



# BADGER METER, INC.

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# BADGER METER IS A PREMIER SMART WATER SOLUTIONS PROVIDER













- Comprehensive suite of digital smart water offerings including flow measurement, water quality and other parameters with software / analytics solutions
- Industry leader in North American smart water metering, with a strong global position in flow measurement and water quality technologies
- Attractive, long-term growth fundamentals:
  - Technology/digital adoption accelerating improve operating efficiency, resiliency and sustainability
  - Stable business model supported by replacement demand
  - Strategic tuck-in acquisitions and partnerships to expand breadth of offerings
- Culture of innovation, continuous improvement and sustainability
- Premium financial profile and exceptional operational track record



# COMPREHENSIVE PORTFOLIO OF SMART WATER OFFERINGS TO SOLVE CUSTOMER CHALLENGES

#### Outcomes **Our Product and Digital Solutions Secular Drivers** Communications Data Flow (total and rate) Wired / wireless networks Revenue and **Population Growth** Workforce Churn / Capacity Cellular communications Water quality **Demand Change** Retirements Fluid chemistry Cloud software & APIs \*\*\* Temperature and **Aging Customer Experiences** pressure infrastructure Connections for SCADA, building **Efficiency Benefits Asset Maintenance Stakeholder Participation** automation, billing, and other systems Hydronic energy Intelligence **Automation** Regulations and Trend analyses Data collection **Water Conservation ESG Quality and Safety** Exception detection **GHG Reduction** Data delivery to stakeholders, users, and customers System modeling Event notifications & remote services Multi-device correlation Water Scarcity / Climate Work order management Predictive maintenance **Energy Efficiency** Change

Competitive Advantage with "Choice Matters" – Broadest Portfolio of Solutions Continues to Expand

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## **SECOND QUARTER FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT**

(US\$ in millions, except per share data)	Q2 2022	Q2 2021	<u>Change</u>
Sales	\$137.8	\$122.9	12.2%
Gross Margin	54.8	50.1	9.3%
	39.7%	40.8%	(110) bps
SEA	32.7	31.4	3.9%
	23.7%	25.6%	(190) bps
Operating Earnings	22.1	18.7	18.3%
	16.0%	15.2%	80 bps
Income Tax Rate	24.4%	25.0%	
EBITDA	28.7	25.8	11.2%
	20.8%	21.0%	(20) bps
EPS	0.57	0.48	19.1%
Free Cash Flow	\$18.1	\$11.9	

See appendix for reconciliation of GAAP to Non-GAAP measures

- Utility water sales increased 14%, growth most notable in ultrasonic meters, cellular endpoints and BEACON SaaS
- Flow instrumentation sales up 4% with FX and manufacturing output limited by supply chain constraints
- Operating margins up 80 bps year-overyear
  - Gross margin at high end of normalized range and up 140 bps sequentially; difficult prior year comparison
  - SEA spend increase on growth investments, yet strong leverage on higher sales
- Higher free cash flow generation due to higher earnings and working capital timing between years



## **OUTLOOK / MACRO-TRENDS**

- Resilient and recession-resistant industry fundamentals 85% replacement driven, long-duration AMI project runway (no precedent for cancellations) and recurring SaaS revenue
- Strong execution throughout dynamic macro challenges; successfully navigating inflation, component availability and other adverse conditions
- While component supply not "recovered" it is beginning to normalize; copper prices moderating
- Well-positioned to capitalize on secular tailwinds behind robust demand for our smart water solutions that enable efficiency, resiliency and sustainability – "choice matters" portfolio to meet wide-ranging customer needs
- Strong balance sheet to invest in growth and innovation both organically and via acquisitions
- Published sustainability report highlighting advancements across our four pillars products, operations, people and governance. TCFD disclosures and continuous improvement actions in focus





Orders/Backlog Supportive of Durable Multi-Year Growth; Executing Against Macro Headwinds



## **CAPITAL ALLOCATION PRIORITIES**

- Internal Investment to support organic growth and sustain core business
- Grow the dividend annually in line with earnings
- Accelerate acquisitions that align to strategy and return targets

- No outstanding debt obligations and \$100M of cash at June 30, 2022
- Strong free cash flow, working capital management
- \$150M untapped revolver recently upsized facility adding covenant and other flexibility
- August 2021 dividend increase of 11% marked 29 consecutive years of dividend increases.

**Ample Liquidity to Fund Growth Priorities** 



# ENVIRONMENTAL, SOCIAL AND GOVERNANCE INTEGRAL TO BUSINESS STRATEGY

- Top ESG ratings recognition of our ESG journey
- Smart water solutions enable water conservation, resiliency and improved water quality – aligned with United Nations SDGs
- Governance
  - Values/Culture
  - ESG risk and opportunity oversight by Board/Committees; informed by stakeholder outreach
  - SASB, GRI and TCFD reporting included in 2020-2021 biennial Sustainability Report
- Diversity & Inclusion
  - 33% of Board is diverse
  - 40% of executive officers diverse
- 2020 baseline GHG emissions; Goal=15% intensity reduction by 2030;
   2021 year one target exceeded
- Continuous improvement processes for employee engagement, employee safety and regrettable turnover

















# BUILDING ON OUR ESTABLISHED FOUNDATION OF CORE SOLUTIONS WITH WATER QUALITY MONITORING

#### **Macro Trends Driving Water Quality Applications**



Distribution system security / resiliency



Increased reporting mandates for water discharge/effluent monitoring



Heightened COVID-19 impact to vulnerable populations – hospitals, senior living, education and corporate facilities



**Corporate ESG reporting requirements** 

Complementary offerings





- Product technology electrochemical and optical sensors
- Geographies ATi in the US and UK, s::can installed product in 50 countries
- Scale customer relationships, inside sales & distribution for greater ability to cross sell
- Coverage spans the water eco-system including water utilities, wastewater treatment and industrial water applications
- Working to deliver long-term growth synergies
  - Quantity plus quality data parameters online, real-time via ORION<sup>®</sup> Cellular
  - BEACON<sup>®</sup> and EyeOnWater <sup>®</sup> to store, integrate, analyze and visualize information for holistic view of water network
  - Expanded international footprint/customer relationships for metering

Water Quantity Plus Quality - On Demand / Real Time / Anywhere



### **SMART WATER INNOVATION LEADER**

#### **Driving Enhancements in Smarter Measurement & Actionable Data The Enhanced Operational Efficiencies**

#### **Ultrasonic Metering**

- Smarter meters flow, pressure, temperature, valves
- 2<sup>nd</sup> generation platform releases started in 2020
- Vertical integration of chip sets in order to control the evolution of smarter devices
- Improved accuracies

Innovation Centers: Lulea, Sweden Milwaukee, WI, USA



#### **Water Quality**

- Low maintenance, reagent-less sensors
- Advanced IoT edge computing detects events
- 60+ parameters for water and gas
- 20+ years of leadership in optical spectrometry, 30+ years in electrochemical

Innovation Centers: Vienna, Austria Philadelphia, PA, USA



#### Cellular & IoT

- 5th generation endpoint released in 2021
- 18-24 month iterative development cycles
- Pioneer in market; first generation debut was 2014
- Millions of cellular endpoints deployed



#### **Software & Analytics**

- Cloud software for utility operations, sustainability
- Holistic view of water systems
- Real time detection of anomalies and events
- Decision dashboards
- Process automation





## **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**



### MORE THAN A CENTURY OF SMART WATER INNOVATION



Two Milwaukee entrepreneurs developed first "frost-proof" water meter for use in the frigid northern US climate



- •Listed on the American Stock Exchange.
- •Launched trademarked "flowing B" symbol.
- •Formed Badger Meter Europe GmbH in Germany

- Acquired Racine Federated, broadening industrial flow measurement applications
- •2013 Acquired AquaCue to advance smart water offerings cellular radio and BEACON software expertise





 Acquired s::can based in Austria – leader in real-time water quality monitoring solutions

1905

1930's-60s

1970s

1980s-2000s 2010-2014 2015-2019

2020

2021 +



- Survived great depression
- •Assisted war effort manufacturing bomb fuses
- Moved to current Brown Deer facility
- Split off foundry business

- Established Nogales, Mexico facility
- Launched first Drive-By AMR radio endpoints
- Extensive expansion into industrial flow technologies and markets
- •Opened Czech Republic Facility
- Launched advanced metering infrastructure (AMI)



- Acquired D-Flow bringing advanced ultrasonics expertise
- Innovating cellular offerings with LTE-M technology
- •BEACON and EyeOnWater consumer app

- Acquired ATi –leader in electrochemical water quality monitoring
- Expanding digital solutions to solve customer challenges





## **GLOBAL INNOVATION AND MANUFACTURING FOOTPRINT**





MILWAUKEE, WI - Communication technologies, advanced metering development BERN,

> MILWAUKEE - HQ RACINE, WI • TULSA. OK

**SWITERLAND** NUEFFEN, **COLLEGEVILLE PA GERMANY**  **Ultrasonics:** Lulea, Sweden Milwaukee, WI, USA

LULEA SWEDEN - Ultrasonic technology development

**BRNO, CZECH REPUBLIC** 

VIENNA AUSTRIA - Optical water quality sensing

**Water Quality:** Vienna, Austria Philadelphia, PA, USA

Innovation / R&D Centers

LOS GATOS, CA .

**Data, Software and Analytics** 

**NOGALES** •

**MEXICO** 

Manufacturing Facilities

Also operate four US distribution centers and a variety of global sales offices



# **COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGES – WHY BADGER METER WINS**

Broadest Range of Offerings  – Choice Matters	<ul> <li>Brass and polymer</li> <li>Mechanical and static (ultrasonic)</li> <li>Drive by, fixed and cellular radio technology</li> </ul>
Technology Leadership	<ul> <li>Well established E-Series Ultrasonic expertise</li> <li>ORION Cellular – leverages existing infrastructure, flexible, coverage</li> <li>BEACON/EyeOnWater – actionable data for utility and homeowner</li> </ul>
Innovation	<ul> <li>D-Flow technology for performance enhancement, cost reduction and larger sizes</li> <li>Remote actuating flow restriction valve</li> <li>Real-time water quality sensing – optical and electrochemical</li> </ul>
High Service Levels and Customer Support	<ul> <li>Strong brand preference – long term relationships / loyalty</li> <li>Channel coverage - regional service center and local distribution to cover smaller utilities</li> <li>Highly trained Solution Architect, customer care and field technology support</li> </ul>
Low Lifecycle Costs	<ul> <li>Highly accurate and quality products / low warranty</li> <li>Exceptional battery life</li> <li>Leverage existing cellular technology network</li> </ul>

## >50K Water Utilities in US

Utility Size and their Share of Meter connections

Large 400 45%

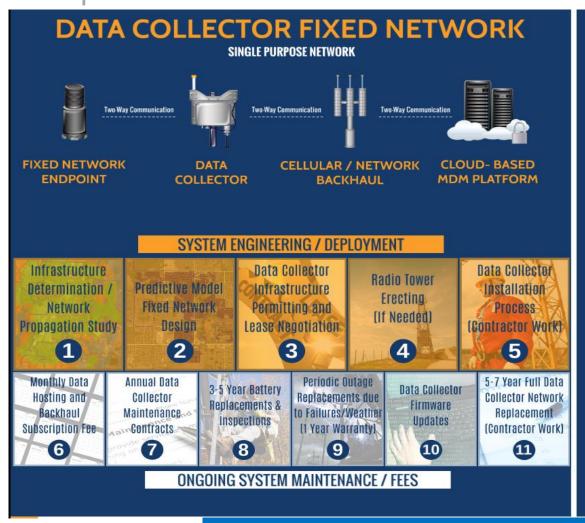
Mid 4,000 35%

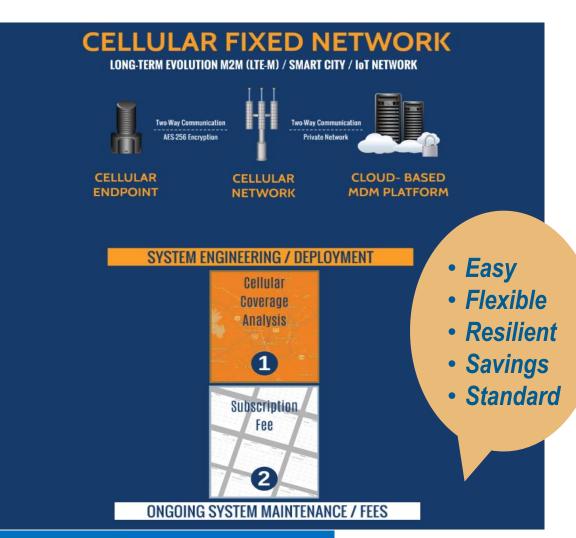
Small 45,000+ 20%

Strong Market Position in North American Oligopoly; Significant Customer Diversity



### CELLULAR COMMUNICATION VS. FIXED NETWORK





LTE-M Cellular Communication Technology – Example of Innovation Leadership



### **SMART WATER ACCELERATION**

#### **The Business Case**

Why are utilities willing to pay more?

- Reduce non-revenue water (NRW)
  - Mechanical meters lose some accuracy over time
  - Leak detection
- Lower operating cost / improve efficiencies
  - Move out reads / billings
  - Flow shut-off/restriction technology labor to turn off and on water services
- Encourage conservation
  - Manage what you measure
  - Leak avoidance / fix

#### The Solutions

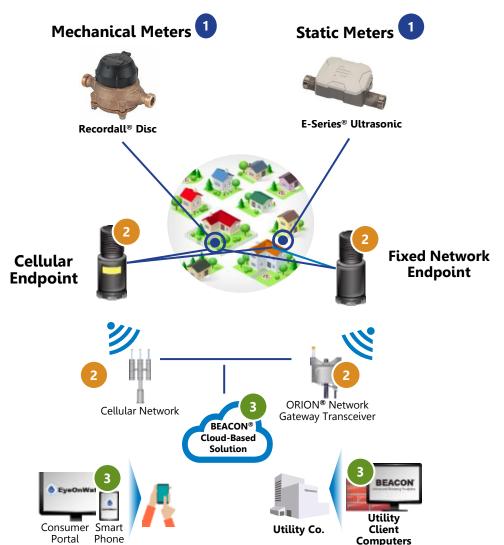
How our leading technologies deliver

- Meters
  - Static (E-series ultrasonic) holds accuracy over lifetime; commercial sizes
- Radio Endpoints
  - Safety- remote reads
  - Data and analytics more data, more often
  - Cellular infrastructure-free for utilities;
     enables efficiencies for remote flow restriction,
     move-outs, installation pacing
- Software
  - Leak identification / detection
  - EyeOnWater App for consumer awareness

Overall Served Available Market Value Continues to Trend Higher



## **UTILITY WATER-INTEGRATED SOLUTION OFFERING**





- Broadest product offering both mechanical and static meters in both metal and polymer
- Next generation E-Series Ultrasonic Meter with D-Flow technology



- Complete line of connectivity solutions, including drive-by, fixed network and cellular radios
- Leading edge ORION Cellular radio, including LTE-M technology. Infrastructure free.



- BEACON AMA, (Advanced Metering Analytics) software suite -analytics tools, dashboards and integration with utility billing systems
- EyeOnWater® Consumer Application



### **SMART WATER KEY GROWTH STRATEGIES**

- Maintain leading position in the North American smart water market through continued development of leading-edge offerings
- Penetrate and grow select international markets (e.g. Middle East, UK) with fit-formarket solutions
- Leverage addition of real-time water quality monitoring, and other system health parameters into actionable data to improve utility operations
- Augment software, including consumer engagement technology, for optimized customer solution







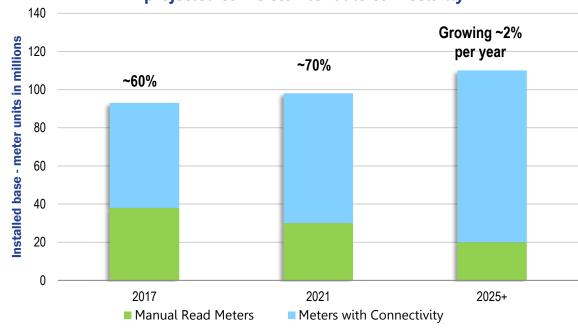
## **RADIO CONNECTIVITY - PENETRATION**

#### **CONVERSION TO CONTINUE**

- Badger Meter was the first US company to offer radios on water meters (1988)
- Radio connectivity allows for automated metering and integration of real-time data with analytics software
- Radio connectivity reduces utility costs, improves billing accuracy, aids in leak detection and encourages conservation
- Approximately 70% of the U.S. market has been converted (per IHS) – additional conversions represents increased sales opportunity for Badger Meter for both hardware and SaaS



## North American water meter market projected conversion to radio connectivity



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# FLOW INSTRUMENTATION KEY GROWTH STRATEGIES

- Expand niche share by targeting water-related applications, predominately
  - Building Automation/HVAC/Sustainability
  - Water and Wastewater treatment and distribution
- Leverage addition of real-time water quality monitoring for industrial process and discharge water
- Penetrate international markets where both smart water and industrial applications exist





### STRATEGIC ACQUISITIONS

- Technology solutions that can be leveraged across both utility and flow instrumentation markets
  - Water quality monitoring
  - Leak detection, conservation
- Software enhancements SaaS
  - Utility operations
  - Consumer portals
- Smart City / Internet of Things
- International penetration

	Year	Company	Туре	Location	Price
Į	Utility Water Instrumentation and Connectivity:				
	2021	Analytical Technology, Inc	Water quality monitoring	USA / UK	\$44M
	2020	s::can	Water quality monitoring	Vienna, Austria	\$31M
	2018	Innovative Metering Solutions	Distributor	Tampa, FL	\$8M
	2017	Carolina Meter	Distributor	Wilmington, NC	\$6M
	2017	D-Flow	Ultrasonic Technology/R&D	Lulea, Sweden	\$23M
	2015	United Utilities	Distributor	Smyrna, TN	\$3M
	2014	National Meter	Distributor	Denver, CO	\$23M
	2013	Aquacue	Software/cellular technology/R&D	Los Gatos, CA	\$14M
I	Flow and Industrial Instrumentation:				
	2012	Racine Federated	Technology/Manufacturing	Racine, WI	\$57M
	2011	Remag	Technology/Manufacturing	Bern, Switzerland	\$5M
	2010	Cox Instruments	Technology/Manufacturing	Scottsdale, AZ	\$8M

Disciplined Capital Allocation – accretive, growth synergies, leverage globally



### **ANNUAL FINANCIAL TRENDS**

(US\$ in millions, except per share data)

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>
Sales	\$433.7	\$424.6	\$425.5	\$505.2
Adj Oper Earnings	59.4	62.2	65.2	78.7
	13.7%	14.6%	15.3%	15.6%
Adj EBITDA	83.8	86.0	90.2	106.5
	19.3%	20.3%	21.2%	21.1%
Adj EPS	1.54	1.61	1.69	2.08
Free Cash Flow	\$51.7	\$73.2	\$80.5	\$80.8
FCF Conversion	115%	155%	163%	133%

Note: Adjusted figures in 2018 which exclude pension termination settlement and executive retirement charges See Annual Report for GAAP to Non-GAAP reconciliations.

- Sales growth driven primarily by smart water solution penetration
  - Radios and SaaS
  - Water quality
- Margins driven predominately by favorable sales mix, volume and price/cost
- SEA expense control with leverage improvement
- Robust cash flow generation with working capital management; conversion above 100%
- Ample balance sheet flexibility



## **GAAP TO NON-GAAP RECONCILIATIONS**

#### **EBITDA**

	(US\$ in millions)			
	Q2 2022	Q2 2021	YTD 2022	YTD 2021
Net Earnings (GAAP)	\$16.7	\$14.0	\$31.0	\$27.8
Interest expense	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Income tax provision	5.4	4.7	9.9	8.6
Depreciation	2.8	3.0	5.6	5.8
Amortization	<u>3.8</u>	<u>4.1</u>	<u>7.8</u>	<u>8.3</u>
EBITDA	\$28.7	\$25.8	\$54.3	\$50.5

#### Free Cash Flow

	(US\$ in millions)		
	Q2 2022	Q2 2021	
Cash from Ops (GAAP)	\$19.7	\$14.5	
Capital Expenditures	<u>(1.6)</u>	<u>(2.6)</u>	
Free Cash Flow	\$18.1	\$11.9	
	YTD 2022	YTD 2021	
Cash from Ops (GAAP)	\$28.9	\$45.1	
Capital Expenditures	<u>(2.8)</u>	<u>(4.4)</u>	
Free Cash Flow	\$26.1	\$40.7	