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Investor Update: **June 2020**

One of America's Most Responsible Companies for 2020
WEC Energy Group
Newsweek

Most Reliable Utility in the Midwest
We Energies
PA Consulting

Outstanding Midsize Utility
Wisconsin Public Service
PA Consulting

Best in the U.S. in Large Customer Satisfaction (Top 2 Box)
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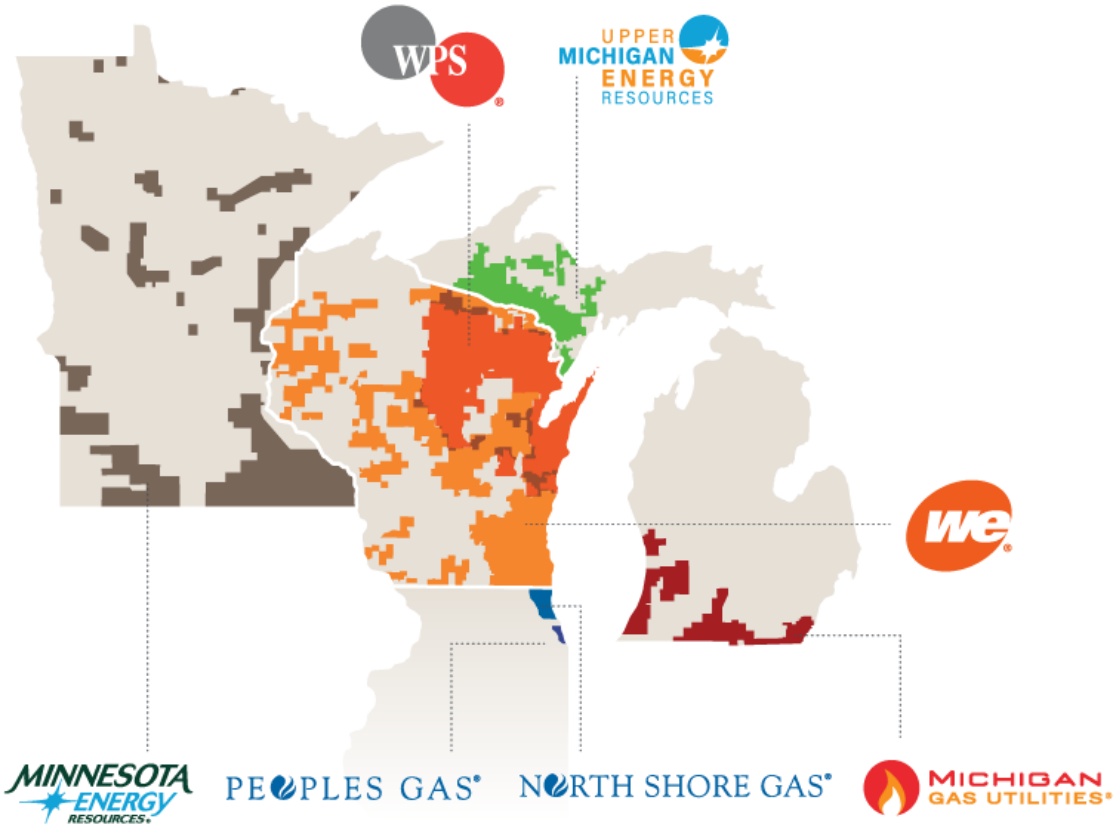
Although we have estimated the economic impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on our business and have factored such impacts into our projections, the extent to which the COVID-19 pandemic may affect us depends on factors beyond our knowledge or control. Therefore, the ultimate impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on our business plans and operations, liquidity, financial condition and results of operations could vary from our current projections.

WEC Energy Group

Company Statistics

- **$28.9** billion market cap*
- **1.6** million electric customers
- **2.9** million natural gas customers
- **60%** ownership of American Transmission Company
- **70,600** miles of electric distribution
- **49,500** miles of gas distribution
- **$35.0** billion of assets
- **9th** largest natural gas distribution utility in U.S. based on customers
- **9th** largest publicly traded utility in U.S. measured by market value*



* As of May 31, 2020

WEC Energy Group

"Delivering reliable, affordable energy to our customers. Reducing greenhouse gas emissions. Building and maintaining safe, resilient infrastructure. These imperatives continue to drive our decision-making, and the results are clear."

- Gale Klappa, WEC Energy Group Executive Chairman

2019 Best CEO – Electricity and Natural Gas Industry
Gale Klappa
Business Worldwide Magazine


What’s New?

Positive indicators and performance

Raising Second-Quarter 2020 Guidance

From 58¢ - 62¢ per share to
67¢ - 69¢ per share

- **April and May sales volumes better than projected**
- **Disciplined reductions in O&M expenses**
- **Increase in authorized return on equity at American Transmission Company from 10.38% to 10.52%**

Reaffirming annual guidance
of $3.71 - $3.75 per share

Solidly Positioned for Unprecedented Circumstances

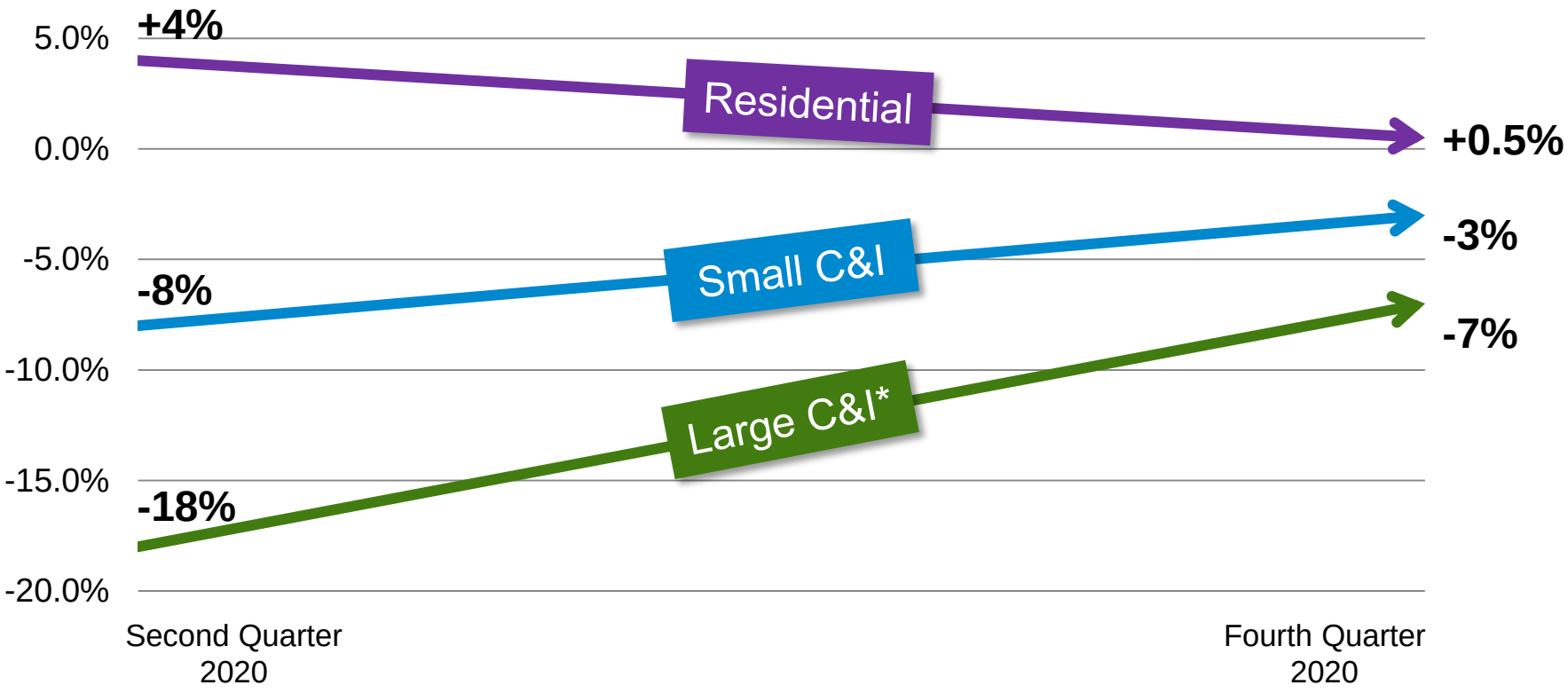
- **Strong balance sheet**
- **$2.2 billion of liquidity as of May 31, 2020**
- **Executable capital plan with no need to issue additional equity**
- **No open rate cases**
- **Recovery mechanisms for bad debt in place**
- **Pension well-funded as of Dec. 31, 2019**
  - 101% for qualified plans

COVID-19 Regulatory Actions

Type	Wisconsin	Illinois[1]	Michigan[1]	Minnesota
Incremental Bad Debt / Uncollectibles	Res. – Escrow C&I – Defer	Existing Rider	Defer	Defer
Incremental O&M	Defer	Pending	Pending	Defer
Foregone Late Payment Fees	Defer	Pending	Pending	Defer
Carry Cost on Deferrals	Short-Term Debt Rate	No	Pending	No
Dockets	5-AF-105 5-UI-120	20-0309	U-20757	20-427

[1] Waiting for final orders/decisions that could allow for additional deferrals

Electric Sales Volume Assumptions



Based on the assumptions above, we are forecasting total retail electric volumes* to decrease by approximately 5% for the remaining nine months, compared to our original weather-normalized forecast issued January 30, 2020.

Weather-normalized sales for the second quarter of 2020 are currently tracking better than our second-quarter assumptions above. Our sales assumptions remain unchanged for the full year 2020.

**Excludes iron ore mine*

Office of the Chair



"Working together as a team, we will leverage the strengths of each individual as we write the next chapter of the company's growth, development and service to our customers."

— **Gale Klappa**, Executive Chairman



Rick Kuester
Senior Executive Vice President



Kevin Fletcher
President and CEO

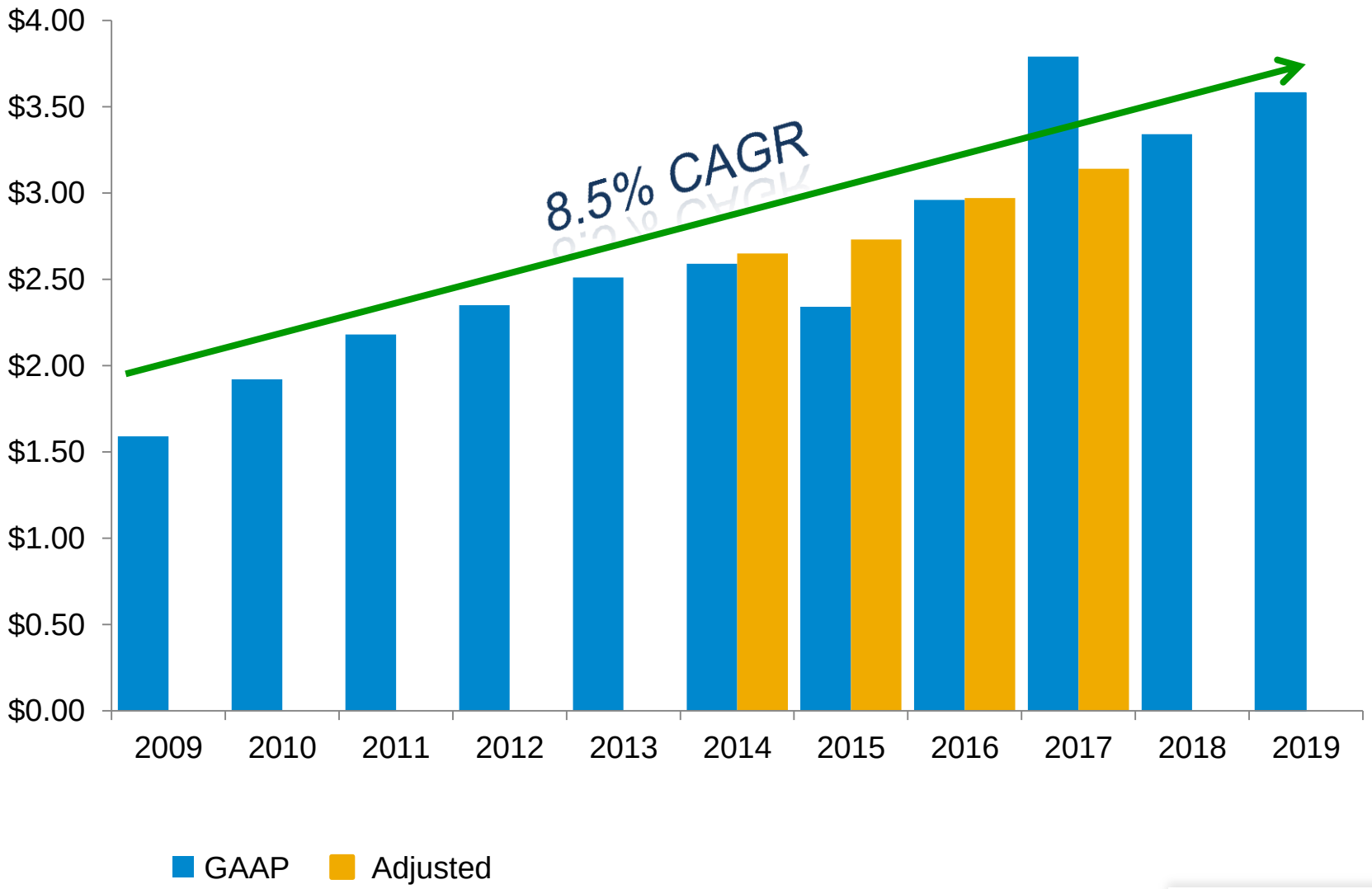


Scott Lauber
Senior Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer



Xia Liu
Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

A Decade of EPS Growth



Proven Track Record of Performance



The <u>only</u> utility to beat guidance every year for 16 years running

EPS Guidance		
2019	***Exceeded***	✓
2018	***Exceeded***	✓
2017	***Exceeded***	✓
2016	***Exceeded***	✓
2015	***Exceeded***	✓
2014	***Exceeded***	✓
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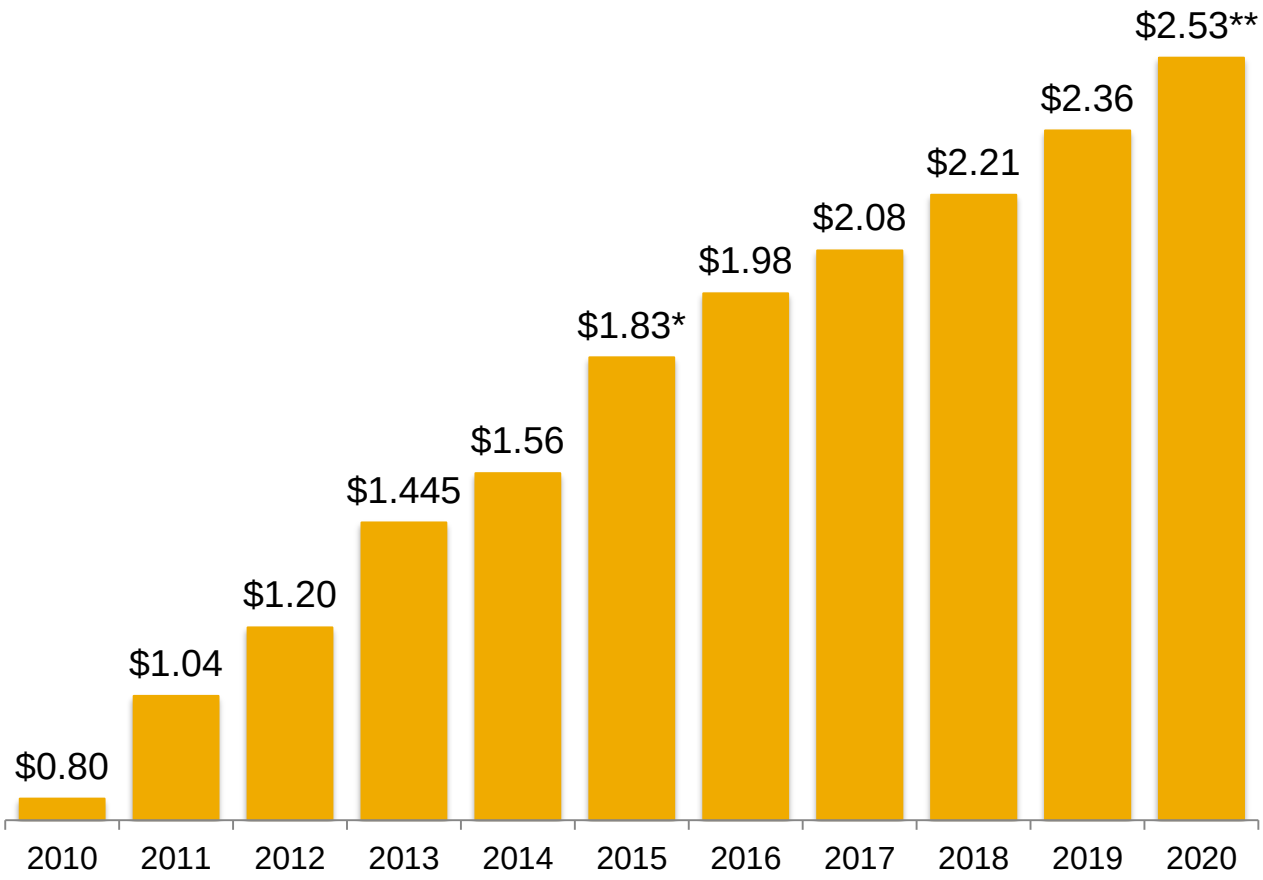
2008	***Exceeded***	✓
2007	***Exceeded***	✓
2006	***Exceeded***	✓
2005	***Exceeded***	✓
2004	***Exceeded***	✓

Solid Dividend Growth Continues

In January, raised the dividend by **7.2%** to a new annual rate of **$2.53** per share

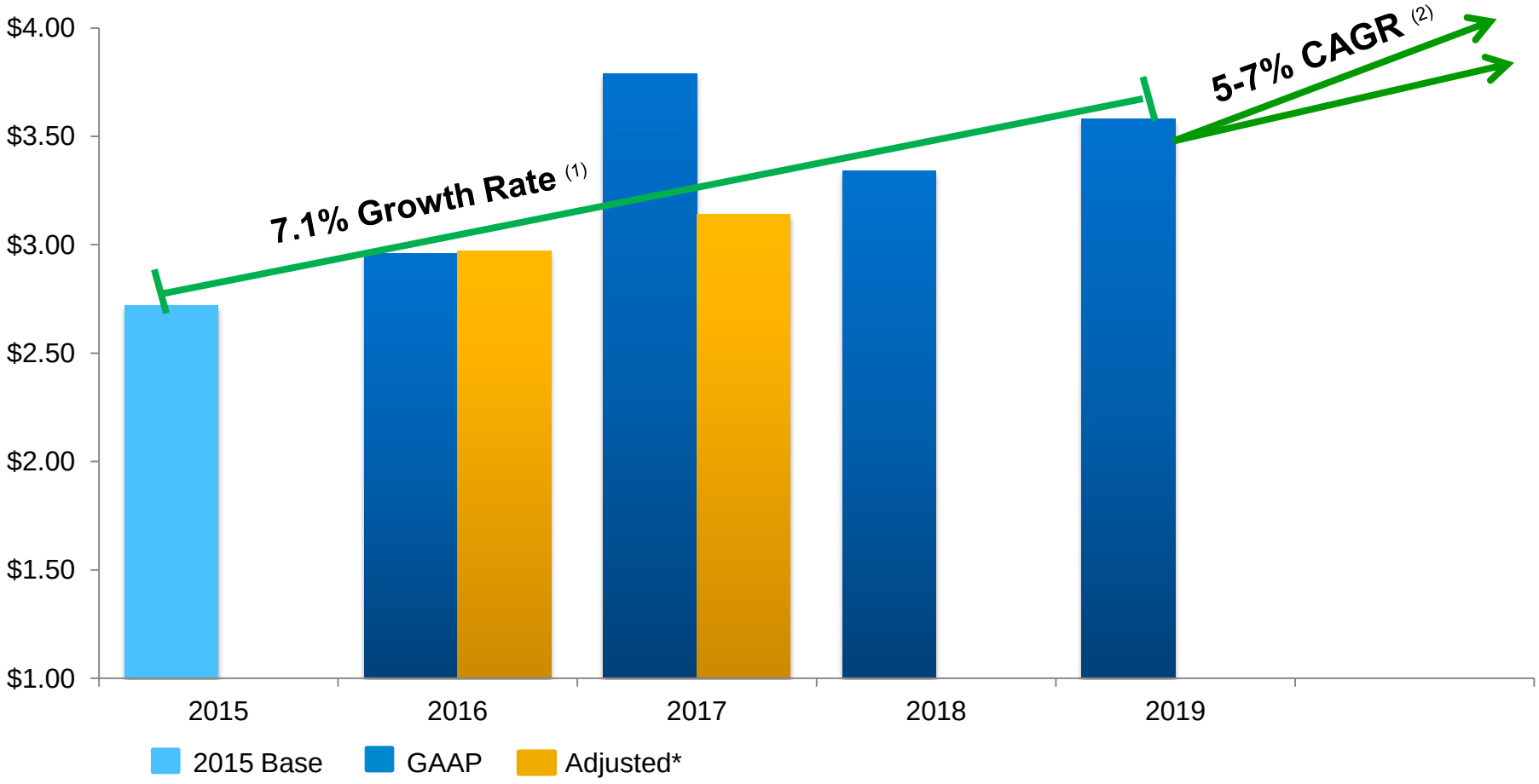
Targeting dividend payout of **65-70%** of earnings

Projecting dividend growth in line with earnings growth



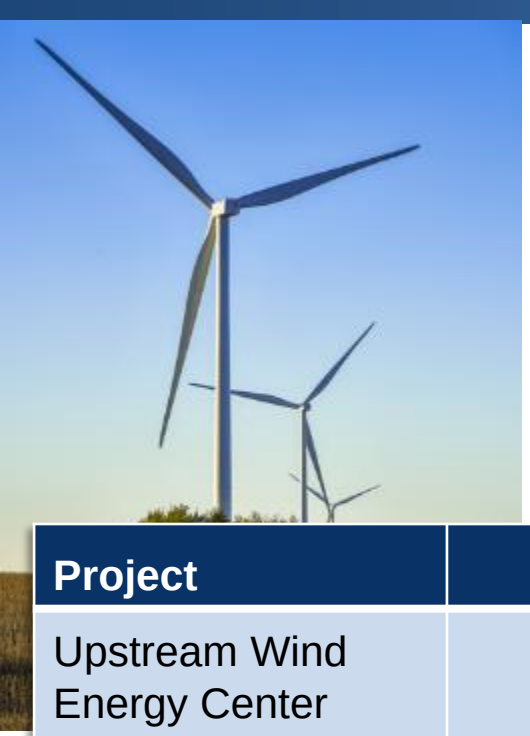
*Annualized based on 4th quarter 2015 dividend of $0.4575
**Annualized based on 1st quarter 2020 dividend of $0.6325

Confident in Achieving Our EPS Growth Guidance



*See Appendix for reconciliation of adjusted amounts to GAAP amounts

(1) 7.1% annual average growth rate calculated from 2015 base of $2.72 per share
(2) Based on original 2019 guidance midpoint of $3.50 per share



Infrastructure Portfolio Investments

- Expected to provide returns that are higher than those in our regulated business
  - 8%+ unlevered internal rate of return
- Expected to qualify for 100% bonus depreciation and production tax credits

Project	Investment	Offtake Agreement	Capacity
Upstream Wind Energy Center	$307M for 90% ownership	Affiliate of Allianz – 10-yrs	~200MW
Bishop Hill III Wind Energy Center	$166M for 90% ownership	WPPI Energy – 22-yrs	~132MW
Coyote Ridge Wind Farm	$145M for 80% ownership and 99% of tax benefits	Google Energy – 12-yrs	~97MW
Thunderhead Wind Energy Center*	$381M expected for 90% ownership	AT&T – 12-yrs	~300MW
Blooming Grove Wind Farm*	$389M expected for 90% ownership	Verizon and Saint-Gobain North America – 12-years	~250MW

*Closing projected at the end of 2020

In 2019, met and exceeded our 2030 goal of reducing carbon emissions by 40% below 2005 levels

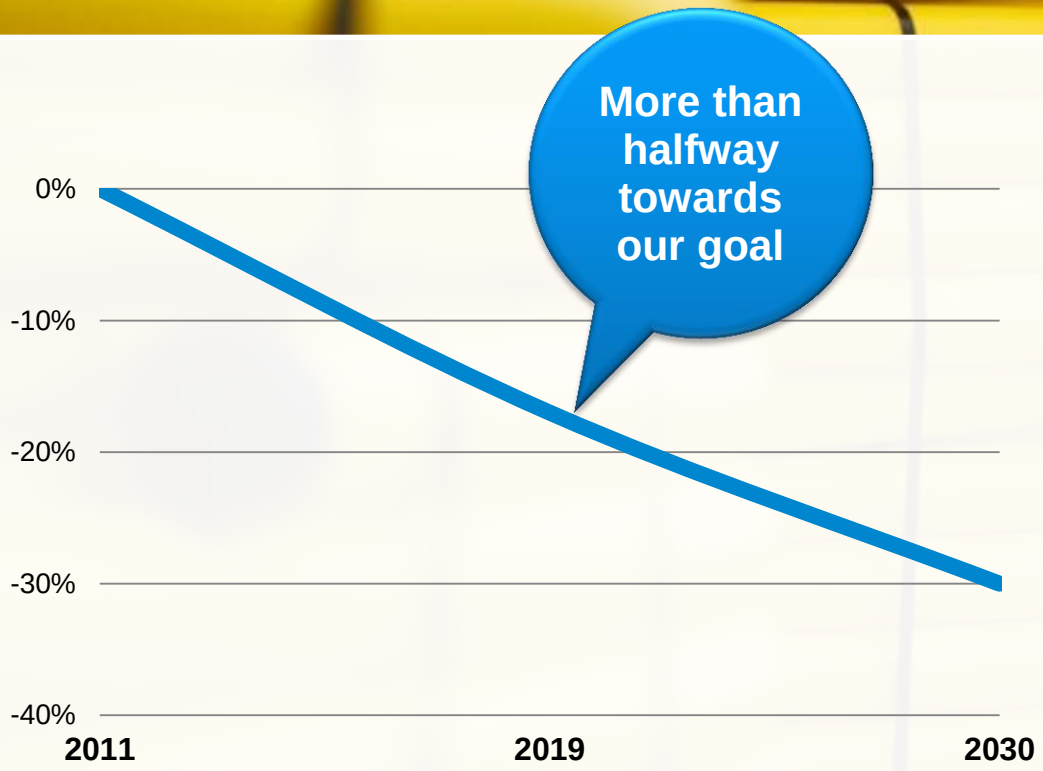


Progress driven by generation reshaping plan

Retired 40% of our coal generation since 2014

Given our progress, we are re-evaluating our longer-term carbon reduction goals

Methane Reduction Goal



Reduction Goal:*

30%

by the year 2030
from a 2011 baseline

*This goal represents a decrease in the rate of methane emissions from the natural gas distribution lines in our network of 30% per mile by the year 2030 from a 2011 baseline.

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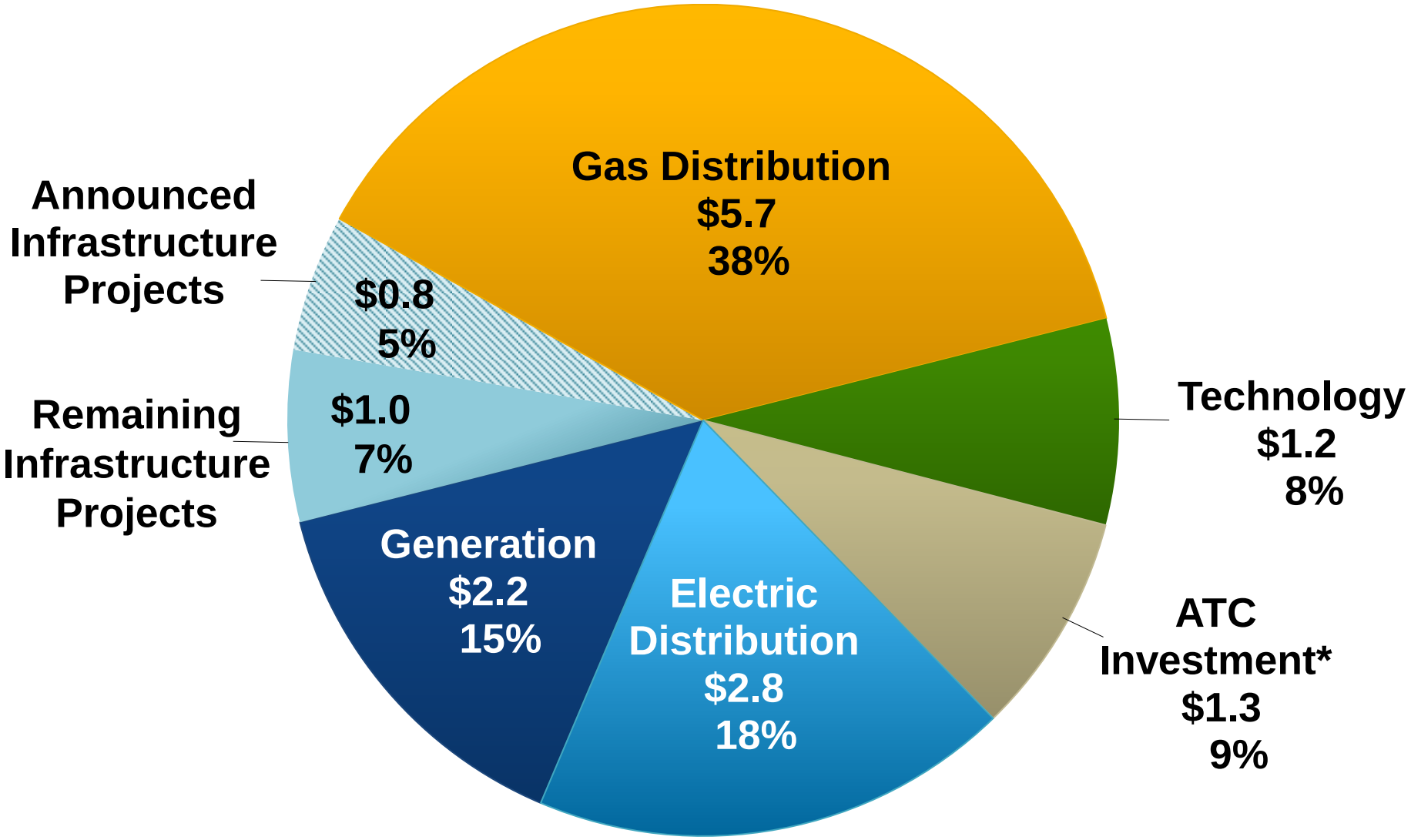
Five-Year Capital Plan



2020-2024 Capital Plan *($ in billions)*

Total of $15.0 billion



* ATC is accounted for using the equity method; this represents WEC's portion of the investment

Greater Opportunities in Natural Gas and Energy Infrastructure

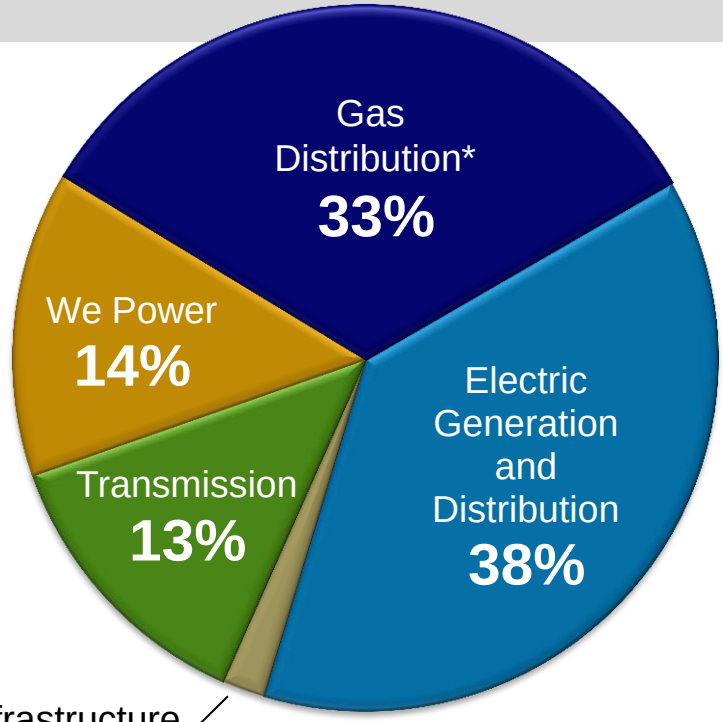
Average Asset Base
12/31/2019

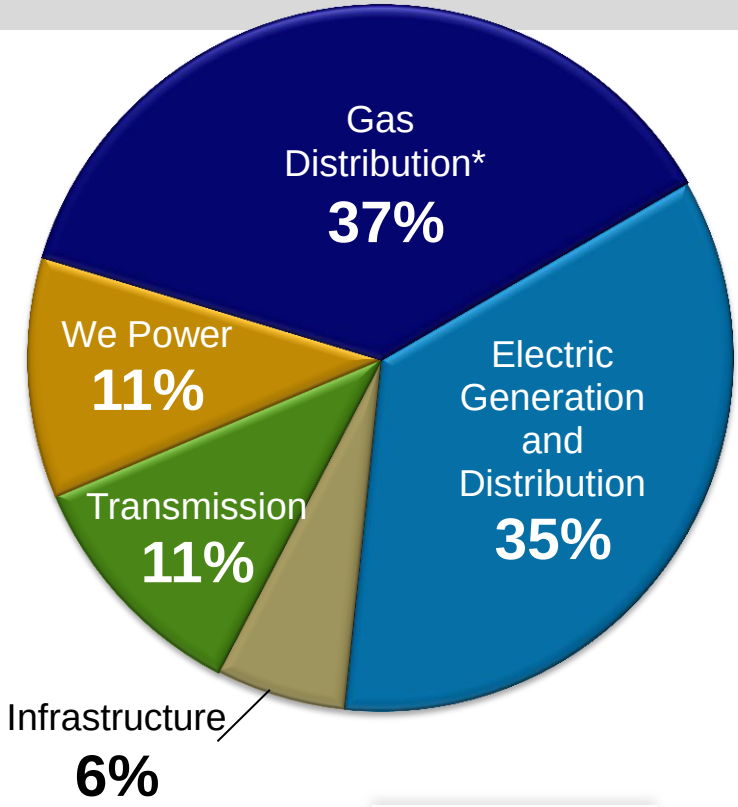
$21.4 billion

7%
Growth

Projected Asset Base
12/31/2024

$30.2 billion





* Includes Bluewater Gas Storage

New Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) Facilities

Taking steps to maintain reliable and affordable service for our customers

These LNG facilities provide a solution for Southeastern Wisconsin to meet peak customer demand on the coldest days of the year



- We Energies is seeking approval for two LNG facilities to address the need for additional natural gas supply in Wisconsin
- Total expected investment: $370 million
- If approved, construction is expected to begin summer of 2021
- Targeted in-service date: Late 2023

Investing in Zero-Carbon Generation



- Solar generation technology has improved in efficiency, become more cost-effective and complements our summer demand curve.
- Wisconsin Electric, Wisconsin Public Service and Madison Gas & Electric are partnering on major solar initiatives.
- In addition, Wisconsin Electric is moving forward on two innovative renewable pilot programs for 185 MW of carbon-free generation.

Project	Utility	Location	Investment	Capacity*	Timing
Two Creeks Solar Project	WPS	Two Rivers, WI	$130M	100MW	Targeted in-service: December, 2020
Badger Hollow Solar Park	WPS	Iowa County, WI	$130M	100MW	Targeted in-service: April, 2021
Badger Hollow II Solar Park	WE	Iowa County, WI	$130M	100MW	Received PSCW Approval 2/21/20

*Madison Gas & Electric will own an additional 50 MW at each site

Regional Economy



Powering Industry Leaders in our Region

FOXCONN®

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Milwaukee®

ULINE

amazon

FINCANTIERI
MARINETTE MARINE

Kroger

FRESENIUS
KABI
caring for life

MOLSON Coors

NEXUS

KOMATSU

Wisconsin Segment

Longer-Term Sales Forecast Benefits from Regional Economic Growth



Sales Growth Forecast

(weather-normalized)

Year-over-Year

	2022 - 2024
Electric	1.2% - 1.5%
Gas	1.2% - 1.5%



Key Takeaways for WEC Energy Group

- Track record of exceptional performance
- Portfolio of premium businesses
- Investment opportunities support 5-7% EPS growth with minimal impact on base rates
- 100% of capital allocated to regulated businesses or contracted renewables/gas storage
- Dividend growth projected to be in line with earnings growth
- No need to issue additional equity through forecast period
- Poised to deliver among the best risk-adjusted returns in the industry

Appendix

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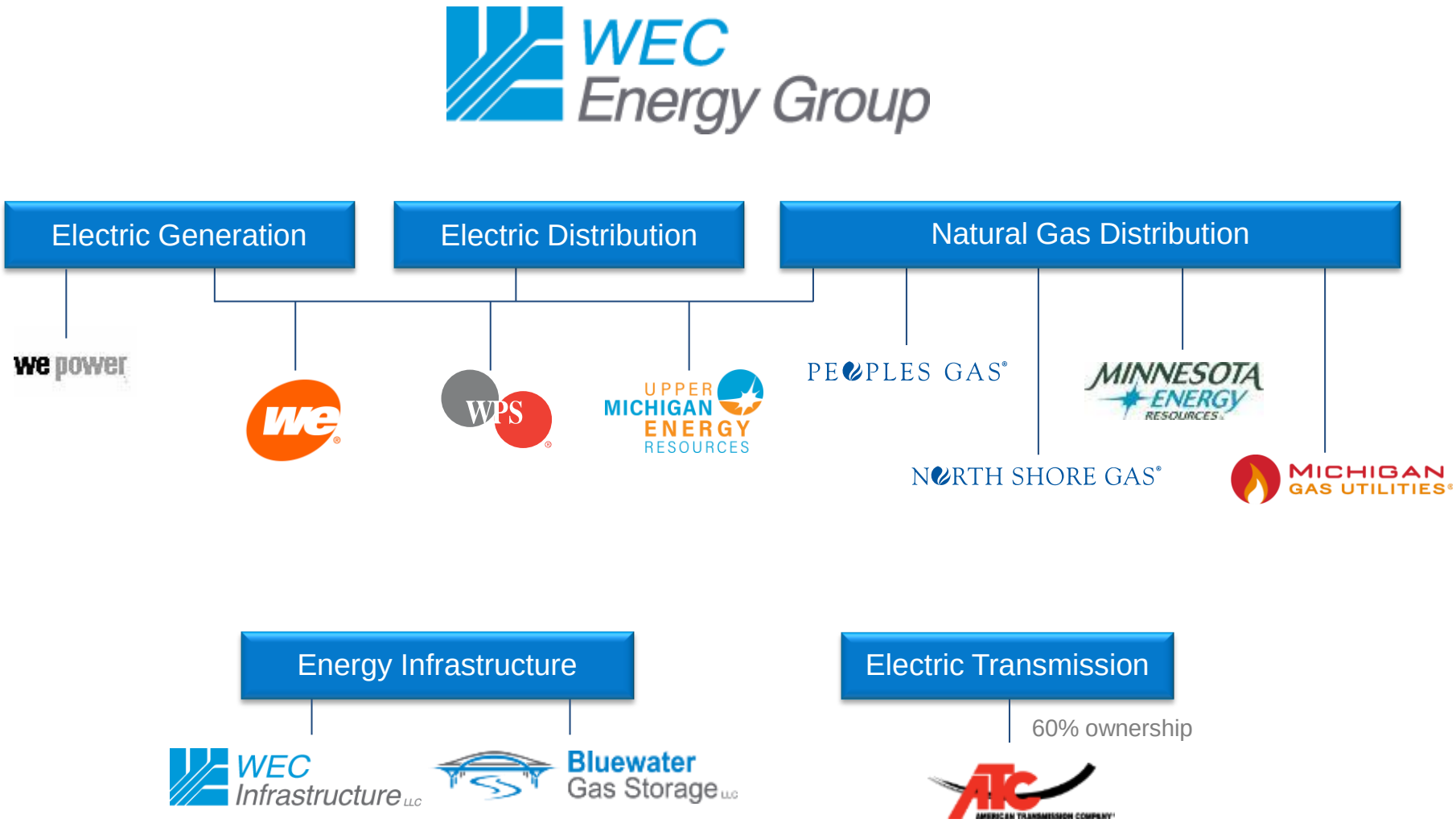
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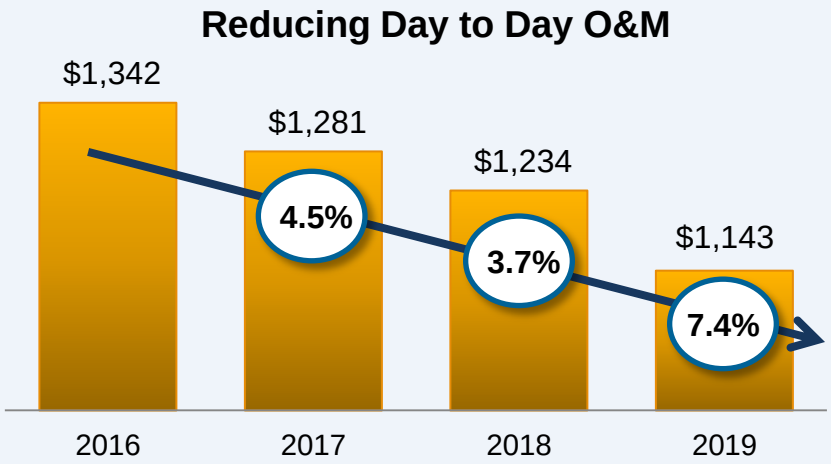
UPPER MICHIGAN ENERGY RESOURCES
PEOPLES GAS
MINNESOTA ENERGY RESOURCES
NORTH SHORE GAS
MICHIGAN GAS UTILITIES
Energy Infrastructure
Electric Transmission
WEC Infrastructure LLC
Bluewater Gas Storage LLC
60% ownership
ATC
AMERICAN TRANSMISSION COMPANY

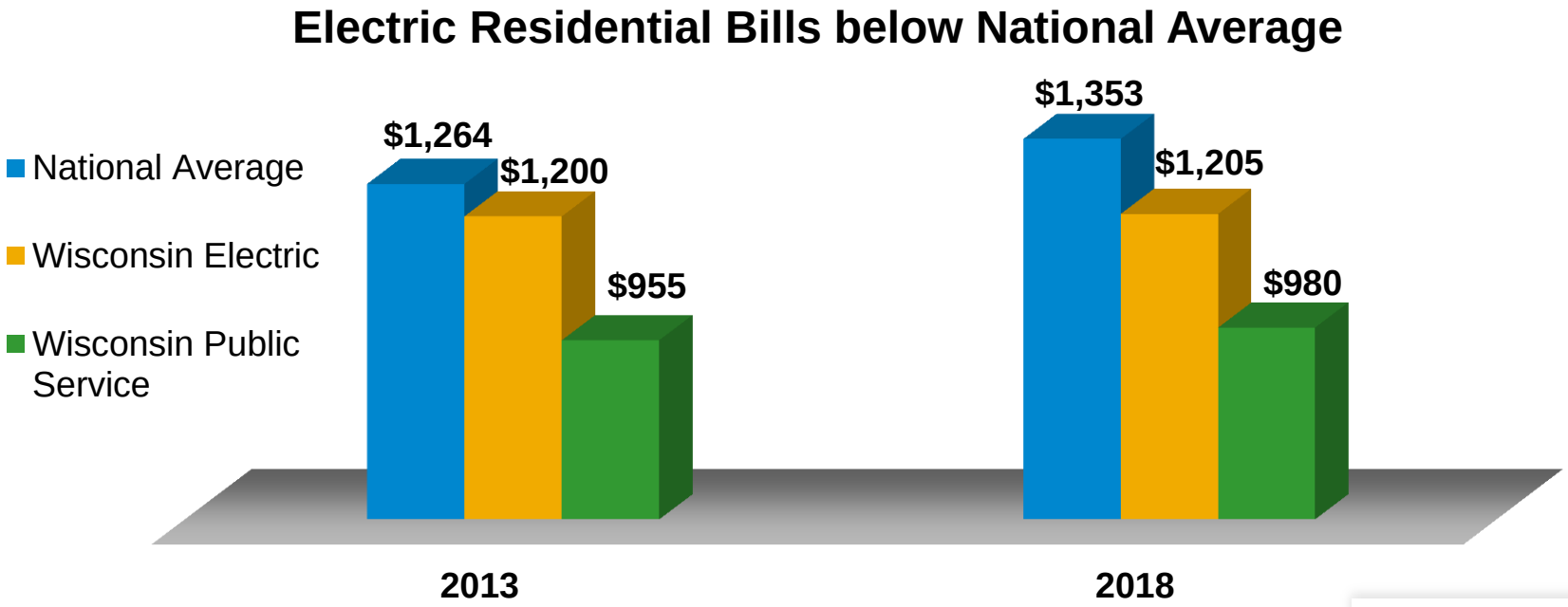
Environmental, Social & Governance Focus

Carbon Goal	In 2019, met and exceeded our 2030 goal of reducing carbon dioxide emissions by **40%** below 2005 levels. Given our progress, we are re-evaluating our longer-term carbon reduction goals.
Methane Reduction Goal	Reduce the rate of methane emissions by 30% per mile from a 2011 baseline by 2030
15.7 million metric tons	Amount of combustion products for beneficial use provided over the past 19 years
$0.9 billion	Planned utility renewable investments between 2020-2024
$1.8 billion	Planned investment in contracted energy infrastructure between 2020-2024
$20 million	Donated by our companies and foundations to nonprofit organizations in 2019
42% diversity	Board of directors who are diverse based on gender and/or race
$282.6 million	Spent with certified minority-, women-, service disabled- and veteran-owned businesses in 2019
$124.4 million	Spent on energy efficiency and conservation in 2019

Focused on Efficiency

- Competitive excellence
- Productivity through technology
- Generation reshaping
- Delivering the future





Source: SNL data for average annual residential bills

Infrastructure Investment

Blooming Grove Wind Farm

94 GE wind turbines with a capacity of ~250MW



- Under development by Invenergy and located in McLean County, Illinois
- Expected total investment: $389 million for a 90% ownership interest
- Expected returns are higher than those in our regulated business
  - Approximately mid-8% unlevered internal rate of return
- Expected to qualify for 100% bonus depreciation and production tax credits
- 12-year offtake agreements with Verizon and Saint-Gobain North America for 100% of the energy produced
- Projected in service date: End of 2020

Infrastructure Investment

Thunderhead Wind Energy Center

108 GE wind turbines with a capacity of ~300MW

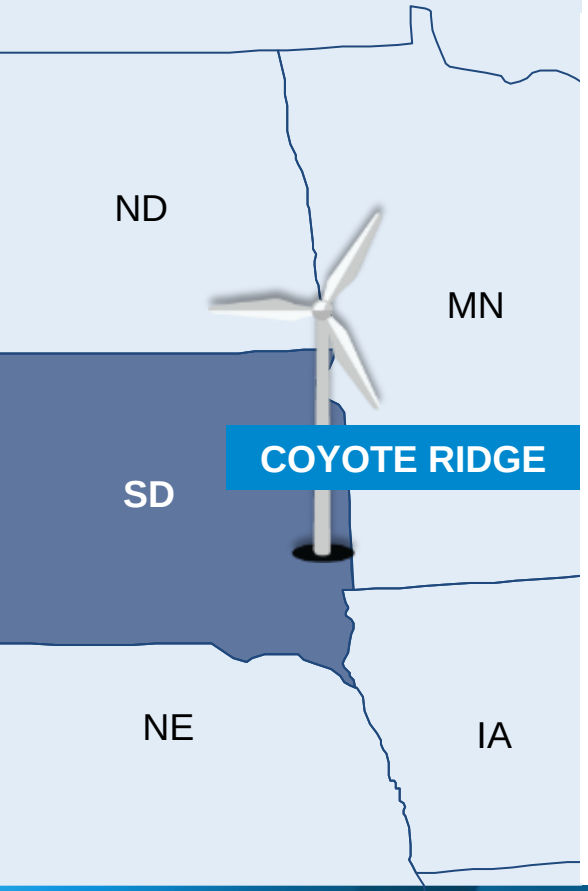


- Under development by Invenergy and located in Antelope and Wheeler Counties, Nebraska
- Expected total investment: $381 million for a 90% ownership interest
- Expected returns are higher than those in our regulated business
  - Approximately mid-8% unlevered internal rate of return
- Expected to qualify for 100% bonus depreciation and production tax credits
- 12-year offtake agreement with AT&T for 100% of the energy produced
- Projected in service date: End of 2020

Infrastructure Investment

Coyote Ridge Wind Farm

39 GE wind turbines with a capacity of ~97 MW



- Built by Avangrid Renewables in Brookings County, South Dakota, within MISO footprint
- Total investment: $145 million for an 80% ownership interest and substantially all of the tax benefits
- Expected returns are higher than those in our regulated business
  - Approximately mid-8% unlevered internal rate of return
- Expected to qualify for 100% bonus depreciation and production tax credits
- 12-year offtake agreement with Google Energy LLC for 100% of the energy produced
- Commercial operation was achieved on December 20, 2019

Infrastructure Investment

Upstream Wind Energy Center

81 GE wind turbines with a capacity of ~200 MW



- Built by Invenergy and located in Antelope County, Nebraska
- Total Investment: $307 million for a 90% ownership interest
- Expected to provide returns that are higher than those in our regulated business
  - Approximately mid-8% unlevered internal rate of return
- Qualifies for 100% bonus depreciation and production tax credits
- 10-year offtake agreement with affiliate of an A-rated publicly traded company (Allianz)
- Acquisition of the initial 80% interest closed on January 10, 2019
- Incremental 10% ownership interest closed on April 8, 2020

Infrastructure Investment

Bishop Hill III Wind Energy Center

53 GE wind turbines with a capacity of ~132 MW



- Developed by Invenergy and placed into service in May 2018
- Located in Henry County, Illinois
- Total investment: $166 million for a 90% ownership interest
- Expected to provide returns that are higher than those in our regulated business
  - Approximately mid-8% unlevered internal rate of return
- Expected to qualify for 100% bonus depreciation and production tax credits
- 22-year offtake agreement with a current wholesale customer, WPPI Energy
- Acquisition of the initial 80% interest closed on August 31, 2018
- Incremental 10% ownership interest closed on December 5, 2018

“Delivering” the Future

Project Highlights



Electric Redesign/ Resilience

- Major investments planned to address aging infrastructure
- Expect to spend $2.8 billion over the next 5 years on electric delivery
- Committed to delivering the future with infrastructure that will enhance efficiencies and reduce operating costs
- Installing 2,200 miles of underground circuits to replace troublesome overhead lines, and adding distribution automation equipment through our System Modernization and Reliability Project at WPS



Natural Gas System Modernization

Illinois

- Modernizing Chicago’s natural gas infrastructure with expected replacement of 2,000 miles of piping for safety and reliability
- Project $280-300 million annual average investment
- Illinois law authorizes rider through 2023

Wisconsin

- Increasing quantity and reliability of natural gas service in Southeastern Wisconsin



Technology Enhancements

- Advanced metering program uses integrated system of smart meters to enable two-way communication between utilities and customers
- Upgrading We Energies customer information system
- Project to spend ~ $1.2 billion (2020 – 2024) across our service territory

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

1. 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.

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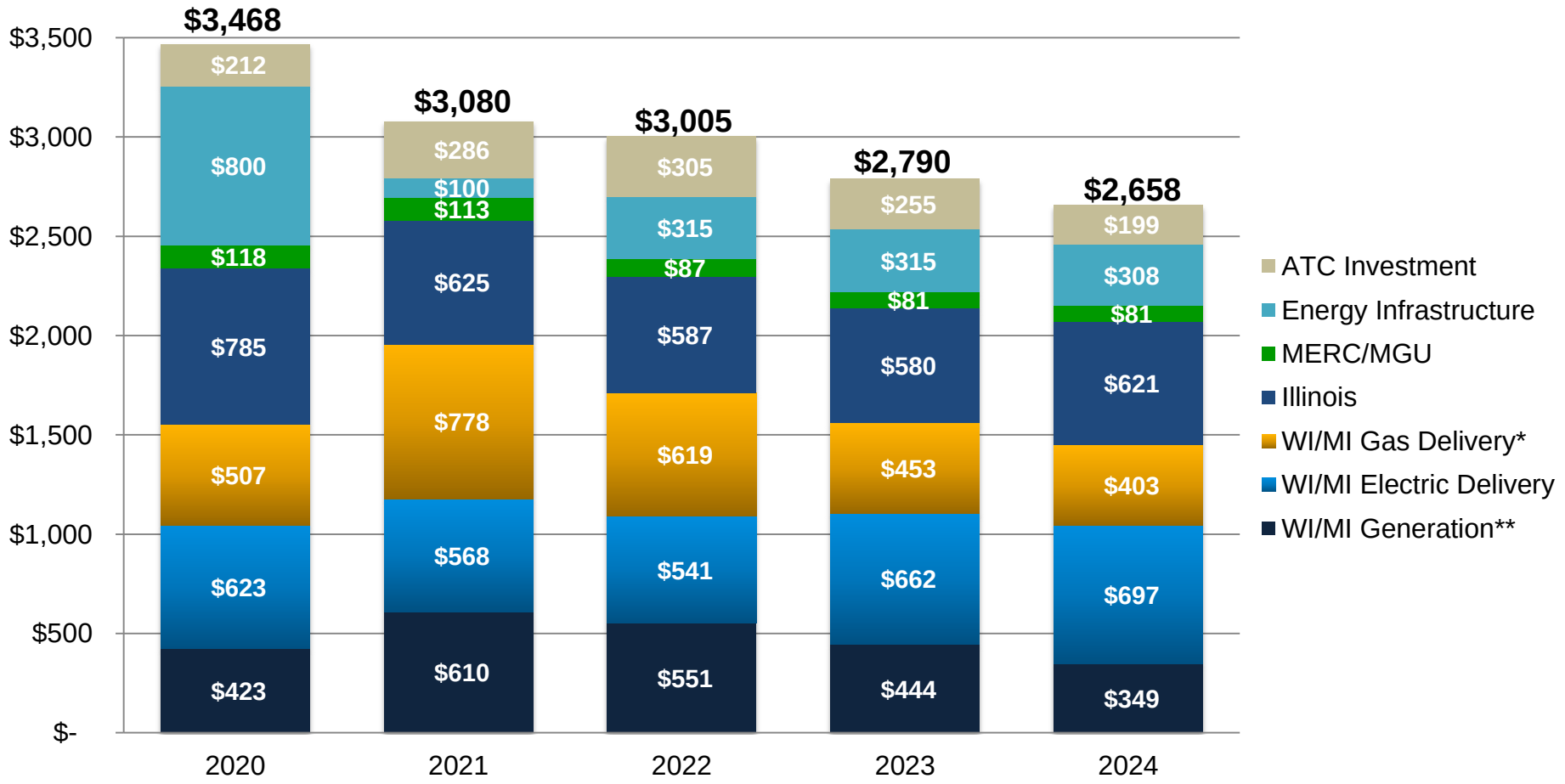
$15.0 billion projected capital spend from 2020-2024

Capital Plan Drives 5% to 7% EPS Growth



Depreciation at the utilities expected to average $1 billion annually, and $127 million at ATC, over the 2020-2024 period

* Gas Delivery includes capital spend at Bluewater
** Generation includes capital spend at We Power

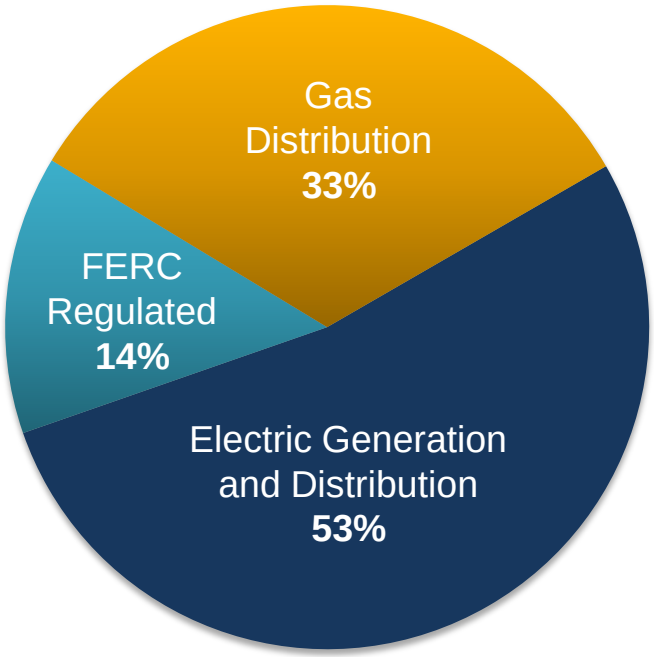
By Company

Capital Plan Projections *($ in millions)*

	2020	2021	2022
Wisconsin Electric	$701.9	$1,189.5	$926.7
Wisconsin Gas	184.8	267.7	268.2
Wisconsin Public Service	579.3	405.1	409.1
Upper Michigan Energy Corp	16.0	18.8	26.5
Wisconsin Segment	**1,482.0**	**1,881.1**	**1,630.5**
Peoples Gas	721.0	563.4	523.4
North Shore Gas	58.0	56.0	63.3
Illinois Segment	**779.0**	**619.4**	**586.7**
Minnesota Energy Resources Corp	73.0	56.6	50.4
Michigan Gas Utilities	44.4	55.0	37.0
Other States Segment	**117.4**	**111.6**	**87.4**
WE Power	25.4	40.9	75.8
Infrastructure Investments	827.1	118.8	317.2
Nonutility Energy Infrastructure	**852.5**	**159.7**	**393.0**
Corporate and Other	**24.6**	**22.7**	**2.7**
Total	**$3,255.5**	**$2,794.5**	**$2,700.3**

Diverse Portfolio of Regulated Businesses

By Business



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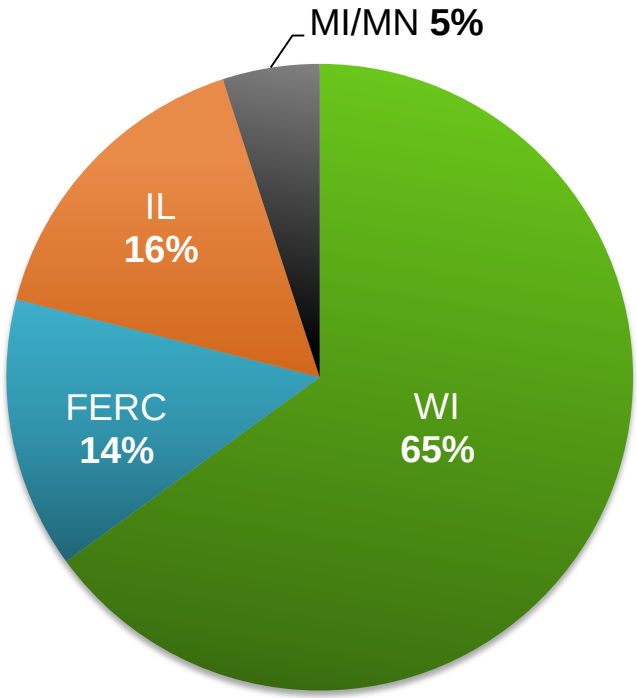


Based on 2019 average asset base.
Excludes wind investments in our Energy Infrastructure segment

Composition of Asset Base

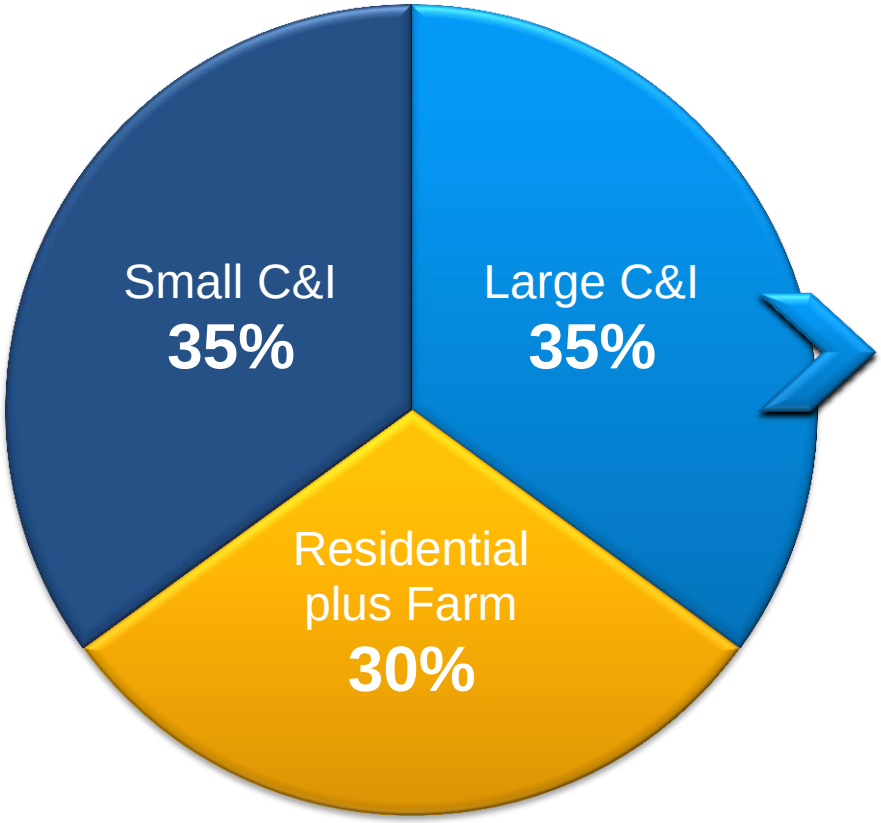
Total 2019 Average Asset Base of $21.4 billion

Company	Asset Base - $B	% of Total
Wisconsin Electric	$6.3	29.4%
Wisconsin Gas	1.5	7.0
Wisconsin Public Service	3.4	15.9
Upper Michigan Energy Resources	0.4	1.9
Peoples Gas	3.0	14.0
North Shore Gas	0.3	1.4
Minnesota Energy Resources	0.3	1.4
Michigan Gas Utilities	0.3	1.4
We Power	3.0	14.0
Bluewater	0.2	1.0
WEC Infrastructure	0.4	1.9
American Transmission Company	2.3	10.7
Total	**$21.4**	**100%**

Note: We Power value represents investment book value

Balanced Sales Mix

2019 Retail MWh Deliveries Mix*



35% Large C&I by Segment	
Paper	23%
Foundry (SIC 33)	11%
Mining/Minerals	11%
Food/Agriculture	9%
Other Manufacturing	8%
Metal (SIC 34,35,37)	7%
Medical	5%
Education	4%
Chemical	4%
Printing	3%
Office	2%
Other	13%

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

Foxconn in Wisconsin

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

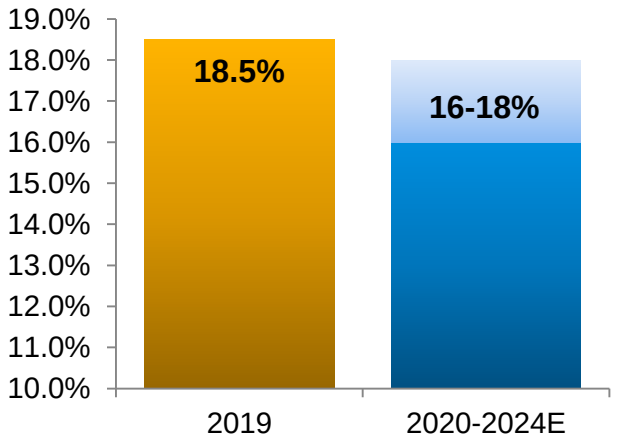


- Expected capital investment by Foxconn of **$10 billion** dollars
- Goal of creating **13,000 jobs**, and an estimated **22,000 indirect jobs** created throughout Wisconsin
- Largest greenfield investment by a foreign-based company in U.S. history as measured by jobs
- One of the largest manufacturing campuses in the world
- Significant construction is underway
- North American headquarters in Milwaukee, and innovation centers in Green Bay, Eau Claire and Racine
- Operations expected to begin in 2020, ramping up through 2023

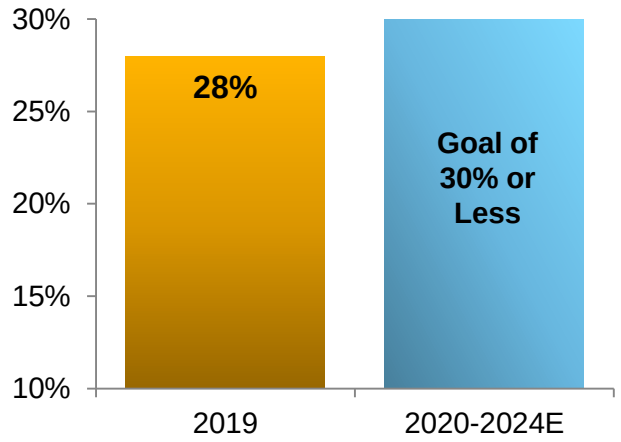
Source: inWisconsin.com

Balance Sheet Remains Strong

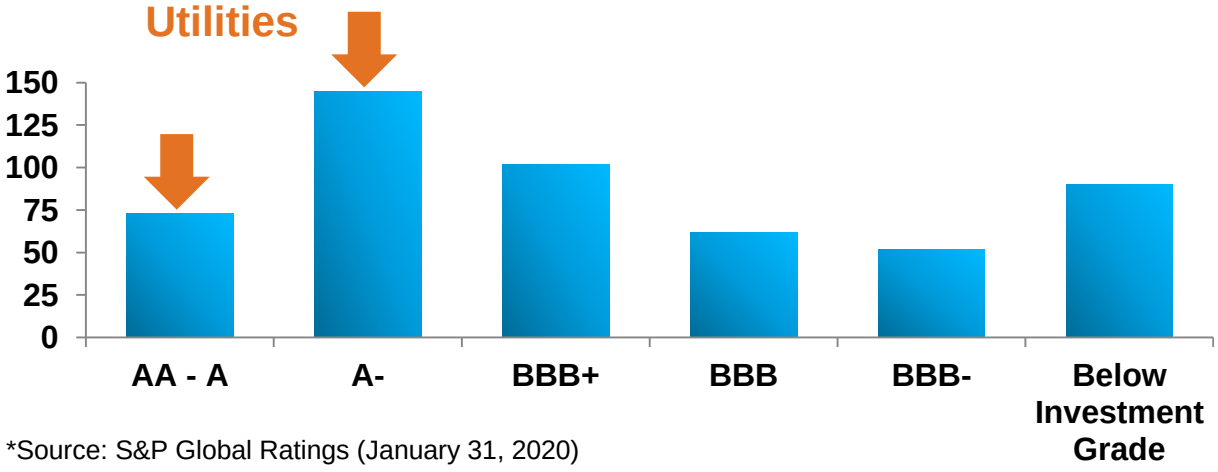
Funds from Operations/Debt



Holding Company Debt to Total Debt



Electric and Gas Utilities Credit Ratings Distribution*



Utility	Rating
Wisconsin Electric	A-
Wisconsin Gas	A
Wisconsin Public Service	A-
Peoples Gas	A-

*Source: S&P Global Ratings (January 31, 2020)

Rate-Making Parameters by Company

Utility	Equity Layer [1]	Authorized ROE
Wisconsin Electric	50.0%-55.0%	10.0%
Wisconsin Public Service	50.0%-55.0%	10.0%
Wisconsin Gas	50.0%-55.0%	10.2%
Peoples Gas	50.33%	9.05%
North Shore Gas	50.48%	9.05%
Minnesota Energy Resources	50.9%	9.7%
Michigan Gas Utilities	52%	9.9%
We Power	53%-55%	12.7%
American Transmission Company	50%	10.52%[2]

- Constructive regulatory environments
- Earnings sharing mechanism at all Wisconsin utilities

[1] Represents the equity component of capital; rates are set at the midpoint of any range
[2] Raised from 10.38% pursuant to FERC decision on May 21, 2020

Electric and Gas Rate Case Settlements

We Energies & Wisconsin Public Service

- PSCW approved the rate settlements in a final written order on December 19
- Authorized return on equity:
  - Wisconsin Electric – 10.0%
  - Wisconsin Gas – 10.2%
  - Wisconsin Public Service – 10.0%
- Capital structure equity component at all three utilities: 50.0% – 55.0%
  - Rates set using 52.5%
- Updated earnings sharing mechanism:

WE & WPS	WG	Treatment
10.00% – 10.25%	10.20% – 10.45%	No sharing
10.25% – 10.75%	10.45% – 10.95%	50/50 sharing
>10.75%	>10.95%	100% customer

- Wisconsin Electric will seek a financing order to securitize $100 million of the remaining book balance of the Pleasant Prairie Power Plant
- New rates were effective January 1, 2020

Key Rate Making Components

Area	Illinois–Gas	Minnesota–Gas	Michigan–Electric & Gas	Wisconsin–Gas	Wisconsin–Electric
Gas Pipeline Replacement Rider	PGL				
Bad Debt Rider	✓				
Bad Debt Escrow Accounting				Residential	Residential
Decoupling	✓	✓			
Fuel Cost Recovery	1 for 1 recovery of prudent fuel costs				+/- 2% band
Manufactured Gas Plant Site Clean Up Recovery	✓	✓	✓	✓	N/A
Invested Capital Tax Rider	✓				
Forward-looking test years	✓	✓	✓	2 years	2 years
Gas Utility Infrastructure Cost Rider Surcharge		✓			
Earnings sharing				No sharing on first 25 bp above allowed ROE, 50/50 on next 50bp, 100% to customers beyond 75 bp	

Regulatory Environment

Wisconsin

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

Illinois

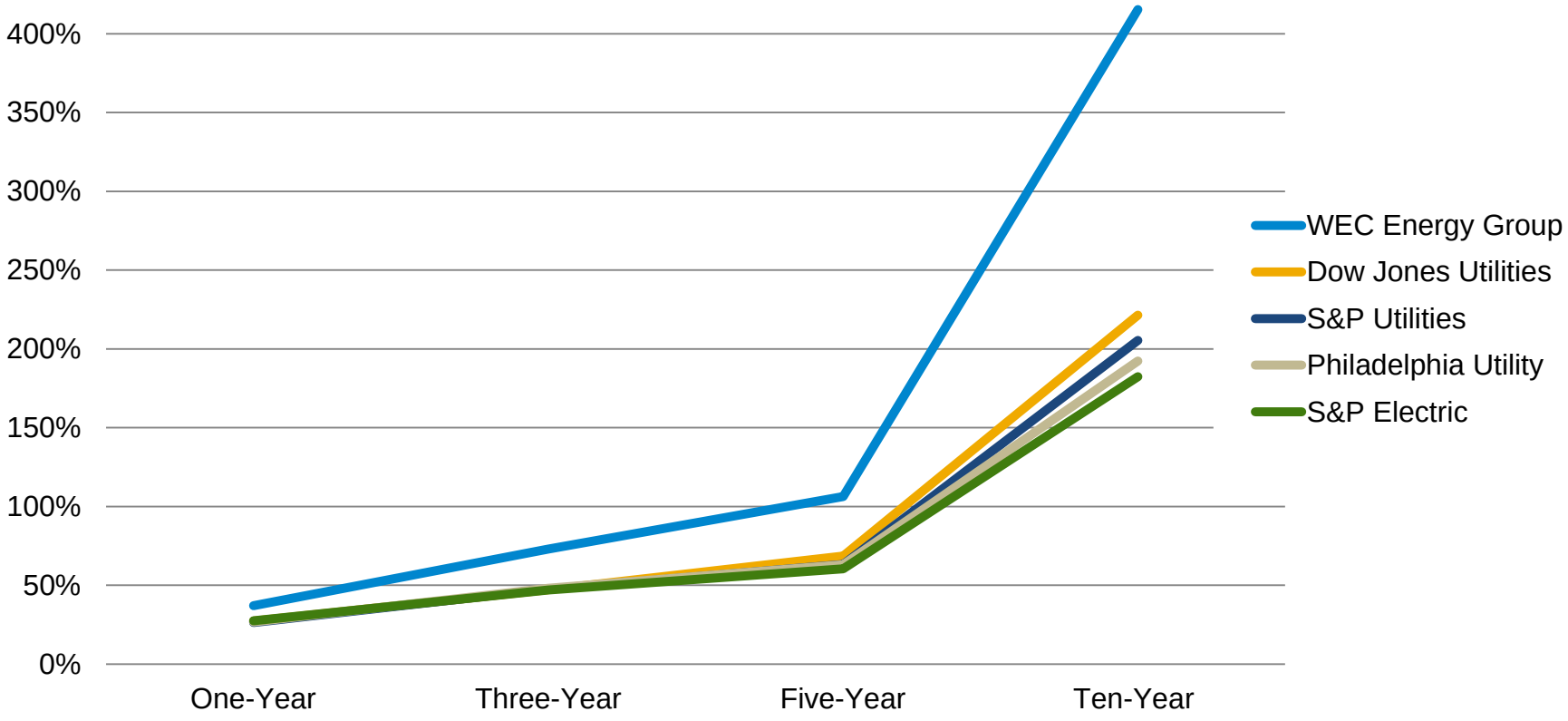
- Governor J.B. Pritzker (D)
- Commission
  - Gubernatorial appointment, Senate confirmation
  - Chairman: Gubernatorial appointment
  - 5-year staggered terms

Wisconsin Commissioners			
Name	**Party**	**Began Serving**	**Term Ends**
Rebecca Valcq *Chair*	D	01/2019	03/2025
Ellen Nowak	R	12/2018	03/2023
Tyler Huebner	D	03/2020	03/2021

Illinois Commissioners			
Name	**Party**	**Began Serving**	**Term Ends**
Carrie Zalewski *Chair*	D	03/2019	01/2024
Sadzi Martha Oliva	R	01/2017	01/2022
D. Ethan Kimbrel	D	01/2018	01/2023
Maria Soledad Bocanegra	I	04/2019	01/2023
Michael Carrigan	D	01/2020	01/2025

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 periods ended December 31, 2019

Source: Bloomberg

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Reconciliation of Reported EPS (GAAP) to Adjusted EPS (Non-GAAP)

	2017	2016
Reported EPS – GAAP basis	$ 3.79	$ 2.96
Tax benefit related to Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017	$ (0.65)	–
Acquisition Costs	–	$ 0.01
Adjusted EPS – Non-GAAP basis*	$ 3.14	$ 2.97

* WEC Energy Group has provided adjusted earnings per share (non-GAAP earnings per share) as a complement to, and not as an alternative to, reported earnings per share presented in accordance with GAAP. Adjusted earnings per share exclude a one-time reduction in income tax expense related to a revaluation of our deferred taxes as a result of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017 as well as costs related to the acquisition of Integrys, neither of which is indicative of WEC Energy Group's operating performance. Therefore, WEC Energy Group believes that the presentation of adjusted earnings per share is relevant and useful to investors to understand the company's operating performance. Management uses such measures internally to evaluate the company's performance and manage its operations.