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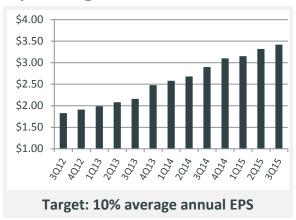
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- Completed Portfolio Actions
- Strategic Drivers
- Next 24 36 Months
- Outlook

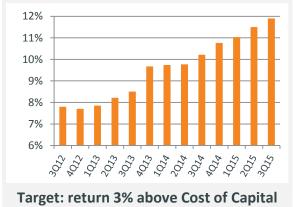


# Financial Performance Metrics (on a trailing twelve-month basis)

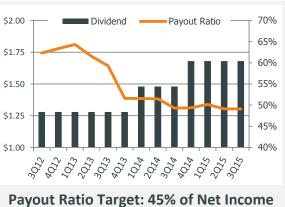
### **Operating EPS**



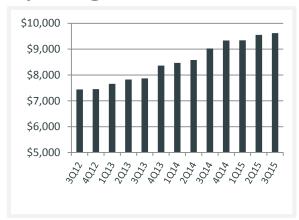
### **Operating ROC**



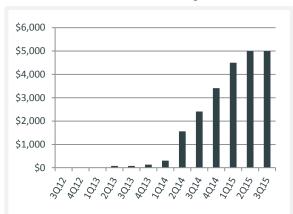
#### **Annualized Dividends Declared**



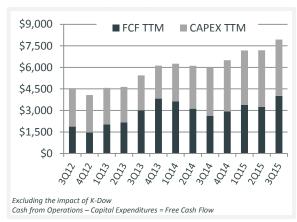
### Operating EBITDA (in \$MM)



### Cumulative Share Buy-Back (\$MM)

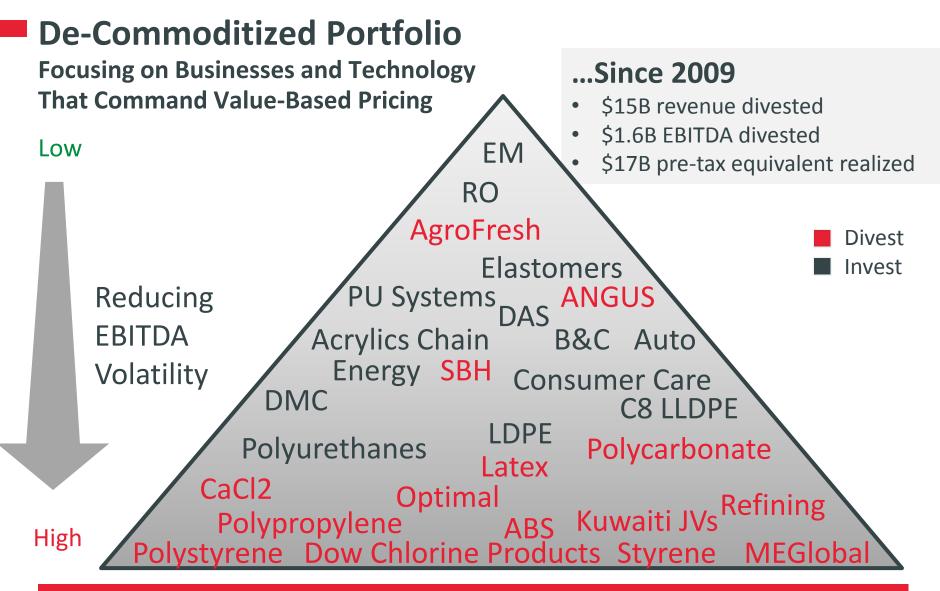


#### Cash Flow (in SMM)



\$20.4B Cash Flow From Operations<sup>1</sup>; \$10.4B Returned to Shareholders; 410bps Improvement in TTM ROC Since 3Q12

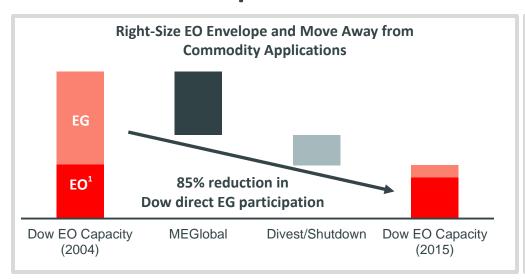




## **Driving Reliable Margins**

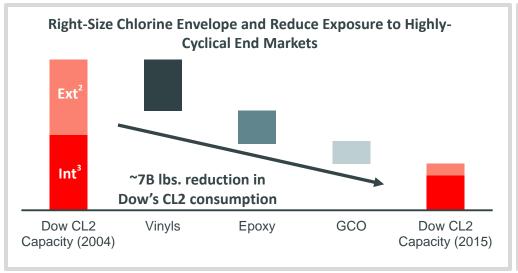


# Stepping Down – Right-Size Specialty Ethylene Derivatives and Chlorine Envelopes



#### **EO/EG Actions Taken**

- Reduced ownership of NAA EO/EG capacity with MEGlobal JV formation (2004)
- Shutdown capacity in St. Charles (2009)
- Sold interest in Optimal (2009)
- Shutdown capacity in Wilton, U.K. (2010)
- Converted to EO-only operation in Terneuzen (2009) and St. Charles (2011)
- Maintain modest EG flywheel to maximize EO operations



#### **Chlorine Actions Taken**

- Shutdown chlorine and EDC capacity in Fort Saskatchewan (2006)
- Shutdown chlorine capacity in Freeport (2009)
- Shutdown VCM capacity in Texas and Louisiana (2011)
- Shutdown EDC capacity in Louisiana (2011)
- Announced shutdown of chlorine capacity in Freeport (2013)
- Completed DCP divestiture with Olin (2015)

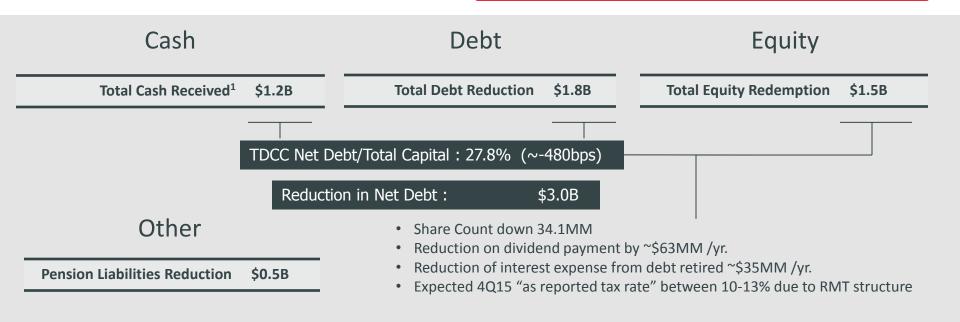


- 1. Non-EG ethylene oxide derivatives
- 2. External use
- 3 Internal use

### **DCP Transaction Rewards Shareholders**

Total value received: \$5.0B

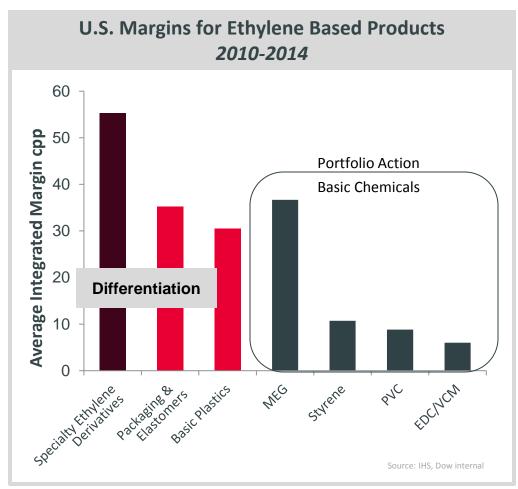
- \$1.5B in total share buyback
- \$3.0B debt reduction and cash
- \$0.5B reduction in pension liability



Cash Received Enabled Acceleration of Share Buyback Planned Buybacks of \$1B in 4Q15 and \$2B in 2016



# **Focusing Asset Base Toward Highest Value**



Purple: Parts of the Consumer Solutions, Infrastructure Solutions and Performance Materials & Chemicals operating segments Red: Part of the Performance Plastics operating segment Grey: Part of the Performance Materials & Chemicals operating segment

# Dow is Focused on Participation in Highest Value Markets

- Dow participation in highest margin markets for ethylene<sup>1</sup>
  - 64% in 2002
  - 83% in 2015
  - 89% in 2018
- Packaging and Specialty Plastics and EO specialty derivatives require channel and innovation competencies that are core to Dow
- Basic plastics is a flywheel for Dow, allowing full leverage of our leadership position in PE scale
- PVC and VCM markets are lower margin uses of ethylene that are heavily commoditized

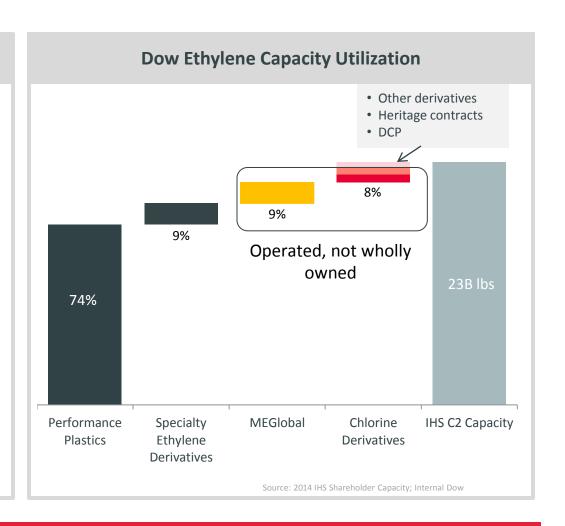


1. Based on IHS shareholder capacity

# **Going Deeper in Higher Margin Chains**

### **Focused Uses of Ethylene**

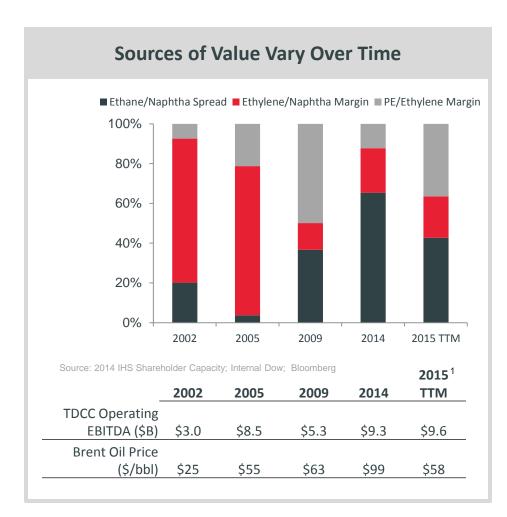
- 83% of operated capacity goes directly into highmargin markets
- Sold ethylene capacity to MEGlobal in 2004 – reduced exposure to glycols
- Sale of ethylene to Olin at reinvestment economics
- Last layer of legacy vinyl contract exposure ends in 2020



### **Focused Investment in Value-Added Markets**



# **Maximizing Long-Term Shareholder Value**



### **Optimizing Integrated Returns**

- Run to maximize integrated volumes
  - Grow physical capacity
  - Best-in-class reliability
- Americas and Middle East –
   Gas-based economics
- Europe LPG enables margin optimization across by-product price swings
- Oil-to-gas spread sets a higher earnings base
- Markets are tightening, driving higher integrated PE margins
- Dow differentiation adds a high return layer of consistent value on top of energy and supply/demand dynamics



# **Delivering on Our Commitments from 2013-2015**

	Commitment	Result
Operational Excellence	<ul> <li>\$1.75B productivity program (2013)</li> <li>\$1B productivity program (2015-2017)</li> <li>Sell out/sell up – driving higher op. rate through differentiation</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Completed \$1.75B 2013 productivity program;</li> <li>YTD have completed \$208MM of 2015-2017 program</li> <li>Increased operating rate 470bps<sup>1</sup></li> <li>8th consecutive qtr. YoY volume growth, ex. acquisitions and divestitures</li> </ul>
Portfolio Management	<ul> <li>M&amp;A proceeds – \$7B-\$8.5B</li> <li>Joint venture focus</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>\$12B in pre-tax consideration</li> <li>DCP, AgroFresh, SBH, Angus</li> <li>Univation LLC</li> </ul>
Growth	<ul><li>Innovation</li><li>Sadara</li><li>USGC</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Patent advantaged sales represent &gt;20% of Dow's revenue and deliver &gt;1,000bps margin premium</li> <li>Polyols plant in Thailand</li> <li>Quantum dots (4Q15)</li> <li>RO investments starting up in 4Q15</li> <li>PDH starting up in 4Q</li> <li>Sadara first products (2015)</li> <li>LA3 starting up in 1Q16</li> <li>Tx9 plus four new derivatives and two debottlenecks all on track for 2017</li> </ul>
Returning Cash to Owners	<ul><li>10% EPS growth</li><li>45% payout ratio</li><li>\$9.5B by 2017 share buyback</li></ul>	<ul> <li>3 year CAGR of 21% on EPS</li> <li>Exceeded 45% payout ratio over last 5 yrs</li> <li>\$6.5B share buybacks completed<sup>2</sup></li> <li>\$4.3B<sup>3</sup> of dividends paid (since YE 2012)</li> </ul>



<sup>1.</sup> On a trailing twelve month basis

<sup>2.</sup> Includes \$1.5B share buyback from DCP transaction

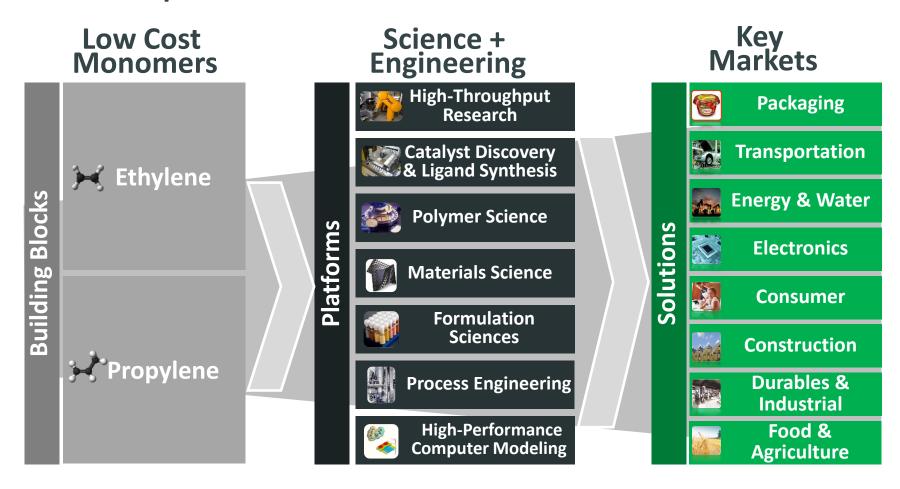
<sup>3. 1</sup>Q13 dividend paid in advance, in 4Q12

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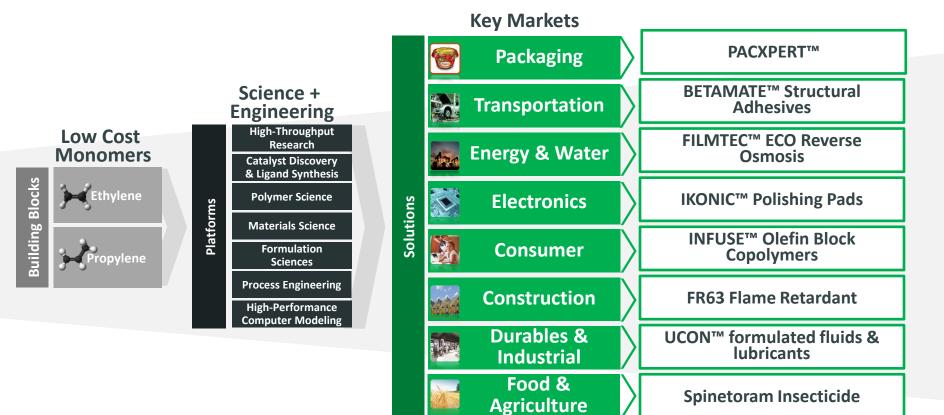
# **Dow's Unique Growth Drivers**



Low-Cost, Integration and Collaborative Innovation Underpinned by Operational and Commercial Excellence



# **Going Narrower and Deeper**



**Narrower Market Selection Drives Higher Margins** 



# **Self-Help Lifts Returns**

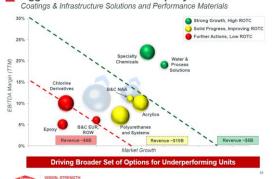
#### **Challenges Addressed**

- ✓ Polyurethanes
- ✓ Building & Construction

DCP -

unlocked \$5B

- ✓ CAV
- ✓ Epoxy
- ✓ GCO
- Acrylics
- Aggressive Drive to Lift Company Returns



### **Polyurethanes**

- Sell-out/sell-up strategy
- \$100MM of annual cost reductions
- Triple-digit margin growth over the last two years
- Eight consecutive quarters of yearover-year margin expansion

### **Building & Construction**

- Shift to differentiated offerings
- \$40MM of annual cost reductions
- Double-digit margin growth over the last two years
- 3Q15 quarterly EBITDA record

### Acrylics Envelope<sup>1</sup>

#### 2013-2015

- \$50MM in cost reductions
- Broader market participation
  - Double-digit emulsion margin expansion

#### 2015-2017

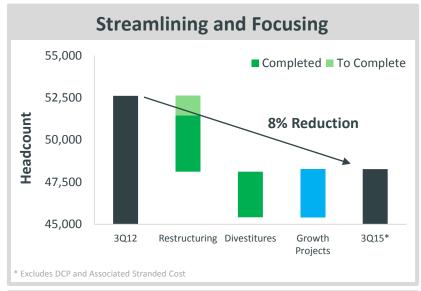
- Cost position improves \$80MM-\$150MM/yr.
- Variable margin expands \$130MM-\$200MM/yr.

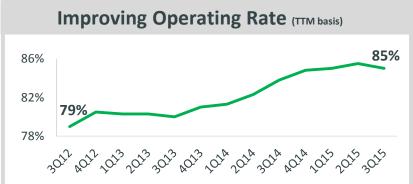


**Drive Toward Captive Use of Monomer for Differentiated End Products** 



# Disciplined Cost Control and Efficiency Underpins Targeted Growth in Key Markets





### **Going Narrower and Deeper**

#### **Doing More with Less Delivers Value**

- 8% reduction in headcount
- 6% increase in operating rate
- Aligning resources to deliver key growth projects

#### \$1B Productivity Program

- Removes functional-support costs related to portfolio moves
- Continues Dow's ongoing productivity drive
- \$208MM removed year to date
- On track to exceed \$300MM in 2015

### **Delivering Growth Projects and Innovation**



8% Reduction in Headcount and 6% Increase in Operating Rate,
While Delivering Growth Projects



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# **Near-Term Focus (Next 24–36 Months)**

### Execution focus – continue to grow earnings and cash flow

Dow 10.0 program; \$1B of cost reductions in 3 yrs

### Successfully start-up our large assets in Saudi Arabia and USGC

- \$2.5B/yr EBITDA from USGC
- \$500MM/yr equity income from Sadara

## **Drive clarity on future of our large JVs**

- Kuwait
- Dow Corning

### Further define/refine our portfolio

Clarity on DAS best owner decision –
 exploring all options to maximize shareholder value

Drive increased earnings growth, focus on EVA, increasing cash flow – returning cash to shareholders



# **Dow to Optimize Ownership in Kuwaiti JVs**

### **Dow to Reduce Equity Base and Liberate Cash**

- Phase 1:
  - EQUATE acquires MEGlobal for total equity consideration of \$3.2B
  - Dow to receive \$1.5B in pre-tax proceeds
  - Expected to close by YE 2015
  - Will drive efficiencies and cost savings due to existing synergies between MEGlobal and EQUATE
- Phase 2:
  - Dow and PIC have agreed that Dow will further reduce its overall ownership interest in Greater EQUATE
  - Timeline mid-2016
- MEGlobal to build MEG plant on U.S. Gulf Coast
  - Capture growth in a highly strategic region of the world
  - Drive expansion of MEGlobal's geographic footprint
  - Final location of the asset is contingent upon pending incentives

Phase 1 Releases \$1.5B in Proceeds While Expanding MEGlobal Capacity





#### ~\$2.9B Revenue in 2013

- Producer of ethylene, PE, ethylene glycol and styrene
- Marketed throughout Middle East, Asia, Africa and Europe



~\$4.8B Revenue in 2013

World leader in the manufacture and marketing of ethylene glycol

#### MEGlobal to Build MEG Plant on USGC

- MEGlobal increases USGC shale exposure
- New assets will be globally competitive

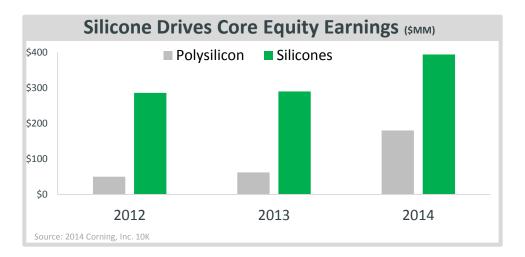
# **Dow Value Drivers to Acquire Dow Corning**

### **Dow Corning: Premier Global Silicone Platform**

- \$6.2B Revenue
- \$1.4B Adjusted EBITDA<sup>1</sup>
  - 22% Adjusted
     EBITDA Margin
- \$1.1B Cash from Ops.
- \$663MM SG&A
  - 11% of Revenue
- 4-5% R&D % of Revenue

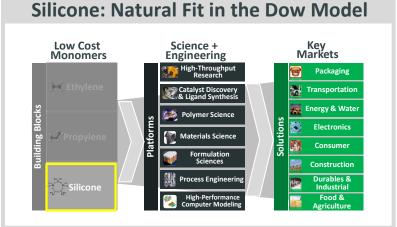
- Segments:
  - Silicones
  - Polysilicon
- 11,000 employees globally
- 62 office and manufacturing locations globally

Source: 2014 Corning Inc. 10K and Dow Corning "Fast Facts" Publication



#### **Value Drivers**

- Cost synergies from reduction of duplicative resources and processes
- ✓ Complimentary offerings and adjacencies in key markets drive quick win cross-selling opportunities
- ✓ Broaden market reach while also going deeper into key markets
- Streamline and increase collaboration in developing innovative solutions
- ✓ Low cost silicone monomer position





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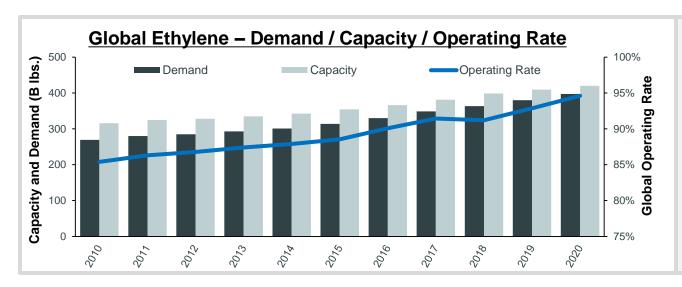
## **Market Outlook**

- North America remains robust; Europe demand is rising
- China demand driven by consumer needs and is growing
- Gradual recovery of oil market keeps gas-based cracking advantaged
- Other emerging markets showing growth, except Brazil
- Plastics chain supply/demand dynamics tightening and has upside
- New materials enabling further light-weighting of cars and expansion into adjacent markets
- Urbanization driving demand in polyurethanes, electronics, elastomers, construction and automotive

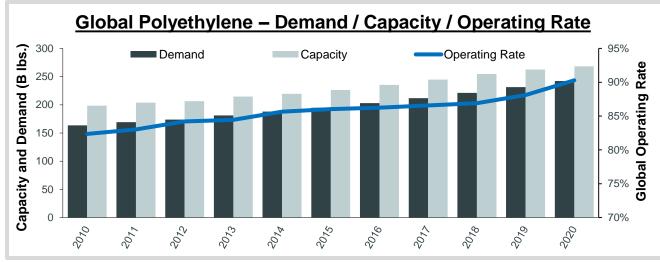
## **Demand for Dow's Products Drives Long-Term Value Growth**



# Integrated Polyethylene and Elastomers Balances Remain Favorable



- Balances expected to tighten over next several years
- Oil uncertainties lead to >7MMT of project delays or 9MMT under pressure
- Supply risks persist as industry continues to operate an aging fleet



- Reasonable delays with projects under construction and as new participants climb the experience curve (Iran and China)
- Iranian export capacity destined for Chinese HDPE market and other highly commoditized applications

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Source: Dow IHS 081315

# **Returning Cash to Our Shareholders**

## Dividend Increase to \$1.84 per Share

- Higher earnings drive dividends higher
- New historic dividend level





# **Complete \$5B Share Buy-Back**

- \$0.5B share buybacks in 1Q15
- Olin transaction resulted in \$1.5B of common share buybacks in 4Q15
- \$1B of additional share buybacks in 4Q15
- Target to complete remaining \$2B of open program in 2016

\$10.4B Cash to Shareholders Since 3Q12



# **Cash Flow Drives Shareholder Returns**



Portfolio optimization increases resiliency



Disciplined execution of strategy delivers results



Consistent increases in earnings, dividends and share buybacks reward shareholders





