

## **Rogers Communications Inc.**

# INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (unaudited)

Three months ended March 31, 2019 and 2018

## Rogers Communications Inc. Interim Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income

(In millions of Canadian dollars, except per share amounts, unaudited)

		Three months end	ded March 31
	Note	2019	2018
Revenue	4	3,587	3,633
Operating expenses:			
Operating costs	5	2,252	2,295
Depreciation and amortization		609	544
Gain on disposition of property, plant and equipment		-	(11)
Restructuring, acquisition and other	6	20	43
Finance costs	7	189	219
Other income	8	(13)	(23)
Income before income tax expense		530	566
Income tax expense		139	141
Net income for the period		391	425
Earnings per share:			
Basic	9	\$0.76	\$0.83
Diluted	9	\$0.76	\$0.80

## Rogers Communications Inc. Interim Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income

(In millions of Canadian dollars, unaudited)

	Three months end	led March 31
	2019	2018
Net income for the period	391	425
Other comprehensive income (loss):		
Items that will not be reclassified to income		
Equity investments measured at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVTOCI):		
Increase (decrease) in fair value	312	(30
Related income tax (expense) recovery	(44)	40
Equity investments measured at FVTOCI	268	(26
Items that may subsequently be reclassified to income:		
Cash flow hedging derivative instruments:		
Unrealized (loss) gain in fair value of derivative instruments	(338)	12
Reclassification to net income of loss (gain) on debt derivatives	169	(263
Reclassification to net income or property, plant and equipment of (gain) loss on expenditure derivatives	(16)	
Reclassification to net income for accrued interest	(12)	(13
Related income tax recovery	64	
Cash flow hedging derivative instruments	(133)	(142
Share of other comprehensive (loss) income of equity-accounted investments, net of tax	(3)	
Other comprehensive income (loss) for the period	132	(40)
Comprehensive income for the period	523	2:

## Rogers Communications Inc. Interim Condensed Consolidated Statements of Financial Position

(In millions of Canadian dollars, unaudited)

		As at March 31	As at January 1	As a December 3´
	Note	2019	2019 (see note 2)	2018
Assets				
Current assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents		264	405	40.
Accounts receivable		2,088	2,259	2,25
Inventories		462	466	46
Current portion of contract assets		1,081	1,052	1,05
Other current assets		411	413	43
Current portion of derivative instruments	10	201	270	27
Total current assets	·	4,507	4,865	4,88
Property, plant and equipment		13,327	13,261	11,78
Intangible assets		7,188	7,205	7,20
Investments	12	2,458	2,134	2,13
Derivative instruments	10	1,119	1,339	1,33
Contract assets		515	535	53
Other long-term assets		134	132	13
Goodwill		3,905	3,905	3,90
Total assets		33,153	33,376	31,91
Liabilities and shareholders' equity				
Current liabilities:				
Short-term borrowings	13	2,648	2,255	2,25
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities		2,693	2,997	3,05
Income tax payable		193	177	17
Other current liabilities		139	132	13
Contract liabilities		282	233	23
Current portion of long-term debt	14	500	900	90
Current portion of derivative instruments	10	134	87	8
Current portion of lease liabilities	11	187	190	
Total current liabilities		6,776	6,971	6,83
Provisions		36	35	3
Long-term debt	14	13,224	13,390	13,39
Derivative instruments	10	87	22	2
Lease liabilities	11	1,371	1,355	
Other long-term liabilities		529	546	54
Deferred tax liabilities		2,863	2,901	2,91
Total liabilities		24,886	25,220	23,73
	15	8,267	8,156	8,17
Shareholders' equity				

Subsequent events 13, 15, 20
Contingent liabilities 18

## Rogers Communications Inc. Interim Condensed Consolidated Statements of Changes in Shareholders' Equity

(In millions of Canadian dollars, except number of shares, unaudited)

	Cla Voting	ss A Shares	Cla Non-Voti	ss B ng Shares					
Three months ended March 31, 2019	Amount	Number of shares (000s)	Amount	Number of shares (000s)	Retained earnings	FVTOCI investment reserve	Hedging reserve	Equity investment reserve	Total shareholders' equity
Balances, December 31, 2018	71	111,155	406	403,657	7,182	636	(125)	9	8,179
Adjustments pertaining to IFRS 16 adoption (see note 2)	_	_	_	_	(23)	_	_	_	(23)
Balances, January 1, 2019 (see note 2)	71	111,155	406	403,657	7,159	636	(125)	9	8,156
Net income for the period	-	-	_	_	391	_	_	_	391
Other comprehensive income (loss):									
FVTOCI investments, net of tax	_	-	_	-	_	268	-	_	268
Derivative instruments accounted for as hedges, net of tax	-	-	-	-	-	_	(133)	_	(133)
Share of equity-accounted investments, net of tax	-	-	-	-	_	-	-	(3)	(3)
Total other comprehensive income (loss)	-	-	-	-	-	268	(133)	(3)	132
Comprehensive income for the period	-	-	-	-	391	268	(133)	(3)	523
Reclassification to retained earnings for disposition of FVTOCI investments	_	-	-	_	14	(14)	-	-	-
Transactions with shareholders recorded directly in equity:									
Repurchase of Class B Non-Voting Shares	_	_	(2)	(2,164)	(153)	_	_	_	(155)
Dividends declared	-	-	_	_	(257)	-	-	_	(257)
Share class exchange	_	(1)	_	1	_	_	_	_	_
Total transactions with shareholders	-	(1)	(2)	(2,163)	(410)	-	-	-	(412)
Balances, March 31, 2019	71	111,154	404	401,494	7,154	890	(258)	6	8,267
	Cla	ss A	Cla	ss B					
	Voting	Shares Number	Non-Voti	ng Shares Number		FVTOCI		Equity	Total
Three months ended March 31, 2018	Amount	of shares (000s)	Amount	of shares (000s)	Retained earnings	investment reserve	Hedging reserve	investment reserve	shareholders' equity
Balances, January 1, 2018	72	112,407	405	402,403	6,070	1,013	(63)	(5)	7,492
Net income for the period	-	-	-	_	425	_	_	_	425
Other comprehensive income (loss):									
FVTOCI investments, net of tax	_	-	_	_	_	(261)	_	_	(261)
Derivative instruments accounted for as hedges, net of tax	-	-	-	-	-	_	(142)	_	(142)
Share of equity-accounted investments, net of tax	-	_	-	_	_	_	-	1	1
Total other comprehensive income (loss)	_	-				(261)	(142)	1	(402)
Comprehensive income for the period	-	-	-	-	425	(261)	(142)	1	23
Transactions with shareholders recorded directly in equity:									
Dividends declared	-	-	-	-	(247)	_	-	-	(247
Shares issued on exercise of stock options	_	_	_	2	_	_	_	_	_
Total transactions with shareholders	_	_	-	2	(247)	_	_	_	(247)
Balances, March 31, 2018	72	112,407	405	402,405	6,248	752	(205)	(4)	7,268

## Rogers Communications Inc. Interim Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

(In millions of Canadian dollars, unaudited)

		Three months er	ided March 3
	Note	2019	201
Operating activities:			
Net income for the period		391	42
Adjustments to reconcile net income to cash provided by operating activities:			
Depreciation and amortization		609	54
Program rights amortization		19	
Finance costs	7	189	2
Income tax expense		139	1
Post-employment benefits contributions, net of expense		8	
Gain on disposition of property, plant and equipment		-	(
Net change in contract asset balances		(9)	(
Other		30	(
Cash provided by operating activities before changes in non-cash working capital items, income taxes paid, and interest paid	9	1,376	1,2
Change in non-cash operating working capital items	19	(13)	(
Cash provided by operating activities before income taxes paid and interest paid		1,363	1,2
Income taxes paid		(145)	(1
Interest paid		(220)	(2
Cash provided by operating activities		998	8
Investing activities			
Investing activities:	19	(647)	10
Capital expenditures	19	(617)	(6
Additions to program rights		(7)	/1
Changes in non-cash working capital related to capital expenditures and intangible assets		(107)	(1
Other		(3)	
ash used in investing activities		(734)	(7
Financing activities:			
Net proceeds received (repayments) on short-term borrowings	13	430	(8)
Net (repayment) issuance of long-term debt	14	(400)	9
Net payments on settlement of debt derivatives and forward contracts	10	(11)	
Principal payments of lease liabilities	11	(41)	\
Transaction costs incurred	14	(41)	
Repurchase of Class B Non-Voting Shares	1-7	(136)	\
Dividends paid		(247)	(2
Direction paid		(247)	(2
Cash used in financing activities		(405)	(1
Change in each and each equivalents		(4.44)	,
Change in cash and cash equivalents		(141) 405	(
Cash and cash equivalents (bank advances), beginning of period		405	
Cash and cash equivalents (bank advances), end of period		264	(

#### **NOTE 1: NATURE OF THE BUSINESS**

Rogers Communications Inc. is a diversified Canadian communications and media company. Substantially all of our operations and sales are in Canada. RCI is incorporated in Canada and its registered office is located at 333 Bloor Street East, Toronto, Ontario, M4W 1G9. RCI's shares are publicly traded on the Toronto Stock Exchange (TSX: RCI.A and RCI.B) and on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE: RCI).

We, us, our, Rogers, Rogers Communications, and the Company refer to Rogers Communications Inc. and its subsidiaries. RCI refers to the legal entity Rogers Communications Inc., not including its subsidiaries. Rogers also holds interests in various investments and ventures.

We report our results of operations in three reportable segments. Each segment and the nature of its business is as follows:

Segment	Principal activities
Wireless	Wireless telecommunications operations for Canadian consumers and businesses.
Cable	Cable telecommunications operations, including Internet, television, telephony (phone), and smart home monitoring services for Canadian consumers and businesses, and network connectivity through our fibre network and data centre assets to support a range of voice, data, networking, hosting, and cloud-based services for the business, public sector, and carrier wholesale markets.
Media	A diversified portfolio of media properties, including sports media and entertainment, television and radio broadcasting, specialty channels, multi-platform shopping, and digital media.

During the three months ended March 31, 2019, Wireless and Cable were operated by our wholly-owned subsidiary, Rogers Communications Canada Inc. (RCCI), and certain other wholly-owned subsidiaries. Media was operated by our wholly-owned subsidiary, Rogers Media Inc., and its subsidiaries.

Our operating results are subject to seasonal fluctuations that materially impact quarter-to-quarter operating results and thus, one quarter's operating results are not necessarily indicative of a subsequent quarter's operating results. These fluctuations are described in note 1 to our annual audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2018 (2018 financial statements).

#### Statement of Compliance

We prepared our interim condensed consolidated financial statements for the three months ended March 31, 2019 (first quarter 2019 interim financial statements) in accordance with International Accounting Standard 34, *Interim Financial Reporting*, as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB), following the same accounting policies and methods of application as those disclosed in our 2018 financial statements with the exception of new accounting policies that were adopted on January 1, 2019 as described in note 2. These first quarter 2019 interim financial statements were approved by RCI's Board of Directors on April 17, 2019.

#### **NOTE 2: SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

#### **Basis of Presentation**

The notes presented in these first quarter 2019 interim financial statements include only significant transactions and changes occurring for the three months since our year-end of December 31, 2018 and do not include all disclosures required by International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as issued by the IASB for annual financial statements. These first quarter 2019 interim financial statements should be read in conjunction with the 2018 financial statements.

All dollar amounts are in Canadian dollars unless otherwise stated.

## **New Accounting Standards**

IFRS 16 - Leases (IFRS 16)

Effective January 1, 2019, we adopted IFRS 16, which supersedes previous accounting standards for leases, including IAS 17, Leases (IAS 17) and IFRIC 4, Determining whether an arrangement contains a lease (IFRIC 4).

IFRS 16 introduced a single accounting model for lessees unless the underlying asset is of low value. A lessee is required to recognize, on its statement of financial position, a right-of-use asset, representing its right to use the underlying leased asset, and a lease liability, representing its obligation to make lease payments. As a result of adopting IFRS 16, we have recognized a significant increase to both assets and liabilities on our Consolidated Statements of Financial Position, as well as a decrease to operating costs (for the removal of rent expense for leases), an increase to depreciation and

amortization (due to depreciation of the right-of-use asset), and an increase to finance costs (due to accretion of the lease liability). The accounting treatment for lessors remains largely the same as under IAS 17.

We adopted IFRS 16 with the cumulative effect of initial application recognized as an adjustment to retained earnings within shareholders' equity on January 1, 2019. We have not restated comparatives for 2018. At transition, we applied the practical expedient available to us as lessee that allows us to maintain our lease assessments made under IAS 17 and IFRIC 4 for existing contracts. Therefore, the definition of a lease under IFRS 16 was applied only to contracts entered into or changed after January 1, 2019.

For leases that were classified as operating leases under IAS 17, lease liabilities at transition have been measured at the present value of remaining lease payments, discounted at the related incremental borrowing rate as at January 1, 2019. Generally, right-of-use assets at transition have been measured at an amount equal to the corresponding lease liabilities, adjusted for any prepaid or accrued rent relating to that lease. For certain leases where we have readily available information, we have elected to measure the right-of-use assets at their carrying amounts as if IFRS 16 had been applied since the lease commencement date using the related incremental borrowing rate for the remaining lease period as at January 1, 2019.

When applying IFRS 16 to leases previously classified as operating leases, the following practical expedients were available to us. We have:

- applied a single discount rate to a portfolio of leases with similar characteristics;
- excluded initial direct costs from measuring the right-of-use asset as at January 1, 2019;
- used hindsight in determining the lease term where the contract contains purchase, extension, or termination options; and
- relied upon our assessment of whether leases are onerous under the requirements of IAS 37, *Provisions, contingent liabilities and contingent assets* as at December 31, 2018 as an alternative to reviewing our right-of-use assets for impairment.

We have elected to not separate fixed non-lease components from lease components and instead account for each lease component and associated fixed non-lease components as a single lease component. On transition, we have not elected the recognition exemptions on short-term leases or low-value leases; however, we may choose to elect the recognition exemptions on a class-by-class basis for new classes, and lease-by-lease basis, respectively, in the future.

There was no significant impact for contracts in which we are the lessor.

Reconciliation of condensed consolidated statement of financial position as at January 1, 2019 Below is the effect of transition to IFRS 16 on our condensed consolidated statement of financial position as at January 1, 2019.

(In millions of dollars)	As reported as at Reference December 31, 2018	Effect of IFRS 16 transition	Subsequent to transition as at January 1, 2019
A			·
Assets			
Current assets:	405		405
Cash and cash equivalents	405	_	405
Accounts receivable	2,259	_	2,259
Inventories	466	=	466
Current portion of contract assets	1,052	_	1,052
Other current assets	436	(23)	413
Current portion of derivative instruments	270	_	270
Total current assets	4,888	(23)	4,865
Property, plant and equipment	i 11,780	1,481	13,261
Intangible assets	7,205	_	7,205
Investments	2,134	=	2,134
Derivative instruments	1,339	=	1,339
Contract assets	535	-	535
Other long-term assets	132	-	132
Goodwill	3,905	_	3,905
Total assets	31,918	1,458	33,376
Liabilities and shareholders' equity			
Current liabilities:			
Short-term borrowings	2,255	_	2,255
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	3,052	(55)	2,997
Income tax payable	177	=	177
Other current liabilities	132	_	132
Contract liabilities	233	_	233
Current portion of long-term debt	900	_	900
Current portion of derivative instruments	87	_	87
Current portion of lease liabilities	i –	190	190
Total current liabilities	6,836	135	6,97
Provisions	35	_	35
Long-term debt	13,390		13,390
Derivative instruments	13,390		13,390
Lease liabilities	i –	_ 1,355	1,355
Other long-term liabilities	546	1,333	1,335 546
		-	
Deferred tax liabilities Total liabilities	2,910 23,739	(9) 1,481	2,90° 25,220
Shareholders' equity	8,179	(23)	8,156
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	31,918	1,458	33,376

Prior to adopting IFRS 16, our total minimum operating lease commitments as at December 31, 2018 were \$979 million. The weighted average discount rate applied to the total lease liabilities recognized on transition was 3.82%. The difference between the total of the minimum lease payments set out in Note 27 to our 2018 Annual Financial Statements and the total lease liabilities recognized on transition was a result of:

- the inclusion of lease payments beyond minimum commitments relating to reasonably certain renewal periods or extension options that had not yet been exercised as at December 31, 2018; partially offset by
- the effect of discounting on the minimum lease payments; and

• certain costs to which we are contractually committed under lease contracts but which do not qualify to be accounted for as a lease liability, such as variable lease payments not tied to an index or rate.

### i) Right-of-use assets and lease liabilities

We have recorded a right-of-use asset and a lease liability for all existing leases at the lease commencement date, which is January 1, 2019 for the purposes of our adoption. The lease liability has been initially measured at the present value of lease payments that remain to be paid at the commencement date. Lease payments included in the measurement of the lease liability include:

- fixed payments, including in-substance fixed payments;
- variable lease payments that depend on an index or rate;
- amounts expected to be payable under a residual value guarantee; and
- the exercise price under a purchase option that we are reasonably certain to exercise, lease payments in an optional renewal period if we are reasonably certain to exercise an extension option, and penalties for early termination of a lease unless we are reasonably certain not to terminate early.

After transition, the right-of-use asset will initially be measured at cost, consisting of:

- the initial amount of the lease liability, adjusted for any lease payments made at or before the commencement date; plus
- any initial direct costs incurred; and
- an estimate of costs to dismantle and remove the underlying asset or restore the site on which it is located; less
- any lease incentives received.

The right-of-use asset will typically be depreciated on a straight-line basis over the lease term, unless we expect to obtain ownership of the leased asset at the end of the lease. The lease term will consist of:

- the non-cancellable period of the lease;
- · periods covered by options to extend the lease, where we are reasonably certain to exercise the option; and
- periods covered by options to terminate the lease, where we are reasonably certain not to exercise the option.

See note 11 for our accounting policies, including estimates and judgments, to be used for accounting for leases under IFRS 16.

#### **NOTE 3: SEGMENTED INFORMATION**

Our reportable segments are Wireless, Cable, and Media. All three segments operate substantially in Canada. Corporate items and eliminations include our interests in businesses that are not reportable operating segments, corporate administrative functions, and eliminations of inter-segment revenues and costs. We follow the same accounting policies for our segments as those described in note 2 of our 2018 Annual Audited Consolidated Financial Statements. Segment results include items directly attributable to a segment as well as those that can be allocated on a reasonable basis. We account for transactions between reportable segments in the same way we account for transactions with external parties, however eliminate them on consolidation.

The Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer of RCI are, collectively, our chief operating decision maker and regularly review our operations and performance by segment. They review adjusted EBITDA as the key measure of profit for the purpose of assessing performance of each segment and to make decisions about the allocation of resources. Adjusted EBITDA is defined as income before depreciation and amortization; (gain) loss on disposition of property, plant and equipment; restructuring, acquisition and other; finance costs; other (income) expense; and income tax expense.

## **Information by Segment**

Three months ended March 31, 2019 (In millions of dollars)	Note	Wireless	Cable	Media	Corporate items and eliminations	Consolidated totals
Revenue		2,189	976	468	(46)	3,587
Operating costs		1,174	531	552	(5)	2,252
Adjusted EBITDA		1,015	445	(84)	(41)	1,335
Depreciation and amortization						609
Restructuring, acquisition and other	6					20
Finance costs	7					189
Other income	8					(13
Income before income taxes						530
Three months ended March 31, 2018 (In millions of dollars)	Note	Wireless	Cable	Media	Corporate items and eliminations	
Three months ended March 31, 2018	Note	Wireless 2,191	Cable 969	Media 532	Corporate items and eliminations (59)	totals
Three months ended March 31, 2018 (In millions of dollars)	Note				and eliminations	totals
Three months ended March 31, 2018 (In millions of dollars)	Note	2,191	969	532	and eliminations (59)	total:
Three months ended March 31, 2018 (In millions of dollars)  Revenue  Operating costs	Note	2,191 1,257	969 536	532 509	and eliminations (59) (7)	3,633 2,295 1,338
Three months ended March 31, 2018 (In millions of dollars)  Revenue  Operating costs  Adjusted EBITDA	Note	2,191 1,257	969 536	532 509	and eliminations (59) (7)	3,633 2,295
Three months ended March 31, 2018 (In millions of dollars)  Revenue  Operating costs  Adjusted EBITDA  Depreciation and amortization	Note 6	2,191 1,257	969 536	532 509	and eliminations (59) (7)	1,338
Three months ended March 31, 2018 (In millions of dollars)  Revenue  Operating costs  Adjusted EBITDA  Depreciation and amortization Gain on disposition of property, plant and equipment		2,191 1,257	969 536	532 509	and eliminations (59) (7)	1,338

#### **NOTE 4: REVENUE**

	Three months end	ded March 31
(In millions of dollars)	2019	2018
Wireless		
Service revenue	1,747	1,687
Equipment revenue	442	504
Total Wireless	2,189	2,191
Cable		
Internet	541	506
Television	357	365
Phone	76	96
Service revenue	974	967
Equipment revenue	2	2
Total Cable	976	969
Total Media	468	532
Corporate items and intercompany eliminations	(46)	(59)
Total revenue	3,587	3,633

## **NOTE 5: OPERATING COSTS**

	Three months ended March 31		
(In millions of dollars)	2019	2018	
Cost of equipment sales	506	566	
Merchandise for resale	56	57	
Other external purchases	1,147	1,179	
Employee salaries, benefits, and stock-based compensation	543	493	
Total operating costs	2,252	2.295	

## NOTE 6: RESTRUCTURING, ACQUISITION AND OTHER

During the three months ended March 31, 2019, we incurred \$20 million (2018 - \$43 million) in restructuring, acquisition and other expenses. These expenses in 2019 and 2018 primarily consisted of severance costs associated with the targeted restructuring of our employee base.

#### **NOTE 7: FINANCE COSTS**

		Three months end	ed March 31
(In millions of dollars)	Note	2019	2018
Interest on borrowings <sup>1</sup>		173	187
Interest on post-employment benefits liability		3	2
Loss on repayment of long-term debt	14	_	28
(Gain) loss on foreign exchange		(45)	8
Change in fair value of derivative instruments		44	(5)
Capitalized interest		(5)	(5)
Other		5	4
Finance costs before interest on lease liabilities		175	219
Interest on lease liabilities	11	14	_
Total finance costs		189	219

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Interest on borrowings includes interest on short-term borrowings and on long-term debt.

#### **NOTE 8: OTHER INCOME**

	Three months ende	Three months ended March 31		
(In millions of dollars)	2019	2018		
Income from associates and joint ventures	(6)	(14)		
Other investment income	(7)	(9)		
Total other income	(13)	(23)		

#### **NOTE 9: EARNINGS PER SHARE**

	Three months en	ded March 31
(In millions of dollars, except per share amounts)	2019	2018
Numerator (basic) - Net income for the period	391	425
Denominator - Number of shares (in millions):		
Weighted average number of shares outstanding - basic	514	515
Effect of dilutive securities (in millions):		
Employee stock options and restricted share units	2	1
Weighted average number of shares outstanding - diluted	516	516
Earnings per share		
Basic	\$0.76	\$0.83
Diluted	\$0.76	\$0.80

For the three months ended March 31, 2018, accounting for outstanding share-based payments using the equity-settled method for stock-based compensation was determined to be more dilutive than using the cash-settled method. There was no such effect for the three months ended March 31, 2019. As a result, net income for the three months ended March 31, 2019 was reduced by nil (2018 - \$13 million) in the diluted earnings per share calculation.

A total of 1,040,170 options were out of the money for the three months ended March 31, 2019 (2018 - 489,835). These options were excluded from the calculation of the effect of dilutive securities because they were anti-dilutive.

#### **NOTE 10: FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS**

#### **Derivative Instruments**

We use derivative instruments to manage financial risks related to our business activities. These include debt derivatives, bond forwards, expenditure derivatives, and equity derivatives. We only use derivatives to manage risk and not for speculative purposes.

All of our currently outstanding debt derivatives related to our senior notes and debentures, bond forwards, and expenditure derivatives have been designated as hedges for accounting purposes.

#### Debt derivatives

We use cross-currency interest exchange agreements (debt derivatives) to manage risks from fluctuations in foreign exchange rates associated with our US dollar-denominated senior notes and debentures, credit facility borrowings, and US dollar-denominated commercial paper (US CP) borrowings (see note 13). We designate the debt derivatives related to our senior notes and debentures as hedges for accounting purposes against the foreign exchange risk associated with specific debt instruments. Debt derivatives related to our credit facility and US CP borrowings have not been designated as hedges for accounting purposes.

Below is a summary of the debt derivatives we entered into and settled related to our US CP program during the three months ended March 31, 2019 and 2018.

	Three mo	nths ended Ma	rch 31, 2019	Three mo	nths ended Ma	rch 31, 2018
(In millions of dollars, except exchange rates)	Notional (US\$)	Exchange rate	Notional (Cdn\$)	Notional (US\$)	Exchange rate	Notional (Cdn\$)
Debt derivatives entered	3,858	1.33	5,132	2,220	1.26	2,794
Debt derivatives settled	3,536	1.33	4,701	2,890	1.26	3,653
Net cash paid			(11)			(16)

As at March 31, 2019, we had US\$1,495 million notional amount of debt derivatives outstanding relating to our US CP program (December 31, 2018 - US\$1,178 million).

As at March 31, 2019, we had US\$6,050 million (December 31, 2018 - US\$6,050 million) in US dollar-denominated senior notes and debentures, of which all of the associated foreign exchange risk had been hedged using debt derivatives.

We did not enter into any debt derivatives related to senior notes during the three months ended March 31, 2019. During the three months ended March 31, 2018, concurrent with the issuance of our US\$750 million senior notes due 2048, we entered into debt derivatives to convert all interest and principal payment obligations to Canadian dollars. As a result, we received net proceeds of \$938 million from the issuance.

#### Bond forwards

We use bond forward derivatives (bond forwards) to hedge interest rate risk on the senior notes we expect to issue in the future. We did not enter into or settle any bond forwards during the three months ended March 31, 2019 or 2018. As at March 31, 2019, we had \$900 million (December 31, 2018 - \$900 million) notional amount of bond forwards outstanding, all of which were designated as hedges for accounting purposes.

### Expenditure derivatives

We use foreign currency forward contracts (expenditure derivatives) to manage the foreign exchange risk in our operations, designating them as hedges for accounting purposes for certain of our forecasted operational and capital expenditures.

Below is a summary of the expenditure derivatives we entered into and settled during the three months ended March 31, 2019 and 2018.

	Three mo	nths ended Ma	rch 31, 2019	Three mo	nths ended Mai	rch 31, 2018
(In millions of dollars, except exchange rates)	Notional (US\$)	Exchange rate	Notional (Cdn\$)	Notional (US\$)	Exchange rate	Notional (Cdn\$)
Expenditure derivatives entered	240	1.30	313	600	1.23	740
Expenditure derivatives settled	210	1.24	261	210	1.30	273

As at March 31, 2019, we had US\$1,110 million of expenditure derivatives outstanding (December 31, 2018 - US\$1,080 million) with terms to maturity ranging from April 2019 to December 2020 (December 31, 2018 - January 2019 to December 2020), at an average rate of \$1.25/US\$ (December 31, 2018 - \$1.24/US\$).

#### Equity derivatives

We use total return swaps (equity derivatives) to hedge the market price appreciation risk of the RCI Class B Non-Voting common shares (Class B Non-Voting Shares) granted under our stock-based compensation programs. The equity derivatives have not been designated as hedges for accounting purposes.

As at March 31, 2019, we had equity derivatives outstanding for 4.7 million (December 31, 2018 - 5.0 million) Class B Non-Voting Shares with a weighted average price of \$51.62 (December 31, 2018 - \$51.54).

During the three months ended March 31, 2019, we settled 0.3 million equity derivatives for net proceeds of \$7 million. We have executed extension agreements for our equity derivative contracts under substantially the same commitment terms and conditions with revised expiry dates to April 2020 (from April 2019).

#### **Fair Values of Financial Instruments**

The carrying value of cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, bank advances, short-term borrowings, and accounts payable and accrued liabilities approximate their fair values because of the short-term nature of these financial instruments. The carrying value of our lease liabilities approximates their fair value because the discount rate used to calculate them approximates our then-current borrowing rate.

We determine the fair value of each of our publicly traded investments using quoted market values. We determine the fair value of our private investments by using implied valuations from follow-on financing rounds, third-party sale negotiations, or using market-based approaches. These are applied appropriately to each investment depending on its future operating and profitability prospects.

The fair values of each of our public debt instruments are based on the period-end estimated market yields, or period-end trading values, where available. We determine the fair values of our debt derivatives and expenditure derivatives using an estimated credit-adjusted mark-to-market valuation by discounting cash flows to the measurement date. In the case of debt derivatives and expenditure derivatives in an asset position, the credit spread for the financial institution counterparty is added to the risk-free discount rate to determine the estimated credit-adjusted value for each derivative. For those debt derivatives and expenditure derivatives in a liability position, our credit spread is added to the risk-free discount rate for each derivative.

The fair value of each of our bond forwards is determined by discounting to the measurement date the cash flows that result from multiplying the bond forward's notional amount by the difference between the period-end market forward yields and the forward yield in each bond forward.

The fair values of our equity derivatives are based on the quoted market value of Class B Non-Voting Shares.

Our disclosure of the three-level fair value hierarchy reflects the significance of the inputs used in measuring fair value:

- financial assets and financial liabilities in Level 1 are valued by referring to quoted prices in active markets for identical assets and liabilities:
- financial assets and financial liabilities in Level 2 are valued using inputs based on observable market data, either directly or indirectly, other than the quoted prices; and
- Level 3 valuations are based on inputs that are not based on observable market data.

There were no material financial instruments categorized in Level 3 as at March 31, 2019 or December 31, 2018 and there were no transfers between Level 1, Level 2, or Level 3 during the three months ended March 31, 2019 or 2018.

Below is a summary of our financial instruments carried at fair value as at March 31, 2019 and December 31, 2018.

	Carr	ying value	Fair valu	e (Level 1)	Fair valu	e (Level 2)
	As at Mar. 31	As at Dec. 31	As at Mar. 31	As at Dec. 31	As at Mar. 31	As at Dec. 31
(In millions of dollars)	2019	2018	2019	2018	2019	2018
Financial assets						
Investments, measured FVTOCI:						
Investments in publicly traded companies	1,382	1,051	1,382	1,051	_	_
Derivatives:						
Debt derivatives accounted for as cash flow hedges	1,139	1,354	_	_	1,139	1,354
Debt derivatives not accounted for as cash flow hedges	7	41	_	_	7	41
Expenditure derivatives accounted for as cash flow hedges	79	122	_	_	79	122
Equity derivatives not accounted for as cash flow hedges	95	92	_	-	95	92
Total financial assets	2,702	2,660	1,382	1,051	1,320	1,609
Financial liabilities						
Derivatives:						
Debt derivatives accounted for as cash flow hedges	87	22	-	=	87	22
Bond forwards accounted for as cash flow hedges	134	87	_	_	134	87
Total financial liabilities	221	109	_	-	221	109

Below is a summary of the fair value of our long-term debt as at March 31, 2019 and December 31, 2018.

	As at	cember 31, 2018		
(In millions of dollars)	Carrying amount	Fair value <sup>1</sup>	Carrying amount	Fair value <sup>1</sup>
Long-term debt (including current portion)	13,724	16,791	14,290	15,110

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Long-term debt (including current portion) is measured at Level 2 in the three-level fair value hierarchy.

#### **NOTE 11: LEASES**

#### **Accounting Policy**

At inception of a contract, we assess whether that contract is, or contains, a lease. A contract is, or contains, a lease if the contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration. To assess whether a contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset, we assess whether:

- the contract involves the use of an identified asset:
- we have the right to obtain substantially all of the economic benefits from use of the identified asset throughout the period of use; and
- we have the right to direct the use of the asset.

#### Lessee accounting

We record a right-of-use asset and a lease liability at the lease commencement date. The right-of-use asset is initially measured at cost, consisting of:

- the initial amount of the lease liability adjusted for any lease payments made at or before the commencement date; plus
- any initial direct costs incurred; and
- an estimate of costs to dismantle and remove the underlying asset or restore the site on which it is located; less
- any lease incentives received.

The right-of-use asset is typically depreciated on a straight-line basis over the lease term, unless we expect to obtain ownership of the leased asset at the end of the lease. The lease term consists of:

- the non-cancellable period of the lease;
- periods covered by options to extend the lease, where we are reasonably certain to exercise the option; and
- periods covered by options to terminate the lease, where we are reasonably certain not to exercise the option.

If we expect to obtain ownership of the leased asset at the end of the lease, we depreciate the right-of-use asset over the underlying asset's estimated useful life. In addition, the right-of-use asset is periodically reduced by impairment losses, if any, and adjusted for certain remeasurements of the lease liability.

The lease liability is initially measured at the present value of lease payments that are not paid at the commencement date, discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease or, if that rate cannot be readily determined, our incremental borrowing rate. We use the relevant incremental borrowing rate as the interest rate implicit in our leases cannot be readily determined. The lease liability is subsequently measured at amortized cost using the effective interest rate method.

Lease payments included in the measurement of the lease liability include:

- fixed payments, including in-substance fixed payments;
- variable lease payments that depend on an index or rate;
- amounts expected to be payable under a residual value guarantee; and
- the exercise price under a purchase option that we are reasonably certain to exercise, lease payments in an optional renewal period if we are reasonably certain to exercise an extension option, and penalties for early termination of a lease unless we are reasonably certain not to terminate early.

The lease liability is remeasured when there is a change in future lease payments arising from a change in an index or rate, if there is a change in our estimate of the amount expected to be payable under a residual value guarantee, or if we change our assessment of whether or not we will exercise a purchase, extension, or termination option. When the lease liability is remeasured in this way, a corresponding adjustment is made to the carrying amount of the right-of-use asset.

The lease liability is also remeasured when the underlying lease contract is amended. When there is a decrease in contract scope, the lease liability and right-of-use asset will decrease relative to this change with the difference recorded in net income prior to the remeasurement of lease liability.

We have elected not to separate fixed non-lease components and account for the lease and any fixed non-lease components as a single lease component.

#### Variable lease payments

Certain leases contain provisions that result in differing lease payments over the term as a result of market rate reviews or changes in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) or other similar indices. We reassess the lease liabilities related to these leases when the index or other data is available to calculate the change in lease payments.

Certain leases require us to make payments that relate to property taxes, insurance, and other non-rental costs. These non-rental costs are typically variable and are not included in the calculation of the right-of-use asset or lease liability.

#### Lessor accounting

When we act as a lessor, we determine at lease inception whether each lease is a finance lease or an operating lease.

In order to classify each lease as either finance or operating, we make an overall assessment of whether the lease transfers to the lessee substantially all of the risks and rewards incidental to ownership of the underlying asset. If it does, the lease is a finance lease; if not, it is an operating lease.

We act as the lessor on certain collocation leases, whereby, due to certain regulatory requirements, we must allow other telecommunication companies to lease space on our wireless network towers. We do not believe we transfer substantially all of the risks and rewards incidental to ownership of the underlying leased asset to the lessee and therefore classify these leases as operating leases.

If an arrangement contains both lease and non-lease components, we apply IFRS 15, Revenue from contracts with customers to allocate the consideration in the contract between the lease and the non-lease components.

We recognize lease payments received under operating leases into income on a straight-line basis. All of the leases for which we act as lessor are classified as operating leases.

### **Use of Estimates and Judgments**

#### Estimates

We estimate the lease term by considering the facts and circumstances that can create an economic incentive to exercise an extension option, or not exercise a termination option. We make certain qualitative and quantitative assumptions when deriving the value of the economic incentive.

#### <u>Judgments</u>

We make judgments in determining whether a contract contains an identified asset. The identified asset should be physically distinct or represent substantially all of the capacity of the asset, and should provide us with the right to substantially all of the economic benefits from the use of the asset.

We also make judgments in determining whether or not we have the right to control the use of the identified asset. We have that right when we have the decision-making rights that are most relevant to changing how and for what purpose the asset is used. In rare cases where the decisions about how and for what purpose the asset is used are predetermined, we have the right to direct the use of the asset if we have the right to operate the asset or if we designed the asset in a way that predetermines how and for what purpose the asset will be used.

We make judgments in determining the incremental borrowing rate used to measure our lease liability for each lease contract, including an estimate of the asset-specific security impact. The incremental borrowing rate should reflect the interest that we would have to pay to borrow at a similar term and with a similar security.

Certain of our leases contain extension or renewal options that are exercisable only by us and not by the lessor. At lease commencement, we assess whether we are reasonably certain to exercise any of the extension options based on our expected economic return from the lease. We typically exercise extension options on our leases, especially related to our networks, primarily due to the significant cost that would be required to relocate our network towers and related equipment. We periodically reassess whether we are reasonably certain to exercise the options and account for any changes at the date of the reassessment.

### **Explanatory Information**

We typically lease land and buildings relating to our wireless and cable networks, our retail store presence, and certain of our offices and other corporate buildings. The non-cancellable contract periods for our leases typically range from five to fifteen years.

#### Lease liabilities

Below is a summary of the activity related to our lease liabilities for the three months ended March 31, 2019.

	Three months ended March 31
(In millions of dollars)	2019
Lease liabilities, beginning of period	1,545
Net additions	52
Interest on lease liabilities	14
Interest payments on lease liabilities	(10)
Principal payments of lease liabilities	(41)
Other	(2)

#### **NOTE 12: INVESTMENTS**

	As at March 31	As at December 31
(In millions of dollars)	2019	2018
Investments in:		
Publicly traded companies	1,382	1,051
Private companies	135	145
Investments, measured at FVTOCI	1,517	1,196
Investments, associates and joint ventures	941	938
Total investments	2,458	2,134

#### **NOTE 13: SHORT-TERM BORROWINGS**

Below is a summary of our short-term borrowings as at March 31, 2019 and December 31, 2018.

	As at March 31	As at December 31
(In millions of dollars)	2019	2018
Accounts receivable securitization program	650	650
US commercial paper program	1,998	1,605
Total short-term borrowings	2,648	2,255

Below is a summary of the activity relating to our short-term borrowings for the three months ended March 31, 2019 and 2018.

			nths ended h 31, 2019			nths ended h 31, 2018
	Notional	Exchange	Notional	Notional	Exchange	Notional
(In millions of dollars, except exchange rates)	(US\$)	rate	(Cdn\$)	(US\$)	rate	(Cdn\$)
Proceeds received from US commercial paper	3,858	1.33	5,132	2,220	1.26	2,794
Repayment of US commercial paper	(3,545)	1.33	(4,702)	(2,894)	1.26	(3,642)
Net proceeds received from (repayment of) US commercial paper			430	(674)	1.26	(848)
Net proceeds received (repayments) on short-term borrowings			430			(848)

## **Accounts Receivable Securitization Program**

Below is a summary of our accounts receivable securitization program as at March 31, 2019 and December 31, 2018.

	As at March 31	As at December 31
(In millions of dollars)	2019	2018
Trade accounts receivable sold to buyer as security	1,246	1,391
Short-term borrowings from buyer	(650)	(650)
Overcollateralization	596	741

Below is a summary of the activity related to our accounts receivable securitization program for the three months ended March 31, 2019 and 2018.

	Three months end	Three months ended March 31		
(In millions of dollars)	2019	2018		
Accounts receivable securitization program, beginning of period	650	650		
Net proceeds received from accounts receivable securitization	-			
Accounts receivable securitization program, end of period	650	650		

## **US Commercial Paper Program**

Below is a summary of the activity relating to our US CP program for the three months ended March 31, 2019 and 2018.

	Three months ended March 31, 2019					nths ended ch 31, 2018
	Notional	Exchange	Notional	Notional	Exchange	Notional
(In millions of dollars, except exchange rates)	(US\$)	rate	(Cdn\$)	(US\$)	rate	(Cdn\$)
US commercial paper program, beginning of period	1,178	1.36	1,605	746	1.25	935
Net proceeds received from (repayment of) US commercial paper	313	1.37	430	(674)	1.26	(848)
Discounts on issuance <sup>1</sup>	4	1.50	6	3	1.33	4
(Gain) loss on foreign exchange <sup>1</sup>			(43)			6
US commercial paper program, end of period	1,495	1.34	1,998	75	1.29	97

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Included in finance costs.

Concurrent with the commercial paper issuances, we entered into debt derivatives to hedge the foreign currency risk associated with the principal and interest components of the borrowings under the US CP program (see note 10). We have not designated these debt derivatives as hedges for accounting purposes.

#### **New Credit Facility**

On April 1, 2019, we entered into a new US\$2.2 billion (\$2.9 billion) non-revolving credit facility. We are able to borrow against this facility until May 31, 2019, after which point all borrowings become due on or before March 31, 2020. Since any borrowings will be due within the next 12 months, they will be recorded as short-term borrowings. Borrowings under this facility are unsecured, guaranteed by RCCI, and rank equally in right of payment with all our senior notes and debentures.

**NOTE 14: LONG-TERM DEBT** 

			Principal	Interest	As at March 31	As at December 31
(In millions of dollars, except interest rates)	Due date		amount	rate	2019	2018
Senior notes	2019		400	2.800%	_	400
Senior notes	2019		500	5.380%	500	500
Senior notes	2020		900	4.700%	900	900
Senior notes	2021		1,450	5.340%	1,450	1,450
Senior notes	2022		600	4.000%	600	600
Senior notes	2023	US	500	3.000%	668	682
Senior notes	2023	US	850	4.100%	1,136	1,160
Senior notes	2024	00	600	4.000%	600	600
Senior notes	2025	US	700	3.625%	935	955
Senior notes	2026	US	500	2.900%	668	682
Senior debentures <sup>1</sup>	2032	US	200	8.750%	267	273
Senior notes	2038	US	350	7.500%	468	478
Senior notes	2039		500	6.680%	500	500
Senior notes	2040		800	6.110%	800	800
Senior notes	2041		400	6.560%	400	400
Senior notes	2043	US	500	4.500%	668	682
Senior notes	2043	US	650	5.450%	869	887
Senior notes	2044	US	1,050	5.000%	1,403	1,433
Senior notes	2048	US	750	4.300%	1,003	1,022
					13,835	14,404
Deferred transaction costs and discounts					(111)	(114
Less current portion					(500)	(900
						13,390
Total long-term debt					13,224	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Senior debentures originally issued by Rogers Cable Inc. which are unsecured obligations of RCI and for which RCCI was an unsecured guarantor as at March 31, 2019 and December 31, 2018.

The tables below summarize the activity relating to our long-term debt for the three months ended March 31, 2019 and 2018.

	Three months ended March 31, 2019			Three mont	hs ended Mar	ch 31, 2018
	Notional	Exchange	Notional	Notional	Exchange	Notional
(In millions of dollars, except exchange rates)	(US\$)	rate	(Cdn\$)	(US\$)	rate	(Cdn\$)
Senior note issuances (US\$)	_	_	_	750	1.25	938
Senior note repayments (Cdn\$)			(400)			=
Net (repayment) issuance of senior notes			(400)			938
Net (repayment) issuance of long-term debt			(400)			938

	Three months ended March 31		
(In millions of dollars)	2019	2018	
Long-term debt net of transaction costs, beginning of period	14,290	14,448	
Net (repayment) issuance of long-term debt	(400)	938	
(Gain) loss on foreign exchange	(169)	263	
Deferred transaction costs incurred	_	(16)	
Amortization of deferred transaction costs	3	4	
Long-term debt net of transaction costs, end of period	13,724	15,637	

As at March 31, 2019, we had nil outstanding under our revolving credit facility (December 31, 2018 - nil).

#### **Senior Notes**

Issuance of senior notes

During the three months ended March 31, 2019, we did not issue any senior notes or enter into any related debt derivatives. In February 2018, we issued US\$750 million senior notes due 2048 at a rate of 4.3%. At the same time, we entered into debt derivatives to convert all interest and principal payment obligations to Canadian dollars. As a result, we received net proceeds of \$938 million from the issuance.

Repayment of senior notes and related derivative settlements

In March 2019, we repaid the entire outstanding principal amount of our \$400 million 2.8% senior notes which came due on March 13, 2019. We did not repay any other senior notes or settle any related debt derivatives during the three months ended March 31, 2019 or 2018.

#### **NOTE 15: SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY**

#### Dividends

Below is a summary of the dividends we declared and paid on our outstanding RCI Class A Voting common shares (Class A Shares) and Class B Non-Voting Shares in 2019 and 2018.

Date declared	Date paid	Dividend per share (dollars)
January 24, 2019	April 1, 2019	0.50
January 25, 2018	April 3, 2018	0.48
April 19, 2018	July 3, 2018	0.48
August 15, 2018	October 3, 2018	0.48
October 19, 2018	January 3, 2019	0.48
		1.92

On April 17, 2019, the Board of Directors declared a dividend of \$0.50 per Class A Share and Class B Non-Voting Share to be paid on July 2, 2019 to shareholders of record on June 10, 2019.

The holders of Class A Shares are entitled to receive dividends at the rate of up to five cents per share but only after dividends at the rate of five cents per share have been paid or set aside on the Class B Non-Voting Shares. Class A Shares and Class B Non-Voting Shares therefore participate equally in dividends above five cents per share.

#### **Normal Course Issuer Bid**

In April 2018, the TSX accepted a notice of our intention to commence the normal course issuer bid (NCIB) that allows us to purchase, during the twelve-month period beginning April 24, 2018 and ending April 23, 2019, the lesser of 35.8 million Class B Non-Voting Shares and that number of Class B Non-Voting Shares that can be purchased under the NCIB for an aggregate purchase price of \$500 million. Rogers security holders may obtain a copy of this notice, without charge, by contacting us.

During the three months ended March 31, 2019, pursuant to this NCIB, we repurchased for cancellation 2,164,113 Class B Non-Voting Shares under the NCIB for \$155 million, \$19 million of which was paid in early April.

In April 2019, the TSX accepted a notice of our intention to commence a NCIB program that allows us to purchase, during the twelve-month period beginning April 24, 2019 and ending April 23, 2020, the lesser of 35.7 million Class B Non-Voting Shares and that number of Class B Non-Voting Shares that can be purchased under the NCIB for an aggregate purchase price of \$500 million. Rogers security holders may obtain a copy of this notice, without charge, by contacting us.

#### **NOTE 16: STOCK-BASED COMPENSATION**

Below is a summary of our stock-based compensation expense, which is included in employee salaries, benefits, and stock-based compensation, for the three months ended March 31, 2019 and 2018.

	Three months ended March 31		
In millions of dollars)	2019	2018	
Stock options	5	(8)	
Restricted share units	16	2	
Deferred share units	9	(6)	
Equity derivative effect, net of interest receipt	(13)	33	
Total stock-based compensation expense	17	21	

As at March 31, 2019, we had a total liability recognized at its fair value of \$216 million (December 31, 2018 - \$252 million) related to stock-based compensation, including stock options, restricted share units (RSUs), and deferred share units (DSUs).

During the three months ended March 31, 2019, we paid \$64 million (2018 - \$39 million) to holders of stock options, RSUs, and DSUs upon exercise using the cash settlement feature.

### **Stock Options**

Summary of stock options

The tables below summarize the activity related to stock option plans, including performance options, for the three months ended March 31, 2019 and 2018.

	Three months ended March 31, 2019		Three months ended	March 31, 2018
(in number of units, except prices)	Number of Wooptions	Number of Weighted average options exercise price		eighted average exercise price
Outstanding, beginning of period	2,719,612	\$53.22	2,637,890	\$49.42
Granted	1,040,170	\$73.00	812,985	\$58.45
Exercised	(672,350)	\$46.29	(78,740)	\$34.65
Outstanding, end of period	3,087,432	\$61.39	3,372,135	\$51.94
Exercisable, end of period	902,782	\$50.63	1,514,210	\$45.11

Included in the above table are grants of nil performance options to certain key executives during the three months ended March 31, 2019 (2018 - 439,435).

Unrecognized stock-based compensation expense related to stock option plans was \$14 million as at March 31, 2019 (December 31, 2018 - \$8 million) and will be recognized in net income over the next four years as the options vest.

## **Restricted Share Units**

Summary of RSUs

Below is a summary of the activity related to RSUs outstanding, including performance RSUs, for the three months ended March 31, 2019 and 2018.

	Three months ended March 31		
(in number of units)	2019	2018	
Outstanding, beginning of period	2,218,925	1,811,845	
Granted and reinvested dividends	728,978	947,084	
Exercised	(497,409)	(438,401)	
Forfeited	(25,513)	(38,713)	
Outstanding, end of period	2,424,981	2,281,815	

Included in the above table are grants of 151,541 performance RSUs to certain key executives during the three months ended March 31, 2019 (2018 - 234,064).

Unrecognized stock-based compensation expense related to these RSUs was \$85 million as at March 31, 2019 (December 31, 2018 - \$59 million) and will be recognized in net income over the next three years as the RSUs vest.

## **Deferred Share Unit Plan**

Summary of DSUs

Below is a summary of the activity related to DSUs outstanding, including performance DSUs, for the three months ended March 31, 2019 and 2018.

	Three months en	nded March 31
(in number of units)	2019	2018
Outstanding, beginning of period	2,004,440	2,327,647
Granted and reinvested dividends	36,868	65,429
Exercised	(142,629)	(192,464)
Forfeited	(8,294)	(28,821)
Outstanding, end of period	1,890,385	2,171,791

Included in the above table are grants of 23,056 performance DSUs to certain key executives during the three months ended March 31, 2019 (2018 - 28,524).

Unrecognized stock-based compensation expense related to these DSUs as at March 31, 2019 was \$5 million (December 31, 2018 - \$7 million) and will be recognized in net income over the next three years as the executive DSUs vest. All other DSUs are fully vested.

#### **NOTE 17: RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

#### **Controlling Shareholder**

We enter into certain transactions with private companies controlled by the controlling shareholder of RCI, the Rogers Control Trust. These transactions were recognized at the amount agreed to by the related parties and are subject to the terms and conditions of formal agreements approved by the Audit and Risk Committee. The totals received or paid during the three months ended March 31, 2019 and 2018 were less than \$1 million, respectively.

#### **Transactions with Key Management Personnel**

We have entered into business transactions with companies whose partners or senior officers are Directors of RCI. These Directors are:

- the non-executive chairman of a law firm that provides a portion of our legal services; and
- the chair of the board of a company that provides printing services to the Company.

We recognize these transactions at the amounts agreed to by the related parties, which are also reviewed by the Audit and Risk Committee. The amounts owing for these services are unsecured, interest-free, and due for payment in cash within one month of the date of the transaction. Below is a summary of the related party activity for the business transactions described above.

	Three months	ended March 31
(In millions of dollars)	2019	2018
Printing and legal services	1	4

#### **NOTE 18: CONTINGENT LIABILITIES**

#### System Access Fee - Saskatchewan

In 2004, a class action was commenced against providers of wireless communications in Canada under the Class Actions Act (Saskatchewan). The class action relates to the system access fee wireless carriers charge to some of their customers. The plaintiffs are seeking unspecified damages and punitive damages, which would effectively be a reimbursement of all system access fees collected.

In 2007, the Saskatchewan Court granted the plaintiffs' application to have the proceeding certified as a national, "opt-in" class action where affected customers outside Saskatchewan must take specific steps to participate in the proceeding. In 2008, our motion to stay the proceeding based on the arbitration clause in our wireless service agreements was granted. The Saskatchewan Court directed that its order, in respect of the certification of the action, would exclude customers who are bound by an arbitration clause from the class of plaintiffs.

In 2009, counsel for the plaintiffs began a second proceeding under the Class Actions Act (Saskatchewan) asserting the same claims as the original proceeding. If successful, this second class action would be an "opt-out" class proceeding. This second proceeding was ordered conditionally stayed in 2009 on the basis that it was an abuse of process.

At the time the Saskatchewan class action was commenced in 2004, corresponding claims were filed in multiple jurisdictions across Canada, although the plaintiffs took no active steps. The appeal courts in several provinces dismissed the corresponding claims as an abuse of process. The claims in all provinces other than Saskatchewan have now been dismissed or discontinued. We have not recognized a liability for this contingency.

#### 911 Fee

In June 2008, a class action was launched in Saskatchewan against providers of wireless communications services in Canada. It involves allegations of breach of contract, misrepresentation, and false advertising, among other things, in relation to the 911 fee that had been charged by us and the other wireless telecommunication providers in Canada. The plaintiffs are seeking unspecified damages and restitution. The plaintiffs intend to seek an order certifying the proceeding as a national class action in Saskatchewan. We have not recognized a liability for this contingency.

#### **Cellular Devices**

In July 2013, a class action was launched in British Columbia against providers of wireless communications in Canada and manufacturers of wireless devices. The class action relates to the alleged adverse health effects incurred by long-term users of cellular devices. The plaintiffs were seeking unspecified damages and punitive damages, effectively equal to the reimbursement of the portion of revenue the defendants have received that can reasonably be attributed to the sale of cellular phones in Canada. In March 2019, the plaintiffs discontinued the class action without any payment by Rogers.

#### **Income Taxes**

We provide for income taxes based on all of the information that is currently available and believe that we have adequately provided these items. The calculation of applicable taxes in many cases, however, requires significant judgment in interpreting tax rules and regulations. Our tax filings are subject to audits, which could materially change the amount of current and deferred income tax assets and liabilities and provisions, and could, in certain circumstances, result in the assessment of interest and penalties.

#### **Outcome of Proceedings**

The outcome of all the proceedings and claims against us, including the matters described above, is subject to future resolution that includes the uncertainties of litigation. It is not possible for us to predict the result or magnitude of the claims due to the various factors and uncertainties involved in the legal process. Based on information currently known to us, we believe it is not probable that the ultimate resolution of any of these proceedings and claims, individually or in total, will have a material adverse effect on our business, financial results, or financial condition. If it becomes probable that we will be held liable for claims against us, we will recognize a provision during the period in which the change in probability occurs, which could be material to our Consolidated Statements of Income or Consolidated Statements of Financial Position.

#### **NOTE 19: SUPPLEMENTAL CASH FLOW INFORMATION**

#### **Change in Non-Cash Operating Working Capital Items**

	Three months ended March 3	
(In millions of dollars)	2019	2018
Accounts receivable	75	155
Inventories	5	79
Other current assets	(45)	(22)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(105)	(261)
Contract and other liabilities	57	28
Total change in non-cash operating working capital items	(13)	(21)

#### **Capital Expenditures**

	Three months ended March 31		
(In millions of dollars)	2019	2018	
Capital expenditures before proceeds on disposition	617	620	
Proceeds on disposition	-	(15)	
Capital expenditures	617	605	

#### **NOTE 20: SUBSEQUENT EVENT**

In April 2019, Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada announced the results of the 600 MHz spectrum licence auction that was held in March and April 2019. We were awarded fifty-two 10 MHz spectrum licences consisting of contiguous, paired blocks in all provinces and territories across Canada at a total cost of \$1.7 billion. We will acquire the awarded spectrum licences in the second quarter of 2019. A deposit of \$0.3 billion is payable on April 26, 2019, with the remaining \$1.4 billion due on May 27, 2019. We will recognize the spectrum licences as indefinite-life intangible assets.