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

# FORM 8-K

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

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported): May 5, 2014

# COMSTOCK RESOURCES, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

STATE OF NEVADA
(State or other jurisdiction incorporation)

**001-03262** (Commission File Number)

94-1667468 (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

5300 Town and Country Boulevard
Suite 500
Frisco, Texas 75034
(Address of principal executive offices)

(972) 668-8800 (Registrant's Telephone No.)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

# Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On May 5, 2014, Comstock Resources, Inc. ("Comstock") announced financial results for the three months ended March 31, 2014. A copy of the press release announcing Comstock's earnings and operating results for the three months ended March 31, 2014 and other matters is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

The earnings press release contains financial measures that are not in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States ("GAAP"). Comstock has provided reconciliations within the earnings release of the non-GAAP financial measures to the most directly comparable GAAP financial measures. Operating cash flow is presented in the earnings release because management believes it to be useful to investors as a common alternative measure of cash flows. EBITDAX is presented in the earnings release because management believes that EBITDAX, which represents Comstock's results from operations before interest, income taxes, and certain non-cash items, including depreciation, depletion and amortization and exploration expense, is a common alternative measure of operating performance used by certain investors and financial analysts. The non-GAAP financial measures described above should be considered in addition to, but not as a substitute for, measures of financial performance prepared in accordance with GAAP that are presented in the earnings release.

The information in this Form 8-K and the Exhibit attached hereto shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

## Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

Exhibit 99.1 Press Release dated May 5, 2014.

## **SIGNATURES**

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

COMSTOCK RESOURCES, INC.

Dated: May 5, 2014 By: /s/ ROLAND O. BURNS

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# **NEWS RELEASE**

For Immediate Release

# COMSTOCK RESOURCES, INC. REPORTS FIRST QUARTER 2014 FINANCIAL AND OPERATING RESULTS

**FRISCO, TEXAS, May 5, 2014** – Comstock Resources, Inc. ("Comstock" or the "Company") (NYSE: CRK) today reported financial and operating results for the three months ended March 31, 2014.

# Financial Results for the Three Months Ended March 31, 2014

Comstock reported net income of \$1.2 million or 2¢ per share for the first quarter of 2014 as compared to a net loss from continuing operations of \$24.5 million or 52¢ per share for the first quarter of 2013. The first quarter 2014 results include an unrealized loss from derivative financial instruments of \$3.6 million (\$2.4 million after tax or 6¢ per share). Financial results for the first quarter of 2013 include an unrealized loss from derivative financial instruments of \$8.8 million (\$5.7 million after tax or 12¢ per share), a gain of \$7.9 million (\$5.1 million after tax or 11¢ per share) from sales of marketable securities and an impairment on unevaluated acreage of \$2.4 million (\$1.6 million after tax or 3¢ per share). Excluding these items from each year's results, net income for the first quarter of 2014 would have been \$3.6 million or 8¢ per share as compared to a net loss from continuing operations of \$22.3 million or 48¢ per share in the first quarter of 2013.

Comstock produced 935,000 barrels of oil and 11.0 billion cubic feet of natural gas or 16.6 billion cubic feet of natural gas equivalent ("Bcfe") in the first quarter of 2014. Oil production in the first quarter, which averaged 10,400 barrels of oil per day, grew 119% from the 4,800 barrels per day produced in the first quarter of 2013. Natural gas production in the first quarter of 2014 declined by 30% from natural gas production of 15.6 billion cubic feet in the first quarter of 2013.

Comstock's average realized natural gas price increased 49% to \$4.70 per Mcf in the first quarter of 2014 as compared to \$3.15 per Mcf realized in the first quarter of 2013. The Company's average realized oil price, including realized hedging losses, declined by 14% to \$95.20 per barrel in the first quarter of 2014 as compared to \$111.19 per barrel in the first quarter of 2013. Oil and gas sales (including realized gains or losses from hedging) of \$140.6 million increased by 44% as compared to 2013's first quarter sales from continuing operations of \$97.3 million. Operating cash flow (before changes in working capital accounts) increased 74% to \$97.8 million for the first quarter of 2014 as compared with operating cash flow from continuing operations of \$56.3 million for the first quarter of 2013. EBITDAX, or earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation, depletion, amortization, exploration expense and other noncash expenses, increased 52% to \$110.3 million in the first quarter of 2014 from EBITDAX from continuing operations of \$72.5 million in the first quarter of 2013.

#### 2014 First Quarter Drilling Results

Comstock reported the results to date of its 2014 drilling program, which is focused on increasing the Company's oil production and proved oil reserves. During the first three months of 2014, Comstock spent \$143.0 million on its development and exploration activities and \$44.8 million on acreage and other acquisition costs. Comstock drilled 22 horizontal oil wells (16.5 net) and had seven wells (5.6 net) drilling at March 31, 2014. Comstock has put 38 new oil wells (28.6 net) on production in its Eagleville field in South Texas so far in 2014.

Since the Company's last update in February, the Company has completed 29 (22.2 net) additional horizontal Eagle Ford shale wells. These wells had an average per well initial production rate of 663 barrels of oil equivalent ("BOE") per day. Excluding nine wells drilled on the Company's RTH leases which had shorter laterals due to acreage constraints, the average per well initial production rate was 746 BOE per day. The wells with the highest initial production rates were the Swenson "A" #3H, the Swenson "A" #2H and the Swenson "A" #4H. These wells are located in McMullen County and had initial production rates of 1,123, 1,100, and 1,079 BOE per day, respectively.

Included in capital expenditures for the first quarter of 2014 is \$33.9 million for the acquisition of a 30% working interest in the Company's Burleson County, Texas acreage from URSA New Ventures LLC. This acquisition included a 30% working interest in one producing well and approximately 9,000 net acres. Comstock is currently drilling its first well on its Burleson County acreage, the Henry A#1H.

Comstock also announced that in connection with the acquisition of additional interests in the Company's Burleson County, Texas acreage, it is increasing its capital budget for 2014 and now expects to spend approximately \$510.0 million in 2014 on development and exploration projects and \$55.0 million for lease acquisition activity, including the first quarter acquisitions. The budget for drilling activity includes \$284.0 million to drill sixty-five wells (46.0 net) in the Eagleville field in South Texas, \$79.0 million to drill ten Eagle Ford shale wells (9.2 net) on the Burleson County, Texas acreage and \$33.0 million to drill three wells (2.7 net) targeting the Tuscaloosa Marine shale. The budget also includes \$76.0 million to complete 18 wells (13.3 net) in the Eagleville field that were drilled in 2013 and \$38.0 million on facilities and other development activity.

#### Other

Comstock also announced that its lenders have approved an increase to the borrowing base under its \$1 billion bank credit facility to \$700.0 million to be effective on June 15, 2014.

Comstock has planned a conference call for 10:00 a.m. Central Time on May 6, 2014, to discuss the operational and financial results for the first quarter of 2014. Investors wishing to participate should visit the Company's website at www.comstockresources.com for a live web cast or dial 800-510-9691 (international dial-in use 617-614-3453) and provide access code 31657344 when prompted. If you are unable to participate in the original conference call, a web replay will be available approximately 24 hours following the completion of the call on Comstock's website at www.comstockresources.com. The web replay will be available for approximately one week. A replay of the conference call will be available beginning at 2:00 p.m. CT May 6, 2014 and will continue until 11:59 p.m. May 13, 2014. To hear the replay, call 888-286-8010 (617-801-6888 if calling from outside the US). The conference call access code is 89339980.

This press release may contain "forward-looking statements" as that term is defined in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Such statements are based on management's current expectations and are subject to a number of factors and uncertainties which could cause actual results to differ materially from those described herein. Although the Company believes the expectations in such statements to be reasonable, there can be no assurance that such expectations will prove to be correct.

Comstock Resources, Inc. is an independent energy company based in Frisco, Texas and is engaged in oil and gas acquisitions, exploration and development primarily in Texas and Louisiana. The Company's stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol CRK.

# COMSTOCK RESOURCES, INC. **OPERATING RESULTS**

(In thousands, except per share amounts)

	Three Months E	
	2014	2013
Revenues:		
Oil sales	\$ 90,313	\$ 45,740
Natural gas sales	51,596	49,280
Total revenues	141,909	95,020
Operating expenses:		
Production taxes	5,601	2,121
Gathering and transportation	3,776	4,202
Lease operating	15,061	13,206
Exploration <sup>(1)</sup>	_	2,593
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	88,874	84,967
General and administrative	8,369	8,787
Total operating expenses	121,681	115,876
Operating income (loss)	20,228	(20,856)
Other income (expenses):		
Gain on sale of marketable securities	_	7,877
Loss from derivative financial instruments	(4,946)	(6,447)
Interest and other income	251	245
Interest expense <sup>(2)</sup>	(13,680)	(17,578)
Total other income (expenses)	(18,375)	(15,903)
Income (loss) before income taxes	1,853	(36,759)
Benefit from (provision for) income taxes	(688)	12,242
Income (loss) from continuing operations	1,165	(24,517)
Loss from discontinued operations, net of income taxes	_	(2,627)
Net income (loss)	\$ 1,165	\$ (27,144)
Net income (loss) per share:		
Basic — income (loss) from continuing operations	\$ 0.02	\$ (0.52)
<ul><li>— loss from discontinued operations</li><li>— net income (loss)</li></ul>	\$ 0.02	(0.06) \$ (0.58)
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Diluted — income (loss) from continuing operations — loss from discontinued operations	\$ 0.02	\$ (0.52) (0.06)
— net income (loss)	\$ 0.02	\$ (0.58)
Dividends per common share	\$ 0.125	\$
Weighted average shares outstanding:		
Basic	46,599	46,730
Diluted	46,749	46,730

 <sup>(1)</sup> Includes impairments of unevaluated leases of \$2.4 million in the three months ended March 31, 2013.
 (2) \$2.2 million and \$1.0 million of interest expense was capitalized for the three months ended March 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively.

# COMSTOCK RESOURCES, INC. OPERATING RESULTS

(In thousands)

		Three Months En			
		2014		2013	
PERATING CASH FLOW:					
Net income (loss)	\$	1,165	\$	(27,144	
Reconciling items:				2.627	
Loss from discontinued operations Deferred income taxes		674		2,627 (12,245	
Depreciation, depletion and amortization		88,874		84,967	
Dry hole costs and lease impairments				2,443	
Gain on sale of assets		_		(7,877	
Loss from derivative financial instruments		4,946		6,447	
Cash settlements of derivative financial instruments		(1,297)		2,320	
Debt issuance cost and discount amortization Stock-based compensation		1,163 2,263		1,587 3,218	
Operating cash flow from continuing operations		97,788		56,343	
Excess income taxes from stock-based compensation		1,098		1,742	
Increase in accounts receivable		(22,876)		(19,059	
Increase in other current assets		(554)		(185	
Increase in accounts payable and accrued expenses		20,285		34,981	
Net cash provided by continuing operations		95,741		73,822	
Net cash provided by discontinuing operations <sup>(1)</sup>				23,530	
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$	95,741	\$	97,352	
\$5.5 million for the three months ended March 31, 2013 excluding working capital changes.					
SITDAX:					
Net income (loss) from continuing operations	\$	1,165	\$	(24,517	
Interest expense		13,680		17,578	
Provision for (benefit from) income taxes		688		(12,242	
Depreciation, depletion and amortization		88,874		84,967	
Exploration Gain on sale of assets		_		2,593 (7,877	
Loss from derivative financial instruments		4.946		6.447	
Cash settlements of derivative financial instruments		(1,297)		2,320	
Stock-based compensation		2,263		3,218	
EBITDAX from continuing operations		110,319		72,487	
EBITDAX from discontinued operations		<u> </u>		8,967	
Total EBITDAX	\$	110,319	\$	81,454	
		As	of		
	M	arch 31, 2014	Dec	cember 31, 2013	
ALANCE SHEET DATA:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	1,771	\$	2,967	
Other current assets		77,567		54,167	
Property and equipment, net		2,166,275		2,066,735	
Other	Φ.	15,325	Φ.	15,529	
Total assets	\$	2,260,938	\$	2,139,398	
Current liabilities	\$	168,536	\$	194,995	
Long-term debt		949,140		798,700	
Deferred income taxes		180,077		177,026	
Other non-current liabilities		17,179		16,672	
Stockholders' equity		946,006		952,005	

2,260,938

2,139,398

Total liabilities and stockholders' equity

# COMSTOCK RESOURCES, INC. REGIONAL OPERATING RESULTS

(In thousands, except per unit amounts)

For the Three Months Ended March 31, 2014 East Texas/ North Louisiana South Texas Other Total Oil production (Mbbls) 914 935 1,807 7,291 Gas production (MMcf) 8,813 359 10,979 Total production (MMcfe) 8,914 384 16,589 90,313 (1,297) \$ 1,585 \$ 88,317 \$ 411 \$ Oil hedging settlements(1) Total oil including hedging Natural gas sales 1,585 39,557 88.317 411 1,904 89,016 51,596 10,135 Total oil and gas sales including hedging 41,142 98,452 140,612 2,315 Average oil price (per barrel) Average oil price including hedging (per barrel) Average gas price (per Mcf) 94.84 94.84 96.62 96.62 96.18 96.18 96.59 95.20 \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ 4.49 5.61 4.70 Average price (per Mcfe)
Average price including hedging (per Mcfe) 6.03 4.62 13.50 8.55 13.50 4.62 6.03 8.48 Production taxes Gathering and transportation 4,637 974 152 96 5,601 3,776 \$ \$ \$ 812 \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ 2,706 7,946 Lease operating 6,445 670 15,061 Production taxes (per Mcfe) Gathering and transportation (per Mcfe) Lease operating (per Mcfe) \$ 0.09 \$ 0.64 \$ 0.40 \$ 0.34 0.30 0.73 0.13 0.25 0.23 \$ \$ \$ Oil and Gas Capital Expenditures: Acquisitions
Exploratory leasehold \$ 2,400 2,400 \$ \$ \$ 34,787 4,918 39,705 Development leasehold Development drilling Other development 86 689 2,583 140,002 2,669 140,691 960 1,353 4,918 Total 1,735 181,125(2) 187,778(2)

Included in loss from derivative financial instruments in operating results.

Net of reimbursements received of \$5.5 million under the Company's Eagle Ford shale joint venture

# COMSTOCK RESOURCES, INC. REGIONAL OPERATING RESULTS

(In thousands, except per unit amounts)

For the Three Months Ended March 31, 2013 East Texas/ South Continuing Discontinued North Louisiana Other Operations Total 174 Oil production (Mbbls) 16 410 432 606 Gas production (MMcf) Total production (MMcfe) 13,399 15,628 18,221 1,781 4,242 448 15,897 269 484 13,495 1,311 19,532 Oil sales 1,504 45,740 60,474 \$ \$ 43,546 \$ 690 \$ \$ 14,734 \$ Oil hedging settlements(1) 2,320 2,320 43,546 14,734 Total oil including hedging 1,504 690 48,060 62,794 Natural gas sales 41,157 6,471 1,652 49,280 50,845 1,565 Total oil and gas sales including hedging 42,661 \$ 50,017 2,342 97,340 16,299 113,639 Average oil price (per barrel) \$ 93.58 \$ 106.19 \$ 113.69 \$ 105.82 \$ 84.84 \$ 99.81 Average oil price including hedging (per barrel) 93.58 \$ 106.19 \$ 113.69 \$ 111.19 \$ 84.84 \$ 103.64 \$ \$ \$ Average gas price (per Mcf) \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ 3.63 Average price (per Mcfe) Average price including hedging (per 5.70 3.16 11.79 4.84 5.21 12.43 \$ \$ 3.16 \$ 11.79 \$ 4.84 5.34 \$ 12.43 \$ 5.82 \$ (231)\$ 2,220 \$ 132 \$ 2,121 \$ 693 \$ 2,814 Production taxes 33 1.001 4,202 13,206 Gathering and transportation \$ 3,557 7,493 612 4,712 \$ \$ 331 6.308 \$ 4,533 19,514 \$ \$ \$ Lease operating Production taxes (per Mcfe) \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ (0.02)\$ 0.52 0.27 0.12 0.53 0.14 Gathering and transportation (per \$ \$ \$ 0.07 0.23 \$ \$ 0.25 0.23 \$ 0.26 0.14 \$ Lease operating (per Mcfe) 0.56 1.12 2.07 0.72 4.81 1.01 Oil and Gas Capital Expenditures: Exploratory leasehold Development leasehold \$ 1,939 184 8,142 184 \$ \$ \$ 1,939 \$ 6,203 \$ 184 50,741 1,137 Development drilling 3,047 53,788 49,658 103,446 55 1,076 2,448 Other development 2.268 180 Total 4,123 54,001(2) \$ 55 58,179 56,041 114,220(2)

Included in loss from derivative financial instruments in operating results.

Net of reimbursements received of \$8.1 million under the Company's Eagle Ford shale joint venture.