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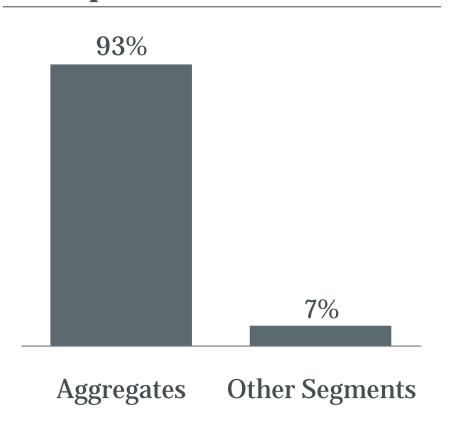
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Vulcan's aggregates focus



Gross profit (% of total)



The most basic of materials







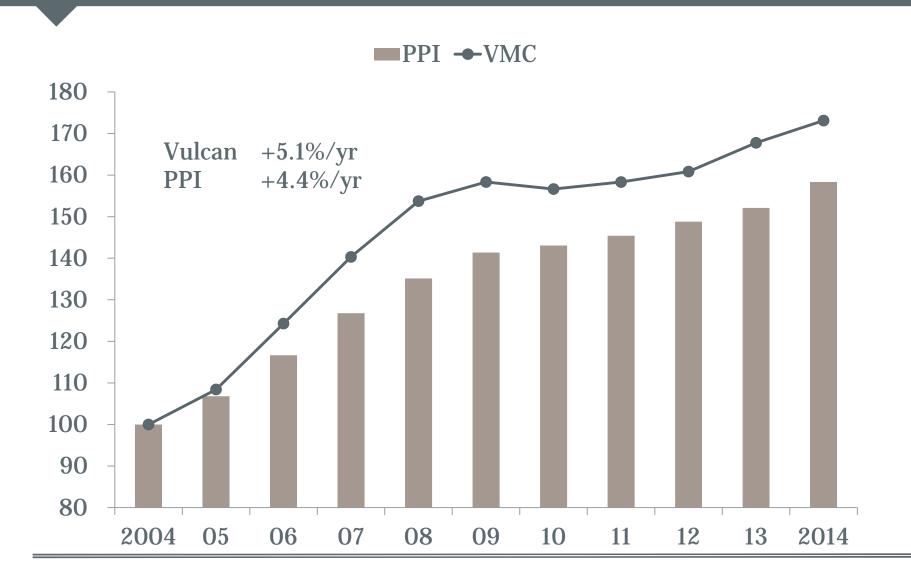






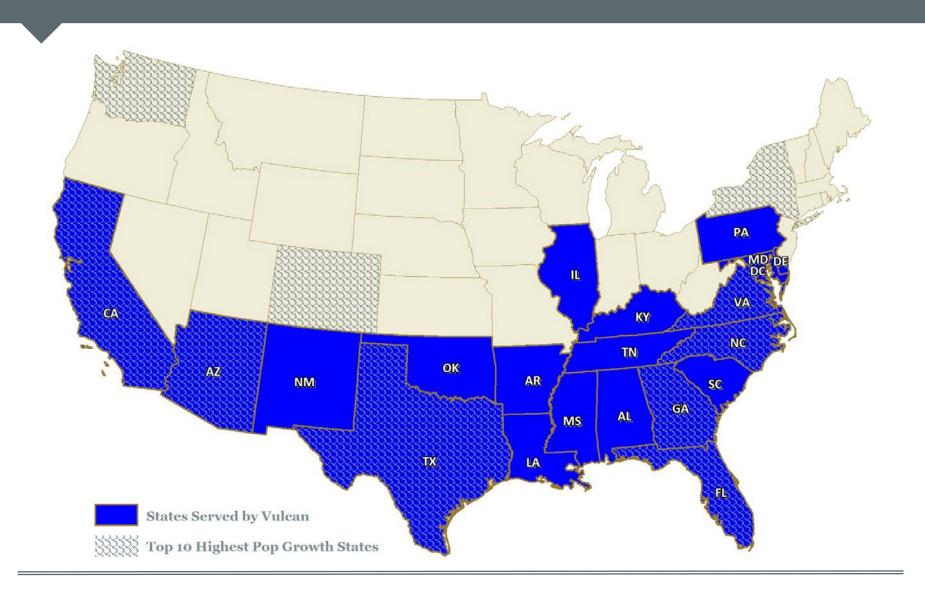
Long history of price increases





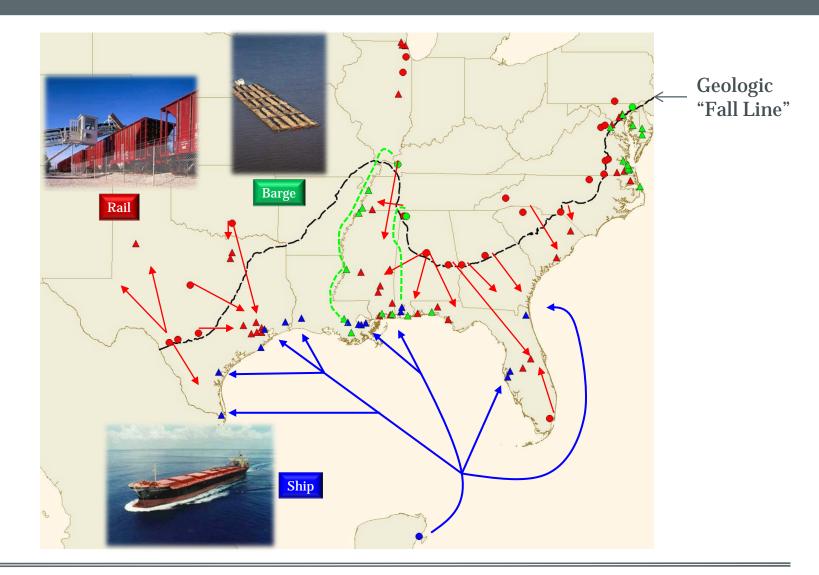
Vulcan's uniquely valuable asset base ...





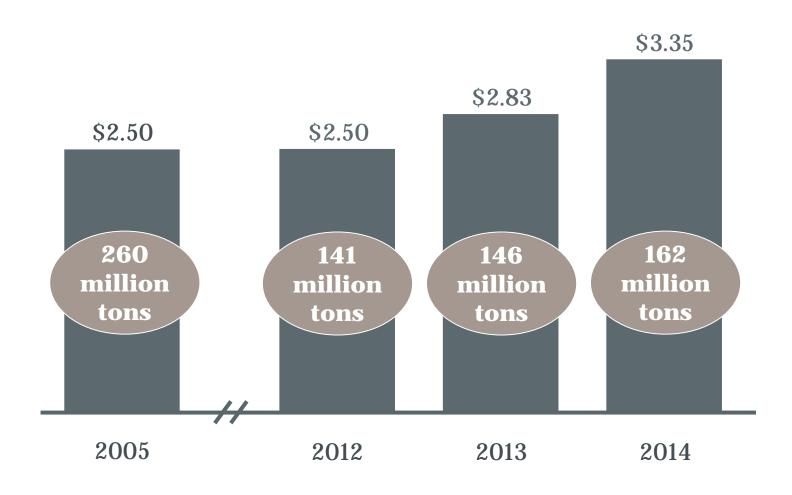
... and logistics network





Vulcan's aggregates gross profit per ton





Focus for remainder of this presentation



- 1 Unchanging values
- 2 The past as a challenge to the future
- 3 Earnings power at normal demand
- 4 Execution focus
- 5 Capital allocation and structure
- 6 Conclusion and Q&A





Unchanging values

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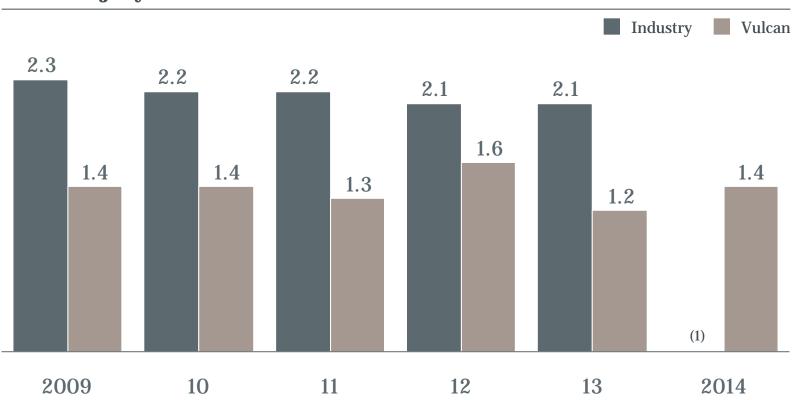


- ▶ Safety, health and environmental leadership
- ▶ Positive impact on the communities in which we operate
- ▶ Respect for our people
- ▶ Fair dealing with customers, suppliers and competitors

Safety



MSHA Injury rate



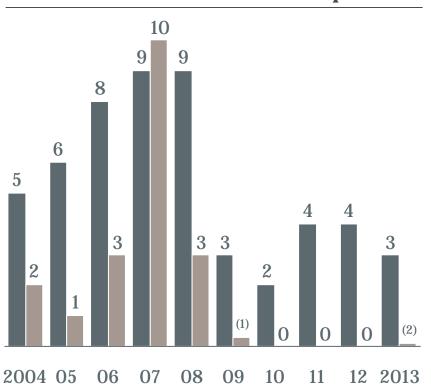
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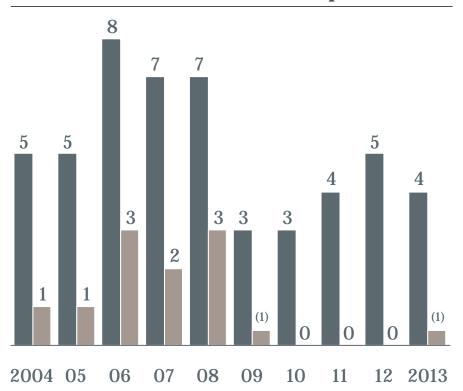




MSHA Noise % Overstandard Samples



MSHA Dust % Overstandard Samples



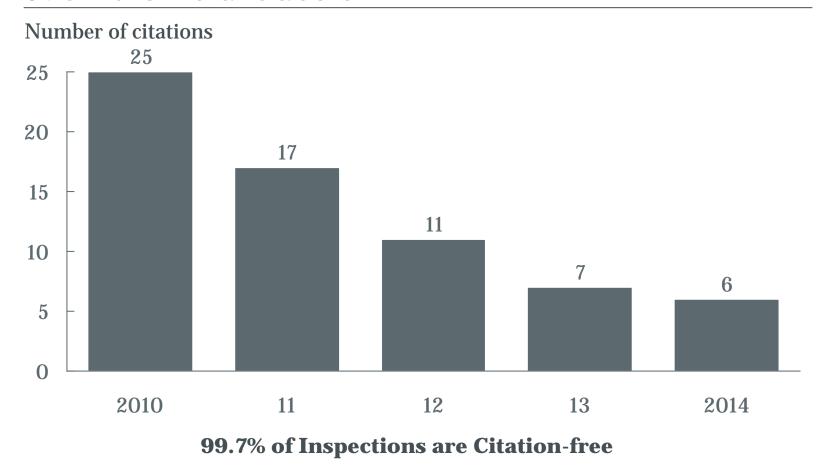
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2 = 0.1%

Environmental



VMC Environmental Citations





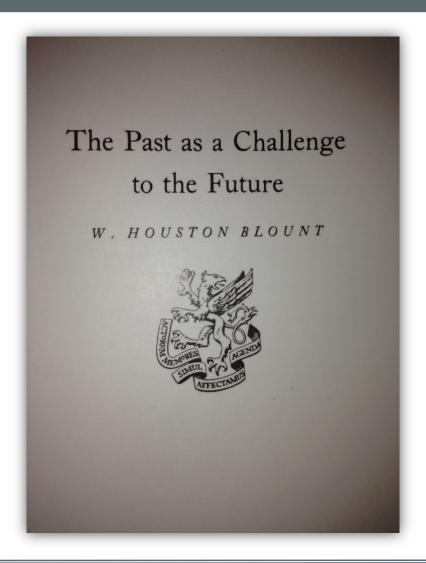




The past as a challenge to the future

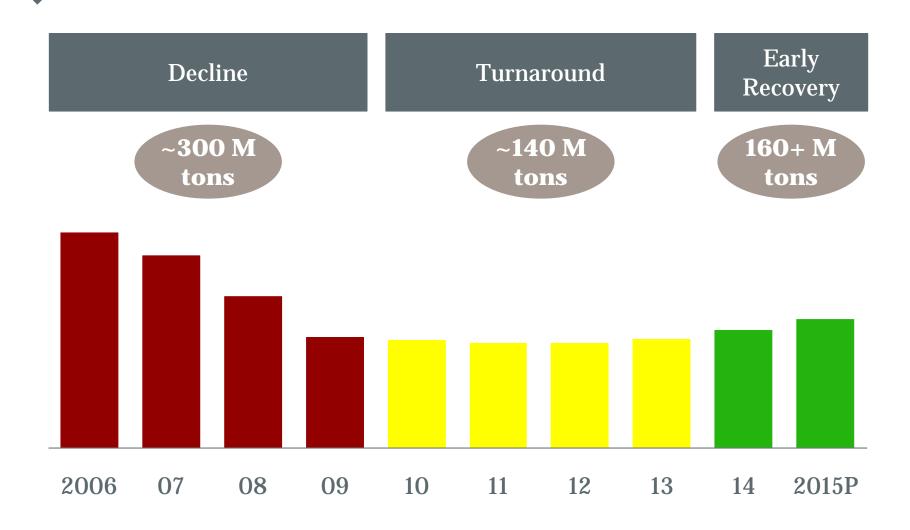
Looking back to look forward





Reflecting on where we've been





Decline stage: Volumes dropped by >50%





- Unprecedented drop in demand
- High-operating leverage and high financial leverage
- High overheads and ERP implementation
- Negative earnings
- Dividend reduced

Perspectives reinforced

- Match capital allocation and structure to point in cycle
- Maintain lean and flexible G&A structure
- Uphold pricing discipline and leadership

Turnaround stage: Volumes stabilized at historic lows



What happened

- ▶ EBITDA improved >\$100 million
- ▶ \$1 billion in non-core assets divested, including cement
- ▶ Debt reduced \$800 million
- Demand recovery finally began in 2nd half of '13

Perspectives reinforced

- ▶ Focus on what we can control
- ▶ Set bold targets; organize to meet them
- ▶ Challenge our own portfolio

Early recovery stage: Small step toward normal demand



What happened

- ▶ Adjusted EBITDA up \$131 million in 2014, on 16m tons growth in legacy aggregates shipments
- Gross profit per ton up 18 pct despite modest price growth
- Accretive bolt-on acquisitions and swaps
- New team inherits strong momentum

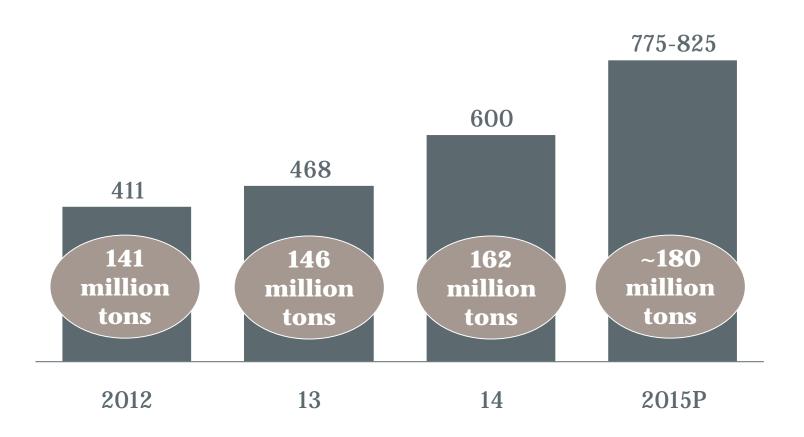
Perspectives reinforced

- ▶ Drive profit enhancement continuously; fully capitalize on recovery at whatever pace it comes
- Maintain flexibility for smart acquisitions at all points in cycle
- Leverage scale and focus of "One Vulcan"

Strong momentum with early recovery ...



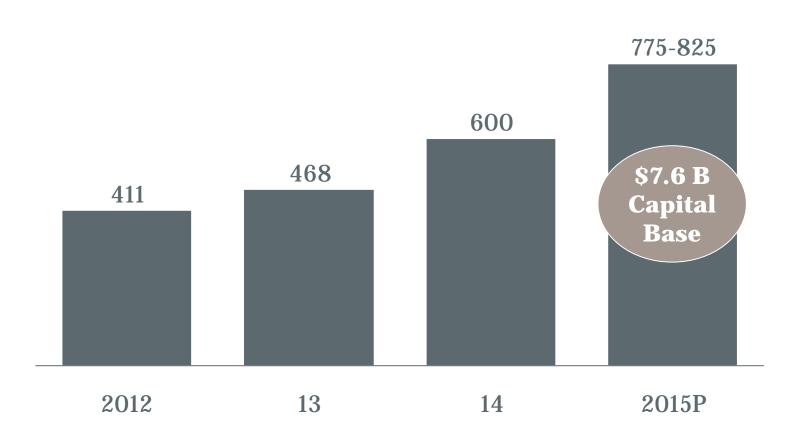
Adjusted EBITDA, \$M



... but still a ways to go



Adjusted EBITDA, \$M







Earnings power at normal demand

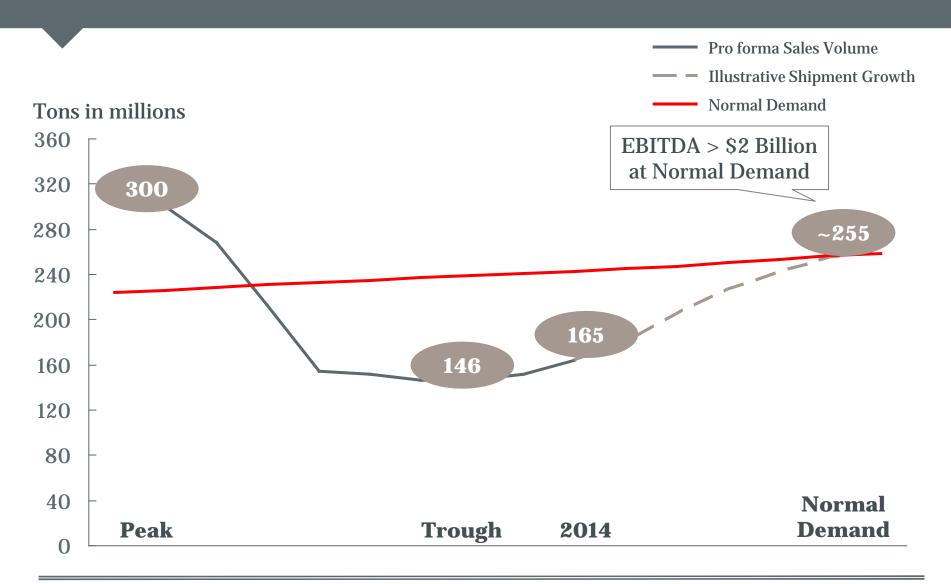
Important context for discussion of earnings power at normal demand



- ▶ The figures in this section reflect Vulcan's current long-range goals
- ▶ Actual future results will depend on many factors, including the ultimate pace of recovery in demand for construction aggregates
- ▶ The company believes a full recovery in aggregates demand may take several years
- ▶ The company is not laying out a specific timetable for recovery to normal demand

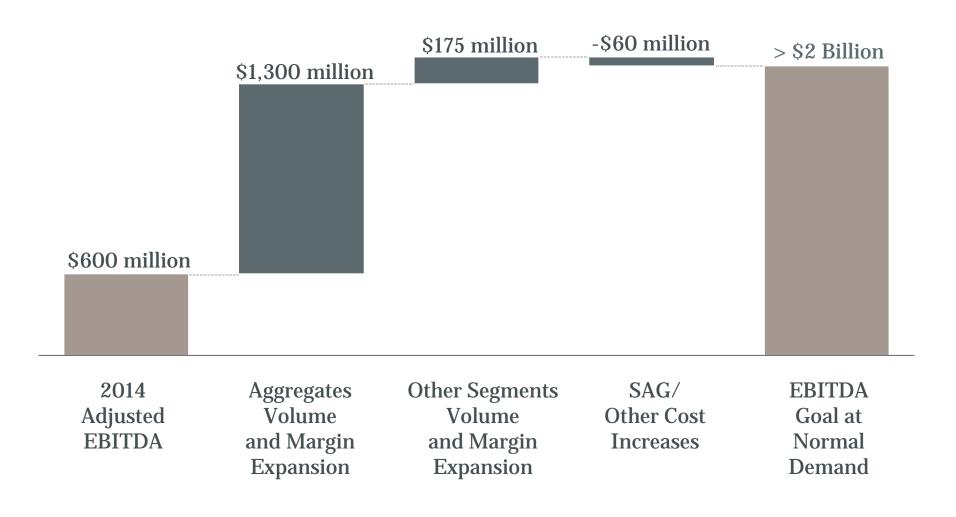
Vulcan in the recovery phase





Illustrative drivers of EBITDA growth during recovery





Aggregates volume drivers during recovery phase



2014

165 million tons¹



Demand Recovery

~ 60 million tons



Share Recovery

~ 30 million tons

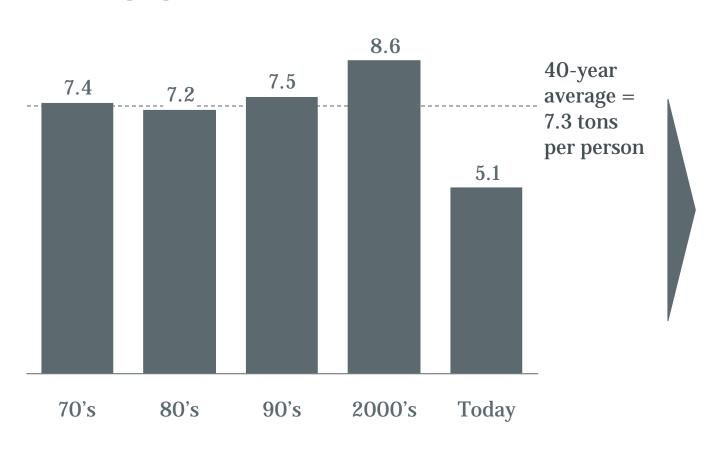
Expected Shipments at Normal Demand

~255 million tons

Historic per capita demand for aggregates in Vulcan-served markets



Total tons per person



- ▶ 31% below 40year average
- ➤ 40% below prior decade
- ▶ High single digit growth required for ~5 years to get to normal levels
- ► Multiple years of recovery ahead

What is normal demand?



Private Demand

- ▶ 1.4 million housing starts, versus 45-year trend of 1.45 million starts
- ▶ 1.2 billion square feet of annual non-residential construction, versus 45-year average of 1.3 billion

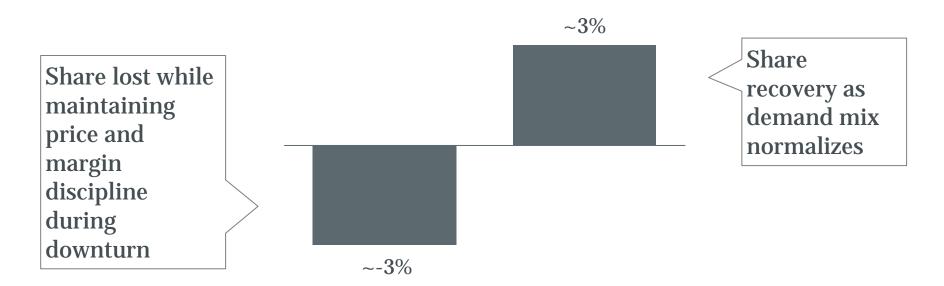
Public Demand

- Mid-single digit growth in public highway funding (local, state and federal)
- Continued modest growth in infrastructure spending driven by state and local tax revenue

Expectation does not assume the next cyclical peak in private construction Expectation does not assume new, extraordinary commitments to investing in the nation's infrastructure

Share recovery expectation consistent with past cycles

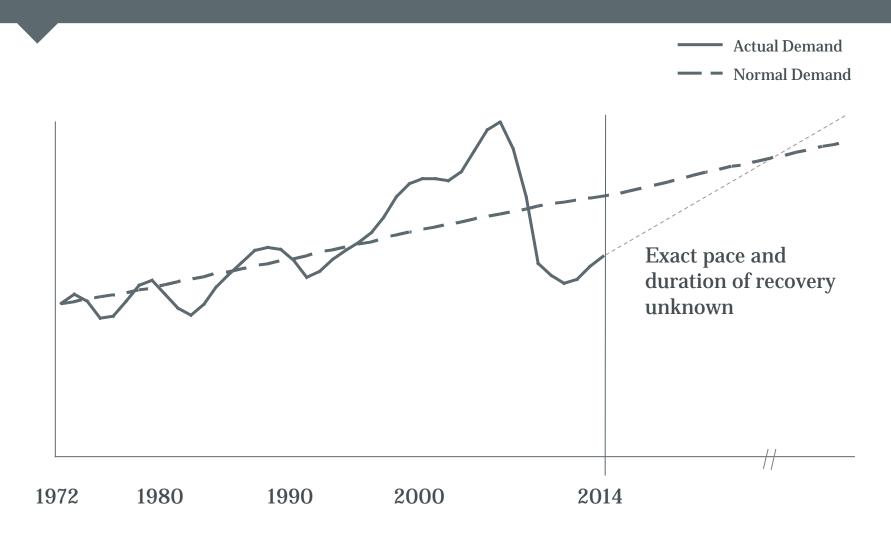




Expectation: share gained in recovery phase will match share lost during downturn

Longer-term view of the aggregates demand cycle





Potential unit profit improvement through the recovery







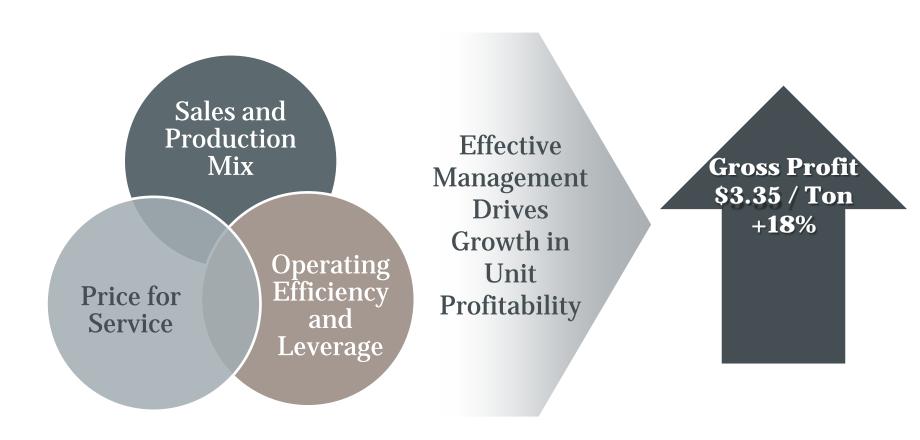
- **▶** Consistent with fair returns on capital
- **▶** Consistent with ~ 60% flowthrough on incremental revenue

Volume

Drivers of aggregates gross profit expansion



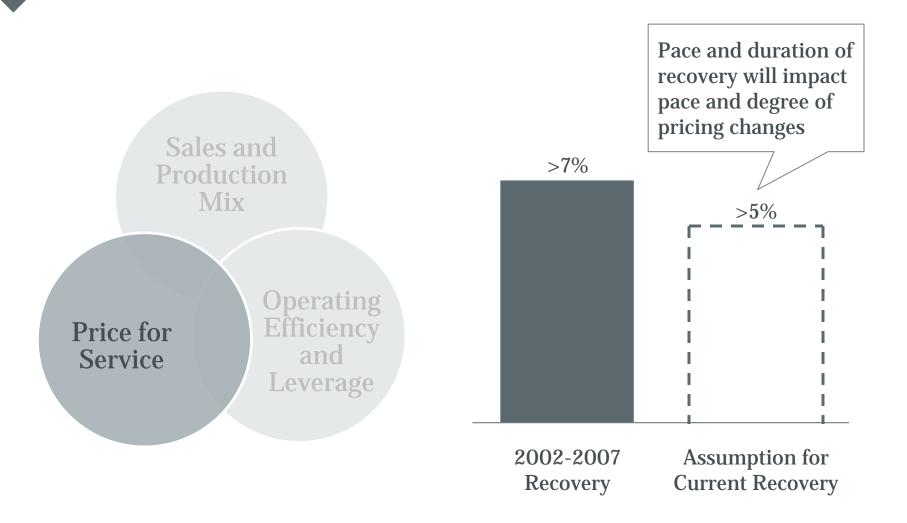
2014 Year-over-Year Improvement



Recovery serves as a tailwind for all 3 drivers

Price for service





Operating efficiency and leverage





- ▶ Variable costs benefit from:
 - Return to more normal production schedules
 - Continued inventory management and production planning discipline
- ▶ Fixed cost leverage continues through recovery phase

Sales and product mix



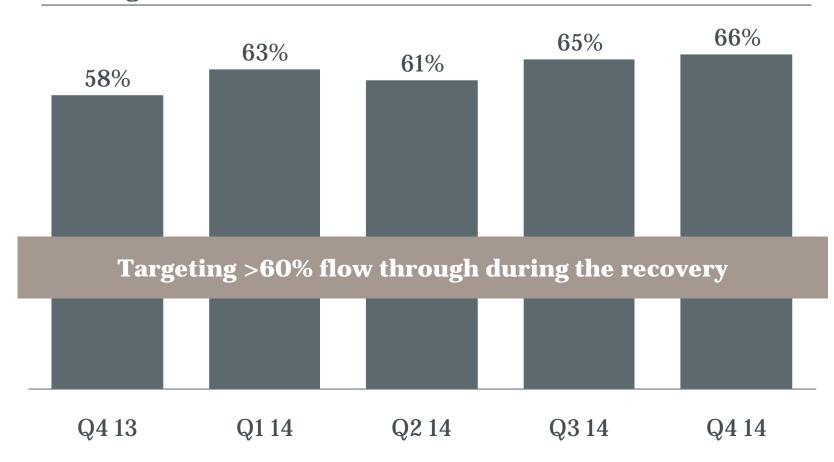


- ▶ Recovery to normal more profitable product mix
- ▶ Improved balance between market demand and plant yields
- Greater portion of new construction
- ▶ Growth weighted toward more profitable geographies

Gross profit flow through on incremental aggregates revenue



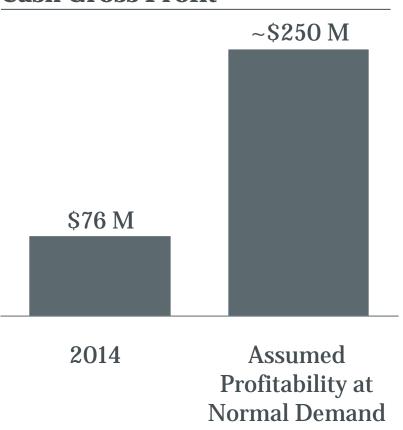
Trailing 12 months



Other segments



Cash Gross Profit



- ► Impact of recent acquisitions, divestitures and swaps
- Recovery in volumes
- Recovery in material margins

SAG leverage



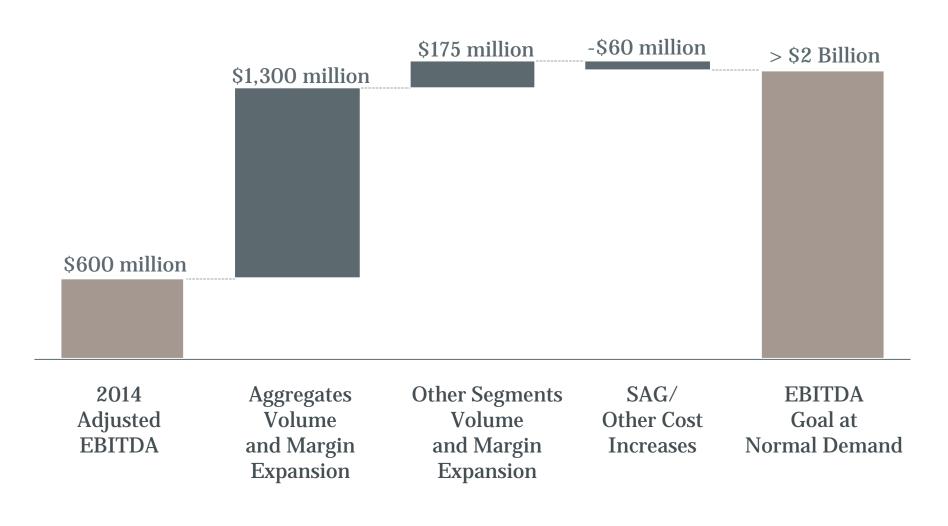
Percent of revenues



- ▶ Leverage to sales growth
- ► Further productivity gains

Recap: Drivers of EBITDA growth during recovery





Past and expected return on capital deployed



	2006	2015	Expectation at Normal Demand
EBITDA (\$ millions)	894	775-825	2,000
Capital base (\$ billions)	3.0	7.6	~8.0
EBITDA Return on Capital	30%	~10%	~25%



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Execution focus



"What is the quality of your earnings ... what are you doing to improve?"

5 core disciplines we focus on every day





Sales and marketing excellence

Grow shipments and revenues faster than the market as a whole



Operational excellence

Achieve 60% flow through of incremental aggregates revenue



SAG productivity

Drive SAG expenses to 6% of sales



Capital productivity

Significantly increase capital turnover while enhancing the efficiency of our operations



Portfolio management

Improve both longer-term growth and returns on capital already in place



Sales and Marketing Excellence



What we are going to accomplish

Remain the market's supplier of choice...

... to grow shipments and revenue faster than the market ...

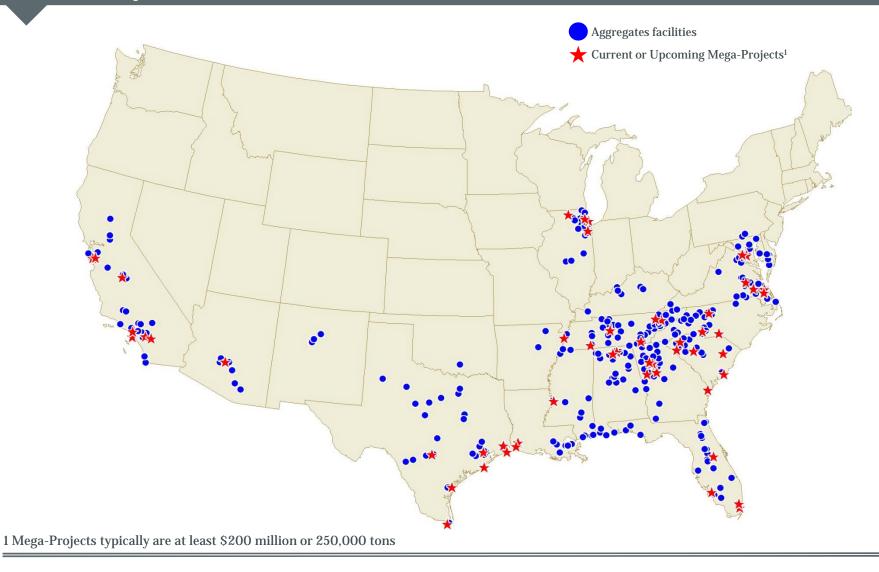
... while earning full and fair value for our products and services

How we are executing

- ▶ Extending our lead in sales and service to become our customers' supplier of choice
- ▶ Leveraging Vulcan's scale and strength with existing and new clients
- Focusing on covering large general contractor business
- Winning more than our fair share of large project bids
- Deploying tools and technology to stop margin leakage
- Making our company easier to do business with

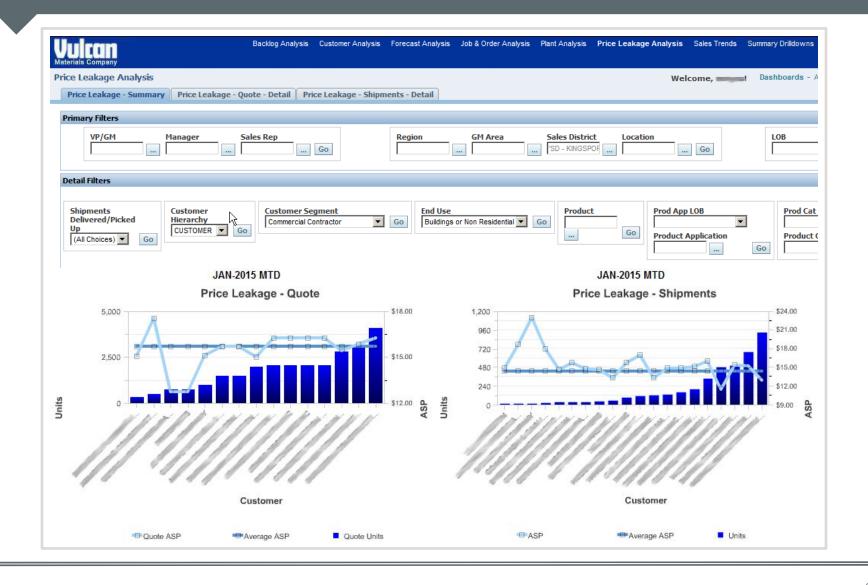
Sales and Marketing Example: Large project solution provider





Sales and Marketing Example: Enterprise-wide tools







Operational Excellence



What we are going to accomplish

Lead the market's safest and most efficient operations ...

... delivering the right quality of products at the right time ...

... by successfully leveraging and driving cost efficiencies ...

... to achieve 60% flow through of incremental aggregates revenue

How we are executing

- ▶ Leveraging our >\$1 billion of third party spend in procurement negotiations
- Continuing plant-by-plant benchmarking and operating reviews
- Driving an enterprise-wide program for mobile equipment
- ▶ Better managing inventory levels with production planning tools
- ▶ Leveraging our multi-modal logistic network
- Accelerating the development of our plant managers of the future



Operational Excellence Example: Key operating metrics



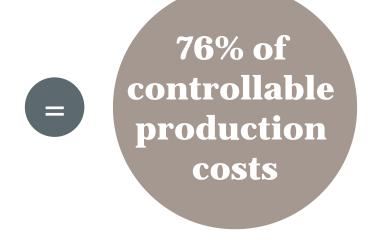
Tons per man hour

Tons per gallon diesel

Tons per kilowatt hour

Tons per pound of explosive

Repair dollars per ton



SAG Productivity



What we are going to accomplish

Continue to leverage SAG to sales to reach 6% ...

... while maintaining our close-to-market model and enabling continued growth ...

... as we capture all efficiencies while servicing our internal and external customers

How we are executing

- Leveraging central shared services for administrative support
- Maintaining tight hiring controls
- ▶ Continuing the commitment to reducing waste and running lean
- ▶ Capturing full benefits of common ERP platform
- Enabling rapid integration of acquired operations



Capital Productivity



What we are going to accomplish

Drive further improvement in capital turnover ...

... while maintaining the longer term health and productivity of our asset base ...

... and ensuring that the right projects are executed the right way

How we are executing

- Maximizing lifecycle value of land holdings
- ▶ Embedding capital accountability at all levels of the organization
- Optimizing working capital and inventory levels
- ▶ Fleet planning and optimization
- Management processes fostering appropriate competition for capital
- Maintaining the right balance of owned vs. controlled reserve positions



Capital Productivity Example: Land Management













Portfolio Management



What we are going to accomplish

Continue to pursue attractive bolt-on acquisitions ...

... selectively enter new markets that meet our growth profile, eg. New Mexico ...

... divest non-core businesses or geographies where we are not the natural owner, eg. Florida cement/ready mix ...

... and negotiate swaps that benefit both parties, eg. California ready mix and Arizona asphalt

How we are executing

- Making bolt-on acquisitions that complement current operations in California, Arizona, Texas and Delaware
- ▶ Entering the New Mexico market by acquiring the #1 position in the market
- Divesting non-core ready mix and cement facilities in Florida
- Completed swap of ready mix plants for asphalt plants in California and Arizona

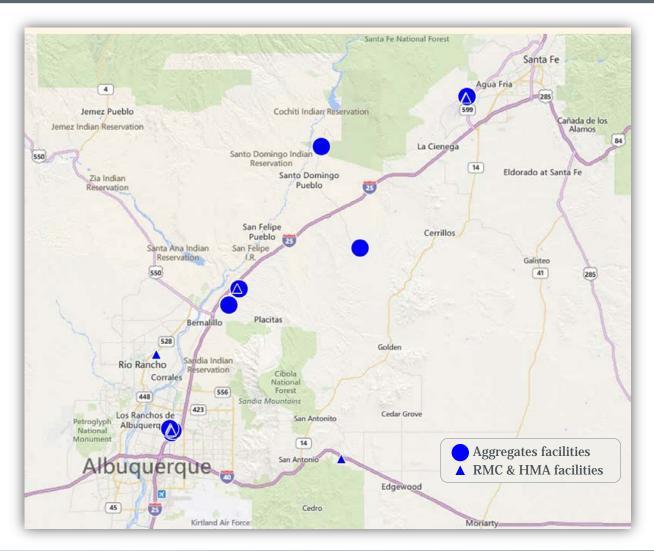
Vulcan's uniquely valuable asset base





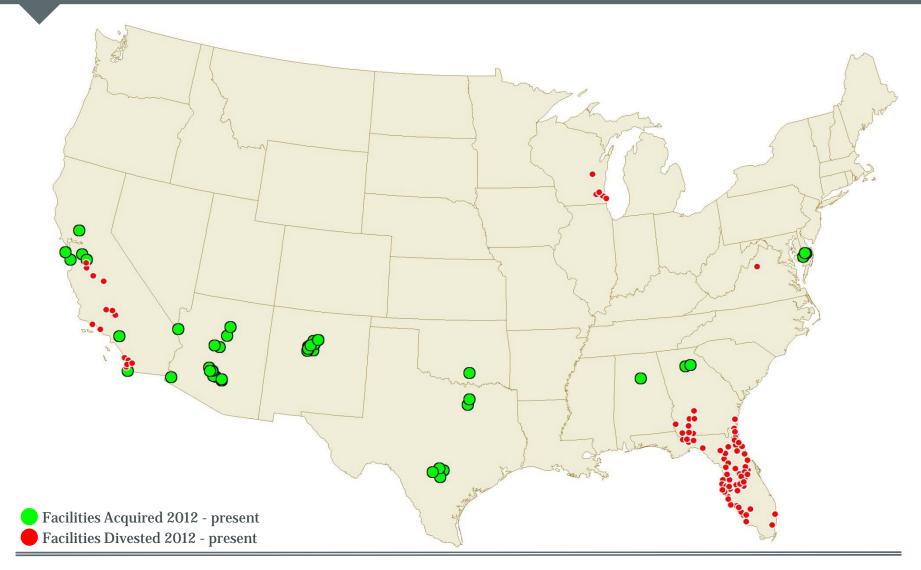
S Portfolio Management Example: New Mexico Acquisition





Portfolio Management Example: Recent Acquisitions and Divestitures







"We decided what we wanted to do and we concentrated on doing it better than anyone else."





Capital allocation and structure

Four topics for discussion



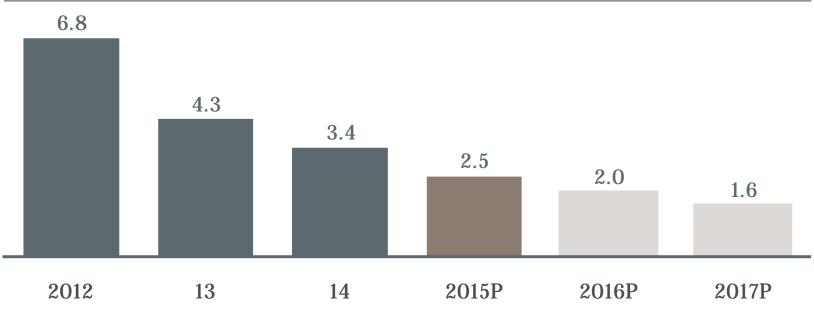
- ▶ Current & projected credit position
- ▶ Capital allocation during the recovery phase
- ▶ Near term and potential capital structure actions
- ▶ Capital allocation and structure through the cycle

Rapidly improving credit metrics



Our credit metrics should reach investment grade levels during 2015.

Debt/Adjusted EBITDA



Figures for 2015-17 assume ~\$2 billion of debt outstanding and consensus EBITDA estimates.

Note: FYE 13 is pro forma for the \$506 million debt purchase completed Q1 14.

Increasing flexibility through the recovery phase



Growing Excess Cash



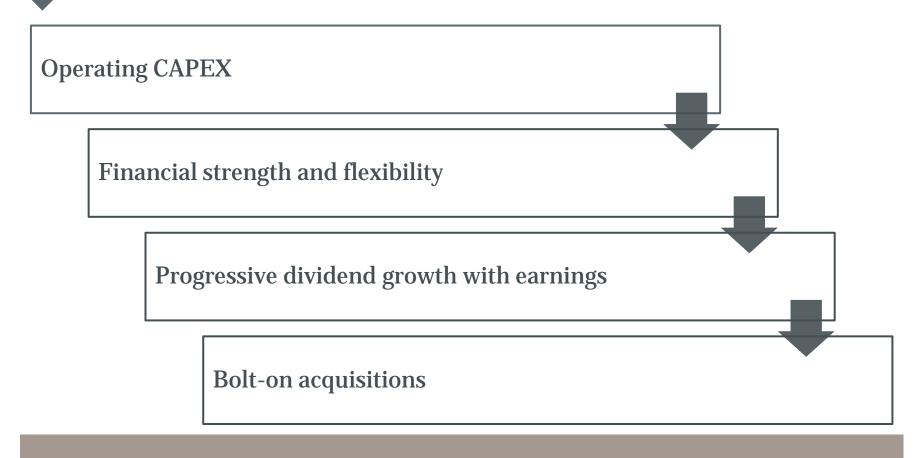
Additional Debt Capacity



Ability to Fund <u>Both</u> Growth & Return of Capital

Capital allocation priorities during recovery phase





Current intent: Return remaining excess cash to shareholders, primarily via share repurchases

Anticipated approach to share repurchases



- ▶ Review excess cash position and outlook quarterly
- ▶ Utilize open market repurchases: mix of opportunistic and time-period averaging
- ▶ Assess and adjust authorization periodically
- ▶ Report on activity quarterly

Planned and potential capital structure



Planned action: Refinancing of maturities due over next five years

- ▶ Refinance approximately \$700M of nearerterm maturities
- Additional detail on next slide

Potential future action:

Issuance of additional debt

- Subject to investment-grade parameters and market conditions
- ▶ Likely longer-dated maturities consistent with longer-lived assets
- ▶ Proceeds could be used for:
 - Financing of bolt-on acquisitions
 - Further refinancing of nearer-term maturities
 - Repurchase of additional shares

Planned refinancing of near-term securities



Expected actions

- ▶ Issue new note(s), likely 8-10 year term
- ▶ Increase size of 5-year revolving credit facility
- Use proceeds to tender or call portion of notes due in '16, '17 and '18
- Use proceeds and/or available cash to pay maturity due in 2015

Expected outcomes

- ▶ Overall debt level remains at ~\$2 billion
- ▶ Reduce maturities due over next 5 years by approximately \$700 million
- Better match average debt duration and fix/floating mix to our business and asset base
- ▶ Lower weighted average coupon rate
- ▶ Maintain strong liquidity

Illustrative approach to capital allocation through the cycle



Recovery Phase

- Accelerate dividend growth consistent with earnings
- ▶ Return excess cash with preference for share repurchases
- ▶ Fund growth preferably with debt

Normal Demand for Aggregates

Volume

- Maintain dividend
- Strengthen balance sheet; prudently manage financial leverage
- ▶ Return excess cash with preference for regular or special dividends
- ▶ Fund growth preferably with equity

Expansion Phase

Maintain investment grade metrics/ratings and access to capital markets at all points in the cycle.





Conclusion and Q&A

Conclusion: What we aim to offer investors (1 of 4)



1. A domestic Aggregates business with several years of double-digit revenue growth potential

- ▶ Shipment growth with recovery in construction activity to long-term trend levels
- Pricing growth as seen in past recovery cycles
- ▶ Eventually, growth toward next cyclical peak

2. Earnings leverage at each stage in the P&L

- Gross profit margins expanding
- ▶ SAG leverage
- ▶ Financial leverage

3. Significant return of capital

- ▶ A progressive dividend growing with earnings
- ▶ Excess cash focused on share repurchase

4. An investment-grade balance sheet

- ▶ Debt amount and structure appropriate to the asset base and point in the cycle
- ▶ Adequate cushion against external shocks

Conclusion: What we aim to offer investors (2 of 4)



5. An advantaged aggregates asset base and franchise of lasting value

- ▶ A 'pure play' aggregates business
- ▶ A compelling portfolio of market positions
 - Most profitable market mix (as evidenced by margins per ton shipped)
 - Higher growth rate in recovery; today still > 30% below normal demand
 - Higher long-term growth rate; serving nearly all key growth corridors and most rapidly growing population centers
 - Excellent multi-modal logistics capabilities, plus the inherent advantages of our Yucatan quarry and port facilities
 - Complementary downstream operations, where they matter
 - Over 85% of revenues from markets where we hold a #1 or # 2 position
- ▶ A sector with a decades-long record of real-price gains; a natural inflation hedge
- ▶ Over 15.8 billion tons of owned and leased reserves
- ▶ 119,000 acres of owned land, with significant unrecognized value

Conclusion: What we aim to offer investors (3 of 4)



6. Disciplined portfolio management to improve capital returns and longer-term growth expectations

- ▶ Accretive bolt-on acquisitions, appropriately financed
- ▶ Swaps, divestitures, and excess land sales to enhance cash flows and returns
- 7. Front-line management worthy of a recognized industry leader; in a fragmented industry, execution advantages tied to scale and collective know-how
- ▶ Safety and environmental compliance
- ▶ Fair dealing with employees, communities, customers, suppliers and competitors
- ▶ Commercial and operational excellence
- ▶ Financial and capital disciplines
- ▶ Aligned management incentives

Conclusion: What we aim to offer investors (4 of 4)



8. Significant upside exposure to eventual growth in US infrastructure investment

- ▶ Well positioned vs. nearer-term improvements in funding (local/state level, federal level, P3s)
- ▶ Well positioned vs. specific intermediate term investment trends (e.g., port expansions, petrochemical facilities, inter-modal transport facilities, water treatment, etc.)
- Well positioned vs. necessary longer-term 'catch-up' on overall US infrastructure capacity and quality

9. Potential for further reductions in cost of capital

- ▶ Longer-dated debt, consistent with long-lived assets
- ▶ Prudent management of debt through the cycle







EBITDA

EBITDA is an acronym for Earnings Before Interest, Taxes, Depreciation and Amortization and excludes discontinued operations. GAAP does not define EBITDA. Thus, it should not be considered as an alternative to any earnings measure defined by GAAP. We present this metric for the convenience of investment professionals who use this metric in their analysis, and for shareholders who need to understand the metrics we use to assess performance. The investment community often uses this metric to assess the operating performance of a company's business. We use EBITDA to assess the operating performance of our various business units and the consolidated company. Additionally, we adjust EBITDA for certain items to provide a more consistent comparison of performance from period to period. Reconciliations of this metric to its nearest GAAP measure is presented below:

<u>EBI</u>	<u>TDA</u>	and	Ad	<u>juste d</u>	EBITDA

(in millions)	2014	2013	2012	2006
Net earnings	\$205	\$24	(\$53)	\$470
Provision for (benefit from) income taxes	92	(24)	(67)	223
Interest expense, net	242	202	212	20
Discontinued operations, net of tax	2	(4)	(1)	10
EBIT	\$541	\$198	\$91	\$723
Depreciation, depletion, accretion and amortization	280	307	332	225
EBITDA	\$821	\$505	\$423	\$948
Gain on sale of real estate and businesses	(238)	(37)	(65)	(25)
Charges/gains associated with acquisitions and divestitures	21	0	0	(29)
Amortization of deferred revenue	(5)	(2)	0	0
Exchange offer costs	0	0	43	0
Restructuring charges	1	2	10	0
Adjusted EBITDA	\$600	\$468	\$411	\$894

Segment Cash Gross Profit

Segment cash gross profit adds back noncash charges for depreciation, depletion, accretion and amortization to gross profit.

Aggregates Segment Cash Gross Profit	2014	2011
Aggregates segment gross profit	\$544.1	\$306.2
Agg. Depr., depl., accretion and amort.	227.0	267.0
Aggregates segment cash gross profit	\$771.1	\$573.2
Aggregate tons	162.4	143.0
Aggregates segment cash gross profit per ton	\$4.75	\$4.01

Other Segments (Asphalt Mix, Concrete, Calcium)

Cash Gross Profit	<u>2014</u>
Other segments gross profit	\$43.5
Depr., depl., accretion and amort.	32.2
Other segments cash gross profit	\$75.7

Appendix-Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures



Aggregates segment gross profit margin as a percentage of freight-adjusted revenues

Aggregates segment gross profit margin as a percentage of freight-adjusted revenues is not a GAAP measure. We present Aggregates segment gross profit margin as a percentage of freight-adjusted revenues as it is consistent with the basis by which we review our operating results. We believe that this presentation is more meaningful to our investors as it excludes related transportation revenues (a pass-through activity) and other service-related revenues, such as landfill tipping fees. Reconciliation of this metric to its nearest GAAP measure is presented below:

Aggregates	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2
(in millions)	<u>2012</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2012</u>	2013	<u>2013</u>	<u>2013</u>	2013	<u>2014</u>	<u>2014</u>
Gross profit	\$ 34.0	\$111.8	\$124.9	\$ 81.3	\$ 24.8	\$127.1	\$149.8	\$111.6	\$ 38.5	\$161.7
Volume	29.5	38.7	39.4	33.4	27.9	39.6	42.8	35.7	29.6	43.6
Freight-adjusted sales price	\$10.25	\$10.38	\$10.63	\$10.45	\$10.72	\$10.75	\$10.89	\$10.82	\$10.94	\$11.08
Freight-adjusted revenues	\$301.9	\$402.0	\$418.6	\$349.1	\$298.6	\$425.3	\$465.7	\$386.7	\$324.1	\$483.6
Aggregates	Q3	Q4								
(in millions)	<u>2014</u>	<u>2014</u>								
Gross profit	\$188.0	\$156.0								
Gross profit for 2014 acquisitions	(8.0)	(0.2)								
Gross profit excluding 2014 acquisitions	\$188.8	\$156.2								
Volume	47.8	41.3								
Freight-adjusted sales price	\$11.12	\$11.03								
Freight-adjusted revenues	\$531.6	\$455.1								
Freight-adjusted revenues for 2014 acquisitions	6.2	11.7								
Freight-adjusted revenues excluding 2014 acquisitions	\$525.4	\$443.4								
Trailing 12 Months	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4					
Aggregates Incremental Margins (Excl. Acq.)	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2014</u>					
(in millions)										
Change in gross profit	\$ 61.2	\$ 84.2	\$103.5	\$117.5	\$131.8					
Change in freight-adjusted revenues	104.8	133.5	168.5	181.1	200.5					
Change in gross profit margin as a percentage of freight-										
adjusted revenues	58%	63%	61%	65%	66%					