



## **Investor Information**



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# **Leadership Presenting Today**





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# Acquiring a High-Growth Utility

- Signed agreement to acquire SiEnergy Operating, LLC (SiEnergy) for \$273 million in cash and the assumption of \$152 million of debt
- Unique opportunity to acquire a regulated natural gas utility in the fast-growing metropolitan areas of Houston, Dallas-Fort Worth and Austin, Texas
- Provides incremental growth, scale, and diversification
- Located in a constructive regulatory and policy environment
- Double-digit customer growth and rate base growth expected over the next five years for SiEnergy
- Further supports NW Natural Holdings' long-term EPS growth outlook of 4-6% and increases rate base growth forecast to 6-8%



# Acquisition of SiEnergy



Strategic investment in high-growth, constructive market that further supports NWN's long-term EPS growth target

### **OVERVIEW**

- SiEnergy is a regulated utility founded in 1997 that distributes natural gas to residential and commercial customers in the desirable and fast-growing major metropolitan areas of the Texas Triangle<sup>1</sup>
- Strong historic customer growth of 20%+ with Texas economic development expected to continue, supporting projections for double-digit customer and rate base growth long term
- Provides NW Natural Holdings regulated growth opportunities in a constructive regulatory and policy environment
- Meaningful acquisition that further improves growth opportunities, scale and diversification of NW Natural Holdings' portfolio
- Further supports NW Natural Holdings' long-term EPS growth outlook of 4-6%

# SERVICE TERRITORIES Service Territories2 DALLAS-FORT WORTH HOUSTON

### **KEY STATISTICS AND PROJECTIONS**

# One of the Fastest Growing

Natural Gas Utilities in the Nation through Organic Customer Additions

### 70,000+

Gas LDC Customers (12/31/24E)

### 180,000+

Contracted Backlog of New Customers

### 22%

Historical Customer CAGR (2019A-2024E)

### Up to 20% Customer CAGR

(2025F-2030F)

### \$247 million

Rate Base (12/31/24E)

### \$450 - \$650 million

Cap-Ex (2025F-2030F)

### 26%

Historical Rate Base CAGR (2019A-2024E)

- <sup>1</sup> Includes the Houston, Dallas-Fort Worth, and Austin areas
- <sup>2</sup> Reflects counties in which SiEnergy has active and backlog customers
- F Indicates a Forecasted number
- E Indicates an Expected number based on current information for 2024

# Strategic Rationale

Further Supports Long-Term Growth Outlook	<ul> <li>✓ Further supports NW Natural Holdings' long-term EPS growth outlook of 4-6%</li> <li>✓ Increases long-term rate base growth target from 5-7% to 6-8%</li> </ul>
Provides Scale and Diversification	<ul> <li>✓ Scale creates a stronger platform to support and finance long-term growth</li> <li>✓ Diversifies gas utility operations and supports greater stability of earnings</li> </ul>
Constructive Texas Regulatory and Economic Environment	<ul> <li>✓ Constructive regulatory and policy environment in Texas</li> <li>✓ Supportive regulatory mechanisms that minimize lag and allow for efficient return on invested capital</li> <li>✓ Strong Texas economy and policy support for long-term natural gas utility growth</li> </ul>
Strategic Fit with Core Competencies and Existing Operations in Texas	<ul> <li>✓ Aligned with NW Natural Holdings' core operational competencies and values</li> <li>✓ Modern and safe distribution system comprised of recently installed infrastructure</li> <li>✓ Strategic fit for NWN with complementary service territories to NWN's Texas water business</li> </ul>
Aligned with Acquisition Strategy	✓ Reinforces NW Natural Holdings' strong track record of executing strategic acquisitions to strengthen its financial profile and drive long-term value for shareholders

# Strong Texas Triangle Growth

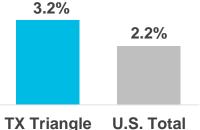
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Service territories in three of the fastest growing metro areas in the U.S. and is forecasted to continue delivering outsized growth

- On average, ~400,000 new residents moved to Texas each year from 2000 - 2022
- Houston, Dallas and Austin are among the top 10 metro areas with the most annual new home starts in the U.S.
- Roughly 300 corporations relocated to Texas between 2015 and April 2024
- Three of the Top 20 Hottest U.S. Job Markets per the WSJ are in the Texas Triangle
- SiEnergy has strong relationships with housing developers, providing line-of-sight to new customers and continued growth
- Current customer backlog of approximately 180,000 connections

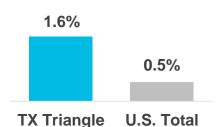
SiEnergy's service territories are seeing...
3.2%
....1.4x faster real GDP growth...

Real GDP Growth<sup>1</sup> (2018-2022)



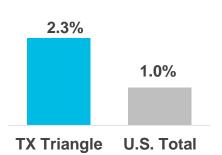
... 3.3x faster population growth...

Population Growth (2018-2023)



...and 2.3x faster employment growth than the U.S.

Employment Growth<sup>2</sup> (2018-2023)



Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of the Treasury, U.S. Census Bureau., Wall Street Journal as of April 2024; <sup>1</sup> Real GDP growth by metro area is only available through 2022; <sup>2</sup> Based on non-farm payrolls

# Fast-Growing Service Territories



Service territories located in three of the fastest-growing metro areas in the U.S.

### **Top 10 U.S. Metro Areas Ranked in Numeric Population Growth** (July 2022-2023)

1	Dallas, TX	Population +153k
2	Houston, TX	Population +140k
3	Atlanta, GA	Population +69k
4	Orlando, FL	Population +55k
5	Tampa, FL	Population +52k

6	Charlotte, NC	Population +50k
7	Austin, TX	Population +50k
8	Phoenix, AZ	Population +49k
9	San Antonio, TX	Population +48k
10	Miami, FL	Population +44k

SiEnergy Service Territories

# Constructive Texas Regulatory Environment 📣



Regulatory Highlights	
Regulatory Commission	Texas Railroad Commission
RRA Ranking	Average / 1 <sup>1</sup>
Primary Rate-Making Construct	General Rate Case
Test Year	Historic + KMA <sup>2</sup>
SiEnergy 2024E Rate Base	\$247 million <sup>3</sup>
Texas Median Allowed Equity Portion of Cap Structure	59.7%4

Texas Provides Multiple Regulatory Mechanisms	
General Rate Case	Currently Used by SiEnergy  ✓
Gas Cost Recovery Adjustment	✓
Weather Normalization Adjustment	✓
<ul> <li>Gas Reliability Infrastructure Program<sup>5</sup></li> <li>Annual rate adjustments that allow for recovery on and of new invested capital between rate cases</li> </ul>	Available to request for future use

<sup>(1)</sup> Rated Average / 1 by Regulatory Research Associates (RRA). RRC regulates rates through original jurisdiction in areas outside of cities and through appellate jurisdiction for areas inside of cities. (2) Known and Measurable adjustments. (3) Adjusted by excluding 2024E ADIT of \$6.0mm and adding in 2024E CWIP of \$4.4mm.(4) Source: S&P Capital IQ, reflected median of TX natural gas rate case decisions in 2023 (5) GRIP requires GRC filing no later than five years after the most recent GRC.



# Transaction and Financing Details

- Acquiring 100% of SiEnergy Operating, LLC and its subsidiaries in sale of membership interests from SiEnergy Capital Partners, LLC
- At closing, subject to customary closing adjustments:
  - Estimated cash payment of \$273 million
  - Debt assumed at closing of \$152 million
- Underwritten term loan commitment in place for interim financing with a permanent financing plan intended to maintain a strong balance sheet and solid investment grade credit rating. Expect to execute permanent financing in the first half of 2025. Currently, we do not anticipate issuing common equity to fund the transaction
- Closing expected in Q1 2025, subject to customary closing conditions including expiration of the waiting period under the Hart-Scott-Rodino
  Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, as amended. No regulatory approval is needed from the Railroad Commission of Texas to close this
  transaction
- J.P. Morgan Securities LLC serving as exclusive financial advisor and engaged to act as lead on permanent financing

# Financing Needs



### **Equity**

- Issued \$90.4 million YTD 9/30/24 through ATM
- No additional ATM issuances expected in 2024
- 2025 equity issuance currently expected to be lower than 2024 levels

### **Debt**

- \$150 million NW Natural Holdings bonds issued in 2024 to refinance term loans totaling the same amount. No NW Natural Gas Company bonds maturing in 2024
- Expect to issue \$60 million NW Natural Holdings and \$75 million NW Natural Gas Company bonds in the coming 12 months to support the business and refinance \$30 million maturing bond at NW Natural Gas Company
- SiEnergy acquisition initially financed with underwritten term loan. Permanent financing plan currently includes junior subordinated notes. Expect issuance in the 1<sup>st</sup> half of 2025
- Currently, we do not anticipate issuing common equity to fund the transaction
- FFO/Debt target ~14% for NW Natural Holdings¹ over the long term

**Available Liquidity** As of September 30, 2024 (In millions) Cash \$35 Holdings Line of Credit \$140 **NW Natural** Line of Credit \$300

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> S&P rating agency FFO/Adjusted Debt calculation

# Positioned for Long-Term Success

After a strong year of execution, NWN is well-positioned to deliver on its financial and strategic objectives

<b>✓</b>	Successful Oregon Gas Rate Case Outcome	<ul> <li>New customer rates in Oregon on Nov. 1 includes approval of all-party settlement</li> <li>Allows for strong return on invested capital</li> </ul>
<b>✓</b>	Scale Water Platform with Attractive Growth Outlook	<ul> <li>Rapidly growing water and wastewater utility platform through both organic growth and acquisitions</li> <li>Supported by successful rate case execution in 2024 for crucial safety investments that provides a strong foundation for earnings going forward</li> <li>Completed Puttman/ICH acquisition adding a new pipeline of growth</li> </ul>
<b>✓</b>	Successful Start-up of First RNG Facility	<ul> <li>Successful start-up of first NW Natural Renewables project</li> <li>Provides strong, contracted cash flow profile</li> </ul>
<b>✓</b>	Acquisition of High-Growth Texas gas LDC Platform	<ul> <li>Acquisition of high-growth Texas gas LDC platform further supports long-term growth outlook</li> </ul>

Supports NWN's goal of continuing to deliver strong, consistent long-term EPS growth of 4-6% 12

