

# Cowen and Company Metals, Mining & Materials Conference

November 11, 2014

### **Company Overview**

### Olin Corporation

Q3 2014 9Mos 2014 FY 2013

Revenue: \$594 \$1,741 \$2,515

Adj. EBITDA: \$93 \$284 \$425

EPS (Diluted): \$.33 \$1.16 \$2.21

#### Chlor Alkali

A Leading North American Producer of Chlorine and Caustic Soda

Q3'14 9Mo'14 FY 2013

Revenue: \$ 329 \$ 996 \$ 1,331

EBITDA: \$ 52 \$ 180 \$ 306

#### **Chemical Distribution**

A Leading Distributor of Caustic Soda and Midwest Bleach Producer

O3'14 9Mo'14 FY 2013

Revenue: \$ 77 \$ 221 \$ 406

EBITDA: \$ 5 \$ 12 \$ 25

#### Winchester

A Leading North American Producer of Small Caliber Ammunition

Q3'14 9Mo'14 FY 2013

**Revenue:** \$ 210 \$ 591 \$ 778

EBITDA: \$ 42 \$ 121 \$ 158

All financial data are for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 and for the 12 months ended December 31, 2013. Data are presented in millions of U.S. dollars except for earnings per share. Additional information is available at www.olin.com.

### **Investment Rationale**

Leading Positions In:

Chlorine and Caustic Soda
Industrial Bleach
Burner Grade Hydrochloric Acid
Small Caliber Ammunition

History of Successful Acquisitions and Delivering Synergies:

Pioneer Companies – August 31, 2007 SunBelt – February 28, 2011 K. A. Steel Chemicals Inc. – August 22, 2012

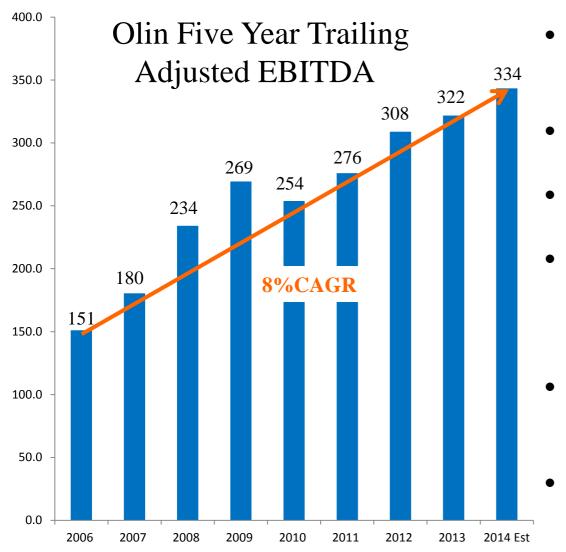
Compelling Financials:

Strong EBITDA and Free Cash Flow

Solid Balance Sheet

Fully Funded Pension Plan, No Material Debt Maturities Until 2016 352nd Consecutive Quarterly Common Dividend Declared

### **Growing EBITDA**



- Olin has successfully completed the immediately accretive acquisitions of Pioneer, SunBelt and KA Steel
- Downstream bleach and HCl growth have increased earnings and margins
- Winchester is benefiting from high customer demand and lower costs
- Centerfire relocation to MS increasing Winchester EBIT with \$35 to \$40 million expected annually by 2016
- FY 2013 EBITDA of \$425 million was the highest level of EBITDA in the Company's 100+ year history
  - FY 2014 EBITDA is expected to be in the \$345 to \$365 million range

# Capital Projects Driving EBITDA Growth

#### Bleach Initiative

- HyPure® plants in McIntosh, AL & Niagara Falls, NY were completed in 2012; and a Henderson, NV plant was completed in 2013; all are operating at full rate
- We are capable of converting more than 17% of our chlor-alkali capacity into higher margin bleach
- In 2013, bleach consumed 10% of total system ECU capacity

#### Hydrochloric Acid

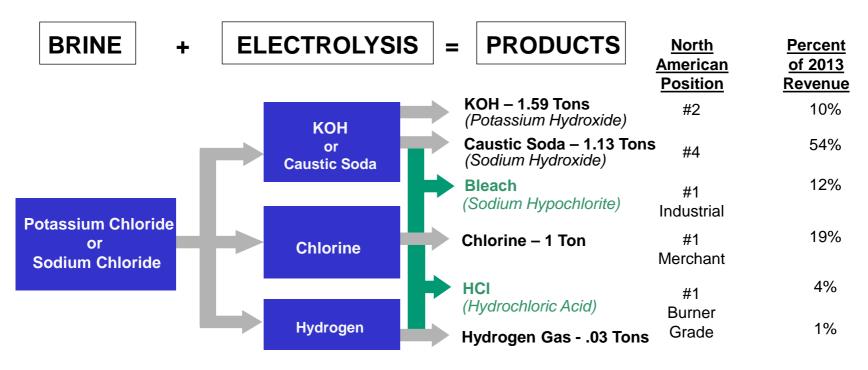
- A new HCl burner was put into service at our Henderson, NV facility in 2013 raising our ability to convert 13% of our chlorine capacity into HCl
- In 2013, HCl consumed 7% of our total system chlorine capacity

#### Winchester Centerfire Relocation

- Less than 4 years into a 5 year project, all pistol ammunition and 60% of rifle ammunition is being produced in Oxford, MS
- Relocation cost savings in 2014 are expected to be in the \$25 million range,
   and \$35 to \$40 million annually upon completion beginning in 2016

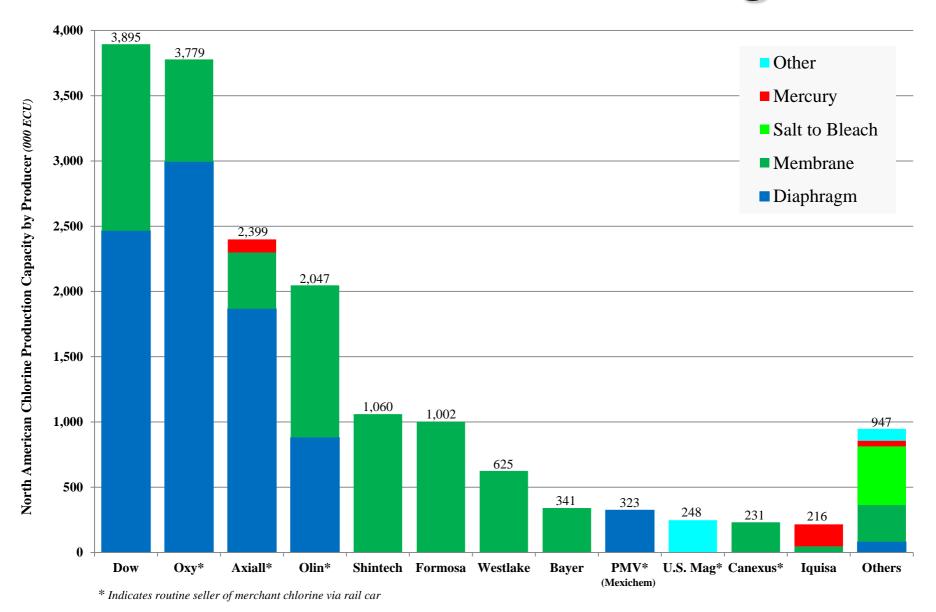
### Chlor Alkali Process

#### **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.

### North American Chlor Alkali Producers & Technologies

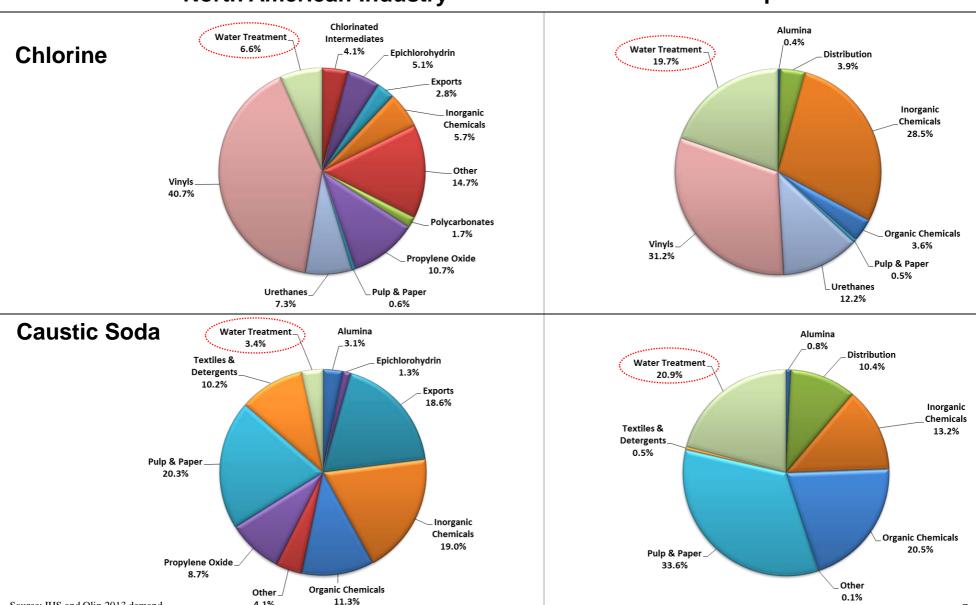


### **Diverse Customer Base**

#### **North American Industry**

#### **Olin Corporation**

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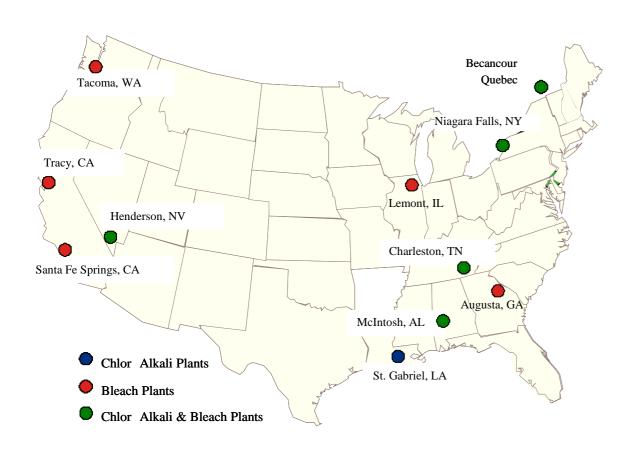


Chlorine: "Inorganics" includes: Titanium dioxide and bromine. Caustic Soda: "Organics" includes: MDI, TDI, polycarbonates, synthetic glycerin, sodium formate, monosodium glutamate. "Inorganics" includes: titanium dioxide, sodium silicates, sodium cyanide.

4.1%

Source: IHS and Olin 2013 demand.

### Olin's Geographic Advantage



Location	12/31/13 Chlorine Capacity (000s ST)		
McIntosh, AL	426 Diaphragm		
McIntosh, AL - SunBelt	352 Membrane		
D O all	297 Diaphragm		
Becancour, Quebec	65 Membrane		
Niagara Falls, NY	300 Membrane		
Charleston, TN	208 Membrane		
St. Gabriel, LA	246 Membrane		
Henderson, NV	153 Diaphragm		
Total	2,047		
Membrane	57%		
Diaphragm	43%		

- Access to regional customers including bleach and water treatment
- Access to alternative fuel sources provides a balanced energy portfolio
  - Hydroelectric, coal, natural gas and nuclear

### **Industrial Bleach Initiative**

#### Appeal of Industrial Bleach

- Bleach utilizes both chlorine and caustic soda in an ECU ratio
- Growing demand is seasonal, but not cyclical
- Bleach commands a premium price over an ECU

#### Olin Advantages

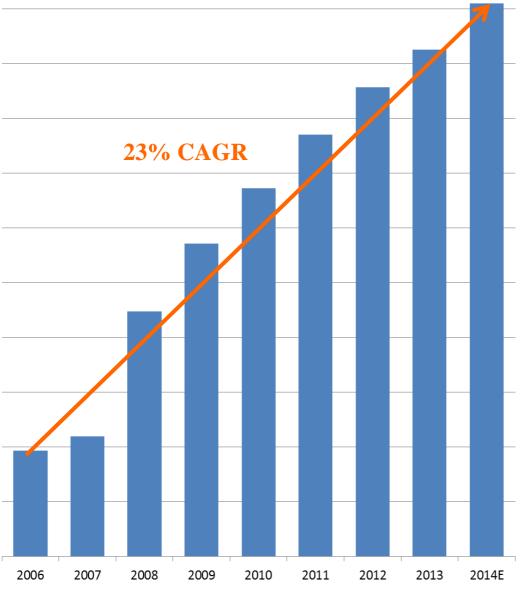
- Regional nature of the bleach business benefits Olin's geographic profile
- Olin's proprietary railcar technology extends geographic reach
- KA Steel's Midwest bleach manufacturing & distribution completes coverage

#### Olin Actions

- Olin is the leading North American bleach producer
- Our 3 new HyPure<sup>®</sup> bleach investments have added 50% more bleach capacity to the Olin system, extending product shelf life and lowering freight costs
- We expect 2014 bleach shipments will be 4% higher than 2013 shipments

### Bleach Growth is a Key Objective

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



#### **Olin's Bleach Accomplishments**

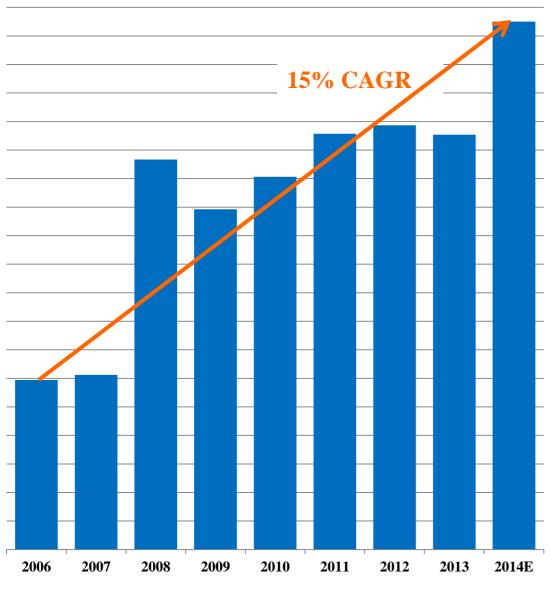
- Olin bleach volumes have delivered steady growth since 2006
- Key bleach target segments include waste and drinking water treatment, consumer products, food, farming and pool chemicals
- Our capacity to convert ECUs into higher margin bleach now exceeds 17%
- Olin HyPure® bleach and proprietary rail car design provides:
  - Increased product stability and extended shelf life
  - A potential new category of downstream consumer products
  - Reduced transportation costs
  - Expanded bleach shipping radius
  - An enhancement to our geographic advantage over competitors

### Hydrochloric Acid

- Olin is the leading producer of Burner-grade HCl in North America with 5 manufacturing locations in the United States and Canada
- Currently 25% of HCl supply is "Burner-grade" or "on-purpose" HCl
- By-product HCl accounts for 75% of the market supply, but availability is subject to urethane and fluorocarbon demand
- Burner grade HCl is a reliable source, and while a small cost component in oil and gas exploration, is critical to the process
- HCl is used in processing steel, artificial sweeteners, pharmaceuticals, food, ores and minerals; and in water, wastewater and brine treatments
- In 2013, Olin converted 7% of its chlorine into higher margin HCl, and now has the capability to consume 13% of its chlorine to make HCl
- Q3 2014 HCl shipments were 3% higher than Q3 2013 shipments

### **Growing HCl Demand**

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



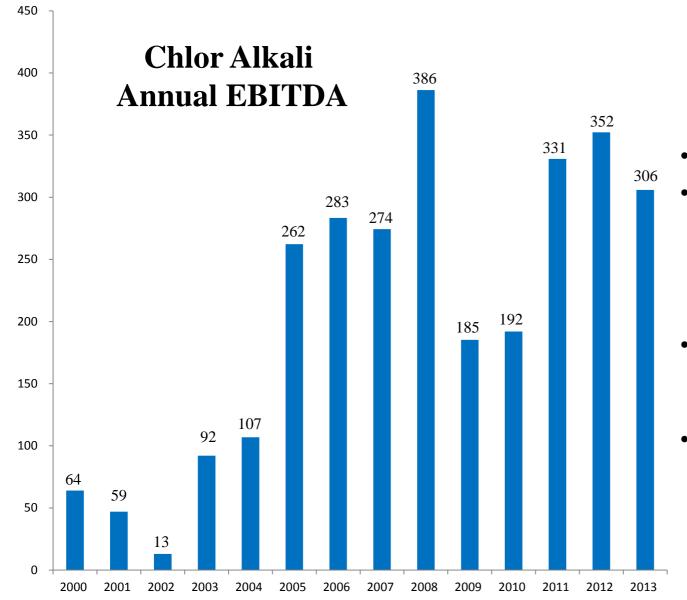
#### **North American HCl Supply**

- Burner acid expansions represent the majority of new supply coming online, approaching 13% of 2014 capacity
- Burner operating rates are higher than byproduct, supplying approximately 25% of North American demand
- By-product HCl availability is less reliable
- Olin is ideally positioned to serve the West & North through our expanded rail fleet and distribution capabilities

#### **North American HCl Demand**

- Oil and gas exploration and production continues to grow as transportation infrastructure catches up with demand
- Steel industry is recovering, but utilization rates remain low with growing imports
- Diverse, smaller demand segments are tracking with GDP growth

### **EBITDA Improvement**



#### Higher Peaks and Higher Troughs

- Capacity rationalization
- Olin Bleach and HCl initiatives have reduced the cyclicality of the business, and at the same time, increased profit margins
- More than half of Q3 2014 earnings came from bleach and HCl 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 is a chemical distributor uniquely focused on the products produced by Olin's Chlor Alkali business
- KA Steel has generated \$45 million of after-tax cash flow in the first two years of ownership by Olin
- Chemical Distribution 2014 EBITDA is forecast to double by 2016
- Key Initiatives:
  - Growing sales of Olin-produced bleach, HCl and potassium hydroxide
  - Improving returns on caustic soda sales
- In addition, we expect the Chlor Alkali business will realize \$10 to \$15 million of annual benefit from producing the co-products, as well as from logistics and infrastructure cost savings

### **Chemical Distribution**



Only 3 locations out of 51 overlap

- KA Steel caustic distribution infrastructure is a strong fit with Olin's chlor alkali assets:
  - Mature supply relationships
  - 90,000 tons of storage capacity
  - Expanded geographic coverage
  - Logistical savings
- Provides scale and flexibility
- Access to new customers, regions and industry segments
- Combined network is capable of supporting higher caustic volumes
- KA Steel adds approximately 28,000 tons of bleach capacity

### Winchester

	Hunters & Recreational Shooters					1
Products	Retail	Distributors	Mass Merchants	Law Enforcement	Military	Industrial
Rifle	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	N/A
Handgun	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	N/A
Rimfire	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Shotshell	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Components	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

#### Brands











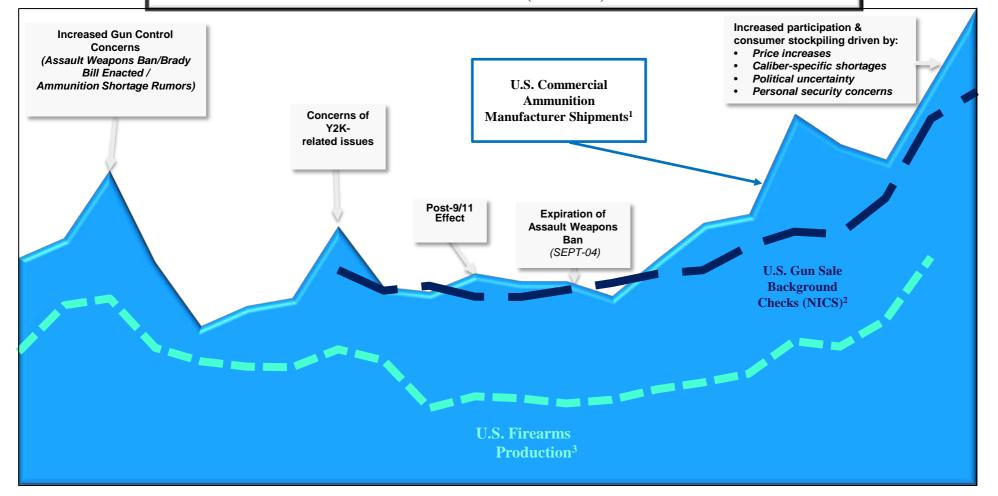
#### Winchester Strategy

- Cost Reduction
  - Centerfire relocation:
  - \$17 million of cost savings realized in 2013
  - Expect \$25 million of cost savings in 2014
  - 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
- 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: +71% (1992-2012)
- NICS Checks & U.S. Firearms Production: +93% (1999-2012)

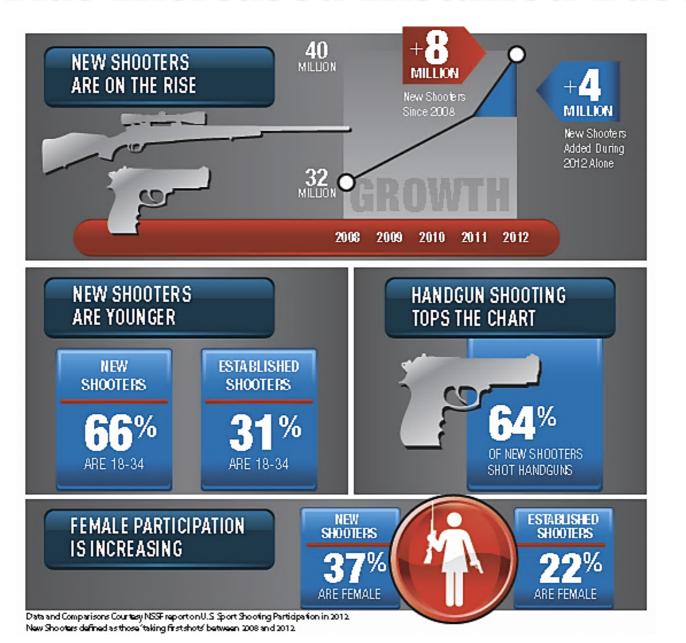


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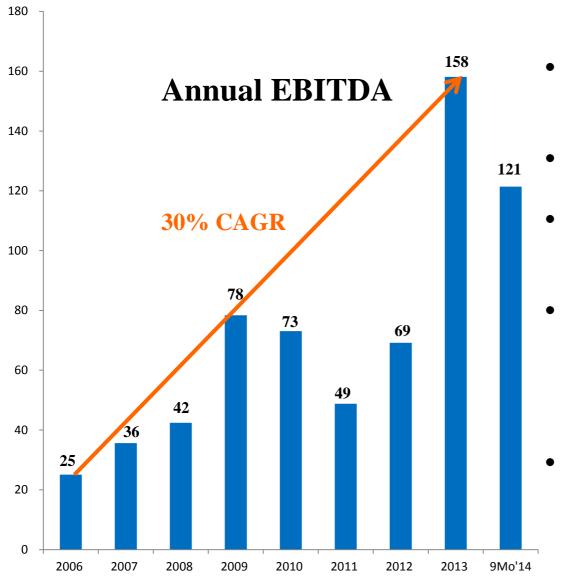
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Estimated based on National Shooting Sports Foundation (NSSF) Trade Statistics Program Ammunition Manufacturer Surveys, Department of Commerce U.S. Import Statistics, and internal Winchester estimates. <sup>2</sup>Reflect the FBI's National Instant Criminal background check System statistics (NICS).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Reflects production reported on Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives' Annual Firearms Manufacturing and Export Reports. Latest data available for 2012.

# Growing Shooting Sports Participation Has Increased Installed Base



### Winchester Is Growing



- The surge that began in Q4 2012 continued through 2013 resulting in record full year EBITDA
- Pistol and rimfire ammunition demand remains robust
- Commercial backlog at Q3 2014 was approximately \$195 million, Q3 2012 commercial backlog was \$90 million
- Centerfire relocation cost savings:
  - \$17 million in 2013,
  - Expect \$25 million in 2014,
  - Expect \$35 to \$40 million annually beginning in 2016
  - After completion, we expect that Winchester will generate \$125 million of annual EBITDA in a normal, non-surge period

### Centerfire Relocation

- The decision to relocate Winchester's centerfire operations, including 1,000 jobs, was made on November 3, 2010
- The 500,000 square foot facility was opened in October 2011, the relocation of pistol ammunition manufacturing is complete, rifle manufacturing has been initiated, and the project is on schedule and on budget to be completed late 2015 or early 2016
- Year-over-year 2013 profit improvement resulting from the relocation savings were approximately \$22 million (2013 savings of \$17 million vs. 2012 additional cost of \$5 million)
- Through Q3 2014, relocation cost savings were \$17 million and full year 2014 savings are expected in the \$25 million range
- We continue to expect \$35 to \$40 million in lower annual operating costs beginning in 2016

### **Strong Balance Sheet**

- Sept. 30, 2014 cash of \$267 million reflects 9 months spending on:
  - \$50 million of Capital Expenditures;
  - \$80 million of normal, seasonal working capital needs; and
  - \$92 million distributed to shareholders in the form of common stock dividends and common share repurchases
- No material debt maturities until 2016, and total debt due between now and 6/1/16 is approximately \$30 million
- In August we replaced \$150 million of 8.875% debt with a variable rate term loan, current interest rate on term loan is less than 2%
- The Olin defined benefit pension plans are frozen and remain fully funded with no contributions expected for several years
- 2014 CAPEX forecast has been reduced to approximately \$75 million
- 2014 Depreciation and Amortization is expected to be \$140 million

### **Profit Outlook**

- Full year 2014 EBITDA is expected to be \$345 to \$365 million
- Focused growth in the less cyclical and higher value Bleach, HCl and Potassium Hydroxide co-products accounted for more than 50% of Chlor Alkali earnings in Q3 2014
- While we believe that we are in the trough part of a cycle, Chlor Alkali has generated \$180 million of EBITDA year-to-date
- Sequential improvements in Chemical Distribution driven by profit improvement measures and increased sales of Olin produced Bleach and HCl give us confidence that we can double EBITDA in 2 years
- Winchester generated second highest level of quarterly EBITDA in its 100+ year history. Earnings in Q4 2014 are expected to be similar to Q4 2012 earnings which was the first quarter of the latest surge
- With the higher level of active shooters and the increasing cost savings derived from the Oxford, MS relocation, we expect Winchester to generate \$125 million of non-surge EBITDA annually

### Forward-Looking Statements

This presentation contains estimates of future performance, which are forward-looking statements and actual results could differ materially from those anticipated in the forward-looking statements. Some of the factors that could cause actual results to differ are described in the business and outlook sections of Olin's Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2013 and Olin's Third Quarter 2014 Form 10-Q. These reports are filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.