

# Credit Suisse Basic Materials Conference

**The Dow Chemical Company** 

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<sup>&</sup>quot;EBITDA" is defined as earnings (i.e., "Net Income") before interest, income taxes, depreciation and amortization.

<sup>&</sup>quot;Adjusted EBITDA" is defined as EBITDA excluding the impact of "Certain Items."

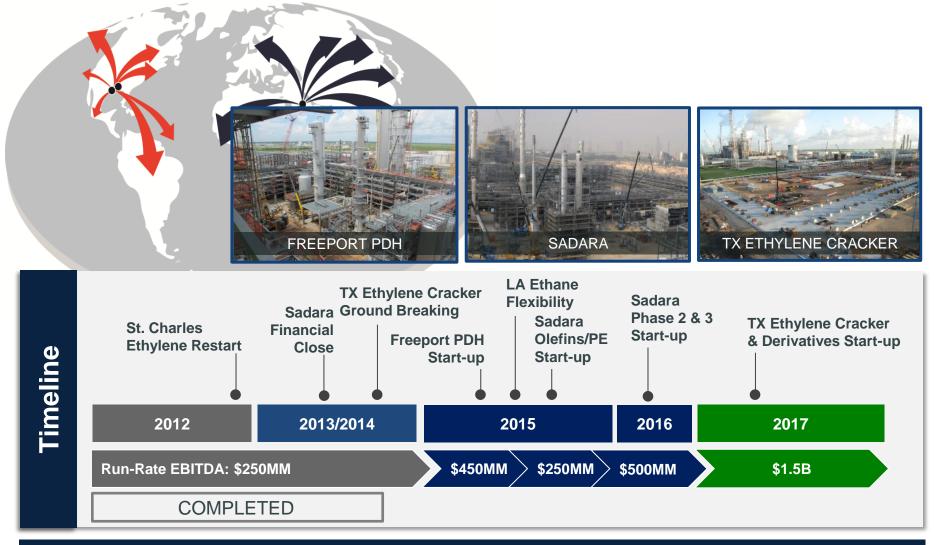
<sup>&</sup>quot;Adjusted EBITDA margin" is defined as "Adjusted EBITDA" as a percentage of reported net sales.

## Near-Term Strategic Priorities (2014/2015)

- 1. Invest in key integrated and feedstock driven value chains and successfully start up these projects in 2015 (USGC and Sadara)
- Launch new products in Dow Packaging & Specialty Plastics, Dow AgroSciences, Dow Electronic Materials and Dow Coating Materials, and deliver new margins in these businesses in 2014/2015
- 3. Drive productivity and reduce costs manage cash and capital tightly
- 4. Divest or JV chlorine chain and Epoxy business in 2014/2015
- 5. Release hidden value businesses and ventures, drive better transparency on ROC and value creation in each segment
- 6. Drive returns that exceed the cost of capital, increase financial flexibility with cash generated and reward shareholders



## Priority 1: Successful start-up of Sadara and USGC investments



**Planned Projects on Track within Budget** 



## Priority 2: Launch new products and deliver new margins

## *R&D Magazine* Award Winning Technologies

#### **Dow Automotive Systems**

BETAMATE<sup>™</sup> 1630 structural adhesive

#### Dow Oil, Gas & Mining

NEPTUNE<sup>™</sup> subsea insulation system

#### **Polyurethanes**

Dow TERAFORCE™ utilized in preferred RCS Garnet 2.0 resin coated sand

#### **Dow AgroSciences**

Transform<sup>®</sup> WG Insecticide and Closer<sup>®</sup> SC Insecticide with Isoclast<sup>™</sup> Active

**Dow Water and Process Solutions** 

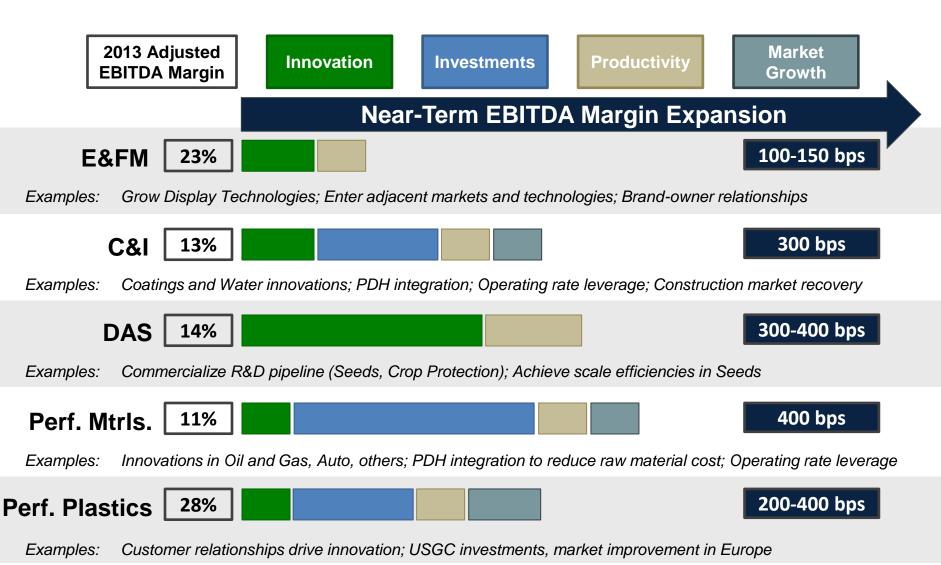
TEQUATIC<sup>™</sup> PLUS fine particle filter



- Targeted at corn, soybean and cotton markets for the Americas
- Resistant and hard-to-control weeds have more than doubled from 2009, and affect an estimated 70 million acres
- Significant regulatory milestones have been achieved with both USDA and EPA
- Pending regulatory approvals, Dow AgroSciences expects to launch Enlist™ corn and soybeans in 2015

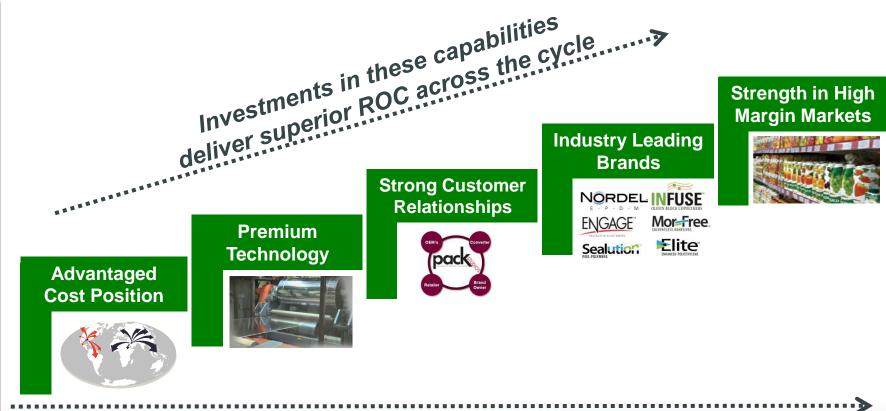


## Priority 3: Driving Near-Term Margin Expansion and Growth



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## Strategic Decisions in Performance Plastics Maximize Returns

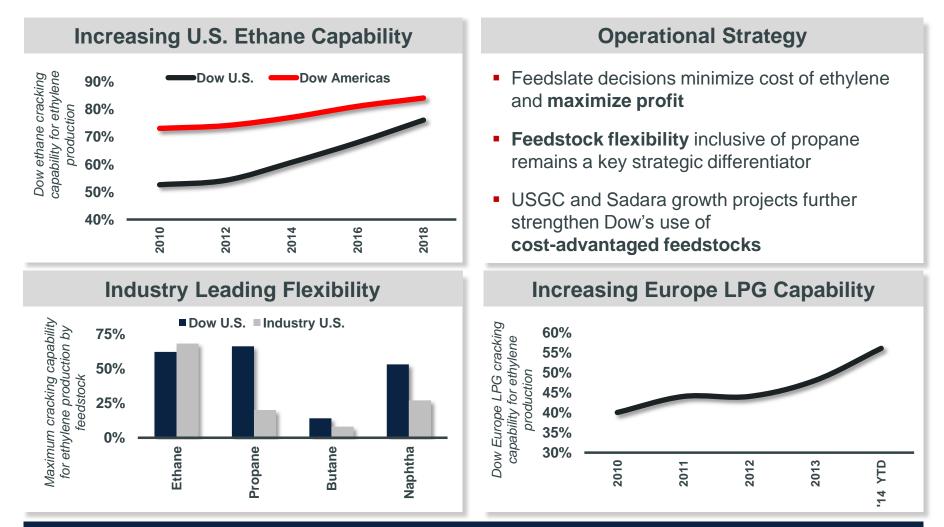


Select attractive, high-margin growth markets

Dow's investments enable industry-leading low-cost positions and differentiated technologies that drive higher returns



# Investments in Operations Aligned to Advantaged Cost Positions



Expand margins through increased use of low-cost feedstocks



## Performance Plastics Competitive Advantage





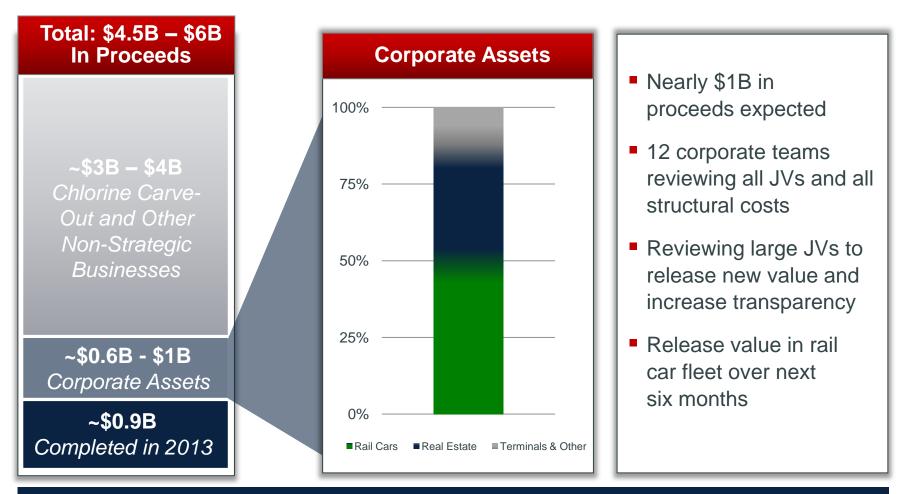
# Priority 4: Divest or JV chlorine chain and Epoxy business in 2014/2015

- Divesting non-strategic assets, representing \$4 billion of revenue
- Assessing all market options
- Fine tuning scope to maximize integration benefits and minimize stranded costs
- Ensuring long-term value creation

### **Transaction Close Remains on Schedule for Year-End 2015**



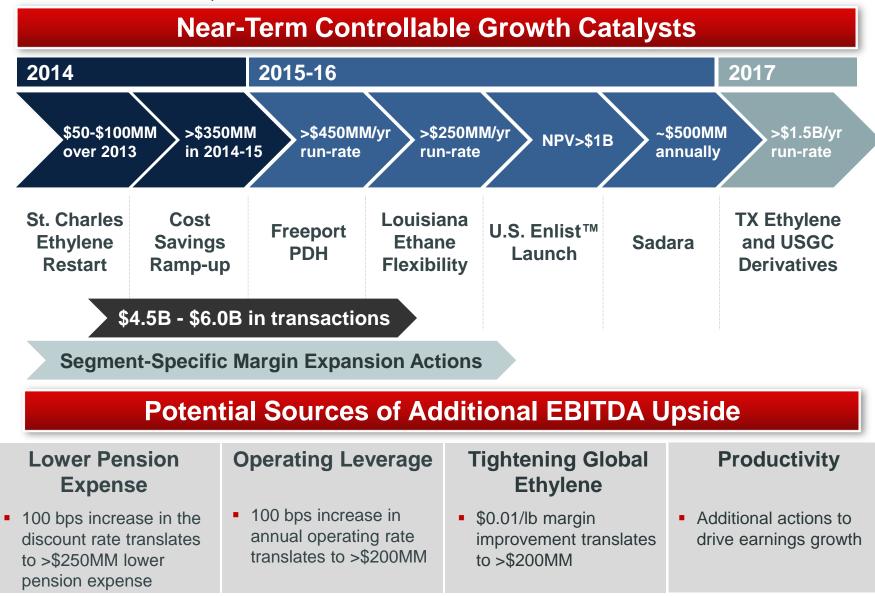
Priority 5: Release hidden value businesses and ventures, drive better transparency on ROC and value creation in each segment



### Remain Committed to \$4.5B - \$6B Target



## On the Path to \$10B+ EBITDA Near Term





Priority 6: Drive returns that exceed the cost of capital, increase financial flexibility with cash generated and reward shareholders



### An Unrelenting Focus on Cash Flow and Shareholder Remuneration



