

***Wisconsin Energy
Corporation***

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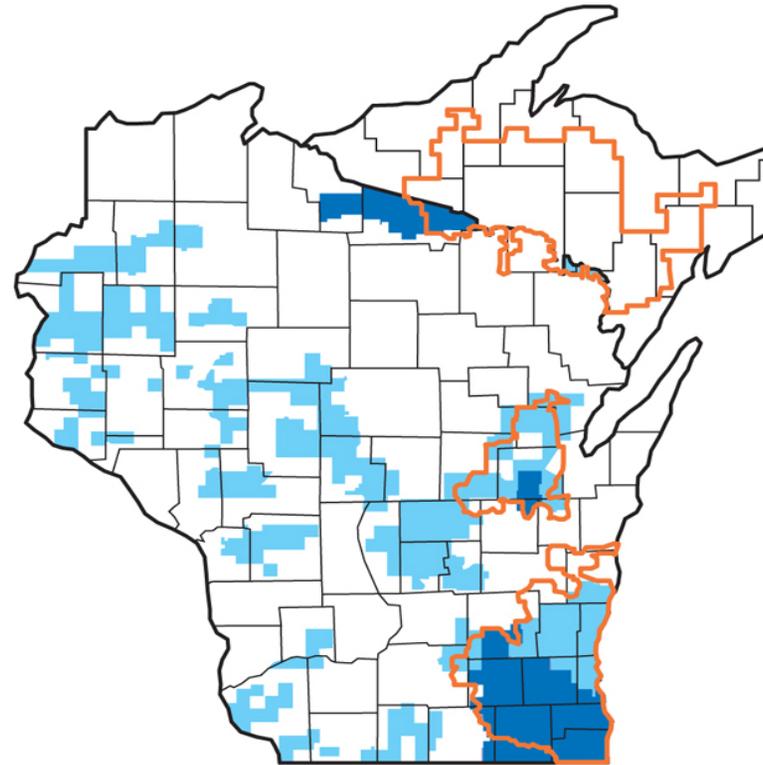
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Overview

Retail Electric and Gas Utilities

- Largest electric and gas company in Wisconsin
 - 1.1 million electric customers
 - 1.1 million natural gas customers



- **Wisconsin Electric** Gas Service Area
- **Wisconsin Electric** Electric Service Area
- **Wisconsin Gas** Service Area

Investment Thesis

An “Earn and Return” Company with a Low Risk Profile

- Positive free cash flow
- Targeted EPS growth of 4%-6%
- Best in class dividend growth - moving to a 60% dividend payout ratio in 2014 and targeting 65%-70% in 2017
 - Implies 7%-10% dividend growth each year
- \$300 million share buyback program authorized through 2013
 - \$151.8 million completed through 2012
- Proven management team that has delivered strong financial results and operational excellence
- Constructive regulatory climate

A Track Record of Performance

Consistent Earnings and Dividend Growth

Wisconsin Energy is the only company in the

- S&P Electric Index
- S&P Utilities Index
- Philadelphia Utility Index
- Dow Jones Utilities Average

that has grown earnings per share and dividends per share every year since 2003

A Track Record of Performance

Industry Leading Total Shareholder Returns

	One Year	Three Year	Five Year	Ten Year
Wisconsin Energy	8.9%	63.0%	76.2%	285.2%
S&P Utilities Index	1.3%	28.2%	1.9%	169.7%
S&P Electric Index	-0.5%	24.6%	-4.5%	167.8%
Philadelphia Utility Index	-0.6%	25.3%	0.3%	166.6%
Dow Jones Utilities Average	1.4%	29.1%	4.8%	209.7%

Annualized returns for periods ending 12/31/2012

Source: Bloomberg; assumes all dividends are reinvested and returns are compounded daily

A Track Record of Performance

Leading Reliability and Customer Satisfaction



- Named the most reliable utility in the Midwest
- Eighth time in the past 11 years
- During 2012, achieved highest customer satisfaction ratings in past decade ... likely best ever
- More than 350,000 proactive customer interactions annually

A Track Record of Performance

Power the Future Investments – Natural Gas

Meeting the Region's Energy Needs

Capacity 1,090 MW

Investment \$664 million

ROE 12.7%

Equity 53%

In Service Dates

Unit 1 – July 2005

Unit 2 – May 2008

**Cost Per Unit
of Capacity** \$609/kW



A Track Record of Performance

Power the Future Investments – Coal

Meeting the Region's Energy Needs

Capacity 1,030 MW¹

Investment \$2 billion¹

ROE 12.7%

Equity 55%

In Service Dates

Unit 1 – February 2010, Unit 2 – January 2011

**Cost Per Unit
of Capacity** Approximately
\$1,950/kW



¹ All capacity and investment amounts reflect WEC ownership only.
Demonstrated capacity for the coal units is 1,057 MW – value shown in table is amount guaranteed in lease agreement.

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Dramatic Change in Environmental Performance

- From 2000 to 2013...

- Power plant capacity

up 50%



- Emissions of

- nitrogen oxide

- sulfur dioxide

- mercury

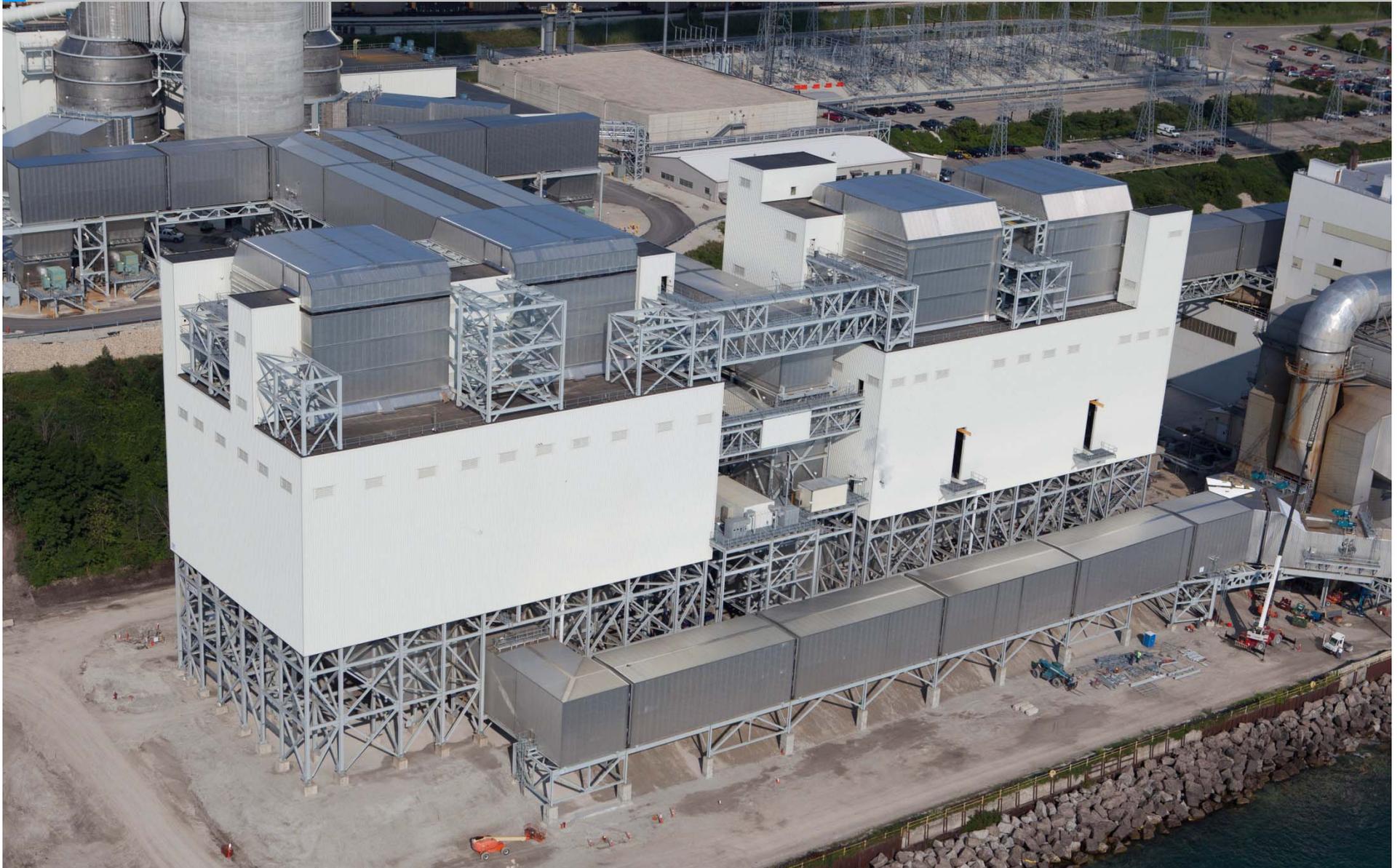
- particulate matter

down 80%



A Track Record of Performance

State of the Art Emission Controls



Track Record of Performance

Strong Financial Foundation

Positive Cash Flow ...

- Project more than \$500 million of free cash flow from 2013-2017
- Expect free cash annually after reaching 2017 dividend target

Solid credit ratings ...

	Moody's	S&P	Fitch
WEC	A3	A-	A-
WE	A2	A-	A
WG	A2	A-	A

Well Funded Pension ...

- More than 99% funded at year end 2012
- More than \$330 million in contributions in 2011 and 2012



A Track Record of Performance

Summary of our Core Business

Rate Base and Power the Future Investment at 12/31/12



- **Retail Electric and Gas Utilities**
 - Wisconsin, Michigan, and FERC jurisdictions
 - 48.5% to 53.5% equity for Wisconsin Electric
 - 10.4% allowed ROE
 - 45% to 50% equity for Wisconsin Gas
 - 10.5% allowed ROE
- **Power the Future**
 - 53% to 55% equity levels in lease agreements
 - 12.7% ROE fixed in lease agreements
- **Wholesale Electric Transmission**
 - FERC jurisdictional
 - 50% equity level for rates
 - 12.2% ROE with true-up

Note: Value for retail electric and gas utilities represents rate base. Power the Future value is book value of investment. Wholesale electric transmission is 26.2% of ATC's rate base.

Where We Go From Here

Major Segment Earnings for 2011 – 2013

Projecting earnings per share growth of 4-6% annually from the 2011 base

	<u>2011A</u>	<u>2012A</u>	<u>2013E</u>
Electric and Gas Utilities	\$1.44	\$1.55	\$1.55 to \$1.65
Power the Future ⁽¹⁾	\$0.66	\$0.69	\$0.71
Wholesale Electric Transmission ⁽²⁾	\$0.16	\$0.17	\$0.18
Unallocated holding company debt ⁽³⁾	(\$0.08)	(\$0.06)	(\$0.06)
	<hr/> \$2.18	<hr/> \$2.35	<hr/> \$2.38 to \$2.48

⁽¹⁾Includes allocation of approximately \$375 million of 6.25% rate holding company debt

⁽²⁾26.2% investment in ATC

⁽³⁾ Includes unallocated holding company debt and other miscellaneous corporate costs



Where We Go From Here

Delivering the Future

- From 2013 through 2017, our plan is to invest \$3.2 to \$3.5 billion in needed infrastructure projects that will:
 - Renew and modernize our grid
 - Meet new environmental standards
 - Add clean, renewable energy to our fleet

Where We Go From Here

Delivering the Future – Electric Overview

Between now and 2017,
we plan to:

- Rebuild 2,000 miles of electric distribution lines that are more than 50 years old
- Replace:
 - 18,500 power poles
 - 20,000 transformers
 - Hundreds of substation components



Where We Go From Here

Delivering the Future – Gas Overview

Between now and 2017,
we also plan to:

- Replace:
 - 1,250 miles of fiberglass, plastic and steel gas mains
 - 83,000 individual gas distribution lines
 - 233,000 meter sets

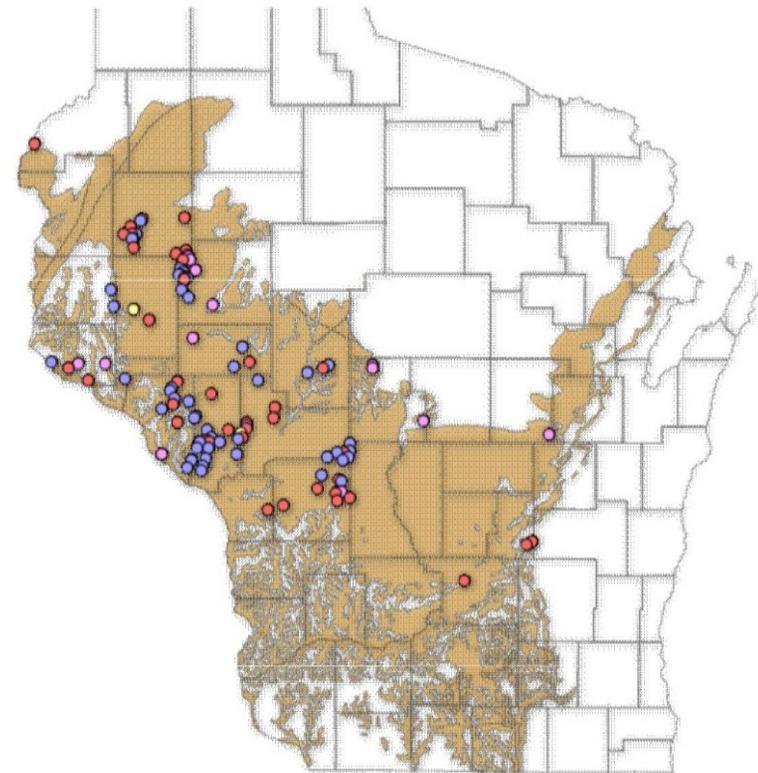
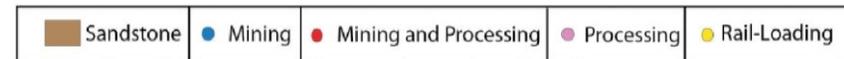


Where We Go From Here

Western Wisconsin Gas Expansion

- Additional natural gas capacity needed to address reliability and to meet growth in customer demand
 - Demand driven in part by propane conversion and frac sand mining
- Plan to seek approval from the Wisconsin Commission in 2013
- Expected initial investment: \$150-\$170 million

Sand Plants – Wisconsin



Where We Go From Here

Valley Power Plant

- In 2012 announced plans to convert Valley from coal to natural gas
- Targeting completion of the conversion for late 2015 or early 2016
 - Follows completion of a \$26 million gas pipeline upgrade with expected completion in 2014
- Valley conversion cost: \$65 to \$70 million
 - Included in our 2013–2017 capital budget



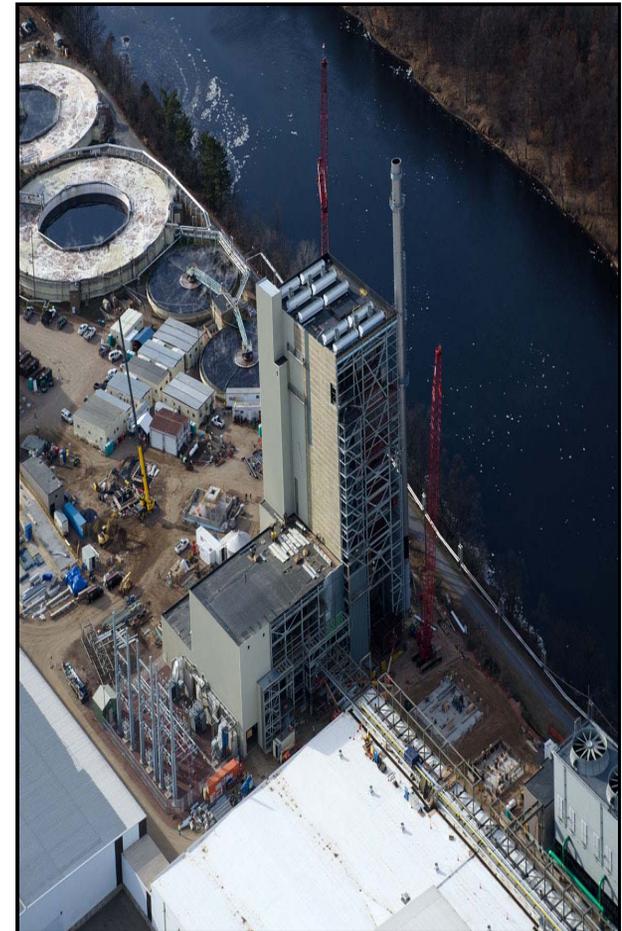
Where We Go From Here

Renewable Energy Investments

- Biomass Plant
 - 50MW
 - Projected investment of \$245-\$255 million
 - Approved by Wisconsin commission and Domtar Inc.
 - Targeting completion by the end of 2013

- Montfort Wind Energy Center
 - 30MW
 - Purchased from a subsidiary of NextEra Energy, Inc.
 - Purchase price of \$27 million
 - Approved by Wisconsin Commission and completed in December 2012

- We expect to be in compliance with the Wisconsin renewable portfolio standard through 2020



Where We Go From Here

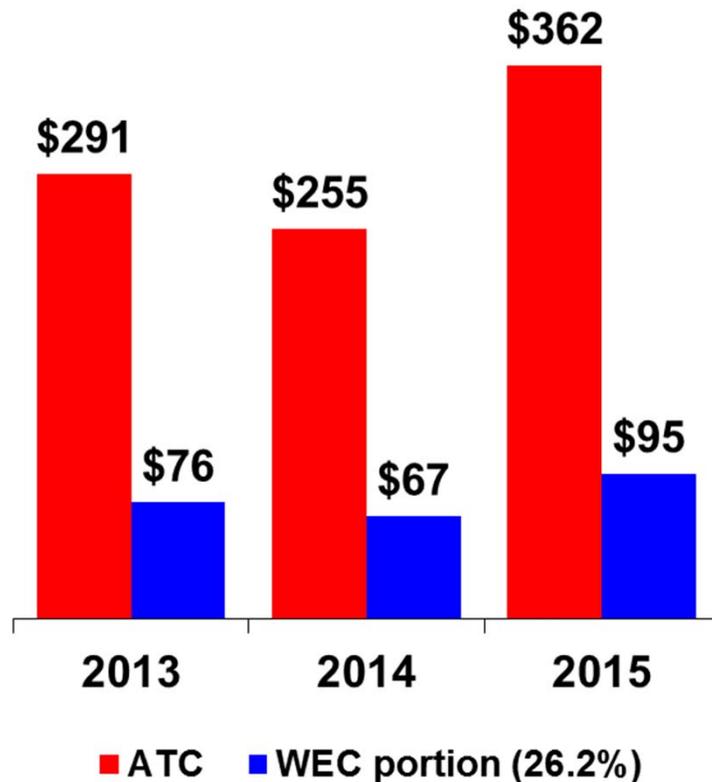
Wolverine Joint Venture at Presque Isle Power Plant

- Signed joint venture agreement with Wolverine Power Cooperative for environmental upgrades at the Presque Isle Power Plant
 - Wolverine will invest \$130-\$140 million for sulphur dioxide and NO_x controls
 - In return, Wolverine will receive a pro rata ownership share in the plant
 - We will continue to be the majority owner and operator of the facility
- Joint Venture would reduce our ownership in the plant, but would not reduce rate base
- Seeking regulatory approvals in 2013
- Work is scheduled to begin in 2014 and be completed by 2016

Where We Go From Here

Growth at American Transmission Company

Projected Capital Expenditures (Millions of Dollars)



Key Assumptions

- ATC rate base at year end 2013 is projected to be about \$2.8 billion
- ATC projects a need for \$3.9-\$4.8 billion of transmission improvements in its footprint from 2012 to 2021
- Implies average \$43 million effective annual rate base growth for WEC from 2013 to 2015
- Excludes potential transmission projects outside ATC's traditional footprint

Where We Go From Here

Multiple Opportunities Being Evaluated

- Additional capital for fuel blending at the Oak Creek Expansion units
- Divestiture of energy assets by the State of Wisconsin
- New transmission projects outside of Wisconsin and Michigan through our 26.2 percent ownership of American Transmission Company
- Investment required to meet future EPA rules

Where We Go From Here

Industry Leading Dividend Growth

- The board of directors raised the quarterly dividend in January to 34 cents a share – equivalent to an annual rate of \$1.36 a share
 - 13.3 percent increase over the 2012 amount
- We're targeting a 60 percent payout ratio in 2014
 - Supports a double digit increase next year
- The board of directors also approved a target payout ratio of 65-70 percent in 2017
 - Supports 7-8 percent increases from 2015-2017

Where We Go From Here

Financial Flexibility for Share Repurchases

- The board of directors has authorized management to purchase up to \$300 million of Wisconsin Energy common stock through end of 2013
- Buyback program was 50% complete at the end of 2012
 - Repurchased 4.65 million shares at an average price of \$32.63 a share
 - Invested \$151.8 million

Key Takeaways on Wisconsin Energy

An “Earn and Return” Company with a Low Risk Profile

- Power the Future program now complete
 - Highly visible earnings and strong cash flow
 - Have received final regulatory approvals and rate treatment is in place
- Well managed utility franchises with rate base growth
- Investment in American Transmission Company provides an additional regulated growth opportunity
- Positioned to deliver among the best risk-adjusted returns in the industry
 - Positive free cash flow
 - Best in class dividend growth story



Appendix

Where We Go From Here

Wisconsin Jurisdiction Rate Case Summary

- Public Service Commission of Wisconsin (PSCW) authorized 2.6% increase in net customer bills in 2013 and 2014 (after applying expected proceeds from a renewable energy tax grant)
 - Non-fuel rate increase prior to credits:
 - 4.8% or \$133 million in 2013 and 1.0% or \$28 million in 2014
- Final costs approved for Oak Creek Expansion
 - Over 99.5% of total actual project costs recovered
 - \$24 million for fuel flexibility deferred
- 2013 fuel cost plan approved
- Next Cases:
 - 2014 – fuel cost plan
 - 2015 – base rate case

Where We Go From Here

Reconciliation of 2013 O&M to 2012

- Reinstatement of amortization holiday adds \$148 million to O&M for 2013

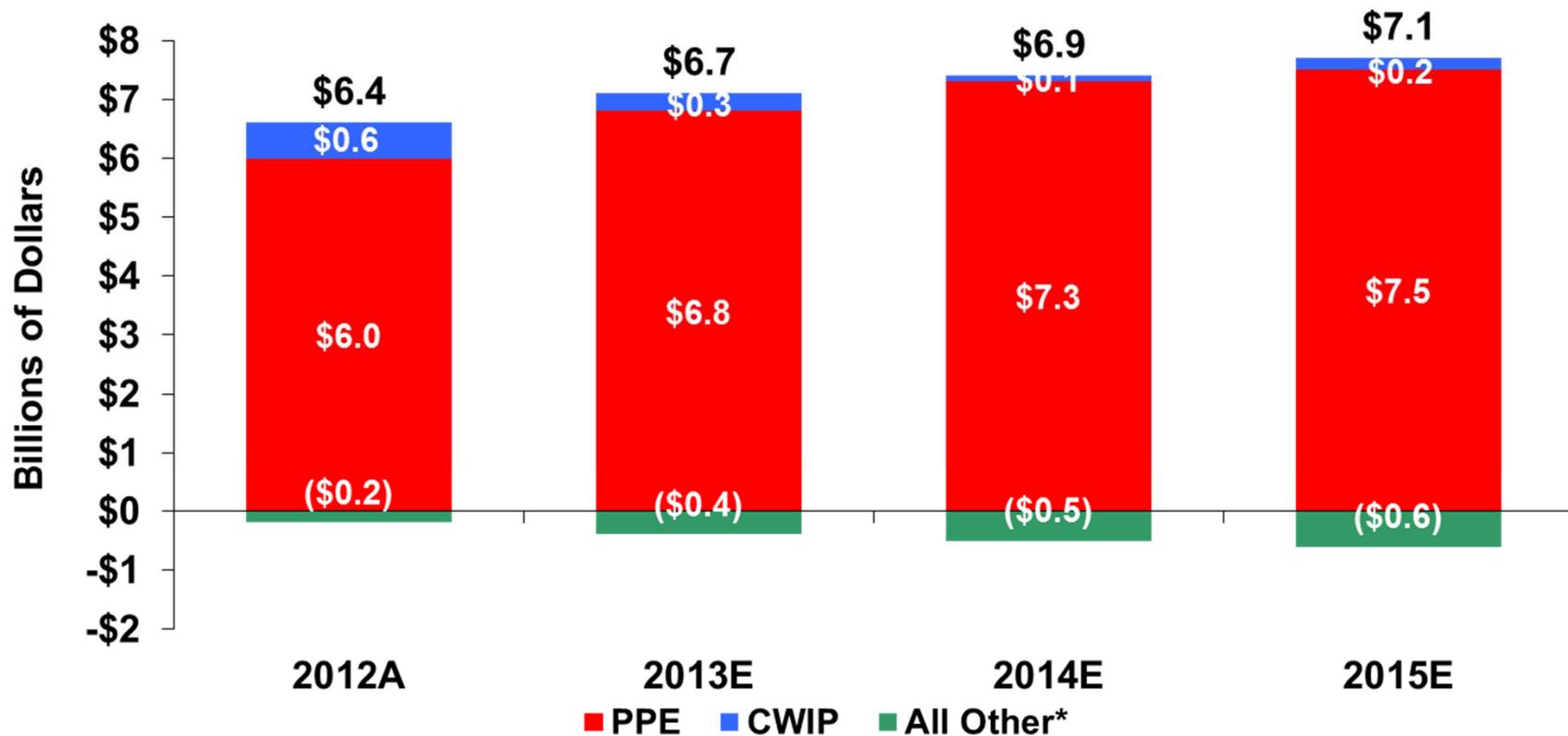
- However, the 2013 Wisconsin rate order includes several offsets to O&M:
 - Extension of recovery period for certain regulatory assets
 - Significant reduction of escrowed bad debt expense

- Overall, we expect our 2013 O&M costs to be flat to approximately 2 percent higher than our actual O&M for 2012

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Projected Rate Base

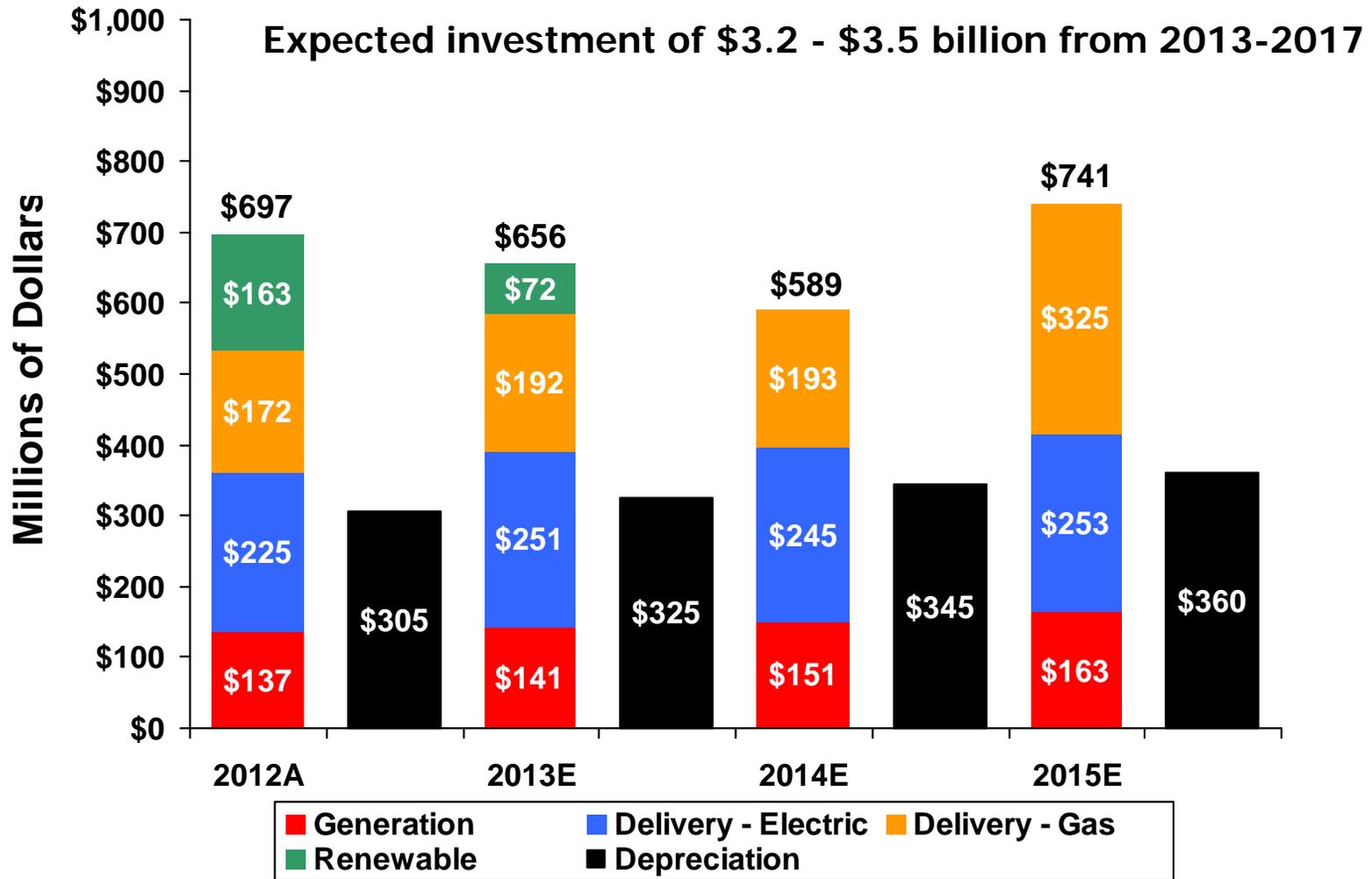
Average Total Utility Rate Base



*All other is comprised of customer advances, def. taxes, inventory and implied working capital.

Where We Go From Here

Strong capital investment in the retail utility



Where We Go From Here

DATC

- Non-exclusive joint venture between Duke Energy and ATC (DATC) announced in April 2011
 - Adds potential investment opportunities outside ATC's current footprint
 - Ownership is split 50/50 between Duke and ATC
- DATC has proposed transmission projects for MISO's Midwest Transmission Expansion Plan
 - Seven new transmission lines, located in five Midwestern states
 - Total cost of approximately \$4 billion
 - Phased in over the next 10 years
 - FERC has approved an ROE at the MISO rate of 12.38%
 - Projects are subject to MISO and regulatory approval
- DATC acquired interest in California's Path 15 transmission line
 - An existing 84-mile, 500-kilovolt transmission line in central California
 - 72 percent interest for approximately \$56 million
 - Small earnings uplift starting in 2013
- Overall DATC impact on WEC
 - No significant capital deployment expected until 2015

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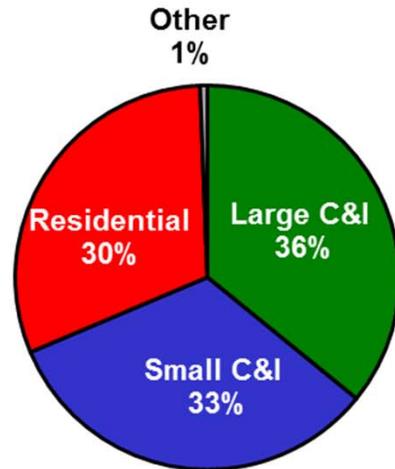
Forecast of Electric Sales

	2013 Forecast vs. 2012 Actual	2013 Forecast vs. 2012 Normalized
Residential	-2.3%	0.1%
Small C&I	0.2%	0.3%
Large C&I (ex. Mines)	-0.9%	0.2%
Total Large C&I	-3.2%	-2.4%
Total Retail	-1.8%	-0.7%

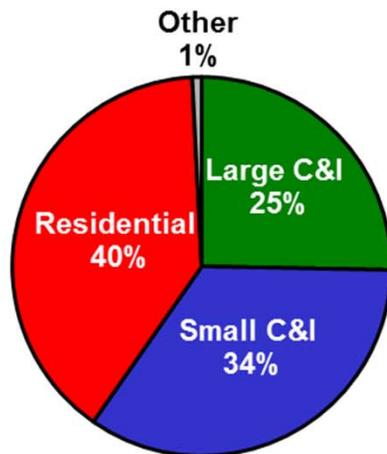
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Electric Retail Customer Base

2012 Retail KWh Sales Mix



2012 Retail Revenues



C&I Sector Small & Large	% of 2012 Electric C&I Sales
Office	12.1%
Mining	11.1%
Retail	6.4%
Primary Metals	6.0%
Health Care	5.7%
Food	5.0%
Paper & Products	4.7%
Education	4.6%

Regulatory Environment

■ Wisconsin Commission

- 3 Commissioners
- Gubernatorial appointment, Senate confirmation
- Chairman: Gubernatorial appointment
- Terms
 - 6 year—staggered terms

■ Michigan Commission

- 3 Commissioners
- Gubernatorial appointment, Senate confirmation
- Chairman: Gubernatorial appointment
- Terms
 - 6 year—staggered terms

Wisconsin Commissioners			
Name	Party	Began Serving	Term Ends
Phil Montgomery Chairman	R	03/2011	03/2017
Eric Callisto	D	05/2008	03/2015
Ellen Nowak	R	07/2011	03/2019

Michigan Commissioners			
Name	Party	Began Serving	Term Ends
John D. Quackenbush Chairman	R	10/2011	07/2017
Greg R. White	I	12/2009	07/2015
Orjiakor Isiogu	D	8/2007	07/2013