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# **SWX** at a Glance



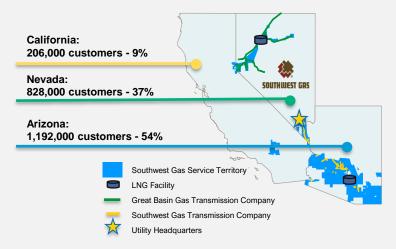
#### **Corporate Overview:**

Southwest Gas Holdings, Inc., through its primary operating subsidiary Southwest Gas Corporation, engages in the business of purchasing, distributing and transporting natural gas. In addition, Southwest Gas Holdings, Inc. is the majority owner of Centuri Holdings, Inc., which provides comprehensive utility infrastructure services across North America. Southwest Gas Corporation is a dynamic energy company committed to exceeding the expectations of over 2 million customers throughout Arizona, Nevada, and California by providing safe and reliable service while innovating sustainable energy solutions to fuel the growth in its communities.

#### **Southwest Gas Corporation Financial Snapshot<sup>1</sup>:**

2023 Revenue: \$2.5 billion 2023 Net income: \$242.2 million 2023 Adjusted net income: \$248.6 million 2023 Estimated Rate Base: \$5.8 billion<sup>2</sup>

2,226,000
Total Customers Served<sup>1</sup>



#### Centuri Group, Inc. Financial Snapshot<sup>1</sup>:

2023 Revenue: \$2.9 billion

2023 adjusted EBITDA: \$282.5 million Period-end adjusted EBITDA margin: 9.7%

#### **Positioned to Unlock Significant Shareholder Value**

#### SWX

- » Strengthening capital and strategic flexibility through separation of Centuri
- » Maintain balance sheet flexibility and investment grade credit ratings

#### SWG

- » Positive regulatory developments and strong organic rate base growth
- » 40,000 first-time meter sets over the last twelve months<sup>1</sup>, or ~1.8% increase<sup>3</sup>
- » Optimizing the utility to deliver value
- Providing safe, reliable, sustainable and affordable energy solutions with a dedicated focus on service
- Capital expenditure plan supported by strong economic and customer growth throughout our service areas
- » Well positioned to continue delivering sustainable energy options for our customers

#### Centuri

- » Following execution of an initial public offering in April 2024, transitioning into an independent, leading, pure-play utility infrastructure services that serves as a long-term strategic partner to, and an extension of, North America's electric, gas and combination utility providers, delivering a wide range of infrastructure solutions that ensure safe, reliable and environmentally sustainable grid operations
- » Deleveraging the business organically through EBITDA growth

#### Notes:

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2. Rate base amounts reflect estimated total investment in facilities to provide utility service, less estimated retirements, depreciation, and deferred taxes plus working capital as of 12/31/2023. This is different than our authorized rate cases and that is reflected in current rates Calculated based on new meter sets added since 2022 final year end customer count

# Positioned for Sustainable Growth and Long-Term Success



Transitioning into a premier, fully regulated natural gas utility



Diversified, Fully-Regulated Business Mix

Attractive Rate Base and Net Income

Favorable Demand Dynamics in Diversified Geographic Footprint

Growth

Well Positioned to Continue Delivering Sustainable Energy Solutions Strategic Investments in Long-Term Safety and Reliability of Pipeline System

**High Customer Satisfaction** 

Positive Rate Case Outcomes and Constructive Regulatory Relationships

**Multiple Paths for Value Creation** 

#### **Optimizing Business Profile**

- » Disciplined cost management
- » Efficient capital deployment
- » Pursuing constructive regulatory outcomes

#### **Favorable Share Price Performance**

Total Shareholder Return<sup>3</sup>





2019A 2020A 2021A 2022A 2023A 2024E<sup>2</sup>

#### **Strong Balance Sheet Position**

Limited near-term financing needs

# **Why SWX? Compelling Investment Thesis**



Notes:

Rate base eligible assets estimated as of December 31, 2023

<sup>2</sup> Affirmed as of May 8 2

<sup>3.</sup> As of 5/7/2024: CTRI market cap of \$2.2 billion \* 81% ownership = \$1.8 billion current market value of 81% stake in CTI

# **Focused on Advancing Strategic Priorities**

Centuri Separation			
CEO onboarding	Complete	$\checkmark$	1Q 2024
Public Filing of S-1	Complete	$\checkmark$	2Q 2024
Centuri Deleveraging/Refinancing	Complete	V	2Q 2024
IPO Execution	Complete	$\checkmark$	2Q 2024
Complete Separation			Pending
2024 Financing Plan			
SWX Equity issuance under ATM program (less than \$100M) <sup>1</sup>			1Q – 4Q 2024
SWX \$550M Term Loan Extension			2Q/3Q 2024
SWGC \$400M Revolving Credit Facility Extension			2Q/3Q 2024
2024 Utility and Regulatory Strategy			
NV Rate Case Approval	Complete	$\checkmark$	2Q 2024
AZ Rate Case Filing	Complete	$\checkmark$	1Q 2024
CA Rate Case Filing			3Q 2024
GBGTC Rate Case Filing	Complete	$\checkmark$	1Q 2024
Utility Optimization Executing Planned Initiatives	Ongoing		1Q – 4Q 2024

# **Delivering Strong Results and Advancing Strategy – 1Q '24 Update**





GAAP Net income of ~\$136 million, \$1 million year-over-year increase in 1Q 2024 earnings



Approximately 40,000 new meter sets during the last 12 months



NV rate general rate case approved (~\$59 million revenue increase), including an increase in allowed return on equity (9.5%) and an allowed equity capitalization of 50%



Operations and maintenance expenses were flat between comparative periods, reflecting cost discipline



Advanced regulatory strategy: filed AZ and GBGTC general rate cases and anticipate a CA rate case filing in 3Q 2024



Deferred purchased gas cost balances decreased by ~\$770 million from March 31, 2023 to March 31, 2024. Cash balance at March 31, 2024 now greater than \$400 million.





Completed initial public offering with proceeds used to partially de-lever Centuri



First quarter consolidated revenue of \$528 million despite unfavorable weather and timing of bid projects and storm work



Over \$40M of new awards from existing MSA customers supporting the work to advance critical reliability and integrity spending



In April, paid \$92 million to acquire the remaining 10% outstanding noncontrolling interest in Linetec Services, LLC



In April 2024, paid down \$316 million of debt from proceeds of the successful IPO



Successfully onboarded Bill Fehrman as President and CEO

## **Executed Centuri IPO**

#### **Initial Public Offering ("IPO") Details**

- » On April 17, 2024 SWX priced an IPO of Centuri Holdings stock, selling approximately 19% of Centuri at a price of \$21.00 per share
- » SWX retained ~81% interest in Centuri Holdings stock. Centuri's market capitalization was valued at \$2.21 billion as of 5/7/2024<sup>1</sup>. We expect to consolidate Centuri until conditions for consolidation are no longer met

# **Initial Public Offering**

16.85M Shares
12.4M Base Deal
1.86M Overallotment
2.6M Private Placement

71.67M remaining shares owned by SWX<sup>2</sup>

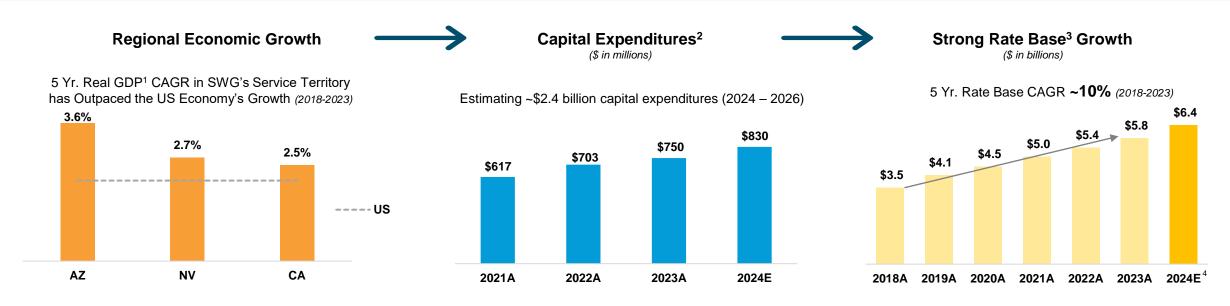
# Completed IPO Within Targeted Timeframe Generated Significant Cash and Value

- » Generated ~\$329 million in net cash proceeds to Centuri
- » Proceeds used to reduce Centuri Holdings debt by \$316 million



# **Track Record of Prudent Capital Expenditures**

Strong Rate Base Growth Driven by Capital Spending in Support of the Growing Communities we Serve



# Focused on Safety & Reliability and Supporting New Customer Growth

**53%**in Safety &
Integrity Mgmt.<sup>5</sup>

28% in New Business<sup>5</sup>

Southwest Gas has an obligation to serve new customers and has realized attractive returns on its investment in new business capital spending over the last 5 years

#### **Industry Leading Customer Satisfaction**

For the fourth consecutive year, Southwest Gas Corporation ranked #1 in Customer Satisfaction among Business and Large Residential Gas Utilities in the West by J.D. Power<sup>6</sup> Returns on New Business Capital Expenditures in line with Returns on Overall Capital Profile

Sources: Bureau of Economic Analysis, Company Filings

taxes plus working capital as of 12/31 of each year depicted. This is different than our authorized rate cases and that is reflected in current rates

<sup>1. 2018 - 2023</sup> chained (2017) dollar series

Excludes non-cash adjustment

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 Rate base amounts reflect estimated total investment in facilities to provide utility service, less estimated retirements, depreciation, and deferred

<sup>2024</sup>E rate base assumes CapEx at 2024 guidance (~830 million). Rate base eligible assets estimated as of the end of each period presented Percentages based on 3-year capital program of ~\$2.4 billion in spending between 2024 – 2026

For J.D. Power 2023 award information, visit jdpower.com/awards

# **Multipronged Approach to Utility ROE Improvement**

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#### **Regulatory Strategy**

- » Execute on upcoming rate cases
- » Work collaboratively with stakeholders to develop enhanced regulatory mechanisms

#### **Strong Organic Growth**

- » Continue to support and benefit from favorable and consistent residential and small commercial growth
- » Momentum and continued benefit from new large commercial / industrial customer growth

Strategic priorities align with long-term ROE performance improvement

#### **Utility Optimization**

- » Optimization of capital expenditures with planned rate case activity
- » Disciplined cost management and optimization

#### **Strengthen Balance Sheet**

- » Targeting 50 / 50 capital structure in the forecast period
- » Strong operating cash flows limit near term financing needs

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# **Utility 2024 and Forward-Looking Financial Guidance**

# 2024 Guidance

	Affirmed
Net Income <sup>1</sup>	\$228 - \$238 million
СарЕх	~\$830 million

# Forward-Looking Guidance

2024 – 2026 base yr 2024	Affirmed
Net Income <sup>2</sup> (CAGR)	10.0% - 12.0%
Rate Base <sup>2</sup> (CAGR)	6.5% - 7.5%
CapEx <sup>3</sup>	\$2.4 billion

Following the conclusion of the Nevada rate case and advancement of our disciplined business management approach across Southwest, we are expecting 2024 utility income toward the upper half of our range.

# **Utility Earnings Guidance Drivers**

Drivers	2024	2025	2026				
Rate Relief	<ul><li>▲ Nevada rates effective April 2024</li><li>▲ GBGTC rates effective September 2024</li></ul>	Arizona rates effective April 2025	<ul><li>California rates effective January 2026</li></ul>				
	Assumes rate case fi	lings and outcomes in line with his	storical cadence and experience				
<b>Customer Growth</b>	▲ Anticipate customer growth of ~1.6% per year						
O&M	Targeting flat O&M per customer						
D&A	▼ Increased YoY CapEx to support continued customer growth as well as one-time projects ■ Expect declining capital to depreciation ratio after 2024						
Financing Assumptions	Targeting 50/50 utility capital structure over time						

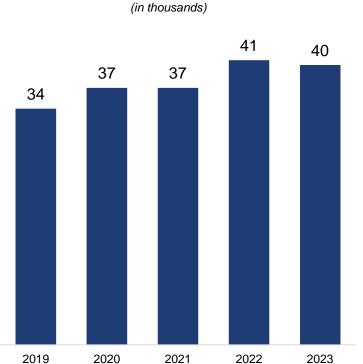


# **Growth and Economic Expansion**

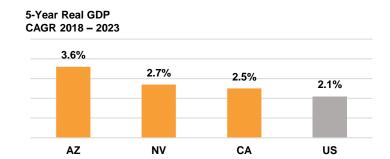
#### Exceptional Customer Growth Fueled by Economic Development in SWX's Service Territory

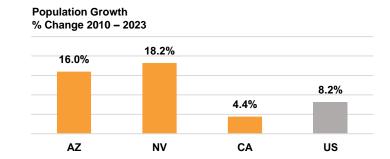
#### **Strong Macroeconomic Tailwinds to Support Strong Growth Profile**





SWG has helped fuel regional economic development...





... and growth is expected to continue in the areas we serve

#### **Strong Economic Growth Across Service Areas**

- From 2024 to 2029, projected population growth of 3.52% in Arizona and 2.61% in Nevada, compared to the 2.40% average growth in the US¹
- » Strong 2023 increase in First-Time Meter Sets of ~40,000

# **AZ & NV Economic Snapshot**

#### **Arizona**























#### **AZ Large Customer Account Activity**

**NV Large Customer Account Activity** 



#### EV's/Batteries

Kore Power, Nikola Motor, Lucid Motors, American Battery, Scion Power



#### **Semiconductors & Technology**

NXP Semiconductors, TSMC, Intel, Amkor Technologies, Air Liquide



#### Industrial/Manufacturing

Procter & Gamble, Nestle, Gold Bond Building Products, Kohler, EFP



#### Hospitals/Resorts

Banner Health, Mayo Clinic, Vai Resorts, Desert Diamond's Far West Casino

#### Nevada

















allegiant





#### Resorts/Tourism

Durango Station, Edgewood Villas, Dream LV, Center Strip, Waldorf, Mirage



#### **Warehouse & Logistics**

Apex Solo Mtn, Apex Central, El Dorado Industrial, NNIC, Mark IV Capital



#### **Entertainment/Sports**

MSG Sphere, Formula 1, Showcase V, Oakland A's



#### Mining & Industrial

Crown Holdings, Am Lithium, Rose A Farms, Komatsu, Minden Mill Distillery















# **Large Volume Customer Updates**



#### **Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company**

SWG will provide natural gas service to TSMC's ~\$40 billion chip fabrication facilities in Phoenix, AZ. The first facility is expected to become operational in 2024, with the second facility operational in 2026 - each serving as a strong customer for SWG.

- » Project diversifies existing commercial/industrial customer base by adding a significant technology manufacturer
- » Significant job creation (10,000 construction workers required, and additional 10,000 high-paying tech jobs expected)

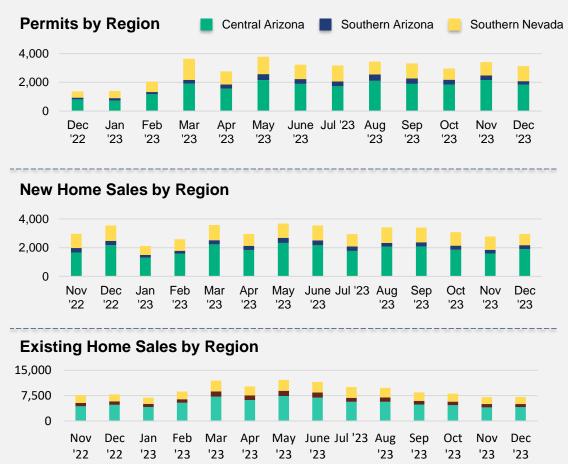
#### The Sphere

This unique sphere-shaped music and entertainment venue is the first of its kind and is the prototype for others to come. The venue is 366' high, 516' wide and 580,000 sf. The high-definition screen in the venue wraps more than halfway around the sphere for a complete and immersive guest experience and is covered with 1.2 million LEDs.

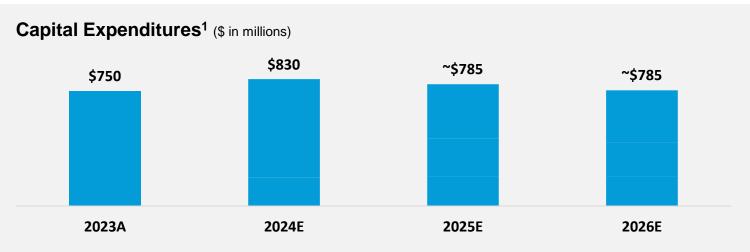
- » The project uniquely utilizes natural gas for its 4D effect
- » Significant entertainment industry usage of natural gas
- » Created approximately 3,000 jobs/roles

# **Regional Housing Development**

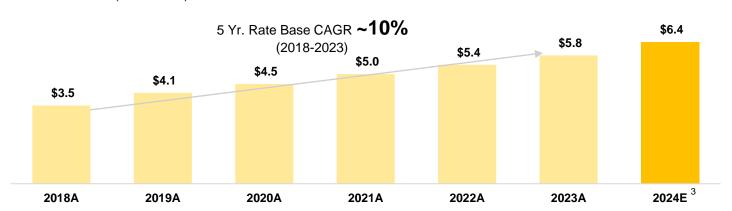




# **Total System Rate Base Growth Forecast**









# **Regulatory Update - Nevada**

#### **Nevada Rate Case Outcome Summary**

Dollars in millions	
Proposed Revenue Increase <sup>1</sup>	\$73.9
Depreciation Expense	(\$6.8)
Cost of Service Adjustment	(\$1.6)
Stipulated Revenue Increase	~\$65.6
Cost of Capital Adjustment	(\$6.5)
Authorized Revenue Increase	\$59.1

~98%
of request after
depreciation
adjustment and
before adjustments
to cost of capital

~\$297 million increase in rate base

#### **Cost of Capital**

	Requested at Certification	Authorized
Target Equity Ratio	50%	50%
Return on Equity	10.00%	9.5%
Cost of Debt	4.51% NNV 4.50% SNV	Company's Position



Notes: tables may not add due to rounding

<sup>1.</sup> As of November 30, 2023 Certification. Request at test year was \$69.8M.

<sup>2.</sup> Weighted average of Southern and Northern Nevada, based on application as filed.

a. As of December 31, 2022, utilizing average of peer group natural gas utilities (ATO, NJR, NWN, OGS, SR, & NI)

# **Regulatory Update - Arizona**

#### **Arizona Rate Case Filing Summary**

In February 2024, Southwest filed a rate case requesting a revenue increase of approximately \$126 million with rates anticipated to become effective April 2025

Target Equity Ratio	50%
Rate of Return	10.15%
Fair Value Return on Rate Base	0.81%
Rate Base	\$3.3 billion (~\$646 million increase, or ~24%)
Proposed Revenue Increase	~\$126 million

#### Notes

- » 364-Day Procedural Schedule
- » Continuation of full revenue decoupling<sup>1</sup>
- » ~\$40 million increase in O&M
- Test year from 11/1/22 10/31/23 with \$229 million of rate base requested in the post test year period of 11/1/23 10/31/24
- Proposed Capital Tracker (~40% of AZ capital budget)
- Proposed Unrecovered Gas Cost
   Expense Rate
  - No significant changes to rate design

#### **Procedural Schedule**

Intervenor Testimony
Sept. 6 – Rev Requirement
Sept. 20 – Rate Design

Rebuttal Testimony October 11, 2024 Hearing November 20-22, 2024

#### Proposed System Improvement Benefit (SIB) Mechanism

Encompass all required safety-related infrastructure investments that account for ~40% of the Company's Capital Budget dedicated to Arizona.<sup>2</sup>

#### **Key Objectives**

- Enhance Safety
- Minimize Regulatory Lag
- Minimize Customer Bill Impact
- Reduce Frequency of Rate Case Filings

Rate effective each February, subject to refund.



# **Regulatory Update – GBGTC and California**

#### **GBGTC Filing Summary**

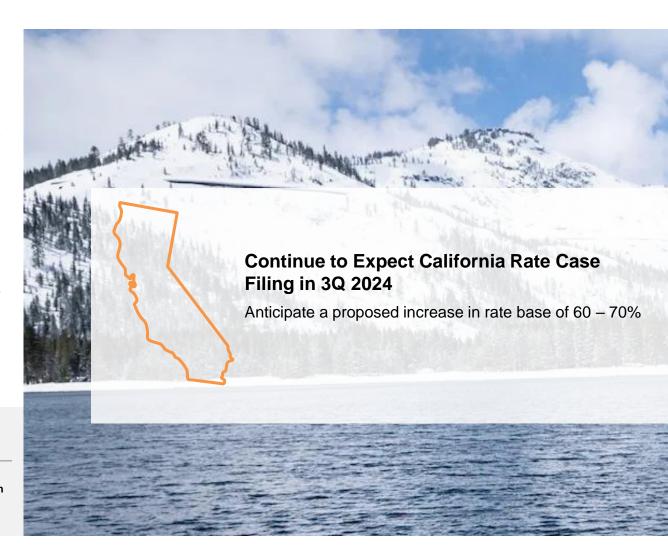
Filed GBGTC rate case on March 6, 2024 requesting a revenue increase of approximately \$16 million with rates anticipated to become effective September 1, 2024, subject to refund.

Target Equity Ratio	56%
Return on Equity	13.05%
Rate Base	\$387 million (~\$99 million increase)
Proposed Test Year Revenue Increase	~\$16 million

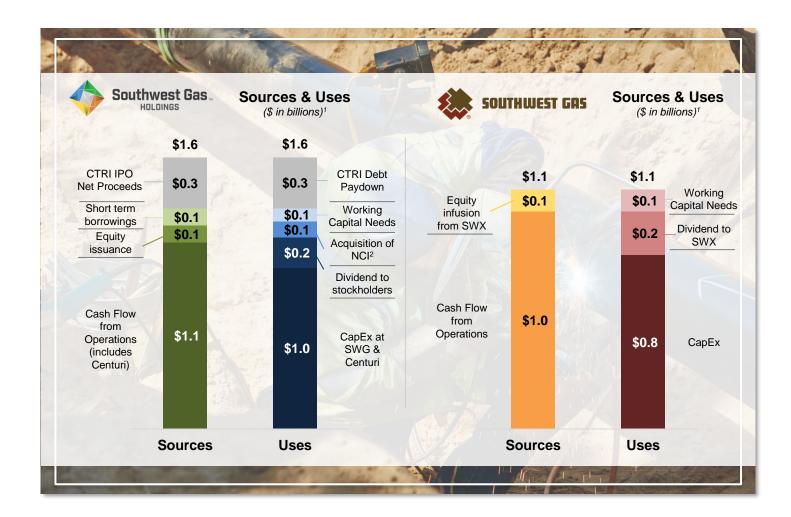
#### **Notes**

- » \$1.5 million increase in depreciation expense
- » No changes in rate design

# Anticipated Procedural Schedule Motion Rates September 2024 October 2024 Anticipated Procedural Schedule Rebuttal Testimony November 2024 Hearing January 2025 May 2025



# **2024 Financing Plan**



# **Assumptions**

- » Centuri consolidated through the end of 2024
- » Significant cash from collection of PGA at Southwest
  - Cash flow from operations anticipated to fully fund capital plan
  - » Approximately \$600 million in PGA recoveries forecasted
- » Expect limited equity needs to be funded using an ATM (less than \$100 million in 2024) depending on Centuri separation timing and strategy
- » No significant debt financing or refinancing at the utility in 2024
- » Amend/extend Southwest Gas Holdings \$550 million Term Loan in 2Q/3Q 2024 as well as the utility \$400 million revolver

# **PGA Balance and Recovery Mechanisms**

#### **PGA<sup>1</sup> Receivable Balance and Recovery Mechanism Summary**

State	Dec. 2023 Receivable Balance (\$ in millions)	March 2024 Receivable Balance (\$ in millions)	Carrying Cost Rate	Gas Cost Rate Adjustment Frequency
AZ	\$251.4	\$135.9	1-Year Treasury Rate	Monthly <sup>2</sup>
NV	\$264.5	\$42.0	Weighted Average Cost of Capital	Quarterly <sup>2</sup>
CA	\$36.9	\$20.8	Commercial Paper Rate	Monthly <sup>3</sup>
Total	\$552.9	\$198.7		

**Balances by State** as of 3/31/2024





The gas cost rate is adjusted monthly based on a one-month forecast cost of gas plus the difference in the prior month's over or under recovery of the PGA balance

■ Nevada ■ Arizona ■ California

# **Balance Sheet Strength**

SWX and SWG are committed to maintaining an investment grade profile

#### Net Debt<sup>1</sup> (\$ in billions)

#### Credit Ratings and Outlook<sup>3</sup>

	Total	ıl		Dr: A2	Net Debt	Moody's		Standard and Poor's		Fitch	
	Debt	Cash	Net Debt	Balance	IACC	Ratings	Outlook	Ratings	Outlook	Ratings	Outlook
Southwest Gas. HOLDINGS	\$0.6	\$0.0	\$0.6	n/a	\$0.6	Baa2	Stable	BBB-	Positive	BBB	Rating Watch Negative
SOUTHWEST GRS	\$3.5	\$0.4	\$3.1	\$0.2	\$2.9	Baa1	Stable	BBB	Positive	A-	Stable
<b>Centuri</b> ⁴	\$0.9	\$0.0	\$0.9	n/a	\$0.9	Ва3	Negative	B+	Credit Watch Developing	Not Rated	Not Rated

# **Utility Optimization Progress**



In 2023 Southwest boosted its culture of continuous improvement and optimization by identifying opportunities to generate long-term benefits for all stakeholders



#### 2023 Summary

- » Formation of Office of Continuous Improvement & Optimization
- » Identified and prioritized company-wide initiatives
- » Finalized 6-year initiative playbook

#### **Initiative Playbook**

- » Initiative playbook contains several initiatives intended to drive value and long-term improvement across the organization
- » Investment in systems, technology, and processes

#### **Value Driver Examples**

- » Near-term Initiatives: outside services insourcing, customer contact center enhancements, fleet optimization
- » Long-term Initiatives: work management system modernization, advanced mobile leak detection deployment, information technology, application and storage optimization

#### **Anticipating Results**

» Increase O&M savings to achieve flat O&M per customer over 2024-2026 forecast period







#### **Accelerating our Pursuit of Excellence:**

Striving to be a leader in safety, quality, customer service, operational performance, and cost management

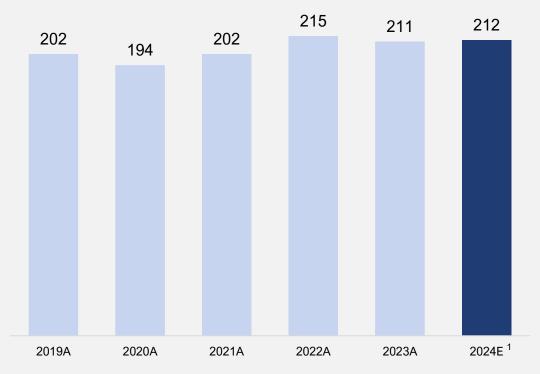


# **Cost Management (O&M)**

» Targeting flat O&M per customer over 2024-2026 forecast period driven by Optimization initiatives

#### **Historical & Projected O&M Per Customer**

(\$ per customer)\*



<sup>\*</sup> Excludes Great Basin

# **Common Stock Dividend Information**

Upon completion of the separation of Centuri, Southwest Gas Holdings plans to target a dividend payout ratio in line with gas utility peers

#### **SWX Annual Dividend Per Share**



- » Southwest Gas Holdings is committed to paying a competitive dividend
- » Southwest Gas Holdings has paid a dividend every year since 1956
- » Upon completion of the separation of Centuri, Southwest Gas Holdings plans to target a dividend payout ratio in line with gas utility peers<sup>1</sup>
- » Until the planned separation has been completed, Southwest Gas Holdings expects to continue to pay its regular quarterly dividend<sup>1</sup>
- Expect to size post-separation dividend off of future run rate earnings considering expected rate relief in Arizona, California, and Nevada<sup>1</sup>

# Positioned to Unlock Significant Stockholder Value





Enhancing SWX credit profile through strengthening capital and strategic flexibility by separation of Centuri



Maintain balance sheet flexibility and investment grade credit ratings





Positive regulatory developments and strong organic rate base growth



Optimizing the utility to deliver value through financial discipline, operational excellence, and constructive regulatory relationships



Safely delivering reliable, sustainable, and affordable energy solutions for new and existing customers, with a dedicated focus on service



Capital expenditure plan supported by increased economic development and customer growth throughout our service areas



Well positioned to continue delivering sustainable energy options for our customers





Transitioning into a standalone world-class utility infrastructure services platform with strong leadership in infrastructure modernization and energy transition



Progress on separation remains on track



Deleveraging the business with net IPO proceeds of ~\$316 million and organically through EBITDA growth





# **Southwest Gas Holdings and Corporation History**



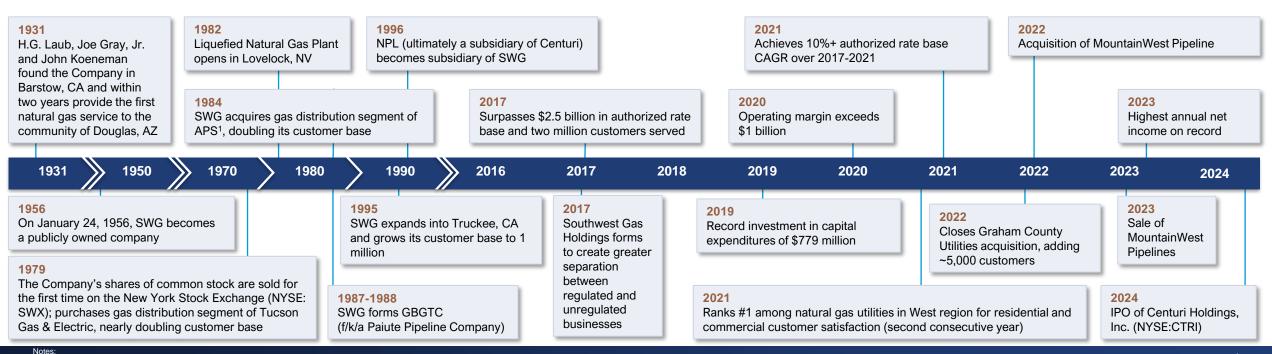
Largest Distributor of natural gas in Arizona (including Phoenix and Tucson metropolitan areas) and Nevada (serving the majority of southern Nevada, including the Las Vegas Metropolitan area and portions of northern Nevada); also distributes and transports gas in parts of California (including the Lake Tahoe area and the high desert and mountain areas in San Bernardino County



Operates a pipeline transmission system (including an LNG storage facility) through Great Basin Gas Transmission Company, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Southwest Gas Corporation



#### Company History (over 90-year track-record of safe and reliable natural gas delivery)



1. Arizona Public Service ("APS")

# **Regulatory Framework**

#### Arizona

Full revenue decoupling (only utility in the state)

Historical test year with flexibility in filing rate cases based on need

Post test year plant adjustments

Capital tracker program (COYL)

Property tax tracker

Income tax expense tracker (TEAM)

Purchased gas adjustment mechanism

#### Nevada

Full revenue decoupling

Historical test year with flexibility in filing rate cases based on need

Statutory 210-day rate case adjudication

Post test year adjustments

Gas infrastructure replacement regulations (support accelerated pipe replacement)

Capital tracker program (COYL)

Variable interest expense recovery mechanism (VIER)

Legislative support to expand to unserved and underserved areas (SB 151 - 2015)

Purchased gas adjustment mechanism

Long-term planning (rulemaking underway) (SB281 – 2023)

#### California

Full revenue decoupling

Future test year (five-year rate case cycle)

Annual attrition adjustments

Annual cost of capital proceedings - ATM program allows SWG to adjust its rate of return as a result of changes in the utility bond yields

Capital tracker programs (MHP, COYL, Meter Protection and Pipe Replacement)

Pension tracker program

Purchased gas adjustment mechanism

# **Regulatory Jurisdictions**

Rate Jurisdiction	Current Authorized Rate Base (in thousands)	% of Authorized Rate Base	Authorized ROE	Authorized Common Equity Ratio
Arizona	\$2,607,568	50%	9.30%	50.00%
Southern Nevada	1,780,732	34%	9.50%	50.00%
Northern Nevada	227,060	4%	9.50%	50.00%
Southern California	285,691	6%	11.16%	52.00%
Northern California	92,983	2%	11.16%	52.00%
South Lake Tahoe	56,818	1%	11.16%	52.00%
Great Basin Gas Transmission Company <sup>1</sup>	135,460	3%	11.80%	51.00%
Total / Weighted Average	\$5,186,312	100%	9.62%	50.21%

1. Estimated amounts based on 2019 / 2020 rate case settlement

# **Regulatory Commissioners**



#### **Arizona**

Commissioner	Term Expires	Political Party Affiliation
Jim O'Connor	2024	Republican
Lea Márquez Peterson	2024	Republican
Anna Tovar	2025	Democrat
Kevin Thompson	2027	Republican
Nick Myers	2027	Republican

Elected to Staggered 4-Year Terms



## Nevada

Commissioner	Term Expires	Political Party Affiliation
Hayley Williamson	2027	Democrat
Tammy Cordova	2024	Independent
Randy J. Brown	2025	Republican
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Appointed to 3-Year Terms



# California

Commissioner	Term Expires	Political Party Affiliation
Alice Busching Reynolds	2027	Democrat
Matt Baker <sup>1</sup>	2026	Democrat
Darcie L. Houck	2026	Democrat
John Reynolds	2028	Democrat
Karen Douglas	2028	Democrat

Appointed to Staggered 6-Year Terms

# **Select Recent Regulatory Activity**



#### **Arizona PGA Filing**

Received ACC approval to increase the Gas Cost Balancing Account rate (for up to two years) to facilitate timely recovery of an approximate \$358 million purchased gas cost balance, effective August 1, 2023.

#### **Arizona COYL Annual Surcharge Filing**

In February, the Company submitted it's annual COYL Surcharge filing requesting a \$1.8 million margin increase.

#### **California Hydrogen Demonstration Project**

Application pending before California Public Utilities Commission ("CPUC") for approval of a hydrogenblending demonstration project in Northern California.

#### **California Fort Irwin Expansion Project**

CPUC approved the expansion of the Company's service territory in Southern California to accommodate the construction of an ~21-mile pipeline to extend service to the Army's National Training Center at Fort Irwin.

# **Great Basin 2023 Mainline Replacement Project**

FERC issued order in February 2023 granting a certificate of public convenience and necessity ("CPCN") for the construction and operation of the project which contemplates the replacement of ~20.4 miles of 16" pipe in Humboldt County. The current project estimate is ~\$47 million. Great Basin has requested authority from FERC to place the line in service April 24, 2024.

#### **Great Basin 2024 – Expansion Project**

In April 2024, the FERC issued the order approving SWG's application to abandon and replace certain pipeline facilities and grant a CPCN to construct and operate certain facilities to expand the transportation capacity of the system. The current project estimate is ~\$15 million.

#### **Nevada Annual Rate Adjustment Filing**

The Company's application filed in November 2023 contemplates a statewide decrease in revenues of ~\$10.6 million. A partial stipulation was filed in April 2024.

# **Legislative Activity**

#### **Executive Order 2023-07**

Outlines the state's energy priorities and policy objectives for the next decade

#### Focus

- » Supports an all-of-the-above approach to energy in the state
- » Emphasizes the importance of affordability and reliability of energy for consumers
- Protects the use of natural gas in homes and businesses and ensures Nevadans continue to have all energy options available to them
- » Promotes economic development and investment in Nevada

## **SB 281 Gas Planning**

Establishes an infrastructure planning process with the PUCN<sup>1</sup> for natural gas utilities. The rulemaking is currently underway at the PUCN

#### Requires three-year plan to include:

- » Current & projected demands for natural gas
- » Significant projects & investments
- » Energy efficiency & load management programs
- » Renewable energy & low-carbon fuel initiatives

#### **Gas Planning Benefits**



Supports investment in clean fuel technologies and R&D opportunities



Creates opportunity to seek regulatory pre-approval for certain investments



Reinforces natural gas's role in providing safe, reliable and affordable energy



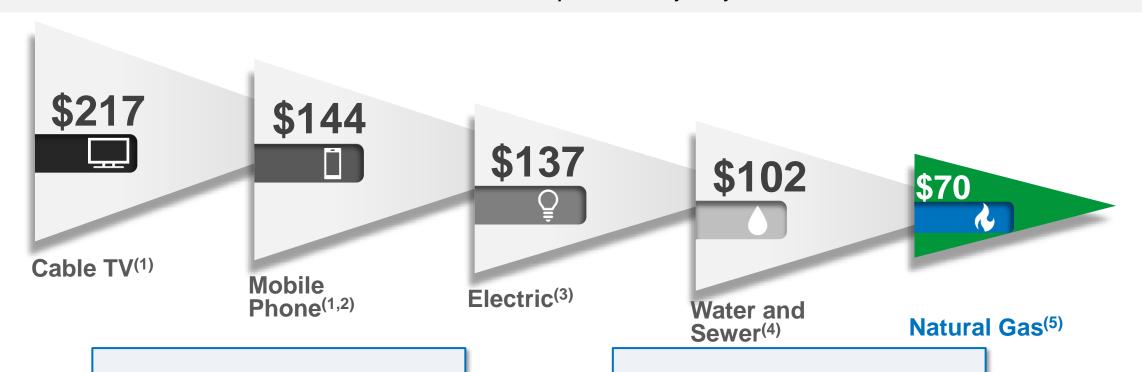
Creates pathways for natural gas utilities to support greenhouse gas emissions reduction goals



Enhances transparency for customers and interested stakeholders

## **Affordability**

#### Natural Gas is Often the Least Expensive Monthly Utility Bill for Customers



### **\$1,068 Savings**

Earned by households using natural gas for heating cooking and other use cases compared to homes using electricity for those applications<sup>(6)</sup>

### 92% Efficiency

Of natural gas, versus 38% from converting natural gas or other fossil fuels to electricity<sup>(6)</sup>

Based on 2023 Southwest Gas average monthly residential bill 2023 AGA Playbook

## **Operating Cash Flows & Liquidity**

Cash Flows (millions)	Quarter Ended March 31			
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	2024		2023	
Southwest Gas Holdings	\$	544	\$	(186)
Southwest Gas Corporation	\$	578	\$	(229)



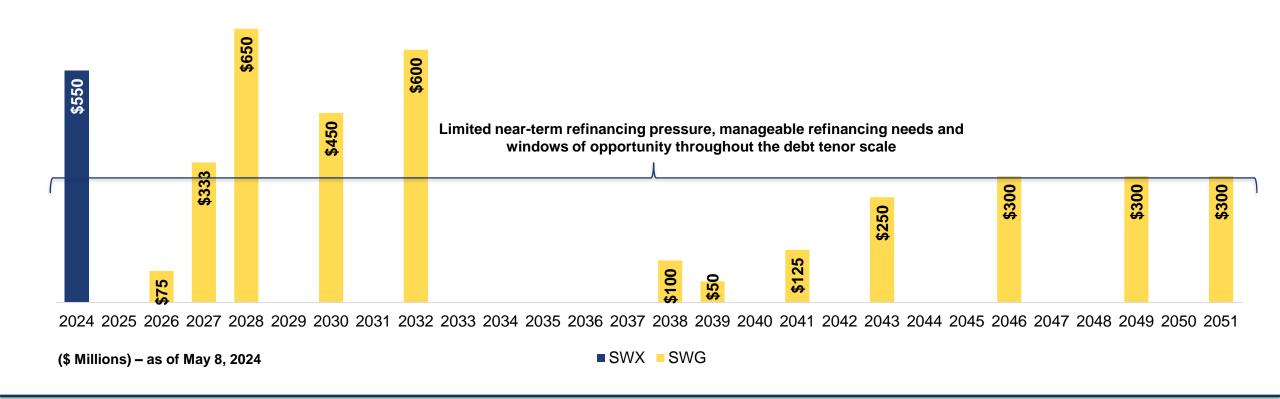
### As of March 31, 2023

Liquidity (millions)	Southwest Gas Holdings	Southwest Gas Corporation	Centuri Group <sup>(2)</sup>	
Cash	\$ 3	\$ 436	\$ 18	
Revolving Credit Facility <sup>(1)</sup>	300	400	1,545	
Commercial Paper Outstanding	-	-	_	
Short-term facility borrowings outstanding	94	-	_	
Long-term facility borrowings outstanding	_	-	1,018	
Total liquidity available (less applicable Centuri covenant limitations)	\$ 209	\$ 836	\$ 235	

<sup>(1)</sup> Southwest Gas Holdings credit facility expires December 2026; Southwest Gas Corporation credit facility expires April 2025, while Centuri's \$1.145 billion term loan facility (\$951 million outstanding following the debt reduction – see note (2) below) expires August 2028 and \$400 million revolving credit facility (\$67 million outstanding following the Linetec purchase (\$92M) and the debt reduction – see note (2) below) expires August 2026. Southwest Gas Corporation has a \$50 million commercial paper program that is supported by its revolving credit facility.

<sup>(2)</sup> Estimated following initial public offering proceeds used to pay down ~\$316 million (\$166M under term loan facility and \$150M under revolving credit facility) of Centuri debt in April 2024. Centuri revolver availability based on leverage limitation.

## **Debt Maturity Profile of SWX & SWG**



Centuri's \$1.545 billion revolving credit and term loan multi-currency facility mature in 2026 & 2028, respectively. Outstanding balances as of 12/31/2023 were \$77.1 million and \$994.2 million, respectively. Initial public offering proceeds used to pay down ~\$316 million (\$166M under term loan facility and \$150M under revolving credit facility) of Centuri debt in April 2024.

### **Best-In-Class Governance**

#### **Board Tenure, Diversity, and Independence**

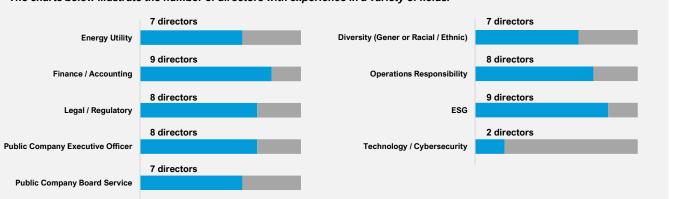
Southwest Gas' Board composition is best-in-class from a diversity and independence perspective

Stat	Southwest Gas. 1	Pure-Play Peers <sup>2</sup>	Diversified Peers <sup>3</sup>	S&P 500 <sup>4</sup>	Assessment for Southwest Gas
Average Tenure	4.7	8.3	7.7	8.0	✓
Average Age	58	65	64	63	✓
Ethnic Diversity (% Diverse)	27%	13%	18%	24%	✓
Gender Diversity (% Female)	55%	35%	30%	33%	✓
Independence (% Independent)	91%	84%	90%	86%	✓

#### Note:

#### **Highly Experienced Directors**

Southwest Gas' 11 directors have relevant skills and experience to oversee the creation of shareholder value at Southwest Gas. The charts below illustrate the number of directors with experience in a variety of fields.



#### **Established Governance Practices**

Southwest Gas' corporate governance practices protect shareholder rights and drive accountability

Practice	Southwest Gas.	Alignment with Corporate Governance Best Practices
Majority Vote Standard to Elect <sup>5</sup>	Yes	✓
Annually elected Directors	Yes	✓
Separate Chair / CEO	Yes	✓
Directors Can be Removed Without Cause	Yes	✓
Simple Majority to Remove Directors	Yes	✓
Allows action by Written Consent	Yes	✓
Shareholder Ability to Call Special Meeting	Yes	✓
Simple Majority to Amend Bylaws	Yes	✓
Clawback Policy	Yes	✓
100% Board Committee Independence	Yes	✓
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#### Note:

#### **Annual Board Evaluations**

- Each year, the Board and its committees conduct self-evaluations of their performance
- » Nine independent directors have been added since 2018

### Shark Repellent "Bullet Proof" Rating<sup>6</sup> of 1.5 (vs. S&P 500 average of 1.8)

» Southwest Gas is regarded as having a very shareholder-friendly corporate governance profile

#### Strong Historical Say-on-Pay Support Levels

- » 2023 96.2%
- » 2022 90.3%
- » 2021 98.3%

Diversified Peer Index: NJR, MDU, SR, CPK, NFG, UGI

<sup>✓</sup> indicates SWX exceeds all benchmarks

<sup>✓</sup> indicates SWX is aligned with corporate governance best practices

Source: Southwest Gas Holdings 2023 Notice and Proxy, FactSet, Deal Point Data, Nasdag

As per 2023 AGM

<sup>2.</sup> Pure-Play Peer Index: ATO, OGS, NWN

E&Y Corporate Governance by the Numbers (June 2023) and Spencer Stuart 2023 New Director Diversity

<sup>5.</sup> In an uncontested election, if any director nominee receives a greater number of votes "WITHHELD" from his or her election than votes "FOR" his or her election, the director nominee must promptly tender his or her resignation to the Board following certification of the stockholder vote.

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## **Safety and Damages Performance**

We honor our commitment to safety in all that we do for:



Health



**Family** 



**Company** 



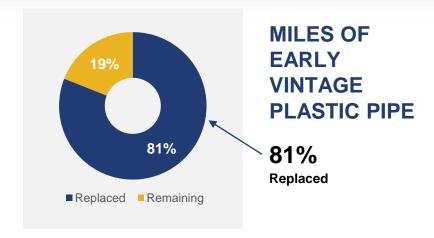
**Community** 



Reduced excavation damages by 18% since 2019

Responded to **76.4%** of calls within 30 minutes

Despite more than doubling the size of our utility's distribution system over the last 30 years, Southwest Gas Corporation reduced the total system leak rate by 89% over that same period.



## **System Reliability and Integrity**



Safety and integrity are at the core of all we do. Our effective maintenance, monitoring, leak-detection, damage prevention, and public awareness programs are among the many management tools we use to maintain a tight system and protect the environment

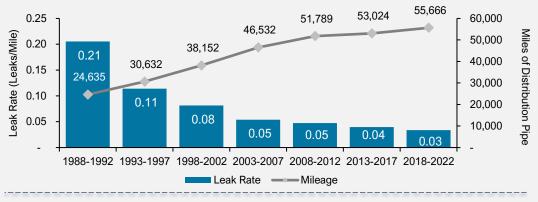
#### **Southwest Owns and Operates:**

~1,500 miles transmission pipelines

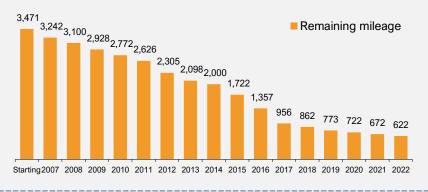
~55,000 miles mains/service lines



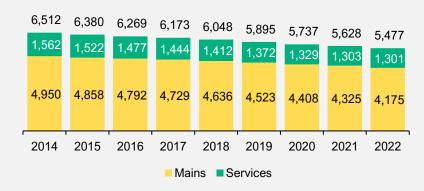
#### **Distribution System Leak Rate**



### Remaining Milage of Early Vintage Plastic<sup>1</sup>



#### Remaining Mileage of Pre-1970 Steel Main & Service<sup>1</sup>



Program began in 2006

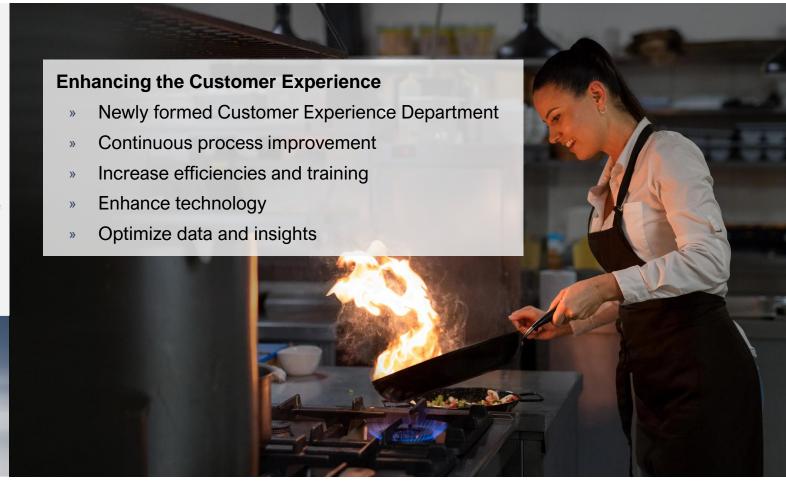
### **Customer Satisfaction**

# Recognizing Southwest's commitment to Customer Satisfaction

95% Customer Satisfaction At Southwest, we have achieved an average overall customer satisfaction rating of 95% over the past 7 years<sup>1</sup>

For the fourth consecutive year, Southwest Gas Corporation ranked No. 1 in Customer Satisfaction among Business and Large Residential Gas Utilities in the West by J.D. Power<sup>2</sup>





### **Environmental Information**



### **Supporting Innovative Low Carbon Energy Solutions**



#### **Renewable Natural Gas**

With six interconnects located throughout our service territory, Southwest Gas Corp is working with partners to make RNG available to market





### Hydrogen

Southwest Gas Corporation has partnered with Universities & Utilities to study the performance of natural gas-hydrogen blends and their compatibility with natural gas infrastructure to ensure safety, system integrity, and reliability.







#### **Carbon Offset Program**



Move2Zero, which allows eligible Nevada customers to offset greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions associated with natural gas usage, was approved by the PUCN in 2021.





A carbon offset generally refers to reducing or capturing GHG emissions that occur elsewhere.



The offset credits Southwest Gas Corporation purchases and retires on behalf of participating customers are generated by validated projects that positively impact the environment and create measurable and verifiable GHG emissions reductions.

# **Community Giving**

Strengthening communities is part of the Southwest culture, and we recognize the important role we play in helping foster a sustainable future for all.



**Employee Donations** 

**\$2.3**mm

Employee contributions to local nonprofit organizations

**Foundation Donations** 

\$1.5mm

Corporate donations supporting local 501(c)(3) organizations

**Volunteer Hours** 

 $\sim 2,300 \text{hrs}.$ 

Supporting a variety of charitable events



## **Employee Engagement**

Southwest recognizes that employees are our most valued assets. We strive to create a safe environment, meaningful work, and opportunities to grow and thrive. As technological advancements, cultural dynamics and economic shifts profoundly change the nature of work, Southwest is dedicated to balancing employees' needs and expectations with meeting business objectives.



### **Employee Engagement Highlights**

Since 2018, Southwest has routinely polled its employees through its employee engagement survey to identify areas of strength and opportunities in various aspects of the workforce and workplace experience.

#### **2022 Engagement Survey Results**

**Work Flexibility** 

86%

Appreciate flexible work arrangements.

**Employee Safety** 

96%

Agree that we are committed to employee safety.

DE&I

**79%** 

Rated Diversity, Equity and Inclusion favorably. **Customer Focus** 

80%

Agree that customer satisfaction is essential.

**Psychological Safety** 

80%

Feel safe in taking social risks like voicing unpopular opinions.

### The Employee Experience



Competitive, Market-Driven Pay



**Generous Benefits** 



**Employee Wellness Program** 



Flexible Work Arrangements



**Talent Development** 

### **Non-GAAP Measures**

Adjusted SWG income and adjusted EPS for the twelve months ended December 31, 2023, adjusts for the consulting fees related to Utility optimization opportunity identification, benchmarking, and assessment. There were no adjustments for the twelve months ended December 31, 2022.

Management believes that Centuri EBITDA, used in connection with net income provides useful information to investors as they evaluate Centuri performance. EBITDA is defined as earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization. Centuri adjusted EBITDA is adjusted for certain other items as described herein. Adjusted Centuri EBITDA for the twelve months ended December 31, 2023 and December 31, 2022 adjusts for pre-tax strategic review costs (including costs related to the Centuri separation) and non-cash share-based compensation expense.

Because EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA, as defined, exclude some, but not all, items that affect net income attributable to Centuri, such measures may not be comparable to similarly titled measures of other companies.

	Twelve months ended			
	 December 31,			
SWG Adjusted Net Income and Adjusted EPS	2023		2022	
SWG net income	\$ 242,226	\$	154,380	
Consulting fees related to optimization opportunity				
identification, benchmarking, and assessment	8,326		-	
Income tax effect of adjustments	(1,999)		-	
SWG adjusted net income	\$ 248,553	\$	154,380	
Centuri EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA Centuri net income (loss)	\$ 19,652	\$	2,065	
Centuri net income (loss)	\$ 19,652	\$	2,065	
Net interest deductions	97,476		61,371	
Income tax expense	14,736		5,727	
Depreciation and amortization	 145,446		155,353	
Centuri EBITDA	\$ 277,310	\$	224,516	
Strategic review costs, including Centuri separation	3,365		1,853	
Non-cash share-based compensation expense	1,851		1,652	
Centuri Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 282,526	\$	228,021	



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