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): February 24, 2020



HELIX ENERGY SOLUTIONS GROUP, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Minnesota (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) **001-32936** (Commission File Number) 95-3409686 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

3505 West Sam Houston Parkway North Suite 400 Houston, Texas

(Address of principal executive offices)

77043

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code **281-618-0400**

NOT APPLICABLE

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

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))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock	HLX	New York Stock Exchange

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company \Box

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On February 24, 2020, Helix Energy Solutions Group, Inc. ("Helix") issued a press release announcing its results of operations for the fourth quarter and full year ended December 31, 2019. Attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1, and incorporated herein by reference, is the press release.

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On February 24, 2020, Helix issued a press release announcing its results of operations for the fourth quarter and full year ended December 31, 2019. In addition, on February 25, 2020, Helix is making a presentation (with slides) to analysts and investors regarding its financial and operating results. Attached hereto as Exhibits 99.1 and 99.2, respectively, and incorporated herein by reference, are the press release and the slides for the Fourth Quarter 2019 Conference Call Presentation issued by Helix. The presentation materials are also available on the "For the Investor" page of Helix's website, <u>www.HelixESG.com</u>.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.	
Exhibit Number	Description
99.1	Press Release of Helix Energy Solutions Group, Inc. dated February 24, 2020 reporting financial results for the fourth quarter and full year of 2019.
99.2	Fourth Quarter 2019 Conference Call Presentation.
101.INS	XBRL Instance Document - the instance document does not appear in the Interactive Data File because its XBRL tags are embedded within the Inline XBRL document.
101.SCH	XBRL Schema Document.
101.CAL	XBRL Calculation Linkbase Document.
101.DEF	XBRL Definition Linkbase Document.
101.LAB	XBRL Label Linkbase Document.
101.PRE	XBRL Presentation Linkbase Document.
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document).

SIGNATURES

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

Date: February 24, 2020

HELIX ENERGY SOLUTIONS GROUP, INC.

By: /s/ Erik Staffeldt

Erik Staffeldt Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

EXHIBIT 99.1



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For Immediate Release

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Date: February 24, 2020

Contact: Erik Staffeldt Executive Vice President & CFO

Helix Reports Fourth Quarter and Full Year 2019 Results

HOUSTON, TX - Helix Energy Solutions Group, Inc. ("Helix") (NYSE: HLX) reported net income of \$7.9 million, or \$0.05 per diluted share, for the fourth quarter of 2019 compared to a net loss of \$13.7 million, or \$(0.09) per diluted share, for the same period in 2018 and net income of \$31.6 million, or \$0.21 per diluted share, for the third quarter of 2019. Adjusted EBITDA¹ was \$33.3 million in the fourth quarter of 2019 compared to \$23.2 million in the fourth quarter of 2018 and \$66.3 million in the third quarter of 2019.

For the full year 2019, Helix reported net income of \$57.7 million, or \$0.38 per diluted share, compared to \$28.6 million, or \$0.19 per diluted share, for the year ended December 31, 2018. Adjusted EBITDA¹ was \$180.1 million in 2019 compared to \$161.7 million in 2018. The table below summarizes our results of operations:

Summary of Results

(\$ in thousands, except per share amounts, unaudited)

			Thre	e Months Ende	ed		Year	Ende	ed
	1	2/31/2019		12/31/2018		9/30/2019	 12/31/2019		12/31/2018
Revenues	\$	170,749	\$	158,356	\$	212,609	\$ 751,909	\$	739,818
Gross Profit	\$	26,576	\$	13,811	\$	55,074	\$ 137,838	\$	121,684
		16%		9%		26%	18%		16%
Net Income (Loss)	\$	7,934	\$	(13,747)	\$	31,622	\$ 57,697	\$	28,598
Diluted Earnings (Loss) Per Share	\$	0.05	\$	(0.09)	\$	0.21	\$ 0.38	\$	0.19
Adjusted EBITDA ¹	\$	33,277	\$	23,238	\$	66,273	\$ 180,088	\$	161,709
Cash and Cash Equivalents ²	\$	208,431	\$	279,459	\$	286,340	\$ 208,431	\$	279,459
Cash Flows from Operating Activities	\$	79,792	\$	45,917	\$	57,316	\$ 169,669	\$	196,744

Owen Kratz, President and Chief Executive Officer of Helix, stated, "Our results for 2019 mark our third consecutive year of sequential growth in revenue and EBITDA¹. Our team continues to deliver improved results in this challenging market with a focus on quality and project execution. We took delivery of the *Q7000* in November, marking the end to our capital expansion program. We are focused on integrating the *Q7000* into our operating fleet, further enhancing our capabilities and market reach. Looking at 2020, we expect slow but continued improvement in the market, and we plan to maintain discipline as we continue to drive improvements in our operations and financial results."



¹ Adjusted EBITDA is a non-GAAP measure. See reconciliations below.

² Excludes restricted cash of \$54.1 million as of 12/31/19.

Segment Information, Operational and Financial Highlights

(\$ in thousands, unaudited)

		T	hree	e Months Ende	d		Year	End	ed
	12	2/31/2019		12/31/2018		9/30/2019	12/31/2019		12/31/2018
Revenues:									
Well Intervention	\$	141,789	\$	114,799	\$	170,206	\$ 593,300	\$	560,568
Robotics		35,276		38,420		51,909	171,672		158,989
Production Facilities		16,559		15,859		13,777	61,210		64,400
Intercompany Eliminations		(22,875)		(10,722)		(23,283)	(74,273)		(44,139)
Total	\$	170,749	\$	158,356	\$	212,609	\$ 751,909	\$	739,818
Income (Loss) from Operations:									
Well Intervention	\$	15,562	\$	4,869	\$	37,689	\$ 89,564	\$	87,643
Robotics		(660)		(1,236)		8,876	7,261		(14,054)
Production Facilities		5,253		6,344		3,050	17,160		27,263
Corporate / Other / Eliminations		(14,497)		(13,467)		(10,617)	(45,988)		(49,309)
Total	\$	5,658	\$	(3,490)	\$	38,998	\$ 67,997	\$	51,543

Segment Results

Well Intervention

Well Intervention revenues in the fourth quarter of 2019 decreased by \$28.4 million, or 17%, from the previous quarter. The decrease in revenues was due to lower rates in the Gulf of Mexico, the seasonal slowdown in the North Sea and lower 15K IRS rental utilization in the fourth quarter compared to the third quarter. Our Well Intervention revenues in the fourth quarter of 2019 also included approximately \$3.9 million of contractual adjustments related to increases in withholding taxes in Brazil, of which \$2.1 million related to 2018. Overall Well Intervention vessel utilization decreased to 92% in the fourth quarter from 97% in the third quarter. Well Intervention income from operations decreased \$22.1 million, or 59%, in the fourth quarter of 2019 from the previous quarter primarily due to lower segment revenues.

Well Intervention revenues increased \$27.0 million, or 24%, in the fourth quarter of 2019 compared to the fourth quarter of 2018. The increase in revenues was primarily driven by higher utilization and integrated services in the Gulf of Mexico and the contractual adjustments related to increases in withholding taxes in Brazil. The increase was partially offset by seasonally lower rates in the North Sea in the fourth quarter of 2019 compared to the same period in the prior year. Overall, Well Intervention vessel utilization increased to 92% in the fourth quarter of 2019 from 79% in the fourth quarter of 2018. Income from operations increased \$10.7 million, or 220%, in the fourth quarter of 2019 compared to the fourth quarter of 2018, primarily related to higher segment revenues.

Robotics

Robotics revenues in the fourth quarter of 2019 decreased by \$16.6 million, or 32%, from the previous quarter. The decrease was driven by seasonally lower chartered vessel utilization and lower ROV, trencher and ROVDrill utilization, which included fewer trenching vessel days compared to the previous quarter. Chartered vessel utilization decreased to 73% in the fourth quarter of 2019, which included 55 spot vessel days, from 96% in the third quarter of 2019, which included 28 spot vessel days. Available chartered vessel days decreased by 43 days during the fourth quarter with the termination of the *Grand Canyon* charter in November 2019. ROV, trencher and ROVDrill utilization declined to 41% in the fourth quarter of 2019 from 44% in the previous quarter, and vessel trenching days in the fourth quarter of 2019 declined to 64 days compared to 149 days in the previous quarter. Robotics income from operations declined \$9.5 million compared to the third quarter due to lower revenues, offset in part by lower costs, which included the termination of the *Grand Canyon II* charter payments in July 2019.

Robotics revenues decreased \$3.1 million, or 8%, in the fourth quarter of 2019 compared to the fourth quarter of 2018. The decrease in revenues year over year was primarily due to a decrease in trenching activity and chartered vessel utilization and fewer spot vessel days, offset in part by higher rates on the *Grand Canyon II* and increased ROV, trencher and ROVDrill utilization in the fourth quarter of 2019. Robotics had 64 vessel trenching days in the fourth quarter of 2019, down from 151 vessel trenching days in the fourth quarter of 2018. Chartered vessel utilization decreased to 73%, which included 55 spot vessel days, in the fourth quarter of 2019 from 78%, which included 84 spot vessel days, in the fourth quarter of 2018. ROV, trencher and ROVDrill utilization was 41% in the fourth quarter of 2019 compared to 36% in the fourth quarter of 2018. Income from operations in the fourth quarter of 2019 increased \$0.6 million from the fourth quarter of 2018 due to lower costs related to the termination of the *Grand Canyon* charter in November 2019, the expiration of the hedge of the *Grand Canyon II* charter payments in July 2019, offset in part by lower segment revenues and higher ROV costs due to increased ROV utilization.

Production Facilities

Production Facilities revenues increased \$2.8 million, or 20%, quarter over quarter due to higher revenues from the Helix Fast Response System and higher production revenues. The fourth quarter of 2019 benefitted from approximately \$2.0 million of residual revenue from our previous Helix Fast Response System contract that expired in the first quarter of 2019 that was linked to 2019 utilization of our Gulf of Mexico Well Intervention vessels by HWCG members. Revenues increased \$0.7 million year over year due to production revenues realized in the fourth quarter of 2019, offset in part by reduced revenue from the Helix Fast Response System. Production Facilities income from operations decreased \$1.1 million year over year due to lower revenue from the Helix Fast Response System in the fourth quarter of 2019.

Selling, General and Administrative and Other

Selling, General and Administrative

Selling, general and administrative expenses were \$20.9 million, or 12.3% of revenue, in the fourth quarter of 2019 compared to \$16.1 million, or 7.6% of revenue, in the third quarter of 2019. The increase in expenses was primarily related to an increase in employee compensation costs in the fourth quarter.

Other Income and Expenses

Other income (expense), net improved \$5.9 million in the fourth quarter of 2019 compared to the fourth quarter of 2018. The change was primarily due to net foreign currency gains related to a stronger British pound in the fourth quarter, compared to net foreign currency losses in the prior quarter.

Cash Flows

Operating cash flows were \$79.8 million in the fourth quarter of 2019 compared to \$57.3 million in the third quarter of 2019 and \$45.9 million in the fourth quarter of 2018. The increase in operating cash flows quarter over quarter was due to positive working capital changes offset in part by lower earnings during the fourth quarter of 2019. The increase in fourth quarter operating cash flows year over year was due to positive working capital changes as well as increased earnings in the fourth quarter of 2019 compared to the fourth quarter of 2018.

Capital expenditures totaled \$95.2 million in the fourth quarter of 2019 compared to \$18.2 million in the third quarter of 2019 and \$81.7 million in the fourth quarter of 2018. Capital expenditures in the fourth quarter of 2019 and 2018 each included a \$69.2 million installment payment to the shipyard and other capital spending for the *Q7000*, which was delivered to Helix during the fourth quarter of 2019.

Free cash flow was \$(15.4) million in the fourth quarter of 2019 compared to \$39.2 million in the third quarter of 2019 and \$(35.7) million in the fourth quarter of 2018. The decrease quarter over quarter was due to higher capital expenditures related to the *Q7000*, offset in part by higher operating cash flows. The improvement in fourth quarter free cash flow year over year was primarily due to higher operating cash flows, offset in part by higher capital expenditures related to the completion of the *Q7000*. (Free cash flow is a non-GAAP measure. See reconciliation below.)

Full Year Results

Segment Results

Well Intervention

Well Intervention revenues increased by \$32.7 million, or 6%, in 2019 compared to 2018. The increase was primarily driven by higher utilization and increased integrated services in the Gulf of Mexico and higher utilization in Brazil. Our Well Intervention revenues in 2019 also included approximately \$3.9 million of contractual adjustments related to increases in withholding taxes in Brazil, of which \$2.1 million related to 2018. These increases were offset in part by lower rates and a weaker British pound in the North Sea and lower IRS rentals in 2019 compared to 2018. Overall Well Intervention vessel utilization increased to 89% in 2019 from 83% in 2018.

Robotics

Robotics revenues increased by \$12.7 million, or 8%, in 2019 compared to 2018. The increase was due to improvements in chartered vessel utilization, which increased to 87% in 2019 compared to 76% in 2018, and in ROV, trencher and ROVDrill utilization, which increased to 41% in 2019 compared to 37% in 2018. These improvements were offset marginally by a reduction in vessel trenching days, which decreased to 484 days in 2019 from 560 days in 2018. Robotics generated \$7.3 million in operating income in 2019 compared to an operating loss of \$14.1 million in 2018. The improvement in operating income was due to higher revenues as well as cost reductions relating to our vessels, including the termination of the *Grand Canyon* charter in November 2019 and the expiration of the hedge of the *Grand Canyon II* charter payments in July 2019.

Production Facilities

Production Facilities revenues decreased \$3.2 million, or 5%, in 2019 compared to 2018. The decrease was due to reduced revenues related to the Helix Fast Response System, offset in part by production revenues in 2019. Operating income decreased \$10.1 million from the prior year due to decreases in revenues related to the Helix Fast Response System in 2019.

Selling, General and Administrative and Other

Selling, General and Administrative

Selling, general and administrative expenses were \$69.8 million, or 9.3% of revenue, in 2019 compared to \$70.3 million, or 9.5% of revenue, in 2018. The decrease was primarily related to a net decrease in employee compensation costs in 2019.

Other Income and Expenses

Other income (expense), net improved \$7.5 million in 2019 compared to 2018. The change was primarily due to our recognition of net foreign currency gains in 2019 compared to foreign currency losses in 2018.

Cash Flows

Helix generated operating cash flows of \$169.7 million in 2019 compared to \$196.7 million in 2018. The decrease in operating cash flows in 2019, despite higher net income, was due to negative working capital changes and higher regulatory certification costs of our vessels and systems, which are included in operating cash flows, in 2019 compared to 2018. Capital expenditures totaled \$140.9 million in 2019 compared to \$137.1 million in 2018.

Free cash flow was \$31.4 million in 2019 compared to \$59.7 million in 2018 due primarily to lower operating cash flow. (Free cash flow is a non-GAAP measure. See reconciliation below.)

Financial Condition and Liquidity

Cash and cash equivalents were \$208.4 million at December 31, 2019 and excluded \$54.1 million of restricted cash pledged as collateral on a short-term project-related letter of credit. Available capacity under our revolving credit facility was \$171.1 million at December 31, 2019. Consolidated long-term debt decreased to \$405.9 million at December 31, 2019 from \$413.4 million at September 30, 2019. Consolidated net debt at December 31, 2019 was \$143.3 million. Net debt to book capitalization at December 31, 2019 was 8%. The restricted cash of \$54.1 million is included in our net debt calculation as the restrictions are of a short-term project-related nature. (Net debt and net debt to book capitalization are non-GAAP measures. See reconciliations below.)

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Conference Call Information

Further details are provided in the presentation for Helix's quarterly teleconference to review its fourth quarter and full year 2019 results (see the "For the Investor" page of Helix's website, <u>www.HelixESG.com</u>). The teleconference, scheduled for Tuesday, February 25, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. Central Time, will be audio webcast live from the "For the Investor" page of Helix's website. Investors and other interested parties wishing to participate in the teleconference may join by dialing 1-877-300-8376 for participants in the United States and 1-303-223-0118 for international participants. The passcode is "Staffeldt." A replay of the webcast will be available at "For the Investor" by selecting the "Audio Archives" link beginning approximately two hours after the completion of the event.

Helix Energy Solutions Group, Inc., headquartered in Houston, Texas, is an international offshore energy services company that provides specialty services to the offshore energy industry, with a focus on well intervention and robotics operations. For more information about Helix, please visit our website at <u>www.HelixESG.com</u>.

Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures

Management evaluates performance and financial condition using certain non-GAAP measures, primarily EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA, net debt, net debt to book capitalization and free cash flow. We define EBITDA as earnings before income taxes, net interest expense, gain or loss on extinguishment of long-term debt, net other income or expense, and depreciation and amortization expense. Non-cash gains and losses on equity investments are also added back if applicable. To arrive at our measure of Adjusted EBITDA, we exclude gains and losses on disposition of assets, if any. In addition, we include realized losses from foreign currency exchange contracts not designated as hedging instruments and other than temporary loss on note receivable, which are excluded from EBITDA as a component of net other income or expense. Net debt is calculated as total long-term debt less cash and cash equivalents. Net debt to book capitalization is calculated by dividing net debt by the sum of net debt and shareholders' equity. We define free cash flow as cash flows from operating activities less capital expenditures, net of proceeds from sale of assets.

We use EBITDA and free cash flow to monitor and facilitate internal evaluation of the performance of our business operations, to facilitate external comparison of our business results to those of others in our industry, to analyze and evaluate financial and strategic planning decisions regarding future investments and acquisitions, to plan and evaluate operating budgets, and in certain cases, to report our results to the holders of our debt as required by our debt covenants. We believe that our measures of EBITDA and free cash flow provide useful information to the public regarding our operating performance and ability to service debt and fund capital expenditures and may help our investors understand and compare our results to other companies that have different financing, capital and tax structures. Other companies may calculate their measures of EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA and free cash flow differently from the way we do, which may limit their usefulness as comparative measures. EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA and free cash flow should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for, but instead are supplemental to, income from operations, net income, cash flows from operating activities, or other income or cash flow data prepared in accordance with GAAP. Users of this financial information should consider the types of events and transactions that are excluded from these measures.

Forward-Looking Statements

This press release contains forward-looking statements that involve risks, uncertainties and assumptions that could cause our results to differ materially from those expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. All statements, other than statements of historical fact, are "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, including, without limitation, any statements regarding our strategy; any statements regarding visibility and future utilization; any projections of financial items; any statements regarding future operations expenditures; any statements regarding the plans, strategies and objectives of management for future operations; any statements regarding our ability to enter into and/or perform commercial contracts; any statements concerning developments; any statements regarding future economic conditions or performance; any statements of expectation or belief; and any statements of assumptions underlying any of the foregoing. Forward-looking statements are subject to a number of known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that could cause results to differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements, including but not limited to market conditions; results from acquired properties; demand for our services; the performance of contracts by suppliers, customers and partners; actions by governmental and regulatory authorities; operating hazards and delays, which include delays in delivery, chartering or customer acceptance of assets or terms of their acceptance; our ultimate ability to realize current backlog; employee management issues; complexities of global political and economic developments; geologic risks; volatility of oil and gas prices and other risks described from time to time in our reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"), including our most recently filed Annual Report on Form 10-K and in our other filings with the SEC, which are available free of charge on the SEC's website at www.sec.gov. We assume no obligation and do not intend to update these forward-looking statements except as required by the securities laws.

Social Media

From time to time we provide information about Helix on Twitter (<u>@Helix_ESG</u>), LinkedIn (<u>www.linkedin.com/company/helix-energy-</u> solutions-group), Facebook (<u>www.facebook.com/HelixEnergySolutionsGroup</u>) and Instagram (<u>www.instagram.com/helixenergysolutions</u>).

HELIX ENERGY SOLUTIONS GROUP, INC.

Comparative Conde	ensed	Consolidated 3	State	ments of Opera	atio	ons		
		Three Months	Ende	d Dec. 31,		Year Ende	ed De	ec. 31,
(in thousands, except per share data)		2019		2018		2019		2018
		(unau	idited)	1		(unaudited)		
Net revenues	\$	170,749	\$	158,356	\$	751,909	\$	739,818
Cost of sales		144,173		144,545		614,071		618,134
Gross profit		26,576		13,811		137,838		121,684
Gain on disposition of assets, net		—		—		—		146
Selling, general and administrative expenses		(20,918)		(17,301)		(69,841)		(70,287)
Income (loss) from operations		5,658		(3,490)		67,997		51,543
Equity in earnings (losses) of investment		1,521		(3,540)		1,439		(3,918)
Net interest expense		(2,129)		(3,007)		(8,333)		(13,751)
Loss on extinguishment of long-term debt		—		—		(18)		(1,183)
Other income (expense), net		3,595		(3,099)		1,165		(6,324)
Royalty income and other		409		563		3,306		4,631
Income (loss) before income taxes		9,054		(12,573)		65,556		30,998
Income tax provision		1,120		1,174		7,859		2,400
Net income (loss)		7,934		(13,747)		57,697		28,598
Net loss attributable to redeemable noncontrolling interests		(118)		_		(222)		_
Net income (loss) attributable to common shareholders	\$	8,052	\$	(13,747)	\$	57,919	\$	28,598
Earnings (loss) per share of common stock:								
Basic	\$	0.05	\$	(0.09)	\$	0.39	\$	0.19
Diluted	\$	0.05	\$	(0.09)	\$	0.38	\$	0.19
Weighted average common shares outstanding:								
Basic		147,625		146,769		147,536		146,702
Diluted		150,182		146,769		149,577		146,830

		Comparativ	/e C	ondensed C	onsolidated Balance Sheets									
ASSETS					LIABILITIES & SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY									
(in thousands)	D	ec. 31, 2019	D	ec. 31, 2018	(in thousands)	ec. 31, 2019	De	ec. 31, 2018						
	((unaudited)				(unaudited)							
Current Assets:					Current Liabilities:									
Cash and cash equivalents (1)	\$	208,431	\$	279,459	Accounts payable	\$	69,055	\$	54,813					
Restricted cash (1)		54,130		—	Accrued liabilities		62,389		85,594					
Accounts receivable, net		125,457		119,875	Income tax payable		—		3,829					
Other current assets		50,450		51,594	Current maturities of long-term debt (1)		99,731		47,252					
Total Current Assets		438,468		450,928	Current operating lease liabilities (2)		53,785		_					
					Total Current Liabilities		284,960		191,488					
					Long-term debt (1)		306,122		393,063					
					Operating lease liabilities (2)		151,827		_					
					Deferred tax liabilities		112,132		105,862					
Property & equipment, net		1,872,637		1,826,745	Other non-current liabilities		38,644		39,538					
Operating lease right-of-use assets (2)		201,118		_	Redeemable noncontrolling interests		3,455		_					
Other assets, net		84,508		70,057	57 Shareholders' equity (1) 1,699,591				1,617,779					
Total Assets	\$	2,596,731	\$	2,347,730	Total Liabilities & Equity	2,596,731	\$	2,347,730						

(1) Net debt to book capitalization - 8% at December 31, 2019. Calculated as net debt (total long-term debt less cash and cash equivalents and restricted cash - \$143,292) divided by the sum of net debt and shareholders' equity (\$1,842,883). Reflects adoption of Accounting Standards Update No. 2016-02, "Leases (Topic 842)."

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Helix Energy Solutions Group, Inc. Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Measures

Earnings Release:

		т	hree	e Months End	ed		Year I	End	ed
	1	2/31/2019		12/31/2018		9/30/2019	12/31/2019	:	12/31/2018
					(in	thousands)			
Reconciliation from Net Income (Loss) to Adjusted EBITDA:									
Net income (loss)	\$	7,934	\$	(13,747)	\$	31,622	\$ 57,697	\$	28,598
Adjustments:									
Income tax provision		1,120		1,174		3,539	7,859		2,400
Net interest expense		2,129		3,007		1,901	8,333		13,751
Loss on extinguishment of long-term debt							18		1,183
Other (income) expense, net		(3,595)		3,099		2,285	(1,165)		6,324
Depreciation and amortization		28,300		27,183		27,908	112,720		110,522
Non-cash gain (loss) on equity investment		(1,613)		3,430		—	(1,613)		3,430
EBITDA		34,275		24,146		67,255	183,849		166,208
Adjustments:									
Gain on disposition of assets, net		_		_		_	—		(146)
Realized losses from foreign exchange contracts not designated as hedging instruments		(998)		(908)		(982)	(3,761)		(3,224)
Other than temporary loss on note receivable		_		_		_	_		(1,129)
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	33,277	\$	23,238	\$	66,273	\$ 180,088	\$	161,709
Free Cash Flow:									
Cash flows from operating activities	\$	79,792	\$	45,917	\$	57,316	\$ 169,669	\$	196,744
Less: Capital expenditures, net of proceeds from sale of assets		(95,218)		(81,652)		(18,153)	(138,304)		(137,058)
Free cash flow	\$	(15,426)	\$	(35,735)	\$	39,163	\$ 31,365	\$	59,686

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Executive Summary



EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

(\$ in millions, except per share data)		Thi	ree M	onths End	led			Year E	Ended	
	12	/31/19	12	/31/18	9/	30/19	12	/31/19	12	/31/18
Revenues	\$	171	\$	158	\$	213	\$	752	\$	740
Gross profit	\$	27 16%	\$	14 9%	\$	55 26%	\$	138 18%	\$	122 16%
Net income (loss)	\$	8	\$	(14)	\$	32	\$	58	\$	29
Diluted earnings (loss) per share	\$	0.05	\$	(0.09)	\$	0.21	\$	0.38	\$	0.19
Adjusted EBITDA ¹ Business segments Corporate, eliminations and other Adjusted EBITDA ¹	\$ \$	47 (14) 33	\$ \$	36 (13) 23	\$ \$	76 (10) 66	\$ \$	222 (42) 180	\$ \$	206 (44) 162
Cash and cash equivalents ²	\$	208	\$	279	\$	286	\$	208	\$	279
Cash flows from operating activities	\$	80	\$	46	\$	57	\$	170	\$	197

 1 Adjusted EBITDA is a non-GAAP financial measure. See non-GAAP reconciliations on slide 26. 2 Excludes restricted cash of \$54 million as of 12/31/19.

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Full Year 2019

- Net income of \$58 million, \$0.38 per diluted share, compared to \$29 million, \$0.19 per diluted share, in 2018
- Adjusted EBITDA¹ of \$180 million compared to \$162 million in 2018
- Operating cash flows of \$170 million compared to \$197 million in 2018
- Free Cash Flow¹ of \$31 million compared to \$60 million in 2018

Q4 2019

- Net income of \$8 million, \$0.05 per diluted share, compared to \$32 million, \$0.21 per diluted share, in Q3 2019 and a net loss of \$(14) million, \$(0.09) per diluted share, in Q4 2018
- Adjusted EBITDA¹ of \$33 million compared to \$66 million in Q3 2019 and \$23 million in Q4 2018
- Operating cash flows of \$80 million compared to \$57 million in Q3 2019 and \$46 million in Q4 2018
- Free Cash Flow¹ of \$(15) million compared to \$39 million in Q3 2019 and \$(36) million in Q4 2018

¹Adjusted EBITDA and Free Cash Flow are non-GAAP financial measures. See non-GAAP reconciliations on slide 26.

Well Intervention

- Utilization of 92% across the well intervention vessel fleet
 - 95% in the GOM
 - 82% in the North Sea
 - 98% in Brazil
- 15K IRS and 10K IRS idle during quarter
- Q7000 construction completed and delivered November 2019, in transit to Nigeria
- · Completed abandonment of second Droshky well owned by Helix in the GOM

Robotics

- Robotics chartered vessels utilization 73%, including 55 spot vessel days
- ROVs, trenchers and ROVDrill utilization 41%
- 64 vessel trenching days during quarter

Production Facilities

- Helix Producer 1 operated at full rates during quarter
- Residual revenue related to previous HFRS contract of \$2 million linked to 2019 utilization of our Gulf of Mexico Well Intervention vessels by HWCG members
- Nominal production benefit



- Cash and cash equivalents of \$208 million at 12/31/19
 - Excludes \$54 million of restricted cash¹ at 12/31/19
- Liquidity² of approximately \$380 million at 12/31/19
- Long-term debt³ of \$406 million at 12/31/19 compared to \$413 million at 9/30/19
- Net debt⁴ of \$143 million at 12/31/19 compared to \$127 million at 9/30/19

- ² Liquidity at 12/31/19 is calculated as the sum of cash and cash equivalents (\$208 million) plus available capacity under our revolving credit facility (\$171 million) and excludes restricted cash of \$54 million; amounts may not add due to rounding
- ³Net of unamortized discounts and issuance costs
- ⁴ Net debt at 12/31/19 is calculated as long-term debt (\$406 million) less cash and cash equivalents (\$208 million) and less restricted cash (\$54 million); amounts may not add due to rounding

¹ Restricted cash of \$54 million pledged as collateral at 12/31/19 for a short-term project-related letter of credit

Operational Highlights by Segment



BUSINESS SEGMENT RESULTS

(\$ in millions)			Thr	ee Mo	onths Er	nded					Ye	ar En	ded		
	12/3	31/19	-	12	31/18		9/3	30/19	•	12/	31/19		12/	31/18	-0
<u>Revenues</u> Well Intervention Robotics Production Facilities Intercompany Eliminations	\$	142 35 17 (23)		\$	115 38 16 (11)		\$	170 52 14 (23)		\$	593 172 61 (74)		\$	561 159 64 (44)	
Total	\$	171	=	\$	158		\$	213	-	\$	752	= :	\$	740	=
<u>Gross profit (loss), %</u> Well Intervention Robotics Production Facilities	\$	20 1 6	14% 4% 37%	\$	8 - 6	7% 40%	\$	41 11 3	24% 21% 25%	\$	104 16 19	18% 9% 31%	\$		18% -3% 43%
Eliminations and other		-	-		-			-	- 2		(2)			(2)	_
Total ¹	\$	27	16%	\$	14	9%	\$	55	26%	\$	138	18%	\$	122	16%
Utilization Well Intervention vessels Robotics vessels ROVs tranchers and ROVDrill		92% 73% 41%)		79% 78% 36%			97% 96% 44%			89% 87% 41%			83% 76% 37%	,
ROVs, trenchers and ROVDrill		41%)		30%			44%			41%	E .		31%)

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Gulf of Mexico

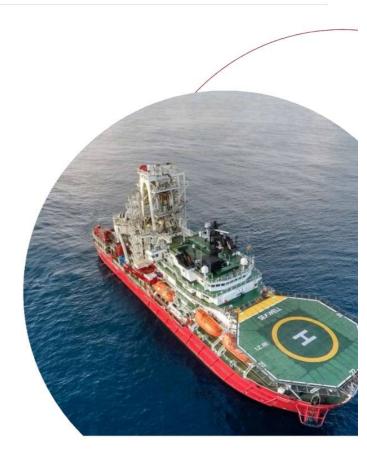
- **Q5000** 92% utilized in Q4; completed the abandonment of the second of four Droshky wells owned by Helix; performed 10K intervention work for two customers; began its five-year scheduled regulatory inspection on December 25
- **Q4000** 98% utilized in Q4; performed abandonment work on two wells for one customer; performed production enhancement work on ten wells on two multiwell campaigns for another customer
- 15K IRS rental unit system idle in Q4
- 10K IRS rental unit system idle in Q4





North Sea

- Well Enhancer 88% utilized in Q4; worked for one customer performing production enhancement on seven wells; performed diving operations for another customer; 11 day idle period between projects
- Seawell 77% utilized in Q4; worked for two customers performing production enhancement on one well and abandonment operations on five wells; warm stacked at yearend
- Q7000 vessel delivered from shipyard in Singapore in November and in transit to Nigeria for initial project





WELL INTERVENTION - BRAZIL

Brazil

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- Siem Helix 1 95% utilized in Q4; performed workover and production enhancement operations on four wells and abandonment scope on one well
- Siem Helix 2 100% utilized in Q4; performed workover and performance enhancement operations on five wells



ROBOTICS

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Grand Canyon (North Sea) – 100% utilized in Q4 through charter expiration in mid-November; performed trenching operations

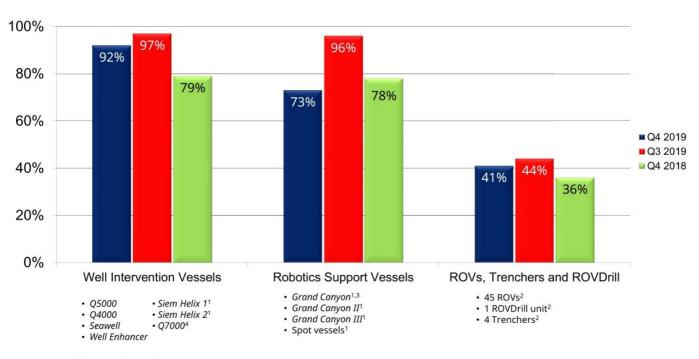
Grand Canyon II (Asia Pacific) – 100% utilized in Q4; performed ROV support projects for two customers in Malaysia

Grand Canyon III (North Sea) – 17% utilized in Q4; performed trenching operations

Spot Vessels – 26 days of spot vessel utilization on the *Ross Candies* in the GOM and 29 days on renewable energy projects in the UK

Trenching – 64 days of vessel trenching operations on Helix chartered vessels during Q4; 59 additional days trenching on third-party vessel





UTILIZATION

¹ Chartered vessels

² One ROV retired in Q4 2019; one trencher retired in Q2 2019; one ROV and one ROVDrill retired in Q4 2018 ³ Grand Canyon charter expired November 2019; Q4 2019 utilization calculated through expiration date

⁴ Q7000 delivered to Helix in Q4 2019 and in transit to Nigeria at 12/31/19; not included in Q4 2019 utilization calculation

Key Financial Metrics



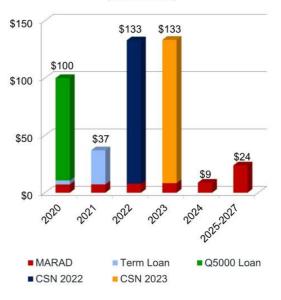
Total funded debt¹ of \$436 million at 12/31/19

- \$125 million Convertible Senior Notes due 2022 4.25%
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- \$33 million Term Loan LIBOR + 3.25%
 - Quarterly amortization payments of approximately \$0.9 million with a final balloon payment of \$27 million at maturity in Q4 2021
- \$64 million MARAD Debt 4.93%
 - Semi-annual amortization payments
- \$89 million Q5000 Loan LIBOR + 2.50%²
 - Quarterly amortization payments of approximately \$8.9 million with a final balloon payment of \$80 million at maturity in Q2 2020

¹ Excludes unamortized debt discounts and debt issuance costs

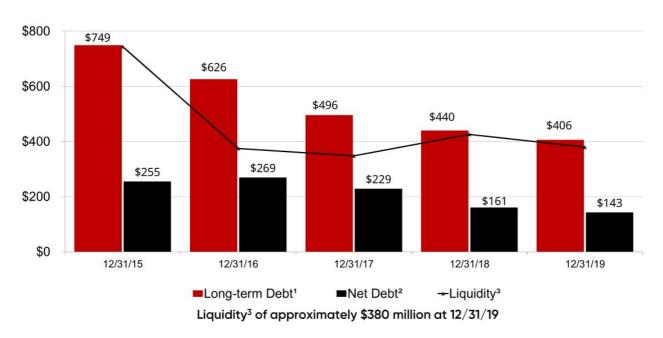
 2 We have fixed through April 2020 the LIBOR interest rate on 75% of the Q5000 Loan at 1.51% utilizing interest rate swaps

Principal Payment Schedule at 12/31/19 (\$ in millions)





DEBT & LIQUIDITY PROFILE

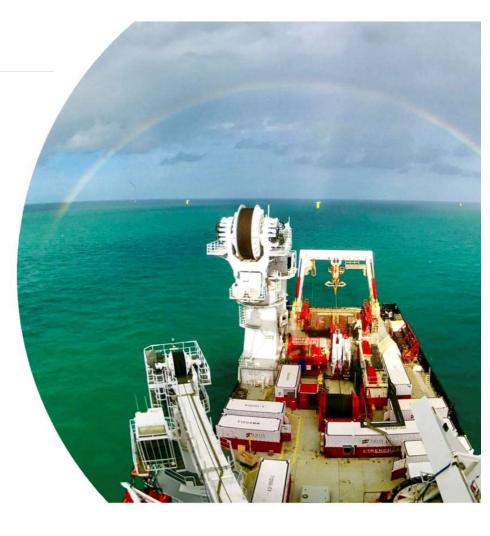


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² Net debt is calculated as long-term debt less cash and cash equivalents and restricted cash

³ Liquidity is calculated as the sum of cash and cash equivalents plus available capacity under our revolving credit facility; liquidity excludes restricted cash of \$54 million pledged as collateral on a short-term project-related letter of credit

2020 Outlook



2020 OUTLOOK: FORECAST

(\$ in millions)	 2020 Outlook	N	019 tuals
Revenues	\$ 820 - 890	\$	752
Adjusted EBITDA ^{1,2,3}	180 - 210		180
Free Cash Flow ¹	110 - 150		31
Capital Additions ⁴	~ 50		161
Revenue Split:			
Well Intervention	\$ 670 - 712	\$	593
Robotics	140 - 160		172
Production Facilities ³	54 - 62		61
Eliminations	~ (44)	-	(74)
Total	\$ 820 - 890	\$	752

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² 2020 Outlook and 2019 Actuals include an approximate \$20 million reduction in EBITDA for mobilization costs paid in 2016-2017 for the Brazil contracts and expensed over the term of the contracts

³ 2020 Outlook includes nominal benefit from oil and gas production related to our Droshky wells

⁴ 2020 Outlook and 2019 Actuals include regulatory certification costs for our vessels and systems; 2019 Actuals includes capitalized interest; capitalized interest in 2020 Outlook is nominal

- Total backlog at December 31, 2019 was approximately \$796 million, including \$568 million for Well Intervention
- Q7000 assumes good first-year utilization with break-in maintenance allowances
- Seawell and Well Enhancer improved rates in 2020
- *Q4000* and *Q5000* regulatory inspections for both vessels during Q1; otherwise expected strong utilization during 2020
- Siem Helix 1 & 2 stable operating performance; scheduled maintenance for both vessels in 2020
- Improved cost structure, lower trenching activity in Robotics



Gulf of Mexico

- **Q4000** Completed multi-well campaign in early February; currently undergoing scheduled regulatory inspections; expected to be operational early March with contracted backlog into Q3 and good visibility during remainder of 2020
- **Q5000** Began year undergoing scheduled regulatory inspections through mid-February; currently working in spot market through remainder of Q1; forecasted to begin 270-day commitment with BP in Q2
- 15K IRS rental unit expected to perform one well with BP in Q2 with opportunities identified with other operators later in 2020
- 10K IRS rental unit Available in spot market with limited visibility

North Sea

- Seawell Mobilizing late February; expected to be operational early March with good utilization expected during remainder of 2020
- Well Enhancer Operational during January; scheduled maintenance in February followed by contracted work through Q2; visibility during remainder of 2020
- Q7000 Commenced operations in Nigeria in January; contracted into Q2 with potential work through remainder of 2020

Brazil

 Siem Helix 1 and 2 – working under contract for Petrobras; scheduled maintenance for SH2 completed in February with minimal impact; scheduled maintenance for SH1 in Q2



- Grand Canyon II (Asia Pacific) currently contracted for ROV support project through Q1; identified prospects and expected good utilization during remainder of 2020
- Grand Canyon III (North Sea) vessel currently performing trenching operations through Q1 followed by spot market opportunities; vessel will perform summer trenching campaign beginning May through Q3; opportunities identified during Q4
- **Ross Candies** (Gulf of Mexico) expected 143 days of utilization through Q2; further opportunities identified during the second half of 2020
- VOOs (North Sea) we are currently utilizing two vessels of opportunity on a renewable energy support project (UXO and boulder removal) expected to continue into Q4

2020 Capital additions are currently forecasted at approximately \$50 million, consisting of the following:

- Growth Capex \$5 million related primarily to completion of the Q7000 and related intervention system
- Maintenance Capex \$45 million primarily for regulatory certification costs on our vessels and systems

Balance Sheet

• Our total funded debt¹ level is expected to decrease by \$100 million (from \$436 million at December 31, 2019 to \$336 million at December 31, 2020) as a result of scheduled principal payments

¹ Excludes unamortized debt discounts and issuance costs

Non-GAAP Reconciliations





NON-GAAP RECONCILIATIONS

(\$ in thousands, unaudited)		Th	ree M	Months End	led			Year I	Ende	ed
	1	2/31/19	1	2/31/18	9	9/30/19	_	12/31/19		12/31/18
Adjusted EBITDA:										
Net income (loss)	\$	7,934	\$	(13,747)	\$	31,622	\$	57,697	\$	28,598
Adjustments:										
Income tax provision		1,120		1,174		3,539		7,859		2,400
Net interest expense		2,129		3,007		1,901		8,333		13,751
Loss on extinguishment of long-term debt		-		-		-		18		1,183
Other (income) expense, net		(3,595)		3,099		2,285		(1,165)		6,324
Depreciation and amortization		28,300		27,183		27,908		112,720		110,522
Non-cash (gain) loss on equity investment		(1,613)		3,430		10 (<u>1</u> 2)		(1,613)		3,430
EBITDA	\$	34,275	\$	24,146	\$	67,255	\$	183,849	\$	166,208
Adjustments:			-				-		-	
Gain on disposition of assets, net	\$	70	\$		\$		\$	-	\$	(146)
Realized losses from FX contracts not designated as										
hedging instruments		(998)		(908)		(982)		(3,761)		(3,224)
Other than temporary loss on note receivable		-		-		-		-		(1,129)
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	33,277	\$	23,238	\$	66,273	\$	180,088	\$	161,709
Free cash flow:										
Cash flows from operating activities	\$	79,792	\$	45,917	\$	57,316	\$	169,669	\$	196,744
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of assets		(95,218)		(81,652)		(18,153)		(138,304)		(137,058)
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