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A Differentiated U.S. Energy Company

Disciplined Growth Strategy that Combines an Investor Mindset and Deep **Operational Expertise**

Cash Flow

- Substantial Cash Flow
- Low Decline PDP Base
- **Deep, High-Quality Inventory**

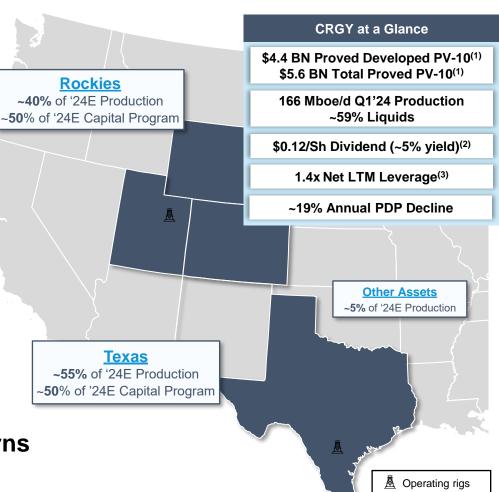
Low Risk

- **Strong Balance Sheet**
- **Sustainability Focused**
- **Balanced Asset Portfolio**

Returns

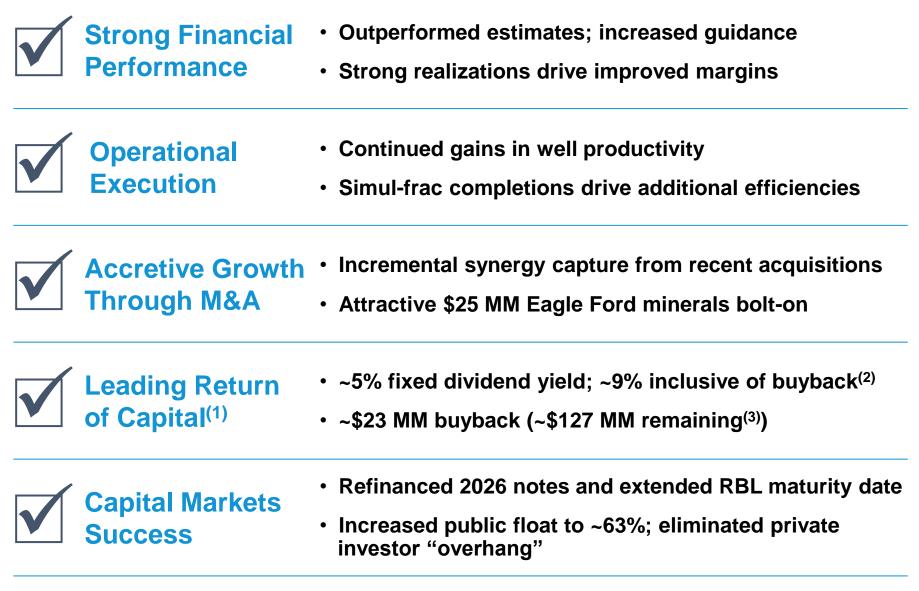
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- **Consistent Return of Capital**
- **Cash-on-Cash Investment Returns**
- **Growth Through Accretive M&A**



PV-10 is a non-GAAP measure. For a reconciliation to the comparable GAAP measure, see Appendix. Based on YE'23 reserves at YE'23 SEC pricing of \$78.22 / bbl for oil and \$2.64 / MMbtu for gas Quarterly cash dividend declared on May 6 is payable on June 7, 2024, to holders of record on May 21, 2024. Any payment of future dividends is subject to board approval and other factors. Dividend vield based on CRGY share price of \$10.57 as of 5/3/24.

Delivering On Strategic Priorities



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Executing Our Proven Strategy: Strong Q1 Results

Substantial Large, Low Decline **Cash Flow Generation Base Production** \$313 MM Adj. EBITDAX⁽¹⁾ 166 Mboe/d \$66 MM Levered FCF⁽¹⁾ 42% Oil / 59% Liquids Attractive **Balance Sheet Return of Capital** Strength \$0.12/sh Fixed Quarterly Dividend⁽²⁾ 1.4x Net LTM Leverage⁽¹⁾⁽⁴⁾ ~5% Annualized Dividend Yield⁽³⁾ ~\$1.2 BN Liquidity⁽⁵⁾

) Non-GAAP financial measure. For a reconciliation to the comparable GAAP measure, see Appendix.

2) Any payment of future dividends is subject to board approval and other factors.

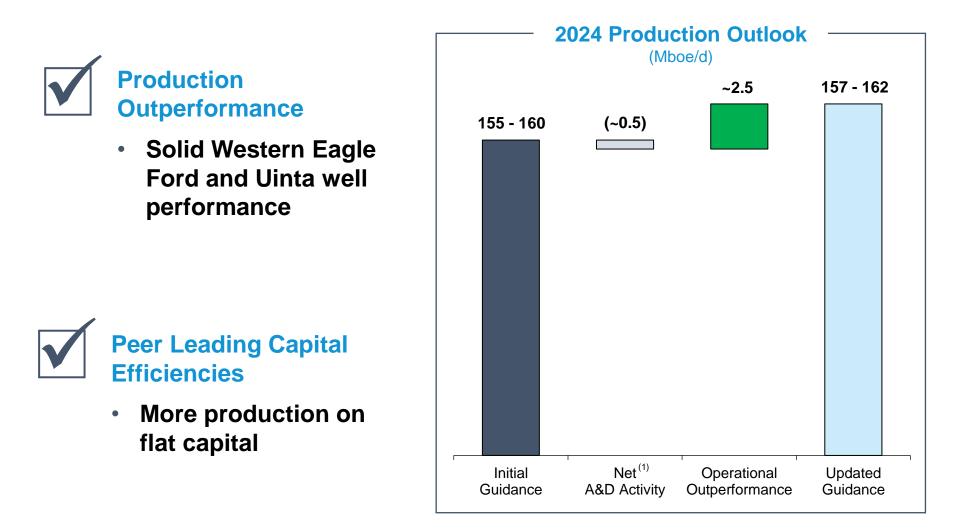
Based on CRGY share price of \$10.57 as of 5/3/24.
 As of 3/31/24.

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Liquidity based on 3/31/24 RBL Elected Commitment of \$1,300 MM less amount drawn less outstanding letters of credit plus cash outstanding as of 3/31/24.

Enhanced 2024 Outlook

Well Productivity Gains Lead to 1.5% Increase in 2024 Production Guidance



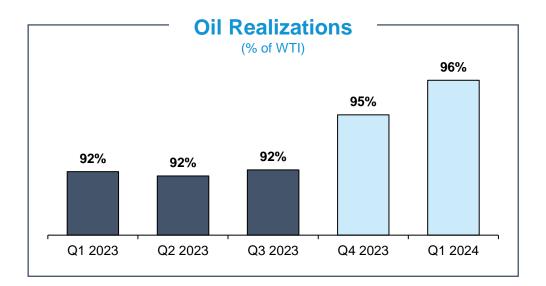
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Strong Realizations Drive Improved Margins



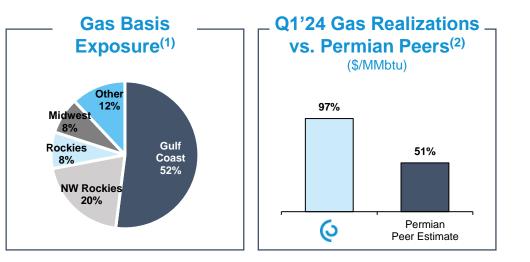
Marketing Synergies Improve Oil Realizations

 Meaningful uplift since closing Western Eagle Ford transactions in 2H'23



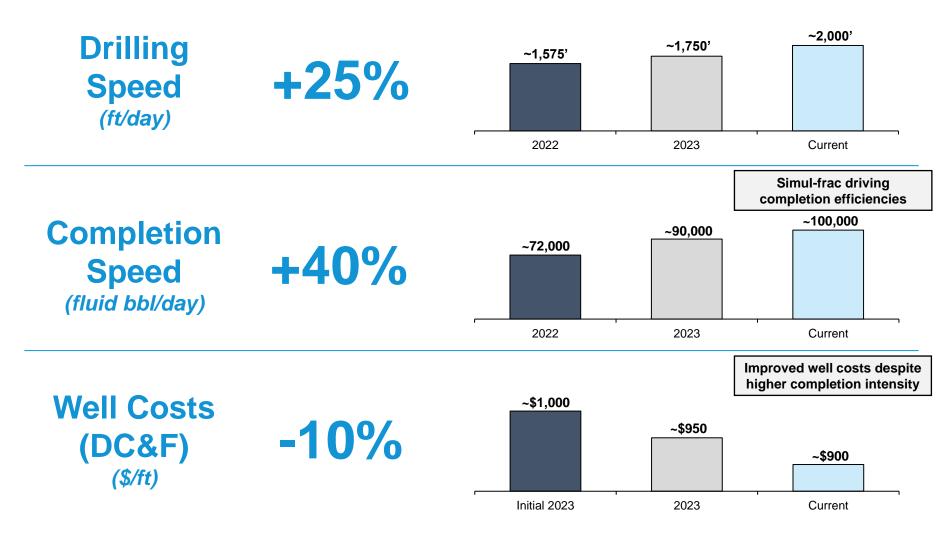


 Quality Rockies and Gulf Coast exposure delivers premium realizations



Sustained Efficiency Gains Enhance Cash Flow

Operational Efficiencies Improving Well Costs and Increasing Returns



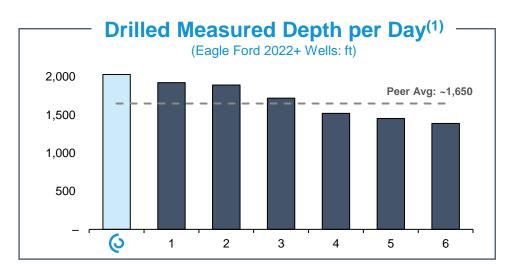
Best in Class Eagle Ford D&C Performance

Simultaneous Operations Increasing Efficiencies and Reducing Costs



Drilling ~25% More Footage per Day than Peers

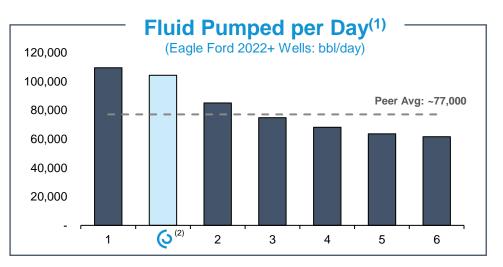
 Reducing cycle times and cost with consistent execution





Driving Completion Efficiencies with Simul-Frac

 Pumping ~35% more fluid per day than peer average



Western Eagle Ford Assets Continue to Outperform

Continued Improvement in Well Performance Relative to Prior Operator



~100% Increase in Well Productivity Through ~135 Days

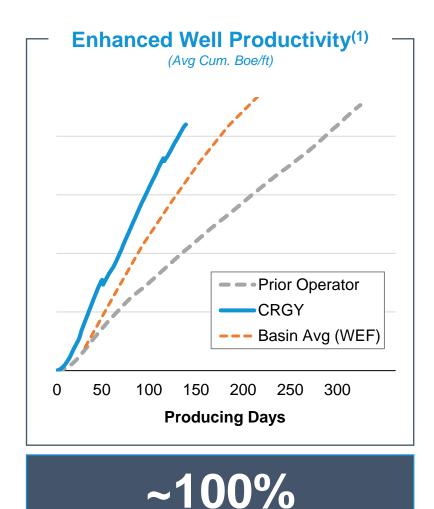
 Significant and sustained outperformance through additional production time



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Increased Capital Efficiencies Drive Improved Economics

- Producing more volumes with less capital
- 10 15% reduction in DC&F vs prior operator

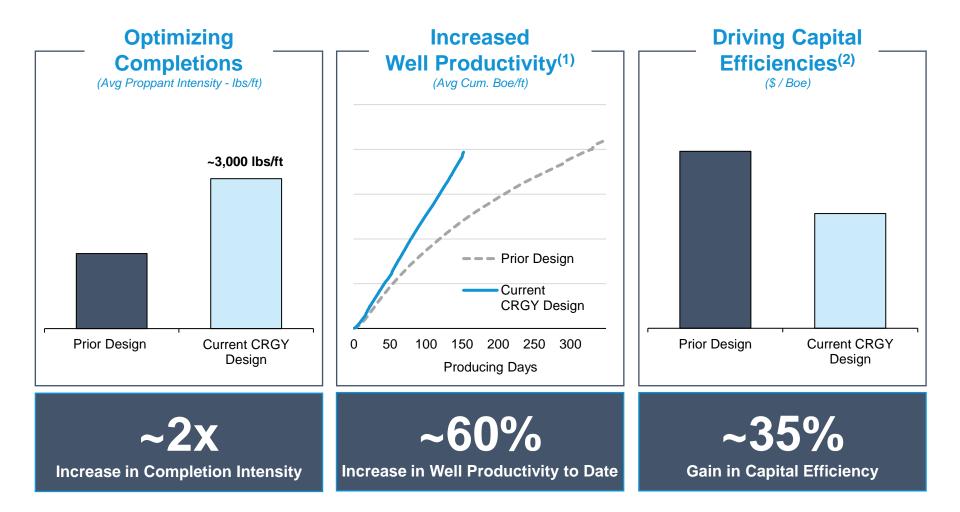


Increase in Well Productivity to Date

CRGY represents Lower Eagle Ford average cumulative Boe/ft of all wells since Crescent took over operations on 9/30/23. Prior operator represents average performance from 12/31/21 until Crescent took over operations on 9/30/23. WEF average represents all 2022 – 2023 LEF wells brought online in the W black Oil, W vol oil, W cond, W wet gas and W dry gas Eagle Ford sub-play areas from Enverus.

Optimized Uinta Well Design Drives Increased Productivity

Significantly Larger Completions with Minimal D&C Cost Impact, Driving Capital Efficiencies and Improved Returns



CRGY represents average performance (cumulative Boe/ft) of all wells since Crescent implemented current well design (~6/30/23). Prior design represents average performance of all wells from ~12/31/21 until Crescent implemented current well design (~6/30/23).

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Capital efficiency defined as D&C (\$/ft) divided by production (boe/ft) based on time periods described in footnote 1 and is normalized to assume equivalent number producing days.

Track Record of Accretive Acquisitions

Targeting Cash Generative Assets in Proven U.S. Onshore Basins



Consistent Approach to Acquisition Underwriting

 Target short payback period (<5 years) and 2.0x+ MOIC



Incremental Returns Through Improved Performance and Synergies

 Operational outperformance drives M&A success



Opportunistic Non-Core Asset Divestitures

 ~\$150 MM of divestitures over the past 18 months⁽³⁾



Acquisition history represents Crescent and its predecessors.

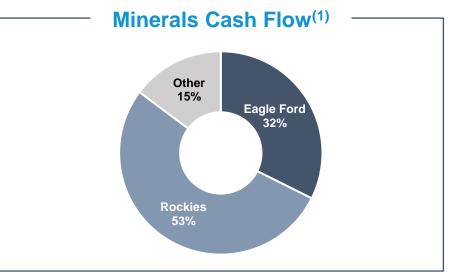
Crescent produced 116 Mboe/d for the month of December 2021 following close of the merger with Contango Oil & Gas Company. Includes ~\$20 MM divestiture awaiting close.

Accretive Minerals Bolt-On Within Core Focus Region

Acquired ~1,200 Net Royalty Acres in the Eagle Ford for ~\$25 MM



Meets CRGY Investment Criteria: >2.0x MOIC, short payback and accretive to key metrics





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Focused Minerals Portfolio: Acquisition enhances existing **Eagle Ford footprint**

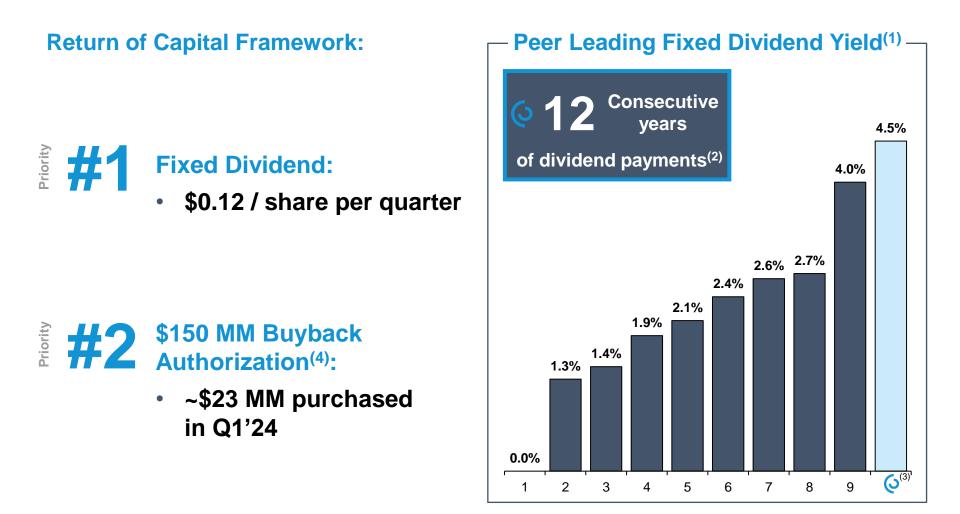
Pro Forma Key Metrics				
	Statistic			
Net Royalty Acres ⁽²⁾	~73,000			
Net Production ⁽³⁾ (Mboe/d)	~6			
Asset EBITDAX ⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾ (\$MM)	~\$68			

- Based on FY 2023 Asset EBITDAX plus run-rate contribution from Eagle Ford acquisition.
- Net Royalty Acres normalized per 1/8th royalty. Assumes a 15% royalty rate on all unleased tracts. Incudes implied Net Royalty Acre from Overriding Royalty Interest in the Eagle Ford (approximately ~0.8% across 117,000 gross acres).
- Net Production and Asset EBITDAX totals based on FY 2023 actuals plus run-rate contribution from Eagle Ford acquisition.

13 Minerals 2023 Asset EBITDAX represents the Adjusted EBITDA associated with such minerals assets excluding the impact of hedges. For a reconciliation to the comparable GAAP measure, see Appendix.

12-Yr Track Record of Returning Capital

Framework Provides Discipline, Certainty and Simplicity to Shareholders



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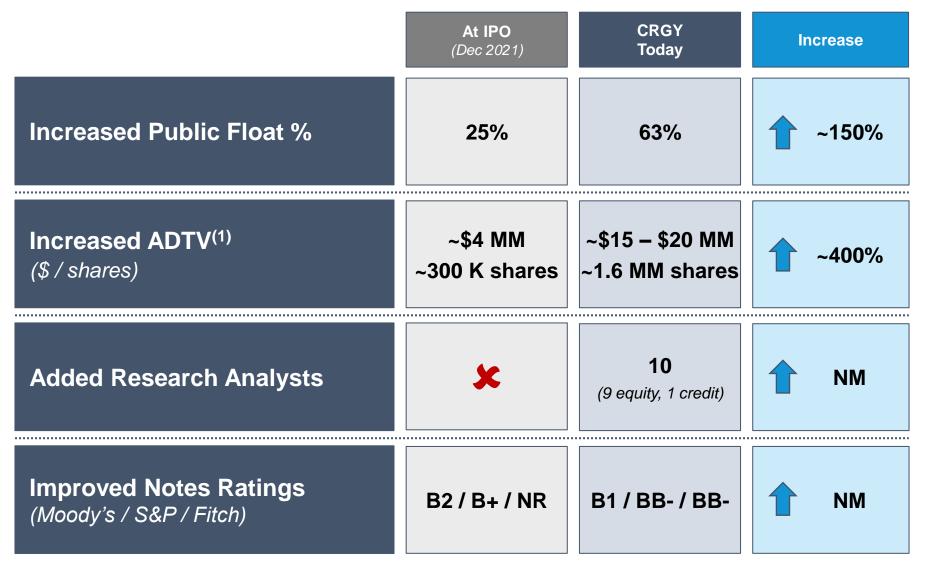
(1) Public company information based on latest filings. Excludes buybacks. Market data as of 5/3/24. Peers include BTE, CIVI, CRC, MGY, MTDR, MUR, NOG, SM and VTLE.

Includes Independence Energy, Crescent's predecessor.
 Assumes \$0.12 per share quarterly CRGY dividend. Dividend yield based on CRGY share price of \$10.57 as of 5/3/24.

Two-year term implemented on March 4, 2024.

Consistent Capital Markets Execution Since Going Public

Improvement in Capital Markets Access and Positioning

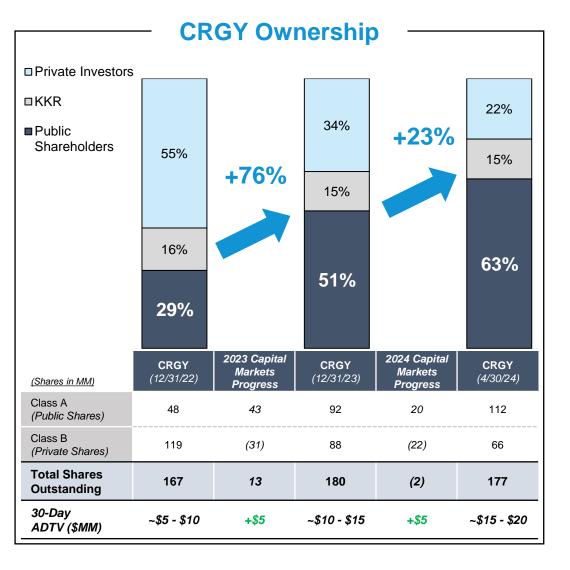


Improving Structural Access to Our Stock



Enhanced Clarity in Corporate Structure





"BB" Balance Sheet Reflects Financial Strength

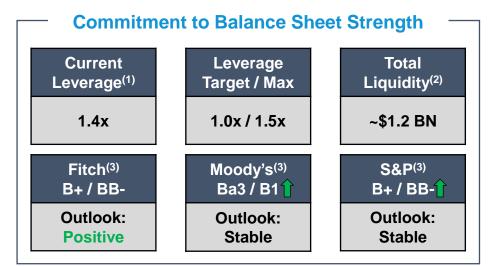
Targeting Investment Grade Balance Sheet Metrics Through Cycles



Maintain Ample Liquidity: Current liquidity is ~2.5x our >\$500 MM target



Balance Sheet Flexibility: Limit capital markets risk when financing M&A

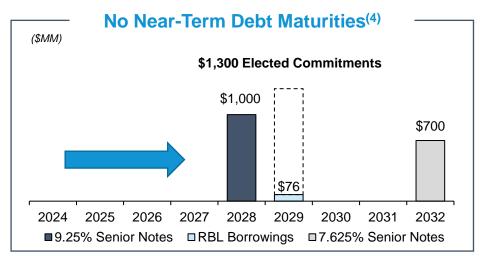




Active Hedge Program: Reduces cash flow variability & supports balance sheet



No Near-Term Maturities: Successfully refinanced '26 notes and extended RBL maturity



(1) As of 3/31/24. Crescent defines Net LTM Leverage as the ratio of consolidated net debt to consolidated Adjusted EBITDAX (non-GAAP) as defined and calculated under its Revolving Credit Facility. Net LTM Leverage is a non-GAAP financial measure. For a reconciliation to the comparable GAAP measure, see Appendix.

(2) Liquidity based on 3/31/24 RBL Elected Commitment of \$1,300 MM less amount drawn less outstanding letters of credit plus cash outstanding.

Peer Leading Decline Rate and Capital Efficiency...

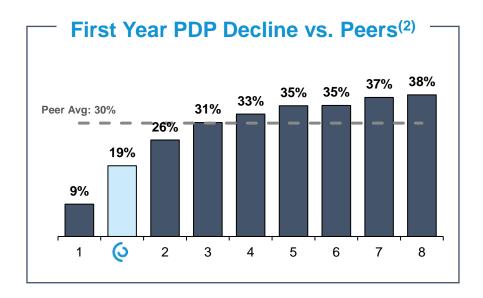
Low Decline Production = Greater Capital Efficiency

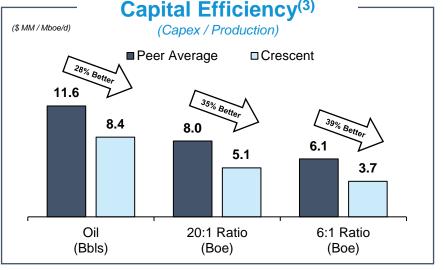
19% NTM Decline Rate

2-3 Rigs Maintenance Activity

Peers Replace ~60% More Production Each Year

Peers Spend ~\$375 MM / Year More in Capex for Same Production⁽¹⁾





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Based on '24E capex / '24E production utilizing 6:1 (Boe). Estimates per Enverus as of 5/3/24. Peers include BTE, CIVI, CRC, MGY, MTDR, MUR, SM and VTLE. 2024E estimates per Factset as of 5/3/24. Peers include BTE, CIVI, CRC, MGY, MTDR, MUR, NOG, SM and VTLE.

....Leads to Compelling Valuation On Cash Flow Metrics

Crescent Is Expected to Generate Significant Levered Free Cash Flow⁽¹⁾

>\$2 BN 22% '24E – '28E Cum. Levered FCF⁽¹⁾ % FCF Yield **Cumulative LFCF Greater Than** CRGY FCF Yield is ~65% **Current Market Capitalization Higher Than Peers** '24E FCF Yield vs. Peers⁽²⁾ '24E – '28E Cum. LFCF Outlook⁽¹⁾ 22% 20% 19% 17% <u>12%</u>13% ^{14%} Peer Ava: 14% CRGY Market Cap: ~\$1.9 BN⁽³⁾ 9% 9% 8%

Note: Peers include BTE, CIVI, CRC, MGY, MTDR, MUR, NOG, SM and VTLE.

1) Levered Free Cash Flow is a non-GAAP measure. Estimates per internal modeling and management estimates.

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Estimates per Factset as of 5/3/24.

(3)

\$75 / \$3.50

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Based on CRGY share price of \$10.57 as of 5/3/24.

\$85 / \$5

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Appendix

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Reducing Our Emissions Impact





Transparent Reporting to Support Long-Term Goals

 Awarded OGMP 2.0 Gold Standard pathway rating in 2023 for the second consecutive year



Monitoring and Reducing Emissions

- Active leak detection and repair program, including bi-annual flyovers
- Reduced Scope 1 GHG emissions by 27% in 2022⁽¹⁾



Progressing CCUS Potential Across Rockies Footprint

Currently capture, sequester and sell CO₂







Capital Allocation Priorities



Priority	#2	Returns-Driven Investing: Target >2.0x MOIC ⁽²⁾ and Short Payback Periods	A Development Capital	B Accretive Acquisitions



Any payment of future dividends is subject to board approval and other factors. "MOIC" represents multiple on invested capital or total projected cash flow divided by development cost. Initially focused on Class B shares. Two-year term on \$150 MM authorization, initiated March 4, 2024.

Eagle Ford Asset Overview:

Scaled Position Across Oil / Condensate Window

	– Asse	t Detail	
	Оре	rated	
	Central	Western	Non-Op
Net Acres	~82,000	~124,000	~33,000
Counties	Atascosa and Frio	Dimmit, Webb and La Salle	Zavala, Frio, Atascosa, Webb
Avg. WI / NRI ⁽¹⁾	~95% / ~72%	~63% / ~47%	~38% / ~30%
% Oil ⁽¹⁾	~80%	~55%	~80%
% HBP	~80%	~80%	~85%
Current Rigs	1	- 2	0 - 1
Gross Locat	tions ⁽²⁾		
Low-Risk	165	215	75
Total	165	320	75
MOIC ⁽³⁾	>2.0x	>2.0x	>2.0x
DC&F \$ / ft	~\$850	~\$850	~\$930
'23 Avg. Lateral	~10,250'	~7,750'	~10,250'
Takeaway	Premium	n Gulf Coast prici	ng (MEH)

Note: Map based on Enverus operator shapefiles. Location counts as of year end 2023.

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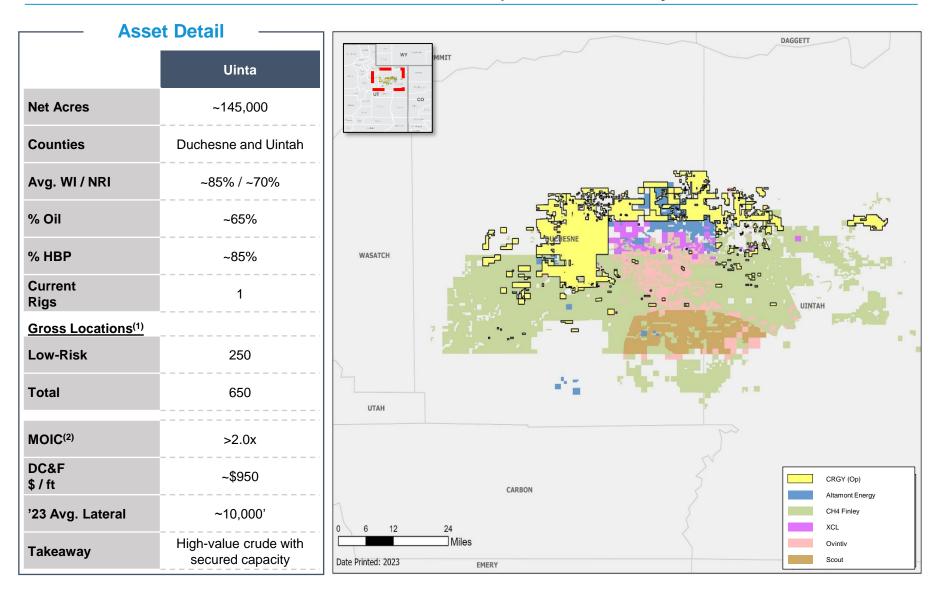
Western Eagle Ford % oil and working interest on remaining development is slightly higher than developed acreage.

⁽²⁾ Low risk locations represent Lower Eagle Ford, total locations include preliminary estimates for Austin Chalk and Upper Eagle Ford from YE'23 3P database. "MOIC" represents multiple on invested capital or total projected cash flow divided by development cost at mid-cycle pricing of \$60/Bbl WTI and \$3.25/MMBtu HH with related well cost (3) environment.

Uinta Asset Overview:

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Proven Oil Resource with Multi-Year Development Inventory



Note: Map based on Enverus operator shapefiles. Location counts as of year end 2023.

 Low risk locations represent Uteland Butte B and C, total locations include preliminary Douglas Creek, Castle Peak and Wasatch from YE'23 3P database.
 "MOIC" represents multiple on invested capital or total projected cash flow divided by development cost at mid-cycle pricing of \$60/Bbl WTI and \$3.25/MMBtu HH with related well cost environment.

Hedge Position: Oil

	Q2'24	Q3'24	Q4'24	FY 2025 ⁽¹⁾
NYMEX WTI (Bbls, \$/Bbl)				
Swaps				
Total Volumes	3,827,100	2,271,480	1,966,630	-
Total Daily Volumes	42,056	24,690	21,376	-
WA Swap Price	\$67.91	\$68.11	\$69.03	-
Collars				
Total Volumes		2,622,000	2,622,000	4,197,500
Total Daily Volumes		28,500	28,500	11,500
WA Long Put Price		\$63.16	\$63.16	\$60.00
WA Short Call Price		\$81.71	\$81.71	\$81.36
ICE Brent (Bbls, \$/Bbl)				
Swaps	_			
Total Volumes	84,175	59,800	36,800	-
Total Daily Volumes	925	650	400	-
WA Swap Price	\$65.76	\$73.87	\$78.19	-
Collars	_			
Total Volumes		55,200	55,200	365,000
Total Daily Volumes		600	600	1,000
WA Long Put Price		\$65.00	\$65.00	\$65.00
WA Short Call Price		\$100.00	\$100.00	\$91.61
MEH Differential (Bbls, \$/Bbl)				
Swaps				
Total Volumes	1,774,500	2,162,000	1,948,500	912,500
Total Daily Volumes	19,500	23,500	21,179	2,500
WA Swap Price	\$1.49	\$1.52	\$1.51	\$1.80
NYMEX WTI CMA Roll (Bbls, \$/Bbl)				
Swaps				
Total Volumes	1,774,500	2,114,000	2,070,000	1,460,000
Total Daily Volumes	19,500	22,978	22,500	4,000
WA Swap Price	\$0.36	\$0.46	\$0.46	\$0.45

Hedge Position: Gas

YMEX Henry Hub (MMBtu, \$/MMBtu) waps otal Volumes otal Daily Volumes /A Swap Price ollars otal Volumes etal Volumes	10,216,210 112,266 \$3.69 4,550,000 50,000 \$3.38 \$4.56	10,323,800 112,215 \$3.69 4,600,000 50,000 \$3.38	10,320,370 112,178 \$3.69 4,600,000 50,000 \$3.38	 58,765,000 161,000
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	\$3.38			161,000
otal Daily Volumes	•	\$3.38	¢2.29	
/A Long Put Price	\$4.56		φ3.30	\$3.00
/A Short Call Price		\$4.56	\$4.56	\$6.03
SC Differential Swaps (MMBtu, \$/MMBtu)				
otal Volumes	5,460,000	5,520,000	2,775,000	21,900,000
otal Daily Volumes	60,000	60,000	30,163	60,000
/A Swap Price	(\$0.30)	(\$0.30)	(\$0.26)	(\$0.29)
GPL TXOK Differential Swaps (MMBtu, \$/MMBtu)				
otal Volumes	207,000			-
otal Daily Volumes	2,275			-
/A Swap Price	(\$0.28)			-
ex Z3 Differential Swaps (MMBtu, \$/MMBtu)				-
otal Volumes	600,000	1,840,000	620,000	-
otal Daily Volumes	6,593	20,000	6,739	-
/A Swap Price	(\$0.36)	(\$0.36)	(\$0.36)	-
ransco St 85 (Z4) Differential Swaps (MMBtu, \$/MMBtu)				
otal Volumes	1,255,800	1,269,600	1,269,600	5,037,000
otal Daily Volumes	13,800	13,800	13,800	13,800
/A Swap Price	\$0.23	\$0.23	\$0.23	\$0.32
IG Rockies Differential Swaps (MMBtu, \$/MMBtu)				
otal Volumes	1,183,000	1,196,000	1,196,000	-
otal Daily Volumes	13,000	13,000	13,000	-
/A Swap Price	(\$0.01)	(\$0.01)	(\$0.01)	-

Per Unit Performance

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			For the thre	ee months ended		
	Marc	h 31, 2024	Marc	h 31, 2023	Decen	nber 31, 2023
Average daily net sales volumes:						
Oil (Mbbls/d)		70		59		71
Natural gas (MMcf/d)		403		351		386
NGLs (Mbbls/d)		28		19		30
Total (Mboe/d)		166		137		165
Average realized prices, before effects of derivative settlements:						
Oil (\$/Bbl)	\$	74.01	\$	69.99	\$	74.07
Natural gas (\$/Mcf)		2.18		5.14		2.39
NGLs (\$/Bbl)		26.07		24.84		22.50
Total (\$/Boe)		41.14		46.94		41.39
Average realized prices, after effects of derivative settlements:						
Oil (\$/Bbl)	\$	67.13	\$	62.83	\$	67.06
Natural gas (\$/Mcf)		2.76		4.61		2.46
NGLs (\$/Bbl)		26.07		29.21		22.50
Total (\$/Boe) ⁽¹⁾		39.63		43.10		38.55
Expense (per Boe)						
Operating expense	\$	20.16	\$	22.12	\$	20.47
Depreciation, depletion and amortization		11.70		11.92		12.07
General and administrative expense		2.83		1.73		2.29
Non-GAAP and other expense (per Boe)						
Adjusted operating expense, excluding production and other taxes $^{(2)(3)}$	\$	15.57	\$	16.57	\$	15.38
Production and other taxes		2.16		4.47		3.08
Adjusted Recurring Cash G&A ⁽²⁾		1.23		1.69		1.47

(1) Does not include the \$18.6 million impact from the settlement of acquired derivative contracts for the three months ended March 31, 2023. Total average realized prices, after effects of derivatives settlements, would have been \$41.58/Boe for the three months ended March 31, 2023.

(2) Non-GAAP financial measure. Please see "Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Measures" for discussion and reconciliations of such measures to their most directly comparable financial measures calculated and presented in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP").

(3) Adjusted operating expense excluding production and other taxes includes lease operating expense, workover expense, asset operating expense, gathering, transportation and marketing 27 and midstream and other revenue net of expense.

Adjusted EBITDAX & Levered Free Cash Flow

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Crescent defines Adjusted EBITDAX as net income (loss) before interest expense, loss from extinguishment of debt, income tax expense (benefit), depreciation, depletion and amortization, exploration expense, non-cash gain (loss) on derivatives, non-cash equitybased compensation, (gain) loss on sale of assets, other (income) expense and transaction and nonrecurring expenses. Additionally, we further subtract certain redeemable noncontrolling interest distributions made by OpCo related to Manager Compensation and settlement of acquired derivative contracts. Adjusted EBITDAX is not a measure of performance as determined by GAAP. We believe Adjusted EBITDAX is a useful performance measure because it allows for an effective evaluation of our operating performance when compared against our peers, without regard to our financing methods, corporate form or capital structure. We exclude the items listed above from net income (loss) in arriving at Adjusted EBITDAX because these amounts can vary substantially within our industry depending upon accounting methods and book values of assets, capital structures and the method by which the assets were acquired. Adjusted EBITDAX should not be considered as an alternative to, or more meaningful than, net income (loss) as determined in accordance with GAAP, of which such measure is the most comparable GAAP measure. Certain items excluded from Adjusted EBITDAX are significant components in understanding and assessing a company's financial performance, such as a company's cost of capital and tax burden, as well as the historic costs of depreciable assets, none of which are reflected in Adjusted EBITDAX. Our presentation of Adjusted EBITDAX should not be construed as an inference that our results will be unaffected by unusual or nonrecurring items. Our computations of Adjusted EBITDAX may not be identical to other similarly titled measures of other companies. In addition, the Revolving Credit Facility and Senior Notes include a calculation of Adjusted EBITDAX for purposes of covenant compliance.

Crescent defines Levered Free Cash Flow as Adjusted EBITDAX less interest expense, excluding non-cash amortization of deferred financing costs, discounts, and premiums, loss from extinguishment of debt, excluding non-cash write-off of deferred financing costs, discounts, and premiums, current income tax benefit (expense), tax-related redeemable noncontrolling interest distributions made by OpCo and development of oil and natural gas properties. Levered Free Cash Flow does not take into account amounts incurred on acquisitions. Levered Free Cash Flow is not a measure of liquidity as determined by GAAP. Levered Free Cash Flow is a supplemental non-GAAP liquidity measure that is used by our management and external users of our financial statements, such as industry analysts, investors, lenders and rating agencies. We believe Levered Free Cash Flow is a useful liquidity measure because it allows for an effective evaluation of our operating and financial performance and the ability of our operations to generate cash flow that is available to reduce leverage or distribute to our equity holders. Levered Free Cash Flow should not be considered as an alternative to, or more meaningful than, Net cash flow provided by operating activities as determined in accordance with GAAP, of which such measure is the most comparable GAAP measure, or as an indicator of actual liquidity, operating performance or investing activities. Our computations of Levered Free Cash Flow may not be comparable to other similarly titled measures of other companies.

The following table reconciles Adjusted EBITDAX (non-GAAP) and Levered Free Cash Flow (non-GAAP) to net income (loss), the most directly comparable financial measure calculated in accordance with GAAP:

Adjusted EBITDAX & Levered Free Cash Flow (Cont'd)

	For the thre	For the three months ended		
	March 31, 2024	Marc	March 31, 2023	
	(in th	ousands)	usands)	
Net income (loss)	\$ (32,364)	\$	255,611	
Adjustments to reconcile to Adjusted EBITDAX:				
Interest expense	42,686		29,320	
Loss from extinguishment of debt	22,582		—	
Income tax expense (benefit)	(4,209)		16,360	
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	176,564		146,483	
Non-cash (gain) loss on derivatives	82,796		(197,467)	
Non-cash equity-based compensation expense	28,174		7,605	
Other (income) expense	(150)		(250)	
Manager Compensation RNCI Distributions	(5,627)		(9,471)	
Transaction and nonrecurring expenses ⁽¹⁾	2,871		2,435	
Settlement of acquired derivative contracts ⁽²⁾	_		(18,647)	
Adjusted EBITDAX (non-GAAP)	\$ 313,323	\$	231,979	
Adjustments to reconcile to Levered Free Cash Flow:				
Interest expense, excluding non-cash deferred financing cost amortization	(38,310)		(28,270)	
Loss from extinguishment of debt	(14,817)		_	
Current income tax benefit (expense)	(716)		(512)	
Tax RNCI (Contributions) Distributions	(66)		(12)	
Development of oil and natural gas properties	(193,290)		(201,687)	
Levered Free Cash Flow (non-GAAP)	\$ 66,124	\$	1,498	

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Transaction and nonrecurring expenses of \$2.9 million for the three months ended March 31, 2024 were primarily related to our capital markets transactions. Transaction and nonrecurring expenses of \$2.4 million for the three months ended March 31, 2023 were primarily related to system integration expenses.

Represents the settlement of certain oil commodity derivative contracts acquired in connection with the Uinta Transaction.

Net LTM Leverage & PV-10 Reconciliation

Net LTM Leverage

Crescent defines Net LTM Leverage as the ratio of consolidated total debt to consolidated Adjusted EBITDAX as calculated under the credit agreement (the "Credit Agreement") governing Crescent's Revolving Credit Facility. Management believes Net LTM Leverage is a useful measurement because it takes into account the impact of acquisitions. For purposes of the Credit Agreement, (i) consolidated total debt is calculated as total principal amount of Senior Notes, net of unamortized discount, premium and issuance costs, plus borrowings on our Revolving Credit Facility and unreimbursed drawings under letters of credit, less cash and cash equivalents and (ii) consolidated Adjusted EBITDAX includes certain adjustments to account for EBITDAX contributions associated with acquisitions the Company has closed within the last twelve months. Adjusted EBITDAX is a non-GAAP financial measure.

	March 31, 2024
	(in millions)
Total debt ⁽¹⁾	\$1,749
Less: cash and cash equivalents	(5)
Net debt for credit purposes	\$1,744
LTM Adjusted EBITDAX for Leverage Ratio	\$1,265
Net LTM Leverage	1.4x

Standardized Measure Reconciliation to PV-10

(in millions)	For the year ended December 31, 2023
Standardized measure of discounted future net cash flows	\$5,289
Present value of future income taxes discounted at 10%	277
Total Proved PV-10 at SEC Pricing	\$5,566

Adjusted Recurring Cash G&A

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Crescent defines Adjusted Recurring Cash G&A as general and administrative expense, excluding noncash equity-based compensation and transaction and nonrecurring expenses, and including Manager Compensation RNCI Distributions. Management believes Adjusted Recurring Cash G&A is a useful performance measure because it excludes transaction and nonrecurring expenses and non-cash equitybased compensation and includes the portion of Manager compensation that is not reflected as G&A expense, facilitating the ability for investors to compare Crescent's cash G&A expense against peer companies. As discussed elsewhere, these adjustments are made to Adjusted EBITDAX and Levered Free Cash Flow for historical periods and periods for which we present guidance.

		Three Months Ended			
	March 31,	2024	March 31, 2023		
		(in thousands)			
General and administrative expense	\$	42,715	\$	21,238	
Less: non-cash equity-based compensation expense		(28,174)		(7,605)	
Less: transaction and nonrecurring expenses ⁽¹⁾		(1,624)		(2,368)	
Plus: Manager Compensation RNCI Distributions		5,627		9,471	
Adjusted Recurring Cash G&A	\$	18,544	\$	20,736	



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