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# The Future of Lithium in North America

**Creating a Sustainable U.S. Lithium Business** 

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Further information about the Lanxess Property ("Lanxess") Project, including a description of key assumptions, parameters, methods and risks, is available in the NI 43-101 technical report titled "NI 43-101 Technical Report for the Definitive Feasibility Study for Commercial Lithium Extraction Plant at Lanxess South Plant", dated October 18, 2023 ("Lanxess DFS"), available under the Company's SEDAR+ profile.

Further information about the South West Arkansas ("SWA") Project, including a description of key assumptions, parameters, methods and risks, is available in the NI 43-101 technical report titled "NI 43-101 Technical Report South West Arkansas Project Pre-Feasibility Study" dated September 18, 2023 (the "South West Arkansas PFS"), available under the Company's SEDAR+ profile.

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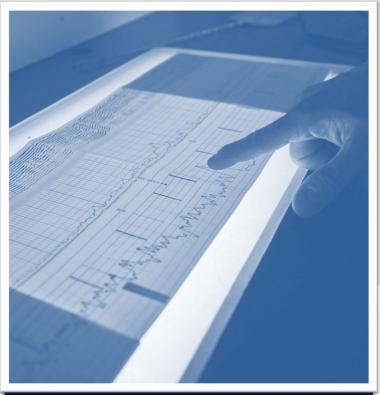
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Standard Lithium is on the path to becoming a leading low-cost sustainable American lithium producer





We aim to achieve highly value-accretive near-term commercial-scale production by applying innovative technologies to our world class assets in Arkansas and Texas



Building projects with our global partners, in a region with regulatory certainty and broad stakeholder support

### **Investment Highlights**



Premier Lithium Brine Resource in North America

Smackover is North America's highest grade lithium brine – concentrations up to 597 mg/L in Arkansas¹ and up to 806 mg/L in East Texas²



Arkansas Projects in Advanced Stages of Development

**Disciplined development strategy** with FEED study underway at our flagship SWA Project and definitive feasibility study published at our Phase 1A Project with LANXESS



\$225 Million Conditional DOE Award

South West Arkansas Project selected for up to \$225 million conditional grant from the U.S. Department of Energy ("DOE"), one of the largest ever awarded to a U.S. critical minerals project



Advantaged Cost Structure

High grade resource, proven commercial-scale technology, and infrastructure drives low operating costs –expected to rank in **bottom quartile of global cost curve** 



Attractive Long-Term
Market Fundamentals

Global EV adoption expected to drive significant demand – ~50% of lithium supply shortfall by 2035<sup>3</sup>



Aligned with World-Class Partners

Partnerships bring additional resources and expertise: Equinor provides subsurface expertise, Koch aids in development of our refining flowsheet and technology, and LANXESS offers significant experience in brine operations



Standard Lithium press release on October 25, 2023



IEA Global Critical Minerals Outlook 2024 - represents percentage of demand met by current and announced projects



### **Brine to Battery - A Clear Path**



# SECURE THE BEST RESOURCE

Entered Smackover highest lithium brine
grades in North America
- with Tetra Option
Agreement (2017) and
Lanxess MOU (2018)
and ongoing leasing in
East Texas

### LANXESS Energizing Chemistry

# UNLOCK THE RESOURCE WITH BEST TECHNOLOGY

Signed Joint
Development
Agreement with Koch
(2021) to develop and
commercialize Direct
Lithium Extraction
("DLE") flowsheet

KOCH, TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS

### DERISK THE PROJECT

Commenced operations at Demo Plant (2020) – 4 years continuous brine flow and testing

### DEVELOP PROJECT WITH RIGHT PARTNERS

Strategic partnership with Equinor (2024) and DOE (2024)<sup>1</sup>; License Agreement with KTS (2024) to deploy and use KTS' Li-pro LSS<sup>2</sup>



**TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS** 

### OF STRATEGY

Targeting 2027-2028 for delivery of sustainable and scalable lithium production

The \$225 million provisional grant is dependent on completing successful final negotiations with the DOE

Press release dated October 28, 2024, signed license agreement with Noch Technology Solutions ("KTS") to deploy and use KTS' Li-ProTM Lithium Selective Sorption ("Li-pro LSS") technology at SWA Phase 1



### **Our Strategic Approach**

Standard Lithium is positioning itself to achieve highly value accretive, globally significant production scale, in a sustainable and responsible manner



#### **Resource & Location**

- Recent drilling results in the Smackover Formation reveal highest reported lithium-in-brine grades in North America - up to 806 mg/L¹
- Assets located in Arkansas and Texas, areas with established natural resource extraction industries, infrastructure, and skilled workforce
- Three scalable project areas provide substantial capacity for future production



### **Phased Development**

- Over four years DLE runtime and flowsheet optimization at demonstration plant
- Tailoring of DLE process replicable across Smackover Formation
- Phased stages of expansion Definitive Feasibility complete at Phase 1A, Pre-Feasibility complete at SWA, pursuing resource study in East Texas



## Partnerships & Responsible Capitalization

- Shareholder focused by prioritizing non-dilutive sources of capital (strategic partnerships, offtake financing, federal funding, low-cost project debt)
- Strategic partnerships bring significant technical support in addition to financial strength
- Focus on maintaining balance sheet strength, positive working capital, and low "burn-rate" through project execution



#### **Fundamentals**

- Significant lithium demand growth forecasted – ~500% increase in demand by 2030²
- Inflation Reduction Act incentives require 80% of critical minerals found in EV batteries to be extracted or processed in U.S. by end of 2026<sup>3</sup>
- Standard Lithium's projects expected to rank among 1<sup>st</sup> quartile on global lithium cost curve

Standard Lithium press release on October 25, 2023

Fastmarkets news release on April 3, 2024

<sup>3.</sup> Final regulation from US Department of Treasury and Internal Revenue Service on May 3, 2024



### **Smackover: A World Class Lithium Brine Asset**

### **Smackover Formation is a high-quality lithium brine resource**

- Elevated lithium concentrations are some of the highest recorded outside of South America
- In Arkansas, +8 billion gallons of brine extracted, processed and reinjected annually for bromine production

#### Proven reservoir with significant geological understanding

- Over 100 years of conventional energy operations in the Smackover Formation
- Geologic data from thousands of wells highlights zones with optimal brine potential and formation characteristics
- Over six decades of continuous mineral extraction operations

### Significant infrastructure to support growth

- Region is home to one of North America's largest brine processing industries with 60+ years of operations
- Availability of water, power, natural gas, road, rail and skilled labor
- Gulf Coast chemical industry provides ease of access to key reagents



### **Project Overview**



**EAST TEXAS JV** 







### Ownership:

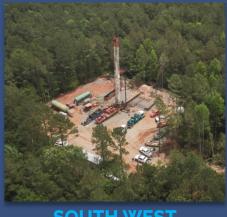
55% Standard Lithium<sup>1</sup>

#### **Key Feature:**

Average concentration of 644 mg/L with results up to 806 mg/L, including significant potash and bromine concentrations<sup>2</sup>

#### **Production:**

Targeting a resource-based capacity for potential production of 100,000+ TPA lithium carbonate equivalent ("LCE")



#### **SOUTH WEST ARKANSAS JV**







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#### Ownership:

55% Standard Lithium¹

#### **Key Feature:**

Average concentration of 437 mg/L with results up to 597 mg/L3 Finalizing **\$225mm grant** from DOE4

#### **Production:**

Targeting a total output of 45,000 TPA lithium carbonate, to be developed in two phases of 22,500 TPA each5



#### **PHASE 1A**







#### Ownership:

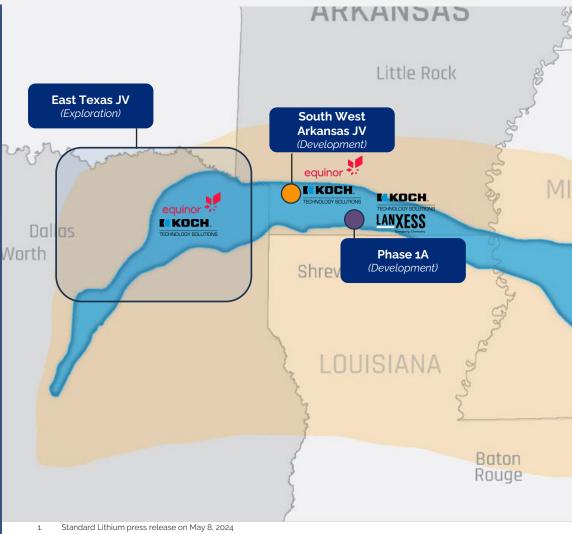
100% Standard Lithium<sup>6</sup>

#### **Key Feature:**

Existing infrastructure providing brine flow of 3,000 gallons per minute; average lithium grade of 217 mg/L<sup>7</sup>

#### **Production:**

Initial production of 5,700 TPA lithium carbonate<sup>7</sup>

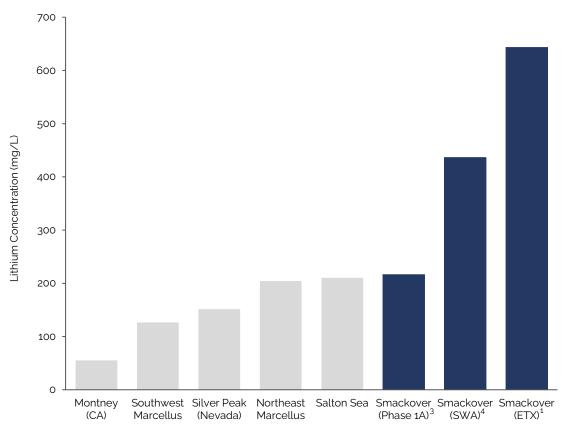


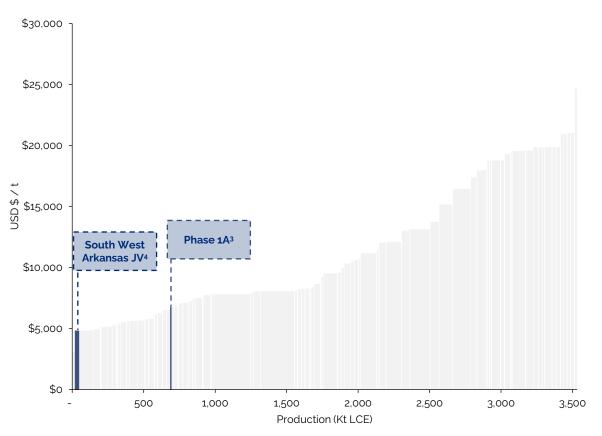
- Standard Lithium press release on October 25, 2023
- Standard Lithium press release on August 8, 2023
- The \$225 million provisional grant is dependent on completing successful final negotiations with the DOE
- The project's design is being updated from its original Preliminary Feasibility Study (PFS). A Definitive Feasibility Study (DFS) and Front-End Engineering Design (FEED) are currently underway to support this expansion.
- Standard Lithium press release on December 4, 2023 Definitive Feasibility Study as filed October 18, 2023



### **High Grades Drive Compelling Economics**

The Smackover Formation's high lithium concentration drives low-cost estimates – Standard Lithium anticipates projects to rank among top quartile on global lithium cost curve





#### **NORTH AMERICAN BRINE LITHIUM GRADES**

#### **GLOBAL LITHIUM PRODUCTION COST CURVE<sup>2</sup>**

Standard Lithium press release on October 25, 2023

Source: Benchmark Minerals Q3 2024 Lithium Forecast. Costs include mining, processing, reagents, transport, loading & storage, G&A, energy, labor, maintenance, royalties and other costs where relevant. For non-integrated hard-rock operations, cost of feedstock is included. Excludes by-product credits, extraordinary items, and interest costs. Based on 2030 LCE production and cost.

<sup>3.</sup> Lanxess Definitive Feasibility Study as filed October 18, 2023. Operating costs based on average annual production of 5,400 tonnes Li2CO3.

SWA Preliminary Feasibility Study dated September 18, 2023. Operating costs based on average annual production of 30,000 tonnes lithium hydroxide monohydrate ("LHM"). \$741/t royalties based on PFS (does not include lease-fees-in-lieu of royalties).



### **Capital Formation "Pyramid"**

Standard Lithium is committed to maximizing shareholder returns through a strategic and methodical approach to capital formation

#### Leveraging strategic partnerships to maximize project success

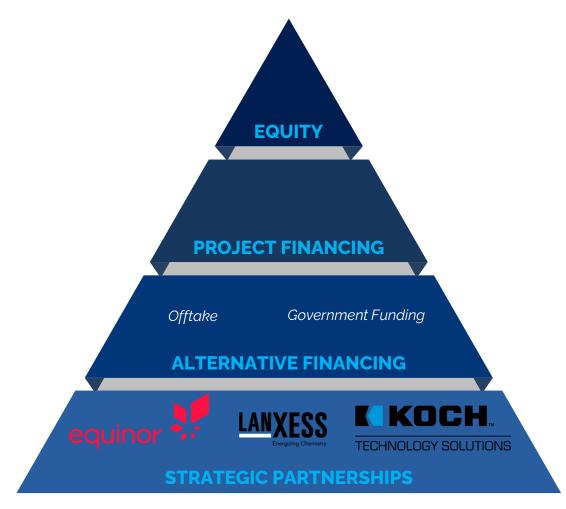
- Standard Lithium has secured investments from Koch Industries and Equinor
- Industry-leading partners bring technical, operational, and strategic capabilities in addition to their financial strength

#### **Prioritizing low-cost, limited-recourse financing**

- Recently announced \$225 million provisional grant awarded to South West Arkansas Project by DOE¹
- As projects move toward Final Investment Decisions, focus will turn to securing offtake agreements and limited recourse project finance

### Focused on maximizing shareholder value by limiting dilution

- Equinor investment done at the project level without issuance of any Standard Lithium shares
- Prioritize and execute at the "base of the pyramid and build on up", lowering the cost of capital as we de-risk the projects, minimizing parent company equity raise requirements





### **DOE Grant to South West Arkansas Project**

SWA Lithium LLC has been selected for up to US\$225 million award negotiation from the DOE¹, one of the largest ever awarded to a U.S. critical minerals project

#### DOE PARTNERSHIP HIGHLIGHTS

- \$225 million funding by the DOE will support the construction of the Central Processing Facility ("CPF") for Phase 1 of the South West Arkansas project<sup>2</sup>
- The selection is part of the second wave of funding under the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act aimed at expanding domestic manufacturing of all segments of the battery supply chain and increasing production of critical minerals in the U.S
- Project is expected to **create up to 300 construction and up to 100 direct jobs**
- Additional community benefits include infrastructure improvements, community health initiatives, educational partnerships, and workforce development programs



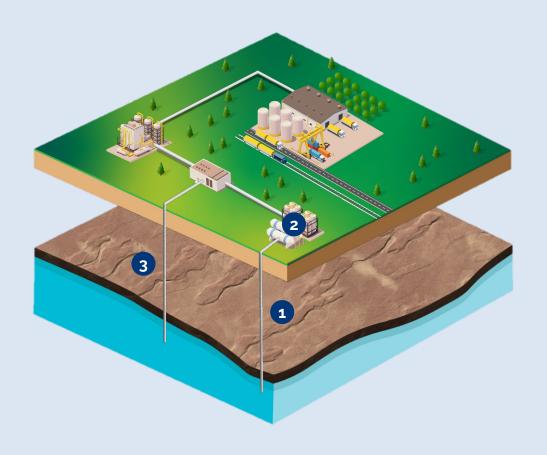
<sup>1.</sup> The provisional grant is dependent on completing successful final negotiations with the DOE

<sup>2.</sup> The project's design is being updated from its original Preliminary Feasibility Study (PFS), and now targets a larger total output of 45,000 TPA of lithium carbonate, to be developed in two phases of 22,500 TPA each. A Definitive Feasibility Study (DFS) and Front-End Engineering Design (FEED) are currently underway to support this expansion, targeting a final investment decision in 2025.



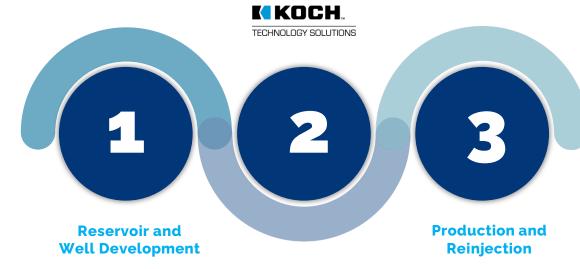
### **Strategic Partnerships: More than Capital**

### From Brine to Battery Grade Lithium – Leveraging Strategic Partnerships



### Refining and Direct Lithium Extraction

- Utilizing Koch's proprietary LSS process across the Smackover
- Standard Lithium has regional exclusivity in the Smackover for the LSS process



- Elevated lithium concentrations are highest recorded outside of South America
- In Arkansas, +8 billion gallons of brine extracted, processed and reinjected annually



- Equinor also brings significant experience in designing and delivering onshore facilities
- Standard Lithium's demonstration plant provides valuable learnings to apply to go forward production







### **Equinor: Strategic Partnership at South West Arkansas and Texas**

### Equinor acquires 45% interest in the South West Arkansas (SWA) Project and East Texas Properties

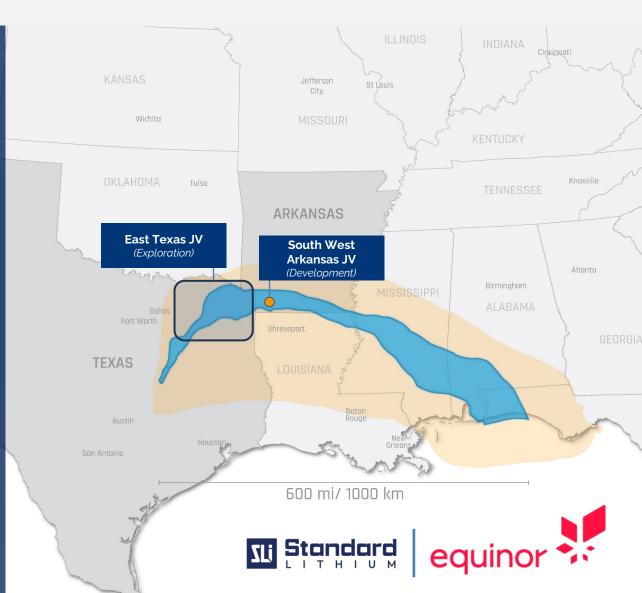
- Equinor committed to contribute up to a gross US\$160 million to advance projects
- Standard Lithium remains majority owner and operator with 55% interest

### Partnership is strategic and complementary

- SLI brings unparalleled DLE and Smackover brine processing expertise
- Equinor provides deep experience in sub-surface assessment and production, project development, financing, construction and operations
- Strong alignment between SLI and Equinor to develop a sustainable lithium business, adhering to high levels of environmental and social responsibility

#### Partnership significantly de-risks project execution

- Initial capital commitment provides sole funding for work program to progress SWA Project to Final Investment Decision and East Texas to initial resource study
- Partners fund their pro rata share of expenditures post cost-carry by Equinor





### **Proven Technology at Commercial-Scale**

- In March 2024, Standard Lithium successfully installed and commissioned the Li-Pro TM Lithium Selective Sorption (LSS) commercial scale unit supplied by KTS
- This unit is believed to be the largest known commercial-scale column operating in a DLE facility
- On October 28, 2024, SWA Lithium, the JV between SLI and Equinor which is developing the South West Arkansas Project, announced that it had entered into a license agreement with KTS to deploy and use KTS' Li-Pro LSS technology at the JV's commercial plant for the SWA Phase 1 Project
  - The license agreement includes certain technology performance guarantees for lithium recovery (+95%), contaminant rejection (+99%)<sup>1</sup>, and water use
- During a four-month continuous operating period (1st April to 31st July 2024), the Li-Pro LSS process achieved:
  - Avg. lithium recovery efficiency of 95.4%
  - Avg. key contaminant rejection of +99%
- Nearly 10,000 operational cycles using Li-Pro<sup>™</sup> LSS technology at the demonstration plant and over 24 million gallons of Smackover brine processed



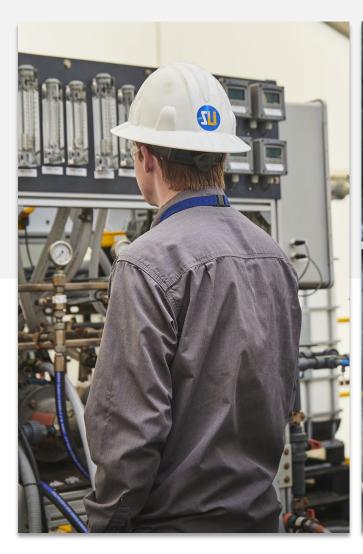
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Note: Operational figures as disclosed in press release dated October 28, 2024

1. Impurities included in performance guarantee include Calcium, Sodium, Potassium & Magnesium



### Large Demonstration Plant in Operation Since 2020









### **Capitalization & Liquidity**



#### **Financial Highlights**

- Positive working capital with no outstanding indebtedness at September 30, 2024
- Recently selected for up to US\$225 million award negotiation from the DOE³, one of the largest ever awarded to a U.S. critical minerals project
- Largest shareholder (Koch, Inc., > 7.0% of total outstanding shares) is strategic partner with significant alignment across the organization<sup>4</sup>
- Sole funding by joint venture partner at the South West Arkansas and East Texas projects; allows the Company to meaningfully advance, de-risk, and create value at the projects with no capital contribution required by Standard Lithium until sole funding commitments are exhausted

### Liquidity & Capitalization<sup>1</sup> (USD millions)

Cash	\$28.9
Debt	\$0
Shares Outstanding (mm) <sup>2</sup>	184.58
Share Price (USD)	\$2.41
Market Capitalization	\$444.8



#### Source: FactSet

Liquidity as of September 30, 2024, trading data as of October 31, 2024,

Shares Outstanding as of September 24, 2024 Management's Discussion and Analysis

The provisional grant is dependent on completing successful final negotiations with the DOE
Ownership figures as per the Company's 2024 Annual information Form



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### **Appendix**

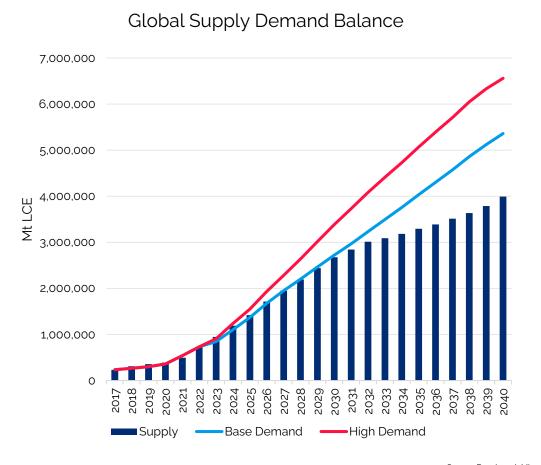
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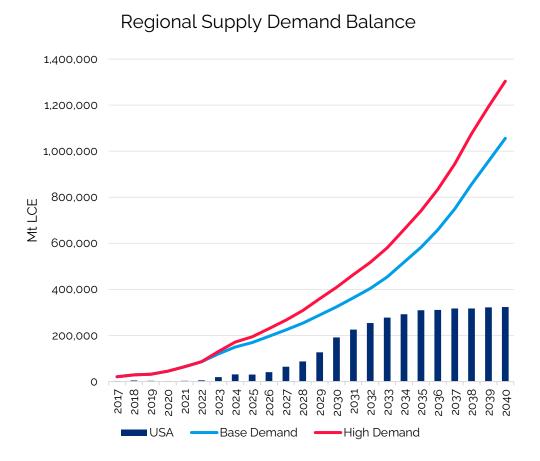




### **Compelling Market Fundamentals**

A looming global supply gap, and a substantial market deficit in North America driven by US policy demands, presents a compelling opportunity for new projects







### **Koch | Experts in Mineral Processing**

Koch Industries brings significant expertise and experience throughout the energy chain



A multinational conglomerate with over 80 years experience in delivering life's necessities – from today's basic needs to tomorrow's technological breakthroughts

Second-largest privately held company in America, with over 80 years of experience in energy and chemicals

- Founded as an engineering and refining company, the Koch family of companies have a deep understanding of the energy value chain
- With operations across 60 countries, Koch employs over 120,000 people

#### Significant alignment between Standard Lithium and Koch Industries

- Joint Development Agreement with KTS to collaborate on technology & process solutions for commercial Direct Lithium Extraction
- License agreement with KTS to deploy and use KTS' Li-pro LSS technology at the commercial processing facility for Phase 1 of the South West Arkansas project<sup>1</sup>
- Koch Investments Group is the largest shareholder in Standard Lithium
- Press release dated October 28, 2024; license agreement was executed by SWA Lithium, the JV between SLI and Equinor which is developing the South West Arkansas Project



### **Equinor | International Pioneers in the Energy Transition**

### Equinor are energy experts and world-leaders in renewable and low carbon solutions



An international energy company headquartered in Stavanger, Norway with operations in oil and gas, renewables and low carbon solutions

### Equinor is a leading multinational energy company with operations across 36 countries

- Historically focused on oil & gas, Equinor has expanded its presence in renewables
   & low carbon as well as innovation and digital
- Equinor has a strong commitment to sustainability, evidence of which can be found in its commitment to the battery value chain

### Equinor is a global premier resource developer with significant experience in project development and onshore facilities

- In addition to significant experience in sub-surface assessment and production, Equinor has a track record of project development and execution with onshore facilities around the world
- Equinor's ability to provide resource development combined with facilities expertise significantly de-risks project execution

#### Equinor is one of the world's largest energy companies

 Equinor brings a multi-billion dollar market cap and investment grade balance sheet to support project execution



### South West Arkansas (SWA) Project<sup>1</sup>

#### **STATUS: Front-End Engineering Design**

The SWA Project with...

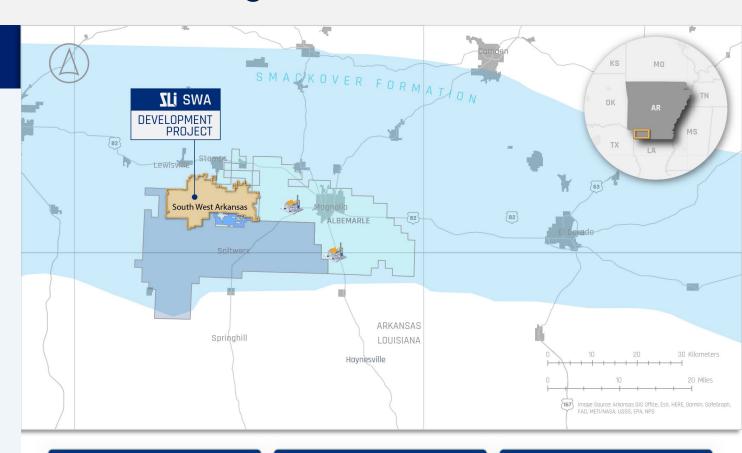
- Lithium avg. Grade of 437 mg/L (max of 597 mg/L)<sup>2</sup>;
- Planned annual output of +30,000 tonnes lithium hydroxide;
- Existing project and regional infrastructure;
- Strong local workforce;
- Friendly regulatory environment; and
- Path to FID in 2025...

...results in the SWA project being a globally significant potential source of lithium

**Location**: Adjacent to Albemarle's brine operations and Exxon Mobil's lithium exploration project, the SWA project benefits from infrastructure, regional expertise and established regulatory regime

**Lithium Grade:** The SWA Project boasts an average lithium grade of 437 mg/L with a max grade of 597 mg/L, higher than other North American brine projects

**Significance**: Base case production of 30,000 tonnes per annum (TPA) of battery-quality lithium hydroxide, with an upside case of 35,000 TPA, based on the 2023 Preliminary Feasibility Study. Potential for higher total production rates with project optimization



1.4 / 0.4Mt

LCE Estimated Indicated / Inferred Resource<sup>3</sup>

**30K** 

Tonnes Per Annum BQ Li Hydroxide \$3.1B (8%) Post Tax NPV<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>2.</sup> Pre-Feasibility Study as of Q3 2023; all model outputs are expressed on a 100% project ownership basis.

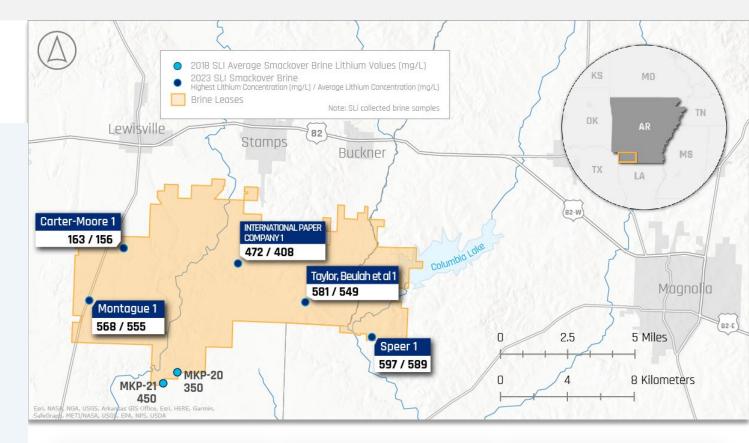
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### South West Arkansas (SWA) Project<sup>1</sup>

Located near Magnolia, Standard Lithium has drilled some of the highest confirmed lithium-in-brines grades in Arkansas: 597 mg/L

Summary Metrics (US\$)2	Base Case	<u>High Case</u>
Annual Production	30,000 tonnes LHM	35,000 tonnes LHM
Ind. / Inf. Resource <sup>3</sup>	1.4 Mt / 0.4 Mt LCE	1.4 Mt / 0.4 Mt LCE
Development Capex <sup>4</sup>	\$1.274 billion	\$1.360 billion
Operating Life	20 years	20 years
Average Opex <sup>5</sup>	\$4,073 per tonne	\$3,964 per tonne
NPV (8%) After-Tax (8) \$30,000/t	\$3.1 billion	\$3.7 billion
IRR After-Tax	32.8%	35.4%



437 mg/L

Average Lithium
Concentration<sup>3</sup>

36k+
Acres of Proposed
Unitized Brine Leases

**400+**Wells Drilled in Area

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<sup>4.</sup> Includes 20% contingency on capital costs.

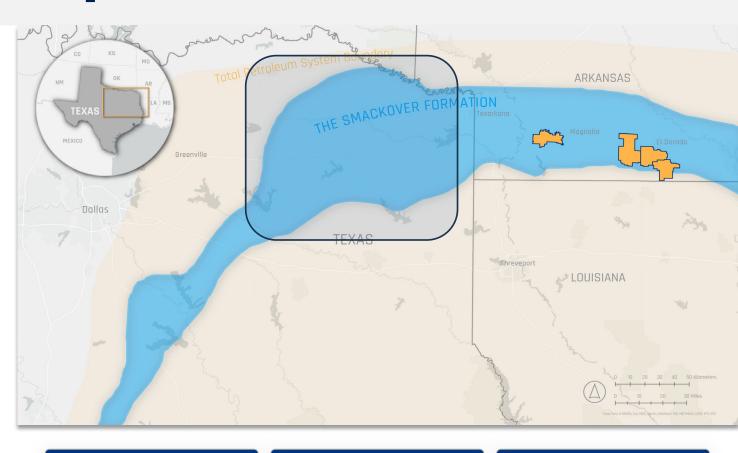
Operating cost per tonne over life of the project.



### **East Texas Greenfield Exploration**

Standard Lithium has secured a significant brine lease position, drilled, and sampled lithium brine showing significant potential to develop a resource and future production





644 mg/L

Average Lithium Concentration<sup>1</sup>

806 mg/L

Highest Lithium Concentration<sup>1</sup>

Opportunity to develop large-scale, industryleading lithium projects in Texas



### **East Texas Greenfield Exploration**

Targeting locations with optimal brine grades to secure a foothold for large-scale production

#### **STATUS: Resource Definition**

- Team of Smackover specialists have been working for the past 4 years to identify the most prospective areas to secure high-quality brine resources in East Texas
- Ongoing leasing in key project areas
- Three wells drilled with additional wells planned for 2024 to 2025
- Samples collected to date were tested by third parties to confirm lithium concentrations ranging from 298 to 806 mg/L¹
- To the understanding of management, these are some of the **highest tested lithium brine** concentrations in North America





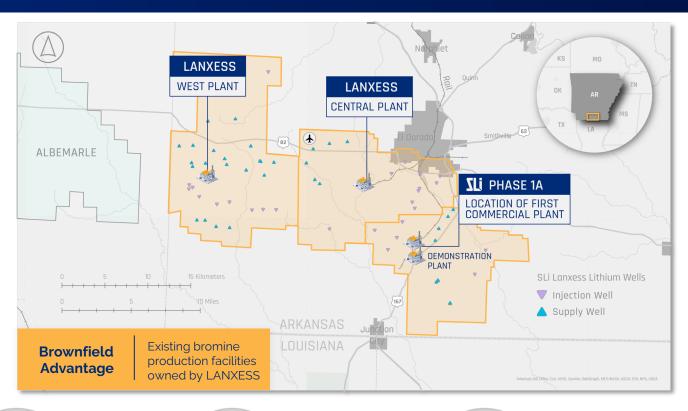
### Phase 1A | Premier Resource with Derisked Facility

**STATUS: Project Definition & Commercial Agreements** 

One of the industry's most advanced large-scale lithium extraction projects over the country's highest-grade lithium brine aguifer

Summary Metrics (USD) <sup>(1)</sup>		
Average Annual Production <sup>(2)</sup>	5,400 tonnes Li <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	
Proven and Probable Reserves	208 kt LCE	
Development Capex <sup>(3)</sup>	\$365 million	
Operating Life	25 years minimum	
Average Opex <sup>(4)</sup>	\$6,810 per tonne	
NPV (8%) Pre-Tax	\$772 million	
IRR Pre-Tax	29.5%	

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Years in operation for Industrial

Staff Operators and Engineers on Site

**Modest Scale-up Required** 

**50 to 3,000** Scale up from existing brine supply and disposal system qpm

Koch **Engineered Solutions** 

JDA in place on DLE with performance warranty

Average Annual Production over operating life, LANXESS Definitive Feasibility Study October 18, 2023.

Includes 15% contingency on both direct and indirect capital costs. Assumed flat prices and operating cost per ton over life of the project



### Phase 1A | Definitive Feasibility Study Summary



Significant field and engineering work completed as part of the Definitive Feasibility Study, allowing SLI the option to advance Phase 1A to the final technical frontier toward FID and commercialization (depending on market conditional and lithium prices)

#### Key Highlights<sup>1</sup>

- Support for **25+ year** operating life
- Commercially viable annual operating costs of \$6,810/t over asset lifetime
- Capex needs of \$365mm anticipated
- Phase 1A represents approximately 5% of the total Measured and Indicated Resources of 2.8 MT LCE
- Total Measured and Indicated Resource of 2.8 MT LCE at the LANXESS project at average concentration of 148 mg/L

#### **Fully Vetted Third Party Validation**

COBB WILLIAM M COBB & ASSOCIATE, NC.

- Haas & Cobb Petroleum Associates used for LANXESS project resource assessment
  - Industry leaders in the areas of brine resource production & management and reservoir analyses
- DFS prepared by a multi-disciplinary team
  - Included geologists, reservoir engineers, civil, mining, metallurgical, and chemical engineers
  - Deep experience in brine geology, resource modeling and estimation, processing, and project development

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