

Antero Resources Strategic Announcements

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Special Committee Process Objectives



While evaluating potential alternatives to increase shareholder value, there were a number of key objectives:

- 1 Return Capital to AR Shareholders
 - Capitalize on opportunity to repurchase shares at a discount to both intrinsic value and relative value of comparable elite operators
 - Return Capital while maintaining trajectory to IG rating profile at AR
- 2 Further Align the Interest of All Antero Equity Holders and Management
 - Remove the perceived alignment of interest questions related to management/PE sponsor ownership of GP/IDRs relative to AR shareholders
- 3 Simplify the Structure and Unlock Shareholder Value
 - Simplify the structure for current and future investors
 - Eliminate the eventual IDR drag on AM cash flow growth and cost of capital
- 4 Achieve a "Win-Win-Win" Transaction Across the Antero Family
 - Improve the financial profile and deliver value to all three Antero equities including AR, AM and AMGP
 - Maintain target distributions to AM unitholders including AR, with strong coverage
- 5 Maintain Antero's Integrated Strategy & Long-Term Outlook
 - Maintain senior management's long-term vision to build the most integrated NGL and natural gas business in the U.S.

AR Strategic Announcements



Antero has completed its special committee process and is pleased to announce the following:

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- AMGP to acquire AM in a simplification transaction creating "New AM"
 - AR to receive ~\$300 million of cash and 158 MM shares of New AM
 - IDRs eliminated in New AM simplified structure
 - Cash taxes shielded at the AR level through NOLs
 - \$3.0 Billion of NOLs as of December 31, 2017
 - AR does not expect to pay material cash taxes through at least 2022
 - Double digit accretion to AM unitholders on a distributable cash flow (DCF) basis
 - Resulting entity is a C-corp for tax AND governance purposes
 - New AM will have a 'best-in-class' growth, coverage and leverage profile
 - New AM will have a larger public float, and is expected to benefit from broader institutional ownership and enhanced trading liquidity as a C-Corp
 - Results in AR being the largest shareholder in the pro forma midstream entity $\sim 31\%$
 - Expected to close in 1Q 2019
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AR intends to execute a \$600 MM share buyback program over the next 12 to 18 months

- Expected to be funded through proceeds from the midstream simplification transaction and free cash flow
- Funding is subject to estimated stand-alone net debt to stand-alone LTM EBITDAX leverage thresholds to protect balance sheet (2.25x in 2018 and 2.0x in 2019)

Share Repurchase Program Funding		
Funding Sources	\$MM	
Expected minimum cash consideration in midstream simplification transaction	\$300	
Portion of targeted free cash flow over the next 12 to 18 months	\$300	
Total	\$600	

Midstream Simplification Transaction Overview



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Antero Midstream GP LP ("AMGP") to acquire Antero Midstream Partners LP ("AM") creating a premier Appalachian infrastructure organic growth corporation:

"Antero Midstream Corporation" (NYSE: AM) or "New AM"

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- AMGP to acquire 100% of outstanding common units of AM, including common units owned by AR
- Eliminates incentive distribution rights ("IDRs")
- Results in aggregate consideration of \$30.43 per AR-owned AM unit based on 10/8/18 AMGP closing price (1.776 AMGP shares if all equity consideration⁽¹⁾)
- Includes a minimum of \$3.00/unit in cash and 1.6023 shares of New AM to AR for each AM unit owned
- Cash to AR may increase (and shares decrease) depending on cash/stock election of public AM unitholder; cash pool totals \$598 MM
- All-in consideration to AR represents a 3% premium to the October 8, 2018 close and 15% premium to the unaffected AM unit price prior to the formation of the Special Committees on February 23, 2018

Structure

- Pro forma entity will convert to a C-corp for tax and governance purposes and will be renamed Antero Midstream Corporation ("New AM")
- New AM will trade on the NYSE and will retain the "AM" ticker symbol

Taxes

- Taxable to all AM common unitholders (AR to utilize NOL's to shield taxable gain)
- New AM receives the benefit of a tax basis "step-up" (~\$375 MM tax savings 2019 through 2022)
- PV-10 savings to New AM from tax basis "step-up" of approximately \$800 million

Dividends & DCF Coverage

• New AM dividend targets keep AR "whole" on existing distribution targets through previously communicated period from 2019 through 2022⁽¹⁾ while maintaining average DCF coverage of 1.2x to 1.3x⁽³⁾

Financing

- Transaction to be financed through borrowings on AM's revolving credit facility
- Maintains trajectory towards investment grade rating profile
- **Voting & Close**
- Subject to majority of minority vote at AMGP and AM and expected to close in the 1Q of 2019

Represents exchange ratio assuming 100% equity election (based on 1.6023 equity exchange, plus \$3.00 cash converted at 20-day AMGP VWAP)

⁽²⁾ Assuming AM unitholders elect 100% equity consideration.

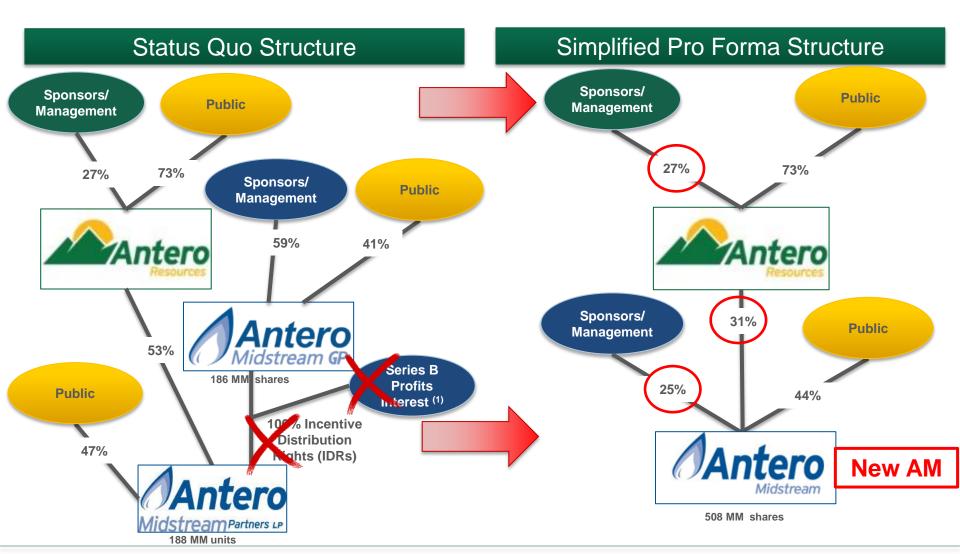
⁽³⁾ Dividends subject to Board approval.

Antero Simplified Pro Forma Structure



Midstream simplification transaction results in one publicly traded midstream entity and better aligns the interests of PE sponsors and management with AR shareholders

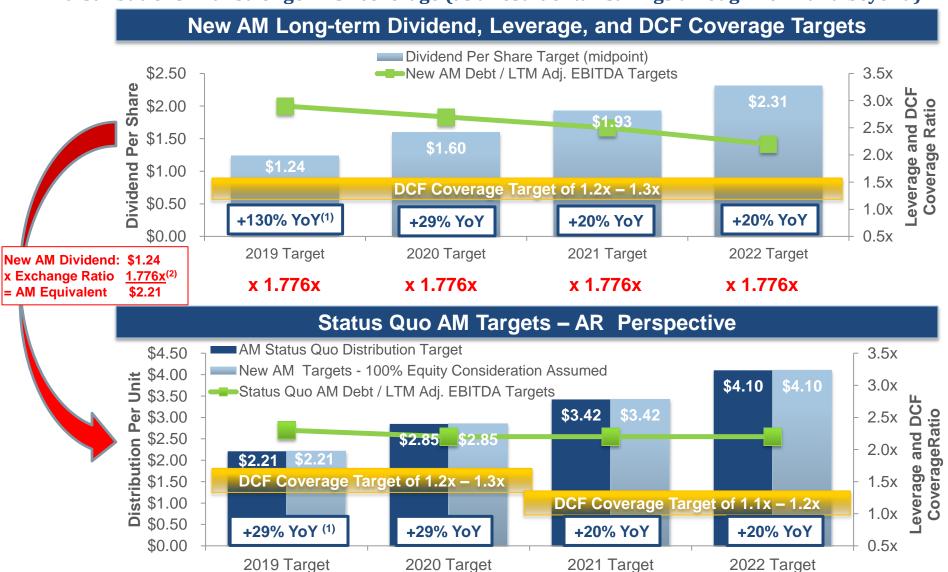
- Eliminates IDRs and the Series B profits interests related to the IDRs
- AR shareholders and PE sponsors / management will all own the same type of interest in the midstream entity (common stock)



New AM – Same Cash Distribution Targets



From an AR perspective New AM will target the <u>same</u> dividends & year-over-year growth rates as legacy AM distributions with stronger DCF coverage (as a result of tax savings through 2022 and beyond)



Note: For additional information regarding Non-GAAP Financial Measures and Definitions, please see the Appendix.

^{(1) 2019} distribution growth target relative to midpoint of 2018 quidance of \$0.54/share and \$1.72/unit for AMGP and AM, respectively.

⁽²⁾ Represents exchange ratio for AR owned AM units assuming 100% equity election (1.776 AMGP shares, based on 1.6023 equity exchange, plus \$3.00 cash converted at 20-day AMGP VWAP).

Share Repurchase Program Details



The Board of AR has approved an initial \$600MM share repurchase program, representing over 10% of AR's shares outstanding assuming today's share price

- Share repurchase program authorized over the next 12 to 18 months
 - Open market and private transactions depending on market conditions
 - Flexibility in program to optimize execution and capital allocation
- 2 Expected to be funded through visible, accretive sources
 - Initially funded with cash to be received from midstream simplification transaction (~\$300 million)
 - Portion of free cash flow generation from developing highly economic liquidsrich locations
 - \$125 MM from AM for first tranche of water earn-out payments
- 3 Disciplined approach to share repurchases
 - Maintain strong balance sheet with standalone net debt to LTM EBITDAX at or below 2.25x by YE 2018 and below 2.0x by YE 2019

Share Repurchase Program Funding



Antero expects to fund its share repurchase program through the following sources:

- 1 Midstream Simplification Transaction (\$300 million)
- 2 Free Cash Flow Generation (\$300 million)

Share Repurchase Program Funding

\$600MM

Disciplined Share Repurchase Program Aligns interest of management and shareholders in a tax efficient & accretive transaction

\$300 MM

AR cash consideration from midstream simplification transaction

\$300 MM

Portion of Free Cash Flow Over Next 12 to 18 Months

Development plan focused on highly economic liquids-rich locations; Includes \$125 million from Antero Midstream for first tranche of water earn-out payments

Compounding Leverage to Improving NGL Prices



From 2015 - 2018 C3+ NGL prices have increased 94% while AR's production has increased by 84%

Production growth combined with pricing improvement drives compounding exposure to improving NGL prices

Antero C3+ NGL Production vs Price (\$/Bbl)



Note: NGL pricing represents Mont Belvieu actuals assuming C3+ barrel weightings of: propane 57%, normal butane 16%, Isobutane 10%, pentanes 17%.

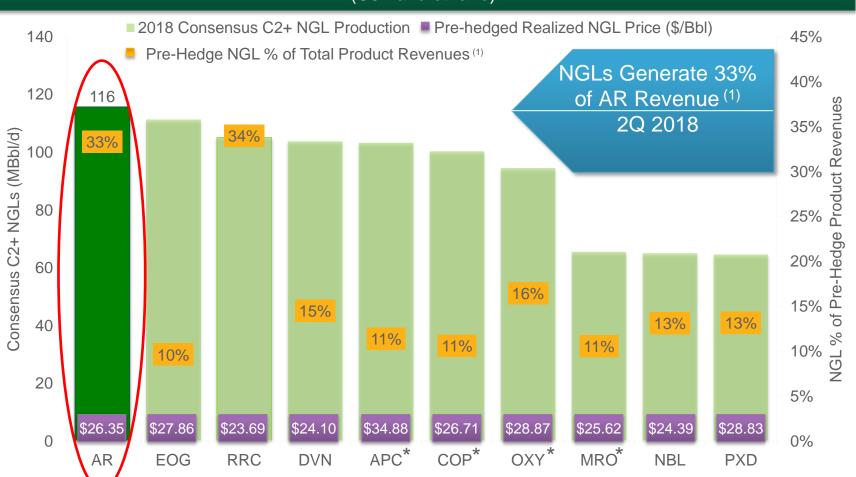
2019 production based on 20% production growth from 2018 guidance.

^{1) 2018} production based on Antero guidance. Balance 2018 NGL pricing represents strip pricing as of 10/5/2018.

Leader in Leverage to NGL Prices







Antero Delivers Highest Exposure to Rising NGL Prices

Source: Bloomberg consensus, SEC filings and company press releases.

Note: Volumes represent consensus as of 9/20/2018. 2Q 2018 realized prices are weighted average including ethane (C2) where applicable. Percent of 2Q 2018 total product revenues is calculated on a pre-hedge basis.

(1) 2Q 2018 actual NGL revenue percentage based on unhedged revenue.

^{*} Denotes consensus inclusive of international NGL production.

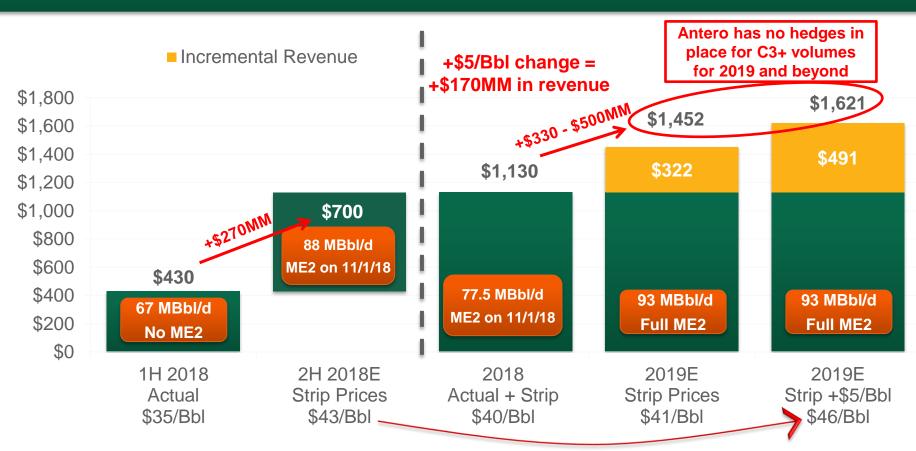
Powerful C3+ NGL Pricing Upside Exposure



Compounded pricing leverage from increasing volumes, prices, and Mariner East 2 uplift drives cash flow growth

For every \$5.00/Bbl increase in NGL prices, Antero generates an incremental \$170MM in Revenue

Pre-Hedge Revenue Sensitivity to C3+ NGL Pricing (\$MM)



Note: Represents 10/5/2018 strip Mont Belvieu pricing. 2H18 assumes Mariner East 2 in-service November 1 2018. 2H18 volumes implied by full year guidance and 1H18 actual results. 2019 volumes assume 20% liquids growth vs. 2018 C3+ guidance of 77,500 Bbl/d. Assumes C3+ barrel weightings of: propane 57%, normal butane 16%, Isobutane 10%, pentanes 17% and holds 1H18 local differential of \$(6.00)/Bbl flat. Initial ME2 in-service 11/1/18 moving Antero's fully contracted "Full ME2" 50,000 Bbl/d of contracted volumes.

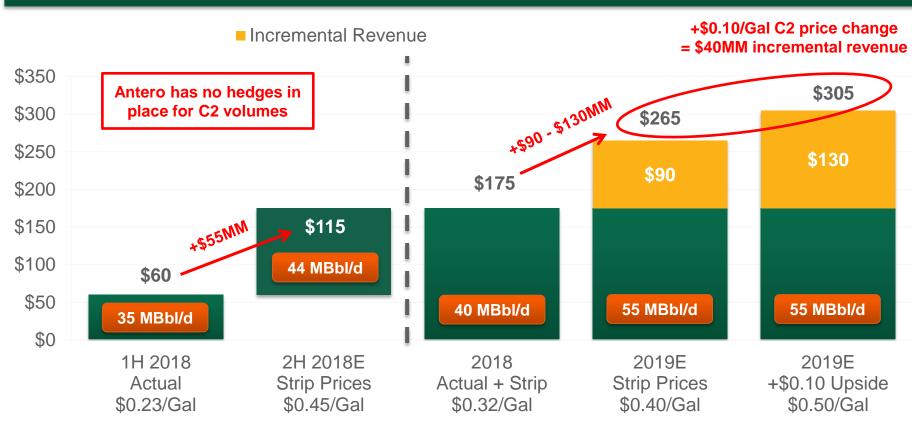
Antero's Ethane Exposure: All Upside



Antero's ethane has a natural gas pricing "floor" and purity ethane "ceiling"; increases in ethane purity prices are all upside

Antero's balanced approach to ethane sales results in 50% of contracts tied to purity ethane prices vs. natural gas value

Ethane Revenue Uplift (\$MM)



Ethane sensitivity: +\$0.10/gallon x 2019 production target x \sim 50% exposure to Mt. Belvieu

= ~\$40MM incremental 2019 ethane Revenue

Note: Ethane prices reflect realized price to Antero and assume \$(0.05)/gallon discount to Mt. Belvieu prices based on 2018 Antero guidance. 2019 volumes are assumptions only, based on ME2 in-service and an increase in de-eth capacity expected to come on-line in 4Q18.

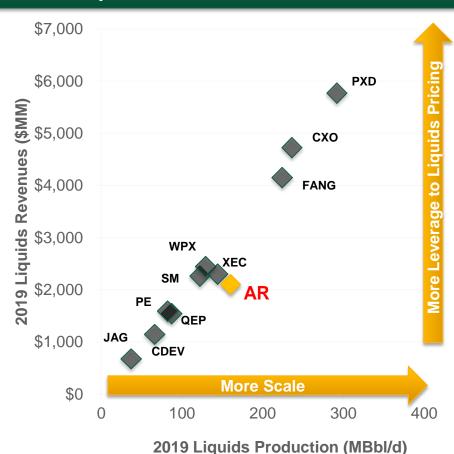
Antero's Liquids Scale at Attractive Value



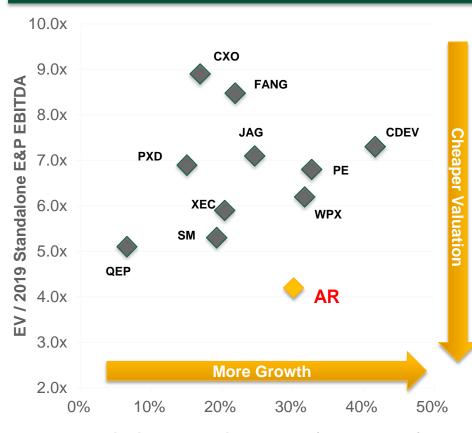
Antero's liquids scale and leverage to liquids prices compares favorably to Permian operators

Attractive value proposition for similar liquids scale

Liquids Production vs. Revenue



Liquids Growth vs. EBITDAX Multiple



Liquids Production Growth (2019 vs 2018)

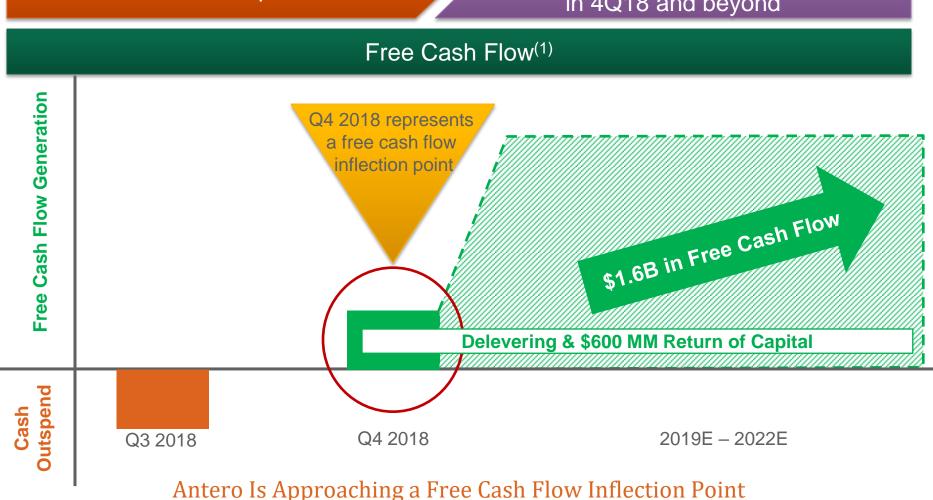
Based on Factset consensus estimates (pre-hedge basis). Liquids include ethane, C3+ NGLs and oil.

Near Term Free Cash Flow Inflection Point





Production growth and strong liquids prices drives free cash flow in 4Q18 and beyond



(1) For additional information regarding Non-GAAP Measures please see the Appendix. Estimates assume strip pricing as of 12/31/2017.

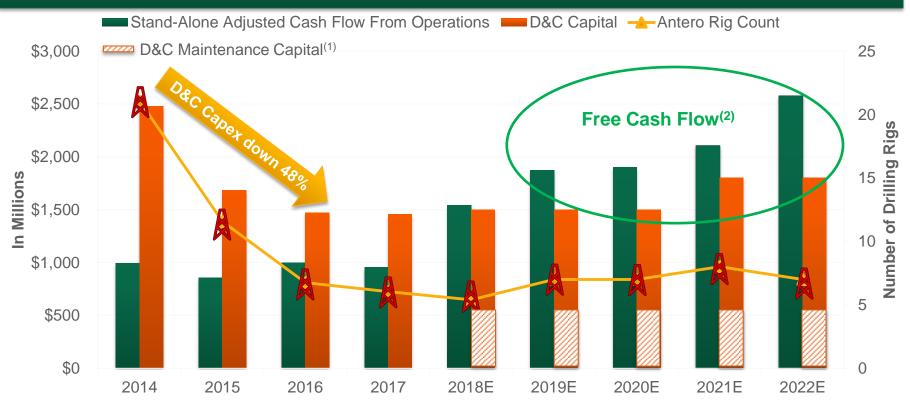
Capital Discipline Leads to Free Cash Flow



48% reduction in D&C capital budget and 15-rig reduction since 2014

Future D&C capital budgets that are measured and within cash flow

Stand-Alone Adjusted Cash Flow Alongside D&C Capital Expenditures



D&C Capital Investment Fully Funded with Cash Flow

Note: For additional information regarding Non-GAAP Measures please see the Appendix. Estimates assume strip pricing as of 12/31/2017.

⁽¹⁾ D&C maintenance capital represents \$590MM per year to hold production flat at 2.3 Bcfe/d which was year-end 2017 exit rate.

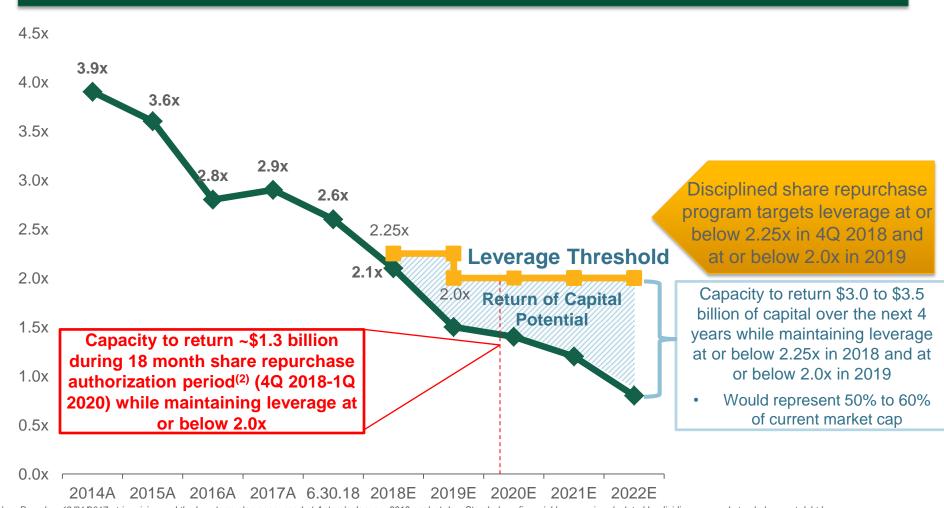
⁽²⁾ Free cash flow definition includes \$175MM of maintenance land spending, but excludes \$175MM discretionary land spending, per Non-GAAP Measures included in the Appendix.

Financially Disciplined Repurchase Program



Disciplined share repurchase plan maintains financial flexibility and balance sheet strength with leverage $\leq 2.25x$ in 4Q 2018 and $\leq 2.0x$ in 2019

AR Standalone Net Debt / LTM EBITDAX⁽¹⁾

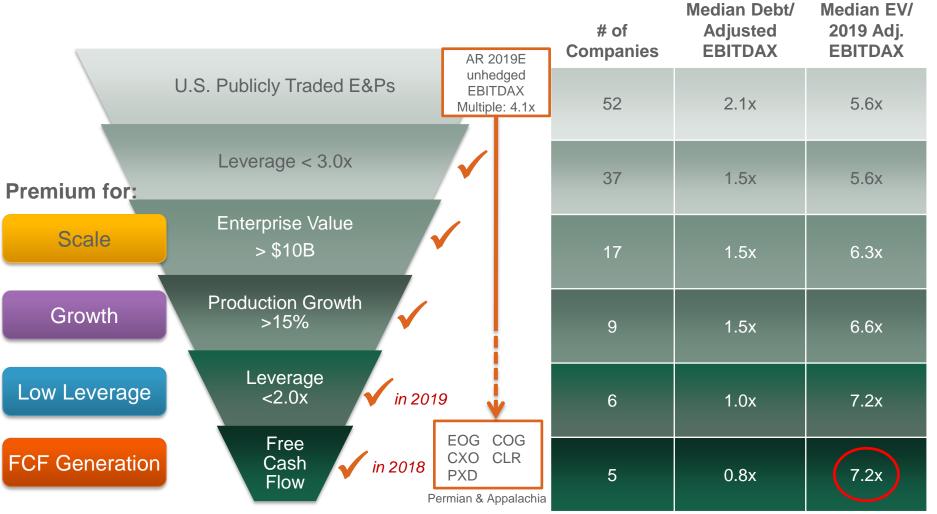


Based on 12/31/2017 strip pricing and the long-term plan announced at Antero's January 2018 analyst day. Stand-alone financial leverage is calculated by dividing year-end stand-alone net debt by last twelve months stand-alone EBITDAX. For additional information regarding these measures, please see "Antero Definitions" and "Antero Non-GAAP Measures" in the. Includes \$500 million of maintenance and discretionary land spend through 2022.

Antero Profile Should Drive Multiple Expansion



At current prices, share repurchase program allows AR to buy back shares at an attractive 4.1x 2019 standalone unhedged EBITDAX multiple



Source: Bloomberg & Antero Estimates as of 9/30/18.

⁽¹⁾ Adjusted EBITDAX and Adjusted Operating Cash Flow are non-GAAP measures. AR EV/EBITDAX multiple also reflects an enterprise value that excludes AR ownership of AM, and EBITDAX excludes AM distributions received by AR, for comparative purposes with peer E&P multiples. For additional information regarding these measures, please see "Antero Definitions" and "Antero Non-GAAP Measures" in the Appendix.

Summary Simplification Transaction Benefits



Midstream simplification transaction attributes:

- AR receives cash and a premium for its AM ownership
 - Receives a minimum of \$300 million of cash which serves as a catalyst to fund a portion of AR's share repurchase program
 - "Selling" midstream units to AMGP at a premium to market price
- **2** Eliminates IDRs
 - Aligns shareholder interests and eliminates "hyper growth" midstream vehicle in which AR had no direct ownership
- 3 Creates tax efficient, traditional C-corp governance structure for New AM
 - Broadens investor base and improves stock liquidity
 - Tax basis step-up creates long-term tax shield at New AM
 - AR able to effectively monetize portion of NOL position to offset gain on AM units
 - Results in a stepped up tax basis for AR in New AM shares
- AR will remain the largest shareholder of Antero Midstream with a ~31% pro forma ownership
 - Maintains Antero's integrated strategy and long-term outlook
 - Continued visibility into infrastructure buildout and full midstream value chain participation
 - Unique midstream vehicle with scale, low leverage and peer-leading distribution growth
- Facilitates development of leading Integrated NGL platform in "core of the core" Marcellus and Utica
 - Lowers cost of capital and increases access to capital for New AM



Best in Class Midstream Vehicle



Simplification "checks all the boxes" for midstream investors

_	Attribute	Antero Midstream Corporation
1	1099 Tax Form	C-corp for tax and governance purposes with 1099 tax form
1	No IDRs	One publicly traded midstream security with no IDRs
1	Self-funding Model	No expected equity needs to fund \$2.7 billion organic project backlog
1	Reasonable Leverage	Leverage near 3.0x expected to decline into the low 2-times
1	Visible Growth	Organically driven distribution CAGR of 27% from 2018 through 2021
1	Capital Efficiency	Just-in-time non speculative capital investment with 15-20% ROIC
1	Strong DCF Coverage	1.2x – 1.3x DCF coverage with long-term visibility
1	Sufficient Liquidity	~\$4.0 billion public float, or 44% of the shares outstanding
1	Elected Board	C-corp with Board governed by a majority of independent directors
1	Tax Shield	Substantially shielded from anticipated taxes through at least 2024

Series B Profits Elimination



Prior to Simplification:

- The Series B profits interests were created in December 2016 through an agreement between Antero's co-founders and private equity sponsors, who jointly owned 100% of IDR LLC prior to the AMGP IPO
 - Series B units are entitled to receive up to 6% of the IDR distributions from AM in excess of \$7.5 million on a quarterly basis
 - Series B holders have the option to exchange into AMGP common shares at any time after vesting up until December 31, 2026 based on 6% of AMGP's equity market capitalization at the time of the exchange less \$2 billion (mandatory exchange on 12/31/26)
 - AMGP does not have the right to force exchange until 12/31/26
 - Units vest ratably over a three year period beginning on December 31, 2016

After Simplification:

- In order to facilitate the simplification transaction Series B Holders have agreed to an early termination of the Series B profits interest at closing
 - Under existing terms of Series B units, would be exchangeable at holders option following closing and until 12/31/26 up to 6.0% of the pro forma market cap of New AM in excess of \$2.0 billion
 - Instead, agreed to exchange into a fixed 17.354 MM shares of New AM at closing of simplification, which represents approximately 4.4% of the pro forma market cap of New AM in excess of \$2.0 billion
 - Gave up 8 years of option value on future AM and AMGP equity issuances and market capitalization increases
 - Vesting Schedule remains in place and Series B unitholders will not receive New AM dividends on the unvested shares in 2019

Antero Non-GAAP Measures



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Consolidated Adjusted EBITDAX and Stand-Alone Adjusted EBITDAX

The GAAP financial measure nearest to Consolidated Adjusted EBITDAX is net income or loss including non-controlling interest that will be reported in Antero's consolidated financial statements. The GAAP financial measure nearest to Stand-Alone Adjusted EBITDAX is Stand-alone net income or loss that will be reported in the Parent column of Antero's guarantor footnote to its financial statements. While there are limitations associated with the use of Consolidated Adjusted EBITDAX and Stand-Alone Adjusted EBITDAX described below, management believes that these measures are useful to an investor in evaluating the company's financial performance because these measures:

- are widely used by investors in the oil and gas industry to measure a company's operating performance without regard to
 items excluded from the calculation of such term, which can vary substantially from company to company depending upon
 accounting methods and book value of assets, capital structure and the method by which assets were acquired, among
 other factors;
- helps investors to more meaningfully evaluate and compare the results of Antero's operations (both on a consolidated and Stand-alone basis) from period to period by removing the effect of its capital structure from its operating structure; and
- is used by management for various purposes, including as a measure of Antero's operating performance (both on a consolidated and Stand-alone basis), in presentations to the company's board of directors, and as a basis for strategic planning and forecasting. Consolidated Adjusted EBITDAX is also used by the board of directors as a performance measure in determining executive compensation. Consolidated Adjusted EBITDAX, as defined by our credit facility, is used by our lenders pursuant to covenants under our revolving credit facility and the indentures governing the company's senior notes.

There are significant limitations to using Consolidated Adjusted EBITDAX and Stand-Alone Adjusted EBITDAX as measures of performance, including the inability to analyze the effect of certain recurring and non-recurring items that materially affect the company's net income on a consolidated and Stand-alone basis, the lack of comparability of results of operations of different companies and the different methods of calculating Adjusted EBITDAX reported by different companies. In addition, Consolidated Adjusted EBITDAX and Stand-Alone Adjusted EBITDAX provide no information regarding a company's capital structure, borrowings, interest costs, capital expenditures, and working capital movement or tax position.

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The GAAP financial measure nearest to Consolidated Adjusted Operating Cash Flow is cash flow from operating activities as reported in Antero's consolidated financial statements. The GAAP financial measure nearest to Stand-Alone Adjusted Operating Cash Flow and Free Cash Flow is Stand-alone cash flow from operating activities that will be reported in the Parent column of Antero's guarantor footnote to its financial statements. Management believes that Consolidated Adjusted Operating Cash Flow and Stand-Alone Adjusted Operating Cash Flow are useful indicators of the company's ability to internally fund its activities and to service or incur additional debt on a consolidated and Stand-alone basis. Management believes that changes in current assets and liabilities, which are excluded from the calculation of these measures, relate to the timing of cash receipts and disbursements and therefore may not relate to the period in which the operating activities occurred and generally do not have a material impact on the ability of the company to fund its operations. Management believes that Free Cash Flow is a useful measure for assessing the company's financial performance and measuring its ability to generate excess cash from its operations.

There are significant limitations to using Consolidated Adjusted Operating Cash Flow, Stand-Alone Adjusted Operating Cash Flow and Free Cash Flow as measures of performance, including the inability to analyze the effect of certain recurring and non-recurring items that materially affect the company's net income on a consolidated and Stand-Alone basis, the lack of comparability of results of operations of different companies and the different methods of calculating Consolidated Adjusted Operating Cash Flow and Stand-Alone Adjusted Operating Cash Flow reported by different companies. Consolidated Adjusted Operating Cash Flow and Stand-Alone Adjusted Operating Cash Flow do not represent funds available for discretionary use because those funds may be required for debt service, capital expenditures, working capital, income taxes, franchise taxes, exploration expenses, and other commitments and obligations.

Antero has not included reconciliations of Consolidated Adjusted Operating Cash Flow, Stand-Alone Adjusted Operating Cash Flow and Free Cash Flow to their nearest GAAP financial measures for 2018 because it would be impractical to forecast changes in current assets and liabilities. However, Antero is able to forecast the earn out payments expected from Antero Midstream associated with the water drop down transaction that occurred in 2015, each of which is a reconciling item between Stand-Alone Adjusted Operating Cash Flow and Free Cash Flow, as applicable, and cash flow from operating activities as reported in the Parent column of Antero's guarantor footnote to its financial statements. Antero forecasts these items to be \$125 million in each of 2019 and 2020. Additionally, Antero is able to forecast lease maintenance expenditures and Stand-alone drilling and completion capital, each of which is a reconciling item between Free Cash Flow and its most comparable GAAP financial measure. For the 2018 to 2022 period, Antero forecasts cumulative lease maintenance expenditures of \$200 million and cumulative Stand-Alone drilling and completion capital of \$8.6 billion.

Antero Definitions



Consolidated Adjusted EBITDAX: Represents net income or loss from continuing operations, including noncontrolling interests, before interest expense, interest income, derivative fair value gains or losses (excluding net cash receipts or payments on derivative instruments included in derivative fair value gains or losses), taxes, impairment, depletion, depreciation, amortization, and accretion, exploration expense, franchise taxes, equity-based compensation, gain or loss on early extinguishment of debt, and gain or loss on sale of assets. Consolidated Adjusted EBITDAX also includes distributions from unconsolidated affiliates and excludes equity in earnings or losses of unconsolidated affiliates. See "Non-GAAP Measures" for additional detail.

Consolidated Adjusted Operating Cash Flow: Represents net cash provided by operating activities before changes in current assets and liabilities. See "Non-GAAP Measures" for additional detail.

Consolidated Drilling & Completion Capital: Represents drilling and completion capital as reported in AR's consolidated cash flow statements (i.e., fees paid to AM for water handling and treatment are eliminated upon consolidation and only operating costs associated with water handling and treatment are capitalized).

Debt-Adjusted Shares: Represents ending period debt divided by ending share price plus ending shares outstanding. Forecasted debt-adjusted shares assumes AR share price of \$19.87 per share as of January 12, 2018.

F&D Cost: Represents current D&C cost per 1,000' lateral divided by net EUR per 1,000' lateral assuming 85% NRI in Marcellus and 81% NRI in Utica. There is no directly comparable financial measure presented in accordance with GAAP for F&D Cost and therefore, a reconciliation to GAAP is not practicable.

Free Cash Flow: Represents Stand-alone E&P Adjusted operating cash flow, less Stand-alone E&P Drilling and Completion capital, less Land Maintenance capital. See "Non-GAAP Measures" for additional detail.

Land Maintenance Capital: Represents leasehold capital expenditures required to achieve targeted working interest percentage of 95% for 5-year development plan (i.e. historical average working interest), plus renewals associated with 5-year development plan.

Leverage Ratio: Represents ending period net debt (debt adjusted for cash and cash equivalents) divided by LTM Adjusted EBITDAX. Leverage ratios for future years reflect projected net debt divided by period Adjusted EBITDAX.

Maintenance Capital: Represents stand-alone E&P Drilling & Completion Capital expenditures that are estimated to be necessary to sustain production at current (2017) production levels (2.3 Bcfe/d).

Stand-Alone E&P Adjusted EBITDAX: Represents income or loss from continuing operations as reported in the Parent column of AR's guarantor footnote to its financial statements before interest expense, interest income, derivative fair value gains or losses from exploration and production and marketing (excluding net cash receipts or payments on derivative instruments included in derivative fair value gains or losses), impairment, depletion, depreciation, amortization, and accretion, exploration expense, franchise taxes, equity-based compensation, gain or loss on early extinguishment of debt, gain or loss on sale of assets, and gain or loss on changes in the fair value of contingent acquisition consideration. Stand-alone E&P Adjusted EBITDAX also includes distributions received from limited partner interests in Antero Midstream common units. See "Non-GAAP Measures" for additional detail.

Stand-Alone E&P Adjusted Operating Cash Flow: Represents net cash provided by operating activities as reported in the Parent column of AR's guarantor footnote to its financial statements before changes in current assets and liabilities, plus the AM cash distributions payable to AR, plus the earn out payments expected from Antero Midstream associated with the water drop down transaction that occurred in 2015. See "Non-GAAP Measures" on slide 18 for additional detail.

Stand-Alone Drilling & Completion Capital: Represents drilling and completion capital as reported in the Parent column of AR's guarantor footnote to its financial statements and includes 100% of fees paid to AM for water handling and treatment and excludes operating costs associated with AM's Water Handling and Treatment segment).



Antero Midstream Non-GAAP Measures



Non-GAAP Financial Measures and Definitions

Antero Midstream views Adjusted EBITDA as an important indicator of the Partnership's performance. Antero Midstream defines Adjusted EBITDA as Net Income before interest expense, depreciation expense, impairment expense, accretion of contingent acquisition consideration, equity-based compensation expense, excluding equity in earnings of unconsolidated affiliates and including cash distributions from unconsolidated affiliates.

Antero Midstream uses Adjusted EBITDA to assess:

- the financial performance of the Partnership's assets, without regard to financing methods in the case of Adjusted EBITDA, capital structure or historical cost basis;
- its operating performance and return on capital as compared to other publicly traded partnerships in the midstream energy sector, without regard to financing or capital structure; and
- the viability of acquisitions and other capital expenditure projects.

The Partnership defines Distributable Cash Flow as Adjusted EBITDA less interest paid, income tax withholding payments and cash reserved for payments of income tax withholding upon vesting of equity-based compensation awards, cash reserved for bond interest and ongoing maintenance capital expenditures paid. Antero Midstream uses Distributable Cash Flow as a performance metric to compare the cash generating performance of the Partnership from period to period and to compare the cash generating performance for specific periods to the cash distributions (if any) that are expected to be paid to unitholders. Distributable Cash Flow does not reflect changes in working capital balances.

The Partnership defines Return on Invested Capital as net income plus interest expense divided by average total liabilities and partners' capital, excluding current liabilities. Management believes that Return on Invested Capital is a useful indicator of the Partnership's return on its infrastructure investments.

The Partnership defines consolidated net debt as consolidated total debt less cash and cash equivalents. Antero Midstream views consolidated net debt as an important indicator in evaluating the Partnership's financial leverage.

The Partnership defines leverage as net debt divided by Adjusted EBITDA.



Adjusted EBITDA and DCF Reconciliation



Adjusted EBITDA and DCF Reconciliation (\$ in thousands)

Three months ended June 30,

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		2017		2018
Net income	\$	87,175	\$	109,466
Interest expense		9,015		14,628
Impairment of property and equipment expense				4,614
Depreciation expense		30,512		36,433
Accretion of contingent acquisition consideration		3,590		3,947
Accretion of asset retirement obligations		_		34
Equity-based compensation		6,951		5,867
Equity in earnings of unconsolidated affiliates		(3,623)		(9,264)
Distributions from unconsolidated affiliates		5,820		10,810
Gain on sale of assets- Antero Resources		_		(583)
Adjusted EBITDA		139,440		175,952
Interest paid		(2,308)		372
Decrease in cash reserved for bond interest (1)		(8,734)		(8,734)
Income tax withholding upon vesting of Antero Midstream Partners LP equity-based compensation awards ⁽²⁾		(2,431)		(1,500)
Maintenance capital expenditures ⁽³⁾		(16,422)		(16,000)
Distributable Cash Flow	\$	109,545	\$	150,090
Distributions Declared to Antero Midstream Holders				
Limited Partners		59,695		72,943
Incentive distribution rights		15,328		28,461
Total Aggregate Distributions	\$	75,023	\$	101,404
DCF coverage ratio		1.5x		1.3x

¹⁾ Cash reserved for bond interest expense on Antero Midstream's 5.375% senior notes outstanding during the period that is paid on a semi-annual basis on March 15th and September 15th of each year.

²⁾ Estimate of current period portion of expected cash payment for income tax withholding attributable to vesting of Midstream LTIP equity-based compensation awards to be paid in the fourth quarter.

³⁾ Maintenance capital expenditures represent the portion of our estimated capital expenditures associated with (i) the connection of new wells to our gathering and processing systems that we believe will be necessary to offset the natural production declines Antero Resources will experience on all of its wells over time, and (ii) water delivery to new wells necessary to maintain the average throughput volume on our systems.



Antero Midstream Non-GAAP Measures



The following table reconciles consolidated total debt to consolidated net debt ("Net Debt") as used in this presentation (in thousands):

	June 30, 2018	
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Bank credit facility	\$	770,000
5.375% AM senior notes due 2024		650,000
Consolidated total debt	\$	1,420,000
Cash and cash equivalents		(19,525)
Consolidated net debt	\$	1,400,475

The following table reconciles net income to Adjusted EBITDA for the twelve months ended June 30, 2018 as used in this presentation (in thousands):

	Twelve Months Ended June 30, 2018
Net income	\$ 362,620
Interest expense	45,631
Impairment of property and equipment expense	28,045
Depreciation expense	130,379
Accretion of contingent acquisition consideration	14,180
Accretion of asset retirement obligations	68
Equity-based compensation	26,124
Equity in earnings of unconsolidated affiliate	(31,467)
Distributions from unconsolidated affiliates	32,270
Gain on sale of asset – Antero Resources	(583)
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 607,267