CINCINNATI BELL INC
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UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-Q

x **QUARTERLY REPORT UNDER SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**
FOR THE QUARTERLY PERIOD ENDED MARCH 31, 2007

¨ **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: 1-8519

CINCINNATI BELL INC.

Ohio	**31-1056105**
(State of Incorporation)	**(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)**

221 East Fourth Street, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(513) 397-9900

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

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

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, or a non-accelerated filer. See definition of accelerated filer and large accelerated filer in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act:

Large accelerated filer x Accelerated filer ¨ Non-accelerated filer ¨

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

At May 1, 2007, there were 247,665,640 common shares outstanding and 155,250 shares of 6 3/4% Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock outstanding.

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

(Dollars in millions, except per share amounts)

(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2007	2006
Revenue		
Services	$ 282.0	$ 269.8
Products	33.3	28.4
Total revenue	315.3	298.2
Costs and expenses		
Cost of services, excluding depreciation	96.6	94.8
Cost of products sold, excluding depreciation	36.5	33.2
Selling, general and administrative	65.5	58.3
Depreciation	35.4	33.8
Amortization	0.9	0.6
Shareholder claim settlement		6.3
Restructuring charges	2.5	0.1
Total operating costs and expenses	237.4	227.1
Operating income	77.9	71.1
Minority interest expense		0.4
Interest expense	40.1	39.6
Other income, net	(2.0)	(0.1)
Income before income taxes	39.8	31.2
Income tax expense	17.2	17.1
Net income	22.6	14.1
Preferred stock dividends	2.6	2.6
Net income applicable to common shareowners	$ 20.0	$ 11.5
Basic and diluted earnings per common share	$ 0.08	$ 0.05
Weighted average common shares outstanding (in millions)		
Basic	247.1	246.6
Diluted	255.0	251.2

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the condensed consolidated financial statements.

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(Dollars in millions, except share amounts)

(Unaudited)

	March 31, 2007	December 31, 2006
Assets		
Current assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	$ 45.9	$ 79.4
Receivables, less allowances of $14.6 and $15.2	141.1	161.9
Materials and supplies	26.7	24.9
Deferred income tax benefits, net	81.3	63.3
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	20.3	17.9
Total current assets	315.3	347.4
Property, plant and equipment, net	836.5	818.8
Goodwill	55.4	53.3
Intangible assets, net	114.0	112.9
Deferred income tax benefits, net	581.2	631.4
Other noncurrent assets	48.9	50.0
Total assets	$ 1,951.3	$ 2,013.8
Liabilities and Shareowners Deficit		
Current liabilities		
Current portion of long-term debt	$ 8.0	$ 7.3
Accounts payable	78.6	74.1
Unearned revenue and customer deposits	43.1	42.9
Accrued taxes	50.2	52.8
Accrued interest	28.8	52.1
Accrued payroll and benefits	38.7	43.8
Other current liabilities	40.7	45.9
Total current liabilities	288.1	318.9
Long-term debt, less current portion	2,021.7	2,065.9
Accrued pension and postretirement benefits	362.5	359.6
Other noncurrent liabilities	52.1	61.0
Total liabilities	2,724.4	2,805.4
Commitments and contingencies		
Shareowners deficit		
Preferred stock, 2,357,299 shares authorized, 155,250 shares (3,105,000 depositary shares) of 6 3/4% Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock issued and outstanding at March 31, 2007 and December 31, 2006; liquidation preference $1,000 per share ($50 per depositary share)	129.4	129.4
Common shares, $.01 par value; 480,000,000 shares authorized; 255,834,546 and 255,669,983 shares issued; 247,555,643 and 247,471,538 outstanding at March 31, 2007 and December 31, 2006	2.6	2.6
Additional paid-in capital	2,922.5	2,924.9
Accumulated deficit	(3,509.7)	(3,527.2)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(170.8)	(174.5)
Common shares in treasury, at cost:		
8,278,903 and 8,198,445 shares at March 31, 2007 and December 31, 2006	(147.1)	(146.8)

Total shareowners deficit	(773.1)	(791.6)
Total liabilities and shareowners deficit	$ 1,951.3	$ 2,013.8

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(Dollars in millions)

(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2007	Three Months Ended March 31, 2006
Cash flows from operating activities		
Net income	$ 22.6	$ 14.1
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities		
Depreciation	35.4	33.8
Amortization	0.9	0.6
Provision for loss on receivables	3.4	3.9
Noncash interest expense	1.3	1.3
Minority interest expense		0.4
Deferred income tax expense, including valuation allowance change	16.1	15.5
Other, net	0.1	
Changes in operating assets and liabilities, net of effects of acquisitions		
Decrease in receivables	18.1	20.4
Increase in prepaid expenses and other current assets	(8.9)	(10.9)
Increase in accounts payable	4.1	1.6
Decrease in accrued and other current liabilities	(33.2)	(25.4)
Increase in accrued pension and postretirement benefits	8.8	8.4
Change in other assets and liabilities, net	(0.4)	1.5
Net cash provided by operating activities	68.3	65.2
Cash flows from investing activities		
Capital expenditures	(42.3)	(35.6)
Acquisitions of business and remaining minority interest in CBW	(4.6)	(83.2)
Other, net	(0.5)	1.4
Net cash used in investing activities	(47.4)	(117.4)
Cash flows from financing activities		
Increase in corporate credit facility, net		60.0
Repayment of debt	(51.3)	(3.3)
Issuance of common shares - exercise of stock options	0.1	0.6
Preferred stock dividends	(2.6)	(2.6)
Other, net	(0.6)	0.8
Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities	(54.4)	55.5
Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents	(33.5)	3.3
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	79.4	25.7
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	$ 45.9	$ 29.0

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NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED)

1. Description of Business and Accounting Policies

The following represents a summary of the Company s business and accounting policies. A more detailed presentation can be found in the Company s 2006 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Description of Business Cincinnati Bell Inc. (the Company) provides diversified telecommunications services through businesses in five segments: Local, Wireless, Technology Solutions (formerly referred to as Hardware and Managed Services), Other, and Broadband. The Broadband segment no longer has substantive ongoing operations as a result of the sale of the related operating assets in 2003.

Basis of Presentation The Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements of the Company have been prepared pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) and, in the opinion of management, include all adjustments necessary for a fair presentation of the results of operations, financial position, and cash flows for each period presented.

The adjustments referred to above are of a normal and recurring nature. Certain prior year amounts have been reclassified to conform to the current classifications with no effect on results of operations. Certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in financial statements prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America have been condensed or omitted pursuant to SEC rules and regulations.

The Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet as of December 31, 2006 was derived from audited financial statements, but does not include all disclosures required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. These Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements should be read in conjunction with the Company s 2006 Annual Report on Form 10-K. Operating results for the three month period ending March 31, 2007 are not necessarily indicative of the results expected in subsequent quarters or for the year ending December 31, 2007.

Income Taxes The Company and its subsidiaries file income tax returns in the U.S. federal jurisdiction, and various states and local jurisdictions. With a few exceptions, the Company is no longer subject to U.S. federal, state or local examinations for years before 2003. In the first quarter of 2007, the Internal Revenue Service commenced an examination of the Company s U.S. federal income tax returns for 2004 and 2005. These examinations are expected to be completed by the end of 2007.

The Company adopted the provisions of Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Interpretation No. 48, Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes, (FIN 48) on January 1, 2007. As a result of the implementation of FIN 48, the Company recognized a $5.1 million increase in the liability for unrecognized tax benefits, which was accounted for as a reduction to the January 1, 2007 balance of retained earnings. After recognizing this impact upon adoption of FIN 48, the Company has a $14.7 million liability recorded for unrecognized tax benefits as of January 1, 2007 and March 31, 2007. The total amount of unrecognized tax benefits that, if recognized, would affect the effective tax rate is $14.5 million. The Company does not currently anticipate that the amount of unrecognized tax benefits will change significantly over the next year.

The Company recognizes penalties accrued related to unrecognized tax benefits in income tax expense. The Company recognizes interest accrued related to unrecognized tax benefits in interest expense. Accrued interest and penalties are insignificant at December 31, 2006 and March 31, 2007.

Regulatory Taxes The Company incurs federal regulatory taxes on certain revenue producing transactions. The Company is permitted to recover certain of these taxes by billing the customer, however, collections cannot exceed the amount due to the federal regulatory agency. These federal regulatory taxes are presented in sales and cost of services on a gross basis because, while the Company is required to pay the tax, it is not required to collect the tax from customers and, in fact, does not collect from customers in certain instances. The amount recorded as revenue for the three months ended March 31, 2007 and March 31, 2006 was $3.7 million and $3.9 million, respectively. The amount expensed for the three months ended March 31, 2007 and March 31, 2006 was $4.2 million and $4.4 million, respectively. The Company records all other taxes collected from customers on a net basis.

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Stock-Based Compensation The Company values all share-based payments to employees at fair value on the date of grant and expenses this value over the applicable vesting period. The Company s policy for graded vesting awards is to recognize compensation expense on a straight-line basis over the vesting period. The Company s practice has been to make its annual grant of stock options and time-based restricted awards in December and annual performance-based awards in the first quarter. In addition, the Company also has historically granted a smaller number of stock-based awards at various times during the year for new employees, promotions and performance achievements.

Stock options

The following table summarizes stock option activity for the three months ended March 31, 2007:

(in thousands, except per share amount and contractual life)	Number of options	Weighted-average option prices per share	Weighted-average remaining contractual life in years
Outstanding at December 31, 2006	21,153	$ 10.89	5.3
Granted	73	4.60	
Exercised	(27)	3.63	
Forfeited or expired	(540)	12.85	
Outstanding at March 31, 2007	20,659	$ 10.83	5.3
Exercisable at March 31, 2007	19,483	$ 11.20	5.0

The Company recognized compensation expense of $0.2 million related to option grants for the three months ended March 31, 2007 and had an insignificant amount of expense for the three months ended March 31, 2006. As of March 31, 2007, there was $1.5 million of unrecognized compensation expense related to non-vested stock options. This expense is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of approximately three years. The aggregate intrinsic value of stock options outstanding and exercisable was approximately $5.5 million at March 31, 2007.

The weighted average fair values at the date of grant for options granted were $1.59 and $1.08 for the three months ended March 31, 2007 and 2006, respectively. The weighted average fair values at the date of grant were estimated using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model with the following assumptions:

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2007	Three Months Ended March 31, 2006
Expected volatility	29.2%	31.0%
Risk-free interest rate	4.6%	4.4%
Expected holding period - years	5	4
Expected dividends	0.0%	0.0%

The expected volatility assumption used in the Black-Scholes pricing model was based on historical volatility. The risk-free interest rate is based on the U.S. Treasury yield curve in effect at the time of grant. The expected holding period was estimated using the historical exercise behavior of employees and adjusted for abnormal activity. Expected dividends are based on the Company s history of paying dividends, as well as restrictions in place under the Company s debt covenants.

Performance-based awards

During the three months ended March 31, 2007, the Company granted performance-based awards that allow the recipients to receive up to 880,800 shares, which vest over three years and upon the achievement of certain performance-based objectives over the period 2007 to 2009. The fair value of the awards on the date of grant was $4.73 per share. During the three months ended March 31, 2006, the Company granted performance-based awards that allow the recipients to receive up to 819,750 shares, which vest over three years and upon the achievement of certain performance-based objectives over the period 2006 to 2008. The fair value of these awards on the date of grant was $4.29 per share. The Company recognized expense for performance-based awards of $0.4 million in the first quarter of 2007 and an insignificant amount of expense in the first quarter of 2006. As of March 31, 2007, there was $1.3 million of unrecognized compensation expense related to performance-based awards, which is expected to be recognized in 2007.

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Time-based restricted awards

In December 2006, rather than granting options as in previous years, the Company issued 253,199 time-based restricted shares to lower level managers. These shares vest in one-third increments over a period of three years and had a fair value of $4.74 per share at the date of grant. There were no time-based restricted awards granted in either the first quarter of 2007 or 2006. The Company recognized expense of $0.1 million related to time-based restricted awards in both the first quarter of 2007 and 2006. As of March 31, 2007, there was $0.7 million of unrecognized compensation expense related to these shares. This expense is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of approximately three years.

Comprehensive Income

(dollars in millions)	**Three Months Ended March 31, 2007**	**2006**
Net income	$ 22.6	$ 14.1
Amortization of pension and postretirement plan costs, less income tax of $2.2	3.7	
Comprehensive income	$ 26.3	$ 14.1

Recently Issued Accounting Standards In September 2006, the FASB ratified Emerging Issues Task Force Issue (EITF) No. 06-1, Accounting for Consideration Given by a Service Provider to Manufacturers or Resellers of Equipment Necessary for an End-Customer to Receive Service from the Service Provider. This guidance requires the application of EITF No. 01-9, Accounting for Consideration Given by a Vendor to a Customer, when consideration is given to a reseller or manufacturer for benefit to the service provider s end customer. EITF No. 01-9 requires the consideration given be recorded as a liability at the time of the sale of the equipment and, also, provides guidance for the classification of the expense. EITF No. 06-1 is effective for the first fiscal year that begins after June 15, 2007. Implementation of this Statement is not expected to have a material impact on the Company s financial statements.

In September 2006, the FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 157, Fair Value Measurements (SFAS 157). The objective of the statement is to define fair value, establish a framework for measuring fair value and expand disclosures about fair value measurements. SFAS 157 will be effective for interim and annual reporting periods beginning after November 15, 2007. The Company has not yet assessed the impact of this statement on the Company s financial statements.

In February 2007, the FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 159, The Fair Value Option for Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities (SFAS 159). The Statement permits entities to measure many financial instruments and certain other items at fair value that are not currently required to be measured at fair value. The objective is to improve financial reporting by providing entities with the opportunity to mitigate volatility in reported earnings caused by measuring related assets and liabilities differently without having to apply complex hedge accounting provisions. SFAS 159 will be effective for the first fiscal year that begins after November 15, 2007. The Company has not yet determined whether it will adopt the alternatives provided in this standard.

2. Acquisitions of Businesses

Local Telecommunication Business

In March 2007, the Company purchased a local telecommunication business, which offers voice, data and cable TV services, in Lebanon, Ohio for a purchase price of $7.0 million, of which $4.6 million was paid in March 2007. The Company funded the purchase with its available cash. The purchase price was primarily allocated to property, plant and equipment of $4.4 million, customer relationship intangible assets of $1.5 million and goodwill of $2.1 million. The financial results have been included in the Local segment and were immaterial to the Company s financial statements for the three months ended March 31, 2007. The preliminary purchase price allocation for this transaction may be adjusted upon completion of the Company s valuation of the related assets and liabilities of the business.

Acquisition of Remaining Interest in Cincinnati Bell Wireless LLC

On February 14, 2006, the Company purchased Cingular s 19.9% membership interest in Cincinnati Bell Wireless LLC (CBW). As a result, the Company paid purchase consideration of $83.0 million in cash to Cingular and incurred transaction expenses of $0.2 million. CBW is now a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company. The Company funded the purchase with its Corporate credit facility and available cash.

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The transaction was accounted for as a step acquisition using the purchase method of accounting in accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 141, Business Combinations. The Company applied the purchase price against the minority interest and then allocated the remainder to identifiable tangible and intangible assets and liabilities acquired as follows:

(dollars in millions)	
Minority interest	$ 27.8
Intangible assets	42.1
Goodwill	10.2
Other	3.1
Total purchase price	$ 83.2

The purchase price allocation was based upon the estimated fair values as of February 14, 2006 of the tangible and intangible assets and liabilities. Estimated fair value was compared to the book value already recorded, and 19.9% of the excess of estimated fair value over book value was allocated to the respective tangible and intangible assets and liabilities. The excess purchase price over the minority interest and fair value ascribed to the tangible and intangible assets and liabilities was recorded as goodwill. The Company anticipates both the goodwill and intangible assets to be fully deductible for tax purposes.

The following table presents detail of the purchase price allocated to intangible assets of CBW as of the date of acquisition:

(dollars in millions)	Fair Value	Weighted Average Amortization Period
Intangible assets subject to amortization:		
Customer relationships - subscribers	$ 11.6	7 years
Customer relationships - collocation towers	2.6	10 years
Contractual right - license	0.7	1 year
	14.9	7 years
Intangible assets not subject to amortization:		
Licenses - owned	21.0	n/a
Trademarks	6.2	n/a
Total intangible assets	$ 42.1	

This acquisition has no effect on the Company s operating income, which historically has included 100% of CBW s operating income. However, for periods after the acquisition date, the 19.9% minority interest in the net income (loss) of CBW was no longer recorded.

The unaudited financial information in the table below summarizes the results of operations of the Company, on a pro forma basis, as though the acquisition had occurred as of the beginning of the period presented:

(dollars in millions, except per share amounts)	Three Months Ended March 31, 2006
Revenue	$ 298.2
Net income	13.6
Earnings per share - basic and diluted	0.04

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3. Earnings Per Common Share

Basic earnings per common share (EPS) is based upon the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period. Diluted EPS reflects the potential dilution that would occur if common stock equivalents were exercised or converted to common stock but only to the extent that they are considered dilutive to the Company s earnings. The following table is a reconciliation of the numerators and denominators of the basic and diluted EPS computations for the following periods:

(in millions, except per share amounts)	Three Months Ended March 31, 2007	Three Months Ended March 31, 2006
Numerator:		
Net income	$ 22.6	$ 14.1
Preferred stock dividends	2.6	2.6
Numerator for basic and diluted EPS	$ 20.0	$ 11.5
Denominator:		
Denominator for basic EPS - weighted average common shares outstanding	247.1	246.6
Warrants	6.3	4.0
Stock-based compensation arrangements	1.6	0.6
Denominator for diluted EPS	255.0	251.2
Basic and diluted earnings per common share	$ 0.08	$ 0.05
Potentially issuable common shares excluded from denominator for diluted EPS due to anti-dilutive effect	35.7	38.8

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4. Debt

The Company s debt consists of the following:

(dollars in millions)	March 31, 2007	December 31, 2006
Current portion of long-term debt:		
Credit facility, tranche B term loan	$ 4.0	$ 4.0
Capital lease obligations and other debt	4.0	3.3
Current portion of long-term debt	8.0	7.3
Long-term debt, less current portion:		
Credit facility, tranche B term loan	340.0	391.0
7 1/4% Senior Notes due 2013	496.9	496.9
8 3/8 % Senior Subordinated Notes due 2014, $640 million face amount*	633.2	631.5
7% Senior Notes due 2015, $250 million face amount*	245.8	245.0
7 1/4% Senior Notes due 2023	50.0	50.0
Various Cincinnati Bell Telephone notes	230.0	230.0
Capital lease obligations and other debt	25.0	20.7
	2,020.9	2,065.1
Net unamortized premiums	0.8	0.8
Long-term debt, less current portion	2,021.7	2,065.9
Total debt	$ 2,029.7	$ 2,073.2

* The face amount of these notes has been adjusted to mark hedged debt to fair values at March 31, 2007 and December 31, 2006.

Accounts Receivable Securitization Facility

In March 2007, the Company and certain subsidiaries entered into an accounts receivable securitization facility (receivables facility), which permits borrowings of up to $80 million, depending on the level of eligible receivables and other factors. The receivables facility has a term of five years, expiring in March 2012. Under the receivables facility, Cincinnati Bell Telephone LLC (CBT), Cincinnati Bell Extended Territories (CBET), Cincinnati Bell Wireless LLC (CBW), Cincinnati Bell Any Distance Inc. (CBAD) and Cincinnati Bell Complete Protection Inc. (CP) sell their respective trade receivables on a continuous basis to Cincinnati Bell Funding LLC (CBF), a wholly-owned limited liability entity. In turn, CBF grants, without recourse, a senior undivided interest in the pooled receivables to commercial paper conduits in exchange for cash while maintaining a subordinated undivided interest, in the form of over collateralization, in the pooled receivables. The Company has agreed to continue servicing the receivables for CBF at market rates; accordingly, no servicing asset or liability has been recorded.

Although CBF is a wholly-owned consolidated subsidiary of the Company, CBF is legally separate from the Company and each of the Company s other subsidiaries. Upon and after the sale or contribution of the accounts receivable to CBF, such accounts receivable are legally assets of CBF, and as such are not available to creditors of other subsidiaries or the parent company.

For the purposes of consolidated financial reporting, the receivables facility is accounted for as a secured financing. Because CBF has the ability to prepay the receivables facility at any time by making a cash payment and effectively repurchasing the receivables transferred pursuant to the facility, the transfers do not qualify for sale treatment on a consolidated basis under Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 140, Accounting for Transfers and Servicing of Financial Assets and Extinguishments of Liabilities a replacement of FASB Statement 125. No borrowings were made on this facility as of March 31, 2007. The Company had $75 million of borrowing availability under the receivables facility at March 31, 2007 based on eligible receivables at that date. In April 2007, the Company borrowed $75 million under the receivables facility. See discussion below for the use of these borrowings. Interest on the receivables facility is based on commercial paper rates plus 0.5%.

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Other

In March 2007, the Company prepaid $50 million of the Tranche B Term Loan with its available cash. In April 2007, the Company paid down an additional $100 million of the Tranche B Term Loan, using proceeds of $75 million from borrowings under the receivables facility and the remainder from available cash.

The Company entered into capital leases, primarily data center building space, totaling $5.3 million in the three months ended March 31, 2007. The leased assets secured the capital lease obligations.

5. Restructuring Charges

2007 Restructuring

In the first quarter of 2007, the Company incurred employee separation expense of $2.4 million primarily related to the outsourcing of certain accounting functions and the reduction in workforce of various other administrative functions. At March 31, 2007, $1.0 million of the reserve is included in Other current liabilities, and $0.6 million was included in Other noncurrent liabilities in the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets. The following table illustrates the activity in this reserve through March 31, 2007:

Type of costs (dollars in millions)	Initial Charge	Utilizations	Balance March 31, 2007
Employee separation obligations	$ 2.4	$ (0.8)	$ 1.6

2006 Restructuring

In September 2006, the Company incurred employee separation expense of $3.0 million primarily related to the outsourcing of certain supply chain functions. At March 31, 2007, $1.2 million of the restructuring reserve balance was included in Other current liabilities, and $0.2 million was included in Other noncurrent liabilities in the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets. At December 31, 2006, $1.5 million of the restructuring reserve balance was included in Other current liabilities and $0.4 million was included in Other noncurrent liabilities in the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets. The following table illustrates the activity in this reserve through March 31, 2007:

Type of costs (dollars in millions)	Initial Charge	Utilizations	Balance December 31, 2006	Utilizations	Balance March 31, 2007
Employee separation obligations	$ 3.0	$ (1.1)	$ 1.9	$ (0.5)	$ 1.4

November 2001 Restructuring Plan

In November 2001, the Company adopted a restructuring plan which included initiatives to consolidate data centers, reduce the Company s expense structure, exit the network construction business, eliminate other non-strategic operations, and merge the digital subscriber line and certain dial-up Internet operations into the Company s other operations. The Company completed the plan as of December 31, 2002, except for certain lease obligations, which are expected to continue through June 2015.

The following table illustrates the activity in this reserve from December 31, 2005 through March 31, 2007:

Type of costs (dollars in millions):	Balance December 31, 2005	Utilizations	Expense	Balance December 31, 2006	Utilizations	Expense	Balance March 31, 2007
Terminate contractual obligations	$ 8.2	$ (1.6)	$ 0.6	$ 7.2	$ (0.2)	$ 0.1	$ 7.1

At March 31, 2007 and December 31, 2006, $1.4 million of the restructuring reserve balance was included in Other current liabilities. The restructuring reserve included in Other noncurrent liabilities in the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets was $5.7 million and $5.8 million at March 31, 2007 and December 31, 2006, respectively.

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6. Pensions and Postretirement Plans

The following information relates to all Company noncontributory defined benefit pension plans, postretirement health care, and life insurance benefit plans. Approximately 10% of these costs were capitalized to property, plant and equipment related to network construction in the Local segment for the three months ended March 31, 2007 and 2006. Pension and postretirement benefit costs are as follows:

	Pension Benefits		Postretirement and Other Benefits	
	Three Months Ended March 31,			
(dollars in millions)	2007	2006	2007	2006
Service cost	$ 2.1	$ 2.2	$ 0.9	$ 0.9
Interest cost on projected benefit obligation	7.0	6.8	5.2	4.8
Expected return on plan assets	(8.2)	(8.7)	(1.0)	(1.2)
Amortization of:				
Transition obligation			1.1	1.1
Prior service cost	0.8	0.8	1.9	1.9
Actuarial loss	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.4
Benefit costs	$ 2.7	$ 2.2	$ 9.2	$ 8.9

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7. Business Segment Information

The Company is organized into five business segments: Local, Wireless, Technology Solutions, Other, and Broadband, on the basis of offering distinct products and services. These segments are generally aligned with specific subsidiaries of the Company. The Broadband segment no longer has any substantive, on-going operations because, in 2003, the Company sold substantially all of its broadband assets, which were reported in the Broadband segment.

Certain corporate administrative expenses have been allocated to segments based upon the nature of the expense and the relative size of the segment.

The Company s business segment information follows:

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
(dollars in millions)	2007	2006
Revenue		
Local	$ 187.3	$ 186.3
Wireless	68.5	61.8
Technology Solutions	48.5	38.8
Other	20.4	19.7
Intersegment	(9.4)	(8.4)
Total revenue	$ 315.3	$ 298.2
Intersegment revenue		
Local	$ 7.5	$ 6.5
Wireless	0.6	0.7
Technology Solutions	0.2	0.4
Other	1.1	0.8
Total intersegment revenue	$ 9.4	$ 8.4
Operating income		
Local	$ 66.0	$ 69.5
Wireless	7.5	3.8
Technology Solutions	2.5	2.3
Other	6.2	6.6
Broadband	0.3	(0.5)
Corporate and eliminations	(4.6)	(10.6)
Total operating income	$ 77.9	$ 71.1

	March 31, 2007	December 31, 2006
Assets		
Local	$ 716.2	$ 710.4
Wireless	376.8	382.1
Technology Solutions	120.7	112.5
Other	71.6	77.7
Broadband	0.4	0.3
Corporate and eliminations	665.6	730.8
Total assets	$ 1,951.3	$ 2,013.8

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8. Supplemental Guarantor Information
Cincinnati Bell Telephone Notes

CBT, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Cincinnati Bell Inc. (the Parent Company), has $230.0 million in notes outstanding that are guaranteed by the Parent Company and no other subsidiaries of the Parent Company. The guarantee is full and unconditional. The Parent Company s subsidiaries generate substantially all of its income and cash flow and generally distribute or advance the funds necessary to meet the Parent Company s debt service obligations. In the fourth quarter of 2006, the Company s payphone business became part of BRCOM Inc., a subsidiary of the Parent Company. The financial information presented below combines the Company s payphone business with the non-guarantors for all periods presented.

The following information sets forth the Condensed Consolidating Statements of Operations and Cash Flows for the three months ended March 31, 2007 and 2006 and Condensed Consolidating Balance Sheets of the Company as of March 31, 2007 and December 31, 2006 of (1) the Parent Company, as the guarantor (2) CBT, as the issuer, and (3) the non-guarantor subsidiaries on a combined basis:

Condensed Consolidating Statements of Operations

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2007				
(dollars in millions)	Parent (Guarantor)	CBT	Other (Non-guarantors)	Eliminations	Total
Revenue	$	$ 187.3	$ 137.4	$ (9.4)	$ 315.3
Operating costs and expenses	4.6	121.3	120.9	(9.4)	237.4
Operating income (loss)	(4.6)	66.0	16.5		77.9
Equity in earnings of subsidiaries, net of tax	45.4			(45.4)	
Interest expense	36.5	4.1	7.0	(7.5)	40.1
Other expense (income), net	(10.0)		0.5	7.5	(2.0)
Income before income taxes	14.3	61.9	9.0	(45.4)	39.8
Income tax expense (benefit)	(8.3)	22.0	3.5		17.2
Net income	22.6	39.9	5.5	(45.4)	22.6
Preferred stock dividends	2.6				2.6
Net income applicable to common shareowners	$ 20.0	$ 39.9	$ 5.5	$ (45.4)	$ 20.0

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2006				
	Parent (Guarantor)	CBT	Other (Non-guarantors)	Eliminations	Total
Revenue	$	$ 186.3	$ 120.3	$ (8.4)	$ 298.2
Operating costs and expenses	10.6	116.8	108.1	(8.4)	227.1
Operating income (loss)	(10.6)	69.5	12.2		71.1
Equity in earnings of subsidiaries, net of tax	44.4			(44.4)	
Interest expense	35.6	3.5	7.7	(7.2)	39.6
Other expense (income), net	(7.3)	0.1	0.3	7.2	0.3
Income before income taxes	5.5	65.9	4.2	(44.4)	31.2
Income tax expense (benefit)	(8.6)	23.7	2.0		17.1
Net income	14.1	42.2	2.2	(44.4)	14.1
Preferred stock dividends	2.6				2.6

Net income applicable to common shareowners	$ 11.5	$ 42.2	$ 2.2	$ (44.4)	$ 11.5

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Condensed Consolidating Balance Sheets

	As of March 31, 2007				
(dollars in millions)	Parent (Guarantor)	CBT	Other (Non-guarantors)	Eliminations	Total
Cash and cash equivalents	$ 42.8	$ 1.5	$ 1.6	$	$ 45.9
Receivables, net	0.2		140.9		141.1
Other current assets	19.1	40.6	90.5	(21.9)	128.3
Total current assets	62.1	42.1	233.0	(21.9)	315.3
Property, plant and equipment, net	0.1	593.1	243.3		836.5
Goodwill and intangibles, net		3.7	165.7		169.4
Investments in and advances to subsidiaries	1,023.8	65.5		(1,089.3)	
Other noncurrent assets	353.4	11.8	308.5	(43.6)	630.1
Total assets	$ 1,439.4	$ 716.2	$ 950.5	$ (1,154.8)	$ 1,951.3
Current portion of long-term debt	$ 4.0	$ 0.8	$ 3.2	$	$ 8.0
Accounts payable		32.5	46.1		78.6
Other current liabilities	62.9	92.3	46.7	(0.4)	201.5
Total current liabilities	66.9	125.6	96.0	(0.4)	288.1
Long-term debt, less current portion	1,767.1	236.1	18.5		2,021.7
Other noncurrent liabilities	378.5	67.9	33.3	(65.1)	414.6
Intercompany payables		41.9	474.0	(515.9)	
Total liabilities	2,212.5	471.5	621.8	(581.4)	2,724.4
Shareowners equity (deficit)	(773.1)	244.7	328.7	(573.4)	(773.1)
Total liabilities and shareowners equity (deficit)	$ 1,439.4	$ 716.2	$ 950.5	$ (1,154.8)	$ 1,951.3

	As of December 31, 2006				
	Parent (Guarantor)	CBT	Other (Non-guarantors)	Eliminations	Total
Cash and cash equivalents	$ 75.9	$ 1.5	$ 2.0	$	$ 79.4
Receivables, net	0.3	71.0	90.6		161.9
Other current assets	13.9	36.2	73.2	(17.2)	106.1
Total current assets	90.1	108.7	165.8	(17.2)	347.4
Property, plant and equipment, net	0.1	589.7	229.0		818.8
Goodwill and intangibles, net			166.2		166.2
Investments in and advances to subsidiaries	1,047.7			(1,047.7)	
Other noncurrent assets	365.1	12.0	349.8	(45.5)	681.4
Total assets	$ 1,503.0	$ 710.4	$ 910.8	$ (1,110.4)	$ 2,013.8
Current portion of long-term debt	$ 4.0	$ 0.9	$ 2.4	$	$ 7.3
Accounts payable	0.5	32.7	40.9		74.1
Other current liabilities	96.7	92.1	49.0	(0.3)	237.5
Total current liabilities	101.2	125.7	92.3	(0.3)	318.9
Long-term debt, less current portion	1,815.6	236.2	14.1		2,065.9
Other noncurrent liabilities	377.8	65.0	40.2	(62.4)	420.6

Intercompany payables		37.3	432.5	(469.8)	
Total liabilities	2,294.6	464.2	579.1	(532.5)	2,805.4
Shareowners equity (deficit)	(791.6)	246.2	331.7	(577.9)	(791.6)
Total liabilities and shareowners equity (deficit)	$ 1,503.0	$ 710.4	$ 910.8	$ (1,110.4)	$ 2,013.8

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Condensed Consolidating Statements of Cash Flows

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2007				
(dollars in millions)	**Parent (Guarantor)**	**CBT**	**Other (Non-guarantors)**	**Eliminations**	**Total**
Cash flows provided by (used in) operating activities	$ (46.9)	$ 65.0	$ 50.2	$	$ 68.3
Capital expenditures		(23.1)	(19.2)		(42.3)
Acquisition of business		(4.6)			(4.6)
Other investing activities			(0.5)		(0.5)
Cash flows used in investing activities		(27.7)	(19.7)		(47.4)
Funding between Parent and subsidiaries, net	67.9	(36.9)	(31.0)		0.0
Repayment of debt	(51.0)	(0.3)			(51.3)
Other financing activities	(3.1)	(0.1)	0.1		(3.1)
Cash flows provided by (used in) financing activities	13.8	(37.3)	(30.9)		(54.4)
Decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(33.1)		(0.4)		