. EBITDA is commonly used as a supplemental financial measure by management and external users of our financial statements, such as investors, commercial banks, research analysts and rating agencies, to assess:

- § the financial performance of our assets without regard to financing methods, capital structures or historical cost basis;
- $\S$  the ability of our assets to generate sufficient cash to meet debt service requirements; and
- § the viability of projects and the overall rates of return on alternative investment opportunities.

Since EBITDA excludes some, but not all, items that affect net income or loss and because these measures may vary among other companies, the EBITDA data presented in our press release may not be comparable to similarly titled measures of other companies. The GAAP measure most directly comparable to EBITDA is cash flow from operating activities.

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

#### (d) Exhibits.

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99.1 Duncan Energy Partners L.P. press release dated October 23, 2008.

#### **SIGNATURES**

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

**DUNCAN ENERGY PARTNERS L.P.** 

DEP Holdings, LLC, as general partner By:

Date: October 23, 2008 By: /s/ Michael J. Knesek

> Name: Michael J. Knesek

Title: Senior Vice President, Controller and Principal Accounting Officer

of DEP Holdings, LLC

#### **Exhibit Index**

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Duncan Energy Partners L.P. press release dated October 23, 2008.



#### **Duncan Energy Partners Reports Third Quarter 2008 Results**

Houston, Texas (October 23, 2008) - Duncan Energy Partners L.P. (NYSE: DEP) today announced its financial results for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2008. The partnership reported net income of \$3.8 million for the third quarter of 2008, or \$0.18 per common unit on a fully diluted basis, compared to net income of \$4.5 million, or \$0.22 per common unit on a fully diluted basis, for the third quarter of 2007. Net income for the third quarter of 2008 was negatively impacted by \$1.8 million, or \$0.09 per unit on a fully diluted basis, from property damage repair expenses and estimated lost business as a result of Hurricanes Gustav and Ike.

The partnership generated distributable cash flow of \$7.6 million in the third quarter of 2008 compared to \$8.7 million in the third quarter of 2007. Distributable cash flow for the third quarter of 2008 was reduced by approximately \$1.2 million from lost business due to the hurricanes. On October 15, 2008, the Board of Directors of DEP's general partner declared a quarterly distribution to its limited partners with respect to the third quarter of 2008 of \$0.42 per common unit, or \$1.68 per unit on an annualized basis, representing a 2.4 percent increase over the \$0.41 per unit quarterly distribution that was paid with respect to the third quarter of 2007. Distributable cash flow for the third quarter of 2008 provided 0.9 times coverage of the cash distribution to be paid to limited partners. For the nine months ended September 30, 2008, distributable cash flow provided 1.1 times coverage of the distributions paid and to be paid to limited partners. Distributable cash flow is a non-generally accepted accounting principle (or "non-GAAP") financial measure that is defined and reconciled later in this press release to its most directly comparable U.S. generally accepted accounting principle ("GAAP") financial measure, net cash flows provided by operating activities.

Revenue increased 46 percent to \$321.4 million for the third quarter of 2008 from \$220.6 million for the third quarter of 2007. Gross operating margin increased 9 percent to \$20.9 million for the quarter compared to \$19.1 million for the third quarter of 2007. Earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation, amortization and accretion ("EBITDA") was \$12.4 million for the third quarter of 2008 versus \$12.6 million for the same period in 2007. Gross operating margin and EBITDA are non-GAAP financial measures that are defined and reconciled later in this press release to their most directly comparable GAAP financial measure.

"Despite the impact on our operations from Hurricanes Gustav and Ike, we reported solid results for the third quarter of 2008, as reflected by our increased revenues and gross operating margin," said Richard H. Bachmann, president and chief executive officer of the general partner of DEP. "Increased natural gas sales margins from the Acadian Gas Pipeline system during the quarter helped to offset overall lower gas transportation volumes on the pipeline and lower propylene volumes transported on the Lou-Tex Propylene Pipeline. Through nine months of this year, we have generated higher gross operating margin and distributable cash flow compared to the same period in 2007 with our commercial businesses consistently delivering strong results. We expect these businesses to continue to perform well for the remainder of this year and the foreseeable future."

#### **Review of Segment Quarterly Performance**

The results reported below reflect operations of DEP for the three months ended September 30, 2008, compared to operations for the comparable three month period in 2007.

DEP owns a 66 percent equity interest in the assets described below, and Enterprise Products Operating LLC ("EPO") owns the remaining 34 percent equity interest. EPO is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Enterprise Products Partners L.P. and owns the general partner of DEP. EPO's interest in DEP's subsidiaries is accounted for on our financial statements as "Parent Interest" in a manner similar to minority interest. However, from a gross operating margin standpoint, the amounts shown are on a 100 percent basis before the deduction for Parent Interest.

NGL & Petrochemical Storage Services — Gross operating margin for the third quarter of 2008 increased to \$9.2 million from \$7.7 million in the third quarter of 2007. The increase was due primarily to an operational measurement gain of \$1.1 million in the third quarter of 2008 compared to a \$0.9 million operational measurement loss in the third quarter of 2007. In the partnership agreement for Mont Belvieu Caverns, LLC, operational measurement gains and losses are allocated to EPO through its Parent Interest. As such, EPO is required to contribute cash to Mont Belvieu Caverns for operational measurement losses and is entitled to receive distributions for operational measurement gains. Net of measurement gains and losses allocated to EPO, gross operating margin was \$8.1 million for the third quarter of 2008 compared to \$8.6 million for the third quarter of 2007. Storage revenues increased quarter-to-quarter primarily as a result of higher excess throughput storage fees and volumes. Higher operating expenses in the third quarter of this year, which includes approximately \$0.6 million of property damage repair expenses resulting from Hurricane Ike, offset the increase in revenues. Gross operating margin for the third quarter of 2008 was also impacted by an estimated \$0.9 million of lost business due to lower volume as a result of Hurricane Ike.

**Onshore Natural Gas Pipelines & Services** – Gross operating margin for the third quarter of 2008 increased 37 percent to \$4.5 million from \$3.3 million in the third quarter of 2007, primarily due to improved natural gas sales margins on the Acadian gas pipeline system. Included in operating expenses this quarter was approximately \$0.3 million of repair expenses due to damages incurred from Hurricanes Gustav and Ike. Total natural gas volumes, which include both transportation and sales volumes, were 693 billion British thermal units per day ("BBtus/d") compared to 761 BBtus/d in the third quarter of 2007.

**Petrochemical Pipeline Services** — Gross operating margin for the third quarter of 2008 was \$2.5 million compared to \$3.0 million for the third quarter of 2007, primarily due to lower transportation volumes on the Lou-Tex propylene pipeline. The Lou-Tex propylene pipeline was impacted by approximately \$0.9 million from a loss in volumes due to downtime as a result of Hurricanes Gustav and Ike during the third quarter of 2008. Total petrochemical transportation volumes averaged 33,000 barrels per day ("BPD") for the third quarter of 2008, down from 39,000 BPD for the third quarter last year.

**NGL Pipeline Services** — This segment generated gross operating margin of \$4.7 million during the third quarter of 2008, down slightly from \$5.1 million in the third quarter of 2007 primarily due to higher ad valorem and repair and maintenance expenses in the third quarter of 2008. Dedicated natural gas liquid volumes averaged 73,000 BPD in the third quarter of both 2008 and 2007.

#### **Capitalization**

Total debt outstanding at September 30, 2008 was \$212 million. DEP had total liquidity of approximately \$100 million from unrestricted cash and availability under the partnership's \$300 million credit facility.

Management for DEP will discuss third quarter results during the Enterprise Products Partners L.P. earnings conference call with analysts and investors scheduled for 9:00 a.m. CT today. The call will be broadcast live over the Internet and may be accessed by visiting the partnership's website at <a href="https://www.deplp.com">www.deplp.com</a>.

#### **Basis of Presentation of Financial Information**

The partnership's results of operations for 2007 are reported separately from those of its predecessor, Duncan Energy Partners Predecessor, following completion of the partnership's initial public offering ("IPO") on February 5, 2007 (effective February 1, 2007 for financial accounting and reporting purposes). We acquired substantially all of the assets and operations of Duncan Energy Partners Predecessor that are included in our consolidated financial statements.

There were a number of agreements and other items that went into effect at the time of our IPO that affect the comparability of the partnership's operating results for the nine months ended September 30, 2008 with the combined historical operating results of the partnership and Duncan Energy Partners Predecessor for the nine months ended September 30, 2007. These agreements and other items include:

- § The fees Mont Belvieu Caverns, LLC ("Mont Belvieu Caverns") charges EPO for underground storage services increased to market rates as a result of new agreements.
- § Storage well measurement gains and losses are retained by EPO rather than being allocated to Mont Belvieu Caverns.
- § A special allocation of operational measurement gains and losses to EPO from Mont Belvieu Caverns, which results in such gains and losses not impacting the net income or loss of Mont Belvieu Caverns. However, operational measurement gains and losses continue to be a component of gross operating margin.
- § Transportation revenues recorded by Enterprise Lou-Tex Propylene Pipeline L.P. and Sabine Propylene Pipeline L.P. decreased due to the assignment of certain exchange agreements to us by EPO.

#### **Use of Non-GAAP Financial Measures**

This press release and accompanying schedules include non-GAAP financial measures of gross operating margin, distributable cash flow, and EBITDA. The press release provides reconciliations of these non-GAAP financial measures to their most directly comparable financial measure calculated and presented in accordance with GAAP. Our non-GAAP financial measures should not be considered as alternatives to GAAP measures such as net income, operating income, net cash flows provided by operating activities or any other GAAP measure of liquidity or financial performance.

**Gross operating margin** - We evaluate segment performance based on the non-GAAP financial measure of gross operating margin. Gross operating margin (either in total or by individual segment) is an important performance measure of the core profitability of our operations. This measure forms the basis of our internal financial reporting and is used by senior management in deciding how to allocate capital resources among business segments. We believe that investors benefit from having access to the same financial measures that our management uses in evaluating segment results. The GAAP measure most directly comparable to total segment gross operating margin is operating income. Our non-GAAP financial measure of total segment gross operating margin should not be considered as an alternative to GAAP operating income.

We define total (or combined) segment gross operating margin as operating income before: (i) depreciation, amortization and accretion expense; (ii) gains and losses from asset sales and related transactions; and (iii) general and administrative expenses. Gross operating margin is exclusive of other income and expense transactions, provision for income taxes, extraordinary charges, Parent interest in income of subsidiaries and the cumulative effect of changes in accounting principles. Gross operating margin by segment is calculated by subtracting segment operating costs and expenses (net of the adjustments noted above) from segment revenues, with both segment totals before the elimination of any intersegment and intrasegment transactions. In accordance with GAAP, intercompany accounts and transactions are eliminated in consolidation.

We include equity earnings from Evangeline Gas Pipeline Company L.P. and Evangeline Gas Corp. (collectively, "Evangeline") in our measurement of segment gross operating margin and operating income. Our equity investment in Evangeline is a vital component of our business strategy and important to the operations of our Acadian natural gas system. This method of operation enables us to achieve favorable economies of scale relative to the level of investment and business risk assumed versus what we could accomplish on a stand-alone basis. Evangeline performs complementary roles to the other business operations of Acadian Gas, LLC ("Acadian Gas"). As circumstances dictate, we may increase our ownership interest in Evangeline or make other equity method investments.

**Distributable cash flow** - We define distributable cash flow for Duncan Energy Partners as net income or loss adjusted for: (i) the addition of depreciation, amortization and accretion expense; (ii) the addition of cash

distributions received from Evangeline, if any, less equity in the earnings of Evangeline; (iii) the subtraction of sustaining capital expenditures; (iv) the addition of losses or subtraction of gains from asset sales and related transactions; (v) cash proceeds from asset sales, the return of investment from unconsolidated affiliates or related transactions; (vi) the addition of losses or subtraction of gains on the monetization of financial instruments recorded in accumulated other comprehensive income, if any, less related amortization of such amounts to earnings; (vii) the addition or subtraction of other miscellaneous non-cash amounts (as applicable) that affect net income or loss for the period; and (viii) the subtraction of Parent interest in the foregoing adjustments. Sustaining capital expenditures are capital expenditures (as defined by GAAP) resulting from improvements to and major renewals of existing assets. Senior management compares the distributable cash flow we generate to the cash distributions we expect to pay our partners. Using this data, management computes our distribution coverage ratio.

Distributable cash flow is also an important non-GAAP financial measure for our limited partners since it serves as an indicator of our success in providing a cash return on investment. Specifically, this financial measure indicates to investors whether or not we are generating cash flows at a level that can sustain or support an increase in our quarterly cash distribution. Distributable cash flow is also a quantitative standard used by the investment community with respect to publicly traded partnerships because the value of a partnership unit is in part measured by its yield (which in turn is based on the amount of cash distributions a partnership pays to a unitholder). The GAAP measure most directly comparable to distributable cash flow is net cash flows provided by operating activities.

**EBITDA** - We define EBITDA as net income or loss plus interest expense, provision for income taxes and depreciation, accretion and amortization expense, with all such adjustments to net income or loss determined net of the Parent interest in subsidiary amounts. EBITDA is commonly used as a supplemental financial measure by management and by external users of our financial statements, such as investors, commercial banks, research analysts and rating agencies, to assess: (i) the financial performance of our assets without regard to financing methods, capital structures or historical cost basis; (ii) the ability of our assets to generate cash sufficient to pay interest cost and support our indebtedness; and (iii) the viability of projects and the overall rates of return on alternative investment opportunities. Since EBITDA excludes some, but not all, items that affect net income or loss and because these measures may vary among other companies, the EBITDA data presented in the press release may not be comparable to similarly titled measures of other companies. The GAAP measure most directly comparable to EBITDA is net cash flows provided by operating activities.

#### **Company Information and Use of Forward Looking Statements**

Duncan Energy Partners is a publicly traded partnership that provides midstream energy services, including gathering, transportation, marketing and storage of natural gas, in addition to transportation and storage of NGLs and petrochemicals. Duncan Energy Partners' assets, located primarily in the Gulf Coast region of Texas and Louisiana, include interests in more than 1,000 miles of natural gas pipelines with a transportation capacity of approximately 1 Bcf per day; nearly 600 miles of NGL and petrochemical pipelines featuring access to the world's largest fractionation complex at Mont Belvieu, Texas; and 33 underground salt dome caverns with about 100 MMBbls of NGL storage capacity.

This press release contains various forward-looking statements and information that are based on Duncan Energy Partners' beliefs and those of its general partner, as well as assumptions made by and information currently available to Duncan Energy Partners. When used in this press release, words such as "anticipate," "project," "expect," "plan," "goal," "forecast," "intend," "could," "believe," "may," and similar expressions and statements regarding the plans and objectives of Duncan Energy Partners for future operations, are intended to identify forward-looking statements. Although Duncan Energy Partners and its general partner believe that such expectations reflected in such forward-looking statements are reasonable, neither Duncan Energy Partners nor its general partner can give assurances that such expectations will prove to be correct. Such statements are subject to a variety of risks, uncertainties and assumptions. If one or more of these risks or uncertainties materialize, or if underlying assumptions prove incorrect, Duncan Energy Partners' actual results may vary materially from those it anticipated, estimated, projected or expected. Among the key risk factors that may have a direct bearing on Duncan Energy Partners' results of operations and financial condition are:

| § the effe                 | ects of the combined company's debt level on its future financial and operating flexibility;   |
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| § a reduc                  | tion in demand for its products by the petrochemical, refining or heating industries;  |
| § a declin                 | ne in the volumes of NGLs delivered by its facilities;   |
| § the fail                 | ure of its credit risk management efforts to adequately protect it against customer non-payment;   |
| § terroris                 | t attacks aimed at its facilities; and,  |
| § the fail                 | ure to successfully integrate our operations with companies, if any, that we may acquire in the future.  |
| Duncar<br>events or otherw | n Energy Partners has no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future rise. |
| Contacts:                  | Randy Burkhalter, Investor Relations, (713) 381-6812, <u>www.deplp.com</u><br>Rick Rainey, Media Relations, (713) 381-3635                           |
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§ fluctuations in oil, natural gas and NGL prices and production due to weather and other natural and economic forces;

**Statements of Consolidated Operations – UNAUDITED** 

For the Three Months Ended September 30, 2008 and 2007; Nine Months Ended September 30, 2008;

Eight Months Ended September 30, 2007; and One Month Ended January 31, 2007

(Dollars in thousands, except per unit amounts)

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|   |    | 2008        |     | 2007       |    | 2008         |      | 2007        | Ja<br>    | nuary 31,<br>2007            |  |
| Revenue   | \$ | 321,365     | \$  | 220,572    | \$ | 943,539      | \$   | 591,342     | \$        | 66,674                       |  |
| Costs and expenses:   |    |             |     |            |    |              |      |             |           |                              |  |
| Operating costs and expenses  |    | 309,153     |     | 208,657    |    | 905,103      |      | 555,799     |           | 61,187                       |  |
| General and administrative costs  |    | 1,614       |     | 1,146      |    | 5,333        |      | 2,529       |           | 477                          |  |
| Total costs and expenses  |    | 310,767     |     | 209,803    |    | 910,436      |      | 558,328     |           | 61,664                       |  |
| Equity in income (loss) of Evangeline   |    | 311         |     | (5)        |    | 697          |      | 155         |           | 25                           |  |
| Operating income  |    | 10,909      |     | 10,764     |    | 33,800       |      | 33,169      |           | 5,035                        |  |
| Other income (expense):   |    |             |     |            |    |              |      |             |           |                              |  |
| Interest expense  |    | (2,887)     |     | (3,180)    |    | (8,355)      |      | (6,721)     |           |                              |  |
| Interest income   |    | 168         |     | 130        |    | 426          |      | 503         |           |                              |  |
| Total other expense   |    | (2,719)     |     | (3,050)    |    | (7,929)      |      | (6,218)     |           |                              |  |
| Income before provision for income taxes and parent   | _  |             |     | <u> </u>   |    |              |      |             | _         |                              |  |
| interest in income of subsidiaries  |    | 8,190       |     | 7,714      |    | 25,871       |      | 26,951      |           | 5,035                        |  |
| Provision for income taxes  |    | (39)        |     | (32)       |    | (67)         |      | (146)       |           |                              |  |
| Income before parent interest in income of subsidiaries   |    | 8,151       | _   | 7,682      | _  | 25,804       | _    | 26,805      | _         | 5,035                        |  |
| Parent interest in income of subsidiaries (see Exhibit E)                                       |    | (4,348)     |     | (3,188)    |    | (9,365)      |      | (13,840)    |           | 5,055                        |  |
| Net income  | \$ | 3,803       | \$  | 4,494      | \$ | 16,439       | \$   | 12,965      | \$        | 5,035                        |  |
| <u>rvet income</u>  | Ψ  | 3,003       | Ψ   | 4,434      | Ψ  | 10,433       | Ψ    | 12,505      | Ψ         | 3,033                        |  |
| Allocation of net income to:  |    |             |     |            |    |              |      |             |           |                              |  |
| Limited partners  | \$ | 3,727       | \$  | 4,404      | \$ | 16,110       | \$   | 12,706      |           | n/a                          |  |
|   |    |             | _   |            |    |              |      |             |           |                              |  |
| General partner   | \$ | 76          | \$  | 90         | \$ | 329          | \$   | 259         |           | n/a                          |  |
| Per unit data (fully diluted):  |    |             |     |            |    |              |      |             |           |                              |  |
| Net income per unit   | \$ | 0.18        | \$  | 0.22       | \$ | 0.79         | \$   | 0.63        |           | n/a                          |  |
| Average LP units outstanding (in 000s)  |    | 20,302      |     | 20,302     |    | 20,302       |      | 20,302      |           | n/a                          |  |
| Other financial data:   |    |             |     |            |    |              |      |             |           |                              |  |
| Net cash flows provided by (used in) operating activities                                       | \$ | 10,974      | \$  | 22,086     | \$ | 21,897       | \$   | 86,981      | \$        | (3,535)                      |  |
| Net cash used in investing activities   | \$ | 17,883      | \$  | 45,865     | \$ | 117,955      | \$   | 128,553     | \$        | 4,999                        |  |
| Net cash provided by financing activities   | \$ | 6,405       | \$  | 21,576     | \$ | 106,705      | \$   | 45,362      | \$        | 8,534                        |  |
| Distributable cash flow   | \$ | 7,566       | \$  | 8,666      | \$ | 27,244       | \$   | 20,828      |           | n/a                          |  |
| EBITDA  | \$ | 12,432      | \$  | 12,552     | \$ | 41,677       | \$   | 32,432      |           | n/a                          |  |
| Depreciation, amortization and accretion (100% basis)   | \$ | 8,628       | \$  | 7,353      | \$ | 25,476       | \$   | 19,184      | \$        | 2,209                        |  |
| Total debt principal outstanding at end of period   | \$ | 212,000     | \$  | 215,000    | \$ | 212,000      | \$   | 215,000     |           | n/a                          |  |
| Capital spending (100% basis):  |    |             |     |            |    |              |      |             |           |                              |  |
| Capital expenditures, net of contributions in aid of  | ¢. | 45.000      | ¢   | 40.700     | ф  | 110.050      | ¢.   | 404 405     | ф         | 1.000                        |  |
| construction costs, for property, plant and equipment Investments in and advances to Evangeline | \$ | 17,936      | \$  | 48,799     | \$ | 118,052      | \$   | 131,425     | \$        | 4,999                        |  |
| 3   | ď  | 17.026      | ¢   | 320        | ď  | 301          | ď    | 384         | ¢         | 4.000                        |  |
| Total   | \$ | 17,936      | \$  | 49,119     | \$ | 118,353      | \$   | 131,809     | <u>\$</u> | 4,999                        |  |

**Selected Financial and Operating Data** 

For the Three Months Ended September 30, 2008 and 2007; Nine Months Ended September 30, 2008; Eight Months Ended September 30, 2007; and One Month Ended January 31, 2007

(Dollars in thousands, operating data as noted)

|   |    |             |     | Duncan Ener | gy P | artners      |     |              | Duncan<br>Energy<br>Partners<br>Predecessor |
|---|----|-------------|-----|-------------|------|--------------|-----|--------------|---|
|   |    | For the     |     |             |      | or the Nine  |     | or the Eight | For the One                                 |
|   | М  | onths Ended | Sep | tember 30,  | M    | Ionths Ended | Sep | tember 30,   | Month Ended January 31,                     |
|   |    | 2008        |     | 2007        |      | 2008         |     | 2007         | 2007  |
| Gross operating margin by segment:                    |    |             |     |             |      |              |     |              |   |
| NGL and Petrochemical Storage Services                | \$ | 9,238       | \$  | 7,652       | \$   | 22,887       | \$  | 25,073       | \$ 1,770                                    |
| Onshore Natural Gas Pipelines & Services              |    | 4,543       |     | 3,308       |      | 17,515       |     | 7,364        | 1,605                                       |
| Petrochemical Pipeline Services                       |    | 2,497       |     | 3,047       |      | 8,802        |     | 8,551        | 2,700                                       |
| NGL Pipelines & Services                              |    | 4,650       |     | 5,135       |      | 14,641       |     | 13,658       | 1,646                                       |
| Total non-GAAP gross operating margin                 | \$ | 20,928      | \$  | 19,142      | \$   | 63,845       | \$  | 54,646       | \$ 7,721                                    |
| Adjustments to reconcile non-GAAP gross operating     |    |             |     |             |      |              |     |              |   |
| margin to GAAP operating income:                      |    |             |     |             |      |              |     |              |   |
| Depreciation, amortization and accretion in operating |    |             |     |             |      |              |     |              |   |
| costs and expenses                                    |    | (8,469)     |     | (7,249)     |      | (25,114)     |     | (18,967)     | (2,209)                                     |
| Gain from asset sales and related transactions        |    | 64          |     | 17          |      | 402          |     | 19           |   |
| General and administrative costs                      |    | (1,614)     |     | (1,146)     |      | (5,333)      |     | (2,529)      | (477)                                       |
| Operating income per GAAP                             | \$ | 10,909      | \$  | 10,764      | \$   | 33,800       | \$  | 33,169       | \$ 5,035                                    |
|   |    |             |     |             |      |              |     |              |   |
| Selected operating data:                              |    |             |     |             |      |              |     |              |   |
| Onshore Natural Gas Pipelines & Services, net:        |    |             |     |             |      |              |     |              |   |
| Natural gas throughput volumes (BBtus/d)              |    | 693         |     | 761         |      | 711          |     | 721          | 701   |
| Petrochemical Pipeline Services:                      |    |             |     |             |      |              |     |              |   |
| Petrochemical transportation volumes (MBPD)           |    | 33          |     | 39          |      | 38           |     | 37           | 37  |
| NGL Pipelines & Services:                             |    |             |     |             |      |              |     |              |   |
| Dedicated transportation volumes (MBPD)               |    | 73          |     | 73          |      | 73           |     | 72           | 67  |

Reconciliations of Unaudited Non-GAAP Financial Measures to Our GAAP Financial Measures

**Distributable Cash Flow** 

For the Three Months Ended September 30, 2008 and 2007; Nine Months Ended September 30, 2008; and Eight Months Ended September 30, 2007

(Dollars in thousands)

The following table presents our calculation of distributable cash flow for the periods indicated and reconciles these amounts to net cash flows provided by operating activities for the same periods.

|   | For the Three Months Ended September 30, |         |    |         | or the Nine<br>onths Ended | For the Eight<br>I September 30, |      |          |
|---|--|---------|----|---------|----------------------------|----------------------------------|------|----------|
|   |  | 2008    |    | 2007    | 2008                       |                                  | 2007 |          |
| Net income  | \$                                       | 3,803   | \$ | 4,494   | \$                         | 16,439                           | \$   | 12,965   |
| Adjustments to derive distributable cash flow                               |  |         |    |         |                            |                                  |      |          |
| (add or subtract as indicated by sign of number):                           |  |         |    |         |                            |                                  |      |          |
| Amortization in interest expense  |  | 32      |    | 32      |                            | 97                               |      | 85       |
| Depreciation, amortization and accretion in costs and expenses              |  | 8,596   |    | 7,321   |                            | 25,379                           |      | 19,099   |
| Deferred income tax expense   |  | (10)    |    | 2       |                            | (28)                             |      | 64       |
| Equity in (income) loss of Evangeline                                       |  | (311)   |    | 5       |                            | (697)                            |      | (155)    |
| Gain from asset sales and related transactions                              |  | (64)    |    | (17)    |                            | (402)                            |      | (19)     |
| Proceeds from asset sales and related transactions                          |  | 53      |    | 3,254   |                            | 398                              |      | 3,256    |
| Sustaining capital expenditures   |  | (3,332) |    | (4,434) |                            | (9,122)                          |      | (10,574) |
| Changes in fair market value of financial instruments                       |  | (140)   |    | 158     |                            | (131)                            |      | 157      |
| Accrued repair costs related to Hurricanes Ike and Gustav                   |  | 877     |    |         |                            | 877                              |      |          |
| Parent 34% interest in adjustments to determine distributable cash flow     |  | (1,938) |    | (2,149) |                            | (5,566)                          |      | (4,050)  |
| Distributable cash flow   | \$                                       | 7,566   | \$ | 8,666   | \$                         | 27,244                           | \$   | 20,828   |
| Adjustments to distributable cash flow to derive net cash flows provided by |  |         |    |         |                            |                                  |      |          |
| operating activities (add or subtract as indicated by sign of number):      |  |         |    |         |                            |                                  |      |          |
| Proceeds from asset sales and related transactions                          |  | (53)    |    | (3,254) |                            | (398)                            |      | (3,256)  |
| Sustaining capital expenditures   |  | 3,332   |    | 4,434   |                            | 9,122                            |      | 10,574   |
| Parent interest in income of subsidiaries                                   |  | 4,348   |    | 3,188   |                            | 9,365                            |      | 13,840   |
| Accrued repair costs related to Hurricanes Ike and Gustav                   |  | (877)   |    |         |                            | (877)                            |      |          |
| Parent 34% interest in adjustments to derive distributable cash flow (see   |  |         |    |         |                            |                                  |      |          |
| above)  |  | 1,938   |    | 2,149   |                            | 5,566                            |      | 4,050    |
| Net effect of changes in operating accounts                                 |  | (5,280) |    | 6,903   |                            | (28,125)                         |      | 40,945   |
| Net cash flows provided by operating activities                             | \$                                       | 10,974  | \$ | 22,086  | \$                         | 21,897                           | \$   | 86,981   |

Reconciliations of Unaudited Non-GAAP Financial Measures to Our GAAP Financial Measures

For the Three Months Ended September 30, 2008 and 2007; Nine Months Ended September 30, 2008; and Eight Months Ended September 30, 2007

(Dollars in thousands)

The following table presents our calculation of EBITDA for the periods indicated and reconciles these amounts to net cash flows provided by operating activities for the same periods.

|  | For the Three<br>Months Ended September 30, |         |    |         |      | or the Nine<br>Ionths Ended | For the Eighted September 30, |         |
|--|---|---------|----|---------|------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|---------|
|  |   | 2008    |    | 2007    | 2008 |                             | 2007                          |         |
| Net income   | \$  | 3,803   | \$ | 4,494   | \$   | 16,439                      | \$                            | 12,965  |
| Additions to net income (net of Parent Interest in subsidiary amounts) |   |         |    |         |      |                             |                               |         |
| to derive EBITDA:  |   |         |    |         |      |                             |                               |         |
| Interest expense (including related amortization), net                 |   | 2,887   |    | 3,180   |      | 8,353                       |                               | 6,721   |
| Provision for income taxes, net  |   | 25      |    | 22      |      | 44                          |                               | 96      |
| Depreciation, amortization and accretion in costs and expenses, net    |   | 5,717   |    | 4,856   |      | 16,841                      |                               | 12,650  |
| EBITDA   | \$  | 12,432  | \$ | 12,552  | \$   | 41,677                      | \$                            | 32,432  |
| Adjustments to EBITDA to derive net cash flows provided by operating   |   |         |    |         |      |                             |                               |         |
| activities (add or subtract as indicated by sign of number):           |   |         |    |         |      |                             |                               |         |
| Interest expense, net  |   | (2,887) |    | (3,180) |      | (8,353)                     |                               | (6,721) |
| Provision for income taxes, net  |   | (25)    |    | (22)    |      | (44)                        |                               | (96)    |
| Depreciation, amortization and accretion in costs and expenses not     |   |         |    |         |      |                             |                               |         |
| reflected in EBITDA, net   |   | 2,879   |    | 2,465   |      | 8,538                       |                               | 6,449   |
| Equity in (income) loss of Evangeline                                  |   | (311)   |    | 5       |      | (697)                       |                               | (155)   |
| Amortization in interest expense                                       |   | 32      |    | 32      |      | 97                          |                               | 85      |
| Deferred income tax expense  |   | (10)    |    | 2       |      | (28)                        |                               | 64      |
| Parent interest in income of subsidiaries                              |   | 4,348   |    | 3,188   |      | 9,365                       |                               | 13,840  |
| Gain from asset sales and related transactions                         |   | (64)    |    | (17)    |      | (402)                       |                               | (19)    |
| Changes in fair market value of financial instruments                  |   | (140)   |    | 158     |      | (131)                       |                               | 157     |
| Net effect of changes in operating accounts                            |   | (5,280) |    | 6,903   |      | (28,125)                    |                               | 40,945  |
| Net cash flows provided by operating activities                        | \$  | 10,974  | \$ | 22,086  | \$   | 21,897                      | \$                            | 86,981  |

## Duncan Energy Partners L.P. Parent Interest Calculations

## For the Three Months Ended September 30, 2008 and 2007; Nine Months Ended September 30, 2008; and Eight Months Ended September 30, 2007

(Dollars in thousands)

In connection with our initial public offering in February 2007, Enterprise Products Operating LLC ("EPO") contributed a 66% equity interest in Mont Belvieu Caverns, Acadian Gas, Lou-Tex Propylene, Sabine Propylene and South Texas NGL to us. EPO retained the remaining 34% equity interest in each of these entities. We account for EPO's share of our subsidiaries' net assets and income as Parent interest in a manner similar to minority interest. The following table presents our calculation of the Parent's interest in the income of our subsidiaries for the three months ended September 30, 2008 and 2007:

| Net income amounts:  |             | ľ  | The Three Months Ended tember 30, |             |    | the Three<br>Months<br>Ended<br>tember 30, |
|--|-------------|----|-----------------------------------|-------------|----|--|
| Mont Belvieu Caverns' net income (before special allocation of operational |             |    |                                   |             |    |  |
| measurement gains and losses)  | \$<br>3,814 |    |                                   | \$<br>3,824 |    |  |
| Add (Deduct) operational measurement losses(gains) allocated to Parent     | <br>(1,129) | \$ | 1,129                             | <br>936     | \$ | (936)                                      |
| Remaining Mont Belvieu Caverns' net income to allocate to partners         | 2,685       |    |                                   | 4,760       |    |  |
| Multiplied by Parent 34% interest in remaining net income                  | x 34%       |    |                                   | x 34%       | )  |  |
| Mont Belvieu Caverns' net income allocated to Parent                       | \$<br>913   |    | 913                               | \$<br>1,618 |    | 1,618                                      |
|  |             |    |                                   |             |    |  |
| Acadian Gas net income multiplied by Parent 34% interest                   |             |    | 733                               |             |    | 364  |
| Lou-Tex Propylene net income multiplied by Parent 34% interest             |             |    | 390                               |             |    | 660  |
| Sabine Propylene net income multiplied by Parent 34% interest              |             |    | 96                                |             |    | 89   |
| South Texas NGL net income multiplied by Parent 34% interest               |             |    | 1,087                             |             |    | 1,393                                      |
| Parent interest in income of subsidiaries                                  |             | \$ | 4,348                             |             | \$ | 3,188                                      |

The following table presents our calculation of the Parent's interest in the income of our subsidiaries for the nine and eight months ended September 30, 2008 and 2007, respectively:

| Net income amounts:  |               | I  | The Nine Months Ended tember 30, |              | I  | the Eight<br>Months<br>Ended<br>tember 30, |
|--|---------------|----|----------------------------------|--------------|----|--|
| Mont Belvieu Caverns' net income (before special allocation of operational |               |    |                                  |              |    |  |
| measurement gains and losses)  | \$<br>7,832 2 |    |                                  | \$<br>15,376 |    |  |
| Add (Deduct) operational measurement losses(gains) allocated to Parent     | 3,788         | \$ | (3,788)                          | <br>(3,209)  | \$ | 3,209                                      |
| Remaining Mont Belvieu Caverns' net income to allocate to partners         | 11,620        |    |                                  | 12,167       |    |  |
| Multiplied by Parent 34% interest in remaining net income                  | x 34%         |    |                                  | <br>x 34%    |    |  |
| Mont Belvieu Caverns' net income allocated to Parent                       | \$<br>3,951   |    | 3,951                            | \$<br>4,137  |    | 4,137                                      |
|  |               |    |                                  |              |    |  |
| Acadian Gas net income multiplied by Parent 34% interest                   |               |    | 3,620                            |              |    | 610  |
| Lou-Tex Propylene net income multiplied by Parent 34% interest             |               |    | 1,776                            |              |    | 1,922                                      |
| Sabine Propylene net income multiplied by Parent 34% interest              |               |    | 287                              |              |    | 238  |
| South Texas NGL net income multiplied by Parent 34% interest               |               |    | 3,519                            |              |    | 3,724                                      |
| Parent interest in income of subsidiaries                                  |               | \$ | 9,365                            |              | \$ | 13,840                                     |