

### Driving Industrial Sustainability Delivering Value in Fluid-Flow Processes

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# Energy Recovery has shown fundamental strength in recent years



Rapid Growth

21% Avg. Product Revenue Growth, 2015-2020

**High Margin** 

**68% 2021** Estimated Gross Margin

**Strong Balance Sheet** 

\$108M Cash & Securities and No Debt

**Growing Profitability** 

21% Increase in EBITDA margin since 2018<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> EBITDA margin excludes GAAP recognized license and development revenue (based on product revenue only)



### 3.5X SHARE PRICE GROWTH SINCE 2018 – NEARLY 2X THE RUSSELL 2000



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> As of December 28, 2018;



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> As of November 12, 2021

#### WE HAVE A STRONG AND GROWING ESG STORY

\$2.6B saved for customers on energy expenses annually<sup>1</sup>

12.5M

metric tons emissions avoided due to PXs – nearly 3M vehicles removed from the road annually<sup>1</sup>

product revenue from energy-efficiency related products

PXs use components made from recycled materials



To download the full report, please visit bit.ly/ERII ESG 2020

#### **Awards & Recognition**









<sup>1</sup>Energy Recovery estimates. Assumes all deployed devices are in operation



#### WHAT IS ENERGY RECOVERY TRYING TO ACHIEVE?



We seek to accelerate the environmental sustainability of our customers' operations



Our solutions reduce waste and energy consumption in industrial fluid-flow systems



We revolutionized seawater reverse osmosis desalination (SWRO), reducing energy costs by up to  $60\%^1$ 



We are expanding our pressure exchanger technology to handle commercial applications in other industries

<sup>1</sup>Energy Recovery estimate



# 3 strategic pillars for long-term sustainable growth and value



PILLAR 1

PILLAR 2

PILLAR 3

**DIVERSIFIED REVENUE GROWTH** 

**INCREASE BOTTOM LINE** 

**ESG** 

**Protect position in SWRO** by improving products and operations in a fast-growing market

**Diversify from desalination** and accelerate growth while derisking revenue

Maintain high margin story

By creating customer value via PX platform technology

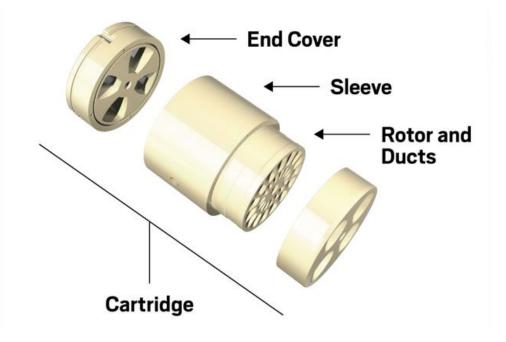
**Grow EBITDA margin** via focused financial discipline

Accelerate environmental sustainability for customers via reduced energy consumption

Align organizational aspirations with sustainable product aspirations

#### PRESSURE EXCHANGER TECHNOLOGY PLATFORM

- Best-in-class energy recovery
- The PX = unbeatably low life-cycle costs
- Our pressure exchanger technology works as a platform to build product applications
- The technology is versatile can handle liquid, gas, and a range of pressures
- Benefits include lower lifecycle cost and energy use in industrial fluid-flow systems



#### **Anatomy of a Pressure Exchanger**

Transfers energy from high-pressure to low-pressure fluids (both liquids and gas) through continuously rotating ducts with only one moving part (the rotor).

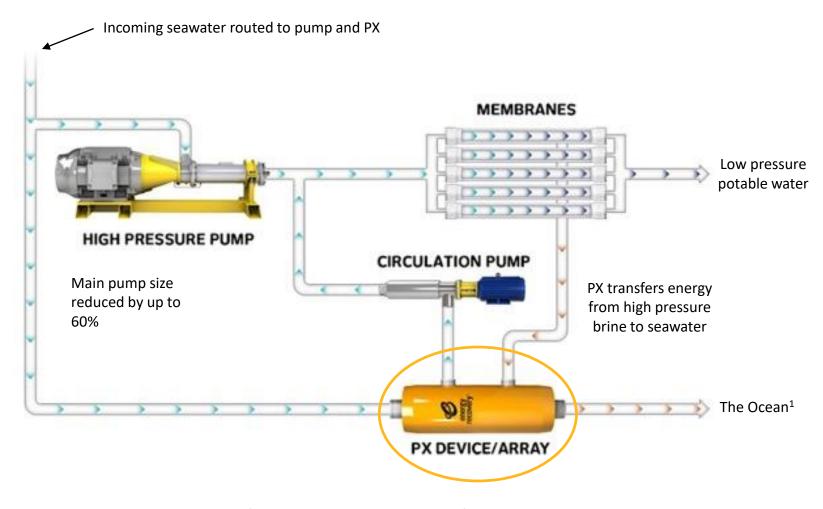
#### PX TECHNOLOGY PLATFORM – EXCELLING IN A WIDE-RANGE OF PRESSURE APPLICATIONS

 The Pressure exchanger is Energy Recovery's core technology. This versatile technology acts as a fluid piston, efficiently transferring energy between high- and low-pressure fluids and gases through continuously rotating ducts

# Bar/ PSI 70/ 1,000 Seawater Reverse Osmosis Refrigeration\* Reverse Osmosis

\*Pressure Exchanger in refrigeration can handle multiple phases of CO2(liquid, gas, and supercritical fluids)

#### PRESSURE EXCHANGER TECHNOLOGY IN SWRO



PX lowers energy consumption by up to 60%





#### **Reverse Osmosis Desalination**



#### **Industrial Wastewater Treatment**



**CO2** Refrigeration

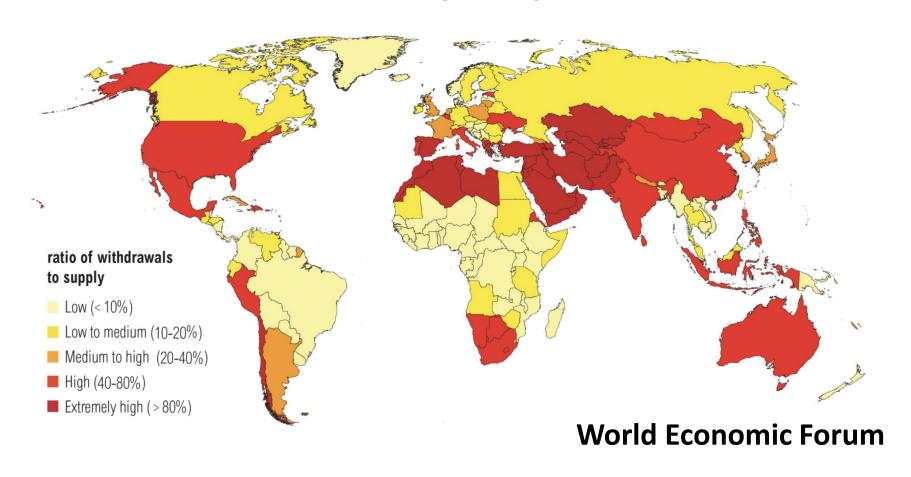


# The United Nations estimates a 40% gap in freshwater supplies by 2030 – equivalent to 75% of the Mediterranean Sea





#### Water Stress by Country: 2040



**NOTE:** Projections are based on a business-as-usual scenario using SSP2 and RCP8.5.



#### FINANCIAL TIMES

No end to crisis in sight as drought grips India's Chennai



Saudi Water Partnership Company has released its Seven-Year Statement for 2020-26

The Washington Post

Africa's largest dam powers dreams of prosperity in Ethiopia – and fears of hunger in Egypt



Australia prepares for 'Day Zero' – the day the water runs out

The New York Times

Flash Drought in the South Brings Record Heat Without Rain



South America ravaged by unprecedented drought and fires



Alaska Villages Run Dry and Residents Worry About a 'Future of No Water'





#### **Addressable Market**

- Expect to double sales to ~\$200M by 2026¹
- 10-20% projected avg. annual market growth through 2030¹

#### **Market Drivers**

- Freshwater scarcity/declining resources
- Water-stressed regions
- Rising population
- Abundance of seawater

#### **Geopolitical Drivers**

- Countries turning to SWRO to bridge gap
- 2B+ lack access to clean drinking water
- Trans-boundry water-supply issues



#### **Addressable Market**

- $\sim$   $^{\circ}$ 1B with potential to triple by 2030<sup>1</sup>
- Dependent on regulation to realize full TAM

#### **Market Drivers**

- Freshwater scarcity/declining resources
- Rising focus on water quality
- Industrialization and urbanization

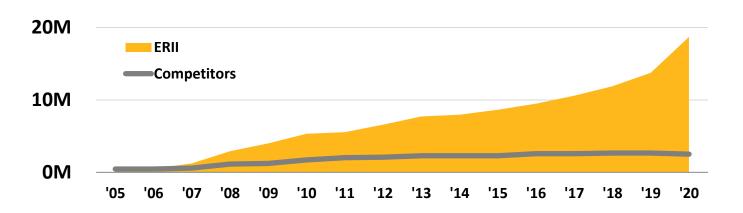
#### **Geopolitical Drivers**

- Countries beginning to require reuse standards
- U.N. goal to triple amount of treated wastewater globally by 2030



#### OUR PX PLATFORM HAS COME TO DOMINATE LARGE SCALE SWRO DESALINATION





**Technology Strength = High Margin** 

68% ERII Gross Margin<sup>2</sup>

25%

**Russell 2000 Industrials** 

Our ceramics PX Pressure Exchanger is designed for a 25-year life, needs no maintenance and has up to 98% efficiency – unrivalled quality that translates into high profitability

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Mega Projects produce 50,000 cubic meters or more of water per day; <sup>2</sup>YTD 2021 Reported Gross Margin





#### ~\$1B annual TAM for ERI by 2030¹

<sup>1</sup>Energy Recovery projections and estimates based on currently available information. Actual results and figures may differ.



# Regulation is forcing a global transition to natural refrigerants such as CO<sub>2</sub> due to global warming potential (GWP<sup>1</sup>) of existing refrigerants

**Hydrofluorocarbons** 

1,000 - 13,000 GWP

 $CO_2$ 

1 GWP



# CO<sub>2</sub> systems drive up operating costs to owners via higher energy consumption

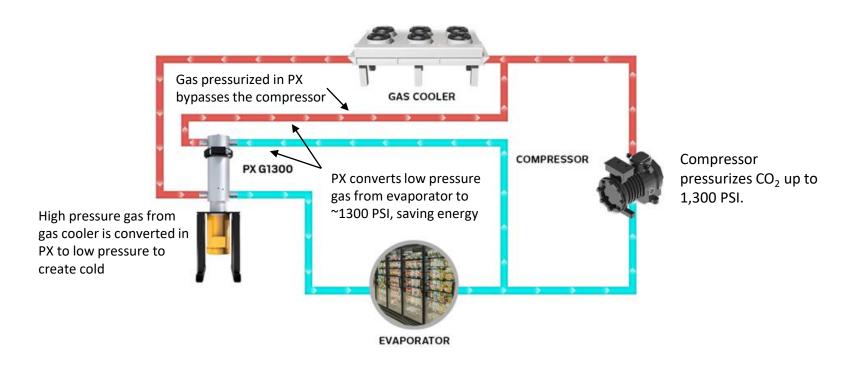
Our PX G1300 reduces energy consumption in CO<sub>2</sub> systems by recycling pressure energy during operations, much as in desalination

Signed first contract in November 2021 for delivery in Q1 2022



#### PRESSURE EXCHANGER TECHNOLOGY IN REFRIGERATION

#### PX G1300 for CO2 Refrigeration



We have expanded the aperture of the PX technology to successfully compress gas, allowing for efficient energy transfer in refrigeration



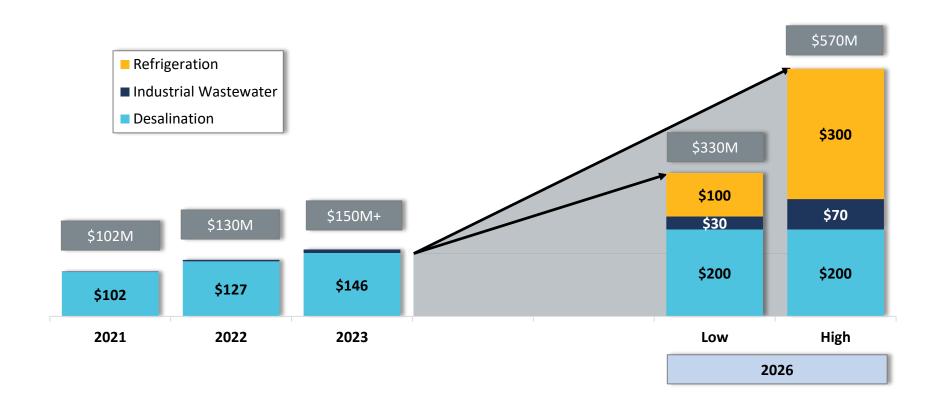






Our Goal is to Achieve Long-Term and Sustainable Growth by Accelerating the Sustainability of our Customers' Operations

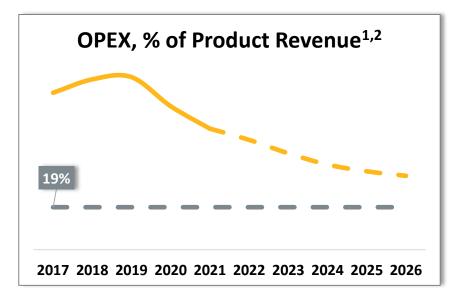
#### TARGETING 25% - 40% AVG. REVENUE GROWTH THROUGH 2026

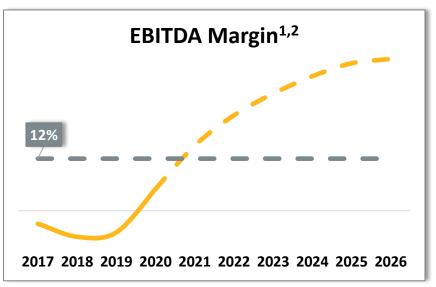


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#### MAINTAIN GROSS MARGIN AND MANAGE OPEX TO GROW EBITDA







<sup>1</sup>2021 – 2026 are estimated projections; <sup>2</sup>Excluding Schlumberger License and Development Revenue







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