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The change to net cash provided by operating activities is primarily driven by the timing of cash payments on amounts due to our parent and affiliates for reimbursement of operating expenses paid by our Sponsor or its affiliates.

Net cash-investing activities

The change to net cash used by investing activities is driven by capital expenditures related to the construction of solar energy systems and changes in restricted cash and cash committed for in accordance with the restrictions in our debt agreements.

Net cash-financing activities

The change in net cash provided by financing activities is primarily driven by proceeds from project construction and term debt financing arrangements and net investments from our Sponsor.

Contractual obligations and commercial commitments

We have a variety of contractual obligations and other commercial commitments that represent prospective cash requirements. The following table summarizes our outstanding contractual obligations and commercial commitments as of December 31, 2014.

(in thousands)	Payment due by period				
	Under 1 year	1-3 Years	3-5 Years	Over 5 years	Total
Long-term debt (principal) ⁽¹⁾	\$ 31,542	\$185,420	\$ 37,548	\$ 269,601	\$524,111
Long-term debt (interest)	50,461	94,522	72,355	33,931	251,269
Purchase obligations ⁽²⁾	5,168	20,805	27,404	64,098	117,475
Operating leases ⁽³⁾	169	366	382	3,649	4,566
Asset retirement obligations	—	—	—	5,049	5,049
Total contractual obligations	\$ 87,340	\$301,113	\$137,689	\$ 376,328	\$902,470

(1) Does not include obligations under the Revolver or the Senior Notes that we intend to enter into in connection with this offering or any indebtedness assumed since that date in connection with expanding our initial portfolio. In addition, this table does not include additional obligations under our Bridge Facility to the extent such obligations were incurred after December 31, 2014, of which \$87.5 million was subsequently prepaid with a portion of the net proceeds from the Units Private Placements. On June 5, 2015, the Bridge Facility was further amended to increase the aggregate principal commitment to \$550 million. See "Unaudited pro forma condensed consolidated financial statements."

(2) Consists primarily of contractual payments due for operation and maintenance services. Does not include payments under the Management Services Agreement, which we will enter into upon the completion of this offering.

(3) Certain of our solar energy assets are located on property that we lease under operating leases. See Note 10 to the audited combined financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus.

Off-balance sheet arrangements

We are not party to any off-balance sheet arrangements.

Critical accounting policies and estimates

Our discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations are based on our predecessor's combined historical financial statements that are included elsewhere in this prospectus, which have been prepared in accordance with GAAP. In applying the critical accounting policies set forth below, our management uses its judgment to determine the appropriate assumptions to be used in making certain estimates. These estimates are based on management's experience, the terms of existing contracts, management's observance