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

FORM 10-Q

QUARTERLY REPORT

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

For the Quarter Ended September 30, 1996
Commission File No. 1-2921

PANHANDLE EASTERN PIPE LINE COMPANY
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

A Delaware Corporation
(State of Incorporation or Organization)

44-0382470
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

5400 Westheimer Court, P.O. Box 1642, Houston, Texas 77251-1642
(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(713) 627-5400
(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 twelve months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

Yes: No:

The Registrant meets the conditions set forth in General Instructions (H)(1)(a) and (b) of the Form 10-Q and is therefore filing this Form 10-Q with the reduced disclosure format. Part I, Item 2 has been reduced and Part II, Item 4 has been omitted in accordance with such Instruction H.

The Registrant's parent, PanEnergy Corp (File No. 1-8157), files reports and proxy materials pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the Registrant's classes of common stock, as of the latest practicable date:

Class	Outstanding at October 31, 1996
----- Common Stock, no par value	----- 1,000

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PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Financial Statements - Unaudited

Panhandle Eastern Pipe Line Company and Subsidiaries
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME

Millions	Three Months		Periods Ended September 30 Nine Months			
	1996	1995	1996	1995		
Operating Revenues						
Transportation and storage						
of natural gas	\$117.2	\$134.5	\$374.9	\$390.1		
Other	6.0	5.9	18.1	17.6		
Total (Note 2)	123.2	140.4	393.0	407.7		
Costs and Expenses						
Operating and maintenance	51.5	49.2	132.0	148.2		
General and administrative		16.6	17.5	64.4	53.1	
Depreciation and amortization		13.8	14.6	43.3	44.0	
Miscellaneous taxes	6.4	6.7	20.5	21.6		
Total	88.3	88.0	260.2	266.9		
Operating Income	34.9	52.4	132.8	140.8		
Other Income and Deductions						
Equity in earnings of						
unconsolidated affiliates			1.1	1.1	4.1	6.2
Other income, net of deductions		11.1	1.3	12.3	(3.8)	
Total	12.2	2.4	16.4	2.4		
Earnings Before Interest and Tax		47.1	54.8	149.2	143.2	
Interest Expense						
Parent	9.6	-	26.3	-		
Other	5.9	10.0	18.6	30.2		
Total	15.5	10.0	44.9	30.2		
Earnings Before Income Tax	31.6	44.8	104.3	113.0		
Income Tax	12.3	17.7	40.5	44.5		
NET INCOME	\$ 19.3	\$ 27.1	\$ 63.8	\$ 68.5		

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements

Item 1. Financial Statements - Unaudited (Continued)

Panhandle Eastern Pipe Line Company and Subsidiaries
 CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET
 ASSETS

Millions -----	September 30, 1996	December 31, 1995	
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Current Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ -	\$ 0.2	
Accounts receivable, net	15.4	39.2	
Inventory and supplies	58.2	55.3	
Current deferred income tax		3.7	13.0
Other (Note 3)	65.5	46.1	

Total	142.8	153.8	

Investments			
Advances and note receivable - parent		662.0	566.9
Other	53.2	48.3	

Total	715.2	615.2	

Plant, Property and Equipment			
Original cost		2,656.8	2,782.1
Accumulated depreciation and amortization			(1,738.2) (1,818.8)

Net plant, property and equipment		918.6	963.3

Deferred Charges	118.7	155.1	

TOTAL ASSETS		\$ 1,895.3	\$ 1,887.4
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See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements

Item 1. Financial Statements - Unaudited (Continued)

Panhandle Eastern Pipe Line Company and Subsidiaries
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDER'S EQUITY

Millions -----	September 30, 1996	December 31, 1995	
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Current Liabilities			
Long-term debt due within one year		\$ -	\$ 4.5
Notes payable - parent (Note 4)	500.0	400.0	
Rate refund provisions (Note 2)	38.3	53.3	
Accounts payable	20.8	31.0	
Accrued income tax - parent		50.0	55.3
Other accrued taxes	30.7	18.8	
Other (Note 3)	63.7	59.1	
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Total	703.5	622.0	
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Deferred Liabilities and Credits			
Deferred income tax	140.5	176.5	
Other (Note 2)	180.3	181.7	
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Total	320.8	358.2	
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Long-term Debt	299.2	299.2	
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Commitments and Contingent Liabilities (Notes 2, 5, 6 and 7)			
Common Stockholder's Equity			
Common stock, one thousand shares authorized, issued and outstanding, no par value	1.0	1.0	
Paid-in capital	465.9	465.9	
Retained earnings (Note 4)		104.9	141.1
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Total	571.8	608.0	
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TOTAL LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDER'S EQUITY		\$1,895.3	\$1,887.4
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Item 1. Financial Statements - Unaudited (Continued)

Panhandle Eastern Pipe Line Company and Subsidiaries
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

Millions -----	Nine Months Ended September 30	
	1996 -----	1995 -----
Operating Activities		
Net income	\$ 63.8	\$ 68.5
Adjustments to reconcile net income to operating cash flows:		
Depreciation and amortization		43.3 44.0
Deferred income tax benefit		(26.0)(5.7)
Other non-cash items in net income		(5.4) (15.5)
Net change in operating assets and liabilities		22.2 2.6
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Net Cash Flows Provided by Operating Activities		97.9 93.9
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Investing Activities		
Net increase in advances and note receivable - parent		(93.8) (64.3)
Capital expenditures	(32.0)	(36.9)
Property retirements and other		30.1 10.6
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Net Cash Flows Used in Investing Activities		(95.7) (90.6)
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Financing Activities		
Accounts payable - banks	(2.4)	(3.5)
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Net Cash Flows Used in Financing Activities		(2.4)(3.5)
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Net Change in Cash		
Decrease in cash and cash equivalents		(0.2)(0.2)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period		0.2 0.4
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Cash and Cash Equivalents, End of Period		\$ - \$ 0.2
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Supplemental Disclosures		
Cash paid for interest (net of amount capitalized)	\$ 51.5	\$ 32.7
Cash paid for income tax (including intercompany amounts)	58.2	70.4

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements

Panhandle Eastern Pipe Line Company and Subsidiaries
NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. General

Panhandle Eastern Pipe Line Company (PEPL) and its subsidiaries (the Company), including Trunkline Gas Company (Trunkline), are involved in the interstate transportation and storage of natural gas. PEPL is a wholly-owned subsidiary of PanEnergy Corp (PanEnergy). The interstate gas transmission operations of PEPL and Trunkline are subject to the rules, regulations and accounting procedures of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC).

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent liabilities at the date of the financial statements. Certain amounts of reported revenues and expenses are also affected by these estimates and assumptions. Actual results could differ from those estimates. The consolidated financial statements reflect all normal recurring adjustments that are, in the opinion of management, necessary for fair presentation. Certain amounts for the prior periods have been reclassified in the consolidated financial statements to conform to the current presentation.

2. Natural Gas Revenues and Regulatory Matters

When rate cases are pending final FERC approval, a portion of the revenues collected by PEPL and Trunkline is subject to possible refunds. The Company has established adequate reserves where required for such cases. The following is a summary of significant pending rate cases before FERC and certain regulatory matters.

FERC Order 636

During 1993, PEPL and Trunkline began providing restructured services pursuant to FERC Order 636. This order requires pipeline service restructuring that unbundles sales, transportation and storage services. Order 636 allows pipelines to recover eligible costs resulting from implementation of the order (transition costs). On July 16, 1996, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia upheld, in general, all aspects of Order 636 and remanded certain issues for further explanation. One of the issues remanded for further explanation is whether pipelines should be entitled to recover 100% of gas supply realignment (GSR) costs. This matter is substantially mitigated by PEPL's Order 636 settlements with customers.

In the past, during the normal course of business, PEPL and Trunkline entered into certain gas purchase contracts containing take-or-pay provisions, which exposed the Company to financial risk. Trunkline is currently collecting certain take-or-pay settlement costs with respect to such contracts through volumetric surcharges with interest through 1997 and intends to file after 1997 for recovery of amounts not fully recovered by these surcharges.

In 1993, the U.S. Department of the Interior (the Department) announced its intention to seek additional royalties from gas producers as a result of payments received by such producers in connection with past take-or-pay settlements, and buyouts and buydowns of gas sales contracts with natural gas pipelines. PEPL and Trunkline, with respect to certain producer contract settlements, may be contractually required to reimburse or, in some instances, to indemnify producers against such royalty claims. The potential liability of the producers to the government and of the pipelines to the producers involves complex issues of law and fact which are likely to take a substantial period of time to resolve. On August 27, 1996, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit overturned a lower court ruling in favor of the government in litigation brought on behalf of producers challenging the Department's attempts to seek the additional royalties. The Department is seeking further review of the appellate ruling. If PEPL and Trunkline ultimately have to reimburse or indemnify the producers, they will file with FERC to recover a portion of these costs from pipeline customers.

The Company believes that Order 636 transition cost issues and take-or-pay settlement matters will not have a material adverse effect on future consolidated results of operations or financial position.

Jurisdictional Transportation and Sales Rates

PEPL - On April 1, 1992 and November 1, 1992, PEPL placed into effect, subject to refund, general rate increases. FERC issued an order on May 25, 1995 on the earlier rate proceeding and PEPL has requested rehearing of certain matters in that order. On February 5, 1996, FERC issued an order on the latter rate proceeding and PEPL has also requested rehearing of various items in this order. On September 12, 1996, PEPL filed a settlement proposal relating to both rate proceedings on behalf of itself and the majority of its largest customers. The settlement proposal is pending FERC review.

Trunkline - Effective August 1, 1996, Trunkline placed into effect, subject to refund, a general rate increase.

3. Gas Imbalances

The consolidated balance sheet includes in-kind balances as a result of differences in gas volumes received and delivered. At September 30, 1996 and December 31, 1995, other current assets and other current liabilities included \$30.3 million and \$27.5 million (1996), and \$11.1 million and \$11.2 million (1995), respectively, for these imbalances.

4. Common Stockholder's Equity

In July 1996, PEPL declared and paid a dividend on common stock of \$100 million in the form of a promissory note due PanEnergy bearing interest at prime and maturing on December 31, 1996.

5. Other Contingency

PEPL owns an effective 5.95% ownership interest in Northern Border Pipeline Company (Northern Border) through a master limited partnership. Under the terms of a settlement related to a transportation agreement between PEPL and Northern Border, PEPL guarantees payment to Northern Border under a transportation agreement by an affiliate of Pan-Alberta Gas Limited. The transportation agreement requires estimated total payments of \$163 million for 1996 through 2001. In the opinion of management, the probability that PEPL will be required to perform under this guarantee is remote.

6. Environmental Matters

The Company has identified environmental contamination at certain sites on the PEPL and Trunkline systems and is undertaking cleanup programs at these sites. The contamination resulted from the past use of lubricants containing PCBs (polychlorinated biphenyls) and the prior use of wastewater collection facilities and other on-site disposal areas. Soil and sediment testing, to date, has detected no significant off-site contamination. The Company has communicated with the Environmental Protection Agency and appropriate state regulatory agencies on these matters. In August 1995, Trunkline entered into a consent order under a cleanup program with the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation for the cleanup of its Tennessee facility. In June 1996, Trunkline entered into an agreement with the Indiana Department of Environmental Management for the cleanup of one of its Indiana facilities. Cleanups in other states by PEPL and Trunkline are also proceeding. The environmental cleanup programs are expected to continue until 2002.

The federal and state cleanup programs are not expected to interrupt or diminish the Company's ability to deliver natural gas to customers. The Company believes the ultimate resolution of matters relating to the environmental issues discussed above will not have a material adverse effect on consolidated results of operations or financial position.

7. Litigation

A lawsuit filed in the United States District Court for the District of Columbia by natural gas producer Jack Grynberg was served in July 1996 naming PEPL, Trunkline and certain affiliated companies as defendants, among others. The action was brought under the federal False Claims Act against 70 defendants, including every major pipeline, asserting that the defendants intentionally underreported volumes and heating content of gas purchased from producers on federal lands, with the result that the United States was underpaid royalties. The plaintiff seeks recovery of the royalty amounts due the United States, treble damages, civil penalties and compliance with "appropriate" techniques for measuring gas. The Company expects the resolution of this matter will not have a material adverse effect on consolidated results of operations or financial position.

The Company is also involved in various other legal actions and claims arising in the normal course of business. Based upon its current assessment of the facts and the law, management does not believe that the outcome of any such action or claim will have a material adverse effect upon the consolidated financial position of the Company. However, these actions and claims in the aggregate seek substantial damages against the Company and are subject to the uncertainties inherent in any litigation. The Company is defending itself vigorously in all the above suits.

Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

The following information is provided to facilitate increased understanding of the 1996 and 1995 interim consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes presented in Item 1. Because all of the outstanding capital stock of PEPL is owned by PanEnergy, the following discussion has been prepared in accordance with the reduced disclosure format permitted by Form 10-Q for issuers that are wholly-owned subsidiaries of reporting companies under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

This quarterly report may contain certain forward-looking information regarding the Company, including projections, estimates, forecasts, plans and objectives. Although management believes that all such statements are based upon reasonable assumptions, no assurance can be given that the actual results will not differ materially from those contained in such forward-looking statements.

Important factors that could cause actual results to differ include, but are not limited to, general economic conditions, natural gas and liquids prices, competition from other pipelines and alternative fuels, weather conditions, state and federal regulation, legal and regulatory proceedings, the development of new markets, services and products, and the condition of the capital markets utilized by the Company.

OPERATING ENVIRONMENT

With implementation of Order 636 and the elimination of pipeline merchant services, the Company's pipelines incurred certain costs related to the transition. PEPL's transition cost recoveries, which are subject to certain challenges pending before FERC and the courts, will occur through 1999. The Company believes that Order 636 transition cost issues will not have a material adverse effect on future consolidated results of operations, financial position or liquidity.

For information concerning certain other regulatory proceedings, environmental matters and other contingencies, see Notes 2, 5, 6 and 7 of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Consolidated net income for the nine months ended September 30, 1996 was \$63.8 million compared with \$68.5 million for the same period in 1995. Total natural gas transportation volumes for the Company increased 13% to 961 trillion British thermal units comparing the first nine months of 1996 with the same period of 1995, attributable mainly to colder-than-normal winter temperatures.

Earnings Before Interest and Tax

Consolidated earnings before interest and tax for the Company increased \$6 million to \$149.2 million in the first nine months of 1996 compared with the same period in 1995.

PEPL - PEPL's earnings before interest and tax decreased \$0.3 million comparing the first nine months of 1996 with the prior-year period. Higher earnings in 1996 primarily from colder weather and lower net operating expenses more than offset \$9.5 million of severance expense recorded in the first quarter 1996. Also contributing to the decrease was a \$2.9 million reduction in equity earnings from Northern Border Partners, L.P. and a \$1.1 million net decrease related to regulatory settlements, which included \$11.4 million and \$20.7 million recorded in the third quarters of 1996 and 1995, respectively.

Trunkline - Earnings before interest and tax for Trunkline increased \$5.2 million comparing the first nine months of 1996 with the same period in 1995. The net increase was due to higher throughput and transportation revenues during the colder winter weather and lower expenses, which were partially offset by the recognition of additional lease expense in the third quarter 1996 and \$5 million of severance expense in the first quarter 1996.

Interest Expense

Interest expense in the first nine months of 1996 increased \$14.7 million compared with the same period in 1995 as a result of higher average debt balances outstanding.

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES

Capital expenditures totaled \$32 million in the first nine months of 1996, compared with \$36.9 million for the same period in 1995. Capital expenditures for 1996 are expected to approximate \$50 million, with the majority of expenditures related to further enhancement of PEPL's and Trunkline's pipeline integrity and reliability. Expenditures for 1996 are expected to be funded by cash from operations, periodic sales of trade receivables with limited recourse and/or collection of intercompany amounts owed the Company. The Company's current estimate for 1997 capital expenditures is \$40 million to \$50 million.

DIVIDENDS

In July 1996, PEPL declared and paid a dividend on common stock of \$100 million in the form of a promissory note due PanEnergy bearing interest at prime and maturing on December 31, 1996.

PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. Legal Proceedings

See Notes 2, 6 and 7 of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in Part I of this Report, which are incorporated herein by reference. See also Item 3 of PEPL's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1995.

Item 6. Exhibits and Reports on Form 8-K

(a) Exhibits -

Exhibit Number	Description
27	Financial Data Schedule

(b) Reports on Form 8-K - None

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 duly authorized officer and chief accounting officer.

PANHANDLE EASTERN PIPE LINE COMPANY
(Registrant)

/s/ Sandra P. Meyer

Sandra P. Meyer, Vice President
and Treasurer

Date: November 12, 1996
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This schedule contains summary financial information extracted from the Panhandle Eastern Pipe Line Company Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 1996 and is qualified in its entirety by reference to such financial statements.

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Not meaningful since Panhandle Eastern Pipe Line Company is a wholly-owned subsidiary.