

Poised for Growth

Investor Update: January 2018



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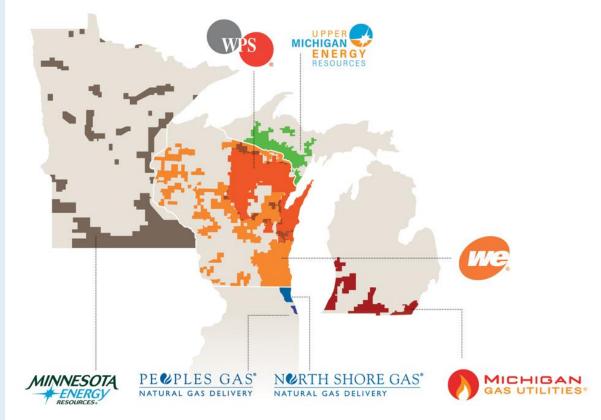
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Company Statistics

\$21.0 billion market cap ⁽¹⁾
1.6 million electric customers
2.8 million natural gas customers
60% ownership of American Transmission Company
69,000 miles of electric distribution
46,000 miles of gas distribution
\$17.7 billion of rate base ⁽²⁾
99+% regulated ⁽³⁾

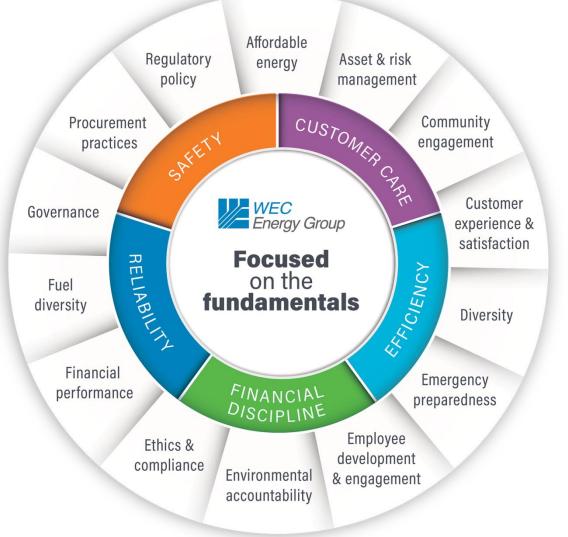


- (1) As of 12/31/17
- (2) 2016 average rate base
- (3) Based on earnings from operations

Focused on the Fundamentals

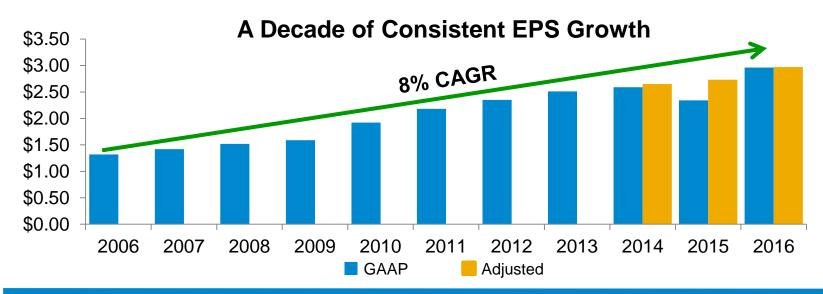
"Across the corporation, our employees are focused on the fundamentals – safety, efficiency, reliability, financial discipline and customer care. These fundamentals provide a strong platform for sustainable business. As we look toward the future, we commit to serving our customers and supporting our communities as a responsible corporate citizen."

- Allen Leverett, WEC Energy Group President





Focused on the Fundamentals





Ranked #2 in our sector

Best in America - 2017



Best in Midwest 7 years in a row



Proven Track Record of Performance

The <u>only</u> regulated utility to beat guidance 10 years in a row*

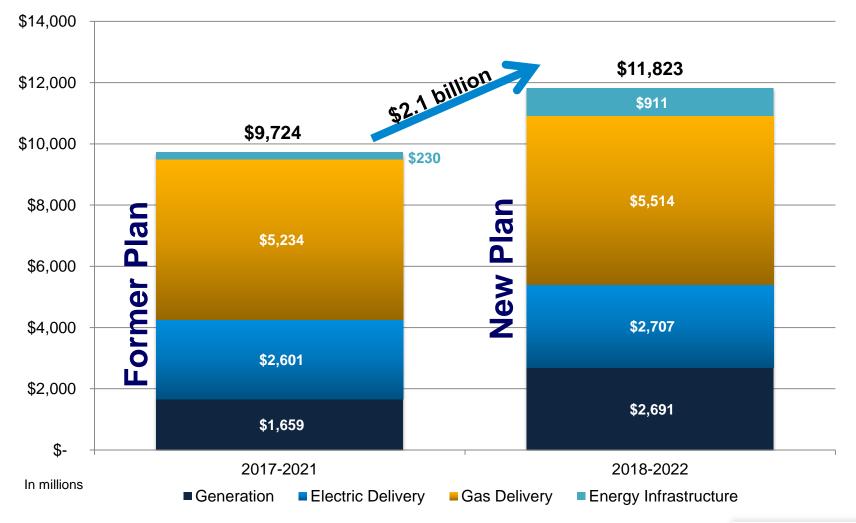


| EPS Guidance | | | | | |
|--------------|----------|--------------|--|--|--|
| 2016 | Exceeded | \checkmark | | | |
| 2015 | Exceeded | \checkmark | | | |
| 2014 | Exceeded | \checkmark | | | |
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* As reported by Thomson, Barclays Research

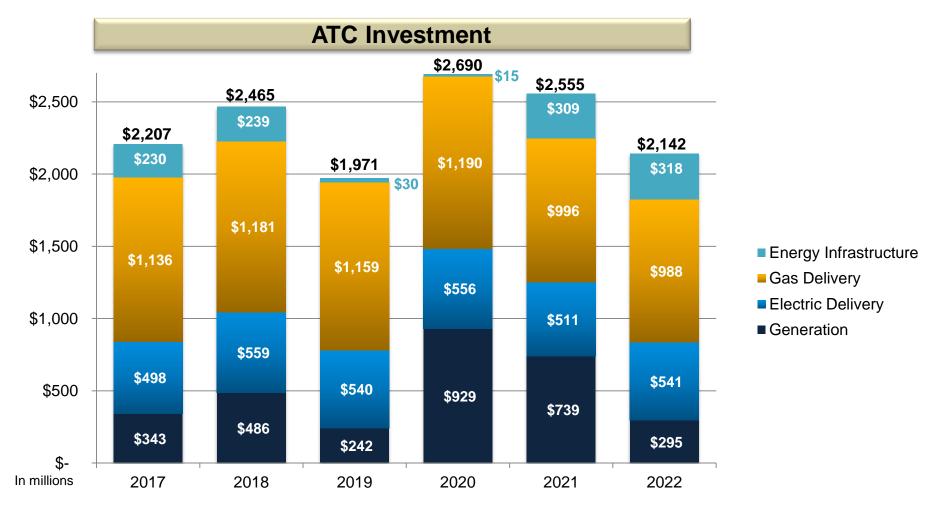


Increasing 5-Year Capital Plan by \$2.1 billion





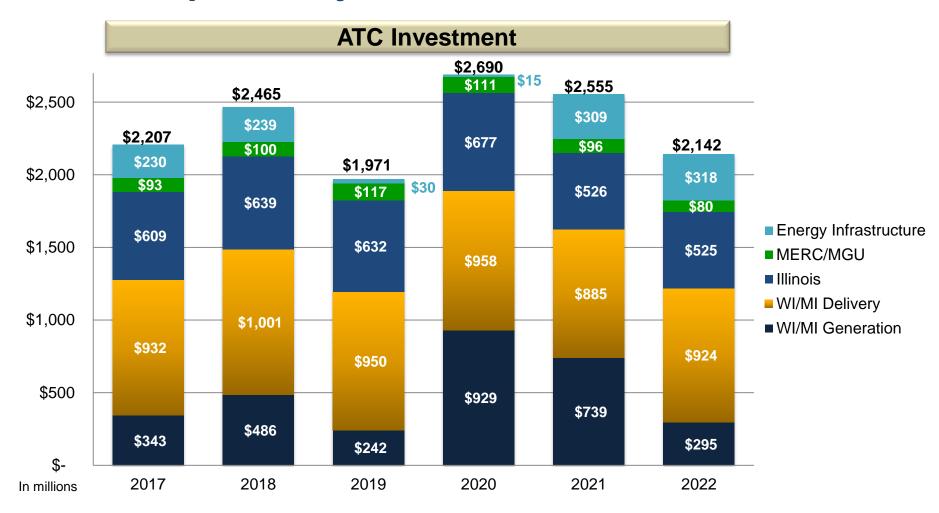
Line of Business View Capital Plan Drives 5% to 7% EPS Growth



Approximately \$12 billion projected capital spend from 2018-2022 plus ATC investment

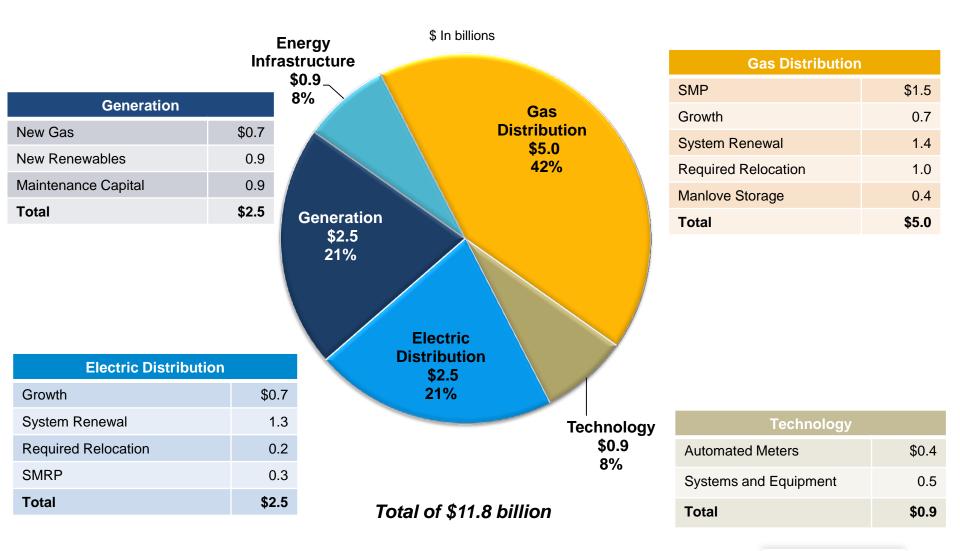


State View Robust Capital Projection 2017-2022



Depreciation at the utilities expected to average \$910 million annually over the 2018-2022 period

2018-2022 Capital Plan by Category





American Transmission Company

WEC portion of investment from 2018-2022 projected at \$1.6 billion

Key Assumptions

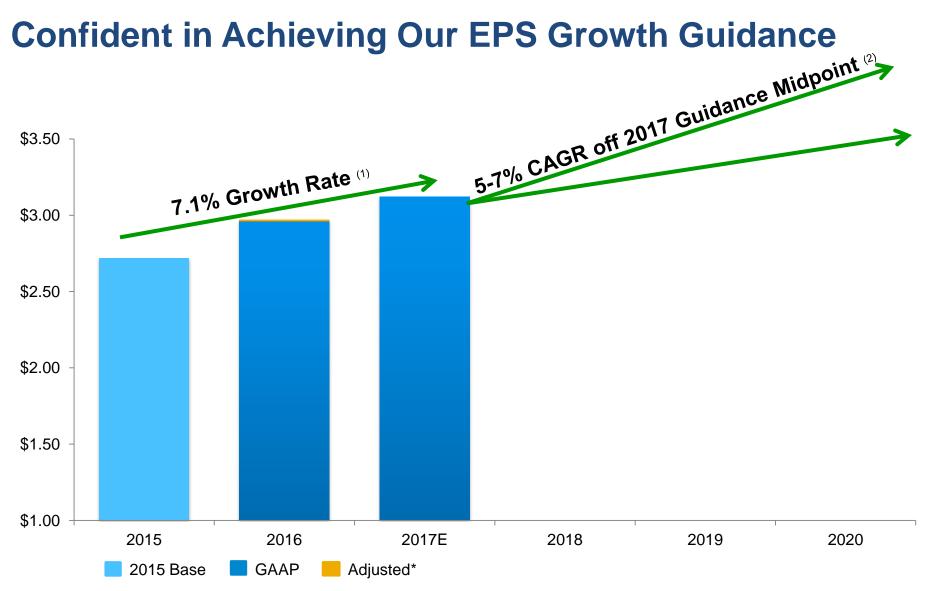
- Average rate base: \$3.3 billion (2016)
- Implies average \$153 million rate base growth
- ROE currently under FERC review
- 5-year WEC projected capital investment:
 - Inside footprint: \$1.3 billion
 - Outside footprint: \$300 million

(in millions) \$600 \$516 \$492 \$500 \$474 \$405 \$387 \$400 \$366 \$310 \$295 \$284 \$300 \$232 \$243 \$220 \$200 \$100 \$0 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 2022 ATC WEC portion 60%

Projected Capital Expenditures

(Inside Traditional Footprint)





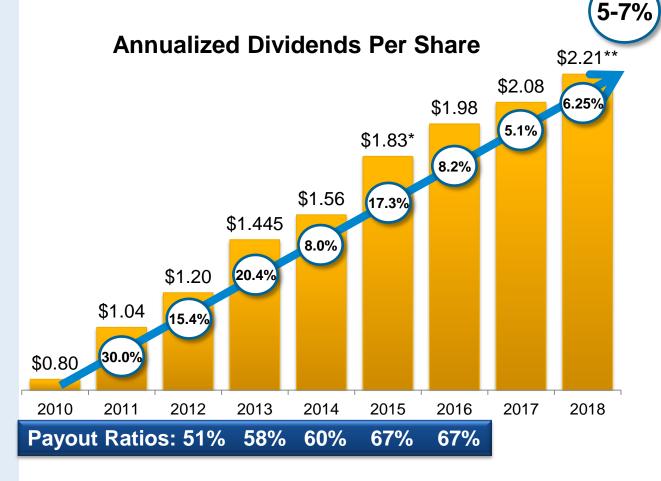
* Excludes charges related to Integrys acquisition

(1) Growth rate off 2015 base of 2.72 per share, and an estimated EPS of 3.12 for 2017

(2) Guidance based on 2017 midpoint of \$3.09

Solid Dividend Growth Continues

- 13.5% compound annual growth rate off 2010 base
- Continuing to target dividend payout of 65-70% of earnings
- Projecting dividend growth in line with earnings growth



*Annualized based on fourth quarter 2015 dividend of \$0.4575

**The board of directors announced December 7, 2017 that it is planning to raise the quarterly dividend on the company's common stock to 55.25 cents per share for the first quarter of 2018, which would be equivalent to an annual rate of \$2.21 per share.



Earnings Growth Drivers

2016 average rate base (\$ billions)

| | \$12.8 | | \$2.9 | \$2.0 | \$17.7 billion |
|-----------------|--|--|---|--|------------------------------------|
| | Utilities | | PTF | Transmiss | ion |
| Core investment | Utility: Projected capital spend from 2018–2022: Approximately \$11.6 billion | Power the Future: ROE of 12.7% on I and new investment Projected capital s from 2018-2022: Approximately \$0.2 | nistorical • nt pend 2 billion | Projected c from 2018-2 Approximat • WEC Outside the Approximat | ely \$1.3 billion ownership 60% |



Focus on efficiency Reshaping our Generation Fleet for a Clean, Reliable Future

Balancing reliability and customer cost with environmental stewardship

Our goal is to work with industry partners, environmental groups and the state of Wisconsin with a goal of reducing CO₂ emissions by approximately 40 percent below 2005 levels by 2030.

- Taken as a whole, changes to our generation fleet should reduce costs to customers, preserve fuel diversity and reduce carbon emissions.
- Reshaping our generation includes:
 - Retiring older, fossil-fueled generating units
 - Building state-of-the-art, natural gas generation
 - Investing in cost-effective, zero-carbon generation



Achieving targeted CO₂ reductions by 2022



Retiring Coal-Fueled Generation

- Our plan includes retiring more than 1,800 megawatts (MW) of coal generation by 2020
 - Pulliam Power Plant
 - 200 MW
 - Expected fall 2018 or later
 - Edgewater 4
 - WPS share 100 MW
 - Expected end of third quarter 2018
 - Presque Isle Power Plant
 - 350 MW
 - Expected mid-2019
 - Pleasant Prairie Power Plant
 - 1,190 MW
 - Expected second quarter 2018



Building Natural Gas-Fueled Generation

400+ MW of natural gas-fueled generation

Reciprocating Internal Combustion Engines (RICE) are modular, run on natural gas and allow for reliable and flexible operations.



- U.P. of Michigan (UMERC)
 - RICE generation
 - 180 MW
 - Expected in-service by mid-2019
- West Marinette (WPS)
 - RICE generation
 - 50 MW
 - Anticipated need 2021
- Option to invest in West Riverside Energy Center
 - Combined cycle
 - 200 MW
 - **2020-2022**
- Additional projects being actively developed



Investing in Zero-Carbon Generation

350+ MW of zero-carbon generation in Wisconsin by 2020

Solar generation technology has greatly improved, become more cost-effective and complements our summer demand curve.

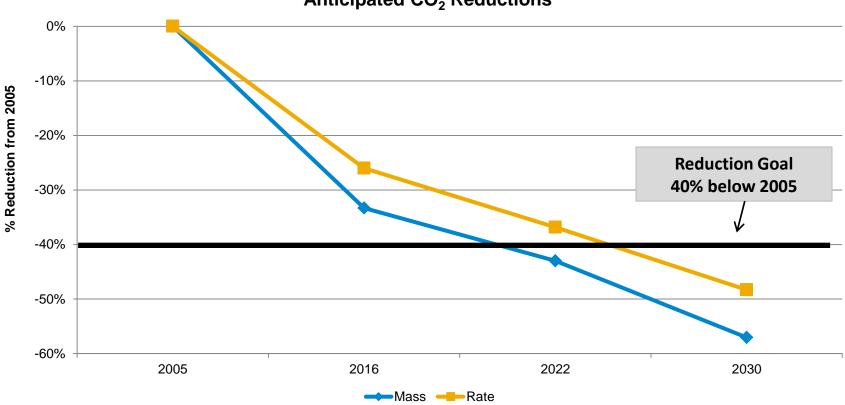


Solar

- WPS purchase 200 MW from developer
- We Energies purchase150 MW from developer
- Qualifies for Investment Tax Credit (ITC)
- Battery storage
 - Option to add as part of solar developments, if cost effective
 - Qualifies for Investment Tax Credit (ITC)
- Additional projects being actively developed



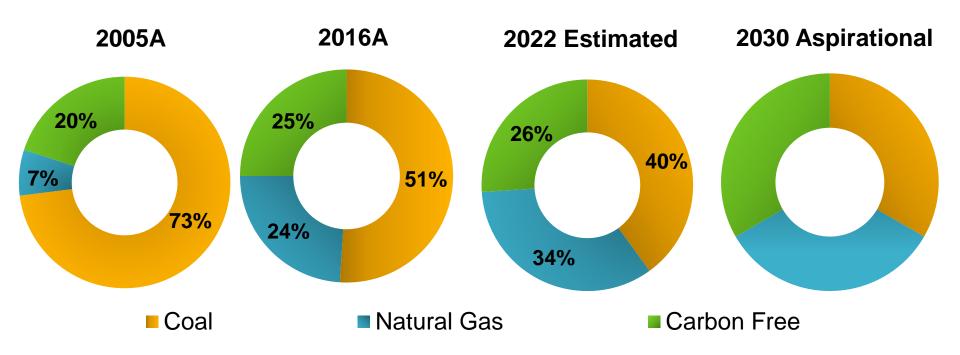
Achieving Our Carbon Goal



Anticipated CO₂ Reductions

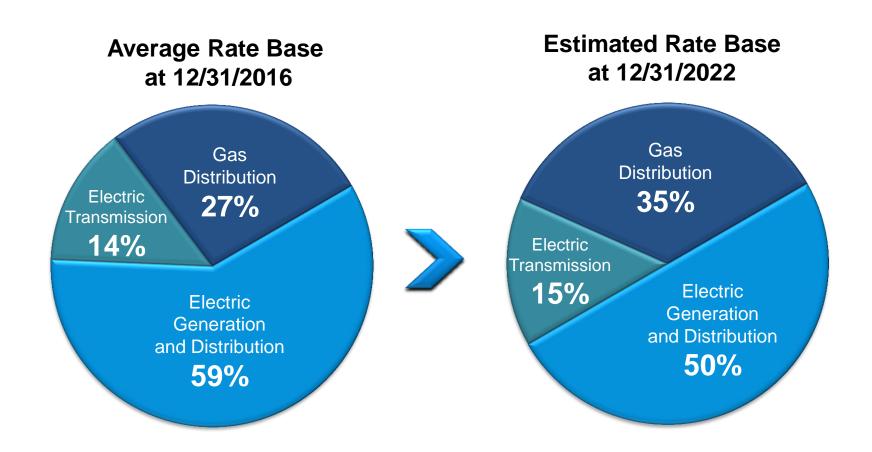


Sources of Electric Energy Supply by Fuel Type





Increasing Natural Gas Distribution Investment





Delivering the Future

Infrastructure Resilience



- Converting 2,200 miles of overhead lines and adding distribution automation equipment through our System Modernization and Reliability Project at WPS
 - Phase 1 of project is 88% complete
 - Phase 2 of project is underway

Infrastructure Redesign



- Major investments planned to address aging infrastructure
- Expect to spend \$2.7 billion over the next 5 years on electric delivery
- Committed to delivering the future with infrastructure that will reduce operating costs and meet new environmental standards

Technology Enhancements



- Advanced metering program that uses integrated system of smart meters to enable two-way communication between utilities and customers
- Upgrading the customer information system at We Energies

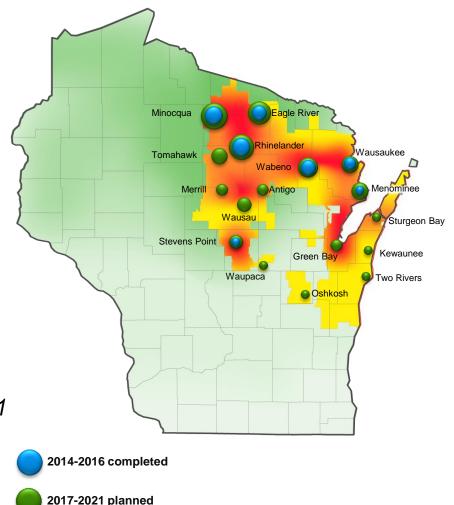


Wisconsin Public Service System Modernization and Reliability Project

Phase 1 – convert 1,200 miles of overhead lines to underground and add distribution automation equipment on 400 miles

- Project \$220 million investment
- Phase 2 underground an additional 1,000 miles
 - Project \$210 million investment

Expect both phases to be complete by 2021





Major Construction Projects – Peoples Gas Natural Gas System Modernization Program

Extensive effort to modernize natural gas infrastructure in city of Chicago

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- Ultimately replace 2,000 miles of piping
- 24% complete*

Investment recovery under a monthly rider



- Project \$280-\$300 million average annual investment
- Enabling legislation in effect from 2014-2023

*Total program completion percentage is based on the weighted average of program categories that comprise the major scope components of the SMP project



Major Construction Projects – Wisconsin Utilities Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) Program

- AMI is an integrated system of smart meters, communication networks and data management systems that enable two-way communication between utilities and customers
- Replaces aging meter-reading equipment on both our network and customer property
- Reduces manual effort for disconnects and reconnects
- Enhances outage management capabilities
- Improves revenue protection and theft detection
- Project to spend approximately \$200 million over the next four years







Underground natural gas storage facilities in Michigan that will provide one-third of the storage needs for our natural gas distribution companies in Wisconsin



Well Positioned for the Future Acquisition of Bluewater Natural Gas Holding

- Bluewater entered into long-term service agreements with the three Wisconsin gas utilities
- Total acquisition price: \$230 million
- Working gas capacity of 23.2 Bcf
- Expected to provide a utility return on capital
- Public Service Commission of Wisconsin granted declaratory ruling and approval on June 15, 2017
- Closed acquisition on June 30, 2017





~180 MW of clean, natural gas-fired generation from *Reciprocating Internal Combustion Engines* (RICE)

Commercial operation targeted for 2019



Major Construction Projects New Generation in Upper Peninsula

- Provides a long-term generation solution for electric reliability in Upper Peninsula
- Estimated \$266 million (\$277 million including AFUDC) investment to be made by new Michigan utility – UMERC
 - Half of investment recovered in retail rates
 - Half of investment recovered by 20-year agreement with Cliffs Natural Resources
- Allows for retirement of Presque Isle Power Plant
- Received approval and final written order on October 25, 2017



FOXCONN®

Foxconn announced July 26, 2017, Wisconsin's largest economic development project and largest corporate attraction project in U.S. history, as measured by jobs.

Foxconn in Wisconsin

- Capital investment by Foxconn of **\$10 billion** dollars
- Goal of creating 13,000 jobs, with an average salary of \$53,875, plus benefits
- Estimated 22,000 indirect jobs created throughout Wisconsin
- Largest greenfield investment by a foreign-based company in U.S. history as measured by jobs
- One of the largest manufacturing campuses in the world
- Project expected to support 10,000 construction jobs over the next four years and 6,000 indirect jobs from construction
- Estimated \$7 billion annual economic impact on the state
- Plans to be operational in 2020



Key Takeaways for WEC Energy Group

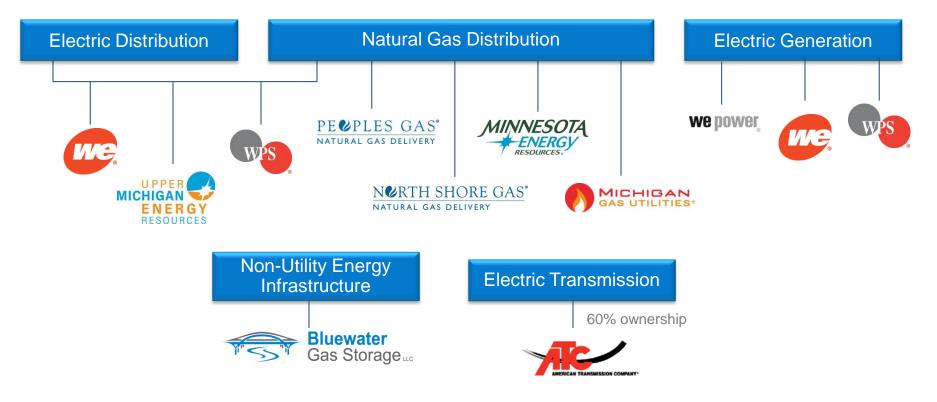
- Track record of exceptional performance
- Portfolio of premium businesses with investment opportunities that can support 5-7 percent EPS growth with minimal rate impact
- Dividend growth projected to be in line with earnings growth
- Poised to deliver among the best risk-adjusted returns in the industry



Appendix









Still Recognizing Benefits from Acquisition

- WEC Energy Group formed in 2015 when Wisconsin Energy acquired Integrys in a transaction valued at \$9 billion
- Acquisition created the leading electric and natural gas utility in the Midwest
 - WEC Energy Group's subsidiaries combined are the eighth-largest natural gas distributor in the U.S.
- Met or exceeded WEC's acquisition criteria
 - Accretive to earnings per share starting in first full calendar year of combined operations
 - Largely credit neutral
 - Long-term growth prospects of combined entity equal to or greater than stand-alone company



Sample Acquisition-Driven Initiatives

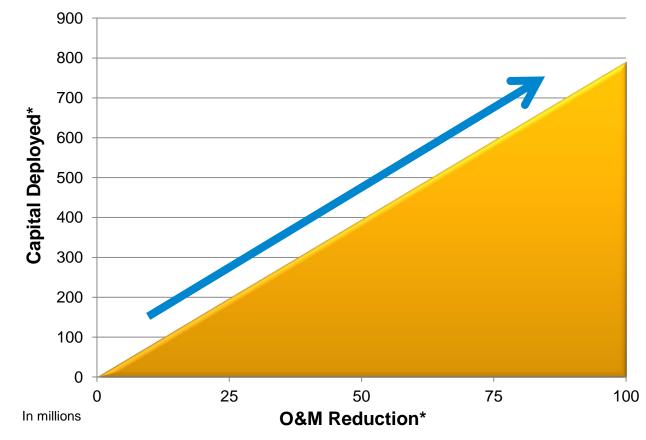
| Category | Activity |
|------------------------|---|
| Supply Chain | Achieving savings in consolidated vendor and supplier contracts, negotiating most favorable terms |
| Information Technology | Consolidating IT infrastructure Implementing uniform processes and consolidating to a single Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) system |
| Customer Care | ✓ Established consistent measurements of customer satisfaction across all six utilities ✓ Rolling out advanced metering functionality ✓ Expanding mobile options for our customers ✓ Deployed the Improved Customer Experience (ICE) project to improve customer experience and streamline processes and costs |
| Operations | ✓ Implementing improved, standard order dispatch ✓ Upgrading work management capabilities across the Wisconsin fleet |



Saving for Growth

Reduced O&M leads to incremental capital investment opportunities

Every dollar in O&M savings results in approximately \$8 of capital investment opportunities, with no expected impact to customer rates



* Based on a 30-year utility project at Wisconsin Electric



Power the Future Investments

| | Natural Gas | Coal |
|---------------------------|---|---|
| Capacity | 1,090 MW | 1,030 MW ¹ |
| Investment | \$664 million | \$2 billion ¹ |
| ROE | 12.7% | 12.7% |
| Equity | 53% | 55% |
| In Service Dates | Unit 1 – July 2005 Unit 2 – May 2008 | Unit 1 – February 2010 Unit 2 – January 2011 |
| Lease Terms | 25 years | 30 years |
| Cost Per Unit of Capacity | \$609/kW | \$1,950/kW |

- Port Washington Generating Station ranks seventh in nation for natural gas combined-cycle heat rate²
- Elm Road Generating Station ranks fourth in nation for coal heat rate²

2. Source: Power Engineering



All capacity and investment amounts reflect WEC ownership only. Demonstrated capacity for the coal units is 1,056 MW – value shown in table is amount guaranteed in lease agreement.

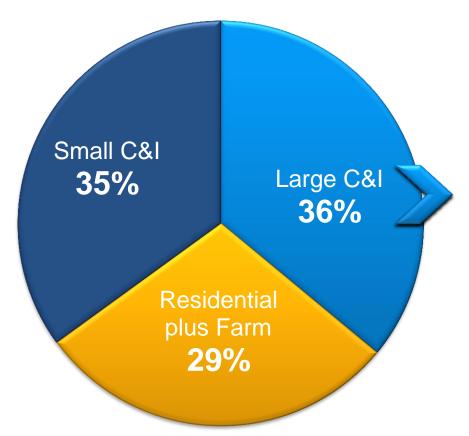
American Transmission Company – Outside the Traditional Footprint

- Joint venture between Duke Energy and ATC (DATC)
 - Ownership split 50/50 between Duke and ATC
 - WEC current ownership interest is 37%
 - Owns transmission rights to California's Path 15
 - Zephyr Power Transmission project
- ATC-only outside the footprint
 - WEC interest: 75%
 - Joint venture between Arizona Electric Power Cooperative and ATC (ATC Southwest)
 - Other transmission projects throughout the U.S.
 - Alaska



Balanced Sales Mix

2016 Retail MWh Deliveries Mix*



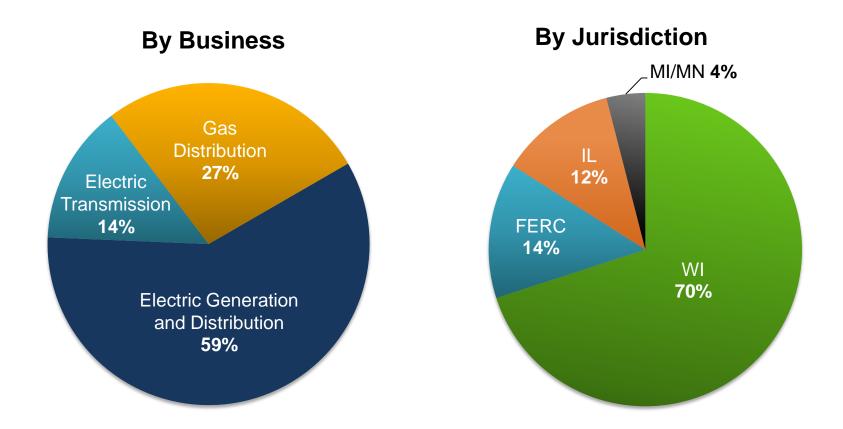
36% Large C&I by Segment

| Paper | 22% |
|----------------------|-----|
| Mining/Minerals | 14% |
| Foundry (SIC 33) | 11% |
| Other Manufacturing | 8% |
| Food/Agriculture | 8% |
| Metal (SIC 34,35,37) | 6% |
| Medical | 6% |
| Office | 4% |
| Education | 4% |
| Chemical | 3% |
| Printing | 3% |
| Other | 11% |

*Wisconsin segment includes Michigan electric and retail choice customers in the Upper Peninsula



Diverse Portfolio of Regulated Businesses



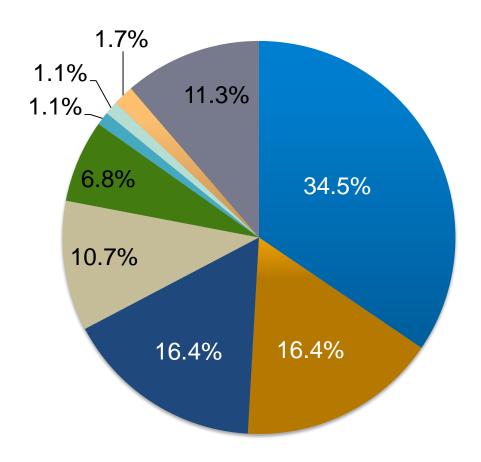
Based on 2016 average rate base

Note: Wisconsin jurisdiction includes UMERC



Composition of Rate Base

Total 2016 Rate Base of \$17.7 billion

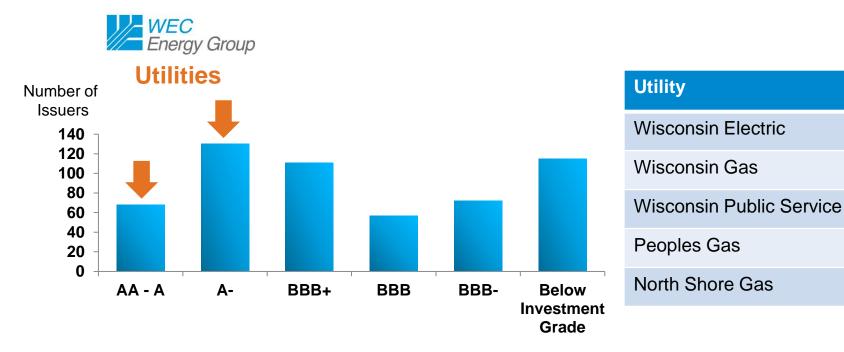


- Wisconsin Electric
- Power the Future
- Wisconsin Public Service Corporation
- Peoples Gas
- Wisconsin Gas
- Minnesota Energy Resources
- North Shore Gas
- Michigan Gas Utilities
- ATC



Strong Financial Condition

Electric and Gas Utilities Credit Ratings Distribution*





Rating

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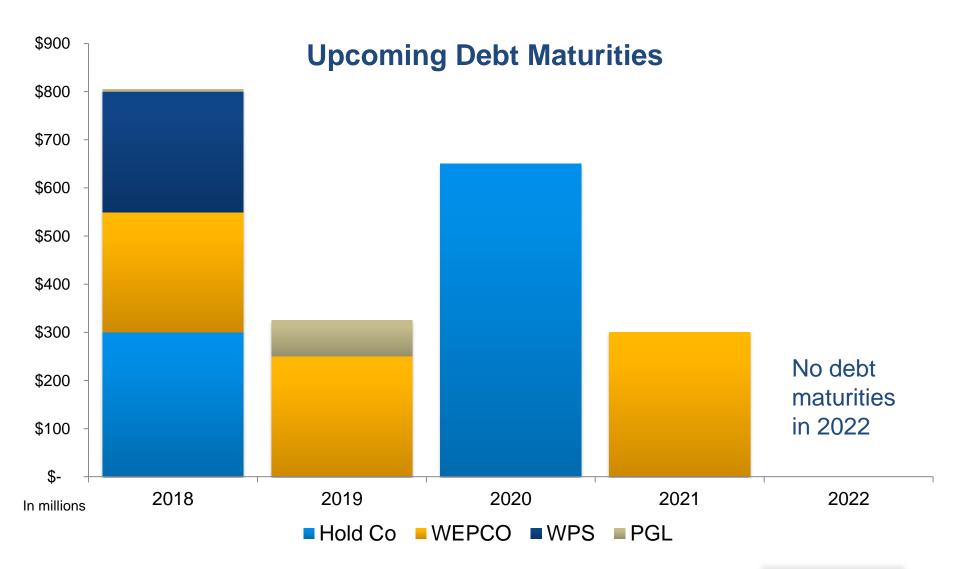
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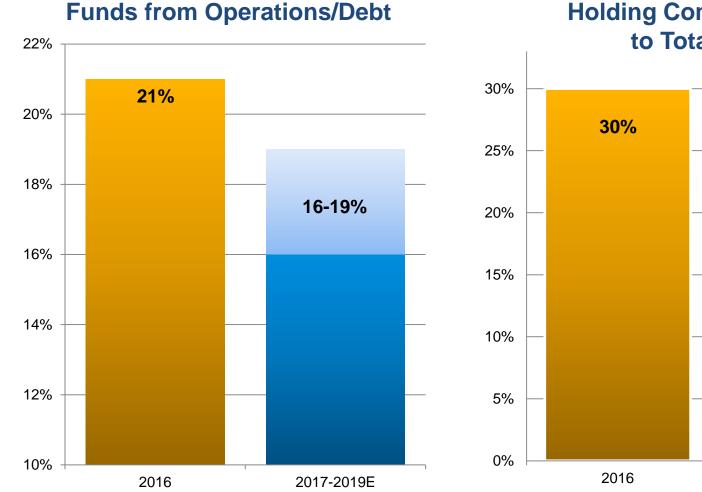
Manageable Levels of Refinancing





Balance Sheet Remains Strong

No Equity Issuances Anticipated



Holding Company Debt to Total Debt

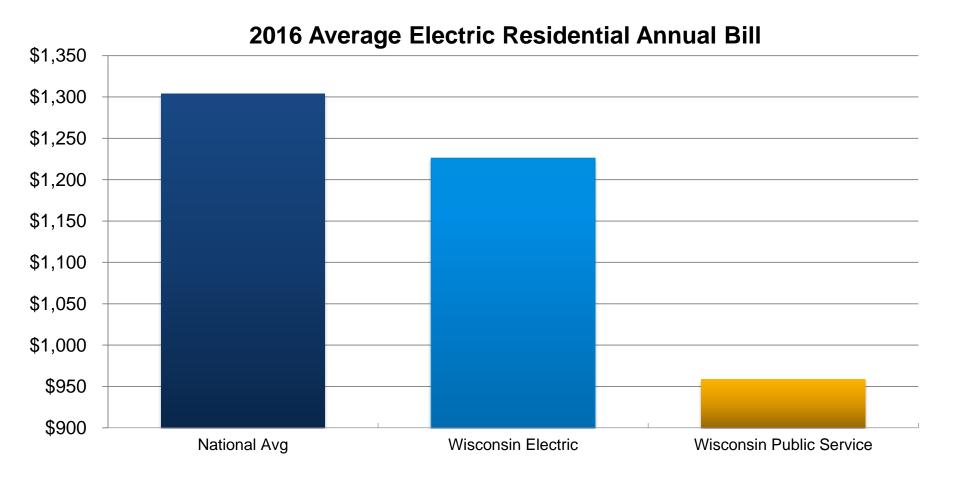


2017-2019E

Goal of 30%

or Less

Electric Residential Bills below National Average



Source: S&P Global Financial Focus Topical Special Report Issued May 31, 2017

Rate-Making Parameters by Company

| Utility | Equity Layer ⁽¹⁾ | Authorized ROE |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------|
| Wisconsin Electric | 48.5%-53.5% | 10.2% |
| Wisconsin Public Service | 49.0%-54.0% | 10.0% |
| Wisconsin Gas | 47.0%-52.0% | 10.3% |
| Peoples Gas | 50.33% | 9.05% |
| North Shore Gas | 50.48% | 9.05% |
| Minnesota Energy Resources | 50.32% | 9.11% |
| Michigan Gas Utilities | 52% | 9.9% |

- Constructive regulatory environments
- Earnings sharing mechanism at all Wisconsin utilities ⁽²⁾

1. Represents equity layer in rates

2. Wisconsin Electric and Wisconsin Gas earnings cap applies 2016-2019, Wisconsin Public Service cap applies 2018 – 2019



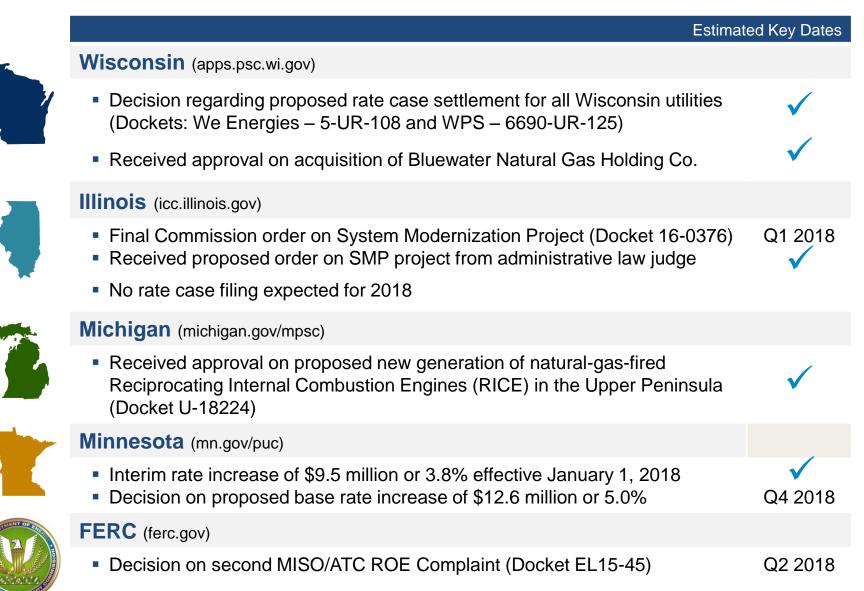
Constructive Rate Making Components

| Area | Illinois – Gas | Minnesota – Gas | Michigan– Electric & Gas | Wisconsin – Gas | Wisconsin – Electric |
|--|---------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------|---|
| Gas Pipeline Replacement Rider | PGL | | | | |
| Bad Debt Rider | Х | | | | |
| Bad Debt Escrow Accounting | | | | WE / WG | WE |
| Decoupling | Х | Х | | | |
| Fuel Cost Recovery | | 1 for 1 recovery of | prudent fuel costs | | +/- 2% band |
| Manufactured Gas Plant Site Clean Up Recovery | Х | Х | Х | Х | N/A |
| Tax Rider | Investment Capital Tax | | | | |
| Forward-looking test years | Х | Х | Х | 2 years | 2 years |
| Earnings cap/sharing | | | | ROE, 100% | o above allowed to customers 50 bp* |

*Wisconsin Electric and Wisconsin Gas earnings cap applies 2016-2019, Wisconsin Public Service cap applies 2018-2019



Regulatory and Open Docket Update





Regulatory Environment

Wisconsin

- Governor Scott Walker (R)
- Commission
 - Gubernatorial appointment, Senate confirmation
 - Chairman: Gubernatorial appointment
 - 6-year staggered terms

| Wisconsin Commissioners | | | |
|-----------------------------|-------|---------------|--------------|
| Name | Party | Began Serving | Term Ends |
| Ellen Nowak Chair | R | 07/2011 | 03/2019 |
| Mike Huebsch | R | 03/2015 | 03/2021 |
| Lon Roberts | R | 03/2017 | 03/2023 |

Michigan

- Governor Rick Snyder (R)
- Commission
 - Gubernatorial appointment, Senate confirmation
 - Chairman: Gubernatorial appointment
 - 6-year staggered terms

| Michigan Commissioners | | | |
|------------------------|-------|---------------|--------------|
| Name | Party | Began Serving | Term Ends |
| Sally Talberg Chair | I | 07/2013 | 07/2021 |
| Norm Saari | R | 08/2015 | 07/2019 |
| Rachael Eubanks | I | 08/2016 | 07/2023 |



Regulatory Environment

Illinois

- Governor Bruce Rauner (R)
- Commission
 - Gubernatorial appointment, Senate confirmation
 - Chairman: Gubernatorial appointment
 - 5-year staggered terms

| Illinois Commissioners | | | |
|-------------------------------|-------|---------------|-----------|
| Name | Party | Began Serving | Term Ends |
| Brien Sheahan Chair | R | 01/2015 | 01/2020 |
| Miguel del Valle | D | 02/2013 | 01/2018 |
| John Rosales | D | 03/2015 | 01/2019 |
| Sadzi Martha Olivia | R | 01/2017 | 01/2022 |
| Open | | | |

Minnesota

- Governor Mark Dayton (D)
- Commission
 - Gubernatorial appointment, Senate confirmation
 - Chairman: Gubernatorial appointment
 - 6-year staggered terms

| Minnesota Commissioners | | | |
|-------------------------|-------|---------------|-----------|
| Name | Party | Began Serving | Term Ends |
| Nancy Lange Chair | D | 02/2013 | 01/2019 |
| John Tuma | R | 02/2015 | 01/2021 |
| Dan Lipschultz | D | 01/2014 | 01/2020 |
| Matt Schuerger | R | 01/2016 | 02/2022 |
| Katie Sieben | D | 01/2017 | 01/2023 |



Regulatory Environment

FERC

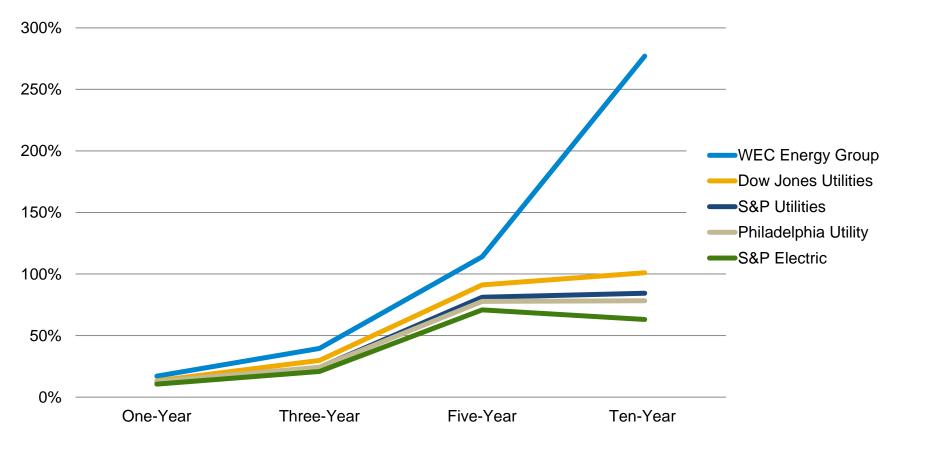
- Presidential appointment, Senate confirmation
- 5-year term

| FERC Commissioners | | | |
|-----------------------------|-------|---------------|-----------|
| Name | Party | Began Serving | Term Ends |
| Neil Chatterjee Chairman | R | 08/2017 | 06/2021 |
| Cheryl LaFleur | D | 07/2014 | 06/2019 |
| Robert Powelson | R | 08/2017 | 06/2020 |
| Richard Glick | D | 11/2017 | 06/2022 |
| Kevin McIntyre | R | 11/2017 | 06/2023 |



Industry Leading Total Shareholder Returns*

Over the past decade, WEC Energy Group has consistently delivered among the best total returns in the industry



* Total return including reinvested dividends for the 10 years ended December 31, 2017



Meeting and Exceeding Commitments

| Commitments | | Results |
|--|--------------|--|
| Deliver among the best risk- adjusted returns in the industry | ~ | EPS 10-year CAGR of 8% (2006-2016) Dividend CAGR of 13.5% (2010-2018) |
| Reduce 2017 O&M by 3% off 2016 base | \checkmark | O&M reduction of more than 7% as of September 30, 2017 |
| Maintain strong financial condition | \checkmark | All utilities achieved "A" credit ratings |
| Deliver world-class reliability | \checkmark | We Energies named most reliable utility in America in 2017 and best in the Midwest for seven years running* |
| Provide exceptional customer and community support | ~ | Named one of the 50 Best Corporate Citizens in America by Corporate Responsibility magazine, and ranked #2 in our sector |
| Grow and leverage our regulated businesses | \checkmark | Diversified across four state jurisdictions and FERC |

* As reported by PA Consulting Group on November 30, 2017



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