

**Aris Water Solutions, Inc. – Earnings Presentation** 

Second Quarter 2022

## **Forward Looking Statements**



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#### **Non-GAAP Financial Measures**

In this presentation, we use certain non-GAAP performance measures to evaluate current and past performance and prospects for the future to supplement our GAAP financial information presented in accordance with GAAP. These non-GAAP financial measures are important factors in assessing our operating results and profitability. A reconciliation of non-GAAP measures to the most directly comparable GAAP measures is contained in the appendix to this presentation.

## **Aris Provides Essential Environmental Solutions**



- ✓ We are a leading, growth-oriented environmental infrastructure and solutions company
- ✓ We deliver full-cycle water handling and recycling solutions that increase the sustainability of energy companies
- ✓ Our infrastructure serves premier operators in core areas of the Permian Basin under long-term contracts

"Chevron is pleased to continue working with Aris Water Solutions, Inc. This agreement is a key enabler to help us deliver on our growth aspirations in the Permian while we continue to prioritize and protect people and the environment." (1)

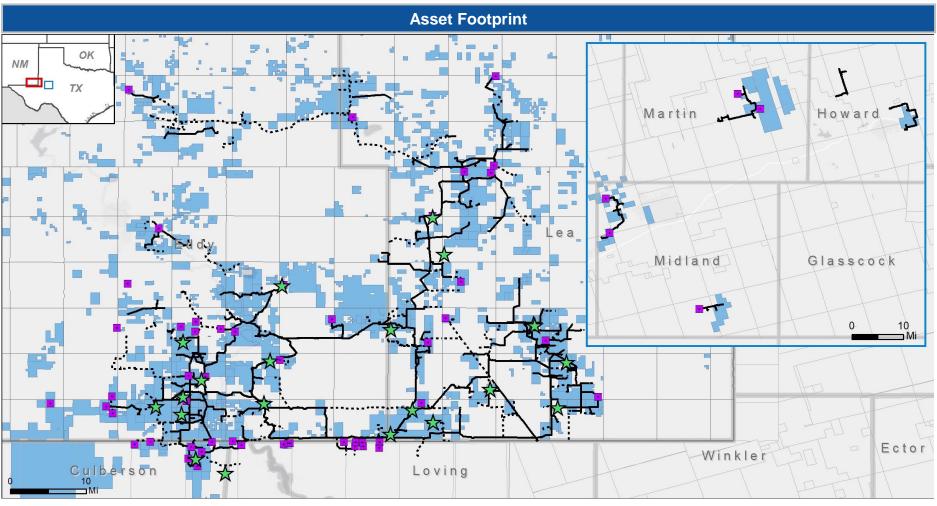
Brent Gros, Chevron
 GM of Operations, Mid-Continent





# **Overview of Aris Water System**





Aris Infrastructure
Produced Water Pipeline     Right of Way
■ Water Handling Facility  ★ Water Recycling Facility
Customer Acreage
Contracted

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Asset Highlights as of June 30, 2022 <sup>(1)</sup>								
l	Miles of Pipeline	~700						
	Produced Water Handling Capacity	~1,400 kbwpd						
	Water Recycling Capacity	~1,300 kbwpd						
	Dedicated Acres	>650,000						

## **Aris Water's Key Strengths**



**Innovative, Full-Cycle Water Management** 

ARIS WATER

Established ESG Leader Pioneering Sustainability Solutions

Leading Market Position in the Core of the Permian

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Revenue Underpinned with Long-term Dedications from Blue Chip Customers

Conservative Capital Structure & Ability to Return Capital

Diverse, Talented, and Dedicated Team Leading the Water Management Industry

## Second Quarter 2022 Highlights & Delaware Energy Services Asset Acquisition



## **2Q 2022 Operational Highlights**

✓ Total water volumes of ~1.2 million barrels per day

Up **34%** versus 2Q 2021

✓ Recycled produced water volumes of ~297 thousand barrels per day

Up **186%** versus 2Q 2021

## **Delaware Energy Services Asset Acquisition**

 ✓ Acquired Assets of Delaware Energy Services Added seven water handling facilities & associated gathering lines in core areas of NM

## 2Q 2022 Financial Highlights

✓ Revenue of \$76.4 million

1 Up **35%** versus 2Q 2021

✓ Adjusted EBITDA<sup>(1)</sup> of \$37.2 million

Up **21%** versus 2Q 2021

 ✓ Adjusted Operating Margin per Barrel <sup>(1)</sup> of \$0.41/bbl Down **4%** versus 2Q 2021

✓ Capital Expenditures of \$38.5 million (2)

1 Up **75%** versus 2Q 2021

<sup>(1)</sup> Represents a non-GAAP measure. See definition and a reconciliation to the most directly comparable GAAP measure in the Appendix.

<sup>(2)</sup> Capital expenditures as calculated on a cash basis.

## **Delaware Energy Services Asset Acquisition**



#### **Transaction Overview**

### Acquired Assets

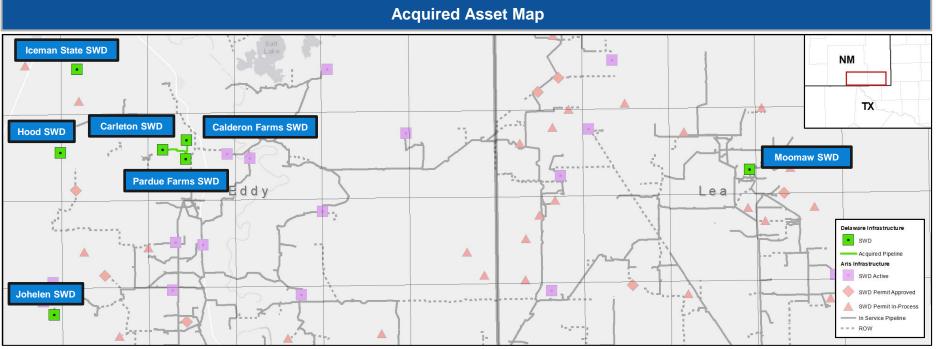
 7 produced water handling facilities and associated gathering lines in core areas of Eddy and Lea Counties, NM

#### Consideration

- 3.37 million Class A shares
- Small, volumetric-based contingent consideration paid over 5 years

### Strategic Rationale

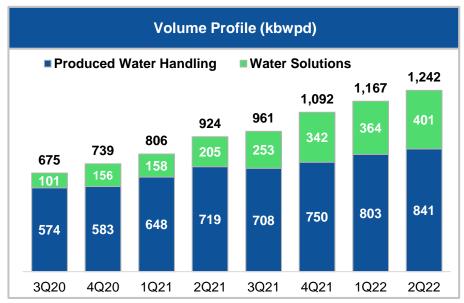
- Expands handling capacity in core areas of Eddy and Lea County, New Mexico enabling efficient integration
- Facilitates additional produced water recycling by adding handling capabilities near key development areas
- Opportunity to add incremental water from current Aris customers and new customers
- Once integrated, expected to generate incremental annual Adjusted EBITDA of ~\$11-13 million<sup>(1)</sup> and defray future capital expenditures in core areas



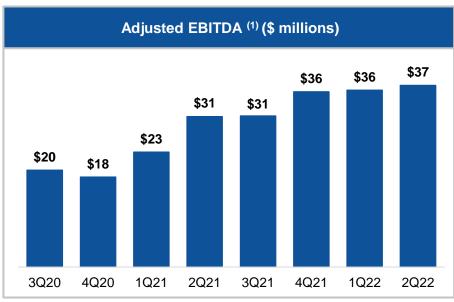
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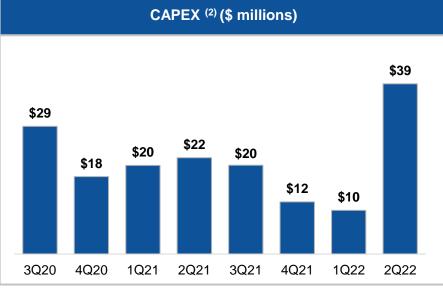
## **Sustained Growth & Operating Performance**











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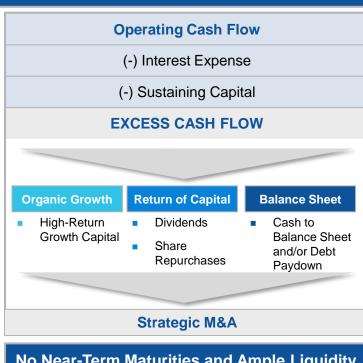
## Capital Allocation Framework, Leverage and Liquidity

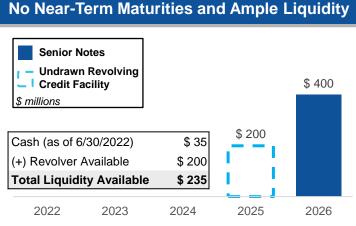


## **Aris's Capital Allocation Framework**

### High-Return Organic Growth

- High-return capital opportunities to grow alongside existing customers as demonstrated by recent agreement with Chevron
- Opportunity to continue to add new customers with incremental capital
- Return Capital to Shareholders
  - Announced a \$0.09/share dividend for 3Q 2022
- Balance Sheet Management
  - Current leverage of ~2.5X <sup>(1)</sup>
  - Long-term leverage target of 2.5-3.5X
- Opportunistic, Strategic Acquisitions, Bolt-On Customer Connections
  - Disciplined and rigorous evaluation of acquisitions
  - Key focus on strategic fit, technology & expertise, financial returns and customer quality
  - Delaware Energy assets met strategic criteria in core operating area and further supports organic growth with our existing customers





## **ESG Highlights**



## **ESG Highlights & Recognition**



Recipient of the 2022 Diversity in Business Awards within the Outstanding Diverse Organizations category by the Houston Business Journal



Successfully issued \$400 million of senior unsecured notes in a landmark issuance, pioneering the first Sustainability-Linked Bond (SLB) in the water infrastructure industry



Set Sustainability Performance Target (SPT) to achieve 60%+ recycled water as a proportion of total water volumes sold in 2022; Aris is on track to exceed the target year-to-date

## ESG Key Metrics (1)

47% (representing a 30% decrease in total Scope 1 emissions)
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**Environmental** 

- Our infrastructure provides a low-carbon water transportation option for operators
- Volume of water recycled increased 179%

### Social (2)

- Minorities make up 60% of employees and women make up 16%
- 12% decrease in Total Recordable Incident Rate (TRIR) for employees, 0 recordable incidents for contractors
- 50% increase in average training hours per employee

#### Governance

- Women make up 50% of the executive team, and minorities make up 25%
- Our board of directors is comprised 25% of women and 13% of minorities
- 63% of board is independent

## 2021 Sustainability Report



Aris will publish its inaugural Sustainability Report on key Environmental, Social, and Governance metrics in 3Q 2022

<sup>(1)</sup> Statistics are annual for the year of 2021 unless percentage change, which is the year of 2021 vs. 2020. Personnel statistics as of 12/31/2021.

Excludes management.





## Aris Water is the Pioneer of Cost-Effective, Full-Cycle Water Management



## **Full-Cycle Water Management**

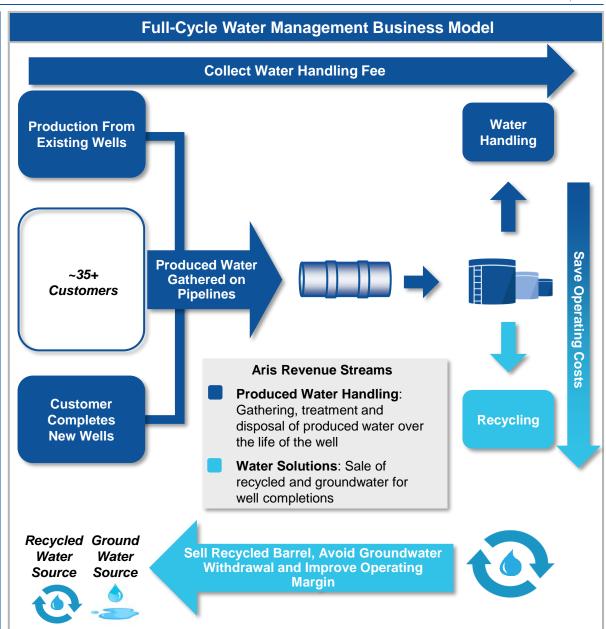
- Diverse revenue streams provide a reliable base business with significant upside potential
- Growing Permian Basin completion activity and produced water driving demand for our services
- Customers increasingly depend on our expansive network to achieve their sustainability goals

### **Commercial Advantages**

- Significant contracted volumes of produced water gathered on our systems ensures reliable supply of recycled produced water
- Contracted Water Solutions relationships with our key customers provides visibility to growth

### **Operational Advantages**

- Significant inventory of pipeline right of way, produced water handling and water recycling permits
- Prior capital investment on the gathering system enables water recycling and acts as a barrier to entry for potential competitors



## **Beneficial Reuse of Produced Water Outside of the Oil and Gas Industry**



- Aris is working with customers, regulators, and academic institutions to pilot technologies for the beneficial reuse of treated produced water outside of oil and gas applications to minimize disposal
- Primary uses identified to-date for beneficial reuse include irrigation of non-consumptive crops, watershed management, and industrial process water

### **Texas A&M University Agricultural Study**

- Phase 1 report is expected in September 2022, detailing results of experiment utilizing treated produced water to grow native grasslands and cotton
- Phase 2 expected to commence in 2023 evaluating larger scale growth in natural environment





### **Treatment Before Discharge**

- Aris and its partners are working on a pilot plant to prove technology maturity for clean water production
- Discharge technology has been successfully implemented in other basins
- Multiple uses of water upon success of pilot plant



### University of Texas – El Paso Regulatory Study

- Conducting biogeochemical and toxicology analyses to develop algorithms to predict the concentration of contaminants in an array of produced water samples
- Findings will be used to help create a regulatory framework governing the specifications required for beneficial re-use

### Department of Energy ("DOE") Optimization Framework

Aris is working with the DOE to develop software modeling tools for produced water management & beneficial re-use

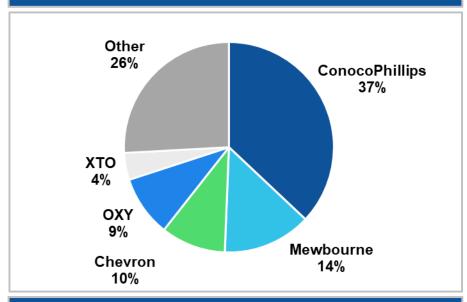
## Aris Has a Premier, Long-Term Contracted Customer Base



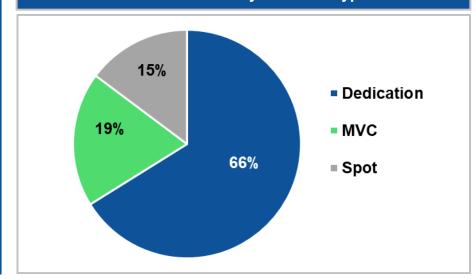
### **Contractual Underpinning**

- Provider of choice for leading, blue-chip E&P operators with a strong track record of repeat business
  - >40 long-term customers
- ~85% of 2Q 2022 Produced Water Handling volume under long-term, fee-based contracts
  - Spot volume capacity allows for incremental system utilization and pricing
- Contract backlog provides long-term visibility
  - ~9 years average remaining contract life<sup>(1)</sup>
  - >650,000 contracted acres
  - >170 kbwpd of Minimum Volume Commitments ("MVC")

### 2Q 2022 Top Customers by Revenue (2)



## 2Q 2022 Volumes by Contract Type (3)



<sup>(1)</sup> Represents produced water handling contracts on contracted acreage

<sup>2)</sup> Excludes skim oil revenue

<sup>(3)</sup> Represents produced water handling volumes

## **Appendix: Non-GAAP Financial Measures**



We have included certain financial measures that are not calculated in accordance with GAAP in this presentation including Adjusted EBITDA, Adjusted Operating Margin and Adjusted Operating Margin per Barrel. We believe these non-GAAP financial measures provide information useful to investors in assessing our financial condition and results of operations, as well as providing investors with a means to compare our performance via an enhanced perspective of the operating performance of our assets and the cash our business is generating. However, these measures are not prescribed by GAAP and should not be considered as alternatives to GAAP net income (loss) or net cash provided by (used in) operating activities. Non-GAAP financial measures have important limitations as analytical tools and should not be viewed in isolation. These measures may be defined differently by other companies in our industry.

We define Adjusted EBITDA as net income (loss) plus: interest expense; income taxes; depreciation, amortization and accretion expense; abandoned well costs, asset impairment and abandoned project charges; losses on the sale of assets; loss on debt modification; stock-based compensation expense; and non-recurring or unusual expenses or charges (including temporary power costs and IPO transaction bonus), less any gains on sale of assets.

We believe this presentation is used by investors and professional research analysts for the valuation, comparison, rating, and investment recommendations of companies within our industry. Additionally, we use this information for comparative purposes within our industry. Adjusted EBITDA is not a measure of financial performance under GAAP and should not be considered as a measure of liquidity or as an alternative to net income (loss). Adjusted EBITDA as defined by us may not be comparable to similarly titled measures used by other companies and should be considered in conjunction with net income (loss) and other measures prepared in accordance with GAAP, such as operating margin, operating income or cash flows from operating activities. Adjusted EBITDA should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for an analysis of our results as reported under GAAP.

Although we provide an estimate of the Adjusted EBITDA attributable to the assets of Delaware Energy Services, we are not able to estimate the most directly comparable measure net income calculated and presented in accordance with GAAP without unreasonable effort. Certain elements of the composition of GAAP net income are not predictable, making it impractical for us to estimate. Such elements include but are not limited to non-recurring gains or losses, unusual or non-recurring items, or income tax benefit or expense, which could have a significant impact on the GAAP measure.

The following table sets forth a reconciliation of net income as determined in accordance with GAAP to Adjusted EBITDA for the periods indicated (\$ in thousands):

				Three Mon	ths Ended,			
	3Q 2020	4Q 2020	1Q 2021	2Q 2021	3Q 2021	4Q 2021	1Q 2022	2Q 2022
Net income (loss)	\$ 1,062	\$ 282	\$ 2,815	\$ 4,561	\$ (20,743)	\$ 6,358	\$ (6,617)	\$ 4,039
Interest expense, net	2,099	2,310	2,651	7,324	7,880	7,618	7,785	7,315
Income tax (benefit) expense	9	8	-	2	(83)	379	(840)	472
Depreciation, amortization and accretion	11,751	12,498	14,957	15,215	15,378	15,217	16,579	16,203
Abandoned well costs	-	-	-	-	27,402	1,103	-	5,415
Abandoned projects	368	624	211	1,145	679	12	2	64
Temporary power costs (1)	3,548	2,310	2,650	1,603	-	-	-	-
Impairment of long-lived asset	-	-	-	-	-	-	15,597	-
Other non-operating expense	-	-	-	380	-	-	-	-
Loss on disposal of asset, net	15	51	44	173	8	50	554	24
Settled litigation (2)	714	171	-	-	-	-	-	-
IPO Transaction Bonus	-	-	-	-	-	3,367	-	-
Transaction costs	172	118	62	15	253	5	508	425
Stock-based compensation	-	-	-	-	-	1,586	2,337	3,202
Other	-	-	-	221	-	-	-	-
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 19,738	\$ 18,372	\$ 23,390	\$ 30,639	\$ 30,774	\$ 35,695	\$ 35,905	\$ 37,159

<sup>(1)</sup> In the past, we constructed assets in advance of permanent grid power infrastructure availability to secure long-term produced water handling contracts. As a result, we rented temporary power generation equipment that would not be necessary if grid power connections were available. Our estimated incremental impact of these temporary power expenses are calculated by taking temporary power and temporary rental expenses incurred during the period and subtracting estimated expenses that would have been incurred during such period had permanent grid power been available. Power infrastructure and permanent power availability rapidly expanded in the Permian Basin in 2020 and through the first half of 2021, and accordingly, we made significant progress in reducing these expenses. Our temporary power expenses were substantially eliminated by the end of the second quarter of 2021.

<sup>(2)</sup> Settled Litigation is primarily related to legal expenses associated with a right-of-way dispute that was successfully settled in arbitration.

## **Appendix: Non-GAAP Financial Measures (cont'd)**



#### Adjusted Operating Margin and Adjusted Operating Margin per Barrel

We define Adjusted Operating Margin as Gross Margin plus depreciation, amortization and accretion and temporary power costs. We define Adjusted Operating Margin per Barrel as Adjusted Operating Margin divided by total volumes.

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The following table sets forth a reconciliation of total revenue as determined in accordance with GAAP to Adjusted Operating Margin and Adjusted Operating Margin per Barrel for the periods indicated (\$ in thousands):

	Three Months Ended,							
	3Q 2020	4Q 2020	1Q 2021	2Q 2021	3Q 2021	4Q 2021	1Q 2022	2Q 2022
Gross Margin (1)	\$ 8,498	\$ 8,635	\$ 10,478	\$ 18,917	\$ 20,624	\$ 27,551	\$ 27,719	\$ 29,402
Temporary Power Costs (2)	3,548	2,310	2,650	1,603	-	-	-	-
Depreciation, Amortization and Accretion	11,751	12,498	14,957	15,215	15,378	15,217	16,579	16,203
Adjusted Operating Margin	\$ 23,797	\$ 23,443	\$ 28,085	\$ 35,735	\$ 36,002	\$ 42,768	\$ 44,298	\$ 45,605
Total Volumes (mmbw)	62	68	73	84	88	101	105	113
Adjusted Operating Margin per Barrel	\$0.38	\$0.35	\$0.39	\$0.42	\$0.41	\$0.43	\$0.42	\$0.41

<sup>(1)</sup> Gross Margin is calculated in accordance with GAAP as Total Revenue less Cost of Revenue for the applicable period.

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# **Appendix: Non-GAAP Financial Measures (cont'd)**



#### Net Debt

We define Net Debt as Senior Sustainability-Linked Notes less Cash & Cash Equivalents.

	As of June 30,
	2022
unt of Debt	\$ 400,000
	(35,135)
	\$ 364,865

	June 30,
	2022
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 37,159
x 4 Quarters	x 4
Annualized 2Q 2022 Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 148,636

	Current Leverage
	2Q 2022
Net Debt	\$ 364,865
Divided by: Annualized 2Q 2022 Adjusted EBITDA	÷\$ 148,636
Current Leverage Ratio as of June 30, 2022:	2.45X



