

# Scripps Networks Interactive, Inc. (SNI)

## 10-Q

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**UNITED STATES  
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**FORM 10-Q**

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

For the quarterly period ended March 31, 2012

OR

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

For the transition period from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

Commission File Number 1-34004

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**SCRIPPS NETWORKS INTERACTIVE, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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Ohio  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)  
9721 Sherrill Boulevard  
Knoxville, TN  
(Address of principal executive offices)

61-1551890  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification Number)

37932  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (865) 694-2700

Not Applicable

(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report.)

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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 and 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 Web site, 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 whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See definition of "large accelerated filer", "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Accelerated filer	<input type="checkbox"/>
Non-accelerated filer	<input type="checkbox"/>	Smaller reporting company	<input type="checkbox"/>

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

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer's classes of common stock, as of the latest practicable date. As of April 30, 2012 there were 117,643,762 of the Registrant's Class A Common shares outstanding and 34,317,173 of the Registrant's Common Voting shares outstanding.

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**PART I**

As used in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, the terms "we," "our," "us" or "SNI" may, depending on the context, refer to Scripps Networks Interactive, Inc., to one or more of its consolidated subsidiary companies or to all of them taken as a whole.

**ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The information required by this item is filed as part of this Form 10-Q. See Index to Financial Information at page F-1 of this Form 10-Q.

**ITEM 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS**

The information required by this item is filed as part of this Form 10-Q. See Index to Financial Information at page F-1 of this Form 10-Q.

**ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK**

The information required by this item is filed as part of this Form 10-Q. See Index to Financial Information at page F-1 of this Form 10-Q.

**ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES**

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**PART II**

**ITEM 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS**

We are involved in litigation arising in the ordinary course of business none of which is expected to result in material loss.

**ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS**

A wide range of risks may affect our business and financial results, now and in the future; however, we consider the risks described in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011 to be the most significant and there have been no material changes.

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**ITEM 2. UNREGISTERED SALES OF EQUITY AND USE OF PROCEEDS**

There were no sales of unregistered equity securities during the quarter for which this report is filed.

The following table provides information about Company purchases of equity securities that are registered by the Company pursuant to Section 12 of the Exchange Act during the quarter ended March 31, 2012:

Period	Total Number of Shares Purchased	Average Price Paid per Share	Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans or Programs	Maximum Dollar Value of Shares that May Yet Be Purchased Under the Plans Or Programs
1/1/12 - 1/31/12	722,150	\$ 44.34	722,150	\$ 468,027,502
2/1/12 - 2/29/12	1,624,300	44.35	1,624,300	395,994,549
3/1/12 - 3/31/12	3,145,715	46.40	3,145,715	250,048,560
Total	<u>5,492,165</u>	<u>\$ 45.52</u>	<u>5,492,165</u>	<u>\$ 250,048,560</u>

Under a share repurchase program authorized by the Board of Directors in June 2011, we were authorized to repurchase \$1 billion of Class A Common shares. There is no expiration date for the program and we are under no commitment or obligation to repurchase any particular amount of Class A Common shares under the program.

**ITEM 3. DEFAULTS UPON SENIOR SECURITIES**

There were no defaults upon senior securities during the quarter for which this report is filed.

**ITEM 4. MINE SAFETY DISCLOSURES**

Not applicable.

**ITEM 5. OTHER INFORMATION**

None.

**ITEM 6. EXHIBITS**

The information required by this item is filed as part of this Form 10-Q. See Index to Exhibits at page E-1 of this Form 10-Q.

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**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 thereunto duly authorized.

Dated: May 9, 2012

SCRIPPS NETWORKS INTERACTIVE, INC.

BY:

\_\_\_\_\_  
/s/ Joseph G. NeCastro

Joseph G. NeCastro  
Chief Administrative Officer and Chief Financial Officer  
(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (UNAUDITED)***(in thousands, except per share data)*

	As of	
	March 31, 2012	December 31, 2011
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 645,530	\$ 760,092
Accounts and notes receivable (less allowances: 2012—\$4,638; 2011—\$5,000)	512,799	553,022
Programs and program licenses	355,224	336,305
Other current assets	44,384	66,549
Total current assets	1,557,937	1,715,968
Investments	473,600	455,267
Property and equipment, net	224,440	219,845
Goodwill	532,035	510,484
Other intangible assets, net	545,364	556,095
Programs and program licenses (less current portion)	320,522	299,089
Unamortized network distribution incentives	39,686	46,239
Other non-current assets	155,298	158,683
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$3,848,882</b>	<b>\$3,961,670</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND EQUITY</b>		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 9,904	\$ 12,482
Program rights payable	35,918	50,402
Customer deposits and unearned revenue	45,222	52,814
Employee compensation and benefits	30,206	49,920
Accrued marketing and advertising costs	6,549	6,838
Other accrued liabilities	87,755	60,443
Total current liabilities	215,554	232,899
Deferred income taxes	114,628	100,002
Long-term debt	1,384,013	1,383,945
Other liabilities (less current portion)	166,485	148,429
Total liabilities	1,880,680	1,865,275
Redeemable noncontrolling interest	166,265	162,750
Equity:		
SNI shareholders' equity:		
Preferred stock, \$.01 par—authorized: 25,000,000 shares; none outstanding		
Common stock, \$.01 par:		
Class A—authorized: 240,000,000 shares; issued and outstanding: 2012—117,919,313 shares; 2011—122,828,359 shares	1,179	1,228
Voting—authorized: 60,000,000 shares; issued and outstanding: 2012—34,317,173 shares; 2011—34,317,173 shares	343	343
Total	1,522	1,571
Additional paid-in capital	1,324,903	1,346,429
Retained earnings	257,528	364,073
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	(27,721)	(33,347)
Total SNI shareholders' equity	1,556,232	1,678,726
Noncontrolling interest	245,705	254,919
Total equity	1,801,937	1,933,645
Total Liabilities and Equity	\$3,848,882	\$3,961,670

*See notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.*



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**SCRIPPS NETWORKS INTERACTIVE, INC.  
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (UNAUDITED)**

(in thousands, except per share data)

	Three months ended	
	March 31,	
	2012	2011
<b>Operating Revenues:</b>		
Advertising	\$ 356,382	\$ 322,676
Network affiliate fees, net	168,217	145,437
Other	10,746	12,718
Total operating revenues	<u>535,345</u>	<u>480,831</u>
<b>Costs and Expenses:</b>		
Employee compensation and benefits	83,422	72,940
Program amortization	111,328	90,301
Marketing and advertising	30,921	30,009
Other costs and expenses	70,439	60,331
Total costs and expenses	<u>296,110</u>	<u>253,581</u>
<b>Depreciation, Amortization, and Losses (Gains):</b>		
Depreciation	13,785	11,112
Amortization of intangible assets	10,731	10,449
Losses (gains) on disposal of property and equipment	59	16
Total depreciation, amortization, and losses (gains)	<u>24,575</u>	<u>21,577</u>
Operating income	214,660	205,673
Interest expense	(12,180)	(8,615)
Equity in earnings of affiliates	13,913	9,658
Miscellaneous, net	7,154	47
Income from continuing operations before income taxes	223,547	206,763
Provision for income taxes	66,596	62,211
Income from continuing operations, net of tax	156,951	144,552
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of tax	—	765
Net income	156,951	145,317
Less: net income attributable to noncontrolling interests	42,048	44,792
<b>Net income attributable to SNI</b>	<u>\$ 114,903</u>	<u>\$ 100,525</u>
Net income attributable to SNI common shareholders per share of common stock:		
Basic income per share:		
Income from continuing operations attributable to SNI common shareholders	\$ .74	\$ .59
Income (loss) from discontinued operations attributable to SNI common shareholders	0.00	0.00
<b>Net income attributable to SNI common shareholders</b>	<u>\$ .74</u>	<u>\$ .60</u>
Diluted income per share:		
Income from continuing operations attributable to SNI common shareholders	\$ .73	\$ .59
Income (loss) from discontinued operations attributable to SNI common shareholders	0.00	0.00
<b>Net income attributable to SNI common shareholders</b>	<u>\$ .73</u>	<u>\$ .59</u>
Amounts attributable to SNI:		
Income from continuing operations	\$ 114,903	\$ 99,760
Income (loss) from discontinued operations	—	765
<b>Net income attributable to SNI</b>	<u>\$ 114,903</u>	<u>\$ 100,525</u>

See notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

Net income per share amounts may not foot since each is calculated independently.

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**SCRIPPS NETWORKS INTERACTIVE, INC.**  
**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (UNAUDITED)**

*(in thousands)*

	Three months ended	
	March 31,	
	2012	2011
Net income	\$ 156,951	\$ 145,317
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax:		
Foreign currency translation adjustments, net of tax—2012, (\$274); 2011, (\$40)	5,268	556
Pension liability adjustments, net of tax—2012, (\$398); 2011, (\$34)	419	54
Comprehensive income	162,638	145,927
Less: comprehensive income attributable to noncontrolling interests	42,109	44,989
Comprehensive income attributable to SNI	\$ 120,529	\$ 100,938

*See notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.*

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**SCRIPPS NETWORKS INTERACTIVE, INC.**  
**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (UNAUDITED)**

(in thousands)

	Three months ended March 31,	
	2012	2011
<b>Cash Flows from Operating Activities:</b>		
Net income	\$ 156,951	\$ 145,317
Loss (income) from discontinued operations		(765)
Income from continuing operations, net of tax	156,951	144,552
Depreciation and amortization of intangible assets	24,516	21,561
Amortization of network distribution costs	6,554	10,193
Program amortization	111,328	90,301
Equity in earnings of affiliates	(13,913)	(9,658)
Program payments	(165,993)	(115,384)
Capitalized network distribution incentives	(93)	(3,237)
Dividends received from equity investments	9,017	5,845
Deferred income taxes	10,458	(3,944)
Stock and deferred compensation plans	14,042	8,741
Changes in certain working capital accounts:		
Accounts receivable	42,475	37,807
Other assets	1,037	(2,626)
Accounts payable	(2,658)	361
Accrued employee compensation and benefits	(19,027)	(22,196)
Accrued income taxes	46,290	57,792
Other liabilities	(13,626)	(13,724)
Other, net	811	6,166
Cash provided by (used in) continuing operating activities	208,169	212,550
Cash provided by (used in) discontinued operating activities		13,313
Cash provided by (used in) operating activities	208,169	225,863
<b>Cash Flows from Investing Activities:</b>		
Additions to property and equipment	(7,314)	(11,189)
Collections (funds advanced) on note receivable	7,012	
Purchase of subsidiary companies, net of cash acquired	(19,569)	
Other, net	619	20
Cash provided by (used in) continuing investing activities	(19,252)	(11,169)
Cash provided by (used in) discontinued investing activities		(4,241)
Cash provided by (used in) investing activities	(19,252)	(15,410)
<b>Cash Flows from Financing Activities:</b>		
Dividends paid	(18,741)	(12,633)
Dividends paid to noncontrolling interest	(47,808)	(15,227)
Noncontrolling interest capital contribution		52,804
Repurchase of Class A common stock	(250,110)	
Proceeds from stock options	13,014	10,745
Other, net	566	(2,083)
Cash provided by (used in) financing activities	(303,079)	33,606
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	(400)	(292)
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(114,562)	243,767
Cash and cash equivalents:		
Beginning of year	760,092	549,897
End of period	<u>\$ 645,530</u>	<u>\$ 793,664</u>
<b>Supplemental Cash Flow Disclosures:</b>		
Interest paid, excluding amounts capitalized	\$ 15,908	\$ 15,965
Income taxes paid	1,311	1,293
<b>Non-Cash transactions:</b>		
Contingent consideration liability	<u>\$ 8,323</u>	

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**SCRIPPS NETWORKS INTERACTIVE, INC.  
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY (UNAUDITED)**

(in thousands, except share data)

	SNI Shareholders				Noncontrolling Interest	Total Equity	Redeemable Noncontrolling Interests (Temporary Equity)
	Common Stock	Additional Paid-in Capital	Retained Earnings	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)			
Balance as of December 31, 2010	\$ 1,676	\$1,371,050	\$ 414,972	\$ (11,525)	\$ 145,973	\$1,922,146	\$ 158,148
Comprehensive income (loss)			100,525	413	41,615	142,553	3,374
Contribution by noncontrolling interest to Food Network Partnership					52,804	52,804	
Effect of capital contributions to Food Network Partnership		25,368			(25,368)		
Dividend paid to noncontrolling interest					(15,227)	(15,227)	
Dividends: declared and paid—\$.075 per share			(12,633)			(12,633)	
Stock-based compensation expense		7,126				7,126	
Exercise of employee stock options: 314,172 shares issued	3	10,742				10,745	
Other stock-based compensation, net: 177,620 shares issued; 75,862 shares repurchased; 2,801 shares forfeited	2	(3,406)				(3,404)	
Tax benefits of compensation plans		2,171				2,171	
Balance as of March 31, 2011	<u>\$ 1,681</u>	<u>\$1,413,051</u>	<u>\$ 502,864</u>	<u>\$ (11,112)</u>	<u>\$ 199,797</u>	<u>\$2,106,281</u>	<u>\$ 161,522</u>
Balance as of December 31, 2011	\$ 1,571	\$1,346,429	\$ 364,073	\$ (33,347)	\$ 254,919	\$1,933,645	\$ 162,750
Comprehensive income (loss)			114,903	5,626	38,594	159,123	3,515
Dividends paid to noncontrolling interest					(47,808)	(47,808)	
Dividends: declared and paid—\$.12 per share			(18,741)			(18,741)	
Repurchase 5,492,165 Class A Common shares	(55)	(47,348)	(202,707)			(250,110)	
Stock-based compensation expense		11,038				11,038	
Exercise of employee stock options: 424,613 shares issued	4	13,010				13,014	
Other stock-based compensation, net: 235,674 shares issued; 77,168 shares repurchased	2	(1,030)				(1,028)	
Tax benefits of compensation plans		2,804				2,804	
Balance as of March 31, 2012	<u>\$ 1,522</u>	<u>\$1,324,903</u>	<u>\$ 257,528</u>	<u>\$ (27,721)</u>	<u>\$ 245,705</u>	<u>\$1,801,937</u>	<u>\$ 166,265</u>

See notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

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**SCRIPPS NETWORKS INTERACTIVE, INC.**  
**NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED)**

**1. Basis of Presentation**

*Basis of Presentation*

The condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the instructions to Form 10-Q under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. These financial statements and the related notes should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included in our 2011 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

In the opinion of management, the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheets and related interim condensed consolidated statements of operations, comprehensive income, cash flows, and shareholders' equity include all adjustments, consisting only of normal recurring adjustments, necessary for their fair presentation in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP"). Preparing financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues, and expenses. Actual results and outcomes may differ from management's estimates and assumptions.

Interim results are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for any future interim periods or for a full year.

**2. Shareholders' Equity and Earnings per Share**

Basic earnings per share ("EPS") is calculated by dividing earnings available to common shareholders by the weighted-average number of common shares outstanding, including participating securities outstanding. Diluted EPS is similar to basic EPS, but adjusts for the effect of the potential issuance of common shares. We include all unvested stock awards that contain non-forfeitable rights to dividends or dividend equivalents, whether paid or unpaid, in the number of shares outstanding in our basic and diluted EPS.

The following table presents information about basic and diluted weighted-average shares outstanding:

*(in thousands)*

	Three months ended March 31,	
	2012	2011
<b>Weighted-average shares outstanding:</b>		
Basic	156,118	168,426
Share options	950	1,268
Diluted weighted-average shares outstanding	<u>157,068</u>	<u>169,694</u>
Anti-dilutive share awards	<u>2,471</u>	<u>432</u>

For 2012 and 2011, we had stock options that were anti-dilutive and accordingly were not included in the computation of diluted weighted-average shares outstanding.

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**3. Accounting Standards Updates and Recently Issued Accounting Standards Updates**

***Recently Issued Accounting Standards Updates***

In May 2011, an update was made to the *Fair Value Measurement Topic*, ASC 820, which is the result of joint efforts by the Financial Accounting Standards Board and International Accounting Standards Board to develop a single, converged fair value framework on how to measure fair value and on what disclosures to provide about fair value measurements. While the update is largely consistent with existing fair value measurement principles in GAAP, it expands ASC 820's existing disclosure requirements for fair value measurements and makes other amendments. Many of these amendments were made to eliminate unnecessary wording differences between GAAP and International Financial Reporting Standards. This update was effective for us on January 1, 2012 and did not have a material impact on our condensed consolidated financial statements.

In June 2011, an update was made to the *Comprehensive Income Topic*, ASC 220, which provides guidance for the manner in which entities present comprehensive income in their financial statements. The update removes the presentation options in ASC 220 and requires entities to report components of comprehensive income in either (1) a continuous statement of comprehensive income or (2) two separate but consecutive statements. The update does not change the items that must be reported in other comprehensive income nor does it require any additional disclosures. This update was effective for us on January 1, 2012. The adoption of this update only had an impact on the presentation of our condensed consolidated financial statements, not the financial results.

In September 2011, an update was made to the *Goodwill and Intangible Assets Topic*, ASC 350, which amends the accounting guidance on goodwill impairment testing. The amendments in this update are intended to reduce complexity and costs by allowing an entity the option to make a qualitative evaluation about the likelihood of goodwill impairment to determine whether it should calculate the fair value of a reporting unit. The amendments also improve previous guidance by expanding upon the examples of events and circumstances that an entity should consider between annual impairment tests in determining whether it is more likely than not that the fair value of a reporting unit is less than its carrying amount. This update was effective for us on January 1, 2012 and did not have a material impact on our condensed consolidated financial statements.

**4. Other Charges and Credits**

In August 2010, we contributed the Cooking Channel to the Food Network Partnership (the "Partnership"). At the close of our 2010 fiscal year, the noncontrolling owner had not made a required pro-rata capital contribution to the Partnership and as a result its ownership interest was diluted from 31 percent to 25 percent. Accordingly, following the Cooking Channel contribution, profits from the partnership were allocated to the noncontrolling owner at its reduced ownership percentage. In February 2011, the noncontrolling owner made the pro-rata contribution to the Partnership and its ownership interest was returned to the pre-dilution percentage as if the contribution had been made as of the date of the Cooking Channel contribution. The retroactive impact of restoring the noncontrolling owner's interest in the Partnership increased net income attributable to noncontrolling interest \$8.0 million in the first quarter of 2011.

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The approximate ownership interest in each of our equity method investments and their respective investment balances were as follows:

(in thousands)

	Ownership Interest	March 31, 2012	As of December 31, 2011
UKTV (includes preferred stock: 2012—\$31,979; 2011—\$31,068)	50.00%	\$ 418,254	\$ 401,987
HGTV Canada	33.00%	21,929	20,051
Food Canada	29.00%	13,641	12,769
Fox-BRV Southern Sports Holdings	7.25%	12,494	11,970
Oyster.com	24.01%	6,472	6,963
Food Network Magazine JV	50.00%	630	1,347
Other		180	180
Total investments		<u>\$ 473,600</u>	<u>\$ 455,267</u>

Following the close of business on September 30, 2011, we acquired a 50% interest in UKTV. UKTV is one of the United Kingdom's leading multi-channel television programming companies. Final consideration paid in the transaction consisted of approximately \$395 million to purchase preferred stock and common equity interest in UKTV and approximately \$137 million to acquire a note receivable due to Virgin Media, Inc. from UKTV. The note receivable, reported within "Other Non-Current Assets" in our condensed consolidated balance sheet, effectively acts as a revolving facility for UKTV. The notes accrue interest at variable rates related to either the spread over LIBOR or other identified market indices (Level 2 fair value measurements). Since the notes accrue interest at variable rates, the carrying amount of such note receivable is believed to approximate fair value. As a result of this financing arrangement and the level of equity investment at risk, we have determined that UKTV is a variable interest entity ("VIE"). SNI and its partner in the venture share equally in the profits of the entity, have equal representation on UKTV's board of directors and share voting control in such matters as approving annual budgets, initiating financing arrangements, and changing the scope of the business. However, our partner maintains control over certain operational aspects of the business related to programming content, scheduling, and the editorial and creative development of UKTV. Additionally, certain key management personnel of UKTV are employees of our partner. Since we do not control these activities that are critical to UKTV's operating performance, we have determined that we are not the primary beneficiary of the entity and account for the investment under the equity method of accounting. We began recognizing our proportionate share of the results from UKTV's operations on October 1, 2011.

Our equity in earnings from the UKTV investment is reduced by amortization reflecting differences in the consideration paid for our equity interest in the entity and our 50% proportionate share of UKTV's equity. Estimated amortization that will reduce UKTV's equity in earnings for each of the next five years is expected to be \$13.9 million for the remainder of 2012, \$18.4 million in 2013, \$18.4 million in 2014, \$17.6 million in 2015, and \$15.3 million in 2016.

We regularly review our investments to determine if there have been any other-than-temporary declines in value. These reviews require management judgments that often include estimating the outcome of future events and determining whether factors exist that indicate impairment has occurred. We evaluate among other factors, the extent to which costs exceed fair value; the duration of the decline in fair value below cost; and the current cash position, earnings and cash forecasts and near term prospects of the investee. No impairments were recognized on any of our equity method investments in 2012 or 2011.

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**6. Fair Value Measurement**

Fair value is an exit price, representing the amount that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. Financial assets and liabilities carried at fair value are classified in one of three categories which are described below.

- Level 1 — Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.
- Level 2 — Inputs, other than quoted market prices in active markets, that are observable either directly or indirectly.
- Level 3 — Unobservable inputs based on our own assumptions.

The following table sets forth our assets and liabilities that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis at March 31, 2012:

(in thousands)

	<u>Total</u>	<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Level 3</u>
<b>Assets:</b>				
Cash equivalents	\$ 374,701	\$ 374,701		
<b>Liabilities:</b>				
Derivative liability	\$ 5,505		\$ 5,505	
<b>Temporary equity:</b>				
Redeemable noncontrolling interest	\$ 166,265			\$ 166,265

The following table sets forth our assets and liabilities that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis at December 31, 2011:

(in thousands)

	<u>Total</u>	<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Level 3</u>
<b>Assets:</b>				
Cash equivalents	\$ 587,617	\$ 587,617		
Derivative asset	5,820		\$ 5,820	
Total assets	\$ 593,437	\$ 587,617	\$ 5,820	
<b>Temporary equity:</b>				
Redeemable noncontrolling interest	\$ 162,750			\$ 162,750

Derivatives include freestanding derivative forward contracts which are marked to market at each reporting period. We classify our foreign currency forward contracts within Level 2 as the valuation inputs are based on quoted prices and market observable data of similar instruments.

We determine the fair value of the redeemable noncontrolling interest using a combination of a discounted cash flow valuation model and a market approach that applies revenues and EBITDA estimates against the calculated multiples of comparable companies. Operating revenues and EBITDA are key assumptions utilized in both the discounted cash flow valuation model and the market approach. The selected discount rate of approximately 12% is also a key assumption in our discounted cash flow valuation model (Refer to Note 11—*Redeemable Noncontrolling Interest and Noncontrolling Interest* for additional information).



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The following table summarizes the activity for account balances whose fair value measurements are estimated utilizing level 3 inputs:

(in thousands)

	<b>Redeemable Noncontrolling Interests</b>	
	Three months ended	
	March 31,	
	2012	2011
Beginning period balance	\$ 162,750	\$ 158,148
Net income (loss)	3,515	3,291
Noncontrolling interest's share of foreign currency translation		83
End period balance	<u>\$ 166,265</u>	<u>\$ 161,522</u>

The net income (loss) amounts reflected in the table above are reported within the "net income attributable to noncontrolling interests" line in our condensed consolidated statements of operations.

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**7. Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets**

Goodwill and other intangible assets consisted of the following:

(in thousands)

	As of	
	March 31, 2012	December 31, 2011
Goodwill	\$ 532,035	\$ 510,484
Other intangible assets:		
Amortizable intangible assets:		
Carrying amount:		
Acquired network distribution	514,951	514,944
Customer lists	87,107	87,107
Copyrights and other trade names	59,350	59,350
Other	8,008	8,008
Total carrying amount	<u>669,416</u>	<u>669,409</u>
Accumulated amortization:		
Acquired network distribution	(76,682)	(70,082)
Customer lists	(32,203)	(28,981)
Copyrights and other trade names	(9,601)	(8,800)
Other	(5,566)	(5,451)
Total accumulated amortization	<u>(124,052)</u>	<u>(113,314)</u>
Total other intangible assets, net	<u>545,364</u>	<u>556,095</u>
Total goodwill and other intangible assets, net	<u>\$ 1,077,399</u>	<u>\$ 1,066,579</u>

Activity related to goodwill and amortizable intangible assets by business segment was as follows:

(in thousands)

	Lifestyle Media	Corporate	Total
<b>Goodwill:</b>			
Balance as of December 31, 2011	\$ 510,484		\$ 510,484
Business acquisitions		\$ 21,551	21,551
Balance as of March 31, 2012	<u>\$ 510,484</u>	<u>\$ 21,551</u>	<u>\$ 532,035</u>
<b>Amortizable intangible assets:</b>			
Balance as of December 31, 2011	\$ 556,029	\$ 66	\$ 556,095
Amortization	(10,711)	(20)	(10,731)
Balance as of March 31, 2012	<u>\$ 545,318</u>	<u>\$ 46</u>	<u>\$ 545,364</u>

On January 30, 2012 we acquired RealGravity, Inc. RealGravity is a California-based company that specializes in online video publishing technologies. The purchase price, which comprised both cash of \$20 million and contingent consideration, has been allocated to the assets and liabilities of Real Gravity based upon preliminary estimates and are therefore subject to change. As of March 31, 2012, we have allocated \$21.6 million of the purchase price to goodwill. The Company estimated the fair value of the acquisition-related contingent consideration payable of \$8.3 million using probability-weighted discounted cash flow models.

Estimated amortization expense of intangible assets for each of the next five years is as follows: \$31.8 million for the remainder of 2012, \$41.9 million in 2013, \$41.5 million in 2014, \$33.4 million in 2015, \$33.3 million in 2016 and \$363.5 million in later years.

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**8. Long-Term Debt**

Long-term debt consisted of the following:

(in thousands)

	March 31, 2012	As of	December 31, 2011
3.55% senior notes due in 2015	\$ 884,582	\$	884,545
2.70% senior notes due in 2016	499,431		499,400
Total long-term debt	\$ 1,384,013	\$	1,383,945
Fair value of long-term debt*	\$ 1,444,102	\$	1,428,653

\* The fair value of the long-term senior notes were estimated using level 2 inputs comprised of quoted prices in active markets, market indices and interest rate measurements for debt of the same remaining maturity.

On December 1, 2011, SNI completed the sale of \$500 million of aggregate principal amount Senior Notes. The Senior Notes mature on December 15, 2016 bearing interest at 2.70%. Beginning on June 15, 2012, interest will be paid on the notes on June 15th and December 15th of each year.

On December 15, 2009, a majority-owned subsidiary of SNI issued a total of \$885 million of aggregate principal amount Senior Notes through a private placement. The Senior Notes mature on January 15, 2015 bearing interest at 3.55%. Interest is paid on the Senior Notes on January 15th and July 15th of each year. The Senior Notes are guaranteed by SNI. Cox TMI, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Cox Communications, Inc. and 35% owner in the Travel Channel has agreed to indemnify SNI for all payments made in respect of SNI's guarantee.

We have a Competitive Advance and Revolving Credit Facility (the "Facility") that permits \$550 million in aggregate borrowings and expires in June 2014. The Facility bears interest based on the Company's credit ratings, with drawn amounts bearing interest at Libor plus 90 basis points and undrawn portions bearing interest at 10 basis points as of March 31, 2012.

The Facility and Senior Notes agreements include certain affirmative and negative covenants, including the incurrence of additional indebtedness and maintenance of a maximum leverage ratio.

As of March 31, 2012, we had outstanding letters of credit totaling \$1.1 million.

**9. Other Liabilities**

Other liabilities consisted of the following:

(in thousands)

	March 31, 2012	As of	December 31, 2011
Liability for pension and post employment benefits	\$ 79,308	\$	78,282
Deferred compensation	23,702		20,698
Liability for uncertain tax positions	53,920		48,038
Other	9,555		1,411
Other liabilities (less current portion)	\$ 166,485	\$	148,429

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**10. Foreign Exchange Risk Management**

In order to minimize earnings and cash flow volatility resulting from currency exchange rate changes, we may enter into derivative instruments, principally forward currency exchange rate contracts. These contracts are designed to hedge anticipated foreign currency transactions and changes in the value of specific assets, liabilities, and probable commitments. All of our forward contracts are designated as freestanding derivatives and are designed to minimize foreign currency exposures between the U.S. Dollar and British Pound. We do not enter into currency exchange rate derivative instruments for speculative purposes.

The freestanding derivative forward contracts are used to offset our exposure to the change in value of specific foreign currency denominated assets and liabilities. These derivatives are not designated as hedges, and therefore, changes in the value of these forward contracts are recognized currently in earnings, thereby offsetting the current earnings effect of the related change in U.S. dollar value of foreign currency denominated assets and liabilities. The cash flows from these contracts are reported as operating activities in the condensed consolidated statements of cash flows. The gross notional amount of these contracts outstanding were \$234 million at March 31, 2012 and \$239 million at December 31, 2011. We held no foreign currency derivative financial instruments at March 31, 2011.

We recognized \$7.8 million of losses in 2012 from these forward contracts which are reported in the miscellaneous, net caption in the consolidated statements of operations.

**11. Redeemable Noncontrolling Interest and Noncontrolling Interest**

*Redeemable Noncontrolling Interest*

A noncontrolling interest holds a 35% residual interest in the Travel Channel. The noncontrolling interest has the right to require us to repurchase their interest and we have an option to acquire their interest. The noncontrolling interest will receive the fair value for their interest at the time their option is exercised. The put option on the noncontrolling interest in the Travel Channel becomes exercisable in 2014. The call option becomes exercisable in 2015.

Our condensed consolidated balance sheets include a redeemable noncontrolling interest balance of \$166 million at March 31, 2012 and \$163 million at December 31, 2011.

*Noncontrolling Interest*

A noncontrolling interest holds a 31% residual interest in the Food Network partnership, which is comprised of the Food Network and the Cooking Channel. The Food Network partnership agreement specifies a dissolution date of December 31, 2012. If the term of the partnership is not extended prior to that date, the agreement permits the Company, as the holder of approximately 80% of the applicable votes, to reconstitute the partnership and continue its business. There are also other options for continuing the business of the partnership, including offering to purchase the noncontrolling interest, that the Company is considering. If the partnership is not continued, it will be required to limit its activities to winding up, settling debts, liquidating assets and distributing proceeds to the partners in proportion to their partnership interests.

**12. Stock Based Compensation and Share Repurchase Program**

We have a Long-Term Incentive Plan (the "Plan") which is described more fully in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011. The Plan provides for long-term performance compensation for key employees. A variety of discretionary awards for employees are authorized under the plan, including incentive or non-qualified stock options, stock appreciation rights, restricted or nonrestricted stock awards and performance awards.

For the first quarter of 2012, the Company granted 0.5 million stock options and 0.3 million restricted share awards, including performance share awards. The number of shares ultimately issued for the performance share awards depends upon the specified performance conditions attained. Share based compensation costs totaled \$11.0 million for the first quarter of 2012 and \$6.8 million for the first quarter of 2011. Compensation costs of share options are estimated on the date of grant using a lattice-based binomial model. Assumptions utilized in the model are evaluated and revised, as necessary, to reflect market conditions and experience.

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As of March 31, 2012, \$8.3 million of total unrecognized stock-based compensation costs related to stock options is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 2.2 years. In addition, \$23.4 million of total unrecognized stock-based compensation cost related to restricted stock awards, including performance awards, is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 2.1 years.

**Share Repurchase Program**

In June 2011, our Board of Directors authorized a share repurchase program allowing the Company to repurchase up to \$1 billion of its outstanding Class A common shares. There is no expiration date for the program and we are under no commitment or obligation to repurchase any particular amount of Class A Common shares under the program. All shares repurchased under the program are constructively retired and returned to unissued shares. During the first quarter of 2012 we repurchased 5.5 million shares for approximately \$250 million. As of March 31, 2012, our remaining authorization to repurchase is \$250 million of Class A common shares.

**13. Employee Benefit Plans**

The Company offers various postretirement benefits to its employees.

The components of benefit plan expense consisted of the following:

*(in thousands)*

	Three months ended March 31,	
	2012	2011
Interest cost	\$ 800	\$ 885
Expected return on plan assets, net of expenses	(850)	(741)
Actuarial (gain)/loss	525	16
Total for defined benefit plans	475	160
Supplemental executive retirement plan ("SERP")	900	488
Defined contribution plans	5,358	4,745
Total	\$ 6,733	\$ 5,393

We contributed \$0.1 million to fund current benefit payments for our nonqualified supplemental executive retirement plan ("SERP") during the first quarter of 2012. We anticipate contributing \$4.5 million to fund the SERP's benefit payments during the remainder of fiscal 2012. We made contributions totaling \$9.2 million to our SNI Pension Plan in the second quarter 2012.

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The Company determines its business segments based upon our management and internal reporting structure. We manage our operations through one reportable operating segment, Lifestyle Media.

Lifestyle Media includes our national television networks, HGTV, Food Network, Travel Channel, DIY Network, Cooking Channel and GAC. Lifestyle Media also includes websites that are associated with the aforementioned television brands and other Internet-based businesses serving food, home and travel related categories. The Food Network and Cooking Channel are included in the Food Network partnership of which we own approximately 69%. We also own 65% of Travel Channel. Each of our networks is distributed by cable and satellite distributors and telecommunication service providers. Lifestyle Media earns revenue primarily from the sale of advertising time and from affiliate fees paid by cable and satellite television systems.

The results of businesses not separately identified as reportable segments are included within our corporate caption. Corporate includes the results of the lifestyle-oriented channels we operate in Europe, the Middle East, Africa and Asia, operating results from the international licensing of our national networks' programming, and other interactive and digital business initiatives that are not associated with our Lifestyle Media or international businesses.

Each of our segments may provide advertising, programming or other services to our other segments. In addition, certain corporate costs and expenses, including information technology, pensions and other employee benefits, and other shared services, are allocated to our business segments. The allocations are generally amounts agreed upon by management, which may differ from amounts that would be incurred if such services were purchased separately by the business segment.

Our chief operating decision maker evaluates the operating performance of our business segments and makes decisions about the allocation of resources to the business segments using a measure we call segment profit. Segment profit excludes interest, income taxes, depreciation and amortization, divested operating units, restructuring activities, investment results and certain other items that are included in net income determined in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Information regarding our business segments is as follows:

(in thousands)

	Three months ended	
	March 31,	
	2012	2011
<b>Segment operating revenues:</b>		
Lifestyle Media	\$ 528,583	\$ 473,553
Corporate/intersegment eliminations	6,762	7,278
Total operating revenues	<u>\$ 535,345</u>	<u>\$ 480,831</u>
<b>Segment profit (loss):</b>		
Lifestyle Media	\$ 264,637	\$ 244,605
Corporate	(25,402)	(17,355)
Total segment profit	239,235	227,250
Depreciation and amortization of intangible assets	(24,516)	(21,561)
Gains (losses) on disposal of property and equipment	(59)	(16)
Interest expense	(12,180)	(8,615)
Equity in earnings of affiliates	13,913	9,658
Miscellaneous, net	7,154	47
Income from continuing operations before income taxes	<u>\$ 223,547</u>	<u>\$ 206,763</u>

(in thousands)

	As of	
	March 31,	December 31,
	2012	2011
<b>Assets:</b>		
Lifestyle Media	\$ 2,786,698	\$ 2,794,040
Corporate	1,062,184	1,167,630
Total assets	<u>\$ 3,848,882</u>	<u>\$ 3,961,670</u>

No single customer provides more than 10% of our total operating revenues.

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**15. Subsequent Event**

In the second quarter of 2012, we completed our acquisition of Travel Channel International ("TCI") for consideration of approximately \$103 million. TCI is an independent company headquartered in the United Kingdom that provides and commissions original travel programming for distribution in 91 countries.

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**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS**

This discussion and analysis of financial condition and results of operations is based on the condensed consolidated financial statements and the notes to the condensed consolidated financial statements. You should read this discussion and analysis in conjunction with those financial statements.

**FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS**

This discussion and the information contained in the notes to the condensed consolidated financial statements contain certain forward-looking statements that are based on our current expectations. Forward-looking statements are subject to certain risks, trends and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from the expectations expressed in the forward-looking statements. Such risks, trends and uncertainties, which in most instances are beyond our control, include changes in advertising demand and other economic conditions; consumers' tastes; program costs; labor relations; technological developments; competitive pressures; interest rates; regulatory rulings; and reliance on third-party vendors for various products and services. The words "believe," "expect," "anticipate," "estimate," "intend" and similar expressions identify forward-looking statements. All forward-looking statements, which are as of the date of this filing, should be evaluated with the understanding of their inherent uncertainty. We undertake no obligation to publicly update any forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date the statement is made.

**OVERVIEW**

Scripps Networks Interactive is one of the leading developers of lifestyle-oriented content for television and the Internet with respected, high-profile television and interactive brands. Our businesses engage audiences and efficiently serve advertisers by delivering entertaining and useful content that focuses on specifically defined topics of interest.

We manage our operations through our reportable operating segment, Lifestyle Media. Lifestyle Media includes our national television networks, Home and Garden Television ("HGTV"), Food Network, Travel Channel, DIY Network ("DIY"), Cooking Channel and Great American Country ("GAC"). Lifestyle Media also includes websites that are associated with the aforementioned television brands and other Internet-based businesses serving food, home and travel related categories. Our Lifestyle Media branded websites consistently rank at or near the top in their respective lifestyle categories on a unique visitor basis.

We also have established lifestyle media brands internationally. Food based channels are available in the United Kingdom, other European markets, the Middle East, Africa and Asia. Our international offerings also include Fine Living Network, a full-spectrum lifestyle television channel and interactive brand that is available across more than 60 countries.

The growth of our international business both organically and through acquisitions and joint ventures continues to be a strategic priority of the Company. In the second quarter of 2012, we completed our acquisition of Travel Channel International ("TCI") for consideration of approximately \$103 million. TCI is an independent company headquartered in the United Kingdom that provides and commissions original travel programming for distribution in 91 countries. At the end of the third quarter of 2011, we acquired a 50 percent interest in UKTV. UKTV is one of the United Kingdom's leading multi-channel television programming companies. Consideration paid in the transaction consisted of approximately \$395 million to purchase preferred stock and common equity interest in UKTV and approximately \$137 million to acquire debt due to Virgin Media, Inc. from UKTV. We began recognizing our proportionate share of the results from UKTV's operations on October 1, 2011.

During the second quarter of 2011, our Board of Directors approved the sale of our Shopzilla business and its related online comparison shopping brands. We received consideration totaling \$160 million upon finalizing the sale of the business on May, 31, 2011. The Shopzilla businesses' assets, liabilities and results of operations have been presented as discontinued operations within our condensed consolidated financial statements for all periods.

Our businesses earn revenues principally from advertising sales, affiliate fees and ancillary sales, including the sale and licensing of consumer products. Programming expenses, employee costs, and sales and marketing expenses are the primary operating costs.



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Operating revenues from our continuing operations in the first quarter of 2012 increased 11 percent to \$535 million compared with the same period a year ago, while segment profit for the period was \$239 million compared with \$227 million a year earlier, a 5.3 percent increase.

**CRITICAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND ESTIMATES**

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP") requires us to make a variety of decisions which affect reported amounts and related disclosures, including the selection of appropriate accounting principles and the assumptions on which to base accounting estimates. In reaching such decisions, we apply judgment based on our understanding and analysis of the relevant circumstances, including our historical experience, actuarial studies and other assumptions. We are committed to incorporating accounting principles, assumptions and estimates that promote the representational faithfulness, verifiability, neutrality and transparency of the accounting information included in the financial statements.

Note 2 to the Consolidated Financial Statements included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K describes the significant accounting policies we have selected for use in the preparation of our financial statements and related disclosures. An accounting policy is deemed to be critical if it requires an accounting estimate to be made based on assumptions about matters that are highly uncertain at the time the estimate is made, and if different estimates that reasonably could have been used could materially change the financial statements. We believe the accounting for Programs and Program Licenses, Revenue Recognition, Acquisitions, Goodwill, Finite-Lived Intangible Assets, and Income Taxes to be our most critical accounting policies and estimates. A detailed description of these accounting policies is included in the Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates section of Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011. There have been no significant changes in those accounting policies.

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The competitive landscape in our business is affected by multiple media platforms competing for consumers and advertising dollars. We strive to create popular programming that resonates with viewers across a variety of demographic groups, develop brands and create new media platforms through which we can capitalize on the audiences we aggregate.

Consolidated results of operations were as follows:

(in thousands)

	Three months ended		
	March 31,		
	2012	2011	Change
Operating revenues	\$ 535,345	\$ 480,831	11.3%
Costs and expenses	(296,110)	(253,581)	16.8%
Depreciation and amortization of intangible assets	(24,516)	(21,561)	13.7%
Gains (losses) on disposal of property and equipment	(59)	(16)	
Operating income	214,660	205,673	4.4%
Interest expense	(12,180)	(8,615)	41.4%
Equity in earnings of affiliates	13,913	9,658	44.1%
Miscellaneous, net	7,154	47	
Income from continuing operations before income taxes	223,547	206,763	8.1%
Provision for income taxes	(66,596)	(62,211)	7.0%
Income from continuing operations, net of tax	156,951	144,552	8.6%
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of tax		765	
Net income	156,951	145,317	8.0%
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests	(42,048)	(44,792)	(6.1)%
Net income attributable to SNI	\$ 114,903	\$ 100,525	14.3%

The increase in operating revenues for the first quarter of 2012 was due primarily to solid growth in advertising sales and affiliate fee revenue from our national television networks. Advertising revenues from our national networks increased \$33.6 million or 10 percent for the first quarter of 2012 compared with the first quarter of 2011. The increase in advertising revenues reflects strong pricing and sales in the upfront market for advertising inventory. Affiliate fee revenues at our national television networks increased \$22.3 million or 16 percent in the first quarter of 2012 compared with the first quarter of 2011. The increase in affiliate fee revenues is primarily due to contractual rate increases achieved on contracts renewed in 2012 as well as scheduled rate increases on existing contracts at our networks.

Costs and expenses in the first quarter of 2012 increased 17 percent compared with the first quarter of 2011. Approximately half of the increase was attributed to our continued investment in the improved quality and variety of programming at our networks. The hiring of additional employees to support the growth of our businesses and the costs associated with both international expansion initiatives and other interactive and digital business initiatives also contributed to the increase in costs and expenses.

Interest expense increased in 2012 primarily due to higher debt levels. In December of 2011, we issued \$500 million aggregate principal amount of 2.70% Senior Notes. We expect interest expense will be \$45 million to \$50 million in 2012.

Equity in earnings of affiliates represents the proportionate share of net income or loss from each of our equity method investments. In 2011, we acquired a 50% interest in UKTV and began to recognize our proportionate share of the results from UKTV's operations on October 1, 2011. Our equity in earnings from the UKTV investment is reduced by amortization reflecting differences in the consideration paid for our equity interest in the entity and our 50% proportionate share of UKTV's equity. Accordingly, equity in earnings of affiliates in the first quarter of 2012 includes both our \$8.8 million proportionate share of UKTV's results reduced by amortization on the UKTV investment of \$4.5 million.

We recognized \$5.6 million of foreign exchange gains during the first quarter of 2012. These gains, reported within the "Miscellaneous" caption in our condensed consolidated statements of operations, relate to realized and unrealized foreign exchange on the Company's foreign denominated asset and liability balances.

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Our first quarter of 2012 effective income tax rate was 29.8% compared with 30.1% for the first quarter of 2011.

In August 2010, we contributed the Cooking Channel to the Food Network Partnership (the "Partnership"). At the close of our 2010 fiscal year, the noncontrolling owner had not made a required pro-rata capital contribution to the Partnership and as a result its ownership interest was diluted from 31 percent to 25 percent. Accordingly, for the four months following the Cooking Channel contribution, profits from the Partnership were allocated to the noncontrolling owner at its reduced ownership percentage. During the first quarter of 2011, the noncontrolling interest made the pro-rata contribution to the Partnership and its ownership interest was restored to 31 percent as if the contribution had been made as of the date of the Cooking Channel contribution. The retroactive impact of restoring the noncontrolling owner's interest in the Partnership increased net income attributable to noncontrolling interest \$8.0 million in the first quarter of 2011. Excluding the impact of restoring the noncontrolling owner's interest in the Partnership, net income attributable to noncontrolling interests increased 14% in the first quarter of 2012 compared with the first quarter of 2011 reflecting the growing profitability of the Food Network partnership.

**Business Segment Results**—As discussed in Note 14—*Segment Information* to the condensed consolidated financial statements, our chief operating decision maker evaluates the operating performance of our business segments and makes decisions about the allocation of resources to the business segments using a performance measure we call segment profit. Segment profit excludes interest, income taxes, depreciation and amortization, divested operating units, restructuring activities, investment results and certain other items that are included in net income determined in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Items excluded from segment profit generally result from decisions made in prior periods or from decisions made by corporate executives rather than the managers of the business segments. Depreciation and amortization charges are the result of decisions made in prior periods regarding the allocation of resources and are therefore excluded from the measure. Financing, tax structure and divestiture decisions are generally made by corporate executives. Excluding these items from our business segment performance measure enables us to evaluate business segment operating performance based upon current economic conditions and decisions made by the managers of those business segments in the current period.

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Information regarding the operating performance of our business segments and a reconciliation of such information to the condensed consolidated financial statements is as follows:

(in thousands)

	Three months ended		
	March 31,		
	2012	2011	Change
<b>Segment operating revenues:</b>			
Lifestyle Media	\$ 528,583	\$ 473,553	11.6%
Corporate/intersegment eliminations	6,762	7,278	(7.1)%
<b>Total operating revenues</b>	<b>\$ 535,345</b>	<b>\$ 480,831</b>	<b>11.3%</b>
<b>Segment profit (loss):</b>			
Lifestyle Media	\$ 264,637	\$ 244,605	8.2%
Corporate	(25,402)	(17,355)	46.4%
<b>Total segment profit</b>	<b>239,235</b>	<b>227,250</b>	<b>5.3%</b>
Depreciation and amortization of intangible assets	(24,516)	(21,561)	13.7%
Gains (losses) on disposal of property and equipment	(59)	(16)	
Interest expense	(12,180)	(8,615)	41.4%
Equity in earnings of affiliates	13,913	9,658	44.1%
Miscellaneous, net	7,154	47	
<b>Income from continuing operations before income taxes</b>	<b>\$ 223,547</b>	<b>\$ 206,763</b>	<b>8.1%</b>

Corporate includes the results of the lifestyle-oriented channels we operate in Europe, the Middle East, Africa and Asia, operating results from the international licensing of our national networks' programming, and the costs associated with both international expansion initiatives and other interactive and digital business initiatives. Operating results from these initiatives increased the segment loss at corporate by \$4.4 million in the first quarter of 2012 compared with \$1.9 million in the first quarter of 2011.

A reconciliation of segment profit to operating income determined in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America is as follows:

(in thousands)

	Three months ended	
	March 31,	
	2012	2011
<b>Operating income</b>	<b>\$ 214,660</b>	<b>\$ 205,673</b>
<b>Depreciation and amortization of intangible assets:</b>		
Lifestyle Media	23,129	21,049
Corporate	1,387	512
<b>Losses (gains) on disposal of property and equipment:</b>		
Lifestyle Media	59	16
<b>Total segment profit</b>	<b>\$ 239,235</b>	<b>\$ 227,250</b>

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**Lifestyle Media**—Lifestyle Media includes six national television networks and a collection of Internet businesses.

Our Lifestyle Media division earns revenue primarily from the sale of advertising time on our national networks, affiliate fees paid by cable and satellite television operators that carry our network programming, the licensing of its content to third parties, the licensing of its brands for consumer products and from the sale of advertising on our Lifestyle Media affiliated websites. Employee costs and programming costs are Lifestyle Media's primary expenses. The demand for national television advertising is the primary economic factor that impacts the operating performance of our networks.

Operating results for Lifestyle Media were as follows:

(in thousands)

	Three months ended March 31,		
	2012	2011	Change
<b>Segment operating revenues:</b>			
Advertising	\$ 355,341	\$ 321,759	10.4%
Network affiliate fees, net	166,401	144,088	15.5%
Other	6,841	7,706	(11.2)%
<b>Total segment operating revenues</b>	<b>528,583</b>	<b>473,553</b>	<b>11.6%</b>
<b>Segment costs and expenses:</b>			
Employee compensation and benefits	67,415	59,558	13.2%
Program amortization	110,526	89,568	23.4%
Other segment costs and expenses	86,005	79,822	7.7%
<b>Total segment costs and expenses</b>	<b>263,946</b>	<b>228,948</b>	<b>15.3%</b>
<b>Segment profit</b>	<b>\$ 264,637</b>	<b>\$ 244,605</b>	<b>8.2%</b>
<i>Supplemental Information:</i>			
Billed network affiliate fees	\$ 172,955	\$ 153,964	
Program payments	165,255	114,405	
Depreciation and amortization	23,129	21,049	
Capital expenditures	5,777	9,668	

Strong pricing and sales in the upfront advertising market resulted in advertising growth in 2012 compared with the same period in 2011.

Distribution agreements with cable and satellite television systems require that the distributor pay SNI affiliate fees over the terms of the agreements in exchange for our programming. The increase in network affiliate fees was attributed to both contractual rate increases achieved on contracts renewed in 2012 as well as scheduled rate increases on existing contracts at our networks.

The increase in employee compensation and benefits primarily reflects the hiring of additional employees to support the growth of Lifestyle Media.

The increase in program amortization in 2012 compared with 2011 reflects our continued investment in the improved quality and variety of programming at our networks. Program amortization is expected to increase 13% to 15% for the full year of 2012 compared with 2011.

The increase in other costs and expenses in 2012 compared with 2011 reflects higher building rent and facility costs and an increase in marketing and promotion costs at our television networks.

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Supplemental financial information for Lifestyle Media is as follows:

(in thousands)

	Three months ended March 31,		
	2012	2011	Change
<b>Operating revenues by brand:</b>			
Food Network	\$ 198,823	\$ 174,045	14.2%
HGTV	185,735	171,364	8.4%
Travel Channel	66,590	61,999	7.4%
DIY	27,624	23,345	18.3%
Cooking Channel	19,812	15,267	29.8%
GAC	4,994	6,464	(22.7)%
Digital Businesses	22,395	19,381	15.6%
Other	2,647	2,223	19.1%
Intrasegment eliminations	(37)	(535)	
<b>Total segment operating revenue</b>	<b>\$ 528,583</b>	<b>\$ 473,553</b>	<b>11.6%</b>
<b>Subscribers (1):</b>			
Food Network	99,700	100,400	(0.7)%
HGTV	98,900	99,800	(0.9)%
Travel Channel	94,800	96,000	(1.3)%
DIY	56,800	54,000	5.2%
Cooking Channel	58,400	57,500	1.6%
GAC	62,100	59,800	3.8%

(1) Subscriber counts are according to the Nielsen Homevideo Index of homes that receive cable networks.

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**LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES**

Our primary source of liquidity is cash and cash equivalents on hand, cash flows from operations, available borrowing capacity under our revolving credit facility, and access to capital markets. Advertising provides approximately 70 percent of total operating revenues, so cash flow from operating activities can be adversely affected during recessionary periods. Information about our sources and uses of cash flow is presented in the following table:

(in thousands)

	Three months ended	
	March 31,	
	2012	2011
Cash provided by operating activities	\$ 208,169	\$ 212,550
Net cash provided by (used in) discontinued operations		9,072
Dividends paid, including to noncontrolling interest	(66,549)	(27,860)
Stock option proceeds	13,014	10,745
Noncontrolling interest capital contribution		52,804
Other, net	166	(2,375)
Cash flow amounts available for acquisitions, investments, share repurchases, and debt repayment	\$ 154,800	\$ 254,936
Sources and uses of available cash flow:		
Collections (funds advanced) on note receivable	7,012	
Business acquisitions and net investment activity	(18,950)	20
Capital expenditures	(7,314)	(11,189)
Repurchase of Class A common stock	(250,110)	
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	\$ (114,562)	\$ 243,767

Our cash flow has been used primarily to fund acquisitions and investments, develop new businesses, acquire common stock under our share repurchase programs and repay debt. We expect cash flow from operating activities in 2012 will provide sufficient liquidity to continue the development of brands and to fund the capital expenditures necessary to support our business.

In September 2011, we acquired a 50 percent interest in UKTV. Consideration paid in the transaction consisted of approximately \$395 million to purchase preferred stock and common equity interest in UKTV and approximately \$137 million to acquire debt due to Virgin Media, Inc. from UKTV. The debt acquired, reported within "Other non-current assets" in our condensed consolidated balance sheet, effectively acts as a revolving facility for UKTV. The investment in UKTV was financed through cash on hand and borrowings on our existing revolving credit facility.

On December 1, 2011, SNI completed the sale of \$500 million of aggregate principal amount Senior Notes. The Senior Notes mature on December 15, 2016 bearing interest at 2.70%. Interest will be paid on the notes on June 15th and December 15th of each year.

On December 15, 2009, a majority-owned subsidiary of SNI issued a total of \$885 million of aggregate principal amount Senior Notes through a private placement. The Senior Notes mature on January 15, 2015 bearing interest at 3.55%. Interest is paid on the Senior Notes on January 15th and July 15th of each year. The Senior Notes are guaranteed by SNI. Cox TMI, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Cox Communications, Inc. and 35% owner in the Travel Channel has agreed to indemnify SNI for all payments made in respect of SNI's guarantee.

We have a Competitive Advance and Revolving Credit Facility (the "Facility") that permits \$550 million in aggregate borrowings and expires in June 2014. There were no borrowings under the Facility at March 31, 2012.

In February 2011, the noncontrolling owner in the Food Network partnership made a \$52.8 million cash contribution to the partnership. Pursuant to the terms of the Food Network general partnership agreement, the partnership is required to distribute available cash to the general partners. After providing distributions to the partners for respective tax liabilities, available cash is then applied against any capital contributions made by the partners prior to distribution based upon each partners' ownership interest in the partnership. During the first quarter of 2012, remaining outstanding capital contributions had been returned to the

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respective partners. Cash distributions to Food Network's noncontrolling interest were \$47.8 million in the first quarter 2012 and \$15.2 million in the first quarter 2011. In the second quarter of 2012, we began making distributions to Travel Channel's noncontrolling interest. We expect cash distributions to noncontrolling interests will approximate \$170 million in 2012.

We have paid quarterly dividends since our inception as a public company on July 1, 2008. During the first quarter of 2012, the Board of Directors approved an increase in the quarterly dividend rate to \$.12 per share. Total dividend payments to shareholders of our common stock were \$18.7 million in the first quarter of 2012 and \$12.6 million in the first quarter of 2011. We currently expect that quarterly cash dividends will continue to be paid in the future. Future dividends are, however, subject to our earnings, financial condition and capital requirements.

Under a share repurchase program approved by the Board of Directors in June 2011, we were authorized to repurchase \$1 billion of Class A Common shares. During the first quarter of 2012 we repurchased 5.5 million shares for approximately \$250 million. As of March 31, 2012, our remaining authorization to repurchase is \$250 million of Class A common shares. There is no expiration date for the program and we are under no commitment or obligation to repurchase any particular amount of Class A Common shares under the program.

### QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

We are exposed to market risk related to interest rates and foreign currency exchange rates. We use or expect to use derivative financial instruments to modify exposure to risks from fluctuations in interest rates and foreign currency exchange rates. In accordance with our policy, we do not use derivative instruments unless there is an underlying exposure, and we do not hold or enter into financial instruments for speculative trading purposes.

Our objectives in managing interest rate risk are to limit the impact of interest rate changes on our earnings and cash flows, and to reduce overall borrowing costs.

We are subject to interest rate risk associated with our credit facility as borrowings bear interest at Libor plus a spread that is determined relative to our Company's debt rating. Accordingly, the interest we pay on our borrowings is dependent on interest rate conditions and the timing of our financing needs. The Company issued \$500 million of Senior Notes in December 2011 and a majority-owned subsidiary of SNI issued \$885 million of Senior Notes in conjunction with our acquisition of a controlling interest in the Travel Channel in December 2009. A 100 basis point increase or decrease in the level of interest rates, respectively, would decrease or increase the fair value of the Senior Notes by approximately \$47.8 million and \$46.9 million.

The following table presents additional information about market-risk-sensitive financial instruments:

(in thousands)

	As of March 31, 2012		As of December 31, 2011	
	Cost Basis	Fair Value	Cost Basis	Fair Value
<b>Financial instruments subject to interest rate risk:</b>				
3.55% notes due in 2015	\$ 884,582	\$ 930,631	\$ 884,545	\$ 924,356
2.70% notes due in 2016	499,431	513,471	499,400	504,297
Total long-term debt	<u>\$ 1,384,013</u>	<u>\$ 1,444,102</u>	<u>\$ 1,383,945</u>	<u>\$ 1,428,653</u>

We are also subject to interest rate risk associated with the notes receivable acquired in the UKTV transaction. The notes, totaling \$133 million at March 31, 2012, effectively act as a revolving credit facility for UKTV. The notes accrue interest at variable rates, related to either the spread over LIBOR or other identified market indices. Because the notes receivable are variable rate, the carrying amount of such notes receivable is believed to approximate fair value.



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We conduct business in various countries outside the United States, resulting in exposure to movements in foreign exchange rates when translating from the foreign local currency to the U.S. Dollar. Our primary exposure to foreign currencies is the exchange rates between the U.S. dollar and the Canadian dollar, the British pound and the Euro. Reported earnings and assets may be reduced in periods in which the U.S. dollar increases in value relative to those currencies.

Our objective in managing exposure to foreign currency fluctuations is to reduce volatility of earnings and cash flow. Accordingly, we may enter into foreign currency derivative instruments that change in value as foreign exchange rates change, such as foreign currency forward contracts or foreign currency options. The change in fair value of non-designated contracts is included in current period earnings within our Miscellaneous, net caption. The gross notional value of foreign exchange rate derivative contracts were \$234 million at March 31, 2012 and \$239 million at December 31, 2011. A sensitivity analysis of changes in the fair value of all foreign exchange rate derivative contracts at March 31, 2012 indicates that if the U.S. dollar strengthened/weakened by 10 percent against the British pound, the fair value of these contracts would increase/decrease by approximately \$24.0 million, respectively. Any gains and losses on the fair value of derivative contracts would be largely offset by gains and losses on the underlying assets being hedged. These offsetting gains and losses are not reflected in the above analysis.

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**CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES**

SNI's management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal controls designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP"). The 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 GAAP and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and the 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.

All internal control systems, no matter how well designed, have inherent limitations, including the possibility of human error, collusion and the improper overriding of controls by management. Accordingly, even effective internal control can only provide reasonable but not absolute assurance with respect to financial statement preparation. Further, because of changes in conditions, the effectiveness of internal control may vary over time.

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) was evaluated as of the date of the financial statements. This evaluation was carried out under the supervision of and with the participation of management, including the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer. Based upon that evaluation, the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer concluded that the design and operation of these disclosure controls and procedures are effective. There were no changes to the company's internal controls over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rule 13a-15(f)) during the three months ended March 31, 2012 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the company's internal control over financial reporting.

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**SCRIPPS NETWORKS INTERACTIVE, INC.**

Index to Exhibits

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<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Item</u>
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101.INS	XBRL Instance Document*
101.SCH	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document*
101.CAL	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document*
101.DEF	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document*
101.LAB	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Label Linkbase Document*
101.PRE	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document*

\* This exhibit is furnished herewith but will not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

CERTIFICATIONS

I, Kenneth W. Lowe, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this report on Form 10-Q of Scripps Networks Interactive, 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 officers 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 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 officers 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 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 controls 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 controls over financial reporting.

Date: May 9, 2012

BY: /s/ Kenneth W. Lowe  
Kenneth W. Lowe  
Chairman of the Board of Directors,  
President and Chief Executive Officer

CERTIFICATIONS

I, Joseph G. NeCastro, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this report on Form 10-Q of Scripps Networks Interactive, 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 officers 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 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 officers 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 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 controls 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 controls over financial reporting.

Date: May 9, 2012

BY: /s/ Joseph G. NeCastro

Joseph G. NeCastro  
Chief Administrative Officer and Chief Financial Office

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

I, Kenneth W. Lowe, Chairman of the Board of Directors, President and Chief Executive Officer of Scripps Networks Interactive, Inc. (the "Company"), hereby certify, pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

- (1) The Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of the Company for the period ended March 31, 2012 (the "Report"), which this certification accompanies, 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/ Kenneth W. Lowe

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Kenneth W. Lowe

Chairman of the Board of Directors,  
President and Chief Executive Officer

May 9, 2012

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

I, Joseph G. NeCastro, Chief Administrative Officer and Chief Financial Officer of Scripps Networks Interactive, Inc. (the "Company"), hereby certify, pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

- (1) The Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of the Company for the period ended March 31, 2012 (the "Report"), which this certification accompanies, 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/ Joseph G. NeCastro

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Joseph G. NeCastro  
Chief Administrative Officer and Chief Financial Officer

May 9, 2012