



# Investor Meetings September 7 – 9, 2016



Among lowest acquisition cost ever



Fourth largest in the world



#2 in renewable sales in the Great Lakes area



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# Recent Update . . . .



A. Good position to meet high-end guidance



**Consistent & predictable** 

**B.** Appointment of Commissioner Eubanks



**Constructive regulation** 

C. Routine and regular rate cases



**Recover investment** 

D. Reduce coal capacity to <25%



**Transition to cleaner fuels** 

E. Launched Consumers Energy Way



**Continuous improvement** 

### 2016 EPS Outlook . . . . CMS ENERGY **Adjusted EPS** (non-GAAP) Flex Items O&M choices Low cost financing Plant outages Contributions +7% Weather & other to Guidance Weather & Recovery **Storms** Offsets Pension "Yield Curve" 5¢ **Enhanced Capitalization '15 Pension Contribution** Improved "UAs" & Other Offsets 13¢ (13)¢

June 30

March 31

**January** 

September 30

**December** 

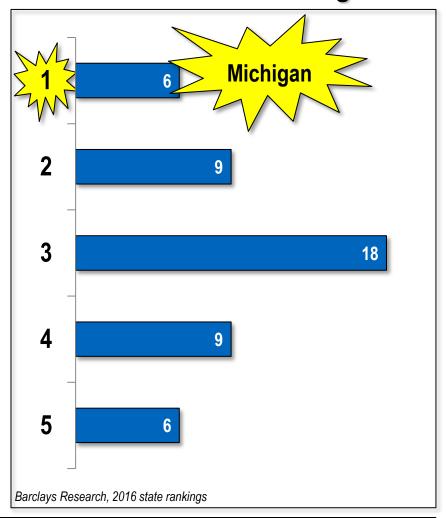
# Strong Commission . . . .



### Commission



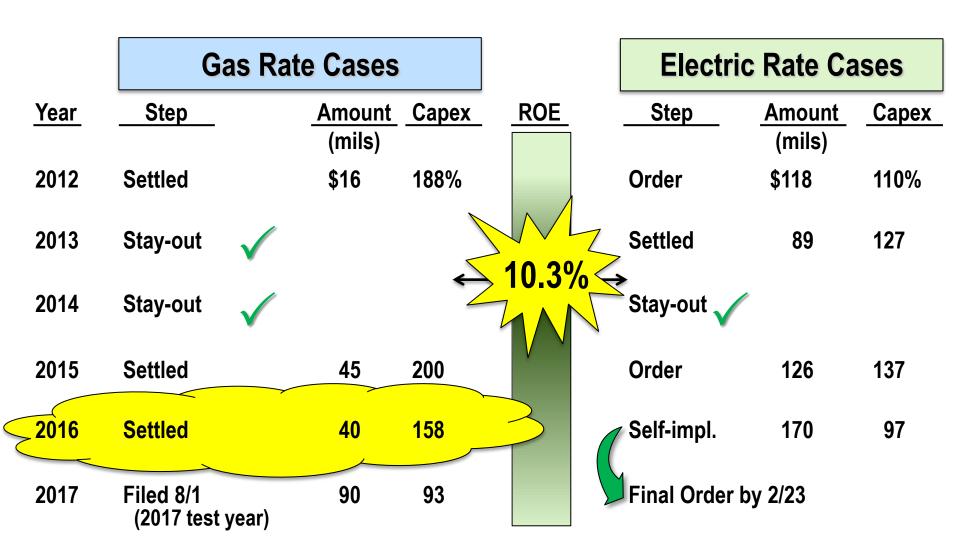
### **Tier 1 State Ranking**



.... constructive regulation.

# Routine and Regular Rate Cases . . . .





# Reducing Coal Dependence . . . .

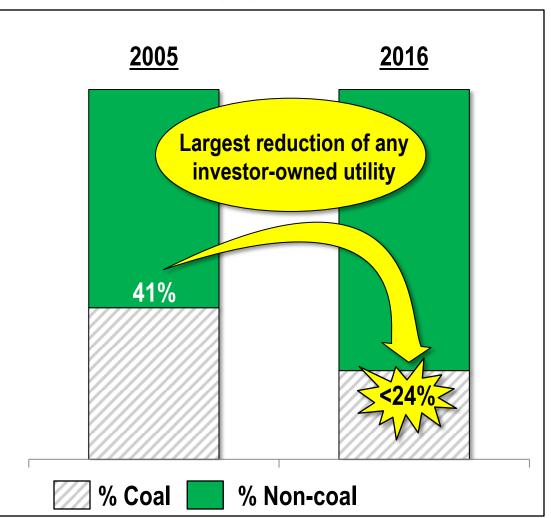


### A Sustainable Strategy

- Shut down 950 MW of coal
- Found positions for affected employees
- Worked with local communities early on
- Reduced our environmental impact

Positioned well for carbon reduction

### **Coal Mix**



.... transition to cleaner fuels.

# Launched Consumers Energy Way . . . .



### **Strategy**

- ✓ Safety:
  Every day is a safe day
- ✓ Quality:We get it right the first time
- ✓ Cost:We see and eliminate waste
- ✓ Delivery:We get it done on time

### **Customers AND Investors**

On the road to zero incidents

81% improvement past ten years

Consistent & predictable growth

O&M cost reductions



Rate increases below inflation



.... a culture of continuous improvement.

# Simple, Perhaps Unique Model . . . .



2017+	
Plan	

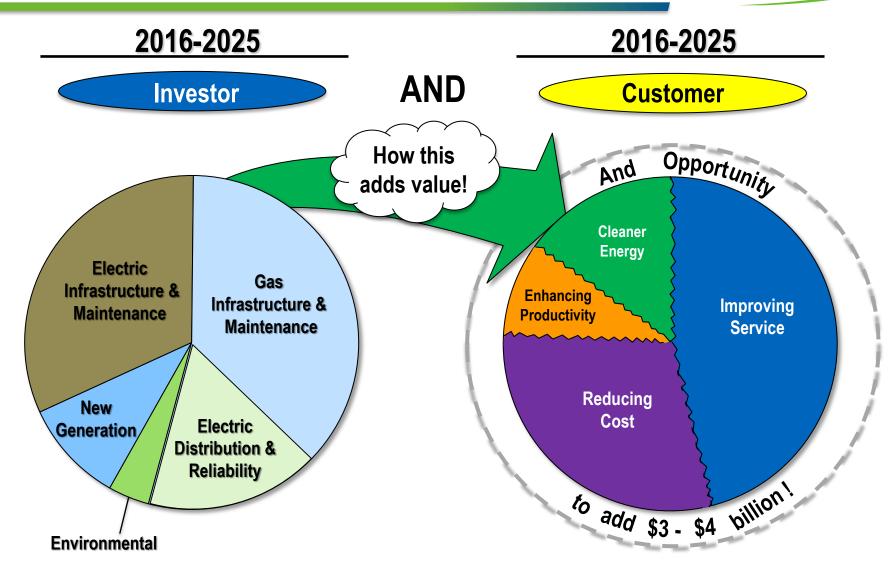
Capital investment (reliability, costs, enviro mandates) 6% - 8%

### **Self Funding:**

- O&M cost reductions	2 - 3 pts
- Sales growth	1
- No "block" equity dilution & other	2
INVESTMENT SELF-FUNDED	5 - 6 pts
Rate increase at or below inflation	<u>&lt;2%</u>

# Capex \$17 Billion Over 10 Years . . . .

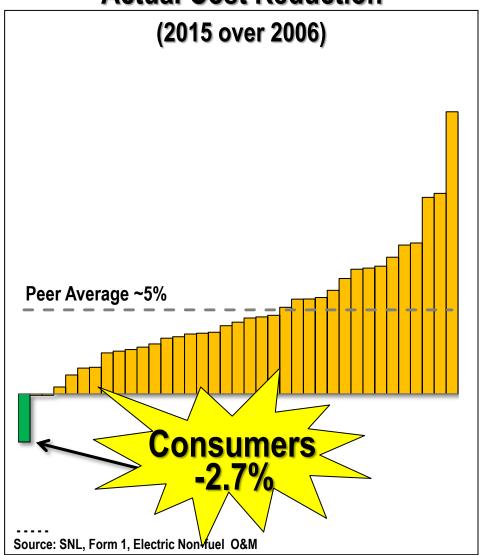




### O&M Cost Performance . . . .



### **Actual Cost Reduction**



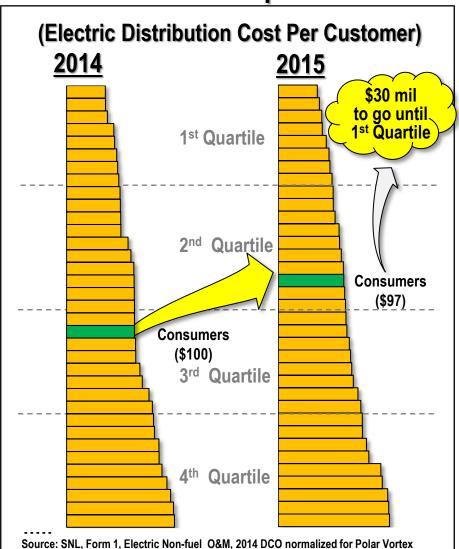
### **New Cost Savings**

	2014 <u>&amp; 2015</u> (mils)	2016 <u>&amp; 2017</u> (mils)
<ul><li>Attrition (VSP)</li></ul>	\$ - 35	\$ - 35
<ul> <li>Productivity (Coal → Gas)</li> </ul>	- 35	- 15
<ul><li>"Pole Top" Hardening</li></ul>	- 20	- 10
<ul><li>Smart Meters</li></ul>	- 5	- 20
<ul><li>Eliminate Waste (UAs)</li><li>&amp; Work Management</li></ul>	- 15	- 10
<ul> <li>Mortality Tables &amp; Discount Rates</li> </ul>	+50	0
<ul> <li>Service Upgrades</li> </ul>	+ <u>20</u>	+ 30
Net savings	<u>\$ - 40</u>	<u>\$ - 60</u>
Percent savings	- 4%	- 6%
		30/2

### O&M Cost Performance . . . .



### **Room to Improve**



### Here's How



Build the job as designed



Accurately schedule the job



"Field services" project

# Economic Development Growth . . . .

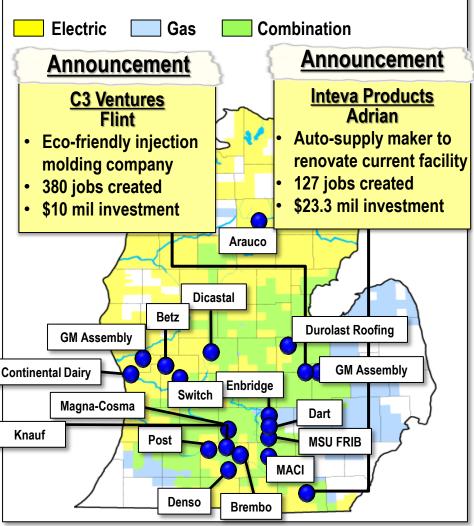


Our Service Territory Outperforms

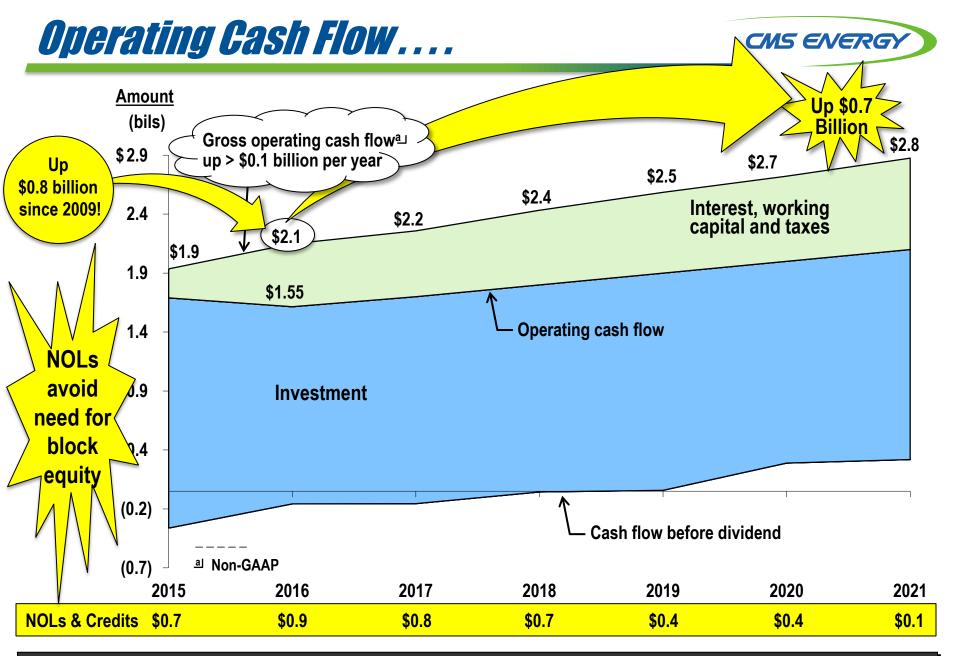
**Grand** U.S Rapids Michigan +224% Building Permits b +205% +96% 4.0% 2.6% 1.9% **Annual GDP**  $2010 \longrightarrow 2014$ +5% 1/2% 4% **Population**  $2010 \longrightarrow 2015$ 4.6% 4.9% 2.9% Unemployment (6/16)al Grand Rapids

b Annualized numbers July 2010→July 2016

**Examples of New Business** 



<sup>...</sup> opportunities to improve even more.



.... up \$0.8 billion (62%) last seven years, up \$0.7 billion (34%) next five years.





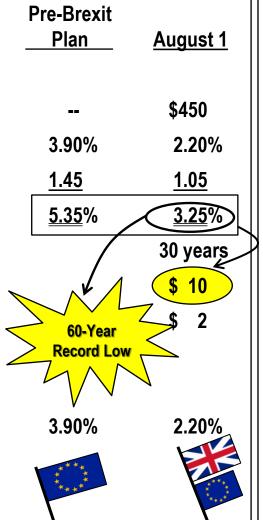
### Pension/Debt **Lower Cost Debt**

### **Utility Bond**

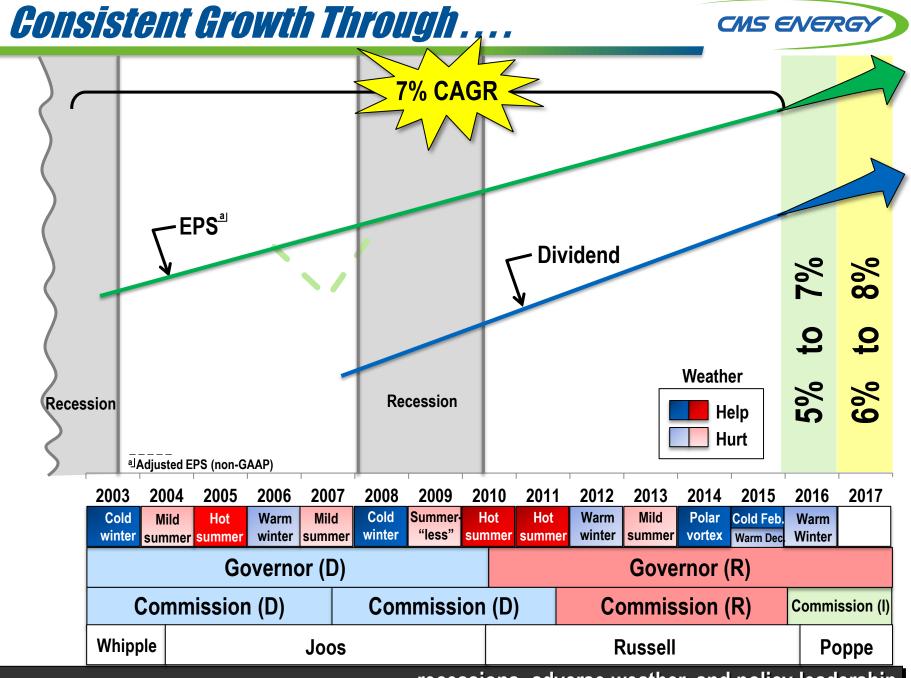
- Amount (mils)
- Treasury **Spread** Coupon
- Term
- Annual Savings (mils)
- Order Book (bils)

### Change

• 30-Year Treasury

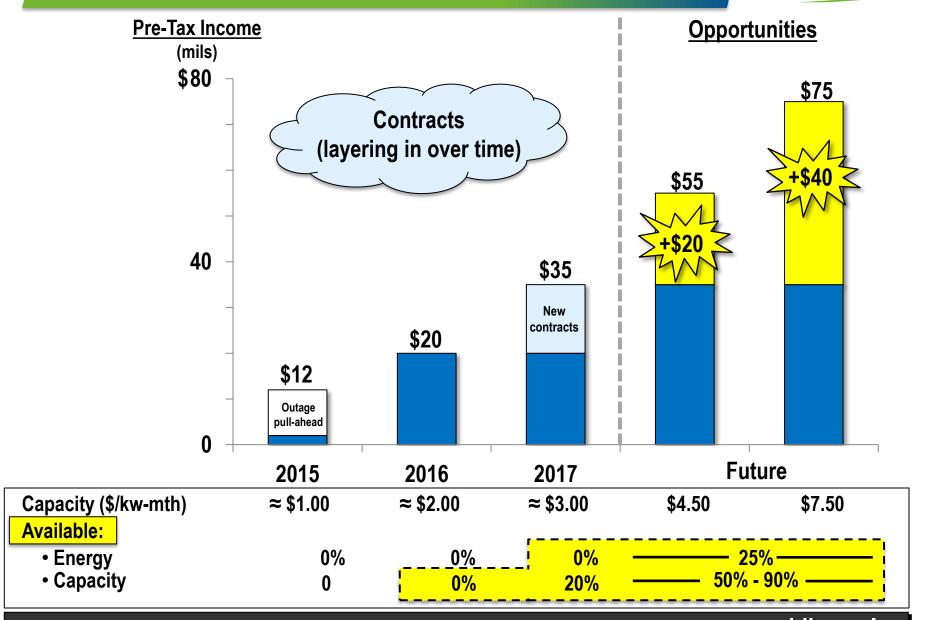


	<u>Sensitivities</u>	EPS Impact
<ul> <li>Benefit Liability</li> </ul>	-50 bps	- 3 ¢
• Interest Expense	-50 bps	+1½
• Pension Contribution		+1½
Net Impact		<u>0</u> ¢



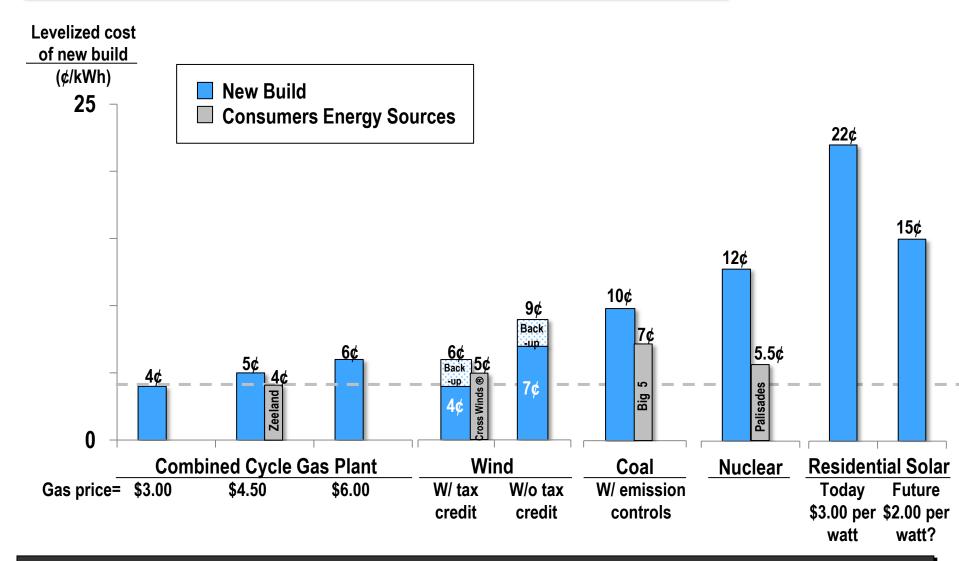
### *"DIG" (750 MW) & Peakers (200 MW)....*





## Generation Strategy: New Supply Sources . . . .





.... combined cycle gas is the most attractive new source of supply.

### Electric Customer Base Diversified . . . .



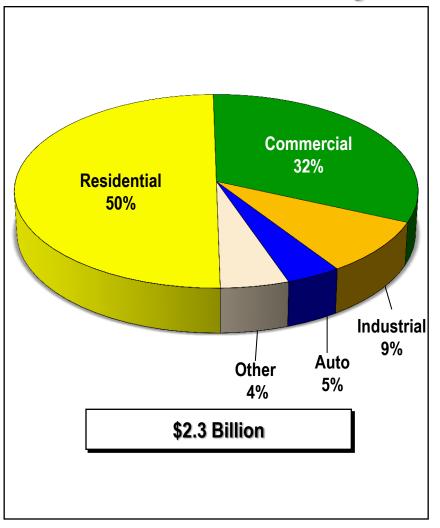
### **Top Ten Customers**

### (2015 Ranked by Deliveries)

- 1. Hemlock Semiconductor
- 2. General Motors
- 3. Nexteer Automotive Corporation
- 4. Gerdau
- 5. Denso International
- 6. Meijer
- 7. State of Michigan
- 8. Spectrum Health
- 9. AT&T
- 10. Packaging Corp. of America

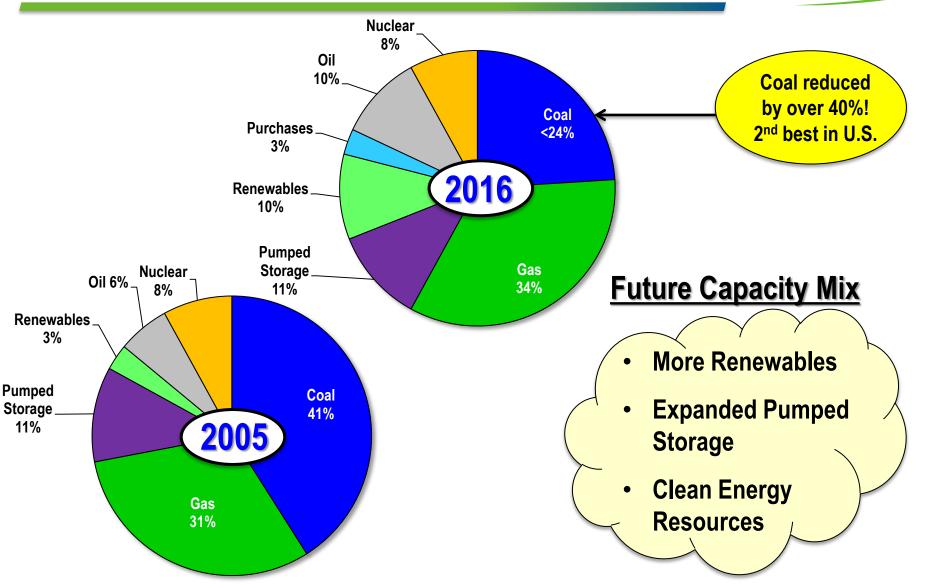
Percentage of electric gross margin is 2.8%

### 2015 Electric Gross Margin



# Capacity Diversity . . . .

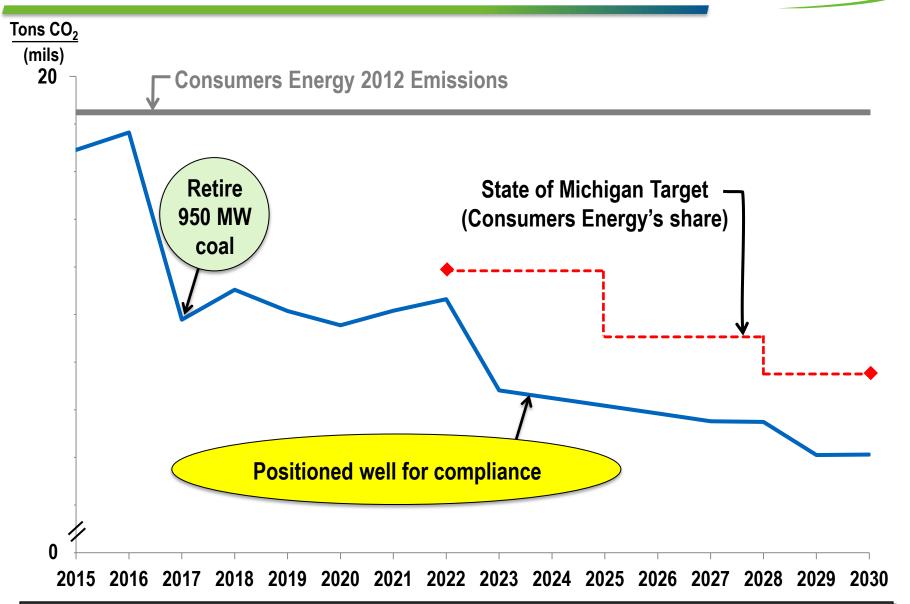




. . . evolving to cleaner generation and becoming more cost competitive.

### Clean Power Plan . . . .





.... recently stayed by the U.S. Supreme Court.

### **GAAP Reconciliation**



# CMS ENERGY CORPORATION Earnings Per Share By Year GAAP Reconciliation (Unaudited)

	2002	2004	2005	2006	2007	2000	2000	2010	2011	2012	2012	2014	2015
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Reported earnings (loss) per share - GAAP	(\$0.30)	\$0.64	(\$0.44)	(\$0.41)	(\$1.02)	\$1.20	\$0.91	\$1.28	\$1.58	\$1.42	\$1.66	\$1.74	\$1.89
Pretax items:													
Electric and gas utility	0.32	(0.60)	-	-	(0.06)	0.08	0.55	0.05	-	0.27	-	-	-
Taximpact	(0.11)	0.21	-	-	(0.01)	(0.03)	(0.22)	(0.02)	-	(0.10)	-	-	- !
Enterprises	0.93	0.97	0.06	(0.12)	1.67	(0.02)	0.14	(0.05)	*	(0.01)	*	0.05	*
Taximpact	(0.19)	(0.35)	(0.02)	0.10	(0.42)	*	(0.05)	0.02	(0.11)	*	(*)	(0.02)	(*)
Corporate interest and other	0.25	(0.06)	0.06	0.45	0.17	0.01	0.01	*	-	*	*	*	*
Taximpact	(0.09)	0.03	(0.02)	(0.18)	(0.49)	(0.03)	(*)	(*)	(0.01)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Discontinued operations (income) loss, net	(0.16)	0.02	(0.07)	(0.03)	0.40	(*)	(0.08)	0.08	(0.01)	(0.03)	*	(*)	(*)
Asset impairment charges	-	-	2.80	1.07	0.93	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Taximpact	-	-	(0.98)	(0.31)	(0.33)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cumulative accounting changes	0.25	0.02	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Taximpact	(0.09)	(0.01)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Adjusted earnings per share, including MTM - non-GAAP	\$0.81	\$0.87	\$1.39	\$0.57	\$0.84	\$1.21 (a)	\$1.26	\$1.36	\$1.45	\$1.55	\$1.66	\$1.77	\$1.89
Mark-to-market		0.04	(0.65)	0.80									
Tax impact		(0.01)	0.22	(0.29)									
Adjusted earnings per share, excluding MTM - non-GAAP	NA	\$0.90	\$0.96	\$1.08	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

<sup>\*</sup> Less than \$0.01 per share.

<sup>(</sup>a) \$1.25 excluding discontinued Exeter operations and accounting changes related to convertible debt and restricted stock.

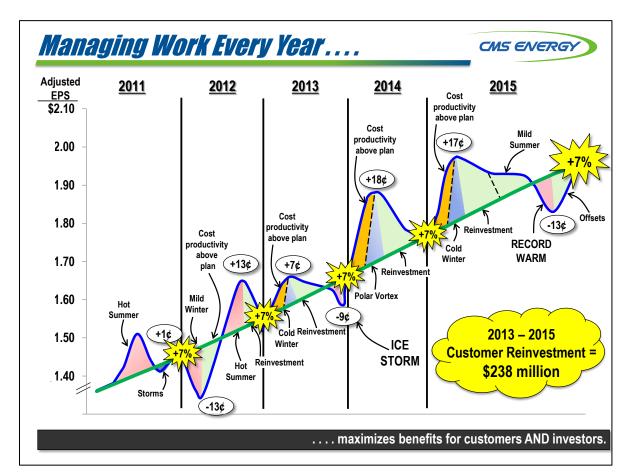


### CMS Energy Reconciliation of Gross Operating Cash Flow to GAAP Operating Activities

(unaudited) (mils)

	2014		4 2015		2016		2017		2018		2019		2020		2021
Consumers Operating Income + Depreciation & Amortization	\$	1,813	\$	1,866	\$	2,056	\$	2,139	\$	2,243	\$	2,390	\$	2,518	\$ 2,621
Enterprises Project Cash Flows		20		20		35		58		54		63		70	70
Gross Operating Cash Flow	\$	1,833	\$	1,886	\$	2,091	\$	2,197	\$	2,297	\$	2,453	\$	2,588	\$ 2,691
Other operating activities including taxes, interest payments and working capital		(386)		(246)		(541)		(547)		(547)		(603)		(638)	(641)
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$	1,447	\$	1,640	\$	1,550	\$	1,650	\$	1,750	\$	1,850	\$	1,950	\$ 2,050

### Electric Customer Prices . . . . CMS ENERGY **Industrial Rates Residential Bills** 20% Midwest Avg Residential bills well below U.S. average Policy could eliminate gar -25 -30 2016 Plus 2013 2016 Plus 2015 .... affordable for residential and improving for industrial customers



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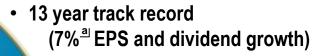


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THAN WE

# **OUR MODEL; OUR PLAN**

# OUTPERFORMED FOR A DECADE: NEXT DECADE EVEN BRIGHTER



- Capex -- \$17 billion, 100% organic
- Self-funded -- No block equity dilution! (7 years -- up from 5!)
- Best cost performance in sector
- Conservative sales planning (under promise/over deliver)
- \$3+ billion capex opportunities

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