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## Olin to Acquire Dow Chemical's Chlorine Products

#### Transaction Overview

- Reverse Morris Trust structure
- Total value of \$5B, consisting of approximately 1) \$2.2B in common stock, 2) \$2B in cash and cash equivalents, and 3) \$.8B in assumed debt and pension liabilities
- Separate agreement on ethylene is additive and value-creating
- Will create Chlorine Products leader with \$7B in revenue and \$1B in pre-synergy EBITDA

#### Ownership

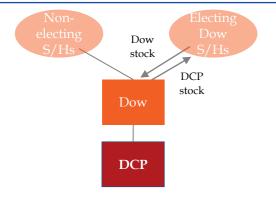
- Dow shareholders approximately 50.5%, existing Olin shareholders approximately 49.5%
- 80.6MM shares of "New Olin" shares to be issued, total post-close approximately 160MM

#### Closing of Transaction

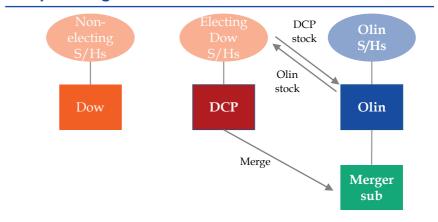
- Olin shareholder vote simple majority required
- Customary closing conditions, relevant tax rulings and regulatory approvals
- Closing expected to occur by year-end 2015

## Reverse Morris Trust Structure

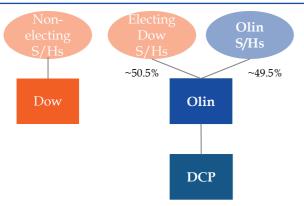
Step 1: Split-off<sup>1</sup>



Step 2: Merger



**Step 3: Final result** 



#### **Key considerations**

- Approximately 80.6 million shares of Olin common stock issued to Dow's shareholders, which will be used to retire Dow shares via an exchange offer if Dow elects a split-off
- Transaction expected to be tax free to Dow with Olin shareholders owning approximately 49.5% of the combined equity following the merger
- Dow receives approximately \$2,030mm in the form of a special cash dividend and debt retirement
- Spin-off rules/tax agreement with Dow will limit Olin equity raising/M&A activity for 2 years following spin / split

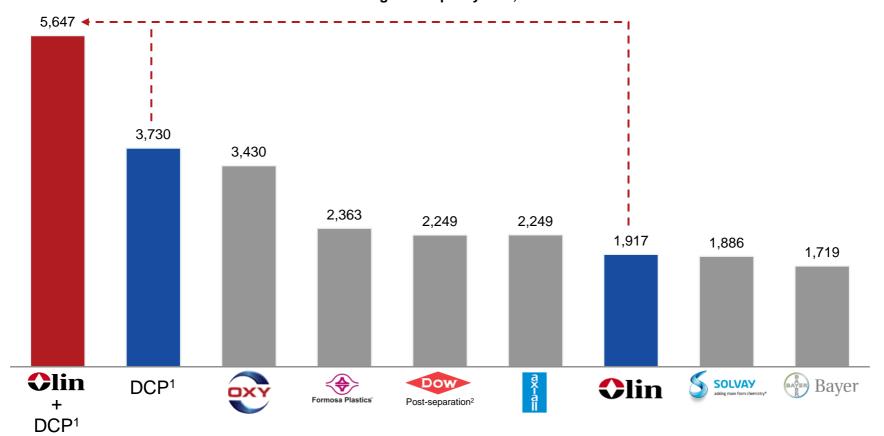
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Dow has option of spin-off or split-off structure for this transaction; assumed Dow elects a split-off structure for illustrative purposes

## Strategic Benefits

- Creates Leading Producer of Chlorine Derivatives and Caustic Soda
  - Leading global chlor alkali producer with 5.6 million tons of low cost chlorine capacity
  - #1 global seller of membrane caustic soda and chlorinated organics
  - #1 global supplier of epoxy materials
  - #1 North American seller of chlorine, bleach and on-purpose hydrochloric acid (HCl)
- Olin Will Have Significant Scale and Product Diversity
  - Operations in North America, Europe, Latin America and Asia
  - Downstream Chlorine derivatives increase to 19 end uses from 3
- Strong Cash Flows and Significant Cost and Expansion Synergies
  - Long-term contracts, geographic and product portfolio diversity, and low cost operations to provide higher level of earnings stability and cash flow generation
  - Expected synergies of at least \$200MM are expected by end of third year
  - Upside potential to \$300MM by accessing new segments and customers

## Creates Chlorine-Based Products Top chlorine producers worldwide (kMT) Leader

Chlorine global capacity: ~90,000 kMT

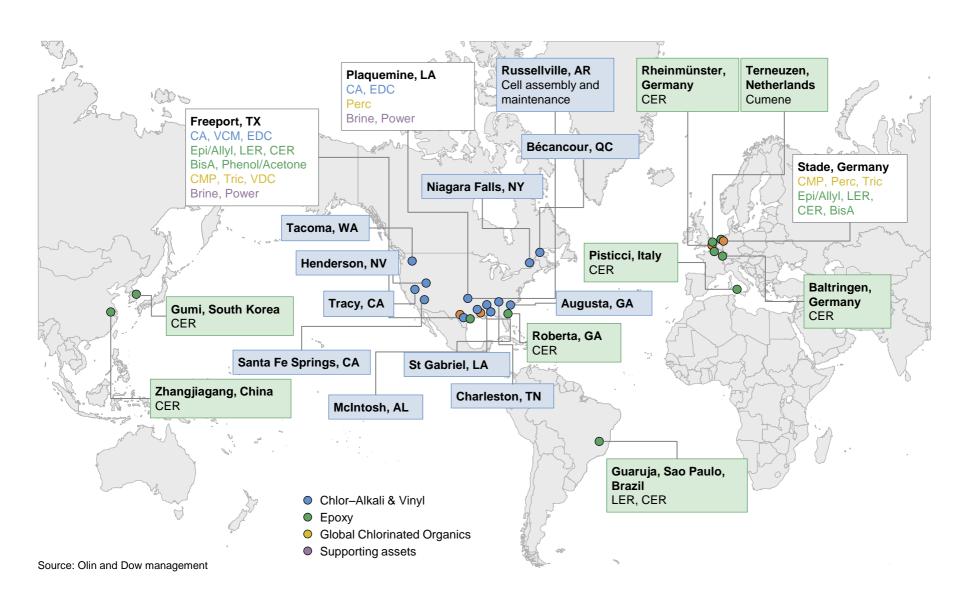


Source: CMAI 2014 average capacities in kMT

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Includes 50% of Dow Mitsui Chlor Alkali joint venture chlorine capacity

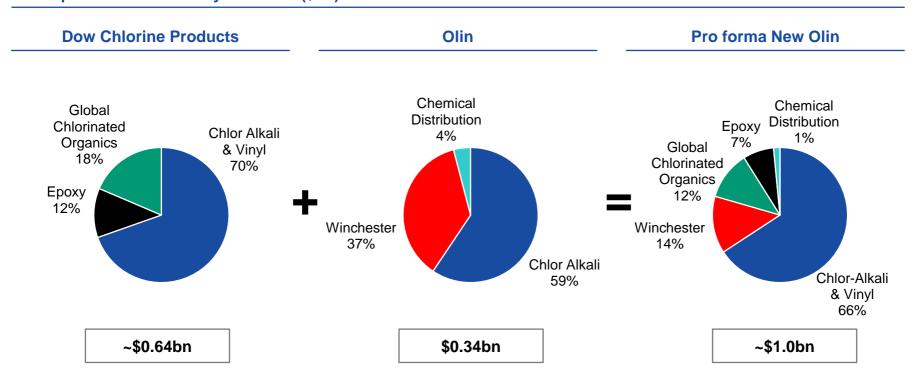
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Capacity in Brazil, Germany and Australia not in scope of transaction

## Diversified Geographic Footprint



## Will Diversify Olin's Business Mix

#### 2014 pro forma EBITDA by business (\$bn)



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## Top Tier Low Cost Structure

- Stable and Low Cost Raw Materials
  - **Electricity** 85% of the New Olin system's energy to generate electricity will come from natural gas and hydroelectric sources
  - Salt Brine 80% of brine requirements will be supplied from owned and operated mines that are connected to manufacturing facilities by pipeline
  - **Ethylene** will be supplied through a 20-year co-investor agreement with Dow that will provide New Olin with co-producer integrated economics
- Production Assets To Be Acquired
  - The Freeport, Texas and Plaquemine, Louisiana facilities are two of the lowest cost chlor-alkali facilities in the world
  - The Freeport facility is the lowest cost producer of epoxies globally
  - Further cost improvements include operational efficiencies, asset optimization,
     logistics and procurement savings

## Significant Synergies

Synergies break	Expected value	
Logistics & procurement	<ul> <li>Increased procurement efficiencies</li> <li>Elimination of duplicate terminals and optimization of freight to terminals</li> <li>Reduction of net acquisition cost for purchased caustic</li> <li>Savings from trucking and rail fleet optimization</li> <li>COGS reduction opportunities</li> </ul>	\$50mm
Operational efficiencies	<ul><li>SG&amp;A</li><li>Cost optimization</li><li>Energy utilization</li></ul>	<b>\$70mm</b>
Asset optimization	<ul> <li>Consolidation of select operations and facilities across the business</li> <li>Installation of new capacity</li> <li>Relocation of select manufacturing processes</li> </ul>	\$80mm
Total cost syner	\$200mm	
Accessing new segments and customers	<ul> <li>Increased sales to new third-party customers</li> <li>Access to new product segments</li> </ul>	Potential upside to \$300mm



## Olin Stand Alone Performance

## **Company Overview**

#### **Olin Corporation**

Q1 2015 FY 2014 FY 2013 \$ 518 \$ 2,241 \$ 2,515

Revenue: \$ 518 \$ 2,241 \$ 2,515 Adj. EBITDA: \$ 71 344 \$ 425

#### Chlor Alkali

A Leading North American Producer of Chlorine and Caustic Soda

Q1'15 FY'14 FY'13

Revenue: \$ 293 \$ 1,209 \$ 1,331

EBITDA: \$ 48 \$ 234 \$ 306

#### **Chemical Distribution**

A Leading Distributor of Caustic Soda and Midwest Bleach Producer

O1'15 FY'14 FY'13

**Revenue:** \$ 70 \$ 294 \$ 406

EBITDA: \$ 5 \$ 16 \$ 25

#### Winchester

A Leading North American Producer of Small Caliber Ammunition

Q1'15 FY'14 FY'13

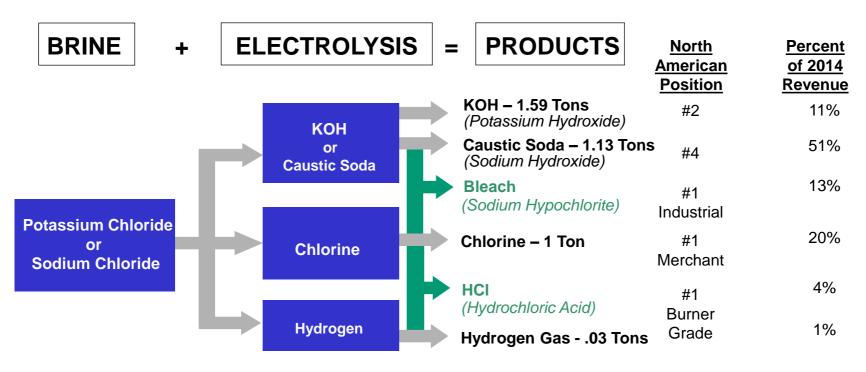
Revenue: \$ 179 \$ 738 \$ 778

EBITDA: \$ 34 \$ 144 \$ 158

All financial data are for the 3 months ended March 31, 2015 and the 12 months ended December 31, 2014 and December 31, 2013. Data are presented in millions of U.S. dollars except for earnings per share.

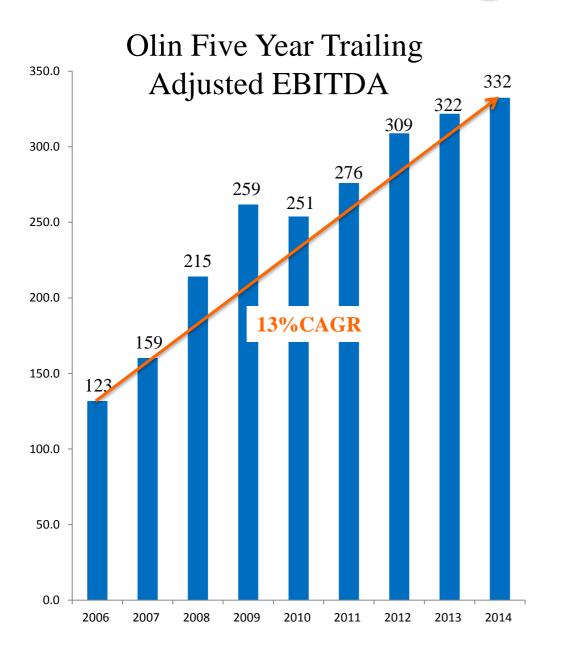
## Chlor Alkali Process

#### **Raw Materials**



ECU = Electrochemical Unit; a unit of measure reflecting the chlor alkali process outputs of 1 ton of chlorine, 1.13 tons of 100% caustic soda and .03 tons of hydrogen.

## **Growing EBITDA**



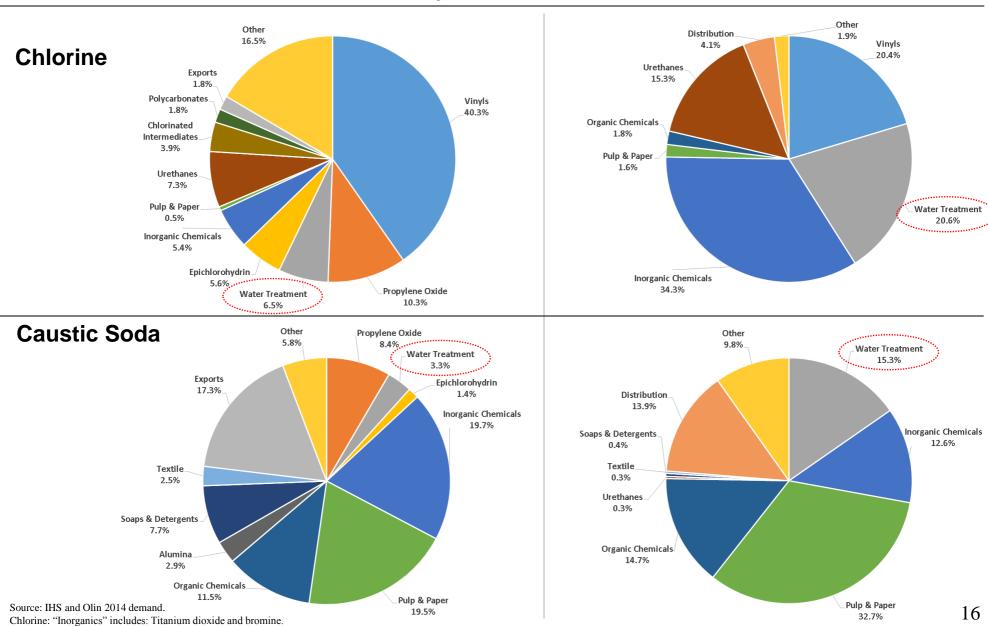
#### Achieving Growth Through:

- Strategic Acquisitions
  - Pioneer, 2007
  - SunBelt JV, 2011
  - KA Steel, 2012
- Investments in less Cyclical Chlor Alkali Co-products
  - Sodium Hypochlorite (Bleach)
  - Hydrochloric Acid (HCl)
  - Potassium Hydroxide (KOH)
- Improved Winchester Profitability
  - Relocation of Centerfire operations to MS
  - Volume growth realized due to expanding base of sport shooters

### **Diverse Customer Base**

#### **North American Industry**

#### **Olin Corporation**



Caustic Soda: "Organics" includes: MDI, TDI, polycarbonates, synthetic glycerin, sodium formate, monosodium glutamate. "Inorganics" includes: titanium dioxide, sodium silicates, sodium cyanide.

## Bleach Growth is a Key Objective

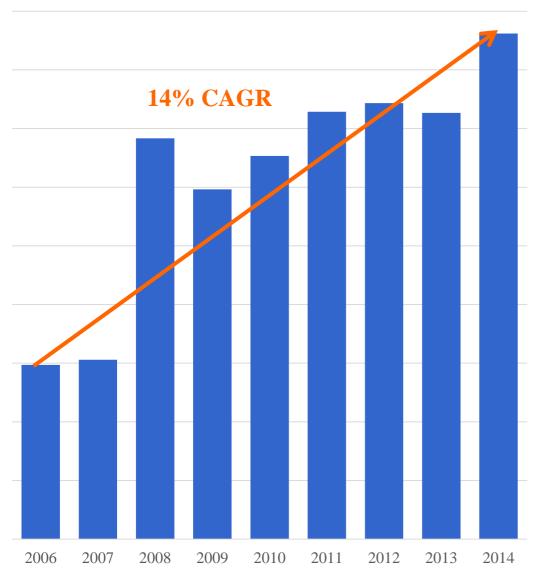




- Bleach sells at a premium to the ECU and, while seasonal, is not cyclical
- Olin bleach volumes have delivered steady growth since 2006
- We expect additional growth to continue as bleach railcars extend our delivery range
- In 2014, Olin converted 10% of its ECUs into higher margin bleach
- Olin has the capacity to convert 20% of its ECUs to bleach
- Olin's geographic profile and utilization of Chemical Distribution provide opportunities to further enhance volumes

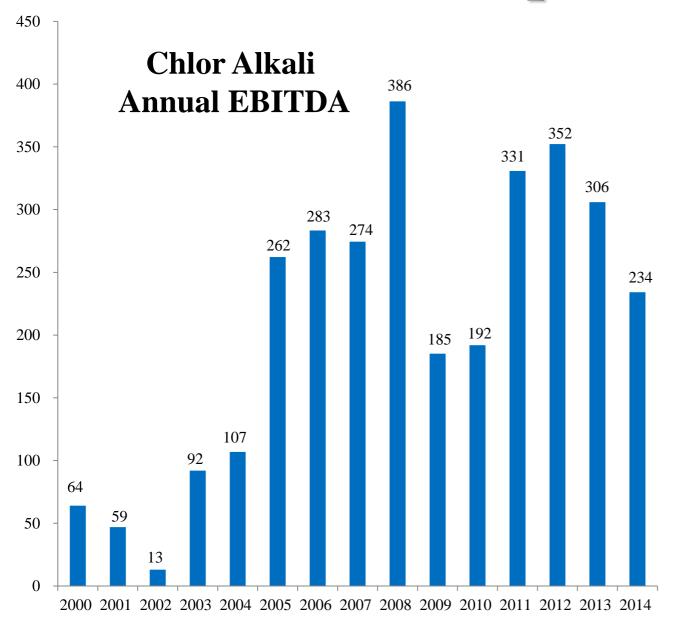
## **Growing HCl Volumes**

#### Olin HCl Historical Sales Volume (DT)



- Olin is the leading producer of burner-grade HCl with 5 production locations in North America
- Olin HCl volumes have grown steadily since 2006
- Distribution strategy is expected to increase volumes and raise netbacks
- We forecast that HCl volumes will continue to grow
- HCl continues to sell at a meaningful premium over chlorine
- Olin currently has the capacity to convert 13% of its chlorine capacity into HCl
- In 2014, Olin converted 8% of its chlorine into higher margin HCl

## **EBITDA Improvement**



## **Higher Peaks and Higher Troughs**

- Olin Bleach, HCl and KOH initiatives have reduced the cyclicality of our business, and at the same time, increased profit margins
- 2014 sales of co-products represented 32% of total Chlor Alkali sales
- Trough EBITDA levels have improved approximately \$200 million during the 2009-2010 trough period as compared to the 2002 trough period

## **Chemical Distribution**

- KA Steel, purchased in August 2012, established Olin as the largest caustic distributor in the U.S. with an infrastructure that provides a strong fit with Olin's chlor alkali assets:
  - Mature supply relationships
  - 90,000 tons of caustic storage in a network of 26 terminals
  - Expanded geographic coverage
  - Logistical savings through the use of a private truck fleet and barge shipments instead of shipping by rail
- With the expected growth of co-product sales and improving caustic returns, we forecast an increase in segment income of approximately \$15 million in the next 2 years
- Provides scale and flexibility
- Access to new customers, geographies and industry segments
- Combined network is capable of supporting higher caustic volumes and expansion of Bleach, HCl and KOH ("co-products") sales
- We expect that the Chlor Alkali business will realize \$10 to \$15MM of annual benefit from producing those co-products and from logistics and infrastructure cost savings



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Handgun	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	N/A			
Rimfire	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
Shotshell	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
Components	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			

#### **Brands**







#### **New Products**







#### **Winchester Strategy**

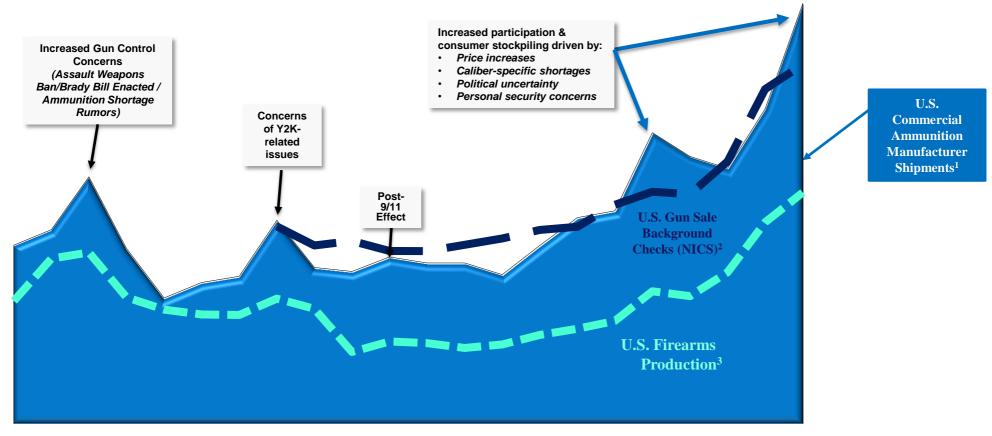
- Centerfire relocation:
  - \$24 million of cost savings in 2014
  - Expect \$35 million of cost savings in 2015
  - Expect \$35-\$40 million lower annual operating costs beginning in 2016
- New product development:
  - Continue to develop new product offerings
  - Maintain reputation as a new product innovator
  - 10% of sales attributable to products developed in the past 5 years
- Provide returns in excess of cost of capital



#### **Strong Correlation Between Firearms & Ammunition Sales**

#### **Data Correlations**

- U.S. Commercial Ammunition Mfr. Shipments & NICS Checks: +94% (1999-2013)
- U.S. Commercial Ammunition Mfr. Shipments & U.S. Firearms Production: +82% (1992-2013)
- NICS Checks & U.S. Firearms Production: +96% (1999-2013)



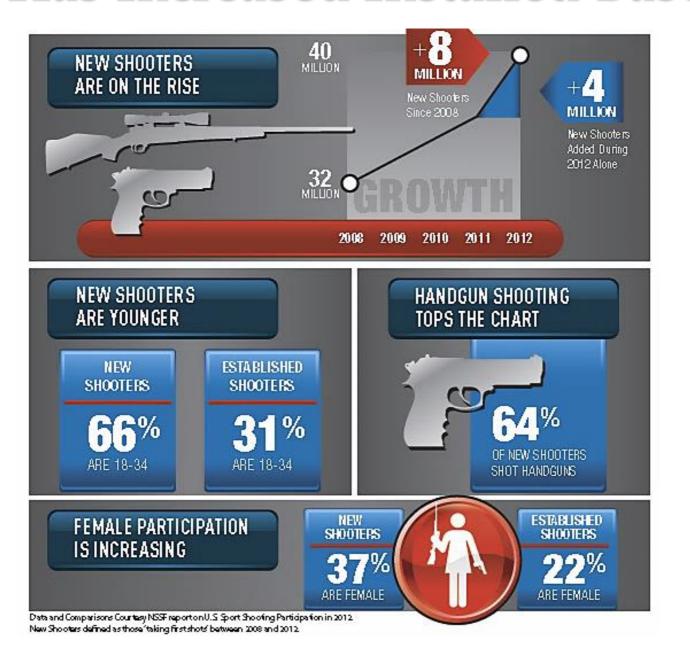
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Estimated based on National Shooting Sports Foundation (NSSF) Trade Statistics Program Ammunition Manufacturer Surveys, Department of Commerce U.S. Import Statistics, and internal Winchester estimates.

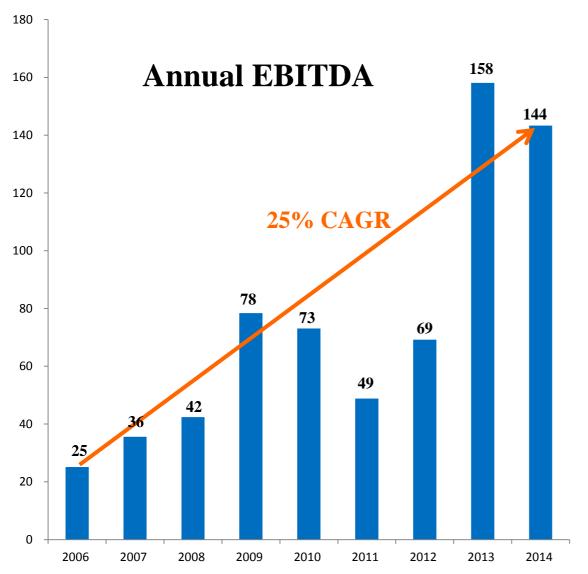
<sup>2</sup>Reflect the FBI's National Instant Oriminal background check System statistics (NICS).

<sup>3</sup>Reflects production reported on Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives' Annual Firearms Manufacturing and Export Reports. Latest data available for 2013.

## Growing Shooting Sports Participation Has Increased Installed Base



## Winchester Is Growing



- We expect Winchester's 2015 earnings to exceed 2014 earnings as a result of:
  - Cost savings from the centerfire relocation to Oxford, MS
  - A significant increase in the number of sport shooters
- Pistol and rimfire ammunition demand remains robust
- Commercial backlog at Q1 2015 was 2 times the Q1 2012 backlog
- Centerfire relocation cost savings contribution to earnings expected to continue increasing from 2015 to 2017

## **Strong Balance Sheet**

- Q1 2015 cash balance of \$197 million reflects a seasonal increase of \$53 million in working capital and the payment of transaction costs
- Q1 2015 CAPEX was \$23 million and D&A expense was \$34 million
- 2015 CAPEX is expected to be in the \$120 to \$130 million range
- 2015 D&A expense is expected to be in the \$140 to \$145 million range
- Debt to EBITDA is slightly over 2x and net debt to EBITDA is below 1.5 times as of March 31, 2015
- No material debt maturities until 2016, with total debt due between now and 6/1/16 of approximately \$16 million

## **Profit Outlook**

- Q1 2015 EBITDA was \$71.2 million
- Earnings improvements are expected in all three business segments in 2015 over 2014 results
- Chlor Alkali Products full year 2015 segment income is expected to improve compared to 2014 primarily due to higher cyclical ECU pricing and higher bleach, HCl and KOH volumes
- Chemical Distribution 2015 full year segment income is expected to improve compared to 2014 due to increased caustic soda, bleach, HCl and KOH volumes
- We expect Winchester's 2015 full year earnings to exceed 2014 earnings of \$127 million, primarily due to lower operating costs associated with our new centerfire operation in Oxford, MS