

# First Quarter 2025 Earnings

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# **Forward-Looking Statements**

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#### **NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES & RECONCILIATIONS**

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# First Quarter 2025 Highlights

### **Strategic Updates**

- Waco, Texas recycled paperboard investment moving toward completion and Q4 2025 startup
- Middletown, Ohio recycled paperboard manufacturing facility closure announcement
- New \$1.5B share repurchase authorization; total available authorization \$1.865B

### **Diversified Consumer Packaging Portfolio**

- Volume +1% yoy (America's -1%, International +3%), Price -1% yoy
- Food and Health and Beauty improved, Beverage weaker
- Mass retail/superstore and discount grocer share gains continue
- Innovation Sales Growth of \$44M in the quarter
  - Boardio<sup>™</sup> continues to gain with brands and private label in the U.S.
  - European regulation driving new growth in beverage packaging
  - Economic uncertainty modestly affecting customer launch plans
  - Solid pipeline visibility to at least 2% Innovation Sales Growth in 2025



# Graphic Packaging's products are in the hands of tens of millions of consumers multiple times a day

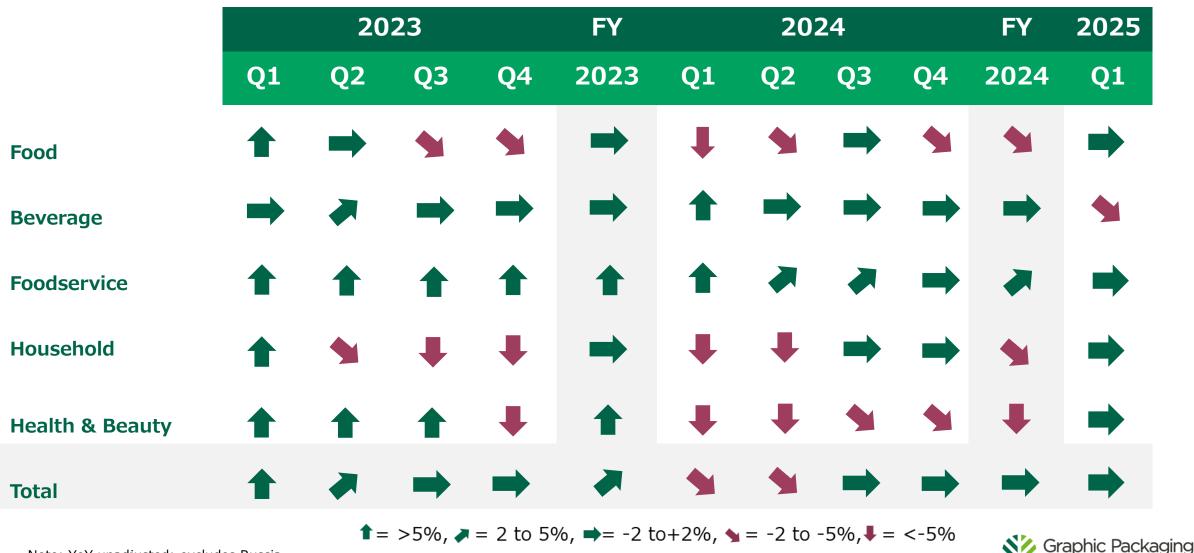


Note: Percentages represent 2024 Sales Mix



# **Consumer Packaging Sales by Market**

Q1: Consumer search for value keeping volumes below expectations



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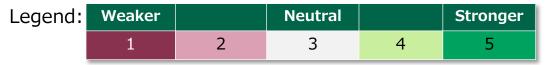
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# Seasonality, Experience, and Expectations

### **Typical Patterns**

Seasonality	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Food	3	2	4	3
Beverage	2	5	4	2
Foodservice	1	3	3	5
Household	3	3	3	3
Health & Beauty	5	3	2	3
Total	2	3	4	3

- Total Company: Relatively weaker Q1, relatively stronger Q3
- Stronger Months: March, August, October
- Weaker Months: February, July, December



### Q1 2025 Experience

- Search for value expanding across most consumer demographics
- Promotional activity relatively unchanged; driving mix shifts and brand switching
- Private label share of Innovation Sales Growth continues to rise
- Input cost inflation above expectations

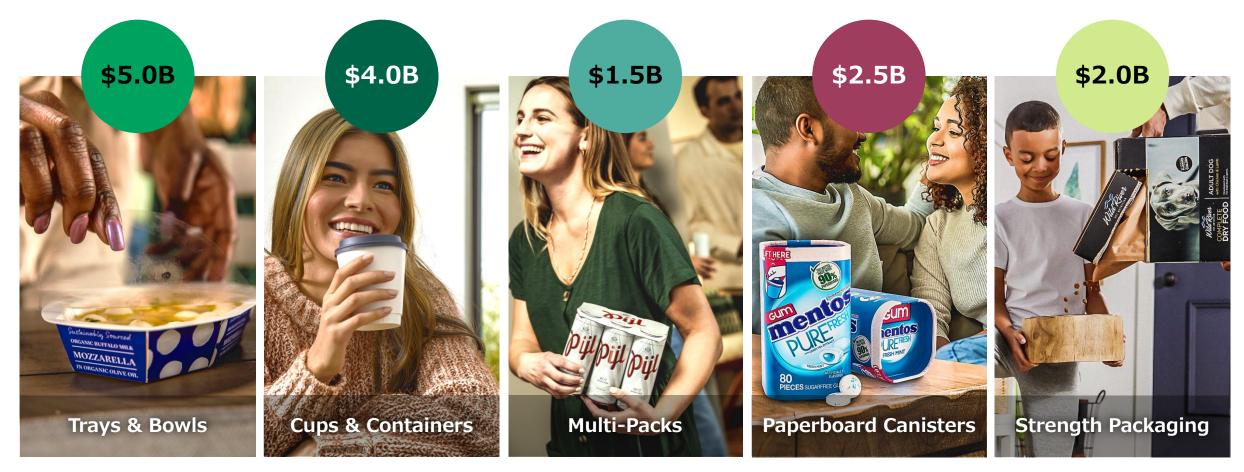
### Q2 2025 Expectations & Trends

- Continued inflation risk
- Consumers pulling back spending
- Further growth in mass retail/superstore and discount retailer channels
- Continued CPG and QSR volume uncertainty



# **Customer Focus on Innovation Remains High**

Addressable Market Opportunity \$15 Billion





# **Commercializing Innovation: EnviroClip™ Beam**



A paperboard clip-style multi-pack carrier for PET bottles as an alternative to plastic ring carriers and shrink wrap



### **CUSTOMER LAUNCH**

Get More Vits is the first beverage manufacturer to launch EnviroClip™ Beam as a part of their carbon footprint reduction strategy



### ADDRESSABLE OPPORTUNITY

- + \$1.5B global multi-pack market opportunity
- + Primarily plastic and plastic film replacement

### VALUE PROPOSITION

#### **More Functional**

- ✓ Glue and plastic free
- Suitable for a wide range of bottle types, sizes, and configurations
- ✓ High-speed AutoClip<sup>™</sup> machinery system compatible
- Bottle orientation to maximize on-shelf brand marketing impact

#### **More Circular**

- ✓ 100% paperboard no plastic
- Recyclable in regular household waste streams<sup>1</sup>

#### **More Convenient**

- Rigid, with easy product separation
- ✓ Comfortable to lift and carry



8 1. Recyclable in Europe and UK as tested with the CEPI Recyclability Laboratory Test Method.

# Global Leader in Sustainable Consumer Packaging



Build the leading sustainability-focused consumer packaging innovation platform

- 2% annual sales growth from innovation
- Every new product innovation more circular, more functional and more convenient than existing alternatives
- Create multi-generational portfolio of solutions leverageable across products and geographies



Enable a safe, engaged, customer-focused culture

- Zero life injuries
- 75<sup>th</sup> percentile in employee engagement
- Workforce representative of consumers and our communities
- Enhance the communities in which we operate



#### Steadily and measurably improve the environmental footprint of consumer packaging

- Achieve approved 2032 SBT for Scope 1, 2, and 3 GHG reductions
- 90% renewable fuel use in wood fiber paperboard manufacturing facilities
- 50% purchased renewable electricity
- 100% purchased forest products sustainably sourced



Consistently execute for customers, shareholders and all stakeholders

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- Leverage unmatched global capabilities for customers and consumers
- Deliver consistent and strong financial results across all economic conditions
- Invest in team & innovation capabilities to be the global leader in sustainable consumer packaging

*With an exceptional team, unmatched capabilities, and a clear and compelling vision, Graphic Packaging is positioned to deliver* 



# **First Quarter 2025 Financials**

### Sales

- Packaging sales: Q1 -\$2M, or ~0%
  - Volume: Q1 +1%
  - Price: Q1 -1%
- Impact of Augusta divestiture and bleached paperboard sales: Q1 -\$110M, or -\$5%
- F/X<sup>1</sup>: Q1 -\$27M, or -1%

### Adjusted EBITDA<sup>2</sup>

- Price-volume-mix: Q1 -\$34M
- Net Performance<sup>3</sup>: Q1 +\$33M, more than offset -\$25M labor, benefits, and other inflation
- Input cost inflation: Q1 -\$21M
- Impact of Augusta divestiture and bleached paperboard sales: Q1 -\$25M
- F/X: Q1 -\$6M

(\$M excl EPS)	Q1′25	Q1′24	Δ ΥοΥ
Net Sales	\$2,120	\$2,259	-6%
Net Income	\$127	\$165	-\$38
Adj. EBITDA <sup>2</sup>	\$365	\$443	-\$78
Adj. EBITDA Margin <sup>2</sup>	17.2%	19.6%	-240bps
EPS	\$0.42	\$0.53	-\$0.11
Adj. EPS <sup>2</sup>	\$0.51	\$0.66	-\$0.15
Net Leverage Ratio <sup>2,4</sup>	3.5x	3.0x	+0.5x

1. Foreign exchange (F/X) impact measured as the increase/decrease in results after applying prior period rates to make a constant currency comparison.

2. Adjusted figures and Net Leverage represent Non-GAAP Financial Measures. Please refer to earnings press release for reconciliations to GAAP measures.

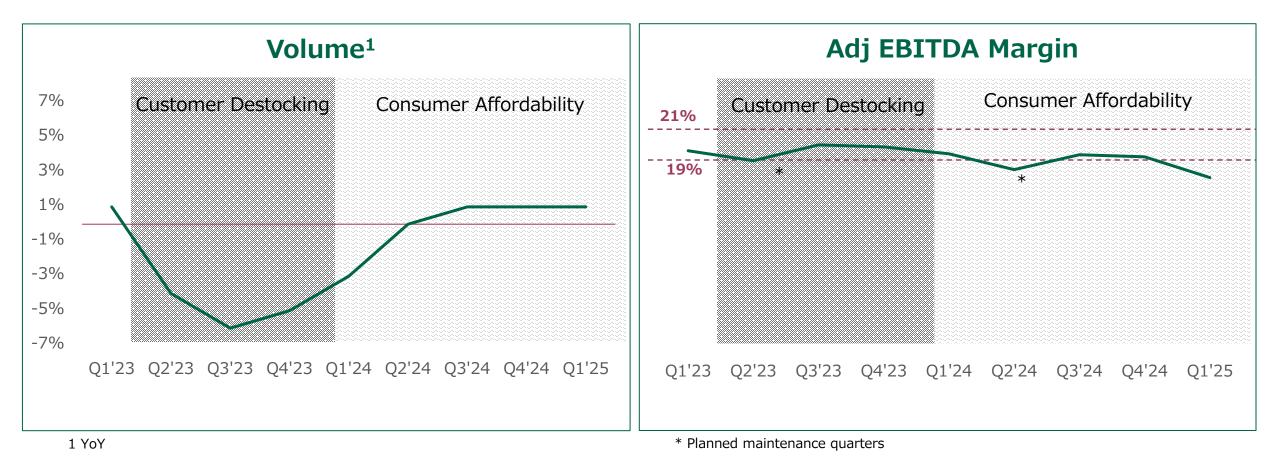
3. Net Performance includes cost and productivity initiatives, production efficiencies/disruptions, and other operating impacts.

10 4. Net Leverage Ratio calculated as Net Debt divided by twelve months trailing Adjusted EBITDA.



# **Consistent results across a wide range of market conditions**

Price increases announced in response to recent input cost inflation





# **2025 Guidance and Commentary**

	<b>Previous</b> <sup>1</sup>	Cur <mark>rent<sup>2</sup></mark>
<ul> <li>Net Sales</li> </ul>	\$8.6B to \$8.8B	\$8.2B to <mark>\$8.5</mark> B
<ul> <li>Assumed Volume</li> </ul>	+1% to +3%	-4% to <mark>Flat</mark>
<ul> <li>Adjusted EBITDA</li> </ul>	\$1.66B to \$1.76B	\$1.4B to \$ <mark>1.6B</mark>
<ul> <li>Adjusted EPS</li> </ul>	\$2.48 to \$2.73	\$1.75 to \$2. <mark>25</mark>

- Capital Spending: ~\$700M
- Innovation Sales Growth: at least 2% of Sales

Previous guidance including F/X based on Bloomberg forward rates as of 1/27/25.
 Current guidance including F/X based on Bloomberg forward rates as of 4/25/25.



# Vision 2030 Base Financial Model and Capital Allocation Priorities

### **Base Model:**

Annual Sales Growth

Low-Single Digits

### Annual Adj EBITDA Growth

Mid-Single Digits

#### Annual Adj EPS Growth

**High-Single Digits** 

#### Normalized Capex (% of sales)

~5% After 2025

### **Capital Priorities:**

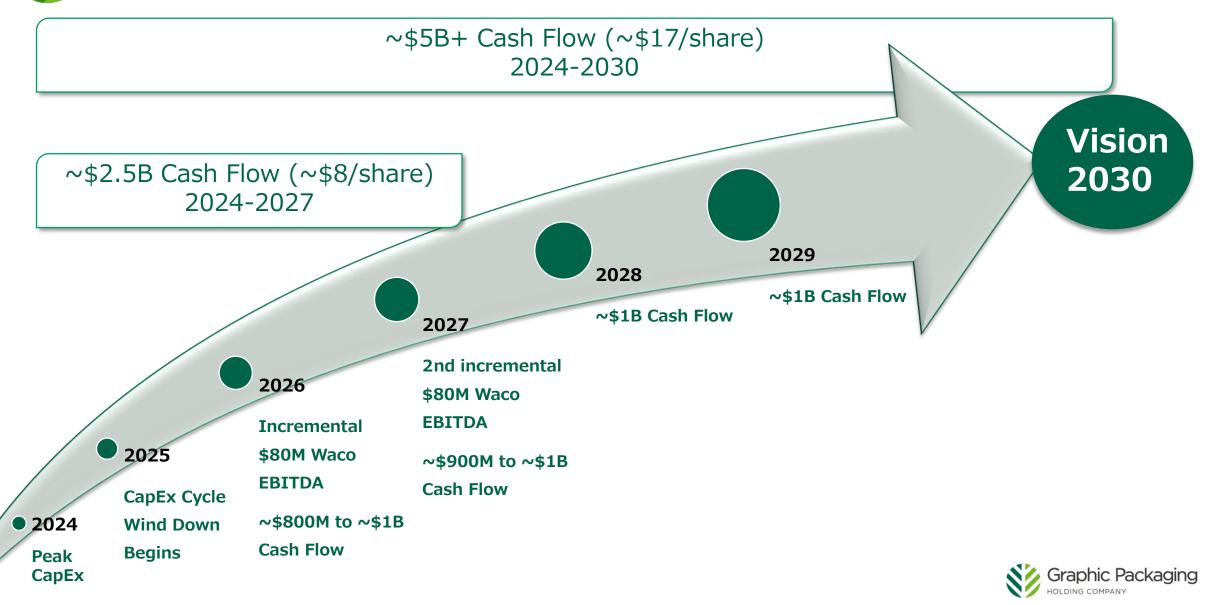
- Reinvest to Expand Capabilities<sup>1</sup>
- Grow the Dividend
- Repurchase Shares
- Achieve Investment Grade Ratings
- Pursue Tuck-under M&A

After Waco, Graphic Packaging has the assets, the capabilities, and the team needed to achieve Vision 2030 financial goals, and to generate cash well in excess of reinvestment needs



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# Appendix



# **Supplemental Guidance Information**

in millions except tax rate	2025
Capital Spending	~\$700
Interest Expense	\$215-\$235
Cash Taxes, Working Capital, Pension <sup>1</sup>	\$300-\$350
Effective Tax Rate	~25%
Depreciation & Amortization <sup>2</sup>	\$450-\$475
Waco Startup Costs	\$65-\$75
Net Leverage, Year-End 2025 <sup>3</sup>	<3.5x
Ending Q1 2025 Shares, Diluted <sup>4</sup>	303.7



Excludes one-time cash payments and receipts for facility closures and sales, and Waco startup costs
 Excludes accelerated depreciation and amortization related to purchased intangibles.

Including the impact of any share repurchase activity or other capital deployment initiatives.
 Includes approximately 1.0M diluted shares.

