D. Bond-market implied risk premium

Most of us think of the MRP in the context of cost of equity. Risk premiums do, however, also exist for corporate bonds. The expected return of a bond can therefore be expressed using the Capital Asset Pricing Model, as:

$$\text{AA yield} \approx \text{AA expected return} = \text{risk-free rate} + \text{beta} * \text{market risk premium}$$

Therefore, if we know the expected return on the bond and its beta, we can estimate the implied MRP. For high-yield bonds, we know the yield, but the expected return is likely to be significantly lower than the promised yield. For AA rated corporate bonds, on the other hand, the default probabilities are very low and we can use the yield as a proxy for expected returns. Hence, we use the price series of AA corporate bonds to estimate the MRP. The beta of AA bonds is between 0.15 and 0.20, depending on the estimation period. Using a beta of 0.15, we estimate that the bond-implied MRP was below 4% in 1998 and 2004-2005 but recently rose to about 8.6%.

Figure 9: Pros and cons of the bond-market data methodology

Pros	Cons
Based on daily market feedback regarding risk premium on bonds	Possibility that expected default rates change at the same rating
Assumes no capital-structure arbitrage; i.e., when bonds demand a higher risk premium, other assets such as equity also demand a higher return	Depends on CAPM and an assumption about bond betas
	Implied risk premium captures both a liquidity and risk premium

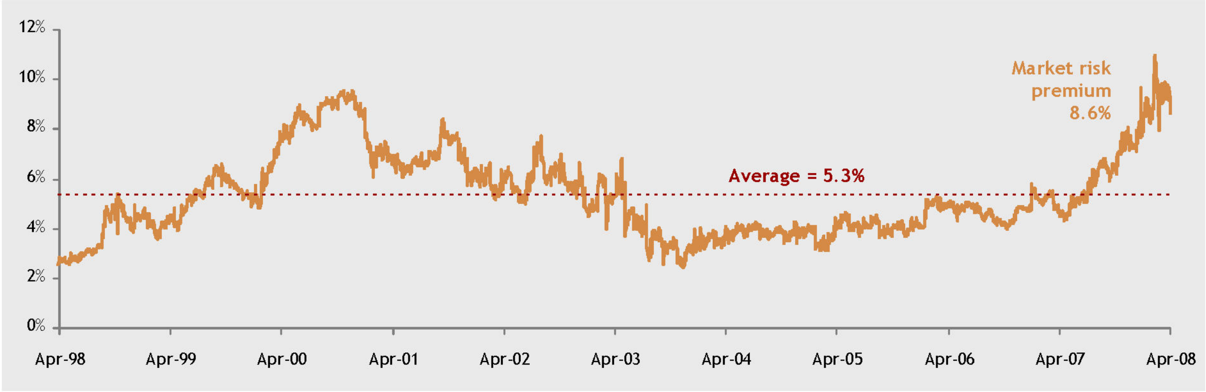
Source: JPMorgan

Figure 10: Recent changes in the bond-market implied risk premium

Yearly arithmetic average market risk premium since 1998

	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Average MRP	3.5%	5.1%	8.0%	7.0%	6.0%	4.2%	3.8%	4.0%	4.7%	5.7%	8.9%

AA industrial index spread implied market risk premium %



Source: JPMorgan, Bloomberg

E. Dividend Yield Method

A methodology that is closely related to the Dividend Discount Model method uses the dividend yield as a starting point. The price of a dividend-paying stock can be estimated using the constant-growth valuation model. This model assumes that the dividend will grow at a constant rate forever. We rewrite this model as a function of the cost of equity, stating that the cost of equity is the dividend yield plus the long-term growth rates. The formulas are:

$$Price = \frac{Div_1}{Cost\ of\ Equity - Growth\ Rate}\text{, and therefore } Cost\ of\ Equity = \frac{Div_1}{Price} + Growth\ Rate$$

This approach works well in sectors with large and steadily growing dividends. We applied the methodology to three industries known for their focus on dividend yields: Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs), Master Limited Partnerships (MLPs), and regulated utilities. In the regulated utilities industry, regulators accept this method as a way to estimate the cost of equity. Another useful feature of the model is its closeness to the cash cost of the equity. In fact, some practitioners look at the dividend yield only and ignore the growth component of the equation.

MRP = (Cost of equity implied by Dividend Yield Method – 10-year government bond yield) / beta

Figure 11: MRP implied by dividend yields in dividend-heavy sectors

	Dividend yield	IBES 5-yr EPS growth	Overall growth[1]	Cost of equity	Equity beta	Implied MRP
Regulated utilities	4.1%	6.1%	4.5%	8.6%	0.78	6.6%
MLPs	6.4%	6.5%	5.1%	11.4%	0.61	13.0%
REITs	5.4%	6.5%	4.7%	10.5%	1.13	6.1%
Mean	**5.3%**	**6.4%**	**4.8%**	**10.2%**	**0.84**	**8.6%**
Median	**5.4%**	**6.5%**	**4.7%**	**10.5%**	**0.78**	**6.6%**

Source: JPMorgan, FactSet

[1] Overall growth is weighted combination of 5-yr EPS growth and 4% perpetuity growth assumptions

We use EPS estimates and an assumption of constant payout ratios to forecast the dividend growth over the next five years, and an assumption that dividends will grow at 4% thereafter (long-term real growth plus inflation). Our results suggest that the cost of equity for these sectors is in the 9% to 12% range. The figures also display two clear weaknesses: (1) the need for assumptions to estimate overall or long-term growth, estimated in this case as a weighted-average of the 5-year EPS growth projection followed thereafter by a 4% perpetuity growth rate; and (2) the need to rely on CAPM and a beta estimate to extract the MRP implied by our cost-of-equity estimates. Today, this approach yields an MRP in the 6% range for REITs and utilities, and a higher number for MLPs.

Figure 12: Pros and cons of MRP implied from Dividend Yield Method

Pros

- Intuitive: cost of equity equals dividend yield plus a growth rate
- Widely accepted in dividend-heavy sectors
- Close to the actual cash cost on equity
- Dividend yield changes daily

Cons

- Only applicable in a few dividend-heavy sectors
- Capital structures of these sectors may not represent those of the market at large
- Relies on perpetuity growth rate assumption
- Depends on CAPM and assumption about industry or firm beta

Source: JPMorgan

F. Survey evidence

One relatively basic method for determining the MRP is to survey market participants for their views on required returns. Such surveys have polled academics, investors, and other corporate-finance practitioners such as CFOs.

An academic survey by Ivo Welch from Brown University provides useful insights on MRP estimates.[1] The typical finance professor responding to Welch's survey estimates that the long-term market risk premium is 5% on a geometric basis and 5.8% on an arithmetic basis. Interestingly, these numbers are very close to the MRP estimates of the historical realized returns methodology, suggesting that finance professors still primarily rely on that approach.

A similar survey conducted quarterly from 2000 to 2007 by John Graham and Campbell Harvey of Duke University compiled the views of U.S. CFOs regarding the current risk premium.[1] Their average risk premium in 1Q07 was 3.2%, and the range from 2000 to 2007 was 2.4% to 4.7%.

Relying on these survey results has some advantages. First and foremost, in the case of finance professors, participants may be biased in their preferred methodology, but they are typically unbiased in their MRP estimates—that is, they do not have any specific incentive to make low or high estimates. Secondly, academics tend to spend a lot of time on the subject and have significant influence on how regulators, practitioners, and even investors look at the MRP.

On the other hand, survey respondents can provide wide differences of opinion and express views that may be extreme (such as a negative MRP). Surveys can also reflect the collective views of the constituent base. As an example, academics' reliance on the historical-data approach suggests that their estimates will not change very often. This may be an advantage for executives looking for a MRP estimate that is robust through time, but it may not capture the realities of a new market environment (such as structural shifts, tax changes, etc.). Conversely, the CFO-based survey is different in that its results are quite volatile and might represent current market conditions and concerns.

Figure 13: Pros and cons of surveys

Pros	Cons
■ Significant time researching this topic	■ Wide differences in opinion
■ Academic estimate unbiased (no reasons for it being high or low)	■ Does not change often and rapidly; i.e., does not incorporate new market realities (e.g., tax rate changes)
■ Does not change often and rapidly	

Source: JPMorgan

As stated above, none of these six estimation methods are used universally. Taken together, however, they provide an understanding of the drivers of the market risk premium, and allow decision-makers to consider using a method that reflects today's volatile market environment.

[1] Ivo Welch, "The Consensus Estimate for the Equity Premium by Academic Financial Economists in December 2007", January 18, 2008.
[2] John Graham and Campbell Harvey, "The Equity Risk Premium in January 2007: Evidence from the Global CFO Outlook Survey", January 18, 2007.

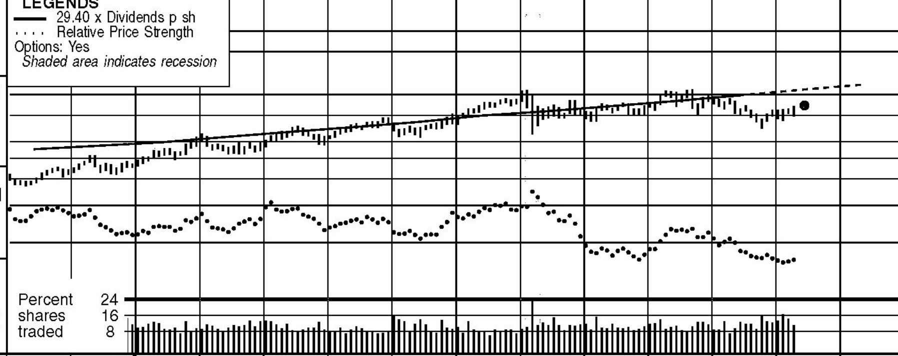
AMERICAN ELEC. PWR. NDQ-AEP

RECENT PRICE	88.97	P/E RATIO	15.9 (Trailing: 14.8, Median: 18.0)	RELATIVE P/E RATIO	0.89	DIV'D YLD	4.0%	VALUE LINE

TIMELINESS **3** Raised 3/15/24
SAFETY **1** Raised 3/17/17
TECHNICAL **3** Raised 6/7/24
BETA .85 (1.00 = Market)

High:	51.6	63.2	65.4	71.3	78.1	81.1	96.2	105.0	91.5	105.6	98.3	93.4
Low:	41.8	45.8	52.3	56.8	61.8	62.7	72.3	65.1	74.8	80.3	69.4	75.2

LEGENDS
—— 29.40 x Dividends p sh
. . . . Relative Price Strength
Options: Yes
Shaded area indicates recession



18-Month Target Price Range

Low-High	Midpoint (% to Mid)
\$77-\$126	\$102 (15%)

Target Price Range 2027 | 2028 | 2029

2027-29 PROJECTIONS

	Price	Gain	Ann'l Total Return
High	145	(+65%)	16%
Low	115	(+30%)	10%

Institutional Decisions

	2Q2023	3Q2023	4Q2023
to Buy	596	599	628
to Sell	572	557	609
Hld's(000)	386016	391405	398265

Percent shares traded 24 16 8

% TOT. RETURN 4/24

	THIS STOCK	VL ARITH.* INDEX
1 yr.	-2.9	11.5
3 yr.	68.4	5.5
5 yr.	7.8	56.1

2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	27-29
35.56	28.22	30.01	31.27	30.77	31.48	34.78	33.51	33.31	31.35	32.84	31.49	30.04	33.30	38.20	36.08	*38.00*	*40.20*	Revenues per sh	*44.20*
6.84	6.32	6.29	6.83	6.92	7.02	7.57	7.98	8.47	7.95	8.77	9.35	10.28	10.98	10.72	10.92	*11.65*	*12.35*	"Cash Flow" per sh	*15.20*
2.99	2.97	2.60	3.13	2.98	3.18	3.34	3.59	4.23	3.62	3.90	4.08	4.42	4.96	5.09	5.24	*5.60*	*6.00*	Earnings per sh A	*7.20*
1.64	1.64	1.71	1.85	1.88	1.95	2.03	2.15	2.27	2.39	2.53	2.71	2.84	3.00	3.17	3.37	*3.60*	*3.81*	Div'd Decl'd per sh B ■ †	*4.16*
9.83	6.19	5.07	5.74	6.45	7.75	8.68	9.37	9.98	11.79	12.89	12.43	12.72	11.43	13.18	13.89	*14.15*	*14.10*	Cap'l Spending per sh	*14.00*
26.33	27.49	28.33	30.33	31.37	32.98	34.37	36.44	35.38	37.17	38.58	39.73	41.38	44.49	46.60	48.46	*55.05*	*58.90*	Book Value per sh C	*62.55*
406.07	478.05	480.81	483.42	485.67	487.78	489.40	491.05	491.71	492.01	493.25	494.17	496.60	504.21	513.87	526.18	*530.00*	*535.00*	Common Shs Outst'g D	*550.00*
13.1	10.0	13.4	11.9	13.8	14.5	15.9	15.8	15.2	19.3	18.0	21.4	19.6	17.1	21.1	16.2	*Bold figures are*		Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	*18.0*
.79	.67	.85	.75	.88	.81	.84	.80	.80	.97	.97	1.14	1.01	.92	1.23	.93	*Value Line*		Relative P/E Ratio	*1.00*
4.2%	5.5%	4.9%	5.0%	4.6%	4.2%	3.8%	3.8%	3.5%	3.4%	3.6%	3.1%	3.3%	3.5%	3.3%	4.5%	*estimates*		Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	*3.3%*
						17020	16453	16380	15425	16196	15561	14919	16792	19640	18982	*20150*	*21500*	Revenues (\$mill)	*24300*
						1634.0	1763.4	2073.6	1783.2	1923.8	2019.0	2200.1	2448.1	2307.2	2208.1	*2970*	*3210*	Net Profit (\$mill)	*3960*
						37.8%	35.1%	26.8%	33.7%	5.8%	.7%	1.9%	4.6%	NMF	NMF	*21.0%*	*21.0%*	Income Tax Rate	*21.0%*
						9.0%	11.0%	8.0%	8.0%	10.7%	12.7%	9.7%	7.8%	7.0%	7.0%	*7.0%*	*6.5%*	AFUDC % to Net Profit	*5.0%*
						49.0%	49.8%	50.0%	51.5%	53.2%	56.1%	58.5%	58.3%	58.5%	58.2%	*58.0%*	*58.0%*	Long-Term Debt Ratio	*57.5%*
						51.0%	50.2%	50.0%	48.5%	46.8%	43.9%	41.5%	41.7%	42.0%	42.0%	*42.0%*	*42.0%*	Common Equity Ratio	*42.5%*
						33001	35633	34775	37707	40677	44759	49537	53734	57520	62837	*68900*	*70730*	Total Capital (\$mill)	*75900*
						44117	46133	45639	50262	55099	60138	63902	66001	71283	76693	*78000*	*81250*	Net Plant (\$mill)	*87300*
						6.3%	6.1%	7.2%	5.9%	5.9%	5.6%	5.6%	5.6%	4.0%	3.6%	*4.5%*	*4.5%*	Return on Total Cap'l	*5.0%*
						9.7%	9.9%	11.9%	9.8%	10.1%	10.3%	10.7%	11.1%	9.7%	8.7%	*10.0%*	*10.0%*	Return on Shr. Equity	*11.0%*
						9.7%	9.9%	11.9%	9.8%	10.1%	10.3%	10.7%	11.1%	9.7%	8.7%	*10.0%*	*10.0%*	Return on Com Equity	*11.0%*
						3.8%	3.9%	5.5%	3.2%	3.5%	3.4%	3.8%	4.3%	2.9%	2.4%	*4.0%*	*4.0%*	Retained to Com Eq	*4.5%*
						61%	60%	54%	67%	65%	67%	65%	61%	70%	63%	*63%*	*63%*	All Div'ds to Net Prof	*61%*

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 3/31/24
Total Debt \$42375 mill. **Due in 5 Yrs** \$12886 mill.
LT Debt \$38637 mill. **LT Interest** \$1400 mill.

Leases, Uncapitalized Annual rentals \$119.6 mill.

Pfd Stock None

Common Stock 527,121,759 shs.

MARKET CAP: \$46.9 billion (Large Cap)

ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS

	2020	2021	2022
% Change Retail Sales (KWH)	- -	+3.0	- -
Avg. Indust. Use (MWH)	NA	NA	NA
Avg. Indust. Revs. per KWH (¢)	NA	NA	NA
Capacity at Peak (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
Peak Load (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
Annual Load Factor (%)	NA	NA	NA
% Change Customers (yr-end)	+1.0	NA	NA
Fixed Charge Cov. (%)	243	272	285

ANNUAL RATES of change (per sh)	Past 10 Yrs.	Past 5 Yrs.	Est'd '20-'22 to '27-'29
Revenues	.5%	-.5%	*3.0%*
"Cash Flow"	5.0%	5.5%	*5.5%*
Earnings	5.0%	4.0%	*6.5%*
Dividends	5.0%	5.0%	*5.5%*
Book Value	3.5%	3.5%	*6.0%*

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY REVENUES (\$ mill.) E Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	4281	3826	4623	4061	16792
2022	4593	4640	5526	4881	19640
2023	4690	4373	5342	4577	18982
2024	5026	*4500*	*5350*	*5274*	*20150*
2025	*5250*	*4850*	*5800*	*5600*	*21500*

Cal-endar	EARNINGS PER SHARE A Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	1.15	1.15	1.59	1.07	4.96
2022	1.22	1.20	1.62	1.05	5.09
2023	1.11	1.13	1.77	1.23	5.24
2024	1.27	*1.25*	*1.80*	*1.28*	*5.60*
2025	*1.50*	*1.40*	*1.80*	*1.30*	*6.00*

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID B ■ † Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2020	.70	.70	.70	.74	2.84
2021	.74	.74	.74	.78	3.00
2022	.78	.78	.78	.83	3.17
2023	.83	.83	.83	.88	3.37
2024	.88	.88			

BUSINESS: American Electric Power Company Inc. (AEP), through 10 operating utilities, serves 5.5 million customers in Arkansas, Kentucky, Indiana, Louisiana, Michigan, Ohio, Oklahoma, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, & West Virginia. Has a transmission subsidiary. Electric revenue breakdown: residential, 43%; commercial, 23%; industrial, 18%; wholesale, 10%; other, 6%. Sold commercial barge operation in '15. Generating sources not available. Fuel costs: 33% of revenues. '23 reported depreciation rates (utility): 2.6%-12.5%. Has approximately 16,700 employees. Interim Chief Executive Officer: Benjamin G.S. Fowke III. Incorporated: New York. Address: 1 Riverside Plaza, Columbus, Ohio 43215-2373. Telephone: 614-716-1000. Internet: www.aep.com.

American Electric Power got off to a solid start in 2024. First-quarter earnings per share came in at \$1.27, ahead of Wall Street's expectations due to a number of rate hikes, clean-energy investment growth, and power demand increases. Accordingly, management maintained its 2024 bottom-line outlook of \$5.53 to \$5.73 and a long-term annual profit growth target of 6%-7%. Our 2024 and 2025 earnings estimates are staying put as the company should continue to benefit from rate relief, increased investments in its transmission business, and volume growth. What's more, AEP is well positioned to take advantage of the elevated demand from artificial intelligence innovations and new data centers, which we will discuss more below.

AEP filed a proposal with Ohio regulators to require data center developers to buy a majority of electricity they need upfront. Indeed, new large data centers would be required to make a 10-year commitment to pay for a minimum of 90% of the energy requested before AEP builds and invests billions on transmission. The boost in power demand from artificial intelligence innovations and data centers is set to rise exponentially through 2030. Indeed, data centers are expected to double the power demand in the utility's Ohio region within the next five years.

The company agreed to sell its AEP OnSite Partners distributed resources business to Basalt Infrastructure Partners for \$315 million in cash. OnSite Partners sells distributed energy resources to commercial and industrial customers. The deal is expected to close in the third quarter of this year, and will provide AEP with support in its transmission investments as power demand soars.

Risk-adverse, income-oriented investors may want to take a closer look here. The dividend yield of this top-quality stock stands above the utility average. Too, AEP is committed to its target payout ratio of 60%-70%. So, the dividend should continue growing nicely. Also, intermediate- and long-term return prospects are solid in comparison to most of its peers. Meanwhile, the Timeliness rank has been upgraded one notch to 3 (Average) since our March review.

Zachary J. Hodgkinson *June 7, 2024*

(A) Diluted EPS. Excl. nonrec. gains (losses): '08, 40¢; '10, (7¢); '11, 89¢; '12, (38¢); '13, (14¢); '16, (\$2.99); '17, 26¢; '19, (20¢); gains (loss) from disc. ops.: '06, 2¢; '08, 3¢; '15, 58¢; '16, (1¢); '22, (58¢); '23, (34¢). Next earnings report due late July. (B) Div'ds paid early Mar., June, Sept., & Dec. ■ Div'd reinvestment plan avail. † Shareholder invest. plan avail. (C) Incl. intang. In '23: \$52.5 million (D) In mill. (E) Rev. may not sum due to rounding.

Company's Financial Strength	A
Stock's Price Stability	95
Price Growth Persistence	55
Earnings Predictability	95

BLACK HILLS CORP. NYSE-BKH

RECENT PRICE	54.50	P/E RATIO	14.2 (Trailing: 13.9; Median: 18.0)	RELATIVE P/E RATIO	0.77	DIV'D YLD	4.8%	VALUE LINE

TIMELINESS 3 Raised 12/1/23
SAFETY 3 Lowered 1/19/24
TECHNICAL 4 Lowered 3/22/24
BETA 1.05 (1.00 = Market)

18-Month Target Price Range

Low-High	Midpoint (% to Mid)
$43-$85	$64 (15%)

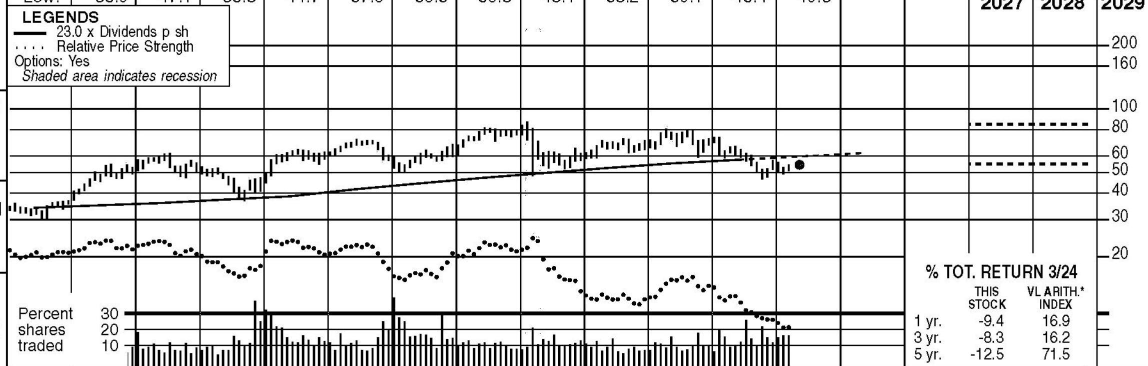
2027-29 PROJECTIONS

	Price	Gain	Ann'l Total Return
High	85	(+55%)	15%
Low	55	(Nil)	5%

Institutional Decisions

	2Q2023	3Q2023	4Q2023
to Buy	164	162	200
to Sell	136	148	147
Hld's(000)	58479	58260	59277

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
High:	55.1	62.1	53.4	64.6	72.0	68.2	82.0	87.1	72.8	80.9	74.0	56.1
Low:	36.9	47.1	36.8	44.7	57.0	50.5	60.8	48.1	58.2	59.1	46.4	49.3



% TOT. RETURN 3/24

	THIS STOCK	VL ARITH.* INDEX
1 yr.	-9.4	16.9
3 yr.	-8.3	16.2
5 yr.	-12.5	71.5

2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	27-29
26.03	32.58	33.29	28.96	26.55	28.67	31.20	25.48	29.47	31.38	29.24	28.22	27.02	30.11	38.60	34.18	*35.70*	*36.10*	Revenues per sh	*38.95*
2.95	5.41	4.88	4.01	5.59	5.93	6.25	5.67	6.28	7.15	6.61	7.02	7.41	7.41	7.85	7.76	*7.95*	*8.30*	"Cash Flow" per sh	*9.65*
.18	2.32	1.66	1.01	1.97	2.61	2.89	2.83	2.63	3.38	3.47	3.53	3.73	3.74	3.97	3.91	*3.90*	*4.10*	Earnings per sh A	*4.75*
1.40	1.42	1.44	1.46	1.48	1.52	1.56	1.62	1.68	1.81	1.93	2.05	2.17	2.29	2.41	2.50	*2.60*	*2.70*	Div'd Decl'd per sh B ■	*3.00*
8.51	8.90	12.04	10.03	7.90	7.97	8.92	8.90	8.89	6.09	7.62	13.31	12.22	10.47	9.14	8.15	*11.70*	*11.10*	Cap'l Spending per sh	*11.25*
27.19	27.84	28.02	27.53	27.88	29.39	30.80	28.63	30.25	31.92	36.36	38.42	40.79	43.05	45.31	47.15	*48.80*	*50.35*	Book Value per sh C	*55.75*
38.64	38.97	39.27	43.92	44.21	44.50	44.67	51.19	53.38	53.54	60.00	61.48	62.79	64.74	66.10	68.20	*70.00*	*72.00*	Common Shs Outst'g D	*75.00*
NMF	9.9	18.1	31.1	17.1	18.2	19.0	16.1	22.3	19.5	16.8	21.2	17.0	17.7	18.1	15.2	*Bold figures are*		Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	*14.5*
NMF	.66	1.15	1.95	1.09	1.02	1.00	.81	1.17	.98	.91	1.13	.87	.96	1.05	.85	*Value Line*		Relative P/E Ratio	*.80*
4.2%	6.2%	4.8%	4.6%	4.4%	3.2%	2.8%	3.5%	2.9%	2.7%	3.3%	2.7%	3.4%	3.5%	3.4%	4.2%	*estimates*		Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	*4.4%*
						1393.6	1304.6	1573.0	1680.3	1754.3	1734.9	1696.9	1949.1	2551.8	2331.3	*2500*	*2600*	Revenues ($mill)	*2920*
						128.8	128.3	140.3	186.5	192.5	214.5	232.9	236.7	258.4	262.2	*270*	*290*	Net Profit ($mill)	*355*
						33.7%	35.8%	25.1%	28.7%	19.2%	13.0%	12.2%	2.8%	8.5%	8.5%	*8.5%*	*8.5%*	Income Tax Rate	*8.5%*
						2.4%	2.7%	5.3%	2.7%	1.4%	3.3%	2.5%	2.0%	2.4%	2.4%	*2.5%*	*2.5%*	AFUDC % to Net Profit	*2.5%*
						47.9%	56.0%	66.5%	64.5%	57.5%	57.1%	57.9%	59.7%	54.6%	54.2%	*54.5%*	*55.0%*	Long-Term Debt Ratio	*56.0%*
						52.1%	44.0%	33.5%	35.5%	42.5%	42.9%	42.1%	40.3%	45.4%	45.8%	*45.5%*	*45.0%*	Common Equity Ratio	*44.0%*
						2643.6	3332.7	4825.8	4818.4	5132.4	5502.2	6089.5	6914.0	6602.3	7016.5	*7530*	*8030*	Total Capital ($mill)	*9525*
						3239.4	3259.1	4469.0	4541.4	4854.9	5503.2	6019.7	6449.2	6797.9	7119.3	*7650*	*8150*	Net Plant ($mill)	*9775*
						6.1%	4.9%	4.0%	5.2%	5.0%	4.9%	5.0%	4.5%	5.1%	4.9%	*4.5%*	*4.5%*	Return on Total Cap'l	*5.0%*
						9.4%	8.8%	8.7%	10.9%	8.8%	9.1%	9.1%	8.5%	8.6%	8.2%	*8.0%*	*8.0%*	Return on Shr. Equity	*8.5%*
						9.4%	8.8%	8.7%	10.9%	8.8%	9.1%	9.1%	8.5%	8.6%	8.2%	*8.0%*	*8.0%*	Return on Com Equity E	*8.5%*
						4.3%	3.8%	3.3%	5.3%	3.9%	3.8%	3.8%	3.3%	3.4%	2.9%	*2.5%*	*3.0%*	Retained to Com Eq	*3.0%*
						54%	57%	62%	52%	55%	58%	58%	61%	61%	64%	*67%*	*66%*	All Div'ds to Net Prof	*63%*

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 12/31/23
Total Debt $4401.2 mill. **Due in 5 Yrs** $1660.0 mill.
LT Debt $3801.2 mill. **LT Interest** $170.0 mill.
(Total Interest Coverage: 2.6x)
Leases, Uncapitalized Annual rentals $2.2 mill.

Pension Assets-12/22 $308.6 mill. **Oblig** $348.1 mill.

Pfd Stock None

Common Stock 68,196,551 shs. as of 1/31/24

MARKET CAP: $3.7 billion (Mid Cap)

ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS

	2021	2022	2023
% Change Retail Sales (KWH)	+1.5	+3.4	+1.5
Avg. Indust. Use (MWH)	NA	NA	NA
Avg. Indust. Revs. per KWH (¢)	NA	NA	NA
Capacity at Yearend (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
Peak Load, Summer (Mw)	1078	1107	1101
Annual Load Factor (%)	NA	NA	NA
% Change Customers (yr-end)	+1.0	+1.0	+.9
Fixed Charge Cov. (%)	259	281	254

ANNUAL RATES of change (per sh)	Past 10 Yrs.	Past 5 Yrs.	Est'd '21-'23 to '27-'29
Revenues	2.0%	2.5%	2.5%
"Cash Flow"	4.0%	3.0%	4.0%
Earnings	7.5%	4.0%	3.5%
Dividends	5.0%	6.0%	4.0%
Book Value	5.0%	6.5%	3.5%

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY REVENUES ($ mill.) Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	633.4	372.6	380.6	562.5	1949.1
2022	823.6	474.2	462.6	791.4	2551.8
2023	921.2	411.3	407.1	591.7	2331.3
2024	*940*	*450*	*460*	*650*	*2500*
2025	*975*	*470*	*480*	*675*	*2600*

Cal-endar	EARNINGS PER SHARE A Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	1.54	.40	.70	1.11	3.74
2022	1.82	.52	.54	1.11	3.97
2023	1.73	.35	.67	1.17	3.91
2024	*1.70*	*.40*	*.58*	*1.22*	*3.90*
2025	*1.75*	*.40*	*.65*	*1.30*	*4.10*

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID B ■ Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2020	.535	.535	.535	.565	2.17
2021	.565	.565	.565	.595	2.29
2022	.595	.595	.595	.625	2.41
2023	.625	.625	.625	.625	2.50
2024	.65				

BUSINESS: Black Hills Corporation is a holding company for Black Hills Energy, which serves 222,340 electric customers in CO, SD, WY and MT, and 1.12 million gas customers in NE, IA, KS, CO, WY, and AR. Has coal mining sub. Acq'd utility ops. from Aquila 7/08; SourceGas 2/16. Discontinued gas marketing in '11; gas & oil E&P in '17. Electric rev. breakdown: residential, 34%; commercial, 39%; industrial, 24%; other, 3%. Generating sources: coal, 35%; gas, 26%; wind, 9%; purchased, 30%. Fuel costs: 38% of revs. '23 deprec. rate: 2.9%-3.5%. Has 2,874 employees. Chairman: Steven R. Mills. President & CEO: Linden R. Evans. Inc.: SD. Address: 7001 Mount Rushmore Rd., P.O. Box 1400, Rapid City, SD 57709-1400. Telephone: 605-721-1700. Internet: www.blackhillscorp.com.

Black Hills will likely post flat per-share profits this year. With the fourth-quarter financial release, management provided bottom-line targets for the year ahead. The company expects to earn $3.80-$4.00 a share in 2024. This reflects a 4% increase at the midpoint from 2023's initial in-house targeted range of $3.65-$3.85 a share. Ultimately Black Hills earned $0.16 above plan last year ($3.91 versus $3.75 at the midpoint) as a result of some one-off, non-operating items that aren't expected to repeat again.

Share dilution and regulatory lag are problematic for earnings-per-share growth. We're actually forecasting a rise in net profits this year, but because the cost of borrowing has gone up so much in recent years, it's become increasingly difficult for regulated utilities to sustain their share-earnings growth rates. On the one hand, there's no lack of capital investment projects to go after, but the payoff for company's such as Black Hills is not what it was previously. Because most utilities, including this equity, are down significantly from their highs of a few years ago, they are receiving less funds and suffering more dilution when floating equity to keep the balance sheet viable. Meanwhile, regulators are looking backwards to what borrowing costs were over the past number of years and are in turn setting authorized return on equity (ROE) levels that aren't reflective of today's market. Seeing the reality of that situation, BKH management lowered its long-term expected growth rate for earnings per share, to 4%-6% from 5%-7%, last year.

The company is filing for rate relief in key service areas. Black Hills received incremental revenue increases through the regulatory process last year. They secured an additional $13.9 million annually from the Wyoming gas jurisdiction in May. They also have a $20.2 million settlement agreement in place for Colorado gas, that's expected to gain final approval this quarter. A $44 million Arkansas gas request has been submitted and BKH is preparing to file rate cases for Iowa gas and Colorado electric shortly.

The main draw here for long-term investors is reliable dividend growth and an above-average yield.

Anthony J. Glennon *April 19, 2024*

(A) Diluted EPS. Excl. nonrec. gains/(losses): '15, ($3.54); '16, ($1.26); '17, 14¢; '18, $1.31; '19, (25¢); '20, (8¢); discont. ops.: '08, $4.12; '09, 7¢; '11, 23¢; '12, (16¢); '17, (31¢); '18, (12¢). Qtly. EPS may not sum to full year due to rounding. Next egs. report due early May. (B) Div'ds paid in early March, June, Sept., and Dec. ■ Div'd reinv. plan avail. (C) Incl. deferred chgs. and intagibles in '23: $23.64/sh. (D) In mill. (E) Rate base: Net orig. cost. Rate allowed on com. eq. in SD in '15: none specified; in CO in '17: 9.37%. Regulatory Climate: Average.

Company's Financial Strength	B++
Stock's Price Stability	85
Price Growth Persistence	35
Earnings Predictability	100

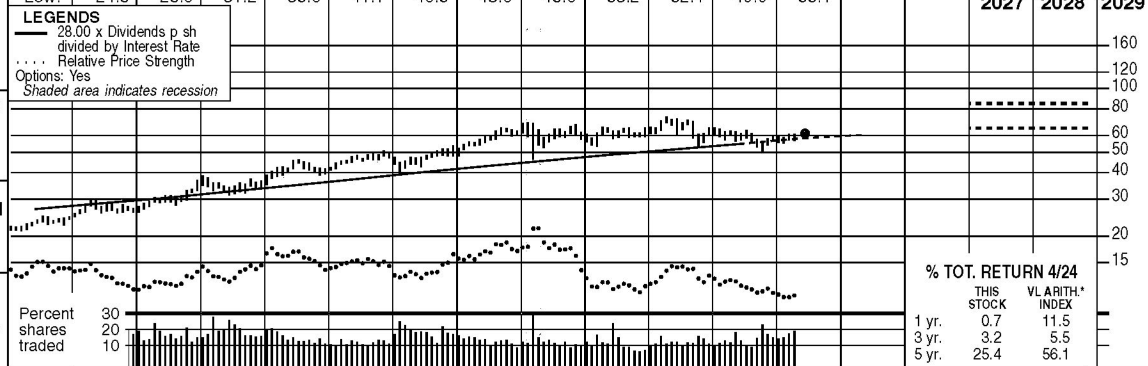
CMS ENERGY CORP. NYSE-CMS

RECENT PRICE **61.43** | P/E RATIO **18.6** (Trailing: 18.7 / Median: 21.0) | RELATIVE P/E RATIO **1.04** | DIV'D YLD **3.4%** | **VALUE LINE**

TIMELINESS 4 Lowered 5/10/24
SAFETY 2 Raised 3/8/24
TECHNICAL 3 Raised 6/7/24
BETA .85 (1.00 = Market)

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
High:	30.0	36.9	38.7	46.3	50.8	53.8	65.3	69.2	65.8	73.8	65.7	63.7
Low:	24.6	26.0	31.2	35.0	41.1	40.5	48.0	46.0	53.2	52.4	49.9	55.1

Target Price Range 2027 | 2028 | 2029



18-Month Target Price Range

Low-High	Midpoint (% to Mid)
$53-$79	$66 (5%)

2027-29 PROJECTIONS

	Price	Gain	Ann'l Total Return
High	85	(+40%)	12%
Low	65	(+5%)	5%

Institutional Decisions

	2Q2023	3Q2023	4Q2023
to Buy	297	272	293
to Sell	262	309	311
Hld's(000)	284222	280935	286313

% TOT. RETURN 4/24

	THIS STOCK	VL ARITH.* INDEX
1 yr.	0.7	11.5
3 yr.	3.2	5.5
5 yr.	25.4	56.1

2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	27-29
30.13	27.23	25.77	25.59	23.90	24.68	26.09	23.29	22.92	23.37	24.25	24.11	23.12	25.29	29.51	25.35	*26.35*	*26.95*	Revenues per sh	*31.05*
3.88	3.47	3.70	3.65	3.82	4.06	4.22	4.59	4.88	5.29	5.61	5.89	6.24	6.42	6.69	6.98	*7.95*	*8.50*	"Cash Flow" per sh	*9.25*
1.23	.93	1.33	1.45	1.53	1.66	1.74	1.89	1.98	2.17	2.32	2.39	2.64	2.58	2.84	3.01	*3.30*	*3.50*	Earnings per sh A	*3.75*
.36	.50	.66	.84	.96	1.02	1.08	1.16	1.24	1.33	1.43	1.53	1.63	1.74	1.84	1.95	*2.08*	*2.16*	Div'd Decl'd per sh B ■	*2.30*
3.50	3.59	3.29	3.47	4.65	4.98	5.73	5.64	5.99	5.91	7.32	7.41	8.02	7.16	8.15	8.18	*10.00*	*9.65*	Cap'l Spending per sh	*9.75*
10.88	11.42	11.19	11.92	12.09	12.98	13.34	14.21	15.23	15.77	16.78	17.68	19.02	22.11	23.32	24.86	*26.15*	*27.85*	Book Value per sh C	*29.50*
226.41	227.89	249.60	254.10	264.10	266.10	275.20	277.16	279.21	281.65	283.37	283.86	288.94	289.76	291.27	294.40	*300.00*	*300.50*	Common Shs Outst'g D	*301.00*
10.9	13.6	12.5	13.6	15.1	16.3	17.3	18.3	20.9	21.3	20.3	24.3	23.3	23.6	22.9	19.6	*Bold figures are*		Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	*20.0*
.66	.91	.80	.85	.96	.92	.91	.92	1.10	1.07	1.10	1.29	1.20	1.28	1.32	1.10	*Value Line*		Relative P/E Ratio	*1.10*
2.7%	4.0%	4.0%	4.3%	4.2%	3.8%	3.6%	3.4%	3.0%	2.9%	3.0%	2.6%	2.6%	2.9%	2.8%	3.3%	*estimates*		Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	*3.1%*

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 3/31/24
Total Debt $15806 mill. **Due in 5 Yrs** $2771 mill.
LT Debt $15034 mill. **LT Interest** $649 mill.
Incl. $61 mill. finance leases.
Leases, Uncapitalized Annual rentals $5 mill.
Pension Assets-12/23 $3004 mill. **Oblig** $2195 mill.
Pfd Stock $224 mill. **Pfd Div'd** $10 mill.
Incl. 373,148 shs. $4.50 $100 par, cum., callable at $110.00; 9,200,000 shs. 4.2%, $25 par, cum.
Common Stock 298,635,428 shs.
as of 4/8/24
MARKET CAP: $18.3 billion (Large Cap)

2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025		27-29
7179.0	6456.0	6399.0	6583.0	6873.0	6845.0	6680.0	7329.0	8596.0	7462.0	*7900*	*8100*	Revenues ($mill)	*9350*
479.0	525.0	553.0	610.0	659.0	682.0	757.0	751.0	833.0	886.0	*995*	*1065*	Net Profit ($mill)	*1140*
34.3%	34.0%	33.1%	31.2%	14.9%	17.7%	15.0%	11.5%	10.3%	15.4%	*15.5%*	*15.5%*	Income Tax Rate	*15.5%*
2.3%	2.7%	3.1%	1.1%	1.4%	2.1%	1.1%	1.5%	1.4%	1.4%	*1.5%*	*1.0%*	AFUDC % to Net Profit	*1.0%*
68.7%	68.3%	67.1%	67.3%	69.0%	70.4%	71.2%	64.5%	65.3%	65.9%	*65.0%*	*65.0%*	Long-Term Debt Ratio	*63.0%*
31.0%	31.4%	32.6%	32.4%	30.7%	29.4%	28.6%	34.2%	33.6%	33.1%	*35.0%*	*35.0%*	Common Equity Ratio	*37.0%*
11846	12534	13040	13692	15476	17082	19223	18760	20205	22114	*23075*	*23800*	Total Capital ($mill)	*24500*
13412	14705	15715	16761	18126	18926	21039	22352	22713	25072	*27450*	*28850*	Net Plant ($mill)	*31500*
5.7%	5.7%	5.8%	5.9%	5.6%	5.3%	5.2%	5.3%	5.4%	5.4%	*5.5%*	*6.0%*	Return on Total Cap'l	*6.0%*
12.9%	13.2%	12.9%	13.6%	13.8%	13.5%	13.7%	11.3%	11.9%	11.7%	*12.0%*	*12.5%*	Return on Shr. Equity	*12.5%*
13.0%	13.3%	13.0%	13.7%	13.8%	13.6%	13.7%	11.6%	12.1%	12.0%	*12.5%*	*12.5%*	Return on Com Equity E	*12.5%*
5.0%	5.2%	4.8%	5.2%	5.3%	4.9%	5.3%	3.8%	4.3%	4.2%	*4.5%*	*5.0%*	Retained to Com Eq	*5.0%*
62%	61%	63%	62%	62%	64%	62%	68%	65%	65%	*63%*	*62%*	All Div'ds to Net Prof	*62%*

ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS

	2021	2022	2023
% Change Retail Sales (KWH)	+2.4	+3.0	-1.0
Avg. Indust. Use (MWH)	NA	NA	NA
Avg. Indust. Revs. per KWH (¢)	8.46	8.78	8.90
Capacity at Peak (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
Peak Load, Summer (Mw)	7951	8061	8067
Annual Load Factor (%)	NA	NA	NA
% Change Customers (yr-end)	+1.0	+1.0	+1.0
Fixed Charge Cov. (%)	223	226	244

ANNUAL RATES

of change (per sh)	Past 10 Yrs.	Past 5 Yrs.	Est'd '21-'23 to '27-'29
Revenues	1.0%	2.5%	*2.5%*
"Cash Flow"	5.5%	5.0%	*5.5%*
Earnings	6.0%	5.5%	*5.0%*
Dividends	7.0%	6.5%	*4.0%*
Book Value	6.5%	8.0%	*4.0%*

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY REVENUES ($ mill.) Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	2013	1558	1725	2033	7329
2022	2374	1920	2024	2278	8596
2023	2284	1555	1673	1950	7462
2024	2176	*1700*	*1875*	*2149*	*7900*
2025	*2200*	*1745*	*2000*	*2155*	*8100*

Cal-endar	EARNINGS PER SHARE A Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	1.09	.55	.54	.40	2.58
2022	1.20	.50	.56	.58	2.84
2023	.69	.67	.60	1.05	3.01
2024	.96	*.65*	*.70*	*.99*	*3.30*
2025	*.80*	*.90*	*.80*	*1.00*	*3.50*

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID B ■ Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec. 31	Full Year
2020	.4075	.4075	.4075	.4075	1.63
2021	.435	.435	.435	.435	1.74
2022	.46	.46	.46	.46	1.84
2023	.4875	.4875	.4875	.4875	1.95
2024	.515	.515			

BUSINESS: CMS Energy Corporation is a holding company for Consumers Energy, which supplies electricity and gas to lower Michigan (excluding Detroit). Has 1.9 million electric, 1.8 million gas customers. Has 2,016 megawatts of nonregulated generating capacity. Sold EnerBank in '21. Electric revenue breakdown: residential, 47%; commercial, 33%; industrial, 14%; other, 6%. Generating sources: coal, 20%; gas, 33%; renewables, 6%; purchased, 43%. Fuel costs: 37% of revenues. '23 depreciation rates: 3.8% electric, 2.8% gas, 7.8% other. Has 8,350 full-time employees. Chairman: John G. Russell. President & CEO: Garrick Rochow. Inc.: Michigan. Address: One Energy Plaza, Jackson, Michigan 49201. Telephone: 517-788-0550. Internet: www.cmsenergy.com.

CMS Energy reported mixed results for the March period. The top line declined 5% year over year, to nearly $2.2 billion. However, the bottom line jumped almost 40%, to $0.96 per share, compared to the year-ago period. This improvement was due to lower operating expenses and benefits from rate relief. For 2024, management has guided for annual adjusted earnings per share in the range of $3.29 to $3.35. Additionally, the company anticipates achieving adjusted earnings growth of 6% to 8% over the long term.

CMS Energy's subsidiary, Consumers Energy, received an electric rate order. The Michigan Public Service Commission authorized an annual rate increase of $92 million, with a 9.9% return on equity. The new rate took effect on March 15, 2024.

Near-term profit growth is probable. The company should benefit from rate relief and ongoing cost controls. Thus, we expect 2024 and 2025 share earnings to advance in the management-guided range of 6%- 8%.

The utility is actively expanding its infrastructure to enhance cost savings and increase profitability. The company anticipates investing $17 billion through 2028 to upgrade its infrastructure. Of this total, $6.3 billion will likely be allocated to gas networks, $7.3 billion to electric distribution, and $3.4 billion to clean energy projects. This investment strategy is projected to grow the rate base by 7.5% over the specified period, enabling the company to maintain affordable prices for its customers. To note, utility companies typically have incentives to invest in such capital projects.

Meanwhile, the company is advancing smart technology deployment through its subsidiary to enhance electric reliability. Consumers Energy intends to invest $24 million in smart technology initiatives aimed at fortifying its electric grid and mitigate power outages. This investment aligns with its ongoing Reliability Roadmap, designed to bolster the resilience of the electric infrastructure.

This untimely stock has a dividend yield that is below average for a utility. Also, these shares do not stand out for 18-month capital gains potential.

Emma Jalees *June 7, 2024*

(A) Diluted GAAP EPS. Excl. nonrec. gains (losses): '09, (7¢); '10, 3¢; '11, 12¢; '12, (14¢); '17, (53¢); gains (losses) on disc. ops.: '09, 8¢; '10, (8¢); '11, 1¢; '12, 3¢; '21, $2.08; '22, 1¢. Next earnings report due late July. (B) Div'ds historically paid late Feb., May, Aug., & Nov. ■ Div'd reinvestment plan avail. (C) Incl. intang. In '23: $8.52/sh. (D) In mill. (E) Rate base: Net orig. cost. Rate all'd on com. eq. in '22: 9.9% elec.; in '19: 9.9% gas; earned on avg. com. eq., '21: 13.2%. Regulatory Climate: Above Average.

Company's Financial Strength	B++
Stock's Price Stability	95
Price Growth Persistence	60
Earnings Predictability	90

CON. EDISON NYSE-ED

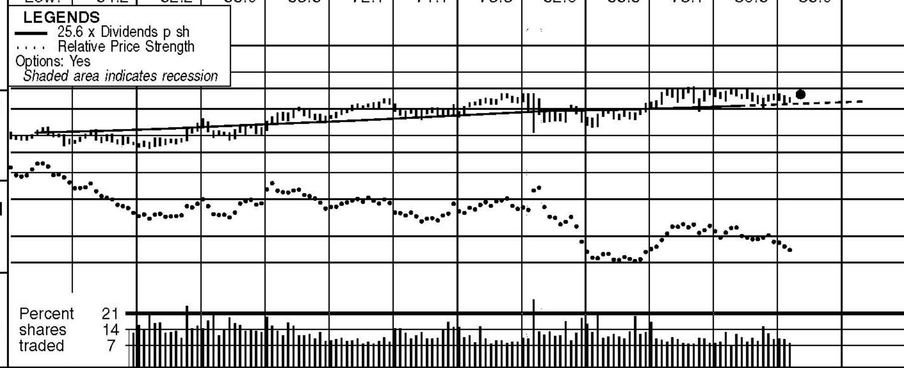
RECENT PRICE	93.97	P/E RATIO	17.7 (Trailing: 18.6 / Median: 18.0)	RELATIVE P/E RATIO	1.02	DIV'D YLD	3.6%	VALUE LINE

TIMELINESS 2 Raised 5/3/24
SAFETY 1 New 7/27/90
TECHNICAL 5 Lowered 5/3/24
BETA .80 (1.00 = Market)

High:	64.0	68.9	72.3	81.9	89.7	84.9	95.0	95.1	85.6	102.2	100.9	94.8
Low:	54.2	52.2	56.9	63.5	72.1	71.1	73.3	62.0	65.6	78.1	80.5	85.9

Target Price Range
2027 | 2028 | 2029

LEGENDS
— 25.6 x Dividends p sh
.... Relative Price Strength
Options: Yes
Shaded area indicates recession



18-Month Target Price Range

Low-High	Midpoint (% to Mid)
$81-$121	$101 (5%)

2027-29 PROJECTIONS

	Price	Gain	Ann'l Total Return
High	115	(+20%)	9%
Low	90	(-5%)	3%

Institutional Decisions

	2Q2023	3Q2023	4Q2023
to Buy	476	436	515
to Sell	461	483	450
Hld's(000)	224094	223737	230144

Percent shares traded 21 14 7

% TOT. RETURN 3/24

	THIS STOCK	VL ARITH.* INDEX
1 yr.	-1.6	16.9
3 yr.	35.4	16.2
5 yr.	27.8	71.5

2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	27-29
49.62	46.36	45.69	44.17	41.62	42.27	44.11	42.85	39.59	38.82	38.44	37.80	35.78	38.63	44.15	42.45	***44.80***	***46.85***	Revenues per sh	***53.50***
5.99	5.86	6.24	6.61	7.15	7.45	7.30	7.93	7.89	8.41	8.92	9.39	9.70	10.06	10.36	10.98	***12.10***	***12.70***	"Cash Flow" per sh	***14.60***
3.36	3.14	3.47	3.57	3.86	3.93	3.62	4.05	3.94	4.10	4.55	4.37	4.17	4.38	4.55	5.04	***5.30***	***5.60***	Earnings per sh A	***6.60***
2.34	2.36	2.38	2.40	2.42	2.46	2.52	2.60	2.68	2.76	2.86	2.96	3.06	3.10	3.16	3.24	***3.32***	***3.40***	Div'd Decl'd per sh B ■	***3.95***
8.50	7.80	6.96	6.72	7.06	8.67	8.26	10.42	12.07	11.11	10.90	10.48	11.42	11.17	11.74	13.01	***14.40***	***14.50***	Cap'l Spending per sh	***15.50***
35.43	36.46	37.93	39.05	40.53	41.81	42.94	44.55	46.88	49.74	52.11	54.18	55.06	56.60	58.28	61.25	***63.50***	***65.75***	Book Value per sh C	***74.50***
273.72	281.12	291.62	292.89	292.87	292.87	292.88	293.00	305.00	310.00	320.96	332.63	342.30	353.98	354.96	345.42	***346.00***	***347.00***	Common Shs Outst'g D	***355.00***
12.3	12.5	13.3	15.1	15.4	14.7	15.9	15.6	18.8	19.8	17.1	19.7	19.0	17.2	20.3	18.4	*Bold figures are*		Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	***15.5***
.74	.83	.85	.95	.98	.83	.84	.79	.99	1.00	.92	1.05	.98	.93	1.17	1.03	*Value Line*		Relative P/E Ratio	***.85***
5.7%	6.0%	5.2%	4.5%	4.1%	4.3%	4.4%	4.1%	3.6%	3.4%	3.7%	3.4%	3.9%	4.1%	3.4%	3.5%	*estimates*		Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	***3.9%***

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 12/31/23
Total Debt $24465 mill. **Due in 5 Yrs** $1730 mill.
LT Debt $21927 mill. **LT Interest** $962 mill.
(Total Interest Coverage: 3.0x)

Leases, Uncapitalized Annual rentals $70 mill.

Pension Assets-12/23 $15404 mill.
Oblig. $12712 mill.

Pfd Stock None

Common Stock 345,510,031 shs.
as of 1/31/24

MARKET CAP: $32.5 billion (Large Cap)

2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025		27-29
12919	12554	12075	12033	12337	12574	12246	13676	15670	14663	***15500***	***16250***	Revenues ($mill)	***19000***
1066.0	1193.0	1189.0	1266.0	1424.0	1438.0	1399.0	1528.0	1620.0	1762.0	***1835***	***1950***	Net Profit ($mill)	***2355***
34.0%	33.6%	35.3%	36.6%	20.1%	17.5%	12.9%	16.2%	15.4%	17.8%	***18.0%***	***18.0%***	Income Tax Rate	***18.0%***
.3%	.7%	1.3%	1.5%	1.5%	1.9%	2.2%	2.1%	3.4%	4.4%	***5.0%***	***5.0%***	AFUDC % to Net Profit	***5.0%***
48.0%	47.9%	50.8%	48.9%	51.1%	50.7%	52.0%	53.0%	49.3%	50.9%	***51.0%***	***51.0%***	Long-Term Debt Ratio	***52.0%***
52.0%	52.1%	49.2%	51.1%	48.9%	49.3%	48.0%	47.0%	50.7%	49.1%	***49.0%***	***49.0%***	Common Equity Ratio	***48.0%***
24207	25058	29033	30149	34221	36549	39229	42641	40834	43085	***44200***	***46750***	Total Capital ($mill)	***55000***
29827	32209	35216	37600	41749	43889	46555	48596	46766	49608	***52300***	***54800***	Net Plant ($mill)	***63200***
5.6%	6.0%	5.3%	5.4%	5.3%	5.1%	4.7%	4.7%	5.2%	5.2%	***5.0%***	***5.0%***	Return on Total Cap'l	***5.5%***
8.5%	9.1%	8.3%	8.2%	8.5%	8.0%	7.4%	7.6%	7.8%	8.3%	***8.5%***	***8.5%***	Return on Shr. Equity	***9.0%***
8.5%	9.1%	8.3%	8.2%	8.5%	8.0%	7.4%	7.6%	7.8%	8.3%	***8.5%***	***8.5%***	Return on Com Equity E	***9.0%***
2.6%	3.5%	3.0%	3.0%	3.5%	2.9%	2.2%	2.5%	2.6%	3.1%	***3.0%***	***3.5%***	Retained to Com Eq	***3.5%***
69%	61%	64%	63%	59%	64%	70%	67%	67%	62%	***63%***	***60%***	All Div'ds to Net Prof	***60%***

CECONY ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS

	2021	2022	2023
% Change Electric Sales (GWH)	-.5	+3.3	-1.4
Annual Residential Use (GWH)	11344	11875	11574
Annual Comm./Ind. Use (GWH)	9250	10522	10895
Annual Retail Choice (GWH)	21549	21116	20315
Annual Govt. & Other Use (GWH)	9185	9507	9472
% Change Customers (yr-end)	NA	NA	NA
Peak Load, Summer (MW)	13517	12424	11565
ConEd Fixed Charge Cov. (%)	352	240	217

BUSINESS: Consolidated Edison, Inc. (ConEd) is a holding company for Consolidated Edison Company of New York (CECONY), which sells electricity, gas, and steam in most of NY city and Westchester County. ConEd also owns Orange and Rockland utilities (O&R), which operates in southeastern NY and northern NJ. ConEd has 4.0 mill. electric and 1.3 mill. gas customers. Sold its portfolio of renewable power generation for $6.8 billion (3/23). Entered into midstream gas joint venture 6/16; sold it 7/21. Purchases most of its power. Fuel costs: 24% of revenues. '23 depreciation rate for CECONY: 3.6%. Employs about 14,600. Chairman, Pres., and CEO: Timothy Cawley. Inc.: NY. Addr.: 4 Irving Place, NY, NY 10003. Tel.: 212-460-4600. Internet.: www.conedison.com.

ANNUAL RATES

of change (per sh)	Past 10 Yrs.	Past 5 Yrs.	Est'd '21-'23 to '27-'29
Revenues	--	1.5%	4.0%
"Cash Flow"	4.0%	4.5%	5.5%
Earnings	2.0%	2.0%	6.0%
Dividends	2.5%	2.5%	3.5%
Book Value	4.0%	3.5%	4.5%

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY REVENUES ($ mill.) A Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	3677	2971	3613	3415	13676
2022	4060	3415	4165	4031	15670
2023	4403	2944	3872	3444	14663
2024	***4400***	***3125***	***4250***	***3725***	***15500***
2025	***4525***	***3275***	***4550***	***3900***	***16250***

Cal-endar	EARNINGS PER SHARE A Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	1.44	.53	1.41	1.00	4.38
2022	1.47	.64	1.63	.81	4.55
2023	1.82	.61	1.61	1.00	5.04
2024	***1.85***	***.65***	***1.80***	***1.00***	***5.30***
2025	***1.90***	***.70***	***1.90***	***1.10***	***5.60***

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID B ■ Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2020	.765	.765	.765	.765	3.06
2021	.775	.775	.775	.775	3.10
2022	.79	.79	.79	.79	3.16
2023	.81	.81	.81	.81	3.24
2024	.83				

Consolidated Edison is enjoying a renaissance, driven by New York's clean energy goals. ConEd's earliest corporate entity, the New York Gas Light Company, received a state charter to install natural gas lines in lower Manhattan more than 200 years ago. Gas lanterns would light the city for a time, replacing the whale oil lamps that dated to the mid-18th century. The company was listed on the New York Stock Exchange in 1824 and is the longest continuously listed issue on the NYSE. In the early 20th century, it expanded into electricity and was renamed as Consolidated Edison Company of New York in 1936. To say that ConEd is a mature company would be an understatement. Earnings per share had slowed to about a 3% annual growth rate for the opening decade of the 21st century, and 1.8% in the second 10-year stretch, before starting to improve more recently. Most of its service area was fully built out decades ago, leaving very little new investments to be made in transmission and distribution work. That all changed when New York State decided to "go green" in a big way, and ConEd is reaping the rewards.

The company reaffirmed its 5%-7% bottom-line growth target through late decade. New York is a difficult regulatory environment, but in its latest rate case, which concluded last year, the utility held a solid bargaining position. ConEd needed a reasonable increase in its regulated return on equity (ROE), from the former 8.8%, before committing billions in modernization work, necessary to prepare the grid to receive renewable energy interfaces. As a result of last year's rate decision, the company is now at a 9.25% ROE, which translated into annualized price increases for electric and gas of $442 million and $217 million, respectively, from August of 2023. Additional increases of $518 million for electric and $173 million for gas take effect this summer, followed by another hike in August, 2025 of $382 million and $122 million, respectively. ConEd is now in the upper tier of its industry in terms of earnings growth prospects.

This equity is timely. However, investors with a longer-term bent should wait for a decent pullback, as total return potential is subpar at the recent quote.

Anthony J. Glennon *May 10, 2024*

(A) Diluted EPS. Excl. nonrec. gains/losses: '13, d32¢; '14, 9¢; '16, 18¢; '17, 84¢; '18, d13¢; '19, d29¢; '20, d89¢; '21, d53¢; '22, 11¢; '23, $2.17. Excl. gain on disc. ops.: '08, $1.01. Next egs. report due early August. Quarterly figures may not sum to full year due to rounding.
(B) Div'ds paid in mid-Mar., June, Sept., and Dec. ■ Div'd reinvestment plan available.
(C) Incl. intang. In '23: $14.52/sh. (D) In mill.
(E) Rate base: net orig. cost. Rate allowed on com. eq. for CECONY in '23: 9.25%; O&R in '22: 9.2%. Regulatory Climate: Below Average.

Company's Financial Strength	A+
Stock's Price Stability	90
Price Growth Persistence	45
Earnings Predictability	100

DTE ENERGY CO. NYSE-DTE

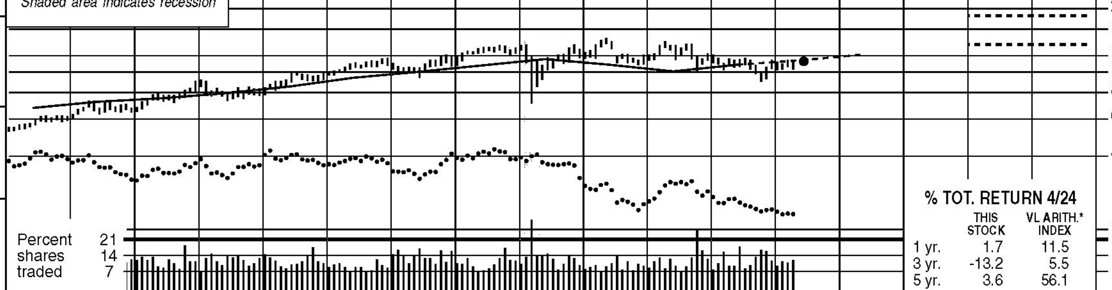
RECENT PRICE	112.96	P/E RATIO	16.9 (Trailing: 19.0) (Median: 18.0)	RELATIVE P/E RATIO	0.94	DIV'D YLD	3.6%	VALUE LINE

TIMELINESS 4 Lowered 6/7/24
SAFETY 2 Raised 12/21/12
TECHNICAL 3 Raised 6/7/24
BETA 1.00 (1.00 = Market)

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
High:	73.3	90.8	92.3	100.4	116.7	121.0	134.4	135.7	145.4	140.2	121.3	117.4
Low:	60.3	64.8	73.2	78.0	96.6	94.3	107.3	71.2	108.2	100.6	90.1	102.2

Target Price Range 2027 | 2028 | 2029

LEGENDS
— 28.00 x Dividends p sh
.... Relative Price Strength
Options: Yes
Shaded area indicates recession



18-Month Target Price Range

Low-High	Midpoint (% to Mid)
$98-$158	$128 (15%)

2027-29 PROJECTIONS

	Price	Gain	Ann'l Total Return
High	185	(+65%)	16%
Low	135	(+20%)	8%

Institutional Decisions

	2Q2023	3Q2023	4Q2023
to Buy	334	317	354
to Sell	284	324	300
Hld's(000)	154545	158915	160452

Percent shares traded 21 14 7

% TOT. RETURN 4/24

	THIS STOCK	VL ARITH.* INDEX
1 yr.	1.7	11.5
3 yr.	-13.2	5.5
5 yr.	3.6	56.1

2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	27-29
57.23	48.45	50.51	52.57	51.01	54.56	69.50	57.60	59.24	70.28	78.12	65.91	62.84	77.23	93.48	61.76	*61.30*	*63.25*	Revenues per sh	*80.10*
8.26	9.38	9.78	9.57	9.77	10.13	11.85	9.44	10.60	11.77	12.58	12.97	14.70	11.94	12.66	14.54	*15.20*	*15.95*	"Cash Flow" per sh	*17.85*
2.73	3.24	3.74	3.67	3.88	3.76	5.10	4.44	4.83	5.73	6.17	6.31	7.08	4.10	5.52	6.76	*6.70*	*7.20*	Earnings per sh A	*8.85*
2.12	2.12	2.18	2.32	2.42	2.59	2.69	2.84	3.06	3.36	3.59	3.85	4.12	3.88	3.54	3.88	*4.08*	*4.34*	Div'd Decl'd per sh B ■	*4.83*
8.42	6.26	6.49	8.77	10.56	10.59	11.58	11.26	11.40	12.54	14.91	15.59	19.91	19.47	16.42	17.02	*17.50*	*17.75*	Cap'l Spending per sh	*18.50*
36.77	37.96	39.67	41.41	42.78	44.73	47.05	48.88	50.22	53.03	56.27	60.73	64.12	44.93	46.35	53.55	*55.95*	*58.40*	Book Value per sh C	*63.10*
163.02	165.40	169.43	169.25	172.35	177.09	176.99	179.47	179.43	179.39	181.93	192.21	193.77	193.75	205.69	206.36	*205.50*	*205.50*	Common Shs Outst'g D	*206.00*
14.8	10.4	12.3	13.5	14.9	17.9	14.9	18.1	19.0	18.6	17.4	19.9	16.3	30.0	22.4	16.1	*Bold figures are*		Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	*18.0*
.89	.69	.78	.85	.95	1.01	.78	.91	1.00	.94	.94	1.06	.84	1.62	1.30	.92	*Value Line*		Relative P/E Ratio	*1.00*
5.2%	6.3%	4.8%	4.7%	4.2%	3.8%	3.5%	3.5%	3.3%	3.2%	3.3%	3.1%	3.6%	3.2%	3.4%	3.8%	*estimates*		Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	*3.5%*

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 3/31/24
Total Debt $21657 mill. **Due in 5 Yrs** $6481 mill.
LT Debt $19248 mill. **LT Interest** $514 mill.
Incl. $209 mill. securitization bonds. Incl. $19 mill. finance leases.
(LT interest earned: 1.7x)
Leases, Uncapitalized Annual rentals $16 mill.

Pension Assets-12/22 $5507 mill. **Oblig** $5857 mill.

Pfd Stock None
Common Stock 206,937,244 shs.

MARKET CAP: $23.4 billion (Large Cap)

2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025		27-29
12301	10337	10630	12607	14212	12669	12177	14964	19228	12745	*12600*	*13000*	Revenues ($mill)	*16500*
905.0	796.0	868.0	1029.0	1120.0	1169.0	1368.0	796.0	1135.4	1395.0	*1375*	*1480*	Net Profit ($mill)	*1825*
28.5%	25.6%	24.5%	21.8%	8.1%	11.5%	10.9%	- -	2.6%	4.8%	*5.0%*	*5.0%*	Income Tax Rate	*5.0%*
4.1%	4.3%	3.6%	3.5%	3.8%	3.3%	3.4%	4.9%	4.0%	3.2%	*3.0%*	*3.0%*	AFUDC % to Net Profit	*3.0%*
50.0%	50.2%	55.6%	56.2%	54.2%	57.7%	60.5%	62.5%	63.0%	61.2%	*61.5%*	*61.5%*	Long-Term Debt Ratio	*61.0%*
50.0%	49.8%	44.4%	43.8%	45.8%	42.3%	39.5%	37.5%	37.0%	38.0%	*38.5%*	*38.5%*	Common Equity Ratio	*39.0%*
16670	17607	20280	21697	22371	27607	31426	23236	25158	26282	*29000*	*30000*	Total Capital ($mill)	*32200*
16820	18034	19730	20721	21650	25317	27969	26944	28767	28169	*31500*	*32250*	Net Plant ($mill)	*36600*
6.6%	5.7%	5.3%	5.9%	6.1%	5.3%	5.4%	4.7%	4.4%	5.0%	*5.0%*	*5.0%*	Return on Total Cap'l	*6.0%*
10.9%	9.1%	9.6%	10.8%	10.9%	10.0%	11.0%	9.1%	13.0%	11.0%	*11.5%*	*11.5%*	Return on Shr. Equity	*12.5%*
10.9%	9.1%	9.6%	10.8%	10.9%	10.0%	11.0%	9.1%	13.0%	11.0%	*11.5%*	*11.5%*	Return on Com Equity E	*12.5%*
5.2%	3.4%	3.7%	4.6%	4.9%	4.1%	4.9%	.1%	2.0%	4.0%	*4.5%*	*4.5%*	Retained to Com Eq	*4.5%*
52%	63%	61%	58%	55%	59%	56%	99%	76%	60%	*60%*	*60%*	All Div'ds to Net Prof	*62%*

ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS

	2020	2021	2022
% Change Retail Sales (KWH)	-3.4	+2.1	-1.4
Avg. Indust. Use (MWH)	NA	NA	NA
Avg. Indust. Revs. per KWH (¢)	NMF	NMF	NMF
Capacity at Peak (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
Peak Load, Summer (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
Annual Load Factor (%)	NA	NA	NA
% Change Customers (yr-end)	NA	NA	NA
Fixed Charge Cov. (%)	268	233	264

ANNUAL RATES

of change (per sh)	Past 10 Yrs.	Past 5 Yrs.	Est'd '21-'23 to '27-'29
Revenues	3.0%	2.5%	*5.0%*
"Cash Flow"	3.0%	4.5%	*4.5%*
Earnings	4.0%	2.5%	*4.5%*
Dividends	5.5%	5.5%	*3.0%*
Book Value	3.0%	1.5%	*1.0%*

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY REVENUES ($ mill.) Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	3581	3021	3715	4647	14964
2022	4577	4924	5251	4476	19228
2023	3779	2684	2888	3394	12745
2024	3240	***2400***	***2850***	***4110***	***12600***
2025	***3400***	***2500***	***2900***	***4200***	***13000***

Cal-endar	EARNINGS PER SHARE A Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	1.65	.60	.30	1.55	4.10
2022	2.03	.19	1.99	1.31	5.52
2023	2.16	.97	1.61	2.02	6.76
2024	1.51	***1.20***	***1.90***	***2.09***	***6.70***
2025	***2.40***	***1.30***	***2.00***	***1.50***	***7.20***

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID B ■ Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2020	1.0125	1.0125	1.0125	1.0125	4.05
2021	.9225	.9225	.9225	.825	3.59
2022	.885	.885	.885	.885	3.54
2023	.9525	.9525	.9525	1.02	3.88
2024	1.02				

BUSINESS: DTE Energy Company is a holding company for DTE Electric (formerly Detroit Edison), which supplies electricity in Detroit and a 7,600-square-mile area in southeastern Michigan, and DTE Gas (formerly Michigan Consolidated Gas). Customers: 2.2 mill. electric, 1.3 mill. gas. Has various nonutility operations. Electric revenue breakdown: residential, 50%; commercial, 33%; industrial, 11%; other, 6%. Generating sources: coal, 67%; nuclear, 17%; gas, 1%; purchased, 15%. Fuel costs: 62% of revenues. '22 reported deprec. rates: 4.2% electric, 2.9% gas. Has 10,600 employees. Chairman, President & CEO: Jerry Norcia. Incorporated: Michigan. Address: One Energy Plaza, Detroit, Michigan 48226-1279. Tel.: 313-235-4000. Internet: www.dteenergy.com.

DTE Energy's electric utility subsidiary has filed another general rate case. The utility is seeking an increase of $456 million to improve reliability. Note, DTE received a $368.1 million electricity rate increase in December, compared to its initial request of $620 million. As a result of this and past decisions, we think the Michigan Public Service Commission will likely give the utility an unfavorable, but reasonable, ruling. This shouldn't have too much of an effect on the company's results this year, but will probably boost profits nicely in 2025.

We have slightly lowered our 2024 earnings-per-share estimate. The first-quarter performance was negatively impacted by inflationary pressures and the interest rate environment, which led to higher rate base costs. And, these challenges should persist throughout this year, before the utility is able to pass on higher costs to consumers. Our earnings estimate is now right near the midpoint of DTE Energy's targeted range of $6.54-$6.83 a share, and within the company's 6%-8% long-term profit growth forecast based off original 2023 guidance.

DTE Energy is well positioned for the long term. The utility's grid investments to improve maintenance and infrastructure, reduce outages, and enhance tree trimming should come to fruition over that interim and benefit operations. DTE plans to fully automate the grid within five to six years, and we think it's in a great position to take advantage of elevated power demand from data centers and tech innovations. Too, the utility should be able to pass on the aforementioned higher costs associated with the challenging macroeconomic climate to the consumer. Our 2025 bottom-line estimate is staying put at $7.20 per share.

Conservative, income-oriented, long-term investors may be attracted to this issue. Indeed, the dividend yield is in line with the high-paying industry average, and has a decent annual dividend growth rate of 3.0%. Too, 18-month and 3- to 5-year appreciation potential is solid in comparison to most of its peers. These shares also hold a high mark for Price Stability (90), and are ranked Above Average (2) for Safety.

Zachary J. Hodgkinson *June 7, 2024*

(A) Diluted EPS. Excl. nonrec. gains (loss): '08, 50¢; '11, 51¢; '15, (39¢); '17, 59¢; gains (losses) on discontinued operations: '08, 13¢; '12, (33¢); '21, 57¢. Next earnings report due late July. (B) Div'ds paid mid-Jan., Apr., July & Oct. ■ Div'd reinvestment plan available. (C) Incl. intang. In '22: $29.20/sh. (D) In mill. (E) Rate base: Net orig. cost. Rate allowed on common equity in '20: 9.9% elec.; in '22: 9.9% gas; earned on avg. com. eq., '21: 7.6%. Regulatory Climate: Above Average.

Company's Financial Strength	B++
Stock's Price Stability	90
Price Growth Persistence	45
Earnings Predictability	70

DOMINION ENERGY NYSE-D

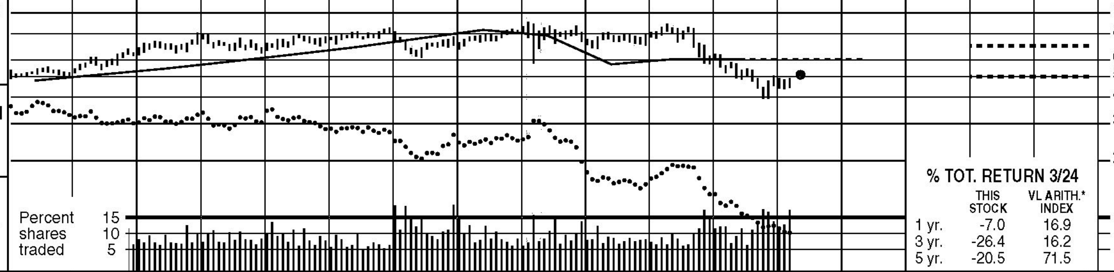
RECENT PRICE 51.14 | P/E RATIO 18.3 (Trailing: 25.8; Median: 21.0) | RELATIVE P/E RATIO 1.05 | DIV'D YLD 5.2% | VALUE LINE

TIMELINESS 3 Raised 3/29/24
SAFETY 3 Lowered 9/29/23
TECHNICAL 5 Lowered 4/26/24
BETA .90 (1.00 = Market)

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
High:	68.0	80.9	79.9	79.0	85.3	81.7	83.9	90.9	81.1	88.8	63.9	51.4
Low:	51.9	63.1	64.5	66.3	70.9	61.5	67.4	57.8	67.9	57.2	39.2	43.5

LEGENDS
— 22.7 x Dividends p sh
.... Relative Price Strength
Options: Yes
Shaded area indicates recession

Target Price Range 2027 | 2028 | 2029



18-Month Target Price Range

Low-High	Midpoint (% to Mid)
$33-$60	$47 (-10%)

2027-29 PROJECTIONS

	Price	Gain	Ann'l Total Return
High	70	(+35%)	12%
Low	50	(Nil)	5%

Institutional Decisions

	2Q2023	3Q2023	4Q2023
to Buy	562	485	467
to Sell	625	658	681
Hld's(000)	595361	609936	611917

% TOT. RETURN 3/24

	THIS STOCK	VL ARITH.* INDEX
1 yr.	-7.0	16.9
3 yr.	-26.4	16.2
5 yr.	-20.5	71.5

2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	27-29
27.94	25.26	26.16	25.23	22.73	22.58	21.26	19.60	18.69	19.51	19.63	19.78	17.58	17.24	20.57	17.18	**18.15**	**18.60**	Revenues per sh	**20.45**
5.07	4.82	5.10	5.04	5.24	5.47	5.71	5.99	6.32	6.89	7.24	7.65	7.17	7.27	7.81	5.58	**6.50**	**7.20**	"Cash Flow" per sh	**7.95**
3.04	2.64	2.89	2.76	2.75	3.09	3.05	3.20	3.44	3.53	4.05	4.24	3.54	3.86	4.11	1.99	**2.80**	**3.35**	Earnings per sh A	**4.00**
1.58	1.75	1.83	1.97	2.11	2.25	2.40	2.59	2.80	3.04	3.34	3.67	3.45	2.52	2.67	2.67	**2.67**	**2.67**	Div'd Decl'd per sh B ■	**2.67**
6.10	6.41	5.89	6.41	7.20	7.06	9.14	9.35	9.69	8.53	6.25	5.94	7.47	7.36	9.09	12.19	**12.70**	**12.45**	Cap'l Spending per sh	**9.00**
17.28	18.67	20.65	20.08	18.35	20.04	19.75	21.25	23.26	26.58	29.53	35.33	29.44	31.51	31.26	30.72	**31.00**	**31.90**	Book Value per sh C	**36.35**
583.00	599.00	581.00	570.00	576.00	581.00	585.00	596.00	628.00	645.00	681.00	838.00	806.00	810.00	835.00	838.00	**843.00**	**850.00**	Common Shs Outst'g D	**880.00**
13.8	12.7	14.3	17.3	18.9	19.2	23.0	22.1	21.3	22.2	17.5	18.2	22.6	19.5	18.7	26.1	*Bold figures are*		Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	**15.0**
.83	.85	.91	1.09	1.20	1.08	1.21	1.11	1.12	1.12	.95	.97	1.16	1.05	1.08	1.46	*Value Line*		Relative P/E Ratio	**.85**
3.8%	5.2%	4.4%	4.1%	4.1%	3.8%	3.4%	3.7%	3.8%	3.9%	4.7%	4.8%	4.3%	3.3%	3.5%	5.1%	*estimates*		Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	**4.5%**

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 12/31/23
Total Debt $44243 mill. **Due in 5 Yrs** $13361 mill.
LT Debt $33248 mill. **LT Interest** $1674 mill.
(Total Interest coverage: 2.2x)
Leases, Uncapitalized Annual rentals $60 mill.

Pension Assets-12/23 $9087 mill. **Oblig.** $8431 mill.
Pfd Stock $1783 mill. **Pfd Divd** $81 mill.

Common Stock 837,443,257 shs. as of 2/19/24

MARKET CAP: $42.8 billion (Large Cap)

2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025		27-29
12436	11683	11737	12586	13366	16572	14172	13964	17174	14393	**15300**	**15800**	Revenues ($mill)	**18000**
1793.0	1899.0	2123.0	2244.0	2651.0	3447.0	3006.0	3191.0	3505.0	1743.0	**2455**	**2940**	Net Profit ($mill)	**3620**
28.1%	32.0%	22.8%	27.2%	17.3%	20.3%	12.2%	13.7%	16.3%	18.9%	**17.0%**	**17.0%**	Income Tax Rate	**17.0%**
4.5%	5.3%	7.5%	10.5%	5.1%	2.6%	3.4%	3.7%	3.2%	9.1%	**6.5%**	**6.0%**	AFUDC % to Net Profit	**5.0%**
65.4%	65.1%	67.4%	64.4%	60.8%	51.4%	56.5%	56.4%	58.3%	54.7%	**53.0%**	**54.5%**	Long-Term Debt Ratio	**56.0%**
34.6%	34.9%	32.6%	35.6%	39.2%	45.0%	39.5%	38.5%	39.1%	42.4%	**44.0%**	**42.5%**	Common Equity Ratio	**41.5%**
33360	36280	44836	48090	51251	65818	60074	66344	66795	60777	**59400**	**63750**	Total Capital ($mill)	**77100**
36270	41554	49964	53758	54560	69082	57848	59774	63460	58780	**61700**	**67550**	Net Plant ($mill)	**80400**
6.6%	6.5%	6.0%	5.9%	6.5%	6.4%	6.2%	5.9%	6.0%	4.2%	**5.0%**	**5.5%**	Return on Total Cap'l	**6.0%**
15.5%	15.0%	14.5%	13.1%	13.2%	10.8%	11.5%	11.0%	12.6%	6.3%	**9.0%**	**10.0%**	Return on Shr. Equity	**10.5%**
15.4%	15.0%	14.5%	13.1%	13.2%	11.6%	12.4%	12.2%	13.1%	6.5%	**9.0%**	**10.5%**	Return on Com Equity E	**11.0%**
3.3%	2.9%	2.7%	1.8%	2.3%	1.5%	.3%	4.3%	4.6%	NMF	**.5%**	**2.0%**	Retained to Com Eq	**3.5%**
79%	81%	81%	86%	82%	87%	98%	66%	66%	NMF	**95%**	**80%**	All Div'ds to Net Prof	**67%**

ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS

	2021	2022	2023
% Change Retail Sales (MWH)	+2.1	+5.0	-1.1
Avg. Indust. Use (MWH)	NA	NA	NA
Avg. Indust. Revs. per KWH (¢)	NA	NA	NA
Capacity at Peak (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
Peak Load, Summer (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
Annual Load Factor (%)	NA	NA	NA
% Change Customers (yr-end)	+1.4	+1.1	+1.2
Fixed Charge Cov. (%)	227	272	201

ANNUAL RATES of change (per sh)	Past 10 Yrs.	Past 5 Yrs.	Est'd '21-'23 to '27-'29
Revenues	-2.5%	-1.0%	*2.0%*
"Cash Flow"	2.5%	--	*2.5%*
Earnings	1.5%	-2.0%	*3.0%*
Dividends	2.0%	-3.0%	*.5%*
Book Value	5.0%	3.5%	*1.5%*

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY REVENUES ($ mill.) Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	3870	3038	3176	3880	13964
2022	4279	3596	4386	4913	17174
2023	3883	3166	3810	3534	14393
2024	***3700***	***3600***	***4225***	***3775***	***15300***
2025	***3850***	***3725***	***4350***	***3875***	***15800***

Cal-endar	EARNINGS PER SHARE A Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	1.09	.76	1.11	.90	3.86
2022	1.18	.77	1.11	1.06	4.11
2023	.59	.35	.75	.29	1.99
2024	***.55***	***.60***	***.90***	***.75***	***2.80***
2025	***.80***	***.80***	***.95***	***.80***	***3.35***

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID B ■ Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2020	.94	.94	.94	.63	3.45
2021	.63	.63	.63	.63	2.52
2022	.6675	.6675	.6675	.6675	2.67
2023	.6675	.6675	.6675	.6675	2.67
2024	.6675				

BUSINESS: Dominion Energy, Inc. (formerly Dominion Resources) is a holding company for Virginia Power, North Carolina Power, & South Carolina E&G, which serve 3.5 mill. customers in VA, SC, & NC. Serves 3.5 mill. gas customers in OH, WV, UT, SC, & NC. Other ops. incl. independent power production. Acq'd Questar 9/16; SCANA 1/19. Elec. rev. breakdown: residential, 44%; commercial, 39%; industrial, 7%; other, 10%. Generating sources: gas, 36%; nuclear, 29%; coal, 5%; renewable, 5%; purchased, 25%. Power/fuel costs: 31% of revs. '23 reported deprec. rates: 2.3%-4.2%. Employs 17,700. Chair, Pres. & CEO: Robert M. Blue. Inc.: VA. Address: 120 Tredegar St., P.O. Box 26532, Richmond, VA 23261-6532. Tel.: 804-819-2000. Internet: www.dominionenergy.com.

Dominion Energy has nearly completed its restructuring. Announced 18 months ago, it was described by management as a full analysis, including a look at alternatives to the business mix and capital allocation. One solace for existing shareholders is that Dominion is maintaining the current dividend level. It plans to grow its way out of the constraints of a high payout ratio. This means that it will take years before the company is in a position to resume dividend growth. There are a number of non-strategic assets being divested, which will take time to receive regulatory approval and close. Hence, the company's income statement for both 2023 and this year are transitory. Revenue comes off the books right away, but it takes time to see the benefits from more than $16 billion in debt relief that mostly arrives later. Our 2025 share-earnings estimate may not fully reflect where the company is at in terms of earnings power, post restructuring.

The stock price has begun to recover of late, as the financial picture has become clearer. A good portion of the year-long nose dive in the equity's value was attributable to weakness among utilities in general, responding to higher interest rates. Most of the decline was from uncertainty and the loss of near- to intermediate-term earnings power. What the company has done is basically a financial reset. Dominion gave up income from its divestitures to improve the balance sheet and position itself for a more sustainable 5%-7% annual profit growth over the longer term (from 2025's base year). In September, the 50% stake in the Cove Point liquefied natural gas operation in Maryland was sold to Berkshire Hathaway for $3.3 billion. That same month, the company agreed to sell three natural gas utilities for $9.4 billion in cash and $4.6 billion in assumed debt to Enbridge. Dominion is also in the process of bringing on an equity partner to help fund and reduce its considerable business risk from offshore wind generation.

The stout dividend yield is the main draw here. And investors will be giving up dividend growth for the above-average income. We don't see a lot of recovery potential for D stock from the recent price.

Anthony J. Glennon *May 10, 2024*

(A) Dil. egs. Excl. nonrec. gain/(loss): '08, 12¢; '09, (47¢); '10, $2.13; '11, (31¢); '12, ($2.18); '14, (81¢); '17, $1.19; '18, (31¢); '19, ($2.62); '20, ($1.72); '21, (67¢); '22, ($3.03); '23, 49¢; gain/(losses) from disc. ops.: '10, (26¢); '12, (4¢); '13, (16¢); '20, ($2.39); '21, 79¢; '22, 1¢; '23, (19¢). Next egs. report due early August. (B) Div'ds paid mid-Mar., June, Sept., & Dec. ■ Div'd reinv. plan avail. (C) Incl. intang. In '23: $16.04/sh. (D) In mill. (E) Rate base: Net orig. cost, adj. Rate all'd on com. eq. in VA in '22: 9.35%; in SC in '21: 9.5%. Regult'y. Clim.: Avg.

Company's Financial Strength	B++
Stock's Price Stability	85
Price Growth Persistence	25
Earnings Predictability	80

EDISON INTERNAT'L NYSE-EIX

RECENT PRICE	70.68	P/E RATIO	14.3 (Trailing: 14.8 Median: 14.0)	RELATIVE P/E RATIO	0.78	DIV'D YLD	4.5%	VALUE LINE

TIMELINESS **3** Raised 3/1/24

SAFETY **3** Lowered 11/23/18

TECHNICAL **3** Lowered 3/22/24

BETA 1.00 (1.00 = Market)

High:	54.2	68.7	69.6	78.7	83.4	71.0	76.4	78.9	68.6	73.3	74.9	73.3
Low:	44.3	44.7	55.2	58.0	62.7	45.5	53.4	43.6	53.9	54.4	58.8	63.2

Target Price Range 2027 | 2028 | 2029

18-Month Target Price Range

Low-High	Midpoint (% to Mid)
$55-$90	$73 (5%)

2027-29 PROJECTIONS

	Price	Gain	Ann'l Total Return
High	115	(+65%)	16%
Low	75	(+5%)	6%

Institutional Decisions

	2Q2023	3Q2023	4Q2023
to Buy	369	361	356
to Sell	304	299	362
Hld's(000)	340122	336919	342030

% TOT. RETURN 3/24

	THIS STOCK	VL ARITH.* INDEX
1 yr.	4.7	16.9
3 yr.	37.8	16.2
5 yr.	41.6	71.5

2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	27-29
43.31	37.98	38.09	39.16	36.41	38.61	41.17	35.37	36.43	37.81	38.85	34.11	35.83	39.18	45.05	42.56	*44.95*	*47.40*	Revenues per sh	*53.85*
8.08	7.96	8.41	9.03	9.63	8.80	9.95	10.35	10.43	11.03	4.69	9.39	9.80	10.59	11.51	11.80	*12.85*	*13.60*	"Cash Flow" per sh	*15.00*
3.68	3.24	3.35	3.23	4.55	3.78	4.33	4.15	3.94	4.51	d1.26	4.70	4.52	4.59	4.63	4.76	*4.95*	*5.50*	Earnings per sh A	*6.55*
1.23	1.25	1.27	1.29	1.31	1.37	1.48	1.73	1.98	2.23	2.43	2.48	2.58	2.69	2.84	2.99	*3.14*	*3.29*	Div'd Decl'd per sh B ■	*3.86*
8.67	10.07	13.94	14.76	12.73	11.05	11.99	12.97	11.46	11.75	13.84	13.47	14.47	14.47	15.12	14.19	*15.75*	*16.25*	Cap'l Spending per sh	*17.00*
29.21	30.20	32.44	30.86	28.95	30.50	33.64	34.89	36.82	35.82	32.10	36.75	37.08	36.57	35.70	36.02	*38.00*	*40.40*	Book Value per sh C	*48.25*
325.81	325.81	325.81	325.81	325.81	325.81	325.81	325.81	325.81	325.81	325.81	361.99	378.91	380.38	382.21	383.93	*386.00*	*388.00*	Common Shs Outst'g D	*390.00*
12.4	9.7	10.3	11.8	9.7	12.7	13.0	14.8	17.9	17.2	--	14.1	13.3	12.9	14.0	14.4	*Bold figures are Value Line estimates*		Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	*14.5*
.75	.65	.66	.74	.62	.71	.68	.75	.94	.87	--	.75	.68	.70	.81	.80			Relative P/E Ratio	*.80*
2.7%	4.0%	3.7%	3.4%	3.0%	2.8%	2.6%	2.8%	2.8%	2.9%	3.8%	3.7%	4.3%	4.5%	4.4%	4.4%			Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	*4.1%*

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 12/31/23
Total Debt $34090 mill. **Due in 5 Yrs** $10489 mill.
LT Debt $30316 mill. **LT Interest** $1565 mill.
(Total Interest Coverage: 2.4x)
Leases, Uncapitalized Annual rentals $166 mill.

Pension Assets-12/22 $3609 mill. **Oblig** $3647 mill.

Pfd Stock $4116 mill. **Pfd Div'd** $225 mill.

Common Stock 384,524,276 shs. as of 2/15/24

MARKET CAP: $27.2 billion (Large Cap)

2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025		27-29
13413	11524	11869	12320	12657	12347	13578	14905	17220	16338	*17350*	*18400*	Revenues ($mill)	*21000*
1539.0	1480.0	1422.0	1603.0	d290.0	1716.0	1818.0	1907.0	1977.0	2035.0	*2120*	*2345*	Net Profit ($mill)	*2770*
22.4%	6.6%	11.1%	5.0%	--	1.2%	5.0%	18.0%	12.5%	14.9%	*13.0%*	*13.0%*	Income Tax Rate	*13.0%*
5.8%	8.0%	6.8%	7.2%	--	9.6%	9.6%	8.8%	9.6%	11.4%	*11.0%*	*10.5%*	AFUDC % to Net Profit	*10.0%*
44.1%	45.0%	41.8%	45.6%	53.6%	53.5%	55.2%	57.6%	60.7%	62.8%	*64.0%*	*64.0%*	Long-Term Debt Ratio	*65.0%*
47.2%	46.7%	49.2%	45.8%	38.3%	39.9%	39.5%	33.2%	30.6%	28.7%	*28.0%*	*28.5%*	Common Equity Ratio	*28.5%*
23216	24352	24362	25506	27284	33360	35581	41959	44547	48260	*52150*	*55350*	Total Capital ($mill)	*65650*
32981	35085	37000	39050	41348	44285	47839	50700	53486	56084	*59100*	*62250*	Net Plant ($mill)	*72200*
7.7%	7.1%	6.9%	7.3%	.1%	6.4%	6.3%	5.6%	5.7%	5.8%	*5.0%*	*5.5%*	Return on Total Cap'l	*5.5%*
11.9%	11.1%	10.0%	11.6%	NMF	11.1%	11.4%	10.7%	11.3%	11.3%	*11.5%*	*12.0%*	Return on Shr. Equity	*12.0%*
13.0%	12.0%	10.8%	12.7%	NMF	12.0%	12.0%	12.5%	12.9%	13.1%	*13.0%*	*13.5%*	Return on Com Equity E	*13.5%*
8.8%	7.2%	5.6%	6.6%	NMF	5.9%	5.4%	5.4%	5.2%	5.0%	*5.0%*	*5.5%*	Retained to Com Eq	*5.5%*
37%	44%	53%	52%	NMF	54%	58%	61%	64%	66%	*67%*	*63%*	All Div'ds to Net Prof	*62%*

ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS

	2021	2022	2023
% Change Retail Sales (KWH)	-3.9	+.9	-6.3
Avg. Indust. Use (MWH)	NA	NA	NA
Avg. Indust. Revs. per KWH (¢)	NA	NA	NA
Capacity at Peak (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
Peak Load, Summer (Mw)	21190	24345	21254
Annual Load Factor (%)	52.7	45.8	49.7
% Change Customers (yr-end)	+.3	+.8	+.7
Fixed Charge Cov. (%)	113	135	166

ANNUAL RATES of change (per sh)	Past 10 Yrs.	Past 5 Yrs.	Est'd '21-'23 to '27-'29
Revenues	1.0%	2.5%	*4.0%*
"Cash Flow"	2.0%	5.5%	*5.0%*
Earnings	2.0%	14.0%	*6.0%*
Dividends	8.0%	5.0%	*5.5%*
Book Value	2.0%	0.5%	*5.0%*

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY REVENUES ($ mill.) Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	2960	3315	5299	3331	14905
2022	3968	4008	5228	4016	17220
2023	3966	3964	4702	3706	16338
2024	*4250*	*4300*	*4950*	*3850*	*17350*
2025	*4500*	*4550*	*5250*	*4100*	*18400*

Cal-endar	EARNINGS PER SHARE A Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	.79	.94	1.69	1.16	4.59
2022	1.07	.94	1.48	1.15	4.63
2023	1.09	1.01	1.38	1.28	4.76
2024	*1.15*	*1.05*	*1.45*	*1.30*	*4.95*
2025	*1.30*	*1.15*	*1.60*	*1.45*	*5.50*

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID B ■ Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2020	.6375	.6375	.6375	.6375	2.55
2021	.6625	.6625	.6625	.6625	2.65
2022	.70	.70	.70	.70	2.80
2023	.7375	.7375	.7375	.7375	2.95
2024	.78				

BUSINESS: Edison International is a holding company for Southern California Edison Company (SoCal Edison), which supplies electricity to 5.28 mill. customers in a 50,000-sq.-mi. area in central, coastal, & southern CA (excl. Los Angeles & San Diego). Edison Energy is an energy svcs. co. Disc. Edison Mission Energy (independent power producer) in '12. Elec. rev. breakdown: residential, 40%; commercial, 43%; industrial, 3%; other, 14%. Generating sources: nuclear, 9%; gas, 5%; hydroelectric, 6%; purchased, 80%. Power costs: 34% of revs. '23 reported depr. rate: 4.1%. Employs 14,316. Board Chair: Peter J. Taylor. President & CEO: Pedro J. Pizzaro. Inc.: CA. Address: 2244 Walnut Grove Ave., P.O. Box 976, Rosemead, CA 91770. Tel.: 626-302-2222. Web: www.edison.com.

Edison International should see decent earnings gains in 2024. This year's weather comparisons are not particularly difficult. And, the utility ought to continue to prosper from the escalation mechanism set forth in the 2021 General Rate Case (GRC) decision that allows it to bill for certain types of expenses, alleviating regulatory lag to a large degree. Load growth in California is healthy, at about 3% due to trends in electrification for vehicles and heavy equipment. This leads to plenty of transmission and distribution work that pays off rapidly in terms of return on investment for regulated utilities in California. Fire mitigation work also keeps the rate base growing. Edison's current authorized return on equity (ROE) is 10.3%, which is fairly generous relative to the rates that peers have been receiving in other states. That said, the company may get a further lift next year in that regard.

Edison has a general rate case decision coming its way in 2025. State peer, PG&E, received favorable terms from the California Public Utilities Commission, with a recent boost to its authorized ROE to 10.7% without too much public backlash. There's a reasonable chance that Edison will get a lift in its investment returns, as well. As such, we're projecting a 6% gain in earning per share next year.

Wildfire headline risk comes with the territory here. In October, Orange County filed a lawsuit alleging EIX's equipment caused forest fires in 2020 and 2022. Dollar amounts sought weren't given. In February, the company agreed to pay an $80 million settlement to the federal government for forestland burned in the 2017 Thomson fire. In recent years, EIX has paid out billions of dollars in lawsuit settlements associated with the role its power lines played in 2017 and 2018 forest fires. Notably, management recently said the settlement payout process has nearly run its course. The company also believes it has reduced its risk of causing a blaze by 88% as a result of its ongoing mitigation work.

This neutrally ranked equity (Timeliness: 3, Average) doesn't stand out from the crowd at the recent quotation. On a total-return basis, EIX is right at the utility industry median.

Anthony J. Glennon *April 19, 2024*

(A) Adjusted (non-GAAP) EPS from 2019 on. Excl. gains/(losses): nonrecur's ; '10, 54¢; '11, ($3.33); '13, ($1.12); '15, ($1.18); '17, ($1.37); '18, (14¢); '19, (92¢); '20, ($2.54); '21, ($2.59); '22, ($3.02); '23, ($1.34); disc. ops.: '13, 11¢; '14, 57¢; '15, 11¢; '18, 10¢. Qtly. EPS may not sum to full yr. due to rounding. Next egs. report due early May. (B) Div'ds paid late Jan., Apr., July, & Oct. ■ Div'd reinv. plan avail. (C) Incl. def'd chgs. In '23: $4.36/sh. (D) In mill. (E) Rate base: net orig. cost. Rate all'd on com. eq. in '20: 10.3%; Regulatory Climate: Avg.

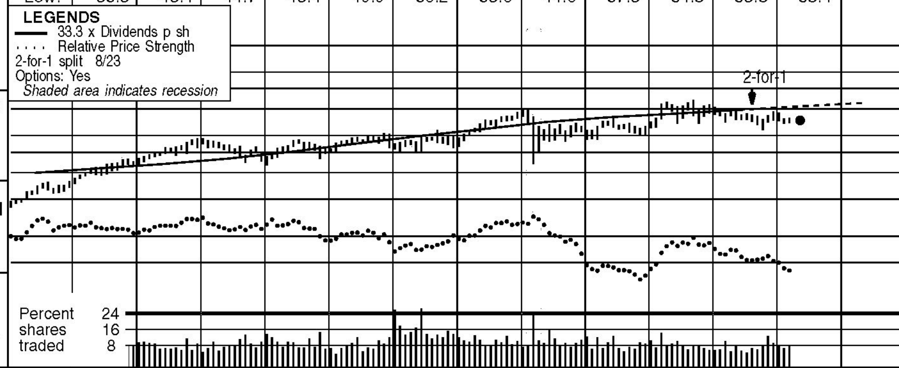
Company's Financial Strength	B++
Stock's Price Stability	85
Price Growth Persistence	25
Earnings Predictability	10

SEMPRA ENERGY NYSE-SRE

RECENT PRICE	P/E RATIO		RELATIVE P/E RATIO	DIV'D YLD	
70.77	15.0	(Trailing: 15.4 Median: 20.0)	0.82	3.5%	VALUE LINE

TIMELINESS **4** Raised 12/1/23
SAFETY **2** Raised 7/29/16
TECHNICAL **4** Lowered 3/29/24
BETA 1.00 (1.00 = Market)

High:	46.5	58.2	58.1	57.3	61.5	63.6	77.2	80.9	72.5	88.2	81.8	77.1
Low:	35.3	43.4	44.7	43.4	49.9	50.2	53.0	44.0	57.3	64.8	63.8	68.4



Target Price Range
2027 | 2028 | 2029
160
120
100
80
60
50
40
30
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15

18-Month Target Price Range

Low-High	Midpoint (% to Mid)
$61-$105	$83 (15%)

2027-29 PROJECTIONS

	Price	Gain	Ann'l Total Return
High	120	(+70%)	17%
Low	90	(+25%)	10%

Institutional Decisions

	2Q2023	3Q2023	4Q2023
to Buy	446	915	502
to Sell	389	115	427
Hld's(000)	539812	531380	566873

% TOT. RETURN 3/24

	THIS STOCK	VL ARITH.* INDEX
1 yr.	-1.7	16.9
3 yr.	19.3	16.2
5 yr.	34.1	71.5

2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	27-29
22.11	16.44	18.72	20.91	19.90	21.59	22.40	20.60	20.35	22.29	21.34	18.56	19.71	20.28	22.97	26.48	***24.75***	***26.25***	Revenues per sh	***29.30***
3.70	3.97	3.88	4.29	4.46	4.43	4.70	5.16	4.75	5.29	5.53	5.57	6.61	7.09	7.85	8.15	***8.35***	***9.00***	"Cash Flow" per sh	***10.75***
2.22	2.39	2.01	2.24	2.18	2.11	2.32	2.62	2.12	2.32	2.74	2.99	3.69	4.22	4.61	4.61	***4.80***	***5.15***	Earnings per sh A	***6.30***
.69	.78	.78	.96	1.20	1.26	1.32	1.40	1.51	1.65	1.79	1.94	2.09	2.20	2.29	2.38	***2.48***	***2.58***	Div'd Decl'd per sh B ■	***3.08***
4.24	3.88	4.29	5.93	6.10	5.26	6.34	6.36	8.42	7.86	6.91	6.36	8.10	7.91	8.52	13.30	***13.25***	***14.00***	Cap'l Spending per sh	***15.75***
16.38	18.27	18.77	20.50	21.21	22.51	22.99	23.78	25.89	25.20	27.18	30.29	35.06	39.59	41.72	44.00	***46.90***	***49.55***	Book Value per sh C	***59.65***
486.65	493.02	480.89	479.87	484.74	488.92	492.66	496.60	500.31	502.72	547.54	583.43	576.94	633.84	628.67	631.43	***646.00***	***648.00***	Common Shs Outst'g D	***665.00***
11.8	10.1	12.6	11.8	14.9	19.7	21.9	19.7	24.4	24.3	20.4	22.5	17.5	15.4	16.8	16.1	*Bold figures are*		Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	***16.5***
.71	.67	.80	.74	.95	1.11	1.15	.99	1.28	1.22	1.10	1.20	.90	.83	.97	.90	*Value Line*		Relative P/E Ratio	***.90***
2.6%	3.2%	3.1%	3.6%	3.7%	3.0%	2.6%	2.7%	2.9%	2.9%	3.2%	2.9%	3.2%	3.4%	3.0%	3.2%	*estimates*		Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	***3.0%***

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 12/31/23
Total Debt $31076 mill. **Due in 5 Yrs** $8283 mill.
LT Debt $27759 mill. **LT Interest** $1309 mill.
Incl. $1276 mill. finance leases.
(Total Interest Coverage: 2.9x)

Leases, Uncapitalized Annual rentals $85 mill.
Pension Assets-12/23 $2664 mill.
Oblig $3107 mill.
Pfd Stock $889 mill. **Pfd Div'd** $44 mill.
900,000 shs. 4.875%, cumulative.
Common Stock 632,149,916 shs.
as of 2/20/24
MARKET CAP: $44.7 billion (Large Cap)

2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025		27-29
11035	10231	10183	11207	11687	10829	11370	12857	14439	16720	***16000***	***17000***	Revenues ($mill)	***19500***
1162.0	1314.0	1065.0	1169.0	1607.0	1825.0	2316.0	2701.0	2960.0	2965.0	***3115***	***3380***	Net Profit ($mill)	***4240***
19.7%	19.2%	14.4%	24.5%	20.1%	17.9%	18.0%	25.5%	20.1%	18.7%	***19.0%***	***19.0%***	Income Tax Rate	***19.0%***
14.4%	15.3%	22.2%	21.9%	12.6%	10.0%	8.7%	8.0%	8.6%	15.1%	***11.0%***	***11.0%***	AFUDC % to Net Profit	***11.0%***
51.7%	52.6%	52.7%	56.4%	55.7%	51.0%	48.2%	44.8%	47.5%	49.2%	***50.0%***	***52.5%***	Long-Term Debt Ratio	***55.0%***
48.2%	47.3%	47.3%	43.5%	38.4%	43.4%	44.8%	53.3%	50.7%	49.2%	***48.5%***	***46.5%***	Common Equity Ratio	***44.0%***
23513	24963	27400	29135	38769	40734	45174	47069	51683	56454	***62550***	***69175***	Total Capital ($mill)	***90400***
25902	28039	32931	36503	36796	36452	40003	43894	47782	54960	***61100***	***67600***	Net Plant ($mill)	***89200***
6.1%	6.4%	5.0%	5.1%	5.1%	5.5%	6.1%	6.6%	6.8%	6.4%	***6.0%***	***6.0%***	Return on Total Cap'l	***6.0%***
10.2%	11.1%	8.2%	9.2%	9.4%	9.1%	9.9%	10.4%	10.9%	10.3%	***10.0%***	***10.5%***	Return on Shr. Equity	***10.5%***
10.3%	11.1%	8.2%	9.2%	10.0%	9.5%	10.6%	10.5%	11.1%	10.5%	***10.0%***	***10.5%***	Return on Com Equity E	***10.5%***
5.0%	5.8%	2.9%	3.3%	4.1%	3.9%	4.8%	5.2%	5.7%	5.2%	***5.0%***	***5.0%***	Retained to Com Eq	***5.5%***
52%	48%	65%	65%	62%	62%	58%	52%	50%	52%	***52%***	***51%***	All Div'ds to Net Prof	***49%***

ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS

	2021	2022	2023
% Change Retail Sales (KWH)	-3.7	+2.8	-4.8
Avg. Indust. Use (MWH)	NA	NA	NA
Avg. Indust. Revs. per KWH (¢)	NA	NA	NA
Capacity at Peak (Mw)	NMF	NMF	NMF
Peak Load, Summer (Mw)	NMF	NMF	NMF
Annual Load Factor (%)	NMF	NMF	NMF
% Change Customers (yr-end)	+.8	+.5	+.9
Fixed Charge Cov. (%)	207	232	194

ANNUAL RATES of change (per sh)	Past 10 Yrs.	Past 5 Yrs.	Est'd '21-'23 to '27-'29
Revenues	1.0%	1.5%	*4.5%*
"Cash Flow"	6.0%	8.0%	*6.0%*
Earnings	7.5%	13.5%	*7.0%*
Dividends	7.0%	7.0%	*5.0%*
Book Value	7.0%	10.0%	*6.0%*

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY REVENUES ($ mill.) Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	3259	2741	3013	3844	12857
2022	3820	3547	3617	3455	14439
2023	6560	3335	3334	3491	16720
2024	***5325***	***3375***	***3550***	***3750***	***16000***
2025	***5650***	***3575***	***3775***	***4000***	***17000***

Cal-endar	EARNINGS PER SHARE A Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	1.48	.82	.85	1.08	4.22
2022	1.46	.99	.99	1.18	4.61
2023	1.46	.94	1.08	1.13	4.61
2024	***1.46***	***.99***	***1.13***	***1.22***	***4.80***
2025	***1.55***	***1.05***	***1.22***	***1.33***	***5.15***

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID B Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2020	.484	.523	.523	.523	2.05
2021	.523	.55	.55	.55	2.17
2022	.55	.573	.573	.573	2.27
2023	.573	.595	.595	.595	2.36
2024	.595	.620			

BUSINESS: Sempra Energy is a holding company for San Diego Gas & Electric (SDG&E), which sells electricity & gas mainly in San Diego County, and Southern California Gas (SoCalGas), which distributes gas to most of Southern CA. Owns 80% of Oncor (acquired 3/18), which distributes electricity in TX. Serves nearly 40 mill. consumers, mainly in CA, TX, and MX. Electric rev. breakdown: N/A. Purchases about 3/4ths of its power; rest is mainly gas. Sempra Infrastrucure (SI) subsidiary is active in LNG exportation and other energy endeavors. Sold S.A. utilities in '20. Power costs: 25% of revenue. '23 reported deprec. rates: 2.6%-7.1%. Employs 16,835. Chr., Pres. & CEO: Jeffrey W. Martin. Inc.: CA. Addr.: 488 8th Ave., San Diego, CA 92101. Tel.: 619-696-2000. Int: www.sempra.com.

Sempra Energy's per-share profits should be up this year and next, after a flat 2023 result. Retail electricity sales, in terms of millions of kilowatt-hours, were down 4.8% last year as compared to 2022's level, which benefited from a protracted heat wave in southern California. Higher interest expense and regulatory lag also weighed on last year's bottom line. Leadership is projecting earnings of $4.60 to $4.90 per share for this year, which is up a nickel on the bottom end of the range from where the in-house target was previously. In mid-2023, the company's Texas subsidiary, Oncor, received a favorable regulatory outcome, which should have beneficial knock-on effects for this year's bottom line. Meanwhile, in California, rate relief should be forthcoming. A regulatory decision is expected by mid-year for San Diego Gas & Electric and SoCalGas. Higher rates ought to be retroactive to January 1st. Sempra's preliminary bottom-line target for 2025 is $4.90 to $5.25 per share.

The company recently affirmed its projected long-term earnings-per-share growth rate of 6%-8%. With the fourth-quarter financial release, Sempra announced a 20% increase in its capital plan to $48 billion for the 2024 to 2028 time frame, with more than 90% of the investments focused on the regulated utilities. Oncor's rate base (assets for which a regulated utility is allowed to recoup an economic rate of return) is now projected to increase from $23 billion in 2023 to $39 billion in 2028, an 11% expansion per annum. The Texas service area is benefiting from residential growth that's more than twice the national average, as well as from healthy demand from the continued increase in large commercial & industrial customers. Meanwhile, the rate base in California is projected to increase from $27 billion in 2023 to $38 billion in 2028, for a 7% yearly expansion. Mitigating natural disaster risks and the state's aggressive renewable energy goals are driving investment. The 9% growth across the companywide rate base should translate to at least 7% share-earnings gains to 2027-29.

Though untimely, Sempra stock offers reasonably good annual total return potential out to late decade.

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(A) Diluted egs. Excl. nonrec. gains/(losses): '09, (13¢); '10, (52¢); '11, 58¢; '12, (44¢); '13, (11¢); '15, 7¢; '16, 61¢; '17, ($1.81); '18, ($1.03); '19, 8¢; '20, (40¢); '21, ($2.21); '22, ($1.30); '23, 18¢. Disc. ops.: '19, 58¢; '20, $3.15. Qtly. EPS may not sum due to rounding. Next egs. report due early May. (B) Div'ds paid Jan., Apr., July, Oct. ■ Div. reinv. avail. (C) Incl. intang. In '22: $7.21/sh. (D) In mill., adj. for 8/23 stk. split. (E) Rate allowed on com. eq.: SDG&E '22: 9.95%; SoCalGas '22: 9.8%; Oncor '23: 9.7%. Reg. Climate: Average.

Company's Financial Strength	A
Stock's Price Stability	90
Price Growth Persistence	50
Earnings Predictability	95

ENTERGY CORP. NYSE-ETR

RECENT PRICE 109.14 | P/E RATIO 20.6 (Trailing: 10.9 / Median: 14.0) | RELATIVE P/E RATIO 1.15 | DIV'D YLD 4.1% | VALUE LINE

TIMELINESS **3** Lowered 3/8/24
SAFETY **2** Raised 12/13/19
TECHNICAL **3** Raised 5/31/24
BETA 1.00 (1.00 = Market)

18-Month Target Price Range
Low-High: $80-$125 | Midpoint (% to Mid): $103 (-5%)

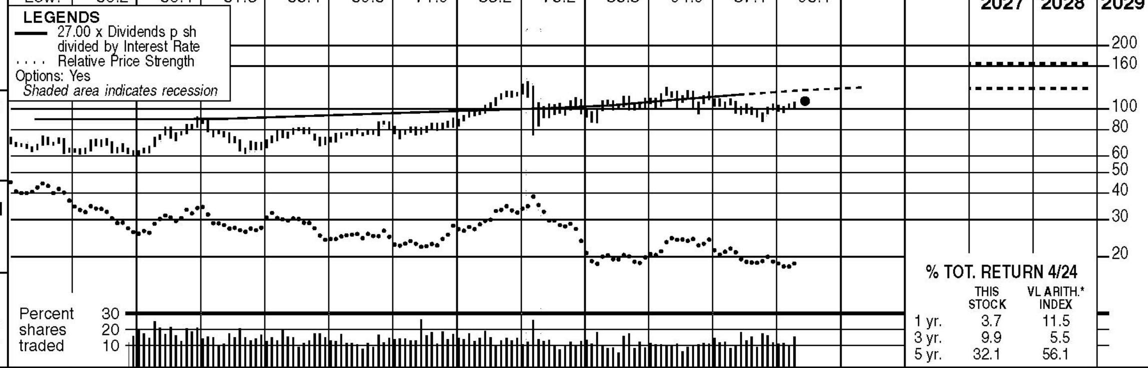
2027-29 PROJECTIONS

	Price	Gain	Ann'l Total Return
High	165	(+50%)	*15%*
Low	125	(+15%)	*7%*

Institutional Decisions

	2Q2023	3Q2023	4Q2023
to Buy	405	402	429
to Sell	270	304	319
Hld's(000)	181973	184676	191523

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
High:	72.6	92.0	90.3	82.1	87.9	90.8	122.1	135.5	115.0	126.8	111.9	114.3
Low:	60.2	60.4	61.3	65.4	69.6	71.9	83.2	75.2	85.8	94.9	87.1	96.1



% TOT. RETURN 4/24

	THIS STOCK	VL ARITH.* INDEX
1 yr.	3.7	11.5
3 yr.	9.9	5.5
5 yr.	32.1	56.1

2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	27-29
69.15	56.82	64.27	63.67	57.94	63.86	69.71	64.54	60.55	61.35	58.23	54.63	50.51	57.95	65.18	57.07	***56.40***	***59.00***	Revenues per sh	***69.90***
12.89	13.29	16.54	17.53	15.98	16.25	17.68	17.71	18.72	16.70	16.50	17.19	18.21	17.90	15.51	21.53	***17.05***	***18.05***	"Cash Flow" per sh	***21.35***
6.20	6.30	6.66	7.55	6.02	4.96	5.77	5.81	6.88	5.19	5.88	6.30	6.90	6.87	5.37	11.10	***5.30***	***6.85***	Earnings per sh A	***8.05***
3.00	3.00	3.24	3.32	3.32	3.32	3.32	3.34	3.42	3.50	3.58	3.66	3.74	3.86	4.10	4.34	***4.56***	***4.70***	Div'd Decl'd per sh B ■ †	***5.00***
13.92	12.99	13.33	15.21	18.18	15.73	14.82	16.79	17.28	22.07	22.45	21.72	24.52	30.86	25.04	20.86	***21.00***	***22.00***	Cap'l Spending per sh	***19.75***
42.07	45.54	47.53	50.81	51.73	54.00	55.83	51.89	45.12	44.28	46.78	51.34	54.56	57.42	61.40	68.70	***70.65***	***73.65***	Book Value per sh C	***84.65***
189.36	189.12	178.75	176.36	177.81	178.37	179.24	178.39	179.13	180.52	189.06	199.15	200.24	202.65	211.18	212.85	***218.00***	***222.00***	Common Shs Outst'g D	***230.00***
16.6	12.0	11.6	9.1	11.2	13.2	12.9	12.5	10.9	15.0	13.8	16.5	15.3	15.0	21.1	9.1	***Bold figures are Value Line estimates***		Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	***18.0***
1.00	.80	.74	.57	.71	.74	.68	.63	.57	.75	.75	.88	.79	.81	1.22	.51			Relative P/E Ratio	***1.00***
2.9%	4.0%	4.2%	4.9%	4.9%	5.1%	4.5%	4.6%	4.6%	4.5%	4.4%	3.5%	3.6%	3.7%	3.6%	4.3%			Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	***3.7%***

2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025		27-29
12495	11513	10846	11074	11009	10879	10114	11743	13764	12147	***12300***	***13100***	Revenues ($mill)	***16070***
1060.0	1061.2	1249.8	950.7	1092.1	1258.2	1406.7	1402.8	1103.2	2356.5	***1155***	***1520***	Net Profit ($mill)	***1850***
37.8%	2.2%	11.3%	1.8%	- -	- -	- -	16.1%	16.1%	16.1%	***23.0%***	***23.0%***	Income Tax Rate	***23.0%***
9.3%	7.4%	8.1%	14.7%	17.5%	16.7%	12.2%	7.1%	2.5%	1.7%	***2.0%***	***2.0%***	AFUDC % to Net Profit	***2.0%***
54.9%	57.8%	63.6%	63.6%	63.2%	62.0%	65.5%	67.6%	64.2%	60.8%	***61.0%***	***61.0%***	Long-Term Debt Ratio	***61.0%***
43.8%	40.8%	35.5%	35.5%	35.9%	37.1%	33.7%	31.7%	35.2%	38.6%	***39.0%***	***39.0%***	Common Equity Ratio	***39.0%***
22842	22714	22777	22528	24602	27557	32386	36733	36810	37851	***39995***	***42400***	Total Capital ($mill)	***50555***
28723	27824	27921	29664	31974	35183	38853	42244	42477	43834	***46465***	***49255***	Net Plant ($mill)	***58660***
6.0%	6.0%	6.9%	5.7%	5.8%	5.9%	5.6%	4.9%	4.3%	7.6%	***4.0%***	***4.5%***	Return on Total Cap'l	***6.0%***
10.3%	11.1%	15.1%	11.6%	12.0%	12.0%	12.6%	11.8%	8.4%	15.9%	***7.5%***	***9.0%***	Return on Shr. Equity	***9.5%***
10.4%	11.2%	15.2%	11.7%	12.2%	12.1%	12.7%	11.9%	8.4%	16.0%	***1.0%***	***9.0%***	Return on Com Equity E	***9.5%***
4.4%	4.8%	7.7%	3.9%	4.9%	5.2%	5.9%	5.2%	1.9%	9.7%	***.5%***	***3.0%***	Retained to Com Eq	***3.5%***
58%	58%	50%	68%	61%	58%	55%	57%	78%	40%	***86%***	***69%***	All Div'ds to Net Prof	***62%***

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 3/31/24
Total Debt $28400 mill. **Due in 5 Yrs** $11117 mill.
LT Debt $24309 mill. **LT Interest** $1046.0 mill.
Incl. $54.7 mill. of securitization bonds.
(LT interest earned: 2.5x)
Leases, Uncapitalized Annual rentals $67.4 mill.
Pension Assets-12/23 $5469.6 mill. **Oblig** $5915.4 mill.
Pfd Stock $219.4 mill. **Pfd Div'd** $18.3 mill.
200,000 shs. 6.25%-7.5%, $100 par; 250,000 shs. 8.75%, 1.4 mill. shs. 5.375%; all cum., without sinking fund.
Common Stock 213,536,936 shs. **as of 4/30/24**
MARKET CAP: $23.3 billion (Large Cap)

ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS

	2021	2022	2023
% Change Retail Sales (KWH)	+3.2	+1.1	+4.5
Total Indust. Use (GWH)	49819	52501	52807
Avg. Indust. Revs. per KWH(¢)	5.91	7.08	6.00
Capacity at Peak (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
Peak Load, Summer (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
Annual Load Factor (%)	NA	NA	NA
% Change Customers (yr-end)	+1.0	+1.0	+.4
Fixed Charge Cov. (%)	243	209	250

ANNUAL RATES

of change (per sh)	Past 10 Yrs.	Past 5 Yrs.	Est'd '21-'23 to '27-'29
Revenues	-.5%	- -	*2.5%*
"Cash Flow"	1.0%	1.0%	*2.5%*
Earnings	2.5%	5.5%	*.5%*
Dividends	2.0%	3.0%	*3.5%*
Book Value	2.0%	6.5%	*4.0%*

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY REVENUES ($ mill.) Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	2845	2822	3353	2723	11743
2022	2878	3395	4219	3273	13764
2023	2981	2846	3596	2725	12147
2024	2795	***3200***	***3200***	***3105***	***12300***
2025	***3000***	***3500***	***3400***	***3200***	***13100***

Cal-endar	EARNINGS PER SHARE A Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	1.66	1.30	2.63	1.28	6.87
2022	1.36	.78	2.74	.51	5.37
2023	1.47	1.84	3.14	4.66	11.10
2024	.35	***1.05***	***2.95***	***.95***	***5.30***
2025	***1.60***	***1.15***	***3.05***	***1.05***	***6.85***

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID B ■ † Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2020	.93	.93	.93	.95	3.74
2021	.95	.95	.95	1.01	3.86
2022	1.01	1.01	1.01	1.07	4.10
2023	1.07	1.07	1.07	1.13	4.34
2024	1.13	1.13			

BUSINESS: Entergy Corporation supplies electricity to 3 million customers through subsidiaries in Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Texas, and New Orleans (regulated separately from Louisiana). Distributes gas to 206,000 customers in Louisiana. Is selling its last nonutility nuclear unit (shut down 5/22). Electric revenue breakdown: residential, 37%; commercial, 24%; industrial, 27%; other, 12%. Generating sources: gas, 68%; nuclear, 22%; coal, 9%; hydro and solar, 1%. Fuel costs: 32% of revenues. '23 reported depreciation rate: 2.7%. Has 11,707 employees. Chairman & CEO: Leo P. Denault. Incorporated: Delaware. Address: 639 Loyola Avenue, P.O. Box 61000, New Orleans, Louisiana 70161. Telephone: 504-576-4000. Internet: www.entergy.com.

Entergy recorded disappointing first-quarter results. Revenues fell to just under $2.8 billion, as the company faced lower industrial sales, while warmer weather caused less energy to be used across its coverage areas. The company signed an additional eight electric service agreements with industrial customers, including a data center in Mississippi, which represents 1.1 gigawatts of loads. The power provider had much higher maintenance costs as a few planned plant refurbishments occurred in the quarter, and Entergy had some downtime at a few of its plants. The company achieved much higher interest income, but it faced some negative regulatory charges, such as one in Arkansas, while another was based on an old audit resolution. These factors caused earnings to drop sharply to $0.35 per share during the March period.

The company ought to have better results over the rest of the year. Revenues should increase thanks to projects going into service to supply multiple new industrial clients. Several areas that Entergy supplies power to are seeing population growth, leading to incremental supply gains. Some rate cases have reached conclusions recently, including one in New Orleans, which should have better operations and fewer legal costs. Still, costs will likely rise to provide more power, and we think less of higher fuel prices will be passed along to industrial customers. Overall, we estimate that earnings will tumble to $5.30 per share this year.

We expect solid expansion over the long haul. Several projects have been approved to enhance resilience and improve the grid, including 2,100 capital expansions in the company's Louisiana coverage area totaling $1.9 billion over the next five years. Moreover, we think other renewable energy projects should help operations expand. Entergy ought to also benefit from continued growth in the Texas region as more operations occur there. Overall, we project earnings will recover to $6.85 per share in 2025 and $8.05 by 2027-2029.

Shares of Entergy are neutrally ranked for Timeliness. The stock has below average appreciation potential but the dividend yield is appealing, making this equity best suited for income-seekers.

John E. Seibert III *June 7, 2024*

(A) Diluted EPS. GAAP starting in 2022. Excl. nonrec. losses: '12, $1.26; '13, $1.14; '14, 56¢; '15, $6.99; '16, $10.14; '17, $2.91; '18, $1.25; '21, $1.33. Next earnings report due early August. (B) Div'ds historically paid in early Mar., June, Sept., & Dec. ■ Div'd reinvestment plan avail. † Shareholder investment plan avail. (C) Incl. deferred charges. In '23: $26.66/sh. (D) In mill. (E) Rate base: Net original cost. Allowed ROE (blended): 9.71%; earned on avg. com. eq., '23: 16.0%. Regulatory Climate: Average.

Company's Financial Strength	A
Stock's Price Stability	90
Price Growth Persistence	45
Earnings Predictability	70

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RECENT PRICE	P/E RATIO		RELATIVE P/E RATIO	DIV'D YLD	
67.42	19.8	(Trailing: 20.7 Median: 24.0)	1.14	3.1%	VALUE LINE

TIMELINESS **2** Raised 5/3/24

SAFETY **3** Lowered 5/10/24

TECHNICAL **5** Lowered 4/5/24

BETA 1.05 (1.00 = Market)

18-Month Target Price Range

Low-High	Midpoint (% to Mid)
$52-$101	$77 (15%)

2027-29 PROJECTIONS

	Price	Gain	Ann'l Total Return
High	105	(+55%)	14%
Low	70	(+5%)	4%

Institutional Decisions

	2Q2023	3Q2023	4Q2023
to Buy	1166	1138	1164
to Sell	974	1080	1119
Hld's(000)	1563720	1591503	1622643

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
High:	22.4	27.7	28.2	33.0	39.8	46.1	61.3	83.3	93.7	93.6	86.5	67.9
Low:	17.5	21.0	23.4	25.5	29.3	36.3	42.2	43.7	68.3	67.2	47.2	53.9

% TOT. RETURN 3/24

	THIS STOCK	VL ARITH.* INDEX
1 yr.	-14.5	16.9
3 yr.	-9.1	16.2
5 yr.	48.4	71.5

2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	27-29
10.03	9.45	9.10	9.22	8.41	8.70	9.61	9.48	8.63	9.13	8.75	9.82	9.18	8.70	10.55	13.70	*13.35*	*14.65*	Revenues per sh	*17.25*
2.01	2.19	2.41	2.32	2.17	2.63	3.03	3.23	3.24	3.03	3.84	4.22	4.52	4.70	5.30	6.14	*6.45*	*6.70*	"Cash Flow" per sh	*7.75*
1.02	.99	1.19	1.21	1.14	1.21	1.40	1.52	1.45	1.63	1.67	1.94	2.31	2.55	2.90	3.17	*3.40*	*3.65*	Earnings per sh A	*4.55*
.45	.47	.50	.55	.60	.66	.73	.77	.87	.98	1.11	1.25	1.40	1.54	1.70	1.87	*2.06*	*2.25*	Div'd Decl'd per sh B ■ †	*2.85*
3.20	3.63	3.47	3.98	5.58	3.84	3.96	4.54	5.15	5.70	6.80	6.29	7.45	8.19	9.70	12.24	*11.00*	*11.00*	Cap'l Spending per sh	*12.00*
7.14	7.84	8.59	8.98	9.47	10.37	11.24	12.24	13.00	14.97	17.86	18.92	18.63	18.95	19.74	23.13	*24.55*	*26.15*	Book Value per sh C	*34.50*
1635.7	1654.5	1683.4	1664.0	1696.0	1740.0	1772.0	1844.0	1872.0	1884.0	1912.0	1956.0	1960.0	1963.0	1987.0	2052.0	*2055.0*	*2065.0*	Common Shs Outst'g D	*2150.0*
14.5	13.4	10.8	11.5	14.4	16.6	17.3	16.9	20.7	21.6	24.8	26.8	28.9	31.3	27.8	22.0	*Bold figures are*		Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	*19.0*
.87	.89	.69	.72	.92	.93	.91	.85	1.09	1.09	1.34	1.43	1.48	1.69	1.61	1.23	*Value Line*		Relative P/E Ratio	*1.05*
3.0%	3.5%	3.9%	4.0%	3.6%	3.3%	3.0%	3.0%	2.9%	2.8%	2.7%	2.4%	2.1%	1.9%	2.1%	2.7%	*estimates*		Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	*3.3%*

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 3/31/24
Total Debt $79937 mill. **Due in 5 Yrs** $32228 mill.
LT Debt $65868 mill. **LT Interest** $2880 mill.

(Total Interest coverage: 3.2x)

Pension Assets-12/23 $4897 mill. **Oblig.** $2785 mill.

Pfd Stock None

Common Stock 2,054,532,552 shs.

MARKET CAP: $138 billion (Large Cap)

2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025		27-29
17021	17486	16155	17195	16727	19204	17997	17069	20956	28114	*27400*	*30300*	Revenues ($mill)	*37000*
2465.0	2752.0	2693.0	3074.0	3200.0	3769.0	4552.0	5021.0	5742.0	6441.0	*6995*	*7525*	Net Profit ($mill)	*9800*
32.3%	30.8%	29.3%	24.4%	28.6%	11.7%	13.0%	15.0%	18.2%	12.5%	*18.0%*	*18.0%*	Income Tax Rate	*18.0%*
6.7%	6.9%	8.2%	6.7%	6.6%	4.1%	4.6%	6.3%	4.3%	5.4%	*5.0%*	*5.0%*	AFUDC % to Net Profit	*5.0%*
55.0%	54.2%	53.3%	52.7%	44.0%	50.4%	53.5%	57.8%	58.5%	56.4%	*58.5%*	*59.5%*	Long-Term Debt Ratio	*58.0%*
45.0%	45.8%	46.7%	47.3%	56.0%	49.6%	46.5%	42.2%	41.5%	43.6%	*41.5%*	*40.5%*	Common Equity Ratio	*42.0%*
44283	49255	52159	59671	60926	74548	78457	88162	94485	108873	*121300*	*133900*	Total Capital ($mill)	*176200*
55705	61386	66912	72416	70334	82010	91803	99348	111059	125776	*139600*	*153200*	Net Plant ($mill)	*196400*
7.0%	6.8%	6.3%	6.3%	6.3%	6.0%	6.8%	6.6%	6.9%	7.2%	*7.0%*	*6.5%*	Return on Total Cap'l	*6.5%*
12.4%	12.2%	11.1%	10.9%	9.4%	10.2%	12.5%	13.5%	14.6%	13.6%	*14.0%*	*14.0%*	Return on Shr. Equity	*13.0%*
12.4%	12.2%	11.1%	10.9%	9.4%	10.2%	12.5%	13.5%	14.6%	13.6%	*14.0%*	*14.0%*	Return on Com Equity E	*13.0%*
6.0%	6.1%	4.4%	4.4%	3.2%	3.7%	5.0%	5.4%	6.1%	5.6%	*5.5%*	*5.5%*	Retained to Com Eq	*5.0%*
51%	50%	60%	60%	66%	64%	60%	60%	58%	59%	*60%*	*62%*	All Div'ds to Net Prof	*63%*

ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS

	2021	2022	2023
% Change Retail Sales (KWH)	-1.0%	+3.0	+.6
Avg. Indust. Use (MWH)	NA	NA	NA
Avg. Indust. Revs. per KWH (¢)	NA	NA	NA
Capacity at Peak (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
Peak Load, Summer (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
Annual Load Factor (%)	NA	NA	NA
% Change Customers (yr-end)	+.5	+1.5	+1.2
Fixed Charge Cov. (%)	284	370	341

ANNUAL RATES of change (per sh)	Past 10 Yrs.	Past 5 Yrs.	Est'd '21-'23 to '27-'29
Revenues	2.5%	4.5%	*8.0%*
"Cash Flow"	8.5%	10.0%	*6.5%*
Earnings	9.5%	12.5%	*8.0%*
Dividends	11.0%	11.5%	*9.0%*
Book Value	8.0%	6.0%	*9.0%*

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY REVENUES ($ mill.) Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	3726	3927	4370	5046	17069
2022	2890	5183	6719	6164	20956
2023	6716	7349	7172	6877	28114
2024	5731	*7220*	*7975*	*6474*	*27400*
2025	*7175*	*7700*	*8500*	*6925*	*30300*

Cal-endar	EARNINGS PER SHARE A Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	.67	.71	.75	.41	2.55
2022	.74	.81	.85	.51	2.90
2023	.84	.88	.94	.52	3.17
2024	.91	*.93*	*.99*	*.57*	*3.40*
2025	*.97*	*1.00*	*1.06*	*.62*	*3.65*

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID B ■ † Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2020	.35	.35	.35	.35	1.40
2021	.385	.385	.385	.385	1.54
2022	.425	.425	.425	.425	1.70
2023	.4675	.4675	.4675	.4675	1.87
2024	.515				

BUSINESS: NextEra Energy, Inc. is a holding company for Florida Power & Light Co. (FP&L), which provides electricity to roughly 5.9 million customers in eastern, southern, & northwestern Florida. NextEra Energy Resources is a nonregulated power generator with nuclear, gas, & renewables. Has 51.4% stake in NextEra Energy Partners. Acquired Gulf Power 1/19; Florida City Gas 7/18. Revenue: residential, about 55%; commercial/industrial/other, 45%. Generating sources: gas, 73%; nuclear, 20%; solar, 6%; other, 1%. Fuel costs: 19.4% of revenues. '23 depreciation rate: 3.4%. Employs about 16,800. Chairman, President and CEO: John W. Ketchum. Inc.: Florida. Address: 700 Universe Blvd., Juno Beach, FL 33408. Tel.: 561-694-4000. Internet: www.nexteraenergy.com.

NextEra Energy is off to an excellent start in 2024. First-quarter earnings exceeded the Wall Street consensus estimate by $0.11 per share and our call by $0.03. Getting off on the right foot makes it more probable the company will reach the high end of its full-year earnings target range of $3.23-$3.43 a share. The company's utility subsidiary, Florida Power & Light, saw strong growth driven by investment in the business. Regulatory capital employed increased by approximately 11.5% on a year-over-year basis, and the utility had its strongest quarter of customer growth in over 15 years with the count up by about 100,000 from the first quarter of 2023. The company's renewable energy subsidiary was also off to a strong start, with the second-best quarter in its history in terms of power and storage origination. The company grew its backlog of projects from year-end 2023 by 2,765 megawatts (MW) to 21,500 MW. The updated backlog level is net of 1,165 MW of projects placed in service during the first three months of the year.

The stock has continued to recover nicely from last year's washout low. Utilities as a whole were under intense pressure as interest rates climbed rapidly, with the benchmark 10-year Treasury bond yield reaching 5% in mid-October before backing off. Because interest bearing notes are an alternative investment vehicle to utility stocks, there tends to be a strong negative correlation between rates and this group of equities. Another way to think of it is the stock prices have to drop so that the dividend yields are competitive relative to low-risk bond rates. NEE stock did worse than the average utility as it was among the richest valuations within its peer group entering 2023, owing to its strong historical earnings growth. Rising borrowing costs for a company that regularly visits the capital markets brought into question how sustainable its above-industry-level growth is. The high end of leadership's long-term target of 6%-8% should be achievable due to the healthy regional economy it serves and NextEra's position as one of the nation's foremost renewable energy providers.

This equity is timely and offers worthwhile 18-month total returns.

Anthony J. Glennon *May 10, 2024*

(A) Diluted EPS. Excl. nonrecurring gains/(losses): '11, (6¢); '13, (20¢); '16, 12¢; '17, $1.22¢; '18, $1.80; '20, (83¢); '21, (74¢); '22, (80¢); '23, 43¢; 1Q '23, 19¢; disc. ops.: '13, 11¢. EPS may not some to full yr. due to rounding. Next egs. report due late July. (B) Div'ds paid in mid-Mar., mid-June, mid-Sept., & mid-Dec. ■ Div'd reinvestment plan avail. † Shareholder investment plan avail. (C) Includes intagibles. In '23: $5.85/sh. (D) In mill., adj. for stock split. (E) Rate allowed on common eq. in '22 (FPL): 9.8%-11.8%; Regult'y Climate: Avg.

Company's Financial Strength	A
Stock's Price Stability	55
Price Growth Persistence	80
Earnings Predictability	95

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RECENT PRICE	P/E RATIO		RELATIVE P/E RATIO	DIV'D YLD
54.53	17.0	(Trailing: 17.4 Median: 20.0)	0.95	4.4%

VALUE LINE

TIMELINESS 4 Lowered 3/8/24
SAFETY 1 Raised 6/7/24
TECHNICAL 5 Lowered 5/10/24
BETA .75 (1.00 = Market)

18-Month Target Price Range

Low-High	Midpoint (% to Mid)
$49-$72	$61 (10%)

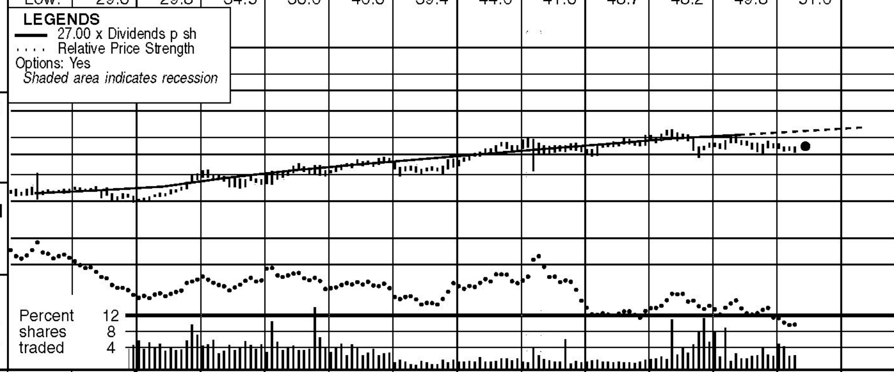
2027-29 PROJECTIONS

	Price	Gain	Ann'l Total Return
High	100	(+85%)	19%
Low	75	(+40%)	12%

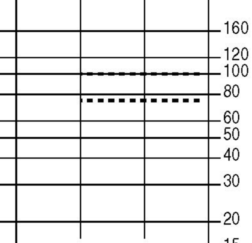
Institutional Decisions

	2Q2023	3Q2023	4Q2023
to Buy	120	112	127
to Sell	107	108	109
Hld's(000)	244100	245793	255450

High:	35.1	40.5	42.1	45.1	48.7	47.4	56.9	59.3	61.6	65.4	62.1	56.7
Low:	29.6	29.8	34.5	36.0	40.6	39.4	44.0	41.6	48.7	48.2	49.8	51.0



Target Price Range
2027 | 2028 | 2029



% TOT. RETURN 4/24

	THIS STOCK	VL ARITH.* INDEX
1 yr.	-5.3	11.5
3 yr.	10.7	5.5
5 yr.	30.6	56.1

2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	27-29
23.07	21.24	21.01	19.84	19.07	18.99	19.57	23.89	17.03	19.71	19.58	18.96	19.14	19.90	22.90	23.48	***24.55***	***25.30***	Revenues per sh	***27.45***
3.51	3.66	3.99	3.90	4.10	4.10	3.62	5.21	3.91	5.43	5.40	5.44	5.65	5.76	6.24	6.71	***7.00***	***7.30***	"Cash Flow" per sh	***8.00***
1.52	1.51	1.62	1.74	1.65	1.63	1.38	2.11	1.89	2.66	2.52	2.68	2.60	2.61	2.78	3.10	***3.20***	***3.35***	Earnings per sh B	***4.00***
1.00	1.04	1.12	1.17	1.21	1.25	1.30	1.43	1.55	1.65	1.75	1.86	1.97	2.08	2.17	2.29	***2.38***	***2.49***	Div'd Decl'd per sh C ■	***2.85***
5.34	5.79	5.89	5.91	5.68	5.32	6.00	7.97	5.13	7.18	7.51	8.03	8.65	7.13	7.02	7.18	***8.25***	***8.25***	Cap'l Spending per sh	***8.25***
18.00	18.57	18.95	20.53	20.84	22.39	24.90	28.63	32.32	31.77	34.80	36.49	36.58	37.21	36.44	39.24	***41.40***	***43.50***	Book Value per sh D	***47.05***
169.19	171.26	174.39	188.83	191.57	213.17	276.00	281.56	401.49	421.10	428.50	463.30	466.80	474.80	482.15	490.60	***495.00***	***500.00***	Common Shs Outst'g E	***510.00***
17.5	16.4	18.2	18.8	20.1	20.0	24.3	18.0	21.6	16.8	17.1	19.2	20.6	21.2	21.1	18.0	*Bold figures are*	*Value Line*	Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	***21.5***
1.05	1.09	1.16	1.18	1.28	1.12	1.28	.91	1.13	.84	.92	1.02	1.06	1.15	1.22	1.03	*estimates*		Relative P/E Ratio	***1.20***
3.8%	4.2%	3.8%	3.6%	3.6%	3.8%	3.9%	3.8%	3.8%	3.7%	4.1%	3.6%	3.7%	3.8%	4.1%	4.3%			Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	***3.3%***

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 3/31/24
Total Debt $30653 mill. **Due in 5 Yrs** $7732 mill.
LT Debt $27363 mill. **LT Interest** $945 mill.
Incl. $340 mill. finance leases.
(LT interest earned: 2.4x)
Leases, Uncapitalized Annual rentals $8 mill.

Pension Assets-12/23 $3722 mill. **Oblig** $3922 mill.
Pfd Stock $1623 mill. **Pfd Div'd** $65 mill.

Common Stock 491,600,000 shs.

MARKET CAP: $26.8 billion (Large Cap)

2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	27-29
5401.0	6727.0	6838.0	8301.0	8390.0	8783.0	8935.0	9448.0	11043.0	11517.0	***12150***	***12650***	Revenues ($mill)	***14000***
374.0	672.0	660.0	1174.0	1136.0	1238.0	1274.0	1294.0	1340.4	1520.9	***1585***	***1675***	Net Profit ($mill)	***2040***
14.6%	21.3%	16.9%	25.8%	13.4%	12.5%	14.3%	14.3%	16.0%	14.6%	***14.5%***	***14.5%***	Income Tax Rate	***14.5%***
7.2%	7.4%	10.0%	9.5%	8.4%	9.2%	9.3%	9.0%	9.0%	8.0%	***8.0%***	***8.0%***	AFUDC % to Net Profit	***7.0%***
54.8%	53.3%	59.3%	58.4%	58.8%	54.2%	55.6%	55.5%	55.0%	54.2%	***53%***	***53%***	Long-Term Debt Ratio	***51.5%***
35.7%	38.1%	36.2%	37.1%	37.2%	41.8%	40.5%	40.8%	41.5%	42.5%	***43.5%***	***43.5%***	Common Equity Ratio	***45.0%***
19235	21151	35874	36108	40082	40445	42141	43328	44922	46282	***48050***	***49225***	Total Capital ($mill)	***51900***
17816	19595	29337	29668	32654	33988	35998	37816	41663	14938	***43500***	***44750***	Net Plant ($mill)	***48600***
3.4%	4.5%	2.8%	4.5%	4.1%	4.4%	4.3%	4.2%	2.4%	4.5%	***4.5%***	***4.5%***	Return on Total Cap'l	***5.0%***
4.3%	6.8%	4.5%	7.8%	6.9%	6.7%	6.8%	6.7%	4.4%	7.0%	***7.0%***	***7.0%***	Return on Shr. Equity	***7.5%***
4.5%	7.4%	4.5%	8.3%	7.2%	6.9%	7.1%	7.0%	4.4%	7.0%	***7.0%***	***7.0%***	Return on Com Equity F	***7.5%***
1.7%	4.5%	2.1%	5.2%	4.1%	4.0%	2.5%	3.5%	3.5%	3.5%	***3.5%***	***3.5%***	Retained to Com Eq	***4.0%***
68%	46%	59%	41%	46%	45%	67%	52%	78%	81%	***82%***	***82%***	All Div'ds to Net Prof G	***75%***

ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS

	2020	2021	2022
% Change Retail Sales (KWH)	NA	NA	NA
Avg. Indust. Use (MWH)	NA	NA	NA
Avg. Indust. Revs. per KWH (¢)	NA	NA	NA
Capacity at Peak (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
Peak Load, Summer (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
Annual Load Factor (%)	NA	NA	NA
% Change Customers (yr-end)	NA	NA	NA
Fixed Charge Cov. (%)	207	211	215

ANNUAL RATES of change (per sh)	Past 10 Yrs.	Past 5 Yrs.	Est'd '21-'23 to '27-'29
Revenues	--	-.5%	*3.5%*
"Cash Flow"	3.5%	3.5%	*5.0%*
Earnings	4.5%	3.5%	*5.0%*
Dividends	5.5%	5.5%	*6.0%*
Book Value	6.5%	3.5%	*4.0%*

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY REVENUES ($ mill.) Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	2539	2130	2196	2583	9448
2022	2835	2487	2553	3168	11043
2023	3319	2594	2719	2885	11517
2024	3118	***2700***	***2770***	***3562***	***12150***
2025	***3400***	***2750***	***2850***	***3650***	***12650***

Cal-endar	EARNINGS PER SHARE B Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	.76	.54	.62	.69	2.61
2022	.74	.59	.68	.77	2.78
2023	.90	.61	.81	.78	3.10
2024	.93	***.65***	***.80***	***.82***	***3.20***
2025	***.95***	***.75***	***.80***	***.85***	***3.35***

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID C ■ Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2020	.4775	.4775	.4775	.505	1.94
2021	.505	.505	.505	.535	2.05
2022	.535	.535	.535	.565	2.17
2023	.565	.565	.565	.590	2.29
2024	.590				

BUSINESS: Fortis Inc.'s main focus is electricity, hydroelectric, and gas utility operations (both regulated and nonregulated) in the United States, Canada, and the Caribbean. Has 2 mill. electric, 1.3 mill. gas customers. Owns UNS Energy (Arizona), Central Hudson (New York), FortisBC Energy (British Columbia), FortisAlberta (Central Alberta), and Eastern Canada (Newfoundland). Sold commercial real estate and hotel property assets in 2015. Acquired ITC Holdings 10/16. Fuel costs: 31% of revs. '23 reported deprec. rate: 2.6%. Has 9,100 employees. Chairman: Jo Mark Zurel. President & CEO: David G. Hutchens. Inc.: Canada. Address: Fortis Place, Suite 1100, 5 Springdale St., PO Box 8837, St. John's, NL, Canada, A1B 3T2. Tel.: 709-737-2800. Internet: www.fortisinc.com.

We continue to look for Fortis to post steady earnings growth over the next couple years. Rate relief should remain a main driver of growth and help improve upon low allowed returns seen in many of the company's utilities. There are currently ongoing cases in New York and British Columbia, with decisions in both expected by the end of this year. And, in Arizona, a full-year of new rates will likely benefit profits. Too, Fortis' ITC transmission subsidiary should increase its yearly income due to a forward-looking regulatory mechanism that enables the utility to earn a return on its capital spending and recover most operating expenses. Our 2024 bottom-line estimate is staying put at $3.20 per share.

We are also sticking with our 2025 earnings target of $3.35 per share. We look for investments in the transition to clean energy and rate relief to remain prevalent next year. Indeed, the company's $25-billion five-year capital plan is expected to rise to over $49 billion in 2028 due to rate-base increases. This is within management's five-year annual rate-base growth of 6.3%. We feel confident with our profit estimate as Fortis has a high Earnings Predictability score, along with a stretch of respectable financial performances of late.

We look for a dividend increase at the third-quarter meeting in September. The company has raised its distribution in 49 consecutive years, and remains committed to its target of a 4%-6% annual dividend growth rate through 2028. We expect a hike of approximately $0.15 a share (6%) this time around in the annual payment.

These shares are best suited for income-oriented accounts with a long-term investment horizon. The dividend yield of 4.4% stands comfortably above the high-paying utility average, and remains this issue's most notable feature. Too, capital appreciation potential for the 3- to 5-year time frame stands out in comparison to its peers. Short-term prospects are not as exciting. Indeed, capital gains potential for the next 18 months is not enticing, and the stock is ranked to trail the broader market averages over the coming six to 12 months.

Zachary J. Hodgkinson *June 7, 2024*

(A) Also trades on NYSE (FTS). All data in Canadian $. (B) Dil. egs. Excl. nonrecur. gains (loss): '14, 2¢; '15, 48¢; '17, (35¢); '18, 7¢. '19, $1.12. Next egs. report due early July. (C) Div'ds historically paid in early Mar., June, Sept., and Dec. ■ Div'd reinv. plan avail. (2% disc.). (D) Incl. intang. In '23: $34.05/sh. (E) In mill. (F) Rates all'd on com. eq.: 8.3%-10.32%; earn. on avg. com. eq., '21: 7.1%. Reg. Clim.: FERC, Above Avg.; AZ, Below Avg.; NY, Below Avg. (G) Excl. div'ds pd. via reinv. plan.

Company's Financial Strength	A
Stock's Price Stability	100
Price Growth Persistence	55
Earnings Predictability	100

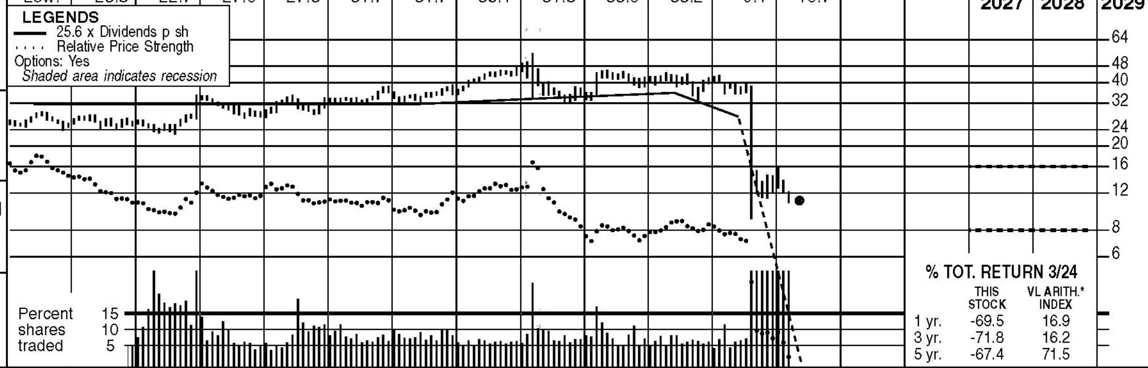
HAWAIIAN ELECTRIC NYSE-HE

RECENT PRICE 11.07 | P/E RATIO 6.0 (Trailing: 6.1 Median: 19.0) | RELATIVE P/E RATIO 0.33 | DIV'D YLD Nil | VALUE LINE

TIMELINESS – Suspended 8/25/23
SAFETY 5 Lowered 9/15/23
TECHNICAL – Suspended 8/25/23
BETA 1.00 (1.00 = Market)

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
High:	28.3	35.0	34.9	35.0	38.7	39.3	47.6	55.2	46.0	44.7	43.7	16.0
Low:	23.8	22.7	27.0	27.3	31.7	31.7	35.1	31.8	33.0	33.2	9.1	10.7

LEGENDS
— 25.6 x Dividends p sh
.... Relative Price Strength
Options: Yes
Shaded area indicates recession



18-Month Target Price Range
Low-High Midpoint (% to Mid)
$10-$38 $24 (115%)

Target Price Range
2027 | 2028 | 2029

2027-29 PROJECTIONS

	Price	Gain	Ann'l Total Return
High	16	(+45%)	*10%*
Low	8	(-30%)	*-7%*

Institutional Decisions

	2Q2023	3Q2023	4Q2023
to Buy	130	161	151
to Sell	151	196	142
Hld's(000)	58926	63814	66270

Percent shares traded 15 10 5

% TOT. RETURN 3/24

	THIS STOCK	VL ARITH.* INDEX
1 yr.	-69.5	16.9
3 yr.	-71.8	16.2
5 yr.	-67.4	71.5

2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	27-29
35.56	24.96	28.14	33.76	34.46	31.98	31.59	24.22	21.92	23.49	26.28	26.38	23.63	26.08	34.18	33.43	*34.40*	*35.15*	Revenues per sh	*37.15*
2.72	2.59	2.88	3.18	3.28	3.22	3.41	3.31	4.17	3.68	4.20	4.55	4.48	4.80	4.90	4.63	*4.80*	*4.00*	"Cash Flow" per sh	*4.35*
1.07	.91	1.21	1.44	1.67	1.62	1.64	1.50	2.29	1.64	1.85	1.99	1.81	2.25	2.20	1.81	*1.90*	*1.00*	Earnings per sh A	*1.00*
1.24	1.24	1.24	1.24	1.24	1.24	1.24	1.24	1.24	1.24	1.24	1.28	1.32	1.36	1.40	1.08	*Nil*	*Nil*	Div'd Decl'd per sh B	*Nil*
3.12	3.29	1.92	2.45	3.32	3.49	3.31	3.39	3.04	4.55	4.94	4.20	3.52	2.88	3.14	4.07	*4.00*	*4.00*	Cap'l Spending per sh	*4.00*
15.35	15.58	15.67	15.95	16.28	17.06	17.47	17.94	19.03	19.28	19.86	20.93	21.41	21.87	20.12	21.29	*23.10*	*24.00*	Book Value per sh C	*25.30*
90.52	92.52	94.69	96.04	97.93	101.26	102.57	107.46	108.58	108.79	108.88	108.97	109.18	109.31	109.47	110.15	*110.50*	*111.00*	Common Shs Outst'g D	*113.00*
23.2	19.8	18.6	17.1	15.8	16.2	15.9	20.4	13.6	20.7	18.9	21.3	21.5	18.2	18.5	15.9	*Bold figures are*		Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	*12.0*
1.40	1.32	1.18	1.07	1.01	.91	.84	1.03	.71	1.04	1.02	1.13	1.10	.98	1.07	.89	*Value Line*		Relative P/E Ratio	*.65*
5.0%	6.9%	5.5%	5.0%	4.7%	4.7%	4.8%	4.1%	4.0%	3.7%	3.5%	3.0%	3.4%	3.3%	3.4%	3.7%	*estimates*		Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	*Nil*
						3239.5	2603.0	2380.7	2555.6	2860.8	2874.6	2579.8	2850.4	3742.0	3682.2	*3800*	*3900*	Revenues ($mill)	*4200*
						170.2	161.8	250.1	180.6	203.7	219.8	199.7	248.1	243.0	201.1	*210*	*110*	Net Profit ($mill)	*115*
						35.0%	36.5%	33.1%	34.7%	20.0%	19.0%	17.0%	20.2%	20.1%	18.1%	*18.0%*	*19.0%*	Income Tax Rate	*19.0%*
						5.5%	5.8%	4.6%	9.6%	7.7%	7.5%	5.9%	5.2%	5.8%	10.1%	*9.5%*	*18.0%*	AFUDC % to Net Profit	*18.0%*
						45.2%	43.5%	41.6%	43.4%	47.5%	44.6%	46.5%	46.4%	50.3%	62.2%	*60.0%*	*59.0%*	Long-Term Debt Ratio	*57.5%*
						53.8%	55.5%	57.5%	55.7%	51.7%	54.6%	52.7%	52.8%	49.0%	37.3%	*39.5%*	*40.5%*	Common Equity Ratio	*42.0%*
						3332.3	3473.5	3595.1	3765.5	4182.3	4176.9	4435.9	4524.1	4498.5	6292.6	*6500*	*6600*	Total Capital ($mill)	*6800*
						4148.8	4377.7	4603.5	5025.9	4830.1	5109.6	5265.7	5392.1	5687.0	6150.1	*6275*	*6375*	Net Plant ($mill)	*6600*
						6.2%	5.7%	7.9%	5.8%	5.9%	6.3%	5.5%	6.4%	6.4%	4.1%	*4.5%*	*3.0%*	Return on Total Cap'l	*3.0%*
						9.3%	8.2%	11.9%	8.5%	9.3%	9.5%	8.4%	10.2%	10.9%	8.5%	*8.0%*	*4.0%*	Return on Shr. Equity	*4.0%*
						9.4%	8.3%	12.0%	8.5%	9.3%	9.6%	8.5%	10.3%	10.9%	8.5%	*8.0%*	*4.0%*	Return on Com Equity E	*4.0%*
						2.3%	1.5%	6.3%	2.1%	3.1%	3.4%	2.3%	4.1%	4.0%	3.7%	*8.0%*	*4.0%*	Retained to Com Eq	*4.0%*
						75%	83%	48%	76%	67%	64%	73%	61%	64%	57%	*1%*	*2%*	All Div'ds to Net Prof F	*2%*

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 12/31/23
Total Debt $3931.5 mill. **Due in 5 Yrs** $1023 mill.
LT Debt $3913.5 mill. **LT Interest** $120.0 mill.
Incl. $339.0 mill. finance leases.
(Total Interest Coverage: 3.0x)
Leases, Uncapitalized Annual rentals $27.3 mill.

Pension Assets-12/23 $1973.5 mill. **Oblig** $2033.0 mill.
Pfd Stock $34.3 mill. **Pfd Div'd** $1.9 mill.

Common Stock 110,151,798 shs.
as of 2/15/24
MARKET CAP: $1.2 billion (Small Cap)

ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS

	2021	2022	2023
% Change Retail Sales (MWH)	+1.7	+1.1	-1.5
Avg. Indust. Use (MWH)	3174	3296	3273
Avg. Indust. Revs. per KWH (¢)	26.88	36.75	35.34
Capacity at Yearend (Mw)	2278	2100	2101
Peak Load/Demand (Mw)	1471	1467	1447
Annual Load Factor (%)	67.2	68.2	68.0
% Change Customers (yr-end)	+.5	-.2	+.4
Fixed Charge Cov. (%)	393	356	273

ANNUAL RATES of change (per sh)	Past 10 Yrs.	Past 5 Yrs.	Est'd '21-'23 to '27-'29
Revenues	-0.5%	5.5%	*2.5%*
"Cash Flow"	4.0%	3.5%	*-1.5%*
Earnings	3.0%	1.5%	*-11.5%*
Dividends	0.5%	0.5%	*NMF*
Book Value	2.5%	1.5%	*3.0%*

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY REVENUES ($ mill.) Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	642.9	680.3	756.9	770.3	2850.4
2022	785.1	895.6	1042.2	1019.1	3742.0
2023	928.2	895.7	896.9	961.4	3682.2
2024	*940*	*910*	*975*	*975*	*3800*
2025	*965*	*935*	*1000*	*1000*	*3900*

Cal-endar	EARNINGS PER SHARE A Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	.59	.58	.58	.50	2.25
2022	.63	.48	.57	.52	2.20
2023	.50	.50	.37	.44	1.81
2024	*.45*	*.45*	*.50*	*.50*	*1.90*
2025	*.40*	*.30*	*.20*	*.10*	*1.00*

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID B Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2020	.33	.33	.33	.33	1.32
2021	.34	.34	.34	.34	1.36
2022	.35	.35	.35	.35	1.40
2023	.36	.36	.36	--	1.08
2024	--				

BUSINESS: Hawaiian Electric Industries (HEI) is the parent company of Hawaiian Electric Company, Inc. (HECO), American Savings Bank (ASB), and Pacific Current. HECO & its subs., Maui Electric Co. (MECO) & Hawaii Electric Light Co. (HELCO), supply electricity to 416,177 customers on Oahu, Maui, Molokai, Lanai, & Hawaii. Operating companies' systems are not interconnected. Elec. rev. breakdown: residential, 32%; commercial, 36%; industrial, 32%; other, less than 1%. Generating sources: oil, 52%; purchased, 48%. Fuel costs: 50%+ of revs. '23 reported deprec. rate: 3.2%. Has about 3,600 employees. Chairman: Tom Fargo. Pres. & CEO: Scott Seu. Inc.: HI. Address: 1001 Bishop St., Suite 2900, Honolulu, HI 96808-0730. Telephone: 808-543-5662. Internet: www.hei.com.

Hawaiian Electric Industries faces a mounting number of lawsuits related to its role in the Maui wildfires. To recap, on August 8th, winds associated with Hurricane Dora knocked down power lines that started an early morning fire near the town of Lahaina. According to HEI, that blaze was extinguished by firefighters. HEI contends that the fires that began hours later, resulting in over 100 deaths and massive property damage (estimated to be more than $1.5 billion), were not from its equipment, since the utility deenergized its system following the initial downed wires. Maui County filed a lawsuit against the company, claiming the utility acted negligently by not preemptively cutting power, given the forecast for extreme winds. HEI has been named as a defendant in more than 100 lawsuits for local damages (up from 60 in November). The company has also been hit with a class action suit on behalf of shareholders and subrogation claims on the part of about 150 different insurers. The dividend was suspended to preserve cash and the company fully exhausted its $375 million revolving credit facility.

Hawaiian Electric was unsuccessful in its bid to move wildfire cases from state to federal court. In March, a U.S. district judge ruled that the lawsuits filed against the company will be remanded back to state court on the island of Maui. Plaintiffs' lawyers considered it a victory because these cases will be heard by a local jury beginning this October.

Our estimates assume hefty legal settlements. Thus far, HEI has agreed to contribute up to $75 million of a $175 million fund for victims as part of the state's response. Payouts are expected to be in the $1.5 million range per claim. HEI's share will be paid by insurance, leaving $90 million of additional coverage. While the fund may alleviate some of the court cases, we think substantial legal costs are inevitable and have priced in settlement figures of $125 million to $250 million annually starting in 2025. It's an amount the company can stay viable at in terms of maintaining the power grid. This outcome results in poor total return prospects for shareholders. The Timeliness rank is suspended due to the vagaries ahead.

Anthony J. Glennon *April 19, 2024*

(A) Diluted EPS. Excl. nonrec. losses: '12, 25¢; '17, 12¢. Qtrly. EPS may not sum to full year due to rounding. Next egs. report due early May. (B) Quarterly dividends not declared prior to 8/21/23 have been suspended. (C) Incl. deferred charges. In '23: $294.8 mill., $2.68/sh. (D) In mill. (E) Rate base: Orig. cost. Rate allowed on com. eq. in '18: HECO, 9.5%; in '18: HELCO, 9.5%; in '18: MECO, 9.5%; Regulatory Climate: Below Average. (F) Includes preferred dividends.

Company's Financial Strength	C+
Stock's Price Stability	5
Price Growth Persistence	35
Earnings Predictability	90

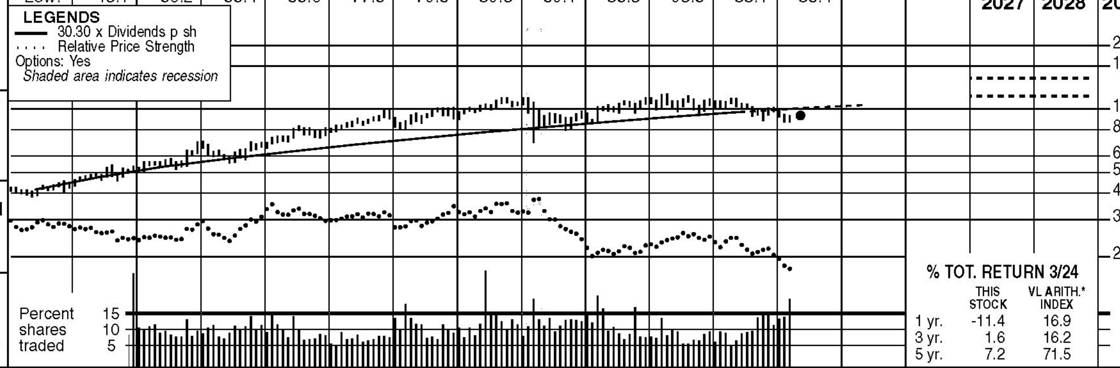
IDACORP, INC. NYSE-IDA

RECENT PRICE	93.19	P/E RATIO	18.1 (Trailing: 18.1; Median: 20.0)	RELATIVE P/E RATIO	0.98	DIV'D YLD	3.6%	VALUE LINE

TIMELINESS **5** Lowered 3/1/24
SAFETY **1** Raised 4/19/24
TECHNICAL **5** Lowered 3/29/24
BETA .85 (1.00 = Market)

High:	54.7	70.1	70.5	83.4	100.0	102.4	114.0	113.6	113.8	118.9	113.0	99.8
Low:	43.1	50.2	55.4	65.0	77.5	79.6	89.3	69.1	85.3	93.5	88.1	86.4

Target Price Range
2027 | 2028 | 2029



18-Month Target Price Range

Low-High	Midpoint (% to Mid)
$78-$132	$105 (15%)

2027-29 PROJECTIONS

	Price	Gain	Ann'l Total Return
High	140	(+50%)	14%
Low	115	(+25%)	9%

Institutional Decisions

	2Q2023	3Q2023	4Q2023
to Buy	168	160	192
to Sell	170	177	168
Hld's(000)	42011	43079	45178

% TOT. RETURN 3/24

	THIS STOCK	VL ARITH.* INDEX
1 yr.	-11.4	16.9
3 yr.	1.6	16.2
5 yr.	7.2	71.5

2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	27-29
20.47	21.92	20.97	20.55	21.55	24.81	25.51	25.23	25.04	26.76	27.19	26.70	26.77	28.86	32.51	34.90	**34.30**	**35.90**	Revenues per sh	**39.60**
4.27	5.07	5.35	5.84	5.93	6.29	6.58	6.70	6.86	7.50	7.85	8.07	8.19	8.41	8.55	9.11	**9.50**	**10.10**	"Cash Flow" per sh	**11.40**
2.18	2.64	2.95	3.36	3.37	3.64	3.85	3.87	3.94	4.21	4.49	4.61	4.69	4.85	5.11	5.14	**5.40**	**5.75**	Earnings per sh A	**6.65**
1.20	1.20	1.20	1.20	1.37	1.57	1.76	1.92	2.08	2.24	2.40	2.56	2.72	2.88	3.04	3.20	**3.34**	**3.46**	Div'd Decl'd per sh B ■ †	**4.25**
5.19	5.26	6.85	6.76	4.78	4.68	5.45	5.84	5.89	5.66	5.51	5.53	6.16	5.94	8.56	12.07	**17.00**	**14.00**	Cap'l Spending per sh	**12.00**
27.76	29.17	31.01	33.19	35.07	36.84	38.85	40.88	42.74	44.65	47.01	48.88	50.73	52.82	55.52	57.44	**59.30**	**63.10**	Book Value per sh C	**69.80**
46.92	47.90	49.41	49.95	50.16	50.23	50.27	50.34	50.40	50.42	50.42	50.42	50.46	50.52	50.56	50.62	**51.00**	**51.50**	Common Shs Outst'g D	**53.00**
13.9	10.2	11.8	11.5	12.4	13.4	14.7	16.2	19.1	20.6	20.5	22.3	19.9	20.8	21.0	19.9	*Bold figures are*		Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	**19.0**
.84	.68	.75	.72	.79	.75	.77	.82	1.00	1.04	1.11	1.19	1.02	1.12	1.21	1.11	*Value Line*		Relative P/E Ratio	**1.05**
4.0%	4.5%	3.4%	3.1%	3.3%	3.2%	3.1%	3.1%	2.8%	2.6%	2.6%	2.5%	2.9%	2.9%	2.8%	3.1%	*estimates*		Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	**3.3%**

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 12/31/23
Total Debt $2825.6 mill. **Due in 5 Yrs** $186.0 mill.
LT Debt $2775.8 mill. **LT Interest** $96.4 mill.
(Total Interest Coverage: 2.6x)

Pension Assets-12/23 $917.5 mill.
Oblig $1028.0 mill.

Pfd Stock None

Common Stock 50,628,079 shs.
as of 2/9/24

MARKET CAP: $4.7 billion (Mid Cap)

2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025		27-29
1282.5	1270.3	1262.0	1349.5	1370.8	1346.4	1350.7	1458.1	1644.0	1766.4	**1750**	**1850**	Revenues ($mill)	**2100**
193.5	194.7	198.3	212.4	226.8	232.9	237.4	245.6	259.0	261.2	**275**	**295**	Net Profit ($mill)	**355**
8.0%	19.0%	15.5%	18.6%	7.1%	9.5%	10.8%	13.1%	12.7%	9.4%	**13.0%**	**13.0%**	Income Tax Rate	**13.0%**
13.6%	16.3%	16.3%	13.9%	15.2%	16.2%	17.3%	17.7%	19.8%	8.8%	**15.0%**	**15.0%**	AFUDC % to Net Profit	**16.0%**
45.3%	45.6%	44.8%	43.7%	43.6%	41.3%	43.9%	42.8%	43.9%	48.8%	**49.0%**	**49.5%**	Long-Term Debt Ratio	**49.5%**
54.7%	54.4%	55.2%	56.3%	56.4%	58.7%	56.1%	57.2%	56.1%	51.2%	**51.0%**	**50.5%**	Common Equity Ratio	**50.5%**
3567.6	3783.3	3898.5	3997.5	4205.1	4201.3	4560.4	4669.1	5001.4	5683.4	**6000**	**6325**	Total Capital ($mill)	**7300**
3833.5	3992.4	4172.0	4283.9	4395.7	4531.5	4709.5	4901.8	5173.0	5745.2	**6100**	**6425**	Net Plant ($mill)	**7400**
6.6%	6.2%	6.1%	6.3%	6.4%	6.5%	6.1%	6.2%	6.1%	5.4%	**5.5%**	**6.0%**	Return on Total Cap'l	**6.0%**
9.9%	9.5%	9.2%	9.4%	9.6%	9.4%	9.3%	9.2%	9.2%	9.0%	**9.0%**	**9.0%**	Return on Shr. Equity	**9.0%**
9.9%	9.5%	9.2%	9.4%	9.6%	9.4%	9.3%	9.2%	9.2%	9.0%	**9.0%**	**9.0%**	Return on Com Equity E	**9.0%**
5.4%	4.8%	4.3%	4.4%	4.4%	4.2%	3.9%	3.7%	3.7%	3.4%	**3.5%**	**3.5%**	Retained to Com Eq	**3.5%**
46%	50%	53%	53%	54%	56%	58%	60%	60%	63%	**62%**	**60%**	All Div'ds to Net Prof	**64%**

ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS

	2021	2022	2023
% Change Retail Sales (KWH)	+3.9	+9.6	+7.3
Avg. Indust. Use (MWH)	NA	NA	NA
Avg. Indust. Revs. per KWH (¢)	NA	NA	NA
Capacity at Peak (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
Peak Load, Summer (Mw)	3751	3568	3615
Annual Load Factor (%)	NA	NA	NA
% Change Customers (yr-end)	+2.8	+2.4	+2.4
Fixed Charge Cov. (%)	390	395	315

ANNUAL RATES of change (per sh)	Past 10 Yrs.	Past 5 Yrs.	Est'd '21-'23 to '27-'29
Revenues	3.5%	4.0%	3.5%
"Cash Flow"	3.5%	3.5%	4.5%
Earnings	4.0%	3.5%	5.0%
Dividends	8.0%	6.5%	5.5%
Book Value	4.5%	4.5%	4.0%

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY REVENUES($ mill.) Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	316.1	360.1	446.9	335.0	1458.1
2022	344.3	358.7	518.0	422.9	1644.0
2023	429.7	413.8	510.9	412.0	1766.4
2024	*365*	*415*	*560*	*410*	*1750*
2025	*390*	*440*	*585*	*435*	*1850*

Cal-endar	EARNINGS PER SHARE A Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	.89	1.38	1.93	.65	4.85
2022	.91	1.27	2.10	.83	5.11
2023	1.11	1.35	2.07	.61	5.14
2024	*1.10*	*1.35*	*2.10*	*.85*	*5.40*
2025	*1.15*	*1.45*	*2.25*	*.90*	*5.75*

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID B ■ † Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2020	.67	.67	.67	.71	2.72
2021	.71	.71	.71	.75	2.88
2022	.75	.75	.75	.79	3.04
2023	.79	.79	.79	.83	3.20
2024	.83				

BUSINESS: IDACORP, Inc. is a holding company for Idaho Power Company, a regulated electric utility that serves 633,000 customers throughout a 24,000-square-mile area in southern Idaho and eastern Oregon (population: 1.4 million). Most of the company's revenues are derived from the Idaho portion of its service area. Revenue breakdown: residential, 39%; commercial, 21%; industrial, 14%; irrigation, 10%; other, 16%. Generating sources: hydro, 35%; coal, 13%; gas, 15%; purchased, 37%. Fuel costs: 40% of revenues. '23 reported depreciation rate: 3.1%. Has 2,112 employees. Chairman: Richard J. Dahl. President & CEO: Lisa Grow. Incorporated: Idaho. Address: 1221 W. Idaho St., Boise, Idaho 83702. Telephone: 208-388-2200. Internet: www.idacorpinc.com.

IDACORP's management has set its earnings target for 2024 in a range of $5.25 to $5.45 a share. The company extended its streak of 15 years when it comes to annual earnings growth in 2023, but not by a whole lot. Our 2024 estimate is being placed at $5.40, which assumes a 5% annual gain, which is in line with the company's in-house goal. Most utilities strive for something in the 4%-6% or 5%-7% spread. Digging deeper, our estimate assumes Idaho Power will use between $35 million and $60 million of additional tax credits available under its regulatory mechanism. A good portion of this figure is tied to battery storage projects approved by the Idaho Public Utilities Commission in the general rate case last December.

A rate case in Oregon is now on the table. IDACORP has filed with the Oregon Public Utilities Commission for a rate increase to go into effect in October of this year. The company is requesting an ROE of 10.4%, and a 7.8% rate of return with a capital structure comprised of 51% equity and 49% debt. Infrastructure investments have been made in this service area and the last general rate case was filed in 2011. Since then, there has been an 8% increase in the number of customers. We expect the parties to mutually agree on a pact that is fair to both IDA and its constituents.

Capital expenditures are expected to peak this year at above $900 million. New capacity resources are pushing the spending up, but management has cast a wide net ($20 million to $200 million), so the total could be somewhat lower. Still, the average over the next five years is apt to come in around the $800 million threshold. Distribution and transmission will be areas of heavy outlays, as will high voltage transmission, one of the driving forces behind IDA's heavier spending coming off an average of about $400 million in the previous five-year window.

These untimely shares lack real investment appeal at this juncture. Even with the quotation down 7% in value since our January review, capital appreciation potential three to five years out is below average. Yes, the yield is handsomely above the *Value Line* median, but does not stand out for a utility.

Erik M. Manning *April 19, 2024*

(A) Diluted EPS. Earnings may not sum due to rounding. Next earnings report due early May. (B) Dividends historically paid in late February, May, August, and November. ■ Dividend reinvestment plan available. † Shareholder investment plan available. (C) Incl. intangibles. In '23: $882.7 mill., $17.44/sh. (D) In millions. (E) Rate base: Net original cost. Rate allowed on common equity in '12: 10% (imputed); Regulatory Climate: Above Average.

Company's Financial Strength	A
Stock's Price Stability	95
Price Growth Persistence	60
Earnings Predictability	100

MGE ENERGY, INC. NDQ-MGEE

RECENT PRICE	78.22	P/E RATIO	21.1 (Trailing: 23.6 Median: 25.0)	RELATIVE P/E RATIO	1.18	DIV'D YLD	2.2%	VALUE LINE

TIMELINESS 3 Lowered 2/23/24
SAFETY 3 Lowered 6/7/24
TECHNICAL 3 Raised 5/24/24
BETA .80 (1.00 = Market)

18-Month Target Price Range

Low-High	Midpoint (% to Mid)
$62-$111	$87 (10%)

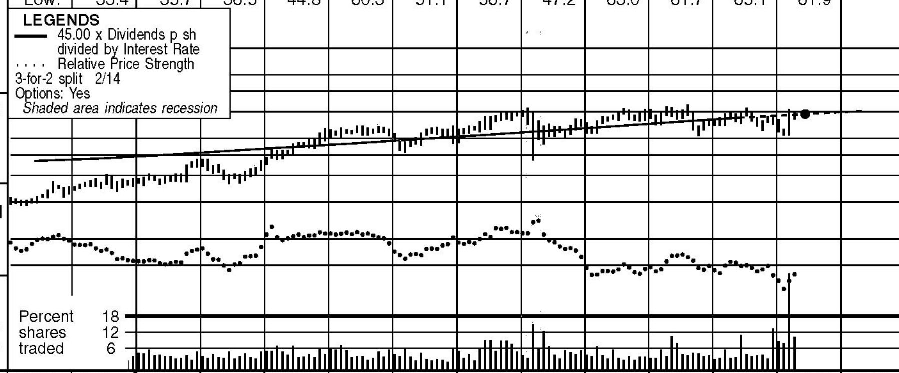
2027-29 PROJECTIONS

	Price	Gain	Ann'l Total Return
High	110	(+40%)	11%
Low	75	(-5%)	2%

Institutional Decisions

	2Q2023	3Q2023	4Q2023
to Buy	82	84	120
to Sell	82	84	78
Hld's(000)	19530	19172	19078

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
High:	40.5	48.0	48.0	66.9	68.7	68.9	80.8	83.3	82.9	86.3	83.3	82.5
Low:	33.4	35.7	36.5	44.8	60.3	51.1	56.7	47.2	63.0	61.7	65.1	61.9



Target Price Range
2027 | 2028 | 2029

% TOT. RETURN 4/24

	THIS STOCK	VL ARITH.* INDEX
1 yr.	4.7	11.5
3 yr.	11.8	5.5
5 yr.	28.6	56.1

2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	27-29
17.35	15.40	15.36	15.76	15.61	17.04	17.88	16.27	15.71	16.24	16.15	16.41	14.89	16.77	19.76	19.09	**19.50**	**20.20**	Revenues per sh	24.00
2.68	2.66	2.76	2.94	2.98	3.28	3.49	3.33	3.47	3.73	4.06	4.57	4.61	5.05	5.43	6.03	**6.75**	**7.30**	"Cash Flow" per sh	8.25
1.59	1.47	1.67	1.76	1.86	2.16	2.32	2.06	2.18	2.20	2.43	2.51	2.60	2.92	3.07	3.25	**3.70**	**4.00**	Earnings per sh A	4.65
.96	.97	.99	1.01	1.04	1.07	1.11	1.16	1.21	1.26	1.32	1.38	1.45	1.52	1.59	1.67	**1.73**	**1.80**	Div'd Decl'd per sh B ■	1.95
3.08	2.35	1.76	1.88	2.84	3.43	2.67	2.08	2.41	3.12	6.12	4.73	5.62	4.24	4.84	6.14	**6.15**	**6.20**	Cap'l Spending per sh	7.00
13.92	14.47	15.14	15.89	16.71	17.81	19.02	19.92	20.89	22.45	23.56	24.68	26.99	28.41	29.91	31.53	**33.20**	**34.55**	Book Value per sh C	38.75
34.36	34.67	34.67	34.67	34.67	34.67	34.67	34.67	34.67	34.67	34.67	34.67	36.16	36.16	36.16	36.16	**36.16**	**36.16**	Common Shs Outst'g D	36.16
14.2	15.1	15.0	15.8	17.2	17.0	17.2	20.3	24.9	29.4	25.1	28.4	26.4	25.5	24.7	22.9	*Bold figures are*		Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	19.5
.85	1.01	.95	.99	1.09	.96	.91	1.02	1.31	1.48	1.36	1.51	1.36	1.38	1.43	1.28	*Value Line*		Relative P/E Ratio	1.10
4.2%	4.4%	4.0%	3.6%	3.2%	2.9%	2.8%	2.8%	2.2%	2.0%	2.2%	1.9%	2.1%	2.0%	2.1%	2.2%	*estimates*		Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	2.2%

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 3/31/24
Total Debt $722.8 mill. **Due in 5 Yrs** $110.0 mill.
LT Debt $717.6 mill. **LT Interest** $30.4 mill.

(LT interest earned: 4.8x)
Leases, Uncapitalized Annual rentals $2.0 mill.
Pension Assets-12/23 $404 mill.
Oblig $65.0 mill.
Pfd Stock None

Common Stock 36,175,888 shs.
as of 4/30/24
MARKET CAP: $2.8 billion (Mid Cap)

2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025		27-29
619.9	564.0	544.7	563.1	559.8	568.9	538.6	606.6	714.5	690.4	**705**	**730**	Revenues ($mill)	865
80.3	71.3	75.6	76.1	84.2	86.9	92.4	105.8	111.0	117.7	**135**	**145**	Net Profit ($mill)	170
37.5%	36.7%	36.0%	36.4%	24.6%	18.5%	17.4%	3.7%	19.1%	19.1%	**19.0%**	**19.0%**	Income Tax Rate	19.0%
5.7%	1.3%	2.1%	2.1%	5.2%	3.6%	8.7%	6.3%	6.3%	4.0%	**4.0%**	**3.0%**	AFUDC % to Net Profit	3.0%
37.5%	36.2%	34.6%	33.8%	37.7%	38.0%	35.5%	38.1%	35.8%	39.3%	**37.0%**	**36.0%**	Long-Term Debt Ratio	33.5%
62.5%	63.8%	65.4%	66.2%	62.3%	62.0%	64.5%	61.9%	64.2%	60.7%	**63.0%**	**64.0%**	Common Equity Ratio	66.5%
1054.7	1081.5	1106.9	1176.3	1310.0	1379.4	1512.8	1659.0	1684.0	1876.9	**1950**	**1950**	Total Capital ($mill)	2100
1208.1	1243.4	1282.1	1341.4	1509.4	1642.7	1769.4	1878.8	1971.1	2128.2	**2250**	**2350**	Net Plant ($mill)	2600
8.6%	7.5%	7.7%	7.3%	7.2%	7.1%	6.8%	7.1%	7.4%	7.1%	**7.0%**	**7.5%**	Return on Total Cap'l	8.0%
12.2%	10.3%	10.4%	9.8%	10.3%	10.2%	9.5%	10.3%	10.3%	10.3%	**11.0%**	**11.5%**	Return on Shr. Equity	12.0%
12.2%	10.3%	10.4%	9.8%	10.3%	10.2%	9.5%	10.3%	10.3%	10.3%	**11.0%**	**11.5%**	Return on Com Equity E	12.0%
6.4%	4.5%	4.7%	4.2%	4.7%	4.6%	4.2%	5.0%	4.9%	5.0%	**6.0%**	**6.5%**	Retained to Com Eq	7.0%
48%	56%	55%	57%	54%	55%	56%	52%	52%	51%	**47%**	**45%**	All Div'ds to Net Prof	42%

ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS

	2021	2022	2023
% Change Retail Sales (KWH)	+3.2	-.3	-1.0
Avg. Indust. Use (MWH)	NA	NA	NA
Avg. Indust. Revs. per KWH (¢)	7.69	8.71	9.09
Capacity at Peak (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
Peak Load, Summer (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
Annual Load Factor (%)	NA	NA	NA
% Change Customers (yr-end)	NA	NA	NA
Fixed Charge Cov. (%)	486	517	525

ANNUAL RATES of change (per sh)	Past 10 Yrs.	Past 5 Yrs.	Est'd '21-'23 to '27-'29
Revenues	1.5%	3.0%	4.5%
"Cash Flow"	6.0%	8.0%	7.0%
Earnings	5.0%	6.5%	7.0%
Dividends	4.5%	4.5%	3.5%
Book Value	6.0%	6.0%	4.5%

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY REVENUES ($ mill.) Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	167.9	130.7	145.9	162.1	606.6
2022	209.0	152.3	163.4	189.8	714.5
2023	217.3	148.0	160.5	164.6	690.4
2024	191.3	**150**	**165**	**198.7**	**705**
2025	**190**	**180**	**180**	**180**	**730**

Cal-endar	EARNINGS PER SHARE A Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	.96	.63	.97	.36	2.92
2022	.96	.60	.93	.58	3.07
2023	.86	.79	1.05	.55	3.25
2024	.93	**.95**	**1.15**	**.67**	**3.70**
2025	**1.00**	**1.00**	**1.00**	**1.00**	**4.00**

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID B ■ Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec. 31	Full Year
2020	.352	.352	.37	.37	1.45
2021	.37	.37	.388	.388	1.52
2022	.388	.388	.408	.408	1.59
2023	.408	.408	.4275	.4275	1.67
2024	.4275				

BUSINESS: MGE Energy, Inc. is a holding company for Madison Gas and Electric Company (MGE), which provides electric service to 163,000 customers in Dane County and gas service to 176,000 customers in seven counties in Wisconsin. Electric revenue breakdown: residential, 35%; commercial, 51%; industrial, 3%; other, 11%. Generating sources: coal, 40%; gas, 17%; renewables, 21%; purchased power, 22%. Fuel costs: 30% of revenues. '23 reported depreciation rates: electric, 3.8%; gas, 2.1%; nonregulated, 2.3%. Has about 700 employees. Chairman, President & CEO: Jeffrey M. Keebler. Incorporated: Wisconsin. Address: 133 South Blair Street, P.O. Box 1231, Madison, Wisconsin 53701-1231. Telephone: 608-252-7000. Internet: www.mgeenergy.com.

MGE Energy reported mixed first-quarter results. Revenues decreased 12% year over year, to $191.3 million. The company experienced a slight decline in electric revenues and a double-digit fall in gas revenues due to warmer-than-normal weather. However, GAAP earnings per share increased by 8% compared to the previous year, reaching $0.93. This growth was thanks to favorable rates and lower fuel costs, boosting electric utility earnings.

The company is investing in assets to support the expansion of renewable energy generation. The utility has several solar and battery projects that are either proposed or under construction. Notable investments include a 20-megawatt solar project, Paris, which is also being developed as a battery storage infrastructure, scheduled for completion in 2024 and 2025, respectively. Another significant solar project, dubbed Darien, is anticipated to be operational by the end of this year. Ongoing investments in capital infrastructure are important for negotiating rate cases and should make a solid ground for future rate cases. We note that rate cases for 2024 and 2025 were approved in December 2023 by the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin.

A combination of rate relief and better cost controls should keep the near-term bottom line healthy. MGE will probably remain active on the investment front to make a case for next rate negotiations. Plus, we also expect it to attract new customers to bolster the top line. All things considered, we estimate a 14% increase in per-share profit for 2024. In all, we project an 8% gain in 2025 earnings per share, bringing the figures to approximately $3.70 and $4.00, respectively.

Shares of MGE Energy are ranked to track the broader market averages in the year ahead. Looking over the 3- to 5-year time frame, the stock has subpar capital appreciation potential. Over the next 18 months, the capital upside prospects are also uninspiring, and the dividend yield is below average for a utility. We think patient, income-oriented investors looking to diversify portfolio risk and earn a high dividend yield may find better options elsewhere in the sector.

Emma Jalees *June 7, 2024*

(A) GAAP Diluted earnings. Excludes nonrecurring gain: '17, 62¢. Quarterly earnings may not sum to full year due to rounding or share count change. Next earnings report due early Aug. (B) Div'ds historically paid in mid-March, June, September, and December ■ Div'd reinvestment plan avail. (C) Includes regulatory assets. In '23: $102.3 mill., $2.83/sh. (D) In millions, adj for split. (E) Rate allowed on common equity in '23: 9.7%; Regulatory Climate: Above Average.

Company's Financial Strength	B++
Stock's Price Stability	75
Price Growth Persistence	55
Earnings Predictability	100

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RECENT PRICE	P/E RATIO	RELATIVE P/E RATIO	DIV'D YLD
60.46	13.1 (Trailing: 14.0 / Median: 19.0)	0.75	4.8%

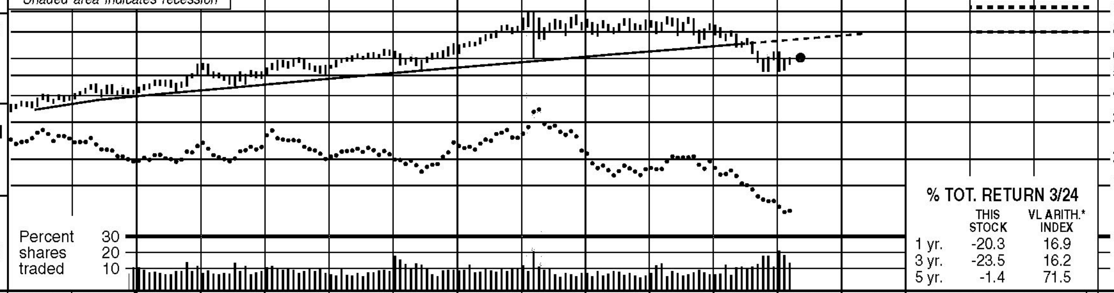
VALUE LINE

TIMELINESS 5 Lowered 2/23/24
SAFETY 2 Lowered 5/12/23
TECHNICAL 5 Lowered 5/10/24
BETA .95 (1.00 = Market)

High:	45.7	56.7	56.8	60.4	66.1	70.5	86.6	99.4	92.7	94.6	86.8	64.6
Low:	38.6	41.3	44.6	50.0	54.1	52.8	63.1	60.7	76.6	70.5	52.0	52.1

LEGENDS
— 26.0 x Dividends p sh
.... Relative Price Strength
Options: Yes
Shaded area indicates recession

Target Price Range
2027 | 2028 | 2029



18-Month Target Price Range

Low-High	Midpoint (% to Mid)
$49-$82	$66 (10%)

2027-29 PROJECTIONS

	Price	Gain	Ann'l Total Return
High	105	(+75%)	*18%*
Low	80	(+30%)	*12%*

Institutional Decisions

	2Q2023	3Q2023	4Q2023
to Buy	379	371	366
to Sell	375	374	417
Hld's(000)	283976	281272	282086

Percent shares traded 30 20 10

% TOT. RETURN 3/24

	THIS STOCK	VL ARITH.* INDEX
1 yr.	-20.3	16.9
3 yr.	-23.5	16.2
5 yr.	-1.4	71.5

2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	27-29
37.22	30.97	27.76	25.21	19.98	23.16	24.42	25.08	24.11	24.46	26.66	25.85	25.96	28.64	35.27	34.08	***37.25***	***38.70***	Revenues per sh	***41.80***
6.16	4.96	5.68	4.88	4.03	5.22	4.56	4.94	5.46	5.84	6.64	6.65	6.99	7.74	8.79	6.68	***9.40***	***9.75***	"Cash Flow" per sh	***10.45***
1.86	1.91	2.10	2.22	1.89	2.49	2.58	2.76	2.96	3.11	3.25	3.45	3.64	3.86	4.09	4.34	***4.60***	***4.85***	Earnings per sh A	***5.80***
.83	.95	1.03	1.10	1.32	1.47	1.57	1.67	1.78	1.90	2.02	2.14	2.27	2.41	2.55	2.70	***2.86***	***3.03***	Div'd Decl'd per sh B ■	***3.60***
8.06	5.17	5.41	6.08	4.69	4.62	5.06	5.44	6.24	7.41	7.96	8.83	8.58	9.22	9.88	12.41	***12.40***	***12.40***	Cap'l Spending per sh	***13.00***
19.38	20.37	21.60	22.65	29.41	30.49	31.47	32.64	33.80	34.99	36.25	38.29	41.01	42.39	44.41	40.55	***42.35***	***44.25***	Book Value per sh C	***51.75***
155.83	175.62	176.45	177.16	314.05	315.27	316.98	317.19	316.89	316.89	316.89	329.88	342.95	344.40	348.44	349.54	***350.50***	***351.50***	Common Shs Outst'g D	***365.00***
13.7	12.0	13.4	15.4	19.9	16.9	17.9	18.1	18.7	19.5	18.7	22.1	23.7	22.2	20.9	16.0	***Bold figures are***		Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	***16.0***
.82	.80	.85	.97	1.27	.95	.94	.91	.98	.98	1.01	1.18	1.22	1.20	1.21	.89	***Value Line***		Relative P/E Ratio	***.90***
3.2%	4.2%	3.6%	3.2%	3.5%	3.5%	3.4%	3.3%	3.2%	3.1%	3.3%	2.8%	2.6%	2.8%	3.0%	3.9%	***estimates***		Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	***3.9%***

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 12/31/23
Total Debt $26754 mill. **Due in 5 Yrs** $9258.1 mill.
LT Debt $23956 mill. **LT Interest** $793.7 mill.
(Total Interest coverage: 3.1x)

Leases, Uncapitalized Annual rentals $80.6 mill.

Pension Assets-12/23 $5775.0 mill.
Oblig. $5238.4 mill.
Pfd Stock $155.6 mill. **Pfd Div'd** $7.52 mill.

Common Stock 349,687,183 shs.
as of 1/31/24
MARKET CAP: $21.1 billion (Large Cap)

2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025		27-29
7741.9	7954.8	7639.1	7752.0	8448.2	8526.5	8904.4	9863.1	12289	11911	***13050***	***13600***	Revenues ($mill)	***15250***
827.1	886.0	949.8	995.5	1040.5	1121.0	1244.8	1337.7	1427.4	1525.2	***1620***	***1715***	Net Profit ($mill)	***2130***
36.2%	37.9%	36.9%	36.8%	21.7%	19.7%	22.2%	21.9%	24.3%	19.8%	***24.0%***	***24.0%***	Income Tax Rate	***24.0%***
2.4%	2.9%	3.9%	4.7%	6.1%	6.3%	5.3%	4.2%	4.8%	8.0%	***8.0%***	***8.0%***	AFUDC % to Net Profit	***7.0%***
45.9%	45.6%	44.8%	51.2%	52.4%	52.8%	52.4%	54.2%	56.3%	62.6%	***62.5%***	***62.5%***	Long-Term Debt Ratio	***59.0%***
53.2%	53.6%	54.4%	48.2%	46.9%	46.6%	47.1%	45.3%	43.3%	37.0%	***37.0%***	***37.0%***	Common Equity Ratio	***40.5%***
18738	19313	19697	23018	24474	27097	29842	32233	35763	38285	***39800***	***41700***	Total Capital ($mill)	***46600***
18647	19892	21351	23617	25610	27585	30883	33378	36113	39499	***41700***	***44050***	Net Plant ($mill)	***51000***
5.3%	5.5%	5.8%	5.2%	5.2%	5.1%	5.1%	5.1%	5.0%	5.0%	***5.5%***	***5.5%***	Return on Total Cap'l	***6.0%***
8.2%	8.4%	8.7%	8.9%	8.9%	8.8%	8.8%	9.1%	9.1%	10.6%	***11.0%***	***11.0%***	Return on Shr. Equity	***11.0%***
8.2%	8.5%	8.8%	8.9%	9.0%	8.8%	8.8%	9.1%	9.2%	10.7%	***11.0%***	***11.0%***	Return on Com Equity E	***11.0%***
3.5%	3.4%	3.5%	3.5%	3.4%	3.6%	3.5%	3.6%	3.6%	4.2%	***4.0%***	***4.0%***	Retained to Com Eq	***4.5%***
58%	61%	60%	61%	62%	60%	60%	61%	61%	61%	***62%***	***62%***	All Div'ds to Net Prof	***62%***

ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS

	2021	2022	2023
% Change Retail Sales (GWH)	+1.6	+.5	-3.3
Avg. Indust. Use (MWH)	NA	NA	NA
Avg. Indust. Revs. per KWH (¢)	NA	NA	NA
Capacity at Peak (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
Peak Load, Winter (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
Annual Load Factor (%)	NA	NA	NA
% Change Customers (yr-end)	+.6	+.7	+.7
Fixed Charge Cov. (%)	347	310	263

ANNUAL RATES of change (per sh)	Past 10 Yrs.	Past 5 Yrs.	Est'd '21-'23 to '27-'29
Revenues	3.5%	5.5%	*4.0%*
"Cash Flow"	5.0%	5.5%	*5.0%*
Earnings	6.5%	5.5%	*6.0%*
Dividends	7.0%	6.0%	*6.0%*
Book Value	4.5%	4.0%	*3.5%*

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY REVENUES ($ mill.) A Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	2826	2123	2433	2482	9863
2022	3471	2573	3216	3030	12289
2023	3796	2629	2792	2694	11911
2024	***3900***	***2700***	***3250***	***3200***	***13050***
2025	***4075***	***2825***	***3375***	***3325***	***13600***

Cal-endar	EARNINGS PER SHARE A Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	1.15	.79	1.02	.91	3.86
2022	1.30	.86	1.01	.92	4.09
2023	1.41	1.00	.97	.95	4.34
2024	***1.45***	***1.03***	***1.07***	***1.05***	***4.60***
2025	***1.50***	***1.10***	***1.15***	***1.10***	***4.85***

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID B ■ Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2020	.5675	.5675	.5675	.5675	2.27
2021	.6025	.6025	.6025	.6025	2.41
2022	.6375	.6375	.6375	.6375	2.55
2023	.675	.675	.675	.675	2.70
2024	.715				

BUSINESS: Eversource Energy (formerly Northeast Utilities) is the parent of 12 regulated utilities with 4.45 million electric, natural gas, and water customers. Supplies power to most of Connecticut and gas to part of CT; supplies power to 3/4 of New Hampshire's population; supplies power to western Massachusetts and parts of eastern MA & gas to central & eastern MA; supplies water to CT, MA, & NH. Acq'd NSTAR 4/12; Aquarion 12/17; Columbia Gas 10/20. Electric rev. breakdown: residential, 56%; commercial/indus'l/other, 43.4%. Fuel costs: 41% of revs. '23 reported depr. rate: 3.1%. Employs about 10,200. Chairman, President & CEO: Joseph R. Nolan, Jr. Inc.: MA. Addr.: 300 Cadwell Drive, Springfield, MA 01104. Telephone: 413-785-5871. Internet: www.eversource.com.

Eversource Energy has largely divested its offshore wind generation assets, lifting most of the uncertainty that had been weighing on the stock. The rapid rise in financing and development costs over the past few years caused these assets to drop in value. The company ultimately had to take a $1.95 billion nonrecurring impairment charge in 2023. Eversource was able to recoup some of its initial investment. In September, the company sold its stake in undeveloped offshore leased areas to its joint-venture partner, Orsted, for $625 million. And in February, Eversource reached an agreement to sell its 50% stake in the South Fork Wind and Revolution Wind projects to Global Infrastructure Partners for $1.1 billion. All that remains is a 50% interest in the Sunrise Wind venture, where a conditional sales agreement is in place with Orsted. The finances of that deal were not disclosed, as they are contingent on what New York State bids for the annual power.

To further shore up its finances, the company is exploring the sale of its water utility. Aquarion water, which was purchased in 2017 for $1.67 billion, has been deemed a nonstrategic asset by Eversource. The business distributes water to 72 towns and cities in Connecticut, Massachusetts, and New Hampshire.

Eversource remains poised for solid intermediate-term profit gains. In Massachusetts, $64 million of higher electric rates were phased in during 2023. This year, additional increases will go into effect based on inflation, maintenance, and transmission & distribution project spending. Rate increases are tied to nearly real-time formulaic pricing adjustments based on a 9.8% return on equity in the company's most important state territory. The company is targeting earnings of $4.50-$4.67 per share this year. Management has affirmed its 5%-7% annual profit growth expectation through late decade.

Longer-term utility investors should consider a commitment here. Eversource recently upped its dividend by 5.9%, and looks poised to regain its stride among utilities prized for their above-average dividend growth prospects. The equity trades at a deep discount to its peer group's average P/E multiple of 16.1.

Anthony J. Glennon *May 10, 2024*

(A) Diluted EPS excl. nonrecur. gain/(losses): '08, (19¢); '10, 9¢; '19, (64¢); '20, (9¢); '21, (32¢); '22, (4¢); '23, ($3.45). Next egs. report due early Aug. Quarterly figures may not sum to full year due to rounding. (B) Div'ds paid late Mar., June, Sept., & Dec. ■ Div'd reinvestment plan avail. (C) Incl. intangibles. In '23: $26.45/sh. (D) In mill. (E) Rate allowed on com. eq. in MA: (elec.) '22, 9.8%; (gas) '20, 9.7%-9.9%; in CT: (elec.) '18, 9.25%; (gas) '18, 9.3%; in NH: '21, 9.3%; Regulatory Climate: CT, Below Avg.; NH, Avg.; MA, Above Avg.

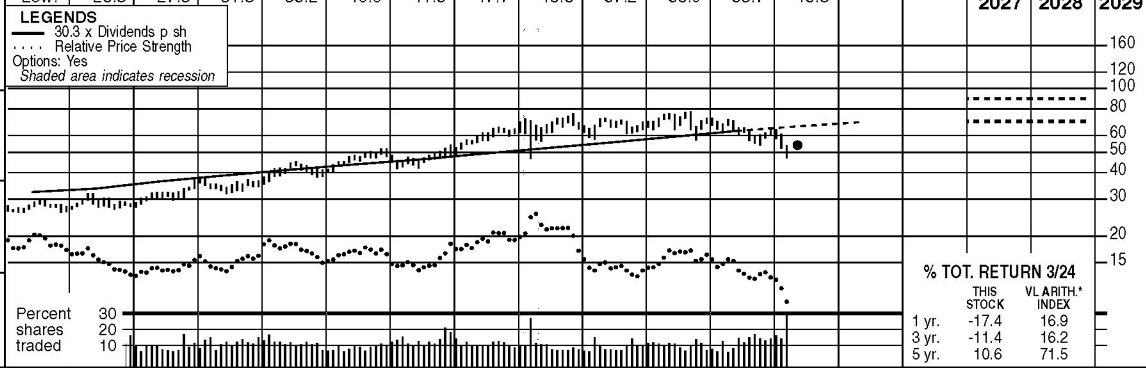
Company's Financial Strength	A
Stock's Price Stability	80
Price Growth Persistence	50
Earnings Predictability	100

XCEL ENERGY NDQ-XEL

RECENT PRICE	54.08	P/E RATIO	15.3 (Trailing: 16.2 Median: 20.0)	RELATIVE P/E RATIO	0.83	DIV'D YLD	4.2%	VALUE LINE

TIMELINESS 4 Lowered 12/1/23
SAFETY 2 Lowered 1/19/24
TECHNICAL 4 Lowered 4/12/24
BETA .85 (1.00 = Market)

High:	31.8	37.6	38.3	45.4	52.2	54.1	66.1	76.4	72.9	77.7	73.0	64.2
Low:	26.8	27.3	31.8	35.2	40.0	41.5	47.7	46.6	57.2	56.9	53.7	46.8



18-Month Target Price Range

Low-High	Midpoint (% to Mid)
$51-$91	$71 (30%)

2027-29 PROJECTIONS

	Price	Gain	Ann'l Total Return
High	90	(+65%)	17%
Low	70	(+30%)	10%

Institutional Decisions

	2Q2023	3Q2023	4Q2023
to Buy	426	448	514
to Sell	422	404	387
Hld's(000)	432509	434495	438235

% TOT. RETURN 3/24

	THIS STOCK	VL ARITH.* INDEX
1 yr.	-17.4	16.9
3 yr.	-11.4	16.2
5 yr.	10.6	71.5

2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	27-29
24.69	21.08	21.38	21.90	20.76	21.92	23.11	21.72	21.90	22.46	22.44	21.98	21.45	24.69	27.86	25.60	**27.70**	**28.65**	Revenues per sh	**32.05**
3.50	3.48	3.51	3.79	4.00	4.10	4.28	4.56	5.04	5.47	5.92	6.25	6.61	7.08	7.81	7.96	**8.60**	**9.25**	"Cash Flow" per sh	**11.25**
1.46	1.49	1.56	1.72	1.85	1.91	2.03	2.10	2.21	2.30	2.47	2.64	2.79	2.96	3.17	3.35	**3.55**	**3.80**	Earnings per sh A	**4.70**
.94	.97	1.00	1.03	1.07	1.11	1.20	1.28	1.36	1.44	1.52	1.62	1.72	1.83	1.95	2.08	**2.19**	**2.30**	Div'd Decl'd per sh B ■ †	**2.67**
4.66	3.91	4.60	4.53	5.27	6.82	6.33	7.26	6.42	6.54	7.70	8.05	9.99	7.80	8.44	10.55	**13.25**	**16.40**	Cap'l Spending per sh	**11.65**
15.35	15.92	16.76	17.44	18.19	19.21	20.20	20.89	21.73	22.56	23.78	25.24	27.12	28.70	30.34	31.74	**33.30**	**35.00**	Book Value per sh C	**41.35**
453.79	457.51	482.33	486.49	487.96	497.97	505.73	507.54	507.22	507.76	514.04	524.54	537.44	544.03	549.58	554.94	**560.00**	**565.00**	Common Shs Outst'g D	**580.00**
13.7	12.7	14.1	14.2	14.8	15.0	15.4	16.5	18.5	20.2	18.9	22.3	23.9	22.5	22.2	19.0	*Bold figures are*		Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	**17.0**
.82	.85	.90	.89	.94	.84	.81	.83	.97	1.02	1.02	1.19	1.23	1.22	1.28	1.06	*Value Line*		Relative P/E Ratio	**.95**
4.7%	5.1%	4.5%	4.2%	3.9%	3.9%	3.8%	3.7%	3.3%	3.1%	3.3%	2.7%	2.6%	2.8%	2.8%	3.3%	*estimates*		Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	**3.3%**

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 12/31/23
Total Debt $26250 mill. **Due in 5 Yrs** $3790 mill.
LT Debt $24913 mill. **LT Interest** $904 mill.
Incl. $218 mill. finance leases.
(Total Interest Coverage: 2.8x)

Leases, Uncapitalized Annual rentals $277 mill.
Pension Assets-12/23 $2690 mill. **Oblig** $2943 mill.

Pfd Stock None

Common Stock 555,155,770 shs.
as of 2/15/24
MARKET CAP: $30.0 billion (Large Cap)

2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025		27-29
11686	11024	11107	11404	11537	11529	11526	13431	15310	14206	**15500**	**16200**	Revenues ($mill)	**18600**
1021.3	1063.6	1123.4	1171.0	1261.0	1372.0	1473.0	1597.0	1736.0	1851.0	**1985**	**2140**	Net Profit ($mill)	**2725**
33.9%	35.8%	34.1%	30.7%	12.6%	8.5%	--	--	--	--	**NMF**	**NMF**	Income Tax Rate	**NMF**
12.5%	7.7%	7.8%	9.4%	12.4%	8.3%	10.7%	6.2%	5.9%	7.7%	**10.0%**	**9.0%**	AFUDC % to Net Profit	**8.0%**
53.0%	54.1%	56.3%	55.9%	56.4%	56.8%	57.4%	58.2%	57.8%	58.6%	**60.5%**	**62.5%**	Long-Term Debt Ratio	**62.5%**
47.0%	45.9%	43.7%	44.1%	43.6%	43.2%	42.6%	41.8%	42.2%	41.4%	**39.5%**	**37.5%**	Common Equity Ratio	**37.5%**
21714	23092	25216	25975	28025	30646	34220	37391	39488	42529	**46975**	**53000**	Total Capital ($mill)	**64200**
28757	31206	32842	34329	36944	39483	42950	45457	48253	51642	**56225**	**62450**	Net Plant ($mill)	**74000**
6.0%	5.8%	5.7%	5.8%	5.7%	5.6%	5.4%	5.3%	5.5%	5.4%	**5.5%**	**5.0%**	Return on Total Cap'l	**5.5%**
10.0%	10.0%	10.2%	10.2%	10.3%	10.4%	10.1%	10.2%	10.4%	10.5%	**10.5%**	**11.0%**	Return on Shr. Equity	**11.5%**
10.0%	10.0%	10.2%	10.2%	10.3%	10.4%	10.1%	10.2%	10.4%	10.5%	**10.5%**	**11.0%**	Return on Com Equity E	**11.5%**
4.5%	4.3%	4.0%	3.9%	4.3%	4.4%	4.2%	4.2%	4.3%	4.3%	**4.0%**	**4.5%**	Retained to Com Eq	**5.0%**
55%	57%	61%	62%	58%	58%	58%	59%	58%	59%	**61%**	**60%**	All Div'ds to Net Prof	**57%**

ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS

	2021	2022	2023
% Change Retail Sales (KWH)	+1.4	+1.2	-1.6
Resid'l Revs. per KWH (¢)	12.94	13.41	13.80
C & I Revs. per KWH (¢)	8.73	9.02	8.82
Capacity at Peak (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
Peak Load, Summer (Mw)	19849	20346	20512
Annual Load Factor (%)	NA	NA	NA
% Change Customers (yr-end)	NA	NA	NA
Fixed Charge Cov. (%)	262	255	245

ANNUAL RATES of change (per sh)	Past 10 Yrs.	Past 5 Yrs.	Est'd '21-'23 to '27-'29
Revenues	2.0%	3.0%	3.5%
"Cash Flow"	7.0%	7.0%	7.0%
Earnings	5.5%	6.5%	7.0%
Dividends	6.0%	6.5%	5.5%
Book Value	5.0%	6.0%	5.5%

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY REVENUES ($ mill.) Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	3541	3068	3467	3355	13431
2022	3751	3424	4082	4053	15310
2023	4080	3022	3662	3442	14206
2024	**4100**	**3325**	**4050**	**4025**	**15500**
2025	**4275**	**3475**	**4230**	**4220**	**16200**

Cal-endar	EARNINGS PER SHARE A Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	.67	.58	1.13	.58	2.96
2022	.70	.60	1.18	.69	3.17
2023	.76	.52	1.23	.83	3.35
2024	**.80**	**.60**	**1.30**	**.85**	**3.55**
2025	**.85**	**.65**	**1.40**	**.90**	**3.80**

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID B ■ † Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2020	.405	.43	.43	.43	1.70
2021	.43	.4575	.4575	.4575	1.80
2022	.4575	.4875	.4875	.4875	1.92
2023	.4875	.52	.52	.52	2.05
2024	.52	.5475			

BUSINESS: Xcel Energy Inc. is the parent of Northern States Power Company (NSP), which supplies electricity to MN, WI, ND, SD & MI & gas to MN, WI, ND & MI; Public Service Company of Colorado (PSCo), which supplies electricity & gas to CO; & Southwestern Public Service Company (SPS), which supplies electricity to TX and NM. Customers: 3.8 mill. electric, 2.2 mill. gas. Electric revenues: resid'l, 31%; comm'l & ind'l, 50%; other, 19%. Purchases 34% of power, owns 66%. Total electric mix: wind, 29%; gas, 23%; coal, 13%, nuclear, 24%, solar/other, 11%. Fuel cost: 40% of revenues. '23 deprec. rate: 3.6%. Employs 11,311. Chrmn., President, and CEO: Robert Frenzel. Inc.: MN. Addr.: 414 Nicollet Mall, Minneapolis, MN 55401. Tel.: 612-330-5500. Int.: www.xcelenergy.com.

Xcel Energy stock is down sharply this year due to the company's role in the recent Texas Panhandle wildfires. There are multiple ongoing blazes in this region under various names with different levels of containment. The utility holding company disputes it's subsidiary acted negligently, but has acknowledged that its equipment had a part in igniting what's being called the Smokehouse Creek fire. That blaze has scorched more than one million acres, destroyed about 80 homes, and caused at least two deaths. Xcel does not believe that its equipment had a part in other contiguous wildfires, such as the Windy Deuce blaze. At one point, the equity was down nearly 25% in value on a year-to-date basis. As the fires have become contained and liabilities reasonably assessed Xcel shares have started to recover, but are still down 13% year to date. These drops are off of what were already discount levels late last year from the pressure higher interest rates unleashed on the rate-sensitive utility sector. We doubt that this unfortunate disaster will result in claims that exceed Xcel's $560 million of liability insurance.

Meanwhile, little has changed on the Marshall Wildfire litigation scene in Colorado. There, Xcel faces 14 complaints with 675 plaintiffs, which have been consolidated into a single case. There were two deaths and nearly 1,100 structures were either damaged or fully destroyed in the December, 2021 fire. The state of Colorado estimated the damages to be over $2 billion. Xcel has $560 million of liability coverage associated with that incident. The company expects to get a litigation calender some time this year with a trial most likely taking place in 2025. Management strongly disputes the findings of Colorado officials regarding Xcel's equipment being a source of ignition.

On an operating basis, this company has been a model of consistency few utilities can match. It almost always delivers solid annual earnings and dividend increases to shareholders. We think the valuation hit the company has taken recently is likely overdone. Although ranked to underperform over the near term, the shares offer significant recovery potential in the 18-month timeframe.

Anthony J. Glennon *April 19, 2024*

(A) Diluted EPS. Excl. nonrec. gain/(losses): '10, 5¢; '15, (16¢); '17, (5¢); '23, (14¢); gain/(loss) on discontinued ops.: '09, (1¢); '10, 1¢. Qtly. EPS may not sum to full yr. due to rounding. Next egs. report due April 25th. (B) Div'ds typically paid mid-Jan., Apr., July, and Oct. ■ Div'd reinvestment plan available. † Shareholder investment plan available. (C) Incl. intangibles. In '23: $2798 mill., $5.04/sh. (D) In mill. (E) Rate base: Varies. Rate allowed on common equity (blended): 9.6%. Regulatory Climate: Average.

Company's Financial Strength	A
Stock's Price Stability	95
Price Growth Persistence	65
Earnings Predictability	100

FIRSTENERGY NYSE-FE

RECENT PRICE 38.78 | P/E RATIO 14.4 (Trailing: 15.4 Median: 14.0) | RELATIVE P/E RATIO 0.83 | DIV'D YLD 4.4% | VALUE LINE

TIMELINESS 4 Lowered 5/10/24
SAFETY 3 Lowered 7/31/20
TECHNICAL 4 Raised 4/5/24
BETA .90 (1.00 = Market)

High:	46.8	40.8	41.7	36.6	35.2	39.9	49.1	52.5	41.8	48.8	43.3	38.9
Low:	31.3	30.0	28.9	29.3	27.9	29.3	36.3	22.9	29.2	35.3	32.2	35.4

Target Price Range 2027 | 2028 | 2029

LEGENDS
—— 25.0 x Dividends p sh
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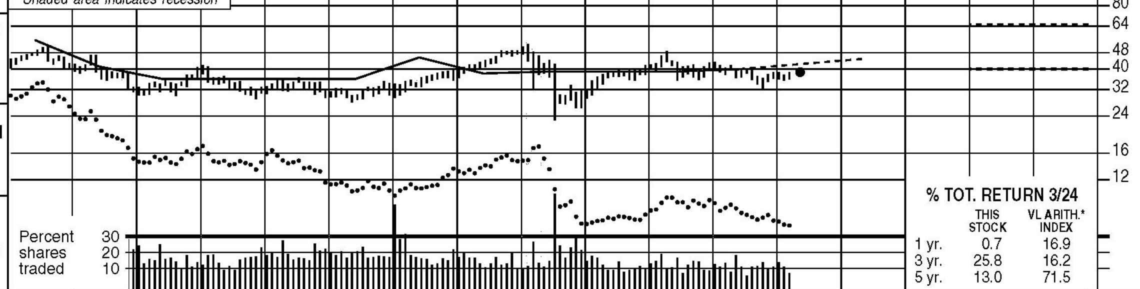
Options: Yes
Shaded area indicates recession



18-Month Target Price Range
Low-High Midpoint (% to Mid)
$33-$49 $41 (5%)

2027-29 PROJECTIONS

	Price	Gain	Ann'l Total Return
High	65	(+70%)	*17%*
Low	40	(+5%)	*5%*

Institutional Decisions

	2Q2023	3Q2023	4Q2023
to Buy	301	258	306
to Sell	334	356	311
Hld's(000)	472563	471442	477876

% TOT. RETURN 3/24

	THIS STOCK	VL ARITH.* INDEX
1 yr.	0.7	16.9
3 yr.	25.8	16.2
5 yr.	13.0	71.5

2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	27-29
44.70	41.70	43.76	38.87	36.57	35.60	35.74	35.48	32.92	31.49	22.00	20.41	19.87	19.52	21.78	22.41	*23.40*	*24.50*	Revenues per sh	*27.40*
9.04	8.80	8.50	5.75	6.05	6.30	6.26	7.04	7.04	6.54	5.19	4.80	4.59	5.41	4.71	4.78	*4.95*	*5.20*	"Cash Flow" per sh	*6.20*
4.38	3.32	3.25	1.88	2.13	2.97	2.56	2.71	2.63	2.73	2.59	2.56	2.39	2.60	2.41	2.56	*2.70*	*2.85*	Earnings per sh A	*3.40*
2.20	2.20	2.20	2.20	2.20	1.65	1.44	1.44	1.44	1.44	1.82	1.53	1.56	1.56	1.56	1.60	*1.70*	*1.80*	Div'd Decl'd per sh B ■	*2.14*
9.47	7.23	6.44	5.45	7.09	6.90	8.42	6.83	6.93	6.38	5.23	4.93	4.89	4.29	4.82	5.84	*6.05*	*6.20*	Cap'l Spending per sh	*6.50*
27.17	28.08	28.03	31.75	31.29	30.32	29.49	29.33	14.11	8.81	13.17	12.90	13.33	15.21	17.77	18.17	*18.95*	*19.85*	Book Value per sh C	*24.00*
304.84	304.84	304.84	418.22	418.22	418.63	421.10	423.56	442.34	445.33	511.92	540.65	543.12	570.26	572.13	574.34	*577.00*	*580.00*	Common Shs Outst'g D	*595.00*
15.6	13.0	11.7	22.4	21.1	13.1	13.2	12.6	12.7	11.4	13.6	17.1	15.7	14.1	17.0	14.9	*Bold figures are*		Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	*15.5*
.94	.87	.74	1.41	1.34	.74	.69	.63	.67	.57	.73	.91	.81	.76	.98	.83	*Value Line*		Relative P/E Ratio	*.85*
3.2%	5.1%	5.8%	5.2%	4.9%	4.3%	4.3%	4.2%	4.3%	4.6%	5.2%	3.5%	4.2%	4.3%	3.8%	4.2%	*estimates*		Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	*4.1%*

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 3/31/24
Total Debt $24515 mill. **Due in 5 Yrs** $10605 mill.
LT Debt $21652 mill. **LT Interest** $955 mill.
Incl. $14 mill. finance leases.
(Total Interest coverage: 2.6x)
Leases, Uncapitalized Annual rentals $56 mill.

Pension Assets-12/23 $6879 mill. **Oblig.** $8363 mill.
Pfd Stock None

Common Stock 575,516,472 shs.

MARKET CAP: $22.3 billion (Large Cap)

2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025		27-29
15049	15029	14562	14022	11261	11035	10790	11132	12459	12870	*13500*	*14200*	Revenues ($mill)	*16300*
1074.0	1144.0	1118.0	1213.0	1346.0	1380.0	1296.0	1419.0	1377.0	1468.0	*1560*	*1655*	Net Profit ($mill)	*2035*
28.4%	35.8%	37.4%	37.2%	28.5%	19.8%	13.6%	20.6%	48.1%	16.2%	*21.0%*	*21.0%*	Income Tax Rate	*21.0%*
11.0%	10.2%	9.2%	6.5%	4.8%	5.1%	5.9%	5.3%	6.1%	6.6%	*7.0%*	*7.0%*	AFUDC % to Net Profit	*7.0%*
60.7%	60.7%	74.5%	84.3%	72.3%	73.8%	75.4%	71.9%	67.6%	68.7%	*65.5%*	*66.0%*	Long-Term Debt Ratio	*63.0%*
39.3%	39.3%	25.5%	15.7%	27.4%	26.2%	24.6%	28.1%	32.4%	31.3%	*34.5%*	*34.0%*	Common Equity Ratio	*37.0%*
31596	31613	24433	25040	24565	26593	29368	30923	31369	33322	*31950*	*34000*	Total Capital ($mill)	*38500*
35783	37214	29387	28879	29911	31650	33294	34744	36285	38412	*39300*	*41500*	Net Plant ($mill)	*48300*
5.0%	5.3%	6.6%	7.0%	7.4%	6.8%	6.0%	6.2%	5.9%	5.8%	*6.5%*	*6.5%*	Return on Total Cap'l	*6.5%*
8.6%	9.2%	17.9%	30.9%	19.8%	19.8%	17.9%	16.4%	13.5%	14.1%	*14.5%*	*14.5%*	Return on Shr. Equity E	*14.5%*
8.6%	9.2%	17.9%	30.9%	18.9%	19.7%	17.9%	16.4%	13.5%	14.1%	*14.5%*	*14.5%*	Return on Com Equity E	*14.5%*
3.8%	4.3%	8.1%	14.6%	8.4%	8.1%	6.2%	6.6%	4.8%	5.4%	*5.5%*	*5.5%*	Retained to Com Eq	*5.5%*
56%	53%	55%	53%	58%	59%	65%	60%	65%	62%	*63%*	*63%*	All Div'ds to Net Prof	*63%*

ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS

	2021	2022	2023
% Change Retail Sales (MWH)	+2.4	+1.5	-3.3
Residential Use (MWH)	55624	55995	52216
Commercial Use (MWH)	35599	36317	34891
Industrial Use (MWH)	54027	55169	55541
Tot. Electric Deliv'd (MWH)	145250	147481	142648
Peak Load Summer (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
% Change Customers (yr-end)	+.4	+.4	+.5
Fixed Charge Cov. (%)	171	290	225

BUSINESS: FirstEnergy Corp. is a holding company for Ohio Edison, Pennsylvania Power, Cleveland Electric, Toledo Edison, Metropolitan Edison, Penelec, Jersey Central Power & Light, West Penn Power, Potomac Edison, & Mon Power. Provides electric service to 6.24 million customers in OH, PA, NJ, WV, MD, & NY. Acq'd Allegheny Energy 2/11. Electric revenue breakdown: residential, 59.6%; commercial, industrial & other, 40.4%. Purchases most of its power. Power costs: 36.1% of revenues. 2023 reported depreciation rate: 2.8%. Employs about 12,000. Chair: John W. Somerhalder II. President and CEO: Brian X. Tierney. Incorporated: Ohio. Address: 76 South Main Street, Akron, Ohio 44308-1890. Telephone: 800-736-3402. Internet: www.firstenergycorp.com.

ANNUAL RATES of change (per sh)	Past 10 Yrs.	Past 5 Yrs.	Est'd '21-'23 to '27-'29
Revenues	-5.5%	-6.0%	*4.5%*
"Cash Flow"	-2.0%	-4.5%	*4.5%*
Earnings	1.0%	-1.0%	*5.5%*
Dividends	-2.5%	- -	*5.5%*
Book Value	-6.0%	7.0%	*6.0%*

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY REVENUES ($ mill.) Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	2726	2622	3124	2660	11132
2022	2989	2818	3475	3177	12459
2023	3231	3006	3487	3146	12870
2024	3287	*3163*	*3650*	*3400*	*13500*
2025	*3480*	*3300*	*3850*	*3570*	*14200*

Cal-endar	EARNINGS PER SHARE A Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	.69	.59	.82	.51	2.60
2022	.60	.53	.79	.50	2.41
2023	.60	.47	.88	.62	2.56
2024	.55	*.55*	*.90*	*.70*	*2.70*
2025	*.60*	*.55*	*.95*	*.75*	*2.85*

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID B ■ Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2020	.39	.39	.39	.39	1.56
2021	.39	.39	.39	.39	1.56
2022	.39	.39	.39	.39	1.56
2023	.39	.39	.39	.41	1.58
2024	.41	.425			

FirstEnergy is off to a decent start to 2024. Despite mild winter weather in its service area, the company bettered its own earnings-per-share target by $0.02 during the first quarter. Management reaffirmed its bottom-line target of $2.61-$2.81 per share for the full year, representing 6% growth at the midpoint of its range. We expect FirstEnergy will continue to leverage the flexibility of its vast Mid-Atlantic to Midwest network by prioritizing transmission and distribution projects. This type of investment provides a relatively quick regulated return on capital employed. Meanwhile, rate relief should add to the bottom line, as well. In October, a favorable outcome was concluded in the Maryland rate case and constructive settlements just concluded in West Virginia and New Jersey. Recently, cases were filed in Pennsylvania and Ohio.

Finances are improving. In 2021, FirstEnergy settled its bribery charges with federal prosecutors and Ohio regulators. After this year's payment of $45 million, just a $25 million disbursement remains. New leadership continues to cooperate with federal prosecutors as the DPA (deferred prosecution agreement) concludes this July. To recap, equity injections of $1 billion were received in late 2021, followed by the mid-2022 sale of a minority interest in the company's long-range transmission assets for $2.4 billion. Fitch restored FirstEnergy's credit rating to investment grade in 2022. Upgrades from the other major credit rating agencies recently took place, as the DPA is concluding soon and the company is set to receive $3.5 billion in proceeds this year from the sale of a second minority interest.

FirstEnergy raised its dividend. Last year, the board lifted the payout target to 60%-70% of adjusted profits. The recent hike in the quarterly rate, to $0.425 per share, represents over 6% annual growth relative to 2023's level. We think 5%-7% increases per annum are likely to follow, commensurate with earnings growth.

Utility investors with a longer-term slant should keep this stock on their watch list. An entry point that provides more worthwhile upside to the midpoint of our 18-month Target Price Range should be sought.

Anthony J. Glennon *May 10, 2024*

(A) Diluted egs. excl. nonrc. loss: '13, $2.07; '14, $2.05; '15, $1.34; '16, $17.12; '17, $6.61; '18, $1.26; '19, 89¢; '20, 54¢; '21, 33¢; '22, $1.70; '23, 60¢; gain/loss from disc. ops.: '18, 66¢; '20, 14¢; '21, 8¢; '23, d4¢. Qtly. EPS don't sum due to rnd'g. Next egs. report in Jul. (B) Div. pd. Mar., June, Sept., & Dec. 3 div. in '13, 5 in '18. ■ Div'd reinv. avail. (C) Incl. intang. in '23: $10.42/sh. (D) In mill. (E) High ROE from large writeoffs. Rate base: Depr. orig. cost. Rates all'd on com. eq.: 9.6-11.7%; Reg.: OH Above Avg.; PA/NJ Avg.; MD/WV Below Avg.

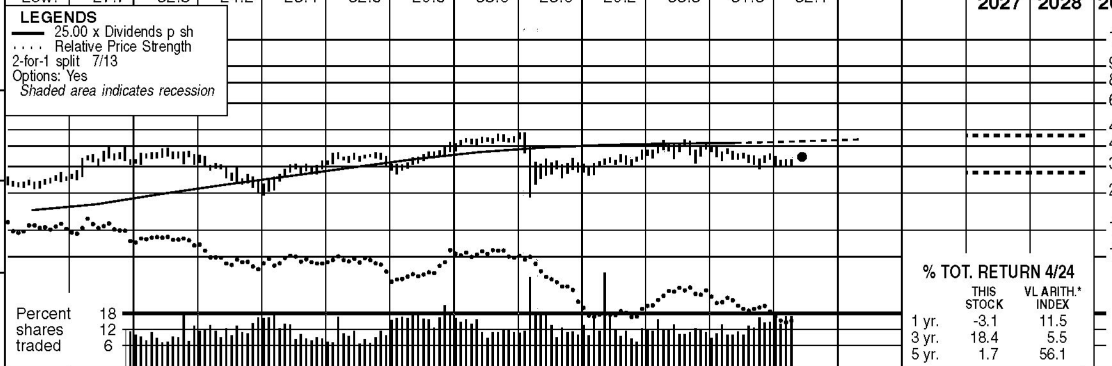
Company's Financial Strength	B++
Stock's Price Stability	80
Price Growth Persistence	35
Earnings Predictability	100

OGE ENERGY CORP. NYSE-OGE

RECENT PRICE	P/E RATIO	RELATIVE P/E RATIO	DIV'D YLD	
35.65	17.0 (Trailing: 18.1) (Median: 18.0)	0.95	4.7%	VALUE LINE

TIMELINESS 4 Raised 5/31/24
SAFETY 3 Lowered 3/8/24
TECHNICAL 5 Lowered 5/3/24
BETA 1.05 (1.00 = Market)

High:	40.0	39.3	36.5	34.2	37.4	41.8	45.8	46.4	38.6	42.9	40.4	37.3
Low:	27.7	32.8	24.2	23.4	32.6	29.6	38.0	23.0	29.2	33.3	31.3	32.1



18-Month Target Price Range

Low-High	Midpoint (% to Mid)
$31-$46	$39 (10%)

2027-29 PROJECTIONS

	Price	Gain	Ann'l Total Return
High	45	(+25%)	10%
Low	30	(-15%)	1%

Institutional Decisions

	2Q2023	3Q2023	4Q2023
to Buy	174	197	210
to Sell	216	199	206
Hld's(000)	134247	138173	144477

% TOT. RETURN 4/24

	THIS STOCK	VL ARITH.* INDEX
1 yr.	-3.1	11.5
3 yr.	18.4	5.5
5 yr.	1.7	56.1

2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	27-29
21.77	14.79	19.04	19.96	18.58	14.45	12.30	11.00	11.31	11.32	11.37	11.15	10.61	18.26	16.86	13.36	*14.50*	*15.00*	Revenues per sh	*17.50*
2.40	2.69	3.01	3.31	3.69	3.46	3.40	3.23	3.31	3.34	3.74	4.02	4.03	4.44	5.63	4.61	*4.70*	*5.05*	"Cash Flow" per sh	*5.85*
1.25	1.33	1.50	1.73	1.79	1.94	1.98	1.69	1.69	1.92	2.12	2.24	2.08	2.36	2.25	2.07	*2.10*	*2.30*	Earnings per sh A	*2.70*
.70	.71	.73	.76	.80	.85	.95	1.05	1.16	1.27	1.40	1.51	1.58	1.63	1.64	1.66	*1.69*	*1.73*	Div'd Decl'd per sh B ■	*1.85*
4.01	4.37	4.36	6.48	5.85	4.99	2.86	2.74	3.31	4.13	2.87	3.18	3.25	3.89	5.25	4.49	*4.75*	*4.75*	Cap'l Spending per sh	*4.75*
10.14	10.52	11.73	13.06	14.00	15.30	16.27	16.66	17.24	19.28	20.06	20.69	18.15	20.27	22.52	22.17	*23.10*	*23.75*	Book Value per sh C	*26.25*
187.00	194.00	195.20	196.20	197.60	198.50	199.40	199.70	199.70	199.70	199.70	200.10	200.10	200.10	200.20	200.30	*200.20*	*200.20*	Common Shs Outst'g D	*200.20*
12.4	10.8	13.3	14.4	15.2	17.7	18.3	17.7	17.7	18.3	16.5	19.0	16.2	14.3	17.2	17.4	*Bold figures are*		Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	*14.0*
.75	.72	.85	.90	.97	.99	.96	.89	.93	.92	.89	1.01	.83	.77	1.00	.96	*Value Line*		Relative P/E Ratio	*.80*
4.5%	5.0%	3.7%	3.1%	2.9%	2.5%	2.6%	3.5%	3.9%	3.6%	4.0%	3.5%	4.7%	4.8%	4.5%	5.1%	*estimates*		Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	*4.4%*
						2453.1	2196.9	2259.2	2261.1	2270.3	2231.6	2122.3	3653.7	3375.7	2674.3	*2900*	*3000*	Revenues ($mill)	*3500*
						395.8	337.6	338.2	384.3	425.5	449.6	415.9	472.5	665.7	416.8	*420*	*460*	Net Profit ($mill)	*540*
						30.4%	29.2%	30.5%	32.5%	14.5%	7.4%	13.2%	11.5%	12.0%	12.0%	*12.0%*	*12.0%*	Income Tax Rate	*12.0%*
						1.7%	3.7%	6.4%	15.0%	8.3%	1.6%	1.6%	2.2%	2.0%	2.0%	*2.0%*	*2.0%*	AFUDC % to Net Profit	*2.0%*
						45.9%	44.3%	41.1%	41.7%	42.0%	43.6%	49.0%	52.6%	49.8%	51.2%	*52.0%*	*51.5%*	Long-Term Debt Ratio	*50.0%*
						54.1%	55.7%	58.9%	58.3%	58.0%	56.4%	51.0%	47.4%	52.4%	49.6%	*48.0%*	*48.5%*	Common Equity Ratio	*50.0%*
						5999.7	5971.6	5849.6	6600.7	6902.0	7334.7	7126.2	8552.7	8962.0	9238.2	*9750*	*9935*	Total Capital ($mill)	*10400*
						6979.9	7322.4	7696.2	8339.9	8643.8	9044.6	9374.6	9832.9	10546.8	11301.0	*11000*	*11250*	Net Plant ($mill)	*12075*
						7.8%	6.9%	7.0%	7.0%	7.3%	7.1%	6.9%	6.4%	5.9%	6.3%	*7.0%*	*7.0%*	Return on Total Cap'l	*7.5%*
						12.2%	10.2%	9.8%	10.0%	10.6%	10.9%	11.5%	11.6%	11.0%	12.0%	*12.5%*	*12.5%*	Return on Shr. Equity	*13.0%*
						12.2%	10.2%	9.8%	10.0%	10.6%	10.9%	11.5%	11.6%	11.0%	12.0%	*12.5%*	*12.5%*	Return on Com Equity E	*13.0%*
						6.5%	4.0%	3.3%	3.5%	3.8%	3.6%	2.8%	3.6%	3.0%	3.5%	*4.5%*	*4.5%*	Retained to Com Eq	*5.5%*
						47%	61%	67%	64%	64%	67%	76%	69%	73%	81%	*75%*	*75%*	All Div'ds to Net Prof	*57%*

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 3/31/24
Total Debt $4341.3 mill. **Due in 5 Yrs** $1731.5 mill.
LT Debt $4261.9 mill. **LT Interest** $158.7 mill.
(LT interest earned: 4.3x)

Leases, Uncapitalized Annual rentals $5.7 mill.

Pension Assets-12/22 $486.0 mill. Oblig $502.9 mill.

Pfd Stock None

Common Stock 200,547,842 shs.

MARKET CAP: $7.1 billion (Mid Cap)

ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS

	2020	2021	2022
% Change Retail Sales (KWH)	-4.9	+2.6	+8.3
Avg. Indust. Use (MWH)	NA	NA	NA
Avg. Indust. Revs. per KWH (¢)	4.40	7.68	NA
Capacity at Peak (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
Peak Load, Summer (Mw)	6437	NA	NA
Annual Load Factor (%)	NA	NA	NA
% Change Customers (yr-end)	+1.1	+1.4	NA
Fixed Charge Cov. (%)	326	336	335

ANNUAL RATES of change (per sh)	Past 10 Yrs.	Past 5 Yrs.	Est'd '20-'22 to '27-'29
Revenues	-3.0%	5.0%	*5.5%*
"Cash Flow"	2.5%	5.0%	*7.0%*
Earnings	3.0%	4.5%	*6.5%*
Dividends	7.5%	6.5%	*3.0%*
Book Value	4.0%	1.5%	*5.5%*

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY REVENUES ($ mill.) Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	1630.0	577.4	864.4	581.3	3653.7
2022	589.3	803.7	1270.0	711.9	3375.7
2023	557.2	605.0	945.4	566.7	2674.3
2024	596.8	*750*	*920*	*633.2*	*2900*
2025	*620*	*780*	*950*	*650*	*3000*

Cal-endar	EARNINGS PER SHARE A Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	.26	.56	1.26	.28	2.36
2022	.33	.36	1.31	.25	2.25
2023	.19	.44	1.20	.24	2.07
2024	.09	*.45*	*1.30*	*.26*	*2.10*
2025	*.40*	*.35*	*1.30*	*.25*	*2.30*

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID B ■ Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2020	.3875	.3875	.3875	.4025	1.57
2021	.4025	.4025	.4025	.41	1.62
2022	.41	.41	.41	.4141	1.64
2023	.4141	.4141	.4141	.4182	1.66
2024	.4182	.4182			

BUSINESS: OGE Energy Corp. is a holding company for Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company (OG&E), which supplies electricity to 879,000 customers in Oklahoma (84% of electric revenues) and western Arkansas (8%); wholesale is (8%). Owns 3% of Energy Transfer's limited partnership units. Electric revenue breakdown: residential, 44%; commercial, 25%; industrial, 11%; oilfield, 10%; other, 10%. Generating sources: gas, 25%; coal, 21%; wind, 6%; purchased, 48%. Fuel costs: 58% of revenues. '23 reported depreciation rate (utility): 2.6%. Has 2,200 employees. Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer: Sean Trauschke. Incorporated: Oklahoma. Address: 321 North Harvey, P.O. Box 321, Oklahoma City, OK 73101-0321. Tel.: 405-553-3000. Internet: www.oge.com.

OGE Energy's utility subsidiary is awaiting a rate order in Oklahoma. Oklahoma Gas and Electric is seeking an increase of $332 million, based on a return on equity of 10.5% and a common-equity ratio of 53.5%. The utility needs to recover its additional capital investment in grid enhancements to improve reliability since its last rate case. OGE is making progress and testimony is under way, with new rates expected to be implemented sometime this summer. Meanwhile, the utility recently lowered Oklahoma customers' bills by $25 a month due to a reduction in fuel costs. The cost of fuel to produce electricity is reviewed by federal regulators twice a year, and fluctuates greatly.

We have lowered our 2024 earnings-per-share estimate by a dime. The first-quarter performance was negatively impacted by higher depreciation and interest expense, along with regulatory lag due to the pending Oklahoma rate case. Our profit estimate is now just below the midpoint of OGE Energy's targeted range of $2.06-$2.18, and within the company's long-term growth rate target of 5%-7% annually. We think the utility will have sharper earnings growth next year. Prospects over that interim should benefit from investments in the grid, as well as being a pure-play electric utility. A decision in Oklahoma will likely also bolster top- and bottom-line growth and help the utility pass on higher costs to the consumer. Accordingly, our 2025 earnings estimate is staying put at $2.30 a share.

OGE shares have risen nicely of late. Indeed, the stock has jumped around 10% in value since our early March report. And, the stock price is now up slightly over the past year, after reaching its new 12-month high recently.

The stock is untimely, but appealing for income-oriented investors. Indeed, the dividend yield of 4.7% stands comfortably above the high-paying utility average, and remains this issue's most notable feature. On the other hand, these shares are ranked 4 (Below Average) for Timeliness. Too, intermediate- and long-term return prospects are not attractive, as the current quotation is already trading within our Target Price Range for the 18-month and 3- to 5-year time frames.

Zachary J. Hodgkinson *June 7, 2024*

(A) Diluted EPS. Excl. nonrecurring gains (losses): '15, (33¢); '17, $1.18; '19, (8¢); '20, ($2.95); '21, $1.32; '22, $1.06; gain on discont. ops.: '19 & '21 EPS don't sum due to rounding. Next earnings report due early Aug. (B) Div'ds historically paid in late Jan., Apr., July, & Oct. ■ Div'd reinvestment plan avail. (C) Incl. deferred charges. In '22: $6.15/sh. (D) In mill., adj. for split. (E) Rate base: Net original cost. Rate allowed on com. eq. in OK in '19: 9.5%; in AR in '18: 9.5%; earned on avg. com. eq., '21: 12.7%. Regulatory Climate: Average.

Company's Financial Strength	B++
Stock's Price Stability	85
Price Growth Persistence	30
Earnings Predictability	95

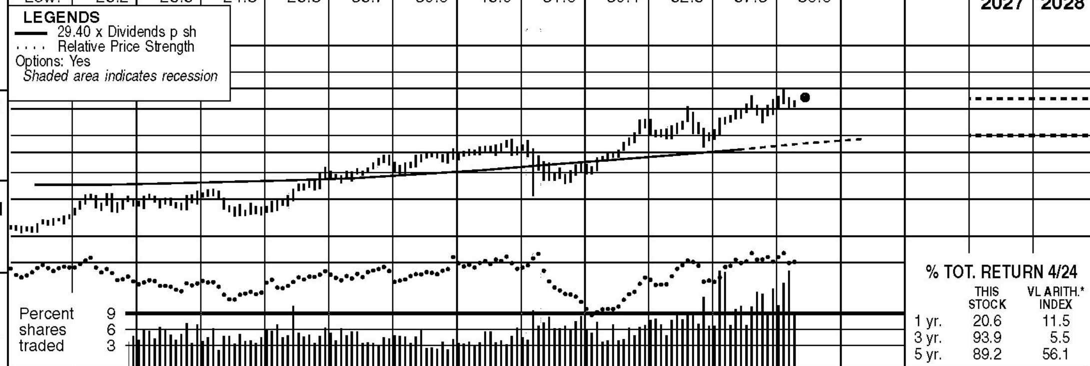
OTTER TAIL CORP. NDQ-OTTR

RECENT PRICE 90.90 | P/E RATIO 14.3 (Trailing: 12.5 Median: 20.0) | RELATIVE P/E RATIO 0.80 | DIV'D YLD 2.1% | VALUE LINE

TIMELINESS 2 Raised 5/31/24
SAFETY 2 Raised 6/7/24
TECHNICAL 3 Raised 6/7/24
BETA .95 (1.00 = Market)

High:	31.9	32.7	33.4	42.6	48.7	51.9	57.7	56.9	71.7	82.5	92.7	99.5
Low:	25.2	26.5	24.8	25.8	35.7	39.0	45.9	31.0	39.4	52.6	57.3	80.0

LEGENDS
—— 29.40 x Dividends p sh
.... Relative Price Strength
Options: Yes
Shaded area indicates recession



Target Price Range
2027 | 2028 | 2029

18-Month Target Price Range

Low-High	Midpoint (% to Mid)
$48-$113	$81 (-10%)

2027-29 PROJECTIONS

	Price	Gain	Ann'l Total Return
High	90	(Nil)	2%
Low	60	(-35%)	-7%

Institutional Decisions

	2Q2023	3Q2023	4Q2023
to Buy	108	111	132
to Sell	115	128	117
Hld's(000)	25238	24880	25634

% TOT. RETURN 4/24

	THIS STOCK	VL ARITH.* INDEX
1 yr.	20.6	11.5
3 yr.	93.9	5.5
5 yr.	89.2	56.1

2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	27-29
37.06	29.03	31.08	29.86	23.76	24.63	21.48	20.60	20.42	21.47	23.10	22.90	21.46	28.80	35.08	32.35	*34.50*	*36.90*	Revenues per sh	*37.65*
2.81	2.76	2.60	2.36	2.71	3.02	3.09	3.14	3.44	3.70	3.96	4.11	4.29	6.45	8.77	9.35	*8.75*	*7.05*	"Cash Flow" per sh	*6.80*
1.09	.71	.38	.45	1.05	1.37	1.55	1.56	1.60	1.86	2.06	2.17	2.34	4.23	6.78	7.00	*6.35*	*4.65*	Earnings per sh A	*4.25*
1.19	1.19	1.19	1.19	1.19	1.19	1.21	1.23	1.25	1.28	1.34	1.40	1.48	1.56	1.65	1.75	*1.87*	*1.97*	Div'd Decl'd per sh B ■	*2.20*
7.51	4.95	2.38	2.04	3.20	4.53	4.40	4.23	4.10	3.36	2.66	5.16	8.96	4.14	4.11	4.72	*6.00*	*6.00*	Cap'l Spending per sh	*6.25*
19.14	18.78	17.57	15.83	14.43	14.75	15.39	15.98	17.03	17.62	18.38	19.46	21.00	23.84	29.24	29.42	*31.15*	*32.25*	Book Value per sh C	*34.25*
35.38	35.81	36.00	36.10	36.17	36.27	37.22	37.86	39.35	39.56	39.66	40.16	41.47	41.55	41.63	41.71	*42.00*	*42.00*	Common Shs Outst'g D	*42.50*
30.1	31.2	NMF	47.5	21.7	21.1	18.8	18.2	20.2	22.1	22.2	23.5	18.3	12.3	9.5	10.7	*Bold figures are*		Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	*17.5*
1.81	2.08	NMF	2.98	1.38	1.19	.99	.92	1.06	1.11	1.20	1.25	.94	.66	.55	.61	*Value Line*		Relative P/E Ratio	*.95*
3.6%	5.4%	5.7%	5.6%	5.2%	4.1%	4.1%	4.3%	3.9%	3.1%	2.9%	2.7%	3.5%	3.0%	2.5%	2.3%	*estimates*		Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	*3.4%*

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 3/31/24
Total Debt $943.5 mill. **Due in 5 Yrs** $207.8 mill.
LT Debt $943.5 mill. **LT Interest** $31.6 mill.
(LT interest earned: 9.7x)

Leases, Uncapitalized Annual rentals $5.0 mill.
Pension Assets-12/23 $313.8 mill.
Oblig $416.7 mill.
Pfd Stock None

Common Stock 41,814,425 shs.
as of 4/30/24

MARKET CAP: $3.8 billion (Mid Cap)

2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025		27-29
799.3	779.8	803.5	849.4	916.4	919.5	890.1	1196.8	1460.2	1349.2	*1450*	*1550*	Revenues ($mill)	*1600*
56.9	58.6	62.0	73.9	82.3	86.8	95.9	176.8	282.3	292.0	*265*	*195*	Net Profit ($mill)	*180*
22.5%	27.0%	24.5%	25.5%	15.0%	16.7%	17.4%	16.9%	20.5%	20.2%	*20.0%*	*20.0%*	Income Tax Rate	*20.0%*
3.9%	3.5%	2.2%	2.3%	4.1%	4.9%	6.4%	.8%	.9%	1.4%	*2.0%*	*2.5%*	AFUDC % to Net Profit	*4.0%*
46.5%	42.4%	43.0%	41.3%	44.7%	46.9%	41.8%	42.6%	40.0%	41.0%	*41.0%*	*41.5%*	Long-Term Debt Ratio	*42.5%*
53.5%	57.6%	57.0%	58.7%	55.3%	53.1%	58.2%	57.4%	58.3%	58.5%	*58.5%*	*58.5%*	Common Equity Ratio	*57.5%*
1071.3	1051.0	1175.4	1187.3	1318.9	1471.1	1495.4	1724.8	2041.1	2148.2	*2250*	*2375*	Total Capital ($mill)	*2525*
1268.5	1387.8	1477.2	1539.6	1581.1	1753.8	2049.3	2124.6	2212.7	2418.4	*2475*	*2550*	Net Plant ($mill)	*2700*
6.7%	6.8%	6.5%	7.3%	7.3%	7.0%	7.4%	11.1%	12.0%	9.0%	*8.5%*	*8.0%*	Return on Total Cap'l	*7.5%*
9.9%	9.7%	9.3%	10.6%	11.3%	11.1%	11.0%	17.8%	18.0%	13.5%	*13.0%*	*12.5%*	Return on Shr. Equity	*11.5%*
9.9%	9.7%	9.3%	10.6%	11.3%	11.1%	11.0%	17.8%	18.0%	13.5%	*13.0%*	*12.5%*	Return on Com Equity E	*11.5%*
2.2%	2.0%	2.1%	3.3%	4.0%	4.0%	4.1%	11.3%	12.4%	7.5%	*7.0%*	*7.0%*	Retained to Com Eq	*5.0%*
78%	79%	78%	69%	65%	64%	63%	37%	24%	44%	*52%*	*52%*	All Div'ds to Net Prof	*60%*

ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS

	2020	2021	2022
% Change Retail Sales (KWH)	-3.9	+.3	+16.8
Avg. Indust. Use (MWH)	NA	NA	NA
Avg. Indust. Revs. per KWH (¢)	NA	NA	NA
Capacity at Peak (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
Peak Load, Winter (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
Annual Load Factor (%)	NA	NA	NA
% Change Customers (yr-end)	NA	NA	NA
Fixed Charge Cov. (%)	405	651	653

ANNUAL RATES

of change (per sh)	Past 10 Yrs.	Past 5 Yrs.	Est'd '21-'23 to '27-'29
Revenues	-1.0%	4.0%	*5.0%*
"Cash Flow"	7.5%	9.5%	*5.5%*
Earnings	18.0%	14.5%	*4.5%*
Dividends	2.5%	4.0%	*7.0%*
Book Value	3.5%	6.0%	*8.0%*

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY REVENUES ($ mill.) Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	261.7	285.6	316.3	333.2	1196.8
2022	374.9	400.0	383.9	301.4	1460.2
2023	339.1	337.7	358.1	314.3	1349.2
2024	347.1	*365*	*390*	*347.9*	*1450*
2025	*375*	*395*	*395*	*385*	*1550*

Cal-endar	EARNINGS PER SHARE A Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	.73	1.01	1.26	1.23	4.23
2022	1.72	2.05	2.01	1.00	6.78
2023	1.49	1.95	2.19	1.37	7.00
2024	1.77	*1.70*	*1.75*	*1.13*	*6.35*
2025	*1.10*	*1.15*	*1.20*	*1.20*	*4.65*

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID B ■ Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2020	.37	.37	.37	.37	1.48
2021	.39	.39	.39	.39	1.56
2022	.4125	.4125	.4125	.4125	1.65
2023	.4375	.4375	.4375	.4375	1.75
2024	.4675				

BUSINESS: Otter Tail Corporation is the parent of Otter Tail Power Company, which supplies electricity to 133,000 customers in Minnesota (52% of retail electric revenues), North Dakota (38%), and South Dakota (10%). Electric rev. breakdown: residential, 32%; commercial & farms, 36%; industrial, 30%; other, 2%. Generating sources: coal, 38%; wind & other, 18%; purchased, 44%. Fuel costs: 10% of revenues. Also has operations in manufacturing and plastics (67% of '23 operating income). '23 deprec. rate: 3.0%. Has 2,500 employees. Chairman: Nathan I. Partain. President & CEO: Charles S. MacFarlane. Inc.: Minnesota. Address: 215 South Cascade St., P.O. Box 496, Fergus Falls, Minnesota 56538-0496. Tel.: 866-410-8780. Internet: www.ottertail.com.

Otter Tail Corporation raised its earnings target for 2024 upon reporting March-period results. Management now looks for profits this year to end up in a range of $6.23-$6.53 per share, from the previous target range of $5.13-$5.43 a share. The Plastics segment continues to outperform expectations due to higher sales driven by growth in customer volumes and strong distributor and end market demand. Indeed, earnings in the Plastics division rose 39% from the first quarter of 2023, and PVC pipe is expected to recede at a much slower rate than previously anticipated, which is largely responsible for Otter Tail's updated guidance range. Meanwhile, the manufacturing segment's profit target was cut due to lower-than-expected sales volumes and margins. Too, the Electric division is projected to make up just 34% of the bottom line, versus the long-term goal of 65% electric and 35% non-electric.

We have raised our 2025 earnings estimate by $0.65, to $4.65 per share. Otter Tail should benefit from rate relief in Minnesota and North Dakota over that interim. Furthermore, the utility's updated expectations for the Plastics segment will likely pour into next year, lifting profits higher than previously projected. The company is also well positioned to take advantage of its clean-energy transmission investments, which include $1.3 billion of capital spending over the next five years, and is expected to produce 7.7% rate base growth.

Otter Tail shares have risen slightly in value since our March report, and are now up nearly 20% over the past year. Investors are enthused by better-than-expected earnings and elevated power demand from tech innovations and data centers. At the recent quotation, upside potential here in the 18-month and 3- to 5-year time frames is negative.

The dividend yield is below average by utility standards. Even after the payout was raised in the March quarter, the current yield of 2.1% sits below the high-paying industry median. Too, long-term prospects are unattractive. On the other hand, these shares are ranked to outpace the broader-market averages over the coming six to 12 months.

Zachary J. Hodgkinson *June 7, 2024*

(A) Dil. EPS. Excl. nonrec. gains (loss): '10, (44¢); '11, 26¢; '13, 2¢; gains (losses) from disc. ops.: '11, ($1.11); '12, ($1.22); '13, 2¢; '14, 2¢; '15, 2¢; '16, 1¢; '17, 1¢. '19 EPS may not sum due to rounding. Next earnings report due early Aug. (B) Div'ds histor. pd. in early Mar., Jun., Sept., & Dec. ■ Div'd reinv. plan avail. (C) Incl. intang. In '23: $4.72/sh. (D) In mill. (E) Rate allowed on com. eq. in MN in '22: 9.48%; in ND in '18: 9.77%; in SD in '19: 8.75%; earned on avg. com. eq., '21: 19.2%.

Company's Financial Strength	A
Stock's Price Stability	80
Price Growth Persistence	80
Earnings Predictability	70

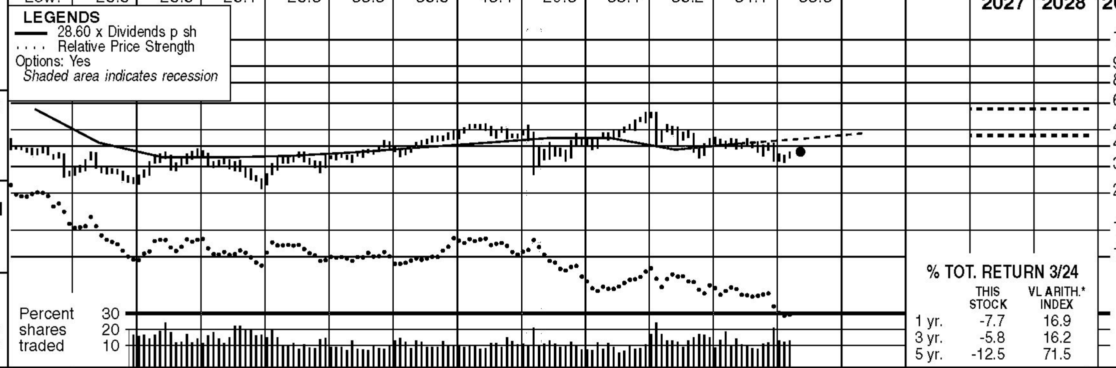
EXELON CORP. NDQ-EXC

RECENT PRICE 37.72 | P/E RATIO 15.4 (Trailing: 15.7, Median: 14.0) | RELATIVE P/E RATIO 0.89 | DIV'D YLD 4.0% | VALUE LINE

TIMELINESS – Suspended 2/4/22 F
SAFETY 2 Raised 8/13/21
TECHNICAL – Suspended 2/4/22
BETA NMF (1.00 = Market)

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
High:	37.8	38.9	38.3	37.7	42.7	47.4	51.2	50.5	58.0	58.2	44.4	38.0
Low:	26.6	26.5	25.1	26.3	33.3	35.6	43.4	29.3	38.4	35.2	34.1	33.3

Target Price Range 2027 | 2028 | 2029



18-Month Target Price Range

Low-High	Midpoint (% to Mid)
$26-$44	$35 (-5%)

2027-29 PROJECTIONS

	Price	Gain	Ann'l Total Return
High	60	(+60%)	15%
Low	45	(+20%)	8%

Institutional Decisions

	2Q2023	3Q2023	4Q2023
to Buy	438	453	458
to Sell	411	400	475
Hld's(000)	812887	816650	820814

% TOT. RETURN 3/24

	THIS STOCK	VL ARITH.* INDEX
1 yr.	-7.7	16.9
3 yr.	-5.8	16.2
5 yr.	-12.5	71.5

2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	27-29
28.65	26.25	28.17	28.53	27.48	29.03	31.90	32.01	33.94	34.81	37.17	35.39	33.85	37.13	19.19	21.75	*21.50*	*22.00*	Revenues per sh	*24.65*
7.64	8.25	8.32	7.23	6.61	6.72	6.61	6.80	7.88	8.37	9.29	9.17	9.65	10.56	6.07	6.12	*6.25*	*6.55*	"Cash Flow" per sh	*7.50*
4.10	4.29	3.87	3.75	1.92	2.31	2.10	2.54	2.68	2.78	3.12	3.22	3.22	2.82	2.26	2.38	*2.45*	*2.60*	Earnings per sh A	*3.10*
2.05	2.10	2.10	2.10	2.10	1.46	1.24	1.24	1.26	1.31	1.38	1.45	1.53	1.53	1.35	1.44	*1.52*	*1.62*	Div'd Decl'd per sh B ■	*1.95*
4.74	4.96	5.03	6.09	6.77	6.29	7.07	8.29	9.26	7.87	7.84	7.45	8.25	8.15	7.19	7.42	*7.80*	*7.80*	Cap'l Spending per sh	*8.00*
16.78	19.16	20.49	21.68	25.07	26.52	26.29	28.04	27.96	30.99	31.77	33.12	33.39	35.13	24.89	25.78	*26.35*	*27.25*	Book Value per sh C	*29.75*
658.15	659.76	661.85	663.37	854.78	857.29	859.83	919.92	924.04	963.34	968.19	973.00	976.00	979.00	994.00	999.00	*1000.0*	*1000.0*	Common Shs Outst'g D	*1005.0*
18.0	11.5	11.0	11.3	19.1	13.4	16.0	12.6	12.5	13.4	13.3	14.7	12.4	16.6	19.9	17.0	*Bold figures are*		Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	*17.5*
1.08	.77	.70	.71	1.22	.75	.84	.63	.66	.67	.72	.78	.64	.90	1.15	.95	*Value Line*		Relative P/E Ratio	*.95*
2.8%	4.3%	4.9%	5.0%	5.7%	4.7%	3.7%	3.9%	3.7%	3.5%	3.3%	3.1%	3.8%	3.3%	3.2%	4.3%	*estimates*		Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	*3.5%*

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 12/31/23
Total Debt $42577 mill. **Due in 5 Yrs** $12334 mill.
LT Debt $39692 mill. **LT Interest** $1450 mill.
Includes $390 mill. nonrecourse transition bonds.
(Interest coverage: 2.7x)
Leases, Uncapitalized Annual rentals $156 mill.

Pension Assets-12/23 $20827 mill. **Oblig** $23846 mill.
Pfd Stock None

Common Stock 999,538,542 shs.
as of 1/31/24
MARKET CAP: $37.7 billion (Large Cap)

2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025		27-29
27429	29447	31360	33531	35985	34438	33039	36347	19078	21727	*21500*	*22000*	Revenues ($mill)	*24750*
1826.0	2282.0	2488.0	2636.0	3026.0	3139.0	3149.0	2764.0	2170.0	2328.0	*2450*	*2600*	Net Profit ($mill)	*3000*
27.2%	32.2%	38.5%	34.2%	11.1%	19.4%	17.4%	16.1%	14.5%	13.8%	*15.0%*	*15.0%*	Income Tax Rate	*15.0%*
5.5%	5.4%	8.3%	6.5%	4.6%	5.0%	5.5%	7.4%	7.0%	7.4%	*5.0%*	*5.0%*	AFUDC % to Net Profit	*5.0%*
46.7%	48.3%	55.5%	52.2%	52.8%	49.6%	52.1%	50.9%	59.9%	60.3%	*61.0%*	*61.0%*	Long-Term Debt Ratio	*64.5%*
52.8%	51.3%	44.5%	47.8%	47.2%	50.4%	47.9%	49.1%	40.2%	39.1%	*39.0%*	*39.0%*	Common Equity Ratio	*35.5%*
42811	50272	58053	62422	65229	63943	68068	70107	58836	65837	*65250*	*70300*	Total Capital ($mill)	*81000*
52087	57439	71555	74202	76707	80233	82584	84219	69076	73593	*69750*	*70100*	Net Plant ($mill)	*77600*
5.3%	5.5%	5.5%	5.3%	5.7%	6.0%	5.7%	5.0%	5.0%	3.6%	*5.0%*	*5.0%*	Return on Total Cap'l	*5.0%*
8.0%	8.8%	9.6%	8.8%	9.8%	9.7%	9.7%	8.0%	9.5%	9.0%	*10.0%*	*10.0%*	Return on Shr. Equity	*10.0%*
8.0%	8.8%	9.6%	8.8%	9.8%	9.7%	9.7%	8.0%	9.5%	9.0%	*10.0%*	*10.0%*	Return on Com Equity E	*10.0%*
3.3%	4.5%	5.1%	4.7%	5.5%	5.4%	5.1%	3.7%	4.0%	3.5%	*4.0%*	*4.0%*	Retained to Com Eq	*4.0%*
59%	49%	47%	47%	44%	45%	47%	54%	60%	60%	*60%*	*60%*	All Div'ds to Net Prof	*60%*

ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS

	2021	2022	2023
% Change Retail Sales (KWH)	NA	NA	NA
Avg. Indust. Use (MWH)	NA	NA	NA
Avg. Indust. Revs. per KWH (¢)	NA	NA	NA
Capacity at Peak (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
Peak Load (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
Load Factor (%)	NA	NA	NA
% Change Customers (yr-end)	+.6	NA	NA
Fixed Charge Cov. (%)	237	325	NA

ANNUAL RATES

of change (per sh)	Past 10 Yrs.	Past 5 Yrs.	Est'd '21-'23 to '27-'29
Revenues	2.5%	1.0%	*NMF*
"Cash Flow"	3.0%	5.5%	*NMF*
Earnings	-.5%	2.5%	*NMF*
Dividends	-3.0%	4.0%	*NMF*
Book Value	4.5%	3.5%	*NMF*

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY REVENUES ($ mill.) Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	9890	7915	8910	9632	36347
2022	5327	4239	4845	4667	19078
2023	5562	4818	5980	5367	21727
2024	*5600*	*4850*	*6100*	*4950*	*21500*
2025	*5750*	*5000*	*6250*	*5000*	*22000*

Cal-endar	EARNINGS PER SHARE A Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	d.06	.89	1.09	.90	2.82
2022	.64	.44	.75	.43	2.26
2023	.70	.41	.67	.60	2.38
2024	*.70*	*.45*	*.80*	*.50*	*2.45*
2025	*.75*	*.45*	*.85*	*.55*	*2.60*

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID B ■ Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2020	.3825	.3825	.3825	.3825	1.53
2021	.3825	.3825	.3825	.3825	1.53
2022	.3375	.3375	.3375	.3375	1.35
2023	.360	.360	.360	.360	1.44
2024	.380				

BUSINESS: Exelon Corporation is a holding company for Commonwealth Edison (ComEd), PECO Energy, Baltimore Gas and Electric (BGE), Pepco, Delmarva Power (DPL), & Atlantic City Electric (ACE). Has 9.1 mill. elec., 1.3 mill. gas customers. Spun off Constellation Energy (nonregulated generating & energy-marketing ops.) 2/22. Acq'd Constellation Energy 3/12; Pepco Holdings 3/16. Elec. rev. breakdown: residntl., 54%; small commercl. & indstrl., 16%; large commercl. & indstrl., 17%; other, 13%. Fuel costs: 48% of revs. '22 deprec. rates: 2.8%-8.7% elec., 2.1% gas. Has 18,700 empls. Chrmn.: John F. Young. CEO: Calvin Butler. Inc.: PA. Address: 10 S.Dearborn St., P.O. Box 805379, Chicago, IL 60680-5379. Telephone: 312-394-7398. Internet: www.exeloncorp.com.

Exelon Corporation continues to look more stable and predictable as an entirely regulated utility. Indeed, the company delivered a better-than-expected fourth-quarter performance, while also raising its quarterly dividend and capital spending plan. Management now looks for $35 billion of capital expenditures through 2027, a 10% increase from its previous outlook, and expects annual profit growth of 5%-7% over that interim. Investors were enthused with the strong final stanza and the stock has risen nearly 10% in value since our early February review, outperforming most electric utility equities. Exelon was set to release first-quarter financial results shortly after this report went to press. We look for earnings of $0.70 a share on revenues of $5.6 billion.

Our full-year 2024 profit estimate is staying put at $2.45 per share. This is the midpoint of management's initial target range of $2.40-$2.50 a share, which was released in late February. Exelon's earnings continue to be much less volatile as an entirely regulated utility, and results are benefiting from additional revenues from regulatory mechanisms and higher distribution rates. Along with rate relief, volume growth and growing power demand should contribute to higher profits. Regarding 2025, we estimate that the bottom line will advance 6%, to $2.60 a share, within managements aforementioned growth target.

The Illinois rate case rejection and higher power bills are challenging long-term energy goals. Remember, Exelon's Commonwealth Edison (COMED) unit had its $1.5 billion integrated grid plans rejected by the Illinois Commerce Commission in December, 2023. Since then, the transition toward renewable power has slowed as the utility has cut $1.4 billion in capital spending in Illinois and laid off 900 direct contractors, which impacted more than 2,000 indirect jobs. As of now, the company remains committed to reducing emissions by 50% by 2030 and achieving net-zero by 2050.

Income-oriented accounts may want to take a look at this issue. Exelon holds an above-average dividend yield and is generally considered to be a solid addition to a well-rounded portfolio.

Zachary J. Hodgkinson *May 10, 2024*

(A) Dil. egs. Excl. nonrec. gain (loss): '09, (20¢); '12, (50¢); '13, (31¢); '14, (22¢); '16, ($1.46); '17, $1.19; '18, ($1.05); '19, (21¢); '20, ($1.21); '21, ($1.08); Next egs. report: Aug. (B) Div'ds paid in early Mar., June, Sept., & Dec. ■ Div'd reinvest. plan avail. (C) Incl. deferred charges. In '22: $15.20/sh. (D) In mill. (E) Rate allowed on common equity in IL in '15: 9.25%; in MD in '16: 9.75% elec., 9.65% gas; Regulatory Climate: PA, NJ: Average; IL, MD: Below Avg. (F) Timeliness rank suspended due to Constellation Energy spinoff.

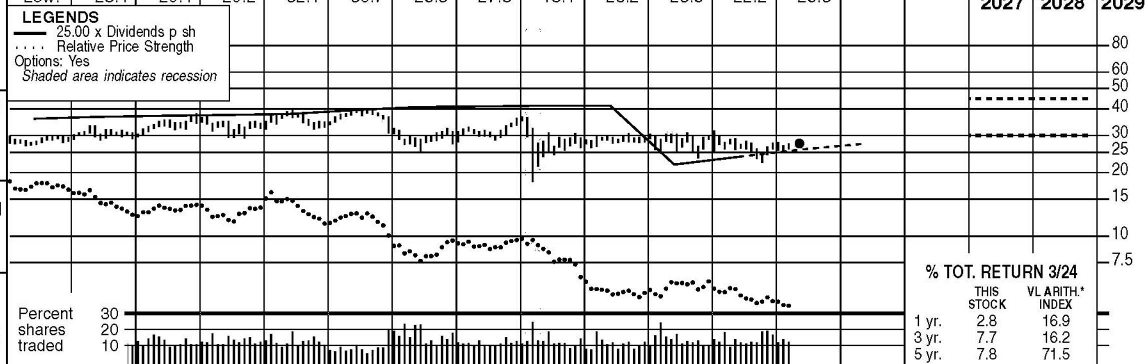
Company's Financial Strength	B++
Stock's Price Stability	NMF
Price Growth Persistence	NMF
Earnings Predictability	NMF

PPL CORPORATION NYSE-PPL

RECENT PRICE	27.53	P/E RATIO	16.2 (Trailing: 17.2; Median: 14.0)	RELATIVE P/E RATIO	0.93	DIV'D YLD	3.7%	VALUE LINE

TIMELINESS **3** Raised 3/8/24
SAFETY **3** Lowered 3/18/22
TECHNICAL **4** Lowered 3/8/24
BETA 1.15 (1.00 = Market)

High:	33.6	38.1	36.7	39.9	40.2	32.5	36.3	36.8	30.7	31.0	31.7	28.0
Low:	28.4	29.4	29.2	32.1	30.7	25.3	27.8	18.1	26.2	23.5	22.2	25.3



18-Month Target Price Range

Low-High	Midpoint (% to Mid)
$24-$41	$33 (20%)

2027-29 PROJECTIONS

	Price	Gain	Ann'l Total Return
High	45	(+65%)	15%
Low	30	(+10%)	6%

Institutional Decisions

	2Q2023	3Q2023	4Q2023
to Buy	321	298	314
to Sell	385	412	396
Hld's(000)	541827	541856	569058

% TOT. RETURN 3/24

	THIS STOCK	VL ARITH.* INDEX
1 yr.	2.8	16.9
3 yr.	7.7	16.2
5 yr.	7.8	71.5

2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	27-29
21.47	20.03	17.63	22.02	21.11	18.82	17.27	11.38	11.06	10.74	10.81	10.13	9.89	7.87	10.73	11.28	**11.00**	**11.30**	Revenues per sh	**11.80**
4.71	3.47	3.66	4.59	4.84	4.64	4.58	3.78	4.28	3.68	4.16	3.94	3.81	2.07	3.09	3.44	**3.55**	**3.65**	"Cash Flow" per sh	**4.10**
2.45	1.19	2.29	2.61	2.61	2.38	2.38	2.37	2.79	2.11	2.58	2.37	2.04	.53	1.41	1.60	**1.70**	**1.80**	Earnings per sh A	**2.25**
1.34	1.38	1.40	1.40	1.44	1.47	1.49	1.50	1.52	1.58	1.64	1.65	1.66	1.66	.88	.95	**1.03**	**1.10**	Div'd Decl'd per sh B ■	**1.35**
3.79	3.25	3.30	4.30	5.34	6.68	6.14	5.24	4.30	4.52	4.50	4.02	4.23	2.68	2.93	3.24	**3.65**	**3.70**	Cap'l Spending per sh	**4.00**
13.55	14.57	16.98	18.72	18.01	19.78	20.47	14.72	14.56	15.52	16.18	16.93	17.39	18.67	18.89	18.90	**19.85**	**20.55**	Book Value per sh C	**23.45**
374.58	377.18	483.39	578.41	581.94	630.32	665.85	673.86	679.73	693.40	720.32	767.23	768.91	735.11	736.49	737.13	**737.20**	**737.40**	Common Shs Outst'g D	**738.00**
17.6	25.7	11.9	10.5	10.9	12.8	14.1	13.9	12.8	17.6	11.3	13.3	13.9	54.1	20.0	16.8	*Bold figures are*		Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	**17.0**
1.06	1.71	.76	.66	.69	.72	.74	.70	.67	.89	.61	.71	.71	2.92	1.16	.93	*Value Line*		Relative P/E Ratio	**.95**
3.1%	4.5%	5.1%	5.1%	5.1%	4.8%	4.4%	4.5%	4.2%	4.2%	5.6%	5.2%	5.8%	5.8%	3.1%	3.5%	*estimates*		Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	**3.4%**

2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025		27-29
11499	7669.0	7517.0	7447.0	7785.0	7769.0	7607.0	5783.0	7902.0	8312.0	**8100**	**8350**	Revenues ($mill)	**8700**
1583.0	1603.0	1902.0	1449.0	1827.0	1746.0	1571.0	401.0	756.0	740.0	**1255**	**1325**	Net Profit ($mill)	**1660**
33.0%	22.5%	25.4%	24.2%	20.0%	19.0%	20.3%	23.0%	22.0%	19.9%	**21.0%**	**21.0%**	Income Tax Rate	**21.0%**
2.8%	1.6%	1.6%	1.9%	2.0%	1.9%	1.8%	6.0%	.7%	1.6%	**2.0%**	**2.0%**	AFUDC % to Net Profit	**2.0%**
58.0%	65.2%	64.3%	64.8%	63.3%	61.5%	61.7%	43.7%	48.1%	51.1%	**51.0%**	**51.0%**	Long-Term Debt Ratio	**49.5%**
42.0%	34.8%	35.7%	35.2%	36.7%	38.5%	38.3%	56.3%	51.9%	48.8%	**49.0%**	**49.0%**	Common Equity Ratio	**50.5%**
32484	28482	27707	30608	31726	33712	34926	24389	26804	28544	**29875**	**30925**	Total Capital ($mill)	**34280**
34597	30382	30074	33092	34458	36482	38892	25470	30238	31418	**31900**	**32700**	Net Plant ($mill)	**34900**
6.5%	7.1%	8.4%	6.2%	7.2%	6.6%	5.9%	2.6%	2.8%	2.6%	**5.5%**	**5.5%**	Return on Total Cap'l	**6.5%**
11.6%	16.2%	19.2%	13.5%	15.7%	13.4%	11.7%	2.9%	5.4%	5.3%	**8.5%**	**8.5%**	Return on Shr. Equity	**9.5%**
11.6%	16.2%	19.2%	13.5%	15.7%	13.4%	11.7%	2.9%	5.4%	5.3%	**8.5%**	**8.5%**	Return on Com Equity E	**9.5%**
4.5%	6.0%	8.8%	3.5%	6.0%	4.3%	2.2%	NMF	1.8%	1.6%	**3.5%**	**3.5%**	Retained to Com Eq	**3.5%**
61%	63%	54%	74%	62%	68%	81%	NMF	76%	67%	**61%**	**61%**	All Div'ds to Net Prof	**60%**

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 12/31/23
Total Debt $15604 mill. **Due in 5 Yrs** $3613 mill.
LT Debt $14611 mill. **LT Interest** $427 mill.
Incl. 23 mill. units 7.75%, $25 liq. value; 82,000 units 8.23%, $1000 face value.
(LT interest earned: 3.5x)

Leases, Uncapitalized Annual rentals $24 mill.
Pension Assets-12/23 $3175 mill. **Oblig** $3333 mill.
Pfd Stock None
Common Stock 737,603,408 shs. **as of 1/31/24**
MARKET CAP: $20.3 billion (Large Cap)

ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS

	2021	2022	2023
% Change Retail Sales (KWH)	+3.0	+1.5	NA
Avg. Indust. Use (MWH)	NA	NA	NA
Avg. Indust. Revs. per KWH (¢)	NA	NA	NA
Capacity at Peak (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
Peak Load, Winter (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
Annual Load Factor (%)	NA	NA	NA
% Change Customers (yr-end)	NA	NA	NA
Fixed Charge Cov. (%)	154	348	NA

ANNUAL RATES of change (per sh)	Past 10 Yrs.	Past 5 Yrs.	Est'd '21-'23 to '27-'29
Revenues	-7.5%	-3.0%	*5.0%*
"Cash Flow"	-6.0%	-8.5%	*3.0%*
Earnings	-9.0%	-17.0%	*7.5%*
Dividends	-1.0%	-4.5%	*-.5%*
Book Value	--	4.0%	*3.0%*

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY REVENUES ($ mill.) Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	1498	1288	1512	1485	5783
2022	1782	1696	2134	2290	7902
2023	2415	1823	2043	2031	8312
2024	***2060***	***1675***	***2130***	***2235***	***8100***
2025	***2245***	***1700***	***2155***	***2250***	***8350***

Cal-endar	EARNINGS PER SHARE A Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	.26	d.20	.27	.19	.53
2022	.41	.30	.41	.28	1.41
2023	.48	.29	.43	.40	1.60
2024	***.50***	***.30***	***.45***	***.45***	***1.70***
2025	***.50***	***.35***	***.50***	***.45***	***1.80***

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID B ■ Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2020	.4125	.415	.415	.415	1.66
2021	.415	.415	.415	.415	1.66
2022	.415	.20	.225	.225	1.07
2023	.225	.24	.24	.24	.95
2024	.24	.258			

BUSINESS: PPL Corporation (formerly PP&L Resources, Inc.) is a holding company for PPL Electric Utilities, which distributes electricity to 1.4 mill. customers in eastern & central Pennsylvannia. Acquired Kentucky Utilities and Louisville Gas and Electric (1.3 mill. customers) 11/10. Acq'd Narragansett Electric (770,000 customers, renamed Rhode Island Energy) 5/22. Spun off power-generating sub. in '15. Sold electric distribution sub. in U.K. in '21. Electric rev. breakdown: res'l, 48%; comm'l, 22%; ind'l, 10%; other, 20%. Fuel costs: 29% of revs. '23 reported deprec. rate: 3.2%. Has 6,527 employees. Chairman: William H. Spence. President & CEO: Vincent Sorgi. Inc.: PA. Address: Two North Ninth St., Allentown, PA 18101-1179. Tel.: 800-345-3085. Internet: www.pplweb.com.

We look for PPL Corp. to deliver solid 2024 results. The company finished the 2023 final stanza on a good note with better-than-expected financial results, while also raising the quarterly dividend and capital expenditure plan. Too, management reaffirmed its long-term annual earnings growth target of 6%-8% through 2028 and released its 2024 earnings forecast range of $1.63-$1.75 per share. At $1.70 per share, our profit call is right near PPL's midpoint and represents an increase of 6% over the $1.60 that the Pennsylvania-based electric utility tallied last year. The company was set to release first-quarter financial results as this report went to press. We expect earnings of $0.50 a share on revenues of $2.06 billion.

Our full-year 2025 earnings estimate is staying put at $1.80 per share. This represents a 6% increase from our 2024 target, and is within PPL's long-term annual profit growth estimate. Additional revenues from regulatory mechanisms and lower operating and maintenance expenses should benefit prospects over that interim. Indeed, a full year of rate relief in Kentucky, Rhode Island, and Pennsylvania will likely benefit the company's bottom line. Too, the utility hopes to save $150 million in cost savings through the end of 2025, largely due to infrastructure improvements.

The board of directors recently raised the dividend. The increase was $0.018 a share (7.3%), making the quarterly distribution $0.2575 per share. The dividend yield of 3.8% sits just above the utility median.

Shares of PPL are now ranked 3 (Average) for relative year-ahead price performance, having been raised a notch on our Timeliness scale since February. The major draw here remains the dividend, especially after the aforementioned hike. The stock's prospects for the 18-month period are solid by utility standards. And, the total return potential for the 3- to 5-year time frame is respectable, given the strong yield and reduced risk of this equity. We recommend that conservative buy-and-hold investors seeking utility exposure take a closer look at this equity.

Zachary J. Hodgkinson *May 10, 2024*

(A) Dil. EPS. Excl. nonrec. gain (losses): '10, (8¢); '11, 8¢; '13, (62¢); '20, (13¢); '21, (50¢); gains (losses) on disc. ops.: '08, 3¢; '09, (10¢); '10, (4¢); '12, (1¢); '14, 23¢; '15, ($1.36); '21, ($1.94). '20 & '21 EPS don't sum due to rounding. Next egs. rept. due early Aug. (B) Div'ds paid in early Jan., April, July, & Oct. ■ Div'd reinv. plan avail. (C) Incl. intang. In '23: $3.10/sh. (D) In mill. (E) Rate base: Fair val. Rate all'd on com. eq. in PA in '16: none spec.; in KY in '19: 9.725%; earned on avg. com. eq., '21: 2.8%. Reg. Clim.: Avg.

Company's Financial Strength	A
Stock's Price Stability	75
Price Growth Persistence	15
Earnings Predictability	45

PG&E CORP. NYSE-PCG

RECENT PRICE	16.81	P/E RATIO	12.3 (Trailing: 13.7 / Median: 20.0)	RELATIVE P/E RATIO	0.67	DIV'D YLD	0.2%	VALUE LINE

TIMELINESS 3 Raised 3/8/24

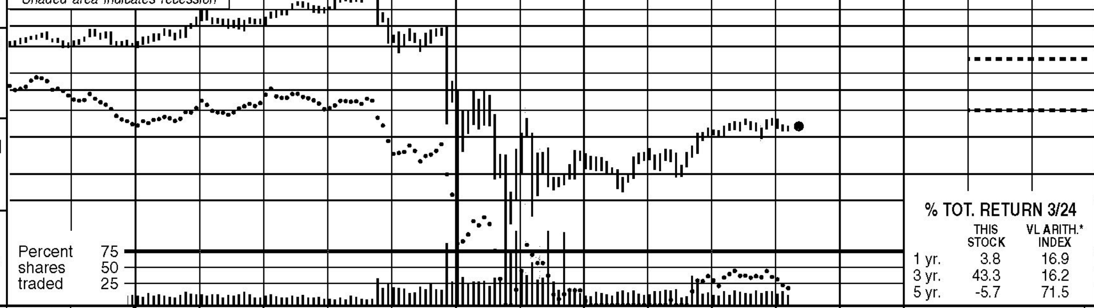
SAFETY 3 New 10/20/23

TECHNICAL 3 Lowered 4/12/24

BETA 1.10 (1.00 = Market)

High:	48.5	55.2	60.2	65.4	71.6	49.4	25.2	18.3	12.7	16.5	18.3	18.2		
Low:	39.9	39.4	47.3	50.7	41.6	17.3	3.6	6.3	8.2	9.6	14.7	15.9		

LEGENDS
.... Relative Price Strength
Options: Yes
Shaded area indicates recession



18-Month Target Price Range

Low-High	Midpoint (% to Mid)
$14-$22	$18 (5%)

2027-29 PROJECTIONS

	Price	Gain	Ann'l Total Return
High	35	(+110%)	21%
Low	20	(+20%)	5%

Institutional Decisions

	2Q2023	3Q2023	4Q2023
to Buy	309	347	350
to Sell	189	183	241
Hld's(000)	1847867	1994472	2066891

Percent shares traded: 75, 50, 25

Target Price Range

2027	2028	2029

% TOT. RETURN 3/24

	THIS STOCK	VL ARITH.* INDEX
1 yr.	3.8	16.9
3 yr.	43.3	16.2
5 yr.	-5.7	71.5

2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	27-29
40.51	36.15	35.02	36.28	34.92	34.16	35.91	34.21	34.85	33.29	32.21	32.37	9.31	10.40	10.91	11.45	*11.75*	*11.65*	Revenues per sh	*12.20*
8.44	8.37	8.22	8.08	7.32	6.33	8.13	7.29	8.23	9.03	d7.30	d8.36	1.08	2.79	3.12	2.98	*3.30*	*3.45*	"Cash Flow" per sh	*4.40*
3.22	3.03	2.82	2.78	2.07	1.83	3.06	2.00	2.83	3.50	d13.25	d14.50	d1.05	1.00	1.10	1.23	*1.35*	*1.45*	Earnings per sh A	*1.90*
1.56	1.68	1.82	1.82	1.82	1.82	1.82	1.82	1.93	1.55	--	--	--	--	--	.01	*.04*	*.08*	Div'd Decl'd per sh B ■	*.20*
10.05	10.68	9.62	9.79	10.74	11.40	10.16	10.51	11.26	10.96	12.52	11.93	3.87	3.87	4.82	4.55	*5.00*	*5.20*	Cap'l Spending per sh	*5.80*
25.97	27.88	28.55	29.35	30.35	31.41	33.09	33.69	35.39	37.34	24.31	9.59	10.58	10.56	11.48	11.74	*13.30*	*14.95*	Book Value per sh C	*20.65*
361.06	370.60	395.23	412.26	430.72	456.67	475.91	492.03	506.89	514.76	520.34	529.24	1984.7	1985.4	1987.8	2133.6	*2200.00*	*2300.00*	Common Shs Outst'g D	*2500.00*
12.1	13.0	15.8	15.5	20.7	23.7	15.0	26.4	21.1	18.3	--	--	--	10.9	11.4	13.6	*Bold figures are*		Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	*14.5*
.73	.87	1.01	.97	1.32	1.33	.79	1.33	1.11	.92	--	--	--	.59	.66	.76	*Value Line*		Relative P/E Ratio	*.80*
4.0%	4.3%	4.1%	4.2%	4.2%	4.2%	4.0%	3.4%	3.2%	2.4%	--	--	--	--	--	.1%	*estimates*		Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	*.7%*

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 12/31/23
Total Debt $57135 mill. **Due in 5 Yrs** $17586 mill.
LT Debt $51529 mill. **LT Interest** $2850 mill.
(Incl. $554 mill. of noncurrent finance leases)
(Total Interest Coverage: 2.0x)
Leases, Uncapitalized Annual rentals $116 mill.

Pension Assets-12/23 $17211 mill. **Oblig** $17697 mill.

Pfd Stock $252 mill. **Pfd Div'd** $14 mill.
Common Stock 2,133,623,076 shs.
as of 2/14/24
MARKET CAP: $35.9 billion (Large Cap)

2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025		27-29
17090	16833	17666	17135	16760	17129	18469	20642	21680	24428	*25800*	*26800*	Revenues ($mill)	*30500*
1450.0	988.0	1431.0	1807.0	d6818	d7642	d1304	2152.0	2357.0	2644.0	*3110*	*3455*	Net Profit ($mill)	*4925*
19.2%	--	3.7%	16.8%	--	--	--	44.2%	3.3%	6.6%	*6.0%*	*8.0%*	Income Tax Rate	*11.0%*
10.0%	15.7%	11.4%	7.0%	--	--	--	8.8%	11.2%	9.9%	*9.0%*	*9.0%*	AFUDC % to Net Profit	*9.0%*
48.5%	48.8%	47.1%	47.7%	--	--	63.7%	64.3%	67.4%	67.1%	*64.0%*	*61.5%*	Long-Term Debt Ratio	*56.5%*
50.7%	50.4%	52.1%	51.6%	98.0%	95.2%	35.9%	35.3%	32.2%	32.6%	*35.5%*	*38.0%*	Common Equity Ratio	*43.0%*
31050	32858	34412	37225	12903	5335.0	58541	59448	70817	76821	*81925*	*90175*	Total Capital ($mill)	*120000*
43941	46723	50581	53789	58557	61635	66136	69826	76208	82321	*89175*	*96625*	Net Plant ($mill)	*122000*
5.8%	4.1%	5.2%	5.9%	NMF	NMF	NMF	4.8%	4.6%	5.3%	*5.0%*	*5.0%*	Return on Total Cap'l	*5.5%*
9.1%	5.9%	7.9%	9.3%	NMF	NMF	NMF	10.1%	10.2%	10.5%	*10.5%*	*10.0%*	Return on Shr. Equity	*9.5%*
9.1%	5.9%	7.9%	9.3%	NMF	NMF	NMF	10.2%	10.3%	10.5%	*10.5%*	*10.0%*	Return on Com Equity E	*9.5%*
3.9%	.7%	2.8%	4.0%	NMF	NMF	NMF	10.2%	10.3%	10.5%	*10.5%*	*9.5%*	Retained to Com Eq	*8.5%*
58%	88%	65%	57%	NMF	NMF	NMF	1%	1%	1%	*3%*	*6%*	All Div'ds to Net Prof	*10%*

ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS

	2021	2022	2023
% Change Retail Sales (GWH)	+.1	-.9	-6.2
Avg. Indust. Use (MWH)	NA	NA	NA
Avg. Indust. Revs. per KWH (¢)	NA	NA	NA
Capacity at Peak (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
Peak Load, Summer (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
Annual Load Factor (%)	NA	NA	NA
% Change Customers (yr-end)	+.8	+.4	+.4
Fixed Charge Cov. (%)	296	188	162

ANNUAL RATES of change (per sh)	Past 10 Yrs.	Past 5 Yrs.	Est'd '21-'23 to '27-'29
Revenues	-11.0%	-20.0%	*2.5%*
"Cash Flow"	-8.5%	-2.0%	*7.5%*
Earnings	-6.5%	--	*9.0%*
Dividends	--	--	*NMF*
Book Value	-9.5%	-19.0%	*10.0%*

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY REVENUES ($ mill.) Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	4716	5215	5465	5246	20642
2022	5798	5118	5394	5370	21680
2023	6209	5290	5888	7041	24428
2024	*6660*	*6030*	*6590*	*6520*	*25800*
2025	*6925*	*6275*	*6850*	*6750*	*26800*

Cal-endar	EARNINGS PER SHARE A Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	.23	.27	.24	.28	1.00
2022	.30	.25	.29	.26	1.10
2023	.29	.23	.24	.47	1.23
2024	*.33*	*.28*	*.29*	*.45*	*1.35*
2025	*.35*	*.30*	*.32*	*.48*	*1.45*

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID B Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2020	--	--	--	--	--
2021	--	--	--	--	--
2022	--	--	--	--	--
2023	--	--	--	--	--
2024	.01				

BUSINESS: PG&E Corporation is a holding company for Pacific Gas and Electric Company and nonutility subsidiaries. Supplies electricity and natural gas to most of northern and central California (population 16 million). Has 5.6 million electric and 4.6 million natural gas customers. Electric revenue breakdown: residential, 40%; commercial, 37%; industrial, 12%; agricultural, 9%; other, about 2%. Power generating sources: nuclear, 40%; renewable, 24%; large hydro, 10%; fossil fuel, 26%. Power and Fuel costs: 17% of revenues. '23 reported depr. rate: 3.56% (utility). Has 28,000 employees. Chair of the Board: Robert C. Flexon. CEO: Patricia K. Poppe. Incorporated: California. Address: 300 Lakeside Drive, Oakland, California 94612. Tel.: 415-973-7000. Int.: www.pgecorp.com.

PG&E raised its profit targets for 2024 and subsequent years through late decade. The utility received a favorable outcome on its general rate case with the authorized return on equity moving up to 10.7% from 10.0%. Management initially projected core earnings of $1.31-$1.35 a share this year but upon further review has lifted its outlook to $1.33-$1.37 a share. PG&E also extended its expectation of at least 9% share-earnings growth through 2028. (Previously, management was only willing to project that level of growth through 2026.) The company now sees the potential to increase its capital plan by as much as 20% through late decade, which should keep the rate base growing at a very healthy 9%-10% level.

Wildfire mitigation work remains the key emphasis here. PG&E is using high-tech solutions coupled with regular maintenance and labor to lower the chance of a repeat of the massive wildfires that put the company in bankruptcy court years ago. Automated shutoff switching systems, drones, vegetation management, and, where possible, burying power lines are all being deployed. The California Wildfire Fund makes the odds of a bankruptcy far lower, as well. (It's like a large self-funded insurance policy for the state's utilities.) But, a utility can still rack up significant losses if its equipment is found to have caused a fire. There is essentially a $1 billion deductible per incident. Gross negligence is not covered.

The company reinstated its dividend. At a penny per share, quarterly, PG&E has the opportunity to keep the disbursement growing at a high rate. With well over two billion shares outstanding, the "growth from a small base" strategy does make sense, as a high payout ratio would be a large cash drain. We've projected that the quarterly dividend will be raised by a penny a share, once a year. But investors should know that the dividend policy is a work in progress and no payout target ratio has been set. The company could decide to make increases in fractional cents.

This stock is neutrally ranked (Timeliness: 3, Average). PG&E has decent upside potential. Still, we think most utility investors will prefer a more conventional dividend policy with a higher yield.

Anthony J. Glennon *April 19, 2024*

(A) Diluted EPS. Adjusted (non-GAAP) egs. from 2021 on. Excl. nonrecur. gains/(losses): '09, 17¢; '11, (68¢); '12, (15¢); '15, (21¢); '16, (5¢); '17, (29¢); '21, ($1.05); '22, (26¢); '23 (18¢); gain from disc. ops.: '08, 41¢. Qtly. EPS may not sum to full year due to rounding and/or changes in share count. Next egs. report due early May. (B) Div'ds suspended 12/17, reinstated 11/23. (C) Incl. def'd chgs. In '23: $8.06/sh. (D) In mill. (E) Rate base: net orig. cost. Rate allowed on com. eq. in '23: 10.7%; Regulatory Climate: Average.

Company's Financial Strength	B++
Stock's Price Stability	15
Price Growth Persistence	15
Earnings Predictability	5

PINNACLE WEST NYSE-PNW

RECENT PRICE 74.08 | P/E RATIO 15.8 (Trailing: 16.8; Median: 17.0) | RELATIVE P/E RATIO 0.86 | DIV'D YLD 4.8% | VALUE LINE

TIMELINESS 4 Lowered 3/22/24
SAFETY 3 Lowered 1/19/24
TECHNICAL 5 Lowered 3/22/24
BETA .95 (1.00 = Market)

High:	61.9	71.1	73.3	82.8	92.5	92.6	99.8	105.5	88.5	80.6	86.0	75.2
Low:	51.5	51.2	56.0	62.5	75.8	73.4	81.6	60.1	62.8	59.0	68.6	65.2

Target Price Range 2027 | 2028 | 2029

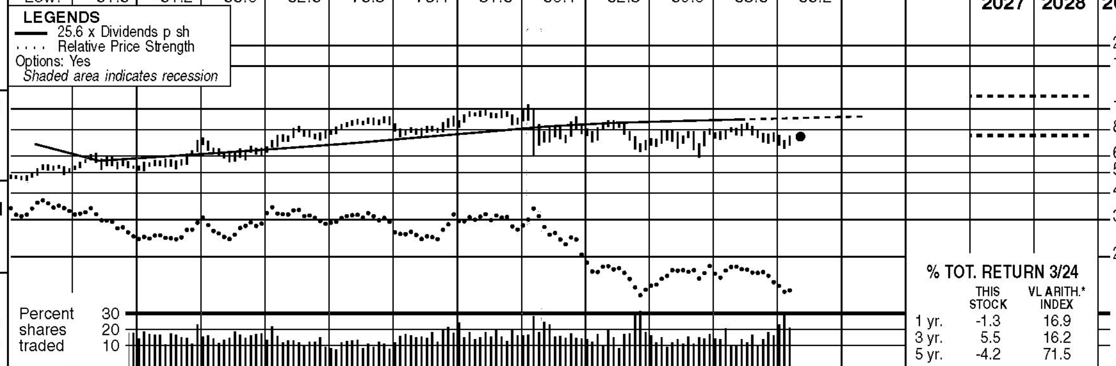
18-Month Target Price Range
Low-High Midpoint (% to Mid)
$59-$97 $78 (5%)

2027-29 PROJECTIONS

	Price	Gain	Ann'l Total Return
High	115	(+55%)	15%
Low	75	(Nil)	5%

Institutional Decisions

	2Q2023	3Q2023	4Q2023
to Buy	201	225	240
to Sell	237	250	253
Hld's(000)	97185	97254	97685



% TOT. RETURN 3/24

	THIS STOCK	VL ARITH.* INDEX
1 yr.	-1.3	16.9
3 yr.	5.5	16.2
5 yr.	-4.2	71.5

2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	27-29
33.37	32.50	30.01	29.67	30.09	31.35	31.58	31.50	31.42	31.90	32.93	30.87	31.81	33.66	38.21	41.40	*41.70*	*42.45*	Revenues per sh	*46.00*
8.13	8.08	6.85	7.52	7.92	8.15	8.09	9.09	9.39	9.92	10.37	10.69	10.97	11.84	11.50	11.95	*12.50*	*13.10*	"Cash Flow" per sh	*15.35*
2.12	2.26	3.08	2.99	3.50	3.66	3.58	3.92	3.95	4.43	4.54	4.77	4.87	5.47	4.26	4.41	*4.70*	*5.00*	Earnings per sh A	*6.00*
2.10	2.10	2.10	2.10	2.67	2.23	2.33	2.44	2.56	2.70	2.87	3.04	3.23	3.36	3.43	3.49	*3.55*	*3.61*	Div'd Decl'd per sh B ■	*3.79*
9.46	7.64	7.03	8.26	8.24	9.36	8.38	9.84	11.64	12.80	10.73	10.76	11.93	13.04	15.09	16.28	*16.80*	*16.80*	Cap'l Spending per sh	*17.20*
34.16	32.69	33.86	34.98	36.20	38.07	39.50	41.30	43.15	44.80	46.59	48.30	49.96	52.26	53.45	54.47	*59.85*	*60.55*	Book Value per sh C	*70.15*
100.89	101.43	108.77	109.25	109.74	110.18	110.57	110.98	111.34	111.75	112.10	112.44	112.76	113.01	113.17	113.42	*116.00*	*119.00*	Common Shs Outst'g D	*125.00*
16.1	13.7	12.6	14.6	14.3	15.3	15.9	16.0	18.7	19.3	17.8	19.4	16.7	14.1	17.1	17.4	*Bold figures are*		Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	*16.0*
.97	.91	.80	.92	.91	.86	.84	.81	.98	.97	.96	1.03	.86	.76	.99	.97	*Value Line*		Relative P/E Ratio	*.90*
6.2%	6.8%	5.4%	4.8%	5.3%	4.0%	4.1%	3.9%	3.5%	3.2%	3.5%	3.3%	4.0%	4.3%	4.7%	4.5%	*estimates*		Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	*3.9%*

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 12/31/23
Total Debt $9025.1 mill. **Due in 5 Yrs** $2225.0 mill.
LT Debt $7540.6 mill. **LT Interest** $355.0 mill.
(Total Interest Coverage: 2.6x)

Leases, Uncapitalized Annual rentals $19.2 mill.

Pension Assets-12/22 $2835.5 mill.
Oblig $2908.1 mill.

Pfd Stock None

Common Stock 113,427,367 shs.
as of 2/21/24
MARKET CAP: $8.4 billion (Mid Cap)

2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025		27-29
3491.6	3495.4	3498.7	3565.3	3691.2	3471.2	3587.0	3803.8	4324.4	4696.0	*4840*	*5050*	Revenues ($mill)	*5750*
397.6	437.3	442.0	497.8	511.0	538.3	550.6	618.7	483.6	501.6	*540*	*590*	Net Profit ($mill)	*750*
34.2%	34.3%	33.9%	32.5%	20.2%	- -	12.1%	14.8%	13.0%	12.9%	*14.0%*	*14.0%*	Income Tax Rate	*14.0%*
11.6%	11.8%	14.1%	13.9%	15.2%	9.3%	9.5%	10.1%	15.2%	19.3%	*19.0%*	*19.0%*	AFUDC % to Net Profit	*19.0%*
41.0%	43.0%	45.6%	48.9%	47.0%	47.1%	52.8%	53.9%	56.1%	55.0%	*52.5%*	*54.0%*	Long-Term Debt Ratio	*52.0%*
59.0%	57.0%	54.4%	51.1%	53.0%	52.9%	47.2%	46.1%	43.9%	45.0%	*47.5%*	*46.0%*	Common Equity Ratio	*48.0%*
7398.7	8046.3	8825.4	9796.4	9861.1	10263	11948	12820	13790	13718	*14625*	*15625*	Total Capital ($mill)	*18350*
11194	11809	12714	13445	14030	14523	15159	15987	16854	17980	*19025*	*20050*	Net Plant ($mill)	*23050*
6.4%	6.4%	6.0%	6.1%	6.2%	6.3%	5.5%	5.8%	4.5%	5.0%	*5.0%*	*5.0%*	Return on Total Cap'l	*5.5%*
9.1%	9.5%	9.2%	9.9%	9.8%	9.9%	9.8%	10.5%	8.0%	8.1%	*8.0%*	*8.0%*	Return on Shr. Equity	*8.5%*
9.1%	9.5%	9.2%	9.9%	9.8%	9.9%	9.8%	10.5%	8.0%	8.1%	*8.0%*	*8.0%*	Return on Com Equity E	*8.5%*
3.5%	3.9%	3.5%	4.2%	3.9%	3.8%	3.5%	4.2%	1.7%	1.9%	*2.0%*	*2.5%*	Retained to Com Eq	*3.0%*
62%	59%	62%	58%	60%	61%	64%	60%	78%	77%	*75%*	*72%*	All Div'ds to Net Prof	*63%*

ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS

	2021	2022	2023
% Change Retail Sales (KWH)	-.1	+4.4	+2.8
Avg. Indust. Use (MWH)	808	849	874
Avg. Indust. Revs. per KWH (¢)	8.11	9.20	10.38
Capacity at Peak (Mw)	8726	8612	9629
Peak Load, Summer (Mw)	7580	7587	8159
Annual Load Factor (%)	45.1	48.1	45.7
% Change Customers (yr-end)	+2.2	+2.1	+1.8
Fixed Charge Cov. (%)	317	226	220

ANNUAL RATES

of change (per sh)	Past 10 Yrs.	Past 5 Yrs.	Est'd '21-'23 to '27-'29
Revenues	2.0%	3.5%	*4.0%*
"Cash Flow"	4.0%	3.5%	*3.5%*
Earnings	3.5%	2.0%	*4.5%*
Dividends	4.0%	5.0%	*1.5%*
Book Value	4.0%	3.5%	*4.5%*

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY REVENUES ($ mill.) Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	696.5	1000.2	1308.2	798.9	3803.8
2022	783.5	1061.7	1469.9	1009.3	4324.4
2023	945.0	1121.7	1637.8	991.5	4696.0
2024	*1000*	*1190*	*1640*	*1010*	*4840*
2025	*1045*	*1240*	*1710*	*1055*	*5050*

Cal-endar	EARNINGS PER SHARE A Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	.32	1.91	3.00	.24	5.47
2022	.15	1.45	2.88	d.21	4.26
2023	d.03	.94	3.50	Nil	4.41
2024	*.05*	*1.25*	*3.40*	*Nil*	*4.70*
2025	*.05*	*1.33*	*3.62*	*Nil*	*5.00*

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID B ■ Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2020	.783	.783	.783	.83	3.18
2021	.83	.83	.83	.85	3.34
2022	.85	.85	.85	.865	3.42
2023	.865	.865	.865	.88	3.48
2024	.88				

BUSINESS: Pinnacle West Capital Corporation is a holding company for Arizona Public Service Company (APS), which supplies electricity to 1.4 million customers in most of Arizona, except about half of the Phoenix metro area, the Tucson metro area, and Mohave County in northwestern Arizona. Discontinued SunCor real estate subsidiary in '10. Electric revenue breakdown: residential, 49%; commercial/industrial, 44%; other, 7%. Generating sources: gas, 25%; nuclear, 25%; coal, 18%; renewables, 2%; purchased, 30%. Fuel costs: 38% of revenues. '23 reported deprec. rate: 2.98%. Has 6,133 employees. Chairman, President & CEO: Jeffrey B. Guldner. Inc.: AZ. Address: 400 North Fifth St., P.O. Box 53999, Phoenix, AZ 85072-3999. Tel.: 602-250-1000. Internet: www.pinnaclewest.com.

In late February, Pinnacle West received a constructive general rate case (GRC) decision. Investors may recall that from early 2022, the utility had been operating under revised regulatory parameters that cut its authorized return on equity (ROE) from 10% to 8.7% (one of the lowest levels for a major market at that time). The change effectively reduced Pinnacle's annual earnings power by over $1.00 per share. A revamped state regulatory commission, which has some new members and a different chairperson (due to term limits), heeded the recommendation of a state administrative law judge who consulted on the case. The newly established ROE of 9.55% plus an additional fair value increment (FVI) of .25% passed by a 4-1 vote. According to Pinnacle's CEO, assuming certain criteria are met for the FVI to kick in, the company's effective ROE will be 9.85%. The net effect of the GRC lifts the company's earning power by $1.33 per share. We're raising our rating on the Arizona regulatory climate back to "average." The 2021 GRC decision landed it in the below-average camp.

We've raised our 2024 share-earnings estimate. It's only going up by a dime, but that's because we expected a favorable GRC outcome from PNW's perspective. Notably, the additional earnings power is substantial, though not readily apparent in our estimates because the company benefited by $0.48 a share last year from an extreme heat wave. Moreover, there are a number of factors this year that are likely to offset the additional revenue from the increased ROE. The utility had been tightening its belt on operating and maintenance expense and that's set to rise, as are depreciation/amortization and interest expense. On the positive side of the ledger, weather-normalized retail sales growth in Arizona comes to about $0.25 a share annually on average. Pinnacle has a premium service area in terms of growth from interstate migration and rising energy demand from a thriving economy. There's no lack of capital investment prospects to drive rate-base growth there.

Though untimely, we think long-term utility investors should keep this stock on their watch list and target a pullback as an entry point.

Anthony J. Glennon *April 19, 2024*

(A) Diluted EPS. Excl. nonrec. gain/(loss): '09, ($1.45); '17, 8¢; gains/(losses) from discont. ops.: '08, 28¢; '09, (13¢); '10, 18¢; '11, 10¢; '12, (5¢). Qtly. EPS may not sum to full year due to rounding. Next egs. report due early May. (B) Div'ds historically paid in early Mar., June, Sept., & Dec. There were 5 declarations in '12. ■ Div'd reinvestment plan avail. (C) Incl. deferred charges/other intangibles. In '23: $27.22/sh. (D) In mill. (E) Rate base: Fair value. Rate allowed on common equity in '23: 9.55%-9.85%. Regulatory Climate: Average.

Company's Financial Strength	B++
Stock's Price Stability	85
Price Growth Persistence	40
Earnings Predictability	90

PNM RESOURCES NYSE-PNM

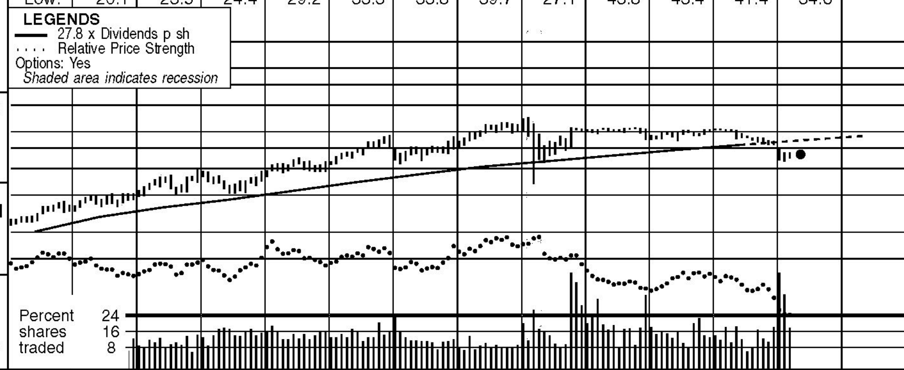
RECENT PRICE	37.45	P/E RATIO	14.2 (Trailing: 13.3, Median: 19.0)	RELATIVE P/E RATIO	0.77	DIV'D YLD	4.2%	VALUE LINE

TIMELINESS 3 Lowered 2/2/24
SAFETY 3 Lowered 1/19/24
TECHNICAL 4 Lowered 3/1/24
BETA .90 (1.00 = Market)

High:	24.5	31.6	31.2	36.2	46.0	45.3	53.0	56.1	50.1	49.3	49.6	39.7
Low:	20.1	23.5	24.4	29.2	33.3	33.8	39.7	27.1	43.8	43.4	41.4	34.6

Target Price Range 2027 | 2028 | 2029

LEGENDS
— 27.8 x Dividends p sh
.... Relative Price Strength
Options: Yes
Shaded area indicates recession



18-Month Target Price Range

Low-High	Midpoint (% to Mid)
$34-$56	$45 (20%)

2027-29 PROJECTIONS

	Price	Gain	Ann'l Total Return
High	65	(+75%)	*18%*
Low	40	(+5%)	*6%*

Institutional Decisions

	2Q2023	3Q2023	4Q2023
to Buy	134	140	151
to Sell	146	139	144
Hld's(000)	78139	81263	82439

Percent shares traded: 24, 16, 8

% TOT. RETURN 3/24

	THIS STOCK	VL ARITH.* INDEX
1 yr.	-19.9	16.9
3 yr.	-15.9	16.2
5 yr.	-8.8	71.5

2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	27-29
22.65	19.01	19.31	21.35	16.85	17.42	18.03	18.07	17.11	18.14	18.04	18.30	17.74	20.74	26.21	21.50	*23.90*	*25.25*	Revenues per sh	*29.45*
1.76	2.32	2.67	3.18	3.39	3.52	4.09	4.28	4.51	5.30	5.47	5.95	5.80	6.19	6.67	6.62	*6.80*	*7.25*	"Cash Flow" per sh	*8.70*
.11	.58	.87	1.08	1.31	1.41	1.45	1.48	1.46	1.92	2.00	2.16	2.28	2.45	2.69	2.82	*2.70*	*2.85*	Earnings per sh A	*3.40*
.61	.50	.50	.50	.58	.68	.76	.82	.90	.99	1.09	1.18	1.25	1.33	1.41	1.49	*1.57*	*1.65*	Div'd Decl'd per sh B ■ †	*1.89*
3.99	3.32	3.25	4.10	3.88	4.37	5.78	7.01	7.53	6.28	6.29	7.74	7.91	10.89	10.63	11.93	*12.90*	*13.85*	Cap'l Spending per sh	*13.50*
18.89	18.90	17.60	19.62	20.05	20.87	22.39	20.78	21.04	21.28	21.20	21.08	23.88	25.25	25.54	26.04	*27.40*	*28.80*	Book Value per sh C	*33.60*
86.53	86.67	86.67	79.65	79.65	79.65	79.65	79.65	79.65	79.65	79.65	79.65	85.83	85.83	85.83	90.20	*91.00*	*92.00*	Common Shs Outst'g D	*95.00*
NMF	18.1	14.0	14.5	15.0	16.1	18.7	18.7	22.4	20.4	19.4	22.2	19.6	19.9	17.4	16.3	*Bold figures are*		Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	*15.5*
NMF	1.21	.89	.91	.95	.90	.98	.94	1.18	1.03	1.05	1.18	1.01	1.08	1.01	.91	*Value Line*		Relative P/E Ratio	*.85*
4.9%	4.8%	4.1%	3.2%	3.0%	3.0%	2.8%	3.0%	2.8%	2.5%	2.8%	2.5%	2.8%	2.7%	3.0%	3.2%	*estimates*		Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	*3.6%*

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 12/31/23
Total Debt $4783.7 mill. **Due in 5 Yrs** $2177.6 mill.
LT Debt $4241.6 mill. **LT Interest** $169.0 mill.
(Total Interest Coverage: 2.4x)

Leases, Uncapitalized Annual rentals $12.0 mill.

Pension Assets-12/22 $448.6 mill. **Oblig** $461.2 mill.
Pfd Stock $11.5 mill. **Pfd Div'd** $.5 mill.

Common Stock 90,200,384 shs.
as of 2/16/24
MARKET CAP: $3.4 billion (Mid Cap)

2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025		27-29
1435.9	1439.1	1363.0	1445.0	1436.6	1457.6	1523.0	1779.9	2249.6	1939.2	*2175*	*2325*	Revenues ($mill)	*2800*
116.8	118.8	117.4	154.4	160.6	173.1	183.4	211.6	232.0	244.1	*245*	*265*	Net Profit ($mill)	*325*
34.8%	36.9%	32.4%	33.0%	12.9%	8.1%	9.5%	13.4%	14.6%	13.6%	*14.5%*	*15.0%*	Income Tax Rate	*16.0%*
10.7%	17.0%	11.0%	11.9%	12.1%	9.8%	8.9%	8.6%	9.0%	12.3%	*12.0%*	*13.0%*	AFUDC % to Net Profit	*13.0%*
47.8%	54.1%	55.7%	56.1%	61.1%	59.8%	56.9%	61.8%	63.9%	64.2%	*66.0%*	*67.5%*	Long-Term Debt Ratio	*69.0%*
51.9%	45.5%	44.0%	43.6%	38.6%	39.9%	42.9%	38.0%	36.0%	35.6%	*33.5%*	*32.0%*	Common Equity Ratio	*30.5%*
3437.1	3633.3	3806.8	3887.5	4370.0	4207.7	4780.6	5698.6	6096.1	6602.3	*7400*	*8250*	Total Capital ($mill)	*10400*
4270.0	4535.4	4904.7	4980.2	5234.6	5466.0	5965.1	6752.9	6972.8	7609.9	*8400*	*9300*	Net Plant ($mill)	*11500*
5.1%	4.8%	4.7%	5.3%	5.0%	5.5%	4.9%	4.6%	4.9%	5.0%	*4.5%*	*4.5%*	Return on Total Cap'l	*4.5%*
6.5%	7.1%	7.0%	9.0%	9.4%	10.2%	8.9%	9.7%	10.5%	10.3%	*10.0%*	*10.0%*	Return on Shr. Equity	*10.0%*
6.5%	7.1%	7.0%	9.1%	9.5%	10.3%	8.9%	9.7%	10.6%	10.4%	*10.0%*	*10.0%*	Return on Com Equity E	*10.0%*
3.2%	3.3%	2.8%	4.5%	4.5%	4.8%	4.1%	4.6%	5.1%	5.0%	*4.0%*	*4.0%*	Retained to Com Eq	*4.5%*
51%	54%	61%	51%	53%	54%	54%	53%	52%	52%	*58%*	*58%*	All Div'ds to Net Prof	*55%*

ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS

	2021	2022	2023
% Change Retail Sales (KWH)	1.0	5.2	1.0
Avg. Indust. Use (MWH)	NA	NA	NA
Avg. Indust. Revs. per KWH (¢)	NA	NA	NA
Capacity at Peak (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
Peak Load, Summer (Mw)	1968	2139	2162
Annual Load Factor (%)	NA	NA	NA
% Change Customers (yr-end)	1.2	1.0	1.0
Fixed Charge Cov. (%)	317	289	230

ANNUAL RATES of change (per sh)	Past 10 Yrs.	Past 5 Yrs.	Est'd '21-'23 to '27-'29
Revenues	2.0%	5.0%	*4.5%*
"Cash Flow"	7.0%	5.0%	*5.0%*
Earnings	7.5%	8.0%	*5.0%*
Dividends	9.0%	7.0%	*5.0%*
Book Value	2.5%	4.0%	*4.5%*

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY REVENUES ($ mill.) Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	364.7	426.5	554.6	434.1	1779.9
2022	444.1	499.7	729.9	575.9	2249.6
2023	544.1	477.2	505.9	412.0	1939.2
2024	*560*	*525*	*580*	*510*	*2175*
2025	*595*	*560*	*630*	*540*	*2325*

Cal-endar	EARNINGS PER SHARE A Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	.32	.55	1.37	.21	2.45
2022	.50	.57	1.46	.15	2.69
2023	.55	.55	1.54	.18	2.82
2024	*.45*	*.55*	*1.45*	*.25*	*2.70*
2025	*.50*	*.60*	*1.50*	*.25*	*2.85*

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID B ■ † Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2020	.3075	.3075	.3075	.3075	1.23
2021	.3275	.3275	.3275	.3275	1.31
2022	.3475	.3475	.3475	.3475	1.39
2023	.3675	.3675	.3675	.3675	1.47
2024	.3875				

BUSINESS: PNM Resources, Inc. is a holding company with two regulated electric utilities. Public Service Company of New Mexico (PNM) serves 548,000 customers in north central New Mexico, including Albuquerque and Santa Fe. Texas-New Mexico Power Company (TNMP) transmits and distributes power to 272,000 consumers in Texas. Electric revenue breakdown: residential, 32%; commercial, 28%; industrial, 7%; other, 33%. Generating sources not available. Fuel costs: 46% of revenues. '23 reported depreciation rates: 2.67%-7.64%. Has 1,600 employees. Chairman and CEO: Patricia K. Collawn. Incorporated: New Mexico. Address: 414 Silver Ave. SW, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87102-3289. Telephone: 505-241-2700. Internet: www.pnmresources.com.

PNM Resources' stock has been reeling after the company was left at the alter by its former merger partner. Investors may recall that PNM stockholders were to receive $50.30 per share in an all-cash deal from Northeast utility, Avangrid, Inc. (NYSE: AGR). At various stages of a lengthy courtship it looked as if the marriage would eventually be consummated despite regulators standing in the way. Ultimately, it was Avangrid's parent company, Iberdrola of Spain, who nixed the deal. The Spanish energy giant decided that buying the 18.4% minority stake in Avangrid itself for $34.25 a share is a better use of funds, as that deal is now on the table for AGR shareholders. Year to date, PNM stock is down 11%.

New Mexico regulators' early January rate decision didn't help matters. The New Mexico Public Regulation Commission ruled against the company on every front, making good on the state's reputation for being a difficult regulatory environment. Instead of the rise in its return on equity (ROE) that PNM was seeking, the company instead received a cut from 9.575% to 9.26%. Overall, $64 million in additional revenue was sought, much of that to recoup various investments made in the past to extend the lives of a coal-fired generating facility and a nuclear power plant. Regulators ruled that those investments were "imprudent" and disallowed them. The poor rate-base outcome and increased interest expense on an expanding debt load will likely weigh on this year's bottom line.

Even so, this equity may appeal to utility investors. The New Mexico operation is an average business of this sort, as it has reasonable long-term growth prospects, but is in a tough regulatory climate. Meanwhile, PNM's smaller, interstate long-range transmission & distribution (T&D) businesses, which serve around 300,000 consumers in Texas and New Mexico, are engines of growth for the company and suffer little regulatory lag. Beyond 2024, the recoupment of substantial T&D investments, via regulatory pricing mechanisms, can drive 5%-6% annual earnings and dividend gains. That should translate to worthwhile total return prospects out to late decade.

Anthony J. Glennon *April 19, 2024*

(A) Dil. EPS. Excl. nonrec. gain/(loss): '08, ($3.77); '10, ($1.36); '11, 88¢; '13, (16¢); '15, ($1.28); '17, (92¢); '18, (93¢); '19, ($1.19); '20, (13¢); '21, (18¢); '22, (72¢); '23, ($1.80). Excl. disc. op. gains: '08, 42¢; '09, 78¢. Next egs. report due early May. (B) Div'ds paid mid-Feb., May, Aug., & Nov. ■ Div'd reinv. plan avail. (C) Incl. def. charges/other intang. In '23: $15.45/sh. (D) In mill. (E) Rate base: net orig. cost. Rate allowed on com. eq. in NM in '23: 9.26%; in TX in '18: 9.65%; Regulatory Climate: NM, Below Average.; TX, Average.

Company's Financial Strength	B+
Stock's Price Stability	95
Price Growth Persistence	60
Earnings Predictability	95

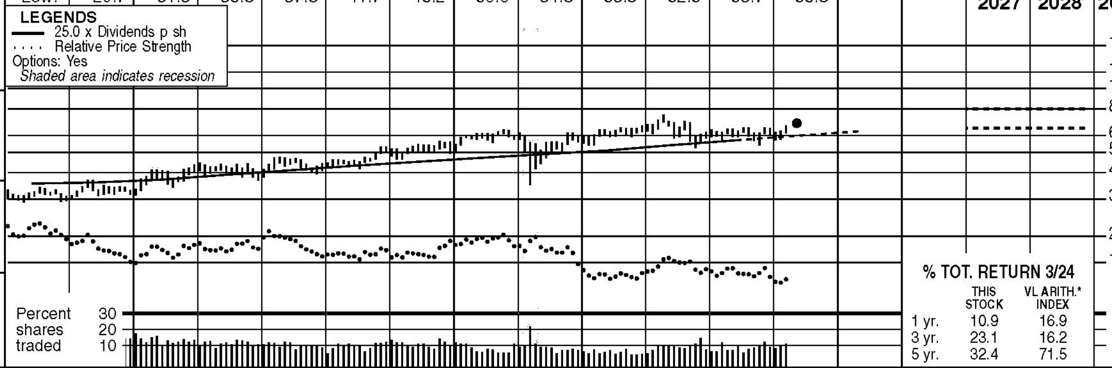
P.S. ENTERPRISE GP. NYSE-PEG

RECENT PRICE	68.64	P/E RATIO	18.8 (Trailing: 19.7; Median: 16.0)	RELATIVE P/E RATIO	1.08	DIV'D YLD	3.5%	VALUE LINE

TIMELINESS 4 Lowered 2/9/24
SAFETY 1 Raised 11/23/12
TECHNICAL 3 Raised 5/10/24
BETA .95 (1.00 = Market)

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
High:	37.0	43.8	44.4	47.4	53.3	56.7	63.9	62.2	67.1	75.6	65.5
Low:	29.7	31.3	36.8	37.8	41.7	46.2	50.0	34.8	53.8	52.5	53.7

High: 68.9 Low: 56.8 (2024)



Target Price Range
2027 | 2028 | 2029

18-Month Target Price Range

Low-High	Midpoint (% to Mid)
$59-$85	$72 (5%)

2027-29 PROJECTIONS

	Price	Gain	Ann'l Total Return
High	80	(+15%)	7%
Low	65	(-5%)	3%

Institutional Decisions

	2Q2023	3Q2023	4Q2023
to Buy	395	412	493
to Sell	396	399	385
Hld's(000)	362902	368948	370095

% TOT. RETURN 3/24

	THIS STOCK	VL ARITH.* INDEX
1 yr.	10.9	16.9
3 yr.	23.1	16.2
5 yr.	32.4	71.5

2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	27-29
27.94	24.57	23.31	22.42	19.33	19.71	21.52	20.61	18.22	18.14	19.24	19.99	19.05	19.29	19.72	22.56	**22.25**	**24.40**	Revenues per sh	**27.75**
4.68	4.98	5.27	5.36	4.87	5.17	5.82	5.75	5.07	5.30	5.81	6.14	6.37	6.46	6.08	6.16	**6.50**	**6.90**	"Cash Flow" per sh	**8.10**
2.90	3.08	3.07	3.11	2.44	2.45	2.99	2.91	2.83	2.82	3.12	3.28	3.43	3.65	3.47	3.48	**3.65**	**3.90**	Earnings per sh A	**4.65**
1.29	1.33	1.37	1.37	1.42	1.44	1.48	1.56	1.64	1.72	1.80	1.88	1.96	2.04	2.16	2.28	**2.40**	**2.52**	Div'd Decl'd per sh B ■	**2.90**
3.50	3.55	4.27	4.12	5.09	5.56	5.58	7.65	8.32	8.30	7.76	6.28	5.80	5.39	5.81	6.68	**7.20**	**7.30**	Cap'l Spending per sh	**9.00**
15.36	17.37	19.04	20.30	21.31	22.95	24.09	25.86	26.01	27.42	28.53	29.94	31.71	28.65	27.62	31.08	**32.40**	**33.85**	Book Value per sh C	**39.00**
506.02	505.99	505.97	505.95	505.89	505.86	505.84	505.28	504.87	505.00	504.00	504.00	504.00	504.00	497.00	498.00	**499.00**	**500.00**	Common Shs Outst'g D	**505.00**
13.6	10.0	10.4	10.4	12.8	13.5	12.6	14.1	15.3	16.3	16.6	18.0	15.7	16.8	18.5	17.7	*Bold figures are*		Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	**15.5**
.82	.67	.66	.65	.81	.76	.66	.71	.80	.82	.90	.96	.81	.91	1.07	.99	*Value Line*		Relative P/E Ratio	**.85**
3.3%	4.3%	4.3%	4.2%	4.6%	4.4%	3.9%	3.8%	3.8%	3.7%	3.5%	3.2%	3.6%	3.3%	3.4%	3.7%	*estimates*		Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	**4.0%**
						10886	10415	9198.0	9161.0	9696.0	10076	9603.0	9722.0	9800.0	11237	**11100**	**12200**	Revenues ($mill)	**14500**
						1518.0	1476.0	1436.0	1431.0	1582.0	1666.0	1741.0	1853.0	1739.0	1742.0	**1830**	**1960**	Net Profit ($mill)	**2350**
						38.2%	37.4%	31.7%	37.3%	23.7%	32.2%	14.3%	19.5%	13.7%	10.1%	**20.0%**	**20.0%**	Income Tax Rate	**20.0%**
						4.5%	6.2%	8.4%	10.6%	8.7%	6.5%	7.0%	5.5%	5.1%	5.3%	**5.0%**	**5.0%**	AFUDC % to Net Profit	**5.0%**
						40.4%	40.3%	45.3%	46.6%	47.8%	47.7%	47.6%	51.3%	54.6%	53.5%	**54.5%**	**55.5%**	Long-Term Debt Ratio	**58.5%**
						59.6%	59.7%	54.7%	53.4%	52.2%	52.3%	52.4%	48.7%	45.4%	46.5%	**45.5%**	**44.5%**	Common Equity Ratio	**41.5%**
						20446	21900	24025	25915	27545	28832	30480	29657	30224	33261	**35600**	**37900**	Total Capital ($mill)	**47500**
						23589	26539	29286	31797	34363	35844	37585	34366	35942	38031	**40250**	**42400**	Net Plant ($mill)	**51400**
						8.4%	7.6%	6.8%	6.4%	6.7%	6.7%	6.6%	7.1%	6.7%	6.4%	**6.0%**	**6.5%**	Return on Total Cap'l	**6.0%**
						12.5%	11.3%	10.9%	10.3%	11.0%	11.0%	10.9%	12.8%	12.7%	11.3%	**11.5%**	**11.5%**	Return on Shr. Equity	**12.0%**
						12.5%	11.3%	10.9%	10.3%	11.0%	11.0%	10.9%	12.8%	12.7%	11.3%	**11.5%**	**11.5%**	Return on Com Equity E	**12.0%**
						6.3%	5.3%	4.6%	4.1%	4.7%	4.7%	4.7%	5.7%	4.8%	3.9%	**4.0%**	**4.0%**	Retained to Com Eq	**4.5%**
						49%	53%	58%	61%	58%	57%	57%	56%	62%	65%	**65%**	**64%**	All Div'ds to Net Prof	**62%**

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 3/31/24
Total Debt $21789 mill. **Due in 5 Yrs** $6950 mill.
LT Debt $18764 mill. **LT Interest** $765 mill.
(Total Interest coverage: 3.1x)

Leases, Uncapitalized Annual rentals $35 mill.

Pension Assets-12/23 $4140 mill. **Oblig.** $4758 mill.

Pfd Stock None

Common Stock 498,080,467 shs. as of 4/16/24

MARKET CAP: $34.2 billion (Large Cap)

ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS

	2021	2022	2023
% Change Retail Sales (KWH)	+1.3	+1.6	-4.2
Avg. Indust. Use (MWH)	NA	NA	NA
Avg. Indust. Revs. per KWH(¢)	NA	NA	NA
Capacity at Peak (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
Peak Load, Summer (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
Annual Load Factor (%)	NA	NA	NA
% Change Customers (avg.)	+.9	+.9	+.9
Fixed Charge Cov. (%)	403	297	285

ANNUAL RATES of change (per sh)	Past 10 Yrs.	Past 5 Yrs.	Est'd '21-'23 to '27-'29
Revenues	--	2.0%	4.5%
"Cash Flow"	2.0%	3.0%	4.5%
Earnings	3.0%	4.0%	5.0%
Dividends	4.5%	4.5%	5.0%
Book Value	3.0%	1.5%	5.0%

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY REVENUES ($ mill.) Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	2889	1874	1903	3056	9722
2022	2313	2076	2272	3139	9800
2023	3755	2421	2456	2605	11237
2024	2760	**2590**	**2750**	**3000**	**11100**
2025	**3500**	**2650**	**2900**	**3150**	**12200**

Cal-endar	EARNINGS PER SHARE A Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	1.28	.70	.98	.69	3.65
2022	1.33	.64	.86	.64	3.47
2023	1.39	.70	.85	.54	3.48
2024	1.31	**.77**	**.95**	**.62**	**3.65**
2025	**1.41**	**.82**	**1.01**	**.66**	**3.90**

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID B ■ Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2020	.49	.49	.49	.49	1.96
2021	.51	.51	.51	.51	2.04
2022	.54	.54	.54	.54	2.16
2023	.57	.57	.57	.57	2.28
2024	.60				

BUSINESS: Public Service Enterprise Group Inc. (PSEG) is a holding company for Public Service Electric and Gas Company (PSE&G), which serves 2.4 million electric and 1.9 million gas customers in NJ, and PSEG Power LLC, a nonregulated power generator with 5 nuclear plants in the Northeast (sold fossil-fuel genera-tion, 2/22). Divested offshore wind assets (5/23). Percentage of electric sales: Commercial (58%); Residential (33%); Industrial (9%). Fuel costs: 41% of revenues. '23 reported depreciation rates (utility): 1.84%-2.54%. Employs approximately 12,500. Chair of the Board, President and CEO: Ralph A. LaRossa. Inc.: New Jersey. Address: 80 Park Plaza, P.O. Box 1171, Newark, New Jersey 07101-1171. Tel.: 973-430-7000. Internet: www.pseg.com.

Public Service Enterprise Group has been one of the top-performing electric utilities, of late. The equity held up better than most peers last year in a weak overall period for the group, which has a high negative correlation with rising interest rates. PSEG shares are up 28% from their October low and 12% year to date, outperforming the *Value Line Utility Index* by 18 percentage points (PPs) and 13 PPs, respectively. Investors apparently appreciate the lower risk of a nearly pure-play utility. The only significant business held outside of the regulatory pricing umbrella is the company's nuclear power generators, which provide a steady stream of cash flow to the company. PSEG's balance sheet is in good shape, interest expense is well covered by profits, and a relatively low amount of debt comes due in the next five years. There is also no intermediate-term need to do a major equity offering, which dilutes existing shareholders. The dividend was recently raised by 5.3% and the payout ratio is near the industry median. Longer-term growth prospects for both earnings and dividends are slightly above the peer-group average.

Profits should be up this year. Utility revenue is rising due to regulatory pricing mechanisms that allow for nearly real-time returns on capital deployed for electric grid improvements. Relatively mild weather in the second half of 2023 provides a somewhat easy comparison, while interest expense and pension contributions are likely to moderate. Management recently affirmed its earnings target of $3.60-$3.70 per share for 2024 and its 5%-7% annual growth expectation through late decade (supported by New Jersey's clean energy goals).

PSEG wants to extend the life of its nuclear power plants. The company hopes to receive federal approval to keep its units operational for 20 additional years, extending the average life to 2061.

The valuation has gotten a little rich as a result of the stock's outperformance. The P/E multiple, at 18.8 times 2024 expected earnings, compares unfavorably to PSEG's electric utility peer median of 16.1. Total return prospects look somewhat limited over the longer term and the stock is untimely.

Anthony J. Glennon *May 10, 2024*

(A) Diluted EPS. Excl. nonrec. gains/(losses): '08, (96¢); '09, 6¢; '11, (34¢); '12, 7¢; '15, 39¢; '16, ($1.08); '17, 28¢ (net); '18, (29¢); '19, 5¢; '20, 33¢; '21, ($4.94); '22, ($1.41); '23, $1.65; disc. ops.: '08, 40¢; '10, 1¢; '11, 19¢. Next egs. report due late July.
(B) Div'ds historically paid in late Mar., June, Sept., & Dec. ■ Div'd reinvestment plan avail.
(C) Incl. intangibles. In '23: $13.36/sh.
(D) In mill., adj. for '08 split. **(E)** Rate base: Net original cost. Rate allowed on common equity in '21: 9.9%-10.4%; Regulatory Climate: Avg.

Company's Financial Strength	A
Stock's Price Stability	95
Price Growth Persistence	60
Earnings Predictability	100

SOUTHERN COMPANY NYSE-SO

RECENT PRICE	P/E RATIO	RELATIVE P/E RATIO	DIV'D YLD	
74.39	18.6 (Trailing: 20.4 / Median: 17.0)	1.07	3.8%	VALUE LINE

TIMELINESS 3 Raised 3/1/24
SAFETY 2 Lowered 2/21/14
TECHNICAL 4 Raised 4/19/24
BETA .95 (1.00 = Market)

High:	48.7	51.3	53.2	54.6	53.5	49.4	64.3	71.1	68.9	80.6	75.8	74.9
Low:	40.0	40.3	41.4	46.0	46.7	42.4	43.3	42.0	56.7	60.7	58.8	65.8

18-Month Target Price Range

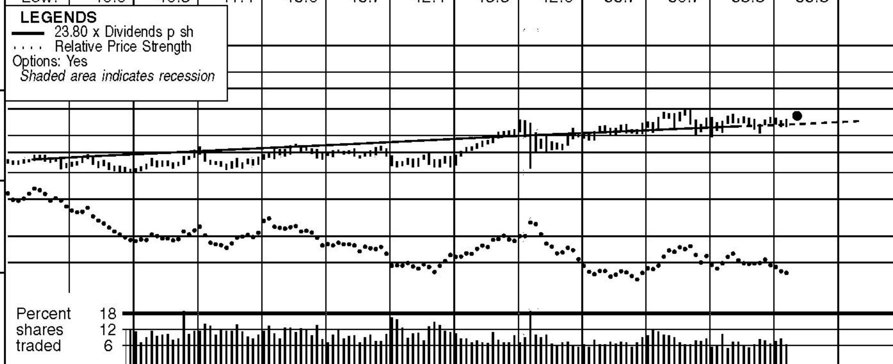
Low-High	Midpoint (% to Mid)
$64-$101	$83 (10%)

2027-29 PROJECTIONS

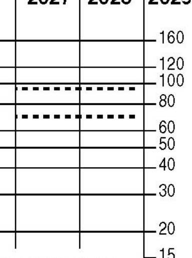
	Price	Gain	Ann'l Total Return
High	95	(+30%)	10%
Low	70	(-5%)	3%

Institutional Decisions

	2Q2023	3Q2023	4Q2023
to Buy	773	753	841
to Sell	703	757	776
Hld's(000)	688021	689919	708610



Target Price Range
2027 | 2028 | 2029



% TOT. RETURN 3/24

	THIS STOCK	VL ARITH.* INDEX
1 yr.	7.3	16.9
3 yr.	30.1	16.2
5 yr.	68.9	71.5

2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	27-29
22.04	19.21	20.70	20.41	19.06	19.26	20.34	19.18	20.09	22.86	22.73	20.34	19.29	21.80	26.89	23.15	**24.66**	**25.85**	Revenues per sh	**29.20**
4.43	4.43	4.51	4.91	5.18	5.27	5.28	5.47	5.69	6.64	6.41	6.33	6.98	7.20	7.34	7.79	**8.00**	**8.30**	"Cash Flow" per sh	**9.25**
2.25	2.32	2.36	2.55	2.67	2.70	2.77	2.84	2.83	3.21	3.00	3.17	3.25	3.42	3.61	3.64	**4.00**	**4.30**	Earnings per sh A	**5.10**
1.66	1.73	1.80	1.87	1.94	2.01	2.08	2.15	2.22	2.30	2.38	2.46	2.54	2.62	2.70	2.78	**2.86**	**2.96**	Div'd Decl'd per sh B ■	**3.10**
5.10	5.70	4.85	5.23	5.54	6.16	6.58	6.22	7.38	7.37	7.74	7.17	7.04	6.83	7.87	8.88	**8.85**	**8.75**	Cap'l Spending per sh	**8.50**
17.08	18.15	19.21	20.32	21.09	21.43	21.98	22.59	25.00	23.98	23.92	26.11	26.48	26.30	27.93	28.82	**29.90**	**31.75**	Book Value per sh C	**32.25**
777.19	819.65	843.34	865.13	867.77	887.09	907.78	911.72	990.39	1007.6	1033.8	1053.3	1056.5	1060.0	1089.0	1091.0	**1095.0**	**1095.0**	Common Shs Outst'g D	**1095.0**
16.1	13.5	14.9	15.8	17.0	16.2	16.0	15.8	17.8	15.5	15.1	17.6	17.9	18.4	19.6	19.1	*Bold figures are*		Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	**16.5**
.97	.90	.95	.99	1.08	.91	.84	.80	.93	.78	.82	.94	.92	1.00	1.14	1.06	*Value Line*		Relative P/E Ratio	**.90**
4.6%	5.5%	5.1%	4.6%	4.3%	4.6%	4.7%	4.8%	4.4%	4.6%	5.3%	4.4%	4.4%	4.2%	4.1%	4.1%	*estimates*		Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	**3.6%**

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 12/31/23
Total Debt $57210 mill. **Due in 5 Yrs** $15427 mill.
LT Debt $54745 mill. **LT Interest** $1754 mill.
Incl. $215 mill. finance leases.
(LT interest earned: 3.3x)
Leases, Uncapitalized Annual rentals $307 mill.
Pension Assets-12/23 $14218 mill. **Oblig** $16382 mill.
Pfd Stock $242 mill. **Pfd Div'd** $15 mill.
Incl. 10 mill. shs. 5.83% cum. pfd. ($25 stated value); 475,115 shs. 4.2%-5.44% cum. pfd. ($100 par).
Common Stock 1,091,015,113 shs.
MARKET CAP: $81.2 billion (Large Cap)

2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025		27-29
18467	17489	19896	23031	23495	21419	20375	23113	29279	25253	**27000**	**28300**	Revenues ($mill)	**32000**
2567.0	2647.0	2757.0	3269.0	3096.0	3354.0	3481.0	3670.0	3931.3	3976.0	**4280**	**4600**	Net Profit ($mill)	**5510**
33.8%	33.4%	28.5%	25.2%	21.3%	15.9%	14.3%	16.3%	18.9%	11.4%	**15.0%**	**15.0%**	Income Tax Rate	**15.0%**
13.9%	13.2%	11.9%	7.6%	6.8%	6.0%	6.6%	7.7%	8.0%	7.9%	**8.0%**	**8.0%**	AFUDC % to Net Profit	**6.0%**
49.5%	52.8%	61.5%	64.5%	62.0%	60.1%	61.5%	64.0%	63.0%	65.6%	**64.0%**	**64.0%**	Long-Term Debt Ratio	**63.0%**
47.3%	44.0%	35.7%	35.0%	37.6%	39.5%	38.1%	35.6%	36.5%	37.6%	**36.0%**	**36.0%**	Common Equity Ratio	**37.0%**
42142	46788	69359	68953	65750	69594	73336	78285	80558	83654	**85000**	**87500**	Total Capital ($mill)	**93500**
54868	61114	78446	79872	80797	83080	87634	91108	94570	99844	**100000**	**100500**	Net Plant ($mill)	**110000**
7.1%	6.6%	4.9%	5.9%	5.9%	6.0%	5.9%	5.8%	5.5%	4.6%	**5.5%**	**5.5%**	Return on Total Cap'l	**6.5%**
12.1%	12.0%	10.3%	13.3%	12.4%	12.1%	12.3%	13.0%	12.5%	12.6%	**13.0%**	**13.0%**	Return on Shr. Equity	**14.5%**
12.5%	12.6%	11.0%	13.4%	12.5%	12.1%	12.4%	13.1%	12.5%	12.6%	**13.0%**	**13.0%**	Return on Com Equity E	**14.5%**
3.2%	3.1%	2.5%	3.9%	2.6%	2.8%	2.8%	3.1%	3.0%	3.2%	**3.5%**	**3.5%**	Retained to Com Eq	**5.0%**
75%	76%	78%	72%	79%	77%	78%	76%	78%	77%	**77%**	**77%**	All Div'ds to Net Prof	**67%**

ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS

	2021	2022	2023
% Change Retail Sales (KWH)	-5.3	+2.0	NA
Avg. Indust. Use (MWH)	NA	NA	NA
Avg. Indust. Revs. per KWH (¢)	NA	NA	NA
Capacity at Yearend (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
Peak Load, Summer (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
Annual Load Factor (%)	NA	NA	NA
% Change Customers (yr-end)	+1.3	+1.5	NA
Fixed Charge Cov. (%)	270	275	NA

ANNUAL RATES of change (per sh)	Past 10 Yrs.	Past 5 Yrs.	Est'd '21-'23 to '27-'29
Revenues	- -	.5%	6.0%
"Cash Flow"	4.0%	4.5%	5.0%
Earnings	3.0%	3.0%	6.5%
Dividends	3.5%	3.5%	3.5%
Book Value	3.0%	2.5%	3.5%

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY REVENUES (mill.) Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	5910	5198	6238	5767	23113
2022	6648	7206	8378	7047	29279
2023	6480	5748	6980	6045	25253
2024	**6550**	**6100**	**7300**	**7050**	**27000**
2025	**6800**	**6500**	**7600**	**7400**	**28300**

Cal-endar	EARNINGS PER SHARE A Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	1.09	.67	1.22	.44	3.42
2022	.97	1.07	1.31	.26	3.61
2023	.79	.79	1.42	.64	3.64
2024	**.90**	**1.00**	**1.45**	**.65**	**4.00**
2025	**1.00**	**1.10**	**1.50**	**.70**	**4.30**

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID B ■ Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2020	.62	.64	.64	.64	2.54
2021	.64	.66	.66	.66	2.62
2022	.66	.68	.68	.68	2.70
2023	.68	.70	.70	.70	2.78
2024	.70	.72			

BUSINESS: The Southern Company, through its subsidiaries, supplies electricity to 4.4 mill. customers in GA, AL, and MS. Also has a competitive generation business. Acq'd AGL Resources (renamed Southern Company Gas, 4.4 mill. customers in GA, NJ, IL, VA, & TN) 7/16. Sold Gulf Power 1/19. Electric revenue breakdown: residential, 43%; commercial, 35%; industrial, 21%; other, 1%. Generating sources: gas, 51%; coal, 19%; nuclear, 10%; other, 11%; purchased, 9%. Fuel costs: 26% of revenues. '23 reported deprec. rates (utility): 2.7%-3.4%. Has 27,300 employees. President and CEO: Chris Womack. Incorporated.: Delaware. Address: 30 Ivan Allen Jr. Blvd., N.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30308. Telephone: 404-506-0747. Internet: www.southerncompany.com.

Southern Company's Georgia Power subsidiary has completed its nuclear construction project. In late April, unit 4 entered commercial operation, and plant Vogtle became the largest generator of clean energy in the U.S. Units 3 and 4 will combine to produce enough electricity to power approximately 1 million homes for at least 60-80 years. The construction project faced significant delays and reached completion seven years later than Southern's initial forecast, while costing more than $20 billion over original budget estimates. We look for the Vogtle station to greatly improve earnings prospects moving forward, as the project will provide clean, reliable, cost-effective energy amid greater demand for energy and growing power volumes. The transition to cleaner energy should also begin to accelerate with earnings and dividend growth as units 3 and 4 start to pick up steam this year.

We look for full-year 2024 earnings of $4.00 a share. This is the midpoint of management's initial profit target range of $3.95-$4.05 per share, which was released in February. Too, Southern reaffirmed its long-term EPS growth estimate of 5%-7%. We expect even greater growth of 10% this year due to an almost full year of operations from Vogtle units 3 and 4, as well as rate relief and an improved macroeconomic environment. As a result, we project earnings of $4.30 per share on revenues of $28.3 billion for full-year 2025.

The board of directors recently raised the dividend. The increase was $0.02 a share, making the quarterly distribution $0.72 per share. The dividend has now been raised in 23 consecutive years, and the yield of 3.8% sits above the utility average.

This issue is best-suited to conservative, income-oriented accounts. Indeed, the consistently raised dividend remains Southern's most notable feature. These shares also hold a strong financial strength rating (A), and an Above Average (2) Safety rank. Plus, risks from the nuclear construction project have concluded and prospects ahead for the Vogtle station are bright. On the other hand, the current quotation is already trading on the low-end of our 3- to 5-year Target Price range, as long-term prospects are weak.

Zachary J. Hodgkinson *May 10, 2024*

(A) Diluted EPS. Excl. nonrec. gain (losses): '09, (25¢); '13, (83¢); '14, (59¢); '15, (25¢); '16, (28¢); '17, ($2.37); '18, (78¢); '19, $1.30; '20, (17¢); '21, (54¢). Next earnings report due in mid-May. (B) Div'ds paid in early Mar., June, Sept., and Dec. ■ Div'd reinvestment plan avail. (C) Incl. def'd charges. In '23: $17.35/sh. (D) In mill. (E) Rate base: AL, MS, fair value; FL, GA, orig. cost. Allowed return on common eq. (blended): 12.5%; earned on avg. com. eq., '21: 12.8%. Regulatory Climate: GA, AL Above Average; MS, FL Average.

Company's Financial Strength	A
Stock's Price Stability	90
Price Growth Persistence	55
Earnings Predictability	95

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RECENT PRICE	P/E RATIO		RELATIVE P/E RATIO	DIV'D YLD	
71.34	15.5	(Trailing: 16.4) (Median: 20.0)	0.87	3.8%	VALUE LINE

TIMELINESS	4 Lowered 12/29/23
SAFETY	1 Raised 9/10/21
TECHNICAL	3 Raised 6/7/24
BETA	.90 (1.00 = Market)

18-Month Target Price Range

Low-High	Midpoint (% to Mid)
$62-$110	$86 (20%)

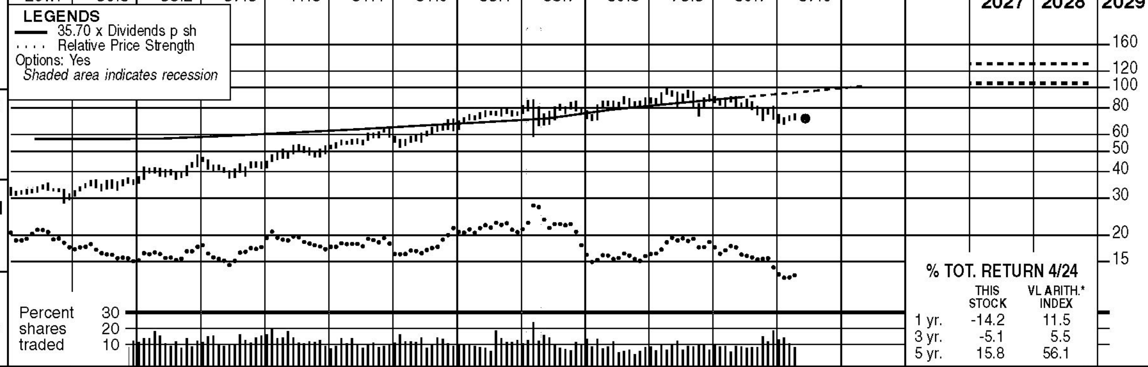
2027-29 PROJECTIONS

	Price	Gain	Ann'l Total Return
High	130	(+80%)	*19%*
Low	105	(+45%)	*13%*

Institutional Decisions

	2Q2023	3Q2023	4Q2023
to Buy	289	280	283
to Sell	287	314	321
Hld's(000)	204708	210352	215268

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
High:	37.3	48.1	46.8	54.1	64.9	70.9	80.9	87.7	90.8	99.2	91.2	76.1
Low:	30.6	35.2	37.3	41.5	51.4	51.9	63.1	58.7	69.8	73.3	69.7	67.0



% TOT. RETURN 4/24

	THIS STOCK	VL ARITH.* INDEX
1 yr.	-14.2	11.5
3 yr.	-5.1	5.5
5 yr.	15.8	56.1

2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	27-29
36.92	29.87	31.77	31.04	28.14	24.06	24.95	25.13	25.04	25.46	25.73	24.00	22.87	24.81	30.37	28.10	***29.00***	***30.35***	Revenues per sh	***34.05***
6.44	6.06	6.33	5.87	5.87	5.25	5.77	6.08	6.59	6.80	7.64	7.83	8.08	8.89	9.59	9.99	***10.55***	***11.15***	"Cash Flow" per sh	***12.30***
2.88	2.78	2.77	2.47	2.41	2.10	2.40	2.38	2.68	2.77	3.32	3.35	3.50	3.84	4.14	4.37	***4.60***	***4.90***	Earnings per sh A	***5.95***
2.54	1.54	1.54	1.56	1.60	1.60	1.61	1.66	1.72	1.78	1.85	1.92	2.00	2.20	2.36	2.52	***2.68***	***2.86***	Div'd Decl'd per sh B ■	***3.30***
9.75	7.51	4.66	4.50	5.49	5.87	7.66	8.12	8.78	9.05	9.56	9.92	13.02	13.67	12.79	12.87	***12.55***	***12.80***	Cap'l Spending per sh	***13.00***
32.80	33.08	32.15	32.64	27.27	26.97	27.67	28.63	29.27	29.61	31.21	32.73	35.29	37.64	40.11	40.26	***42.90***	***45.95***	Book Value per sh C	***52.65***
212.30	237.40	240.40	242.60	242.63	242.63	242.63	242.63	242.63	242.63	244.50	246.20	253.30	257.70	262.00	267.00	***269.00***	***272.00***	Common Shs Outst'g D	***285.00***
14.2	9.3	9.7	11.9	13.4	16.5	16.7	17.5	18.3	20.6	18.3	22.1	22.2	21.4	21.5	18.8	*Bold figures are*		Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	***20.0***
.85	.62	.62	.75	.85	.93	.88	.88	.96	1.04	.99	1.18	1.14	1.16	1.24	1.07	*Value Line*		Relative P/E Ratio	***1.10***
6.2%	6.0%	5.8%	5.3%	5.0%	4.6%	4.0%	4.0%	3.5%	3.1%	3.0%	2.6%	2.6%	2.7%	2.7%	3.3%	*estimates*		Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	***3.0%***

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 3/31/24
Total Debt $16316 mill. **Due in 5 Yrs** $2789 mill.
LT Debt $15167 mill. **LT Interest** $450 mill.
(LT interest earned: 3.8x)
Pension Assets-12/23 $5745 mill.
Oblig $5457 mill.
Pfd Stock $129 mill. **Pfd Div'd** $5 mill.
807,595 sh. $3.50 to $5.50 cum. (no par), $100 stated val., redeem. $102.176-$110/sh.; 487,508 sh. 4.00% to 5.16%, $100 par, redeem. $100-$104.30/sh.
Common Stock 266,670,374 shs.
as of 4/30/24
MARKET CAP: $19.0 billion (Large Cap)

2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025		27-29
6053.0	6098.0	6076.0	6177.0	6291.0	5910.0	5794.0	6394.0	7957.0	7500.0	***7800***	***8250***	Revenues ($mill)	***9700***
593.0	585.0	659.0	683.0	821.0	834.0	877.0	995.0	1074.0	1152.0	***1235***	***1330***	Net Profit ($mill)	***1700***
38.9%	38.3%	36.7%	38.2%	22.4%	17.9%	15.0%	13.6%	14.0%	12.0%	***12.0%***	***12.0%***	Income Tax Rate	***12.0%***
5.7%	5.1%	4.1%	5.6%	6.9%	5.8%	5.5%	6.0%	5.0%	6.0%	***5.0%***	***5.0%***	AFUDC % to Net Profit	***4.0%***
47.2%	49.3%	47.7%	49.2%	50.3%	52.1%	55.0%	56.1%	56.6%	55.7%	***53.5%***	***52.5%***	Long-Term Debt Ratio	***51.0%***
51.7%	49.7%	51.3%	49.8%	48.8%	47.1%	44.3%	43.3%	43.4%	43.8%	***46.0%***	***47.0%***	Common Equity Ratio	***48.5%***
12975	13968	13840	14420	15632	17116	20158	22391	24193	24847	***25750***	***26450***	Total Capital ($mill)	***29500***
17424	18799	20113	21466	22810	24376	26807	29261	31262	33776	***35000***	***36300***	Net Plant ($mill)	***38400***
5.8%	5.3%	6.0%	6.0%	6.4%	6.0%	5.3%	5.3%	5.4%	5.5%	***5.0%***	***5.0%***	Return on Total Cap'l	***6.0%***
8.7%	8.3%	9.1%	9.3%	10.6%	10.2%	9.7%	10.1%	10.2%	11.0%	***11.0%***	***11.0%***	Return on Shr. Equity	***10.0%***
8.7%	8.3%	9.2%	9.4%	10.7%	10.3%	9.7%	10.2%	10.2%	11.0%	***11.0%***	***11.0%***	Return on Com Equity E	***10.0%***
2.9%	2.5%	3.3%	3.4%	4.8%	4.4%	4.2%	4.4%	4.4%	5.0%	***5.0%***	***5.0%***	Retained to Com Eq	***4.0%***
67%	70%	64%	64%	56%	57%	57%	57%	57%	57%	***56%***	***56%***	All Div'ds to Net Prof	***60%***

ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS

	2020	2021	2022
% Change Retail Sales (KWH)	-3.5	-5.6	+2.1
Avg. Indust. Use (MWH)	NA	NA	NA
Avg. Indust. Revs. per KWH (¢)	NA	NA	NA
Capacity at Peak (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
Peak Load, Summer (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
Annual Load Factor (%)	NA	NA	NA
% Change Customers (yr-end)	NA	NA	NA
Fixed Charge Cov. (%)	307	291	325

ANNUAL RATES

of change (per sh)	Past 10 Yrs.	Past 5 Yrs.	Est'd '20-'22 to '27-'29
Revenues	-1.5%	.5%	*4.0%*
"Cash Flow"	4.0%	6.5%	*5.5%*
Earnings	4.0%	8.0%	*6.5%*
Dividends	3.5%	5.0%	*6.5%*
Book Value	2.0%	5.5%	*6.5%*

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY REVENUES ($ mill.) Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	1566	1472	1811	1545	6394
2022	1879	1726	2306	2046	7957
2023	2062	1760	2060	1618	7500
2024	1816	***1830***	***2150***	***2004***	***7800***
2025	***2000***	***1900***	***2250***	***2100***	***8250***

Cal-endar	EARNINGS PER SHARE A Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	.91	.80	1.65	.48	3.84
2022	.97	.80	1.74	.63	4.14
2023	1.00	.90	1.87	.60	4.37
2024	.98	***.95***	***2.00***	***.67***	***4.60***
2025	***1.20***	***.95***	***2.00***	***.75***	***4.90***

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID B ■ Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2020	.495	.495	.495	.515	2.00
2021	.55	.55	.55	.55	2.20
2022	.59	.59	.59	.59	2.36
2023	.63	.63	.63	.63	2.52
2024	.67	.67			

BUSINESS: Ameren Corporation is a holding company formed through the merger of Union Electric and CIPSCO. Has 1.2 million electric and 127,000 gas customers in Missouri; 1.2 million electric and 813,000 gas customers in Illinois. Discontinued nonregulated power-generation operation in '13. Electric revenue breakdown: residential, 49%; commercial, 34%; industrial, 8%; other, 9%. Generating sources: coal, 73%; nuclear, 11%; hydro & other, 9%; purchased, 7%. Fuel costs: 25% of revenues. Has approximately 9,250 employees. Chairman: Warner L. Baxter. President & CEO: Martin J. Lyons, Jr. Inc.: Missouri. Address: One Ameren Plaza, 1901 Chouteau Ave., P.O. Box 66149, St. Louis, MO 63166-6149. Tel.: 314-621-3222. Internet: www.ameren.com.

Ameren's profits should rise nicely in 2024. Higher earnings in its transmission segment from clean-energy investments, along with electric and gas rate increases, will probably be the main factors. The utility will likely also benefit from elevated power demand due to artificial intelligence innovations and data centers. Our earnings-per-share estimate remains at $4.60, which is within the company's updated outlook range of $4.52-$4.72. Management expects significant year-over-year operations and maintenance cost reductions in the second half of this year from several savings initiatives, which should prop up the bottom line.

We look for stronger bottom-line growth in 2025. Ameren will receive additional rate relief from its transmission and Illinois electric operations, which are currently under way. The utility recently updated its goal for annual earnings growth of 6%-8%, and our estimate of $4.90 a share represents an increase of 6% from our 2024 estimate. This target is supported by annual rate base growth of 8.2%.

Ameren is making progress in a number of regulatory matters in Illinois. In April, the utility filed an electric distribution annual rate request for $160 million of reconciliations for 2023 actual revenue costs. A decision is expected by the end of this year, and the full amount will likely be collected in 2025. And, in its multiyear grid plan, Ameren Illinois revised its request for an annual increase from 2023 rates of $321 million. The request is based on a return on equity of 8.72% and an equity ratio of 50%. A final order is expected by the end of 2024. Ameren Missouri is also active on the regulatory front, and recently filed a 60-day notice for its next rate review.

Risk-averse, income-oriented investors may want to take a closer look here. The dividend yield of this untimely but top-quality stock is about average by utility standards. And, long-term capital appreciation potential is attractive in comparison to most of its peers. Indeed, the midpoint of our 18-month Target Price Range indicates a 20% premium over the current quotation. And, we look for the stock to trade within $105-$130 by 2027-2029.

Zachary J. Hodgkinson *June 7, 2024*

(A) Diluted EPS. Excl. nonrec. gain (losses): '10, ($2.19); '11, (32¢); '12, ($6.42); '17, (63¢); gain (loss) from discontinued ops.: '13, (92¢); '15, 21¢. Next earnings report due early Aug. (B) Div'ds paid late Mar., June, Sept., & Dec. ■ Div'd reinvest. plan avail. (C) Incl. intang. In '21: $6.60/sh. (D) In mill. (E) Rate base: Orig. cost depr. Rate allowed on com. eq. in MO in '22: elec. & gas, none specified; in IL: electric, varies; in '21: gas, 9.67%; earned on avg. com. eq., '21: 10.6%.

Company's Financial Strength	A+
Stock's Price Stability	95
Price Growth Persistence	75
Earnings Predictability	100

UNITIL CORP. AMEX--UTL

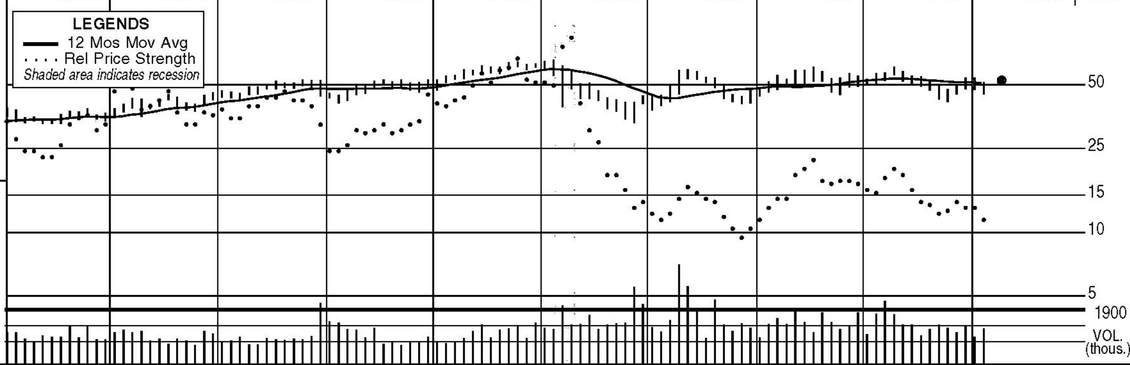
RECENT PRICE	TRAILING P/E RATIO	RELATIVE P/E RATIO	DIV'D YLD	
52.49	18.6	1.11	3.2%	VALUE LINE

RANKS

PERFORMANCE	3	Average
Technical	4	Below Average
SAFETY	3	Average
BETA .85		(1.00 = Market)

Financial Strength	B
Price Stability	75
Price Growth Persistence	50
Earnings Predictability	85

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	
High	39.00	46.00	52.84	53.07	64.53	65.76	59.32	61.10	60.59	54.08	High
Low	32.63	34.70	43.03	40.92	47.05	32.80	38.00	44.02	41.43	45.26	Low



© VALUE LINE PUBLISHING LLC	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024/2025
SALES PER SH	30.51	27.26	27.42	29.85	29.35	27.88	29.62	35.11	34.57	
"CASH FLOW" PER SH	5.15	5.24	5.12	5.61	6.43	5.78	5.98	6.48	6.99	
EARNINGS PER SH	1.89	1.94	2.06	2.23	2.97	2.15	2.35	2.59	2.82	***2.92*** [A,B]***/3.08*** [C]
DIV'DS DECL'D PER SH	1.40	1.42	1.44	1.46	1.48	1.50	1.52	1.56	1.62	
CAP'L SPENDING PER SH	7.43	6.97	8.05	6.88	7.98	8.17	7.20	7.61	8.75	
BOOK VALUE PER SH	20.20	20.82	22.72	23.60	25.22	25.91	28.06	29.13	30.35	
COMMON SHS OUTST'G (MILL)	13.99	14.07	14.82	14.88	14.93	15.01	15.98	16.04	16.12	
AVG ANN'L P/E RATIO	18.5	21.0	23.3	21.6	19.4	22.1	20.3	20.0	18.3	***18.0/17.0***
RELATIVE P/E RATIO	.95	1.15	1.17	1.22	1.13	1.29	1.24	1.33	1.15	
AVG ANN'L DIV'D YIELD	4.0%	3.5%	3.0%	3.0%	2.6%	3.2%	3.2%	3.0%	3.1%	
SALES ($MILL)	426.8	383.4	406.2	444.1	438.2	418.6	473.3	563.2	557.1	***Bold figures are consensus earnings estimates and, using the recent prices, P/E ratios.***
OPERATING MARGIN	29.6%	34.3%	33.9%	32.4%	33.7%	35.8%	34.2%	30.0%	32.8%	
DEPRECIATION ($MILL)	45.7	46.6	46.9	50.4	52.0	54.5	59.5	62.6	67.4	
NET PROFIT ($MILL)	26.3	27.1	29.0	33.0	44.2	32.2	36.1	41.4	45.2	
INCOME TAX RATE	36.9%	36.2%	37.6%	20.3%	23.8%	24.1%	24.2%	21.3%	22.6%	
NET PROFIT MARGIN	6.2%	7.1%	7.1%	7.4%	10.1%	7.7%	7.6%	7.4%	8.1%	
WORKING CAP'L ($MILL)	d18.7	d45.3	.3	d40.3	d28.9	3.2	d13.8	d65.3	d100.2	
LONG-TERM DEBT ($MILL)	319.1	325.1	382.0	390.1	437.5	523.1	497.8	489.1	509.1	
SHR. EQUITY ($MILL)	282.8	293.1	336.8	351.3	376.8	389.2	448.5	467.6	489.3	
RETURN ON TOTAL CAP'L	6.2%	6.1%	5.6%	6.0%	6.8%	4.8%	5.2%	5.6%	6.0%	
RETURN ON SHR. EQUITY	9.3%	9.2%	8.6%	9.4%	11.7%	8.3%	8.0%	8.9%	9.2%	
RETAINED TO COM EQ	2.4%	2.4%	2.6%	3.2%	5.8%	2.5%	2.8%	3.5%	3.9%	
ALL DIV'DS TO NET PROF	75%	74%	70%	66%	50%	70%	65%	61%	58%	

[A] No. of analysts changing earn. est. in last 4 days: 1 up, 0 down, consensus 5-year earnings growth 7.1% per year. [B] Based upon one analyst's estimate. [C] Based upon one analyst's estimate.

ANNUAL RATES

of change (per share)	5 Yrs.	1 Yr.
Sales	3.5%	-1.5%
"Cash Flow"	4.0%	8.0%
Earnings	4.5%	9.0%
Dividends	1.5%	4.0%
Book Value	5.5%	4.0%

Fiscal Year	QUARTERLY SALES ($mill.) 1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	Full Year
12/31/21	138.8	96.6	98.1	139.8	473.3
12/31/22	192.6	98.9	110.2	161.5	563.2
12/31/23	220.2	103.4	103.9	129.6	557.1
12/31/24					

Fiscal Year	EARNINGS PER SHARE 1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	Full Year
12/31/20	1.02	.21	.02	.90	2.15
12/31/21	1.26	.18	--	.91	2.35
12/31/22	1.35	.30	.03	.91	2.59
12/31/23	1.51	.25	.09	.97	2.82
12/31/24	***1.58***	***.27***	***.05***		

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID 1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	Full Year
2021	.38	.38	.38	.38	1.52
2022	.39	.39	.39	.39	1.56
2023	.405	.405	.405	.405	1.62
2024	.425				

INSTITUTIONAL DECISIONS

	2Q'23	3Q'23	4Q'23
to Buy	82	64	92
to Sell	79	95	70
Hld's(000)	12355	12321	12412

ASSETS ($mill.)	2021	2022	12/31/23
Cash Assets	6.5	9.0	6.5
Receivables	66.9	73.8	75.0
Inventory	9.6	13.2	14.5
Other	76.7	98.8	81.1
Current Assets	159.7	194.8	177.1
Property, Plant & Equip, at cost	1688.9	1791.3	1907.8
Accum Depreciation	431.7	459.6	486.9
Net Property	1257.2	1331.7	1420.9
Other	123.4	63.9	72.4
Total Assets	1540.3	1590.4	1670.4
LIABILITIES ($mill.)			
Accts Payable	52.4	68.6	47.7
Debt Due	72.3	122.7	166.9
Other	48.8	68.8	62.7
Current Liab	173.5	260.1	277.3

LONG-TERM DEBT AND EQUITY as of 12/31/23

Total Debt $676.0 mill. **Due in 5 Yrs.** $276.1 mill.
LT Debt $509.1 mill.
Including Cap. Leases None
(51% of Cap'l)

Leases, Uncapitalized Annual rentals $2.1 mill.

Pension Liability $45.6 mill. in '23 vs. $46.8 mill. in '22

Pfd Stock $.2 mill. **Pfd Div'd Paid** Nil

Common Stock 16,117,000 shares
(49% of Cap'l)

INDUSTRY: Electric Utility (East)

BUSINESS: Unitil Corp. engages in the distribution of electricity and natural gas in the US. The company distributes electricity in the southeastern seacoast and state capital regions of New Hampshire, and the greater Fitchburg area of north central Massachusetts; and distributes natural gas in southeastern New Hampshire, portions of southern Maine to the Lewiston-Auburn area, and in the greater Fitchburg area of north central Massachusetts. It also operates 86 underground natural gas transmission pipeline that provides interstate natural gas pipeline access and transportation services in Maine and New Hampshire. In addition, Unitil provides energy brokering and advisory services to commercial and industrial customers; and real estate management services. Currently, it serves 108,100 electric customers and 87,500 natural gas customers. Unitil's electric distribution operations are conducted through two of the company's utilities, Unitil Energy and Fitchburg. Has 516 employees. Chairman & C.E.O.: Thomas P. Meissner Address: 6 Liberty Lane West, Hampton, NH 03842. Tel.: (603) 772-0775. Internet: www.unitil.com.

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March 15, 2024

TOTAL SHAREHOLDER RETURN

Dividends plus appreciation as of 2/29/2024

3 Mos.	6 Mos.	1 Yr.	3 Yrs.	5 Yrs.
6.05%	6.22%	-3.08%	33.73%	8.38%

ALLIANT ENERGY NDQ-LNT

RECENT PRICE	49.95	P/E RATIO	16.4 (Trailing: 18.2, Median: 21.0)	RELATIVE P/E RATIO	0.92	DIV'D YLD	3.8%	VALUE LINE

TIMELINESS 3 Raised 5/3/24
SAFETY 2 Raised 9/28/07
TECHNICAL 4 Raised 5/31/24
BETA .90 (1.00 = Market)

18-Month Target Price Range

Low-High	Midpoint (% to Mid)
$43-$66	$55 (10%)

2027-29 PROJECTIONS

	Price	Gain	Ann'l Total Return
High	80	(+60%)	15%
Low	60	(+20%)	9%

Institutional Decisions

	2Q2023	3Q2023	4Q2023
to Buy	270	277	312
to Sell	267	282	279
Hld's(000)	196380	204187	209105

High:	27.1	34.9	35.4	41.0	45.6	46.6	55.4	60.3	62.3	65.4	56.3	52.4
Low:	21.9	25.0	27.1	30.4	36.6	36.8	40.8	37.7	46.0	47.2	45.2	46.8

% TOT. RETURN 4/24

	THIS STOCK	VL ARITH.* INDEX
1 yr.	-6.3	11.5
3 yr.	-2.3	5.5
5 yr.	22.2	56.1

2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	27-29
16.67	15.51	15.40	16.51	13.94	14.77	15.10	14.34	14.58	14.62	14.97	14.89	13.67	14.65	16.74	15.72	*16.75*	*17.30*	Revenues per sh	*18.35*
2.28	2.10	2.60	2.75	2.95	3.34	3.49	3.45	3.43	3.97	4.32	4.59	4.92	5.25	5.40	5.38	*5.65*	*5.85*	"Cash Flow" per sh	*6.50*
1.27	.95	1.38	1.38	1.53	1.65	1.74	1.69	1.65	1.99	2.19	2.33	2.47	2.63	2.73	2.78	*3.05*	*3.25*	Earnings per sh A	*3.90*
.70	.75	.79	.85	.90	.94	1.02	1.10	1.18	1.26	1.34	1.42	1.52	1.61	1.71	1.81	*1.92*	*2.04*	Div'd Decl'd per sh B ■ †	*2.43*
3.98	5.43	3.91	3.03	5.22	3.32	3.78	4.25	5.26	6.34	6.92	6.69	5.47	4.67	5.91	7.24	*5.80*	*5.60*	Cap'l Spending per sh	*5.40*
12.78	12.54	13.05	13.57	14.12	14.79	15.54	16.41	16.96	18.08	19.43	21.24	22.76	23.91	24.99	26.46	*27.65*	*28.85*	Book Value per sh C	*31.90*
220.90	221.31	221.79	222.04	221.97	221.89	221.87	226.92	227.67	231.35	236.06	245.02	249.87	250.47	251.14	256.10	*256.70*	*256.70*	Common Shs Outst'g D	*257.00*
13.4	13.9	12.5	14.5	14.5	15.3	16.6	18.1	22.3	20.6	19.1	21.2	21.2	21.2	21.4	18.8	*Bold figures are*		Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	*18.0*
.81	.93	.80	.91	.92	.86	.87	.91	1.17	1.04	1.03	1.13	1.09	1.15	1.24	1.05	*Value Line*		Relative P/E Ratio	*1.00*
4.1%	5.7%	4.6%	4.3%	4.1%	3.7%	3.5%	3.6%	3.2%	3.1%	3.2%	2.9%	2.9%	2.9%	2.9%	3.5%	*estimates*		Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	*3.7%*

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 3/31/24
Total Debt $9667 mill. **Due in 5 Yrs** $2984 mill.
LT Debt $8524 mill. **LT Interest** $370 mill.
(LT interest earned: 2.8x)

Leases, Uncapitalized Annual rentals $3 mill.

Pension Assets-12/23 $732 mill. **Oblig** $876 mill.

Pfd Stock None

Common Stock 256,379,032 shs.

MARKET CAP: $12.8 billion (Large Cap)

2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025		27-29
3350.3	3253.6	3320.0	3382.2	3534.5	3647.7	3416.0	3669.0	4205.0	4027.0	*4300*	*4440*	Revenues ($mill)	*4720*
395.7	390.9	384.0	466.1	522.3	567.4	624.0	674.0	686.0	703.0	*780*	*835*	Net Profit ($mill)	*975*
10.1%	15.3%	13.4%	12.5%	8.4%	10.8%	--	--	3.1%	.6%	*2.0%*	*2.0%*	Income Tax Rate	*2.0%*
8.8%	9.4%	16.3%	10.7%	14.5%	16.3%	8.8%	3.7%	8.7%	14.2%	*6.0%*	*6.0%*	AFUDC % to Net Profit	*4.0%*
49.7%	47.3%	51.5%	47.8%	52.3%	50.6%	53.5%	52.9%	55.0%	54.8%	*56.5%*	*55.0%*	Long-Term Debt Ratio	*52.0%*
47.5%	50.0%	46.1%	49.8%	45.7%	47.6%	44.9%	47.1%	45.0%	45.2%	*43.5%*	*45.0%*	Common Equity Ratio	*48.0%*
7257.2	7446.3	8377.6	8392.8	10032	10938	12657	12725	13944	15002	*16220*	*16530*	Total Capital ($mill)	*17070*
6442.0	8970.2	9809.9	10798	12462	13527	14336	14987	16247	17157	*18300*	*18600*	Net Plant ($mill)	*19180*
6.5%	6.3%	5.6%	6.7%	6.3%	6.3%	5.9%	6.3%	6.1%	6.0%	*6.0%*	*6.5%*	Return on Total Cap'l	*7.0%*
10.8%	10.0%	9.5%	10.6%	10.9%	10.5%	10.6%	11.3%	10.9%	10.4%	*11.0%*	*11.5%*	Return on Shr. Equity	*12.0%*
11.2%	10.2%	9.7%	10.9%	11.2%	10.7%	10.8%	11.0%	10.9%	10.4%	*11.0%*	*11.5%*	Return on Com Equity E	*12.0%*
4.6%	3.6%	2.8%	4.0%	4.4%	4.2%	4.2%	4.3%	4.1%	3.6%	*4.0%*	*4.0%*	Retained to Com Eq	*4.5%*
60%	66%	72%	64%	62%	61%	62%	62%	62%	65%	*63%*	*63%*	All Div'ds to Net Prof	*62%*

ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS

	2021	2022	2023
% Change Retail Sales (KWH)	+3.7	-.7	
Avg. Indust. Use (MWH)	11696	11494	11435
Avg. Indust. Revs. per KWH (¢)	7.64	8.39	8.47
Capacity at Peak (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
Peak Load, Summer (Mw)	5486	5629	5856
Annual Load Factor (%)	NA	NA	NA
% Change Customers (yr-end)	+.8	+.7	+.7
Fixed Charge Cov. (%)	259	NA	NA

ANNUAL RATES of change (per sh)	Past 10 Yrs.	Past 5 Yrs.	Est'd '21-'23 to '27-'29
Revenues	.5%	1.5%	*2.5%*
"Cash Flow"	6.0%	6.5%	*2.0%*
Earnings	6.0%	7.0%	*6.0%*
Dividends	6.5%	6.5%	*6.0%*
Book Value	6.0%	6.5%	*4.0%*

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY REVENUES ($ mill.) Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	901	817	1024	927	3669
2022	1068	943	1135	1059	4205
2023	1077	912	1077	961	4027
2024	1031	*975*	*1150*	*1144*	*4300*
2025	*1065*	*1005*	*1185*	*1185*	*4440*

Cal-endar	EARNINGS PER SHARE A Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	.68	.57	1.02	.35	2.63
2022	.77	.63	.90	.43	2.73
2023	.65	.64	1.02	.47	2.78
2024	.62	*.66*	*1.10*	*.67*	*3.05*
2025	*.74*	*.69*	*1.14*	*.68*	*3.25*

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID B ■ † Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2020	.38	.38	.38	.38	1.52
2021	.4025	.4025	.4025	.4025	1.61
2022	.4275	.4275	.4275	.4275	1.71
2023	.4525	.4525	.4525	.4525	1.81
2024	.48				

BUSINESS: Alliant Energy Corporation is the parent company of Interstate Power and Light Company (IPL) and Wisconsin Power and Light Company (WPL). Together, the utility subsidiaries serve approximately one million electric and 425,000 natural gas customers in Wisconsin and Iowa. Electric revenue: residential, 36%; commercial, 25%; industrial, 29%; wholesale, 8%; other, 2%. Generating sources: coal, 32%; gas, 32%; wind, 16%; other, 1%; purchased, 19%. Fuel costs: 25% of revenues. '23 reported depreciation rates: 2.9%-6.1%. Has 3,300 employees. Chairman, President & CEO: John O. Larsen. Incorporated: Wisconsin. Address: 4902 N. Biltmore Lane, Madison, WI 53718-2148. Telephone: 608-458-3311. Internet: www.alliantenergy.com.

Alliant Energy kicked off 2024 on a fairly weak note. Indeed, earnings at the Wisconsin-based electric and gas utility fell nearly 5% in the March quarter, as unseasonably mild weather resulted in lower heating demand across the company's Midwest service area. Notably, the key markets of Cedar Rapids, Iowa and Madison, Wisconsin each had the warmest start to a year since 2012 and were 6%–9% less frigid, year over year, based on the total number of heating degree days through the first three months of 2024. On a consolidated basis, the incremental earnings hit due to the unseasonable weather was roughly $0.04 a share. Other, nonweather-related costs were a $0.02 drag.

Recent rate hikes are providing some support. Late last year, Alliant's Wisconsin Power & Light (WPL) subsidiary received regulatory authorization to raise electric and gas rates by $49 million and $13 million respectively, coinciding with capital investments in, among other things, solar power and battery storage. As we understand it, the recent quarterly benefit was roughly $0.03, net of associated increases in borrowing costs and depreciation expense.

Alliant remains a compelling long-term investment play on renewable energy. WPL was recently expected to complete the last of several projects that will increase the utility's overall solar-power capacity in the Badger State to 1.1 gigawatts. Meantime, Interstate Power & Light continues to target 400 megawatts of solar power generation by the end of this year. Importantly, these solar projects have zero fuel costs, thus reducing Alliant's susceptibility to swings in natural-gas prices and the like. Its investments in "green" power also yield significant tax credits that can be sold to regional manufacturers and other third parties looking to maintain compliance with restrictions on carbon emissions. In 2025 alone, Alliant could realize as much as $400 million from the sale of tax credits.

Alliant shares remain neutrally ranked for relative year-ahead price performance. Still, the utility company boasts both a fairly attractive dividend (current yield: 3.8%) and solid long-term total return potential.

Nils C. Van Liew *June 7, 2024*

(A) Diluted EPS. Excl. nonrecurring losses: '11, 1¢; '12, 8¢. '20 & '21 EPS don't sum due to rounding. Next earnings report due early Aug. (B) Dividends historically paid in mid-Feb., May, Aug., and Nov. ■ Dividend reinvestment plan avail. † Shareholder investment plan avail. (C) Incl. deferred charges. In '21: $1,980 mill., $7.91/sh. (D) In millions, adj. for split. (E) Rate base: Orig. cost. Rates all'd on com. eq. in IA in '20: various; in WI in '22: 10%; earned on avg. com. eq., '21: 11.3%. Regulatory Climate: Wisconsin, Above Average; Iowa, Average.

Company's Financial Strength	A
Stock's Price Stability	95
Price Growth Persistence	60
Earnings Predictability	100

AVISTA CORP. NYSE-AVA

RECENT PRICE	35.44	P/E RATIO	14.6 (Trailing: 15.9) (Median: 19.0)	RELATIVE P/E RATIO	0.79	DIV'D YLD	5.4%	VALUE LINE

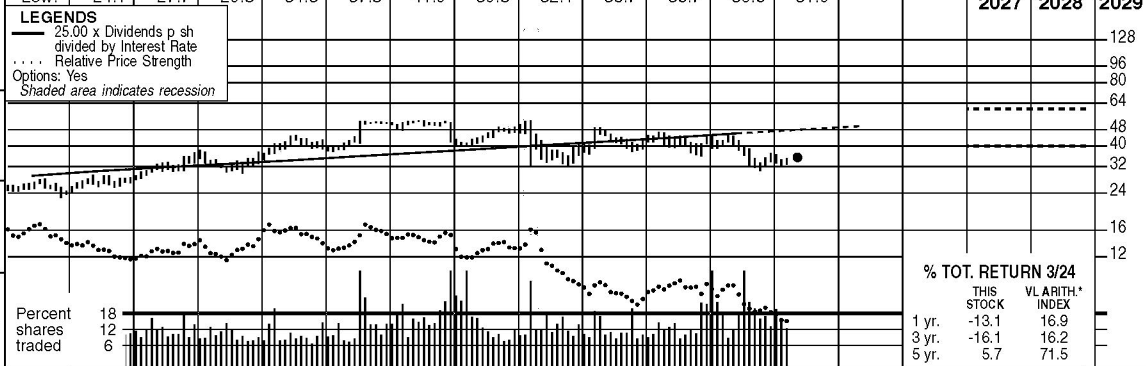
TIMELINESS 3 Lowered 2/9/24
SAFETY 3 Lowered 1/19/24
TECHNICAL 5 Lowered 4/19/24
BETA .95 (1.00 = Market)

High:	29.3	37.4	38.3	45.2	52.8	52.9	49.5	53.0	49.1	46.9	45.3	36.6	
Low:	24.1	27.7	29.8	34.3	37.8	41.9	39.8	32.1	36.7	35.7	30.5	31.9	

LEGENDS
—— 25.00 x Dividends p sh divided by Interest Rate
.... Relative Price Strength
Options: Yes
Shaded area indicates recession

18-Month Target Price Range
Low-High Midpoint (% to Mid)
$28-$55 $42 (15%)

Target Price Range 2027 | 2028 | 2029



2027-29 PROJECTIONS

	Price	Gain	Ann'l Total Return
High	60	(+70%)	18%
Low	40	(+15%)	9%

Institutional Decisions

	2Q2023	3Q2023	4Q2023
to Buy	109	141	146
to Sell	133	115	121
Hld's(000)	67636	65779	66647

Percent shares traded 18 12 6

% TOT. RETURN 3/24

	THIS STOCK	VL ARITH.* INDEX
1 yr.	-13.1	16.9
3 yr.	-16.1	16.2
5 yr.	5.7	71.5

2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	27-29
30.77	27.58	27.29	27.73	25.86	26.94	23.66	23.83	22.47	22.08	21.27	20.03	19.09	20.13	22.82	22.43	**21.50**	**22.00**	Revenues per sh	**23.50**
3.98	4.45	3.62	3.78	3.70	4.36	4.36	4.92	5.30	4.87	5.01	6.06	5.16	5.34	5.47	5.63	**5.85**	**6.15**	"Cash Flow" per sh	**6.50**
1.36	1.58	1.65	1.72	1.32	1.85	1.84	1.89	2.15	1.95	2.07	2.97	1.90	2.10	2.12	2.24	**2.40**	**2.60**	Earnings per sh A	**2.90**
.69	.81	1.00	1.10	1.16	1.22	1.27	1.32	1.37	1.43	1.49	1.55	1.62	1.69	1.76	1.84	**1.92**	**2.00**	Div'd Decl'd per sh B ■	**2.25**
4.09	3.86	3.64	4.20	4.61	5.05	5.47	6.46	6.34	6.30	6.46	6.59	5.84	6.15	6.03	6.39	**6.95**	**7.15**	Cap'l Spending per sh	**7.50**
18.30	19.17	19.71	20.30	21.06	21.61	23.84	24.53	25.69	26.41	26.99	28.87	29.31	30.14	31.15	31.83	**32.85**	**33.50**	Book Value per sh C	**35.00**
54.49	54.84	57.12	58.42	59.81	60.08	62.24	62.31	64.19	65.49	65.69	67.18	69.24	71.50	74.95	78.08	**79.00**	**81.00**	Common Shs Outst'g D	**85.00**
15.0	11.4	12.7	14.1	19.3	14.6	17.3	17.6	18.8	23.4	24.5	15.0	21.2	20.2	20.0	17.1	Bold figures are		Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	**17.0**
.90	.76	.81	.88	1.23	.82	.91	.89	.99	1.18	1.32	.80	1.09	1.09	1.16	.95	Value Line		Relative P/E Ratio	**.95**
3.4%	4.5%	4.8%	4.5%	4.6%	4.5%	4.0%	4.0%	3.4%	3.1%	2.9%	3.5%	4.0%	4.0%	4.2%	4.8%	estimates		Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	**4.5%**

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 12/31/23
Total Debt $2621.0 mill. **Due in 5 Yrs** $40.0 mill.
LT Debt $2606.4 mill. **LT Interest** $150.0 mill.
Incl. $51.5 mill. debt to affiliated trusts; $39.9 mill. finance leases.
(LT interest earned: 2.1x)
Leases, Uncapitalized Annual rentals $10.4 mill.
Pension Assets-12/23 $589.3 mill. **Oblig** $585.3 mill.
Pfd Stock None

Common Stock 78,161,596 shs. as of 1/31/24
MARKET CAP: $2.8 billion (Mid Cap)

2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025		27-29
1472.6	1484.8	1442.5	1445.9	1396.9	1345.6	1321.9	1438.9	1710.2	1751.6	**1700**	**1780**	Revenues ($mill)	**1995**
114.2	118.1	137.2	126.1	136.4	197.0	129.5	147.3	155.2	171.2	**190**	**210**	Net Profit ($mill)	**245**
37.6%	36.3%	36.3%	36.5%	16.0%	13.8%	5.2%	7.5%	7.5%	NMF	**15.0%**	**15.0%**	Income Tax Rate	**15.0%**
11.1%	10.1%	8.1%	7.9%	7.7%	5.5%	8.5%	7.5%	2.4%	2.1%	**5.0%**	**5.0%**	AFUDC % to Net Profit	**5.0%**
51.0%	50.0%	51.2%	47.2%	50.5%	49.4%	50.4%	47.5%	50.4%	51.2%	**51.0%**	**51.0%**	Long-Term Debt Ratio	**50.5%**
49.0%	50.0%	48.8%	52.8%	49.5%	50.6%	49.6%	52.5%	49.6%	48.8%	**49.0%**	**49.0%**	Common Equity Ratio	**49.5%**
3027.3	3060.3	3379.0	3273.2	3580.3	3834.6	4089.8	4104.7	4709.7	5091.3	**5300**	**5500**	Total Capital ($mill)	**6000**
3620.0	3898.6	4147.5	4398.8	4648.9	4797.0	4991.6	5225.5	5444.7	5700.1	**5950**	**6250**	Net Plant ($mill)	**7000**
4.9%	5.1%	5.3%	5.0%	4.8%	6.2%	4.2%	4.7%	4.6%	4.8%	**4.5%**	**5.0%**	Return on Total Cap'l	**5.0%**
7.7%	7.7%	8.3%	7.3%	7.7%	10.2%	6.4%	6.8%	6.6%	6.9%	**7.5%**	**7.5%**	Return on Shr. Equity	**8.5%**
7.7%	7.7%	8.3%	7.3%	7.7%	10.2%	6.4%	6.8%	6.6%	6.9%	**7.5%**	**7.5%**	Return on Com Equity E	**8.5%**
2.4%	2.3%	3.0%	1.9%	2.2%	4.9%	.9%	1.4%	1.1%	1.2%	**1.5%**	**2.0%**	Retained to Com Eq	**2.0%**
69%	70%	64%	73%	72%	52%	85%	80%	83%	82%	**80%**	**77%**	All Div'ds to Net Prof	**77%**

ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS

	2021	2022	2023
% Change Retail Sales (KWH)	+4.3	+3.1	-4.4
Avg. Indust. Use (MWH)	NA	NA	NA
Avg. Indust. Revs. per KWH (¢)	9.98	9.99	10.58
Capacity at Peak (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
Peak Load, Summer (Mw)	1889	1860	1809
Annual Load Factor (%)	NA	NA	NA
% Change Customers (yr-end)	+1.4	-1.0	+1.4
Fixed Charge Cov. (%)	216	175	200

ANNUAL RATES of change (per sh)	Past 10 Yrs.	Past 5 Yrs.	Est'd '21-'23 to '27-'29
Revenues	-2.0%	--	2.0%
"Cash Flow"	3.5%	1.5%	3.5%
Earnings	3.0%	1.0%	6.0%
Dividends	4.5%	4.5%	4.5%
Book Value	4.0%	3.5%	3.5%

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY REVENUES ($ mill.) Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	412.9	298.2	296.0	431.8	1438.9
2022	462.7	378.6	359.4	509.5	1710.2
2023	474.6	379.9	379.6	517.5	1751.6
2024	*470*	*370*	*400*	*460*	*1700*
2025	*490*	*380*	*410*	*500*	*1780*

Cal-endar	EARNINGS PER SHARE A Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	.98	.20	.20	.71	2.10
2022	.99	.16	d.08	1.05	2.12
2023	.73	.23	.19	1.08	2.24
2024	*.95*	*.20*	*.20*	*1.05*	*2.40*
2025	*1.00*	*.25*	*.25*	*1.10*	*2.60*

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID B ■ Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2020	.405	.405	.405	.405	1.62
2021	.4225	.4225	.4225	.4225	1.69
2022	.44	.44	.44	.44	1.76
2023	.46	.46	.46	.46	1.84
2024	.475				

BUSINESS: Avista Corporation (formerly The Washington Water Power Company) supplies electricity & gas in eastern Washington & northern Idaho. Supplies electricity to part of Alaska & gas to part of Oregon. Customers: 416,000 electric, 381,000 gas. Acq'd Alaska Electric Light and Power 7/14. Sold Ecova energy-management sub. 6/14. Electric rev. breakdown: residential, 36%; commercial, 29%; industrial, 9%; wholesale, 21%; other, 5%. Generating sources: gas & coal, 41%; hydro, 25%; purch., 42%. Fuel costs: 35% of revs. '23 reported depr. rate (Avista Utilities): 3.5%. Has 1,858 employees. Chairman: Scott L. Morris. Pres. & CEO: Dennis Vermillion. Inc.: WA. Address: 1411 E. Mission Ave., Spokane, WA 99202-2600. Tel.: 509-489-0500. Internet: www.avistacorp.com.

Avista Utilities, a subsidiary of Avista Corporation, has pending electric and natural gas rate cases. In January, the utility filed multiyear electric and natural gas rate cases with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (WUTC). These proposed adjustments aim to increase annual base electric revenues by $77.1 million (13.0%) in December 2024 and $53.7 million (11.7%) in December 2025. For natural gas, the proposed hikes are $17.3 million (13.6%) in December 2024 and $4.6 million (3.2%) in December 2025. These rate increases are based on a 10.4% return on equity with a common equity ratio of 48.5% and a rate of return on a rate base of 7.61%. Upon approval, the new rates are anticipated to take effect in December 2024 and 2025, remaining intact until 2026. The company is also seeking changes to the Energy Recovery Mechanism (ERM), intending to shift to a 95% customer and 5% company sharing of power supply costs above or below the authorized level. The decision period by WUTC for the filing is usually 11 months.

Share profits this year and next will likely advance at a mid- to high-single-digit pace. Although Avista anticipates some weakness in the bottom line due to the adverse effects of the ERM, the overall net outlook for the year and beyond appears promising. This optimism mostly stems from the continued support of results by the improved cost recovery thanks to the 2023 general rate cases. Nevertheless, power supply costs and interest rates are still on the higher side. All told, we remain cautiously optimistic.

Ongoing capital investments should pave the way for future rate cases. Avista plans to prioritize investments aimed at enhancing and expanding its infrastructure. It also remains committed to advancing clean energy goals. To mention briefly, during rate case negotiations, utilities usually present their ongoing or completed capital projects as evidence for the need for increased revenue to cover costs. All told, these efforts should justify upcoming rate increases.

Shares of Avista have good capital appreciation potential over the next 18 months. What's more, the dividend yield (5.4%) is higher than the sector's average.

Emma Jalees *April 19, 2024*

(A) Diluted EPS. Excl. nonrec. gain (loss): '14, 9¢; '17, (16¢); gains on discont. ops.: '14, $1.17; '15, 8¢. EPS may not sum due to rounding. Next earnings report due May 1st.
(B) Div'ds paid in mid-Mar., June, Sept. & Dec. ■ Div'd reinvest. plan avail. (C) Incl. deferred chgs. In '23: $973.8 mill., $12.47/sh. (D) In mill. (E) Rate base: Net orig. cost. Rate allowed on com. eq. in WA in '21: 9.4%; in ID in '21: 9.4%; in OR in '21: 9.4%; earned on avg. com. eq., '22: 7.1%. Regulatory Climate: WA, Below Avg.; ID, Above Avg.

Company's Financial Strength	B+
Stock's Price Stability	70
Price Growth Persistence	30
Earnings Predictability	70

WEC ENERGY GROUP NYSE-WEC

RECENT PRICE	P/E RATIO	RELATIVE P/E RATIO	DIV'D YLD	
80.70	16.5 (Trailing: 16.2 / Median: 21.0)	0.92	4.1%	VALUE LINE

TIMELINESS 4 Raised 4/26/24
SAFETY 1 Raised 3/23/12
TECHNICAL 3 Raised 6/7/24
BETA .85 (1.00 = Market)

18-Month Target Price Range

Low-High	Midpoint (% to Mid)
$70-$116	$93 (15%)

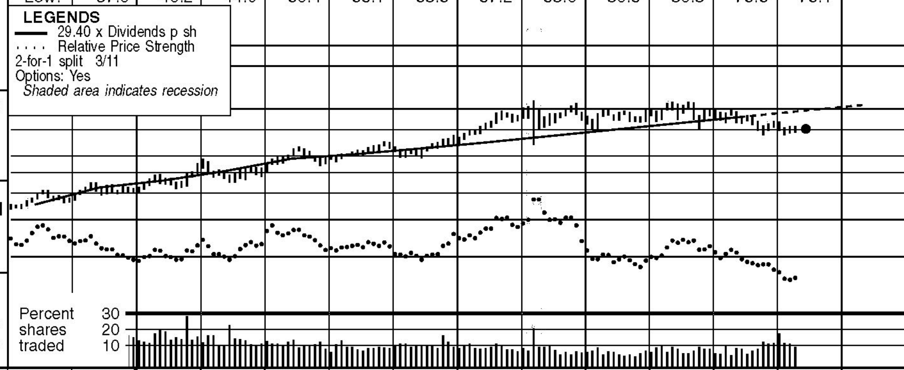
2027-29 PROJECTIONS

	Price	Gain	Ann'l Total Return
High	145	(+80%)	18%
Low	120	(+50%)	13%

Institutional Decisions

	2Q2023	3Q2023	4Q2023
to Buy	428	415	450
to Sell	426	457	443
Hld's(000)	239348	243133	247998

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
High:	45.0	55.4	58.0	66.1	70.1	75.5	98.2	109.5	99.9	108.4	99.3	86.9
Low:	37.0	40.2	44.9	50.4	56.1	58.5	67.2	68.0	80.6	80.8	75.5	75.1



Target Price Range

2027	2028	2029
		200
		160
		100
		80
		60
		50
		40
		30
		20

% TOT. RETURN 4/24

	THIS STOCK	VL ARITH.* INDEX
1 yr.	-10.8	11.5
3 yr.	-6.2	5.5
5 yr.	22.0	56.1

2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	27-29
18.95	17.65	17.98	19.46	18.54	20.00	22.16	18.77	23.68	24.24	24.34	23.85	22.96	26.36	30.43	28.19	**29.00**	**30.30**	Revenues per sh	**35.50**
2.95	3.11	3.30	3.68	4.01	4.33	4.47	3.87	5.39	5.69	6.04	6.53	6.90	7.53	8.01	8.64	**9.35**	**10.15**	"Cash Flow" per sh	**11.95**
1.52	1.60	1.92	2.18	2.35	2.51	2.59	2.34	2.96	3.14	3.34	3.58	3.79	4.11	4.46	4.63	**4.90**	**5.25**	Earnings per sh A	**6.40**
.54	.68	.80	1.04	1.20	1.45	1.56	1.74	1.98	2.08	2.21	2.36	2.53	2.71	2.91	3.12	**3.34**	**3.57**	Div'd Decl'd per sh B ■	**3.83**
4.86	3.50	3.41	3.60	3.09	3.04	3.26	4.01	4.51	6.21	6.71	7.17	7.10	7.14	7.34	9.14	**9.30**	**9.30**	Cap'l Spending per sh	**9.25**
14.27	15.26	16.26	17.20	18.05	18.73	19.60	27.42	28.29	29.98	31.02	32.06	33.19	34.60	36.76	37.25	**37.90**	**38.70**	Book Value per sh C	**42.00**
233.84	233.82	233.77	230.49	229.04	225.96	225.52	315.68	315.62	315.57	315.52	315.43	315.43	315.43	315.43	315.43	**315.43**	**315.43**	Common Shs Outst'g D	**315.43**
14.8	13.3	14.0	14.2	15.8	16.5	17.7	21.3	19.9	20.0	19.6	23.5	24.9	22.3	21.9	19.1	*Bold figures are*		Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	**20.5**
.89	.89	.89	.89	1.01	.93	.93	1.07	1.04	1.01	1.06	1.25	1.28	1.21	1.27	1.09	*Value Line*		Relative P/E Ratio	**1.15**
2.4%	3.2%	3.0%	3.3%	3.2%	3.5%	3.4%	3.5%	3.4%	3.3%	3.4%	2.8%	2.7%	3.0%	3.4%	3.8%	*estimates*		Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	**3.4%**

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 3/31/24
Total Debt $16016.3 mill. **Due in 5 Yrs** $4611 mill.
LT Debt $15375.8 mill. **LT Interest** $452.7 mill.
Incl. $12.1 mill. finance leases.
(LT interest earned: 4.4x)
Leases, Uncapitalized Annual rentals $6.8 mill.
Oblig $3136.6 mill.
Pfd Stock $30.4 mill. **Pfd Div'd** $1.2 mill.
260,000 shs. 3.60%, $100 par, callable $101;
44,498 shs. 6%, $100 par.
Common Stock 315,822,587 shs.

MARKET CAP: $25.5 billion (Large Cap)

2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025		27-29
4997.1	5926.1	7472.3	7648.5	7679.5	7523.1	7241.7	8316.0	9597.4	8893.0	**9150**	**9550**	Revenues ($mill)	**11200**
589.5	640.3	940.2	998.2	1060.5	1134.2	1201.1	1301.5	1406.8	1460.4	**1545**	**1655**	Net Profit ($mill)	**2020**
38.0%	40.4%	37.6%	37.2%	13.8%	9.9%	15.9%	13.4%	18.6%	18.8%	**19.0%**	**19.0%**	Income Tax Rate	**19.0%**
1.3%	4.5%	3.8%	1.6%	2.1%	1.8%	2.4%	1.9%	2.1%	2.1%	**2.0%**	**2.0%**	AFUDC % to Net Profit	**2.0%**
48.5%	51.2%	50.5%	48.0%	50.4%	52.5%	52.8%	55.3%	54.7%	54.9%	**55.0%**	**55.0%**	Long-Term Debt Ratio	**55.5%**
51.2%	48.6%	49.3%	51.9%	49.4%	47.4%	47.1%	44.6%	44.4%	44.5%	**44.5%**	**44.5%**	Common Equity Ratio	**44.5%**
8636.5	17809	18118	18238	19813	21355	22228	24467	25368	26279	**27000**	**28120**	Total Capital ($mill)	**29800**
11258	19190	19916	21347	22001	23620	25707	26982	29114	31582	**31000**	**32750**	Net Plant ($mill)	**35100**
8.1%	4.5%	6.3%	6.6%	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%	6.3%	6.4%	6.5%	**6.5%**	**6.5%**	Return on Total Cap'l	**7.0%**
13.2%	7.4%	10.5%	10.5%	10.8%	11.2%	11.4%	11.9%	12.0%	12.5%	**12.5%**	**12.5%**	Return on Shr. Equity	**13.0%**
13.3%	7.4%	10.5%	10.5%	10.8%	11.2%	11.5%	11.9%	12.5%	12.5%	**12.5%**	**12.5%**	Return on Com Equity E	**13.0%**
5.3%	2.1%	3.5%	3.6%	3.7%	3.8%	3.8%	4.1%	4.0%	4.5%	**4.0%**	**4.0%**	Retained to Com Eq	**4.0%**
60%	71%	67%	66%	66%	66%	67%	66%	65%	68%	**68%**	**68%**	All Div'ds to Net Prof	**64%**

ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS

	2020	2021	2022
% Change Retail Sales (KWH)	-2.5	-2.6	+3.4
Avg. Indust. Use (MWH)	NA	NA	NA
Avg. Lg. C&I Revs. per KWH (¢)	7.25	6.61	7.51
Capacity at Peak (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
Peak Load, Summer (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
Annual Load Factor (%)	NA	NA	NA
% Change Customers (yr-end)	+.6	+.7	+.2
Fixed Charge Cov. (%)	300	338	357

ANNUAL RATES

of change (per sh)	Past 10 Yrs.	Past 5 Yrs.	Est'd '21-'23 to '27-'29
Revenues	3.0%	2.0%	5.0%
"Cash Flow"	7.0%	7.5%	6.5%
Earnings	6.5%	7.0%	6.0%
Dividends	10.0%	6.5%	7.0%
Book Value	7.0%	3.5%	4.0%

QUARTERLY REVENUES ($ mill.)

Cal-endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	2691	1676	1746	2201	8316.0
2022	2908	2127	2003	2558	9597.4
2023	2888	1830	1957	2218	8893.0
2024	2680	**1870**	**2000**	**2600**	**9150**
2025	**2750**	**2000**	**2150**	**2650**	**9550**

EARNINGS PER SHARE A

Cal-endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	1.61	.87	.92	.71	4.11
2022	1.79	.91	.96	.80	4.46
2023	1.61	.92	1.00	1.10	4.63
2024	1.97	**.75**	**1.05**	**1.13**	**4.90**
2025	**2.00**	**1.00**	**1.10**	**1.15**	**5.25**

QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID B ■

Cal-endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2020	.6325	.6325	.6325	.6325	2.53
2021	.6775	.6775	.6775	.6775	2.71
2022	.7275	.7275	.7275	.7275	2.91
2023	.7800	.7800	.7800	.7800	3.12
2024	.8350				

BUSINESS: WEC Energy Group, Inc. (formerly Wisconsin Energy) is a holding company for utilities that provide electric, gas & steam service in WI & gas service in IL, MN, & MI. Customers: 1.6 mill. elec., 2.9 mill. gas. Acq'd Integrys Energy 6/15. Electric revenue breakdown: residential, 39%; small commercial & industrial, 32%; large commercial & industrial, 21%; other, 8%. Generating sources: coal, 36%; gas, 28%; renewables, 5%; purchased, 31%. Fuel costs: 40% of revenues. '23 reported deprec. rates: 2.4%-3.1%. Has 6,900 employees. Chairman: Gale E. Klappa. President & CEO: Scott J. Lauber. Incorporated.: Wisconsin. Address: 231 W. Michigan St., P.O. Box 1331, Milwaukee, WI 53201. Telephone.: 414-221-2345. Internet: www.wecenergygroup.com.

WEC Energy's utilities in Wisconsin have filed general rate cases. The utilities are seeking approximately $800 million in rate increases over the next two years to improve reliability, reduce outages, and assist the transition from coal to renewables. An order is expected by the end of this year, and new tariffs are subject to take effect at the start of 2025. In Illinois, there is a rehearing underway regarding the request to restore $145 million for its safety program. Remember, the Illinois Commerce Commission disallowed $236.2 million of capital costs related to the construction of Peoples Gas & Light service centers, causing WEC to pause the multi billion-dollar pipeline replacement program.

We look for 2024 profits to advance 6%, to $4.90 a share. We are sticking with our estimate, even though it is on the high-end of WEC Energy's targeted range of $4.80-$4.90 per share. The company has a strong track record of exceeding its guidance, and management typically winds up raising it as the year progresses. The utility will likely continue to benefit from electric and gas volume increases due to elevated power demand, construction initiatives and positive developments in the infrastructure and transmission segments. Profit growth should also be driven by rate relief in Wisconsin. WEC reaffirmed its goal for annual earnings growth of 6.5%-7%. We are maintaining our 2025 profit estimate of $5.25 per share, which is within management's updated target range. Indeed, this would provide an increase of 7% above our 2024 estimate.

WEC Energy agreed to acquire a 90% ownership interest in a Texas solar project for $459 million. The Delilah 1 center in North Texas is one of the largest solar facilities under construction, and will generate renewable energy. Commercial operation of the project is set to start by the end of this month, and will likely be eligible for production tax credits.

This issue is best suited for conservative, income-oriented investors with a long-term investment horizon. The dividend yield of 4.1% stands above the utility average, and total return potential for the next 18-months and 3- to 5-years is attractive versus most of its peers.

Zachary J. Hodgkinson *June 7, 2024*

(A) Diluted EPS. Excl. gain on discontinued ops.: '11, 6¢; nonrecurring gain: '17, 65¢. Next earnings report due early July. (B) Div'ds paid in early Mar., June, Sept. & Dec. ■ Div'd reinvestment plan avail. (C) Incl. intang. In '23: $20.05/sh. (D) In mill., adj. for split. (E) Rate base: Net orig. cost. Rates all'd on com. eq. in WI in '15: 10.0%-10.2%; in IL in '21: 9.67%; in MN in '19: 9.7%; in MI in '23: 9.85%; earned on avg. com. eq., '21: 12.2%. Regulatory Climate: WI, Above Average; IL, Below Average; MN & MI, Average.

Company's Financial Strength	A+
Stock's Price Stability	85
Price Growth Persistence	65
Earnings Predictability	100

All major electric utilities located in the eastern region of the United States are reviewed in this Issue; western-based electrics, in Issue 11; and the remaining industry participants, in Issue 5. Since our last review of the Electric Utility (East) group three months ago, utility stocks covered in *The Value Line Investment Survey* increased 3.1% in value on average versus a 3.7% gain in the S&P 500. Meanwhile, the industry's Timeliness rank has moved up to 66 (of 93) from 80.

During the past year, utilities under our coverage have declined 12.1% versus a 13.6% increase in *The Value Line Arithmetic Index*. The rise in interest rates through much of 2023 weighed heavily on utility stocks. The equities have only begun to recover some in more recent months as the uptrend in rates has paused. Because U.S. debt securities provide a competitive investment vehicle to the stocks in this industry, it's important to be cognizant of the spread between the benchmark 10-year Treasury rate (4.63%) and the dividend yields on electric utilities (4.0% on average).

Though the aforementioned spread is important, expectations of where interest rates will go next is the key factor that will drive this rate-sensitive group's performance. The other major factor is how investors feel about the prospects for the economy in general. Overall, this is a defensive industry with low-Beta stocks that tend to outperform when investors rotate out of economically-sensitive, higher-Beta stocks.

Portfolio Considerations

With the uptick in share prices over the past three months, 3- to 5-year total annual return potential for electrics has fallen a bit, to 10.2% on average from 10.9%. The new level is still towards the high end of what we've witnessed over the past two to three years, and there are some decent intermediate values to be found among this group. Additionally, if interest rates begin to drop again, it's highly likely that well-positioned electrics will rebound further.

However, while many stocks within the Electric Utility (East) Industry remain depressed relative to their highs of a couple of years ago, we're not overly bullish on this group. Over the past several months, we've lowered our 3- to 5-year targeted earnings multiples and raised our dividend yield expectations, as the higher-for-longer scenario of the world's central banks seems to be the new normal. In other words, interest rates were in a secular downtrend for decades, with cyclical interruptions along the way. If that course has reversed, it's a big negative for rate-sensitive utilities.

Investors in this group can help their cause by being disciplined buyers. New commitments should only be made when the midpoint of our annual total return projection is at or above 12%. Emphasizing utilities with above-average dividend growth prospects is a good practice. The median is about 4.5% at present. Staying away from utilities in below-average regulatory climates and keeping a well-diversified group of dividend payers are also good practices to follow.

At present, we like *Eversource Energy* as it possesses all of the aforementioned qualities. We also think *FirstEnergy* is close to being a good long-term buy at the recent price and is a name to keep on the watch list. Another stock that's particularly notable in this Issue is *Avangrid,* as its majority shareholder, Iberdrola of Spain, has proposed an all-cash buyout of the public float at $34.25 per share.

INDUSTRY TIMELINESS: 66 (of 93)

Topical Subjects

Key challenges this industry is facing include the rise in interest rates and overall inflation. Due to how regulatory mechanisms work, some higher costs can rapidly be passed along to consumers. This is true of fluctuations in natural gas prices, for instance. Conventions differ among states, but most utilities suffer from some degree of regulatory lag and have to go through a rate-filing process with regulators in order to gain "rate relief." That's industry parlance for regulatory approval to charge customers, through higher delivery rates on the electric bill, for certain expenses previously or about to be incurred. Notably, some companies are better situated and benefit from near real-time pricing adjustments with little regulatory lag on grid improvements.

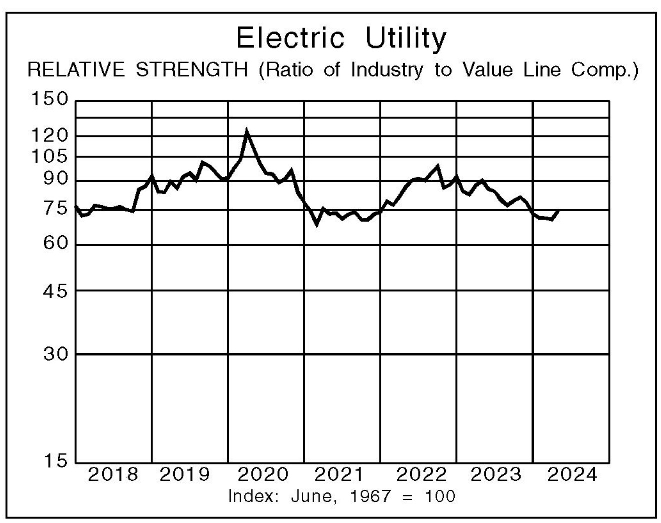
These challenges have been particularly troublesome for companies attempting to build and fund expensive and complicated renewables projects. This has been especially true of offshore wind generation, where the lead times are lengthy. The planning of those ventures took place under a different macroeconomic environment when borrowing, materials, and labor costs were far lower. As a result, many of those projects are only economic at higher electric rates than originally planned for.

Another major problem for this industry is the level of authorized return on equity (ROE) that's being set by some regulators. They're deriving ROEs based on a historically low and now out-of-date cost of capital. Note that the ROE applied to cumulative investments made in grid infrastructure (known as the rate base) is what drives revenue and profit levels for utilities.

Conclusion

Individual companies within this industry vary widely. The regulatory climate and the overall health of the underlying regional and local economies within a utility's service area are impactful. This includes demographics and migratory trends over time. States committing to progressive clean energy goals are generating a lot of invested capital opportunities for utilities, which should translate to improved earnings and dividend growth prospects. Selectivity is key for investors.

Anthony J. Glennon



All major electric utilities located in the Central region of the United States are reviewed in this Issue; Eastern-based electrics, in Issue 1; and the Western-based electrics, in Issue 11.

Electric Utility (Central) stocks covered in *The Value Line Investment Survey* increased 6.9% in value, on average since our last review three months ago, surpassing the 4.7% jump in the S&P 500.

Utilities, which have been one of the worst-performing sectors over the past few years, have started to recover of late due to elevated power demand from artificial intelligence (AI) innovations and data centers, along with the uptrend in interest rates pausing. While utility equities are typically seen as a safe competitive investment vehicle to U.S. debt securities for conservative investors, the artificial intelligence boom is changing this traditional landscape. Indeed, data centers are set to grow exponentially over the next few years, requiring record levels of electricity. Electric utilities are well positioned to take advantage of the AI boom, as well as bring in new types of investors. Too, the expectation of where interest rates will go next is starting to favor these equities in anticipation of the Federal Reserve's dovish pivot. And, the spread between the 10-year Treasury rate and dividend yields on electric utilities has narrowed since our last report.

Long-Term Prospects

Total return potential for electrics in the 3- to 5-year time frame is at the high end of what we've seen over the past couple of years. And, a number of equities continue to trade at double-digit discounts to historical valuations. But, we remain somewhat concerned with the macroeconomic backdrop, and utility investors should move forward with caution, despite a number of upcoming catalysts. We recommend buying electrics with annual total return potential of at least 12%. Investors should also keep an eye on utilities with above-average dividend growth prospects (4.5%), a strong balance sheet, and a well-diversified portfolio. While equities covered in the Electric Utility (Central) Industry do not stand out for price appreciation potential, the reduced risk of electrics adds to their appeal.

Macro Environment

Well-positioned electrics should rebound nicely for a number of reasons if interest rates begin to drop. Income-oriented investors closely monitor the spread between the yield on government bonds, such as Treasurys, and the yield on the typical electric utility. As interest rates have soared over the past few years, more and more investors have dropped utility equities in favor of Treasurys. But this may be reversing moving forward. What's more, higher interest rates, as well as wage, material, and fuel inflation, continue to negatively impact regulatory recoupments. Some stocks are better positioned than others, with rate cases and real-time pricing adjustments to minimize regulatory lag. And, the regulatory climate varies significantly by territory. Thus, it is important to be selective and look for equities with strong regional economies and regulatory environments. States that are committed to the AI infrastructure build-out and green-energy goals will probably fare better over the coming years. Indeed, *American Electric Power* recently filed a request in Ohio, which is one of the most-favorable climates regarding new data centers. The utility expects data centers to double the current power demand in the Ohio region by 2030.

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Artificial Intelligence Boom

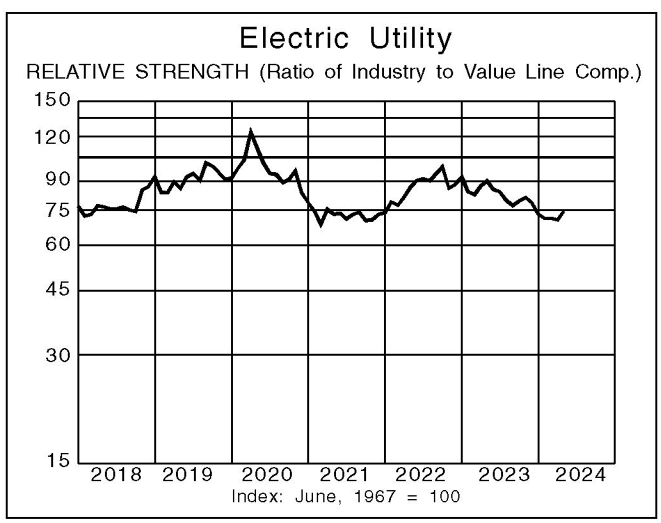
As mentioned earlier, demand for power is expected to reach record levels over the next few years due to technological innovations and the copious amounts of electricity used by AI-focused data centers. A number of electrics anticipate that power demand will more than double over the next five years. *ALLETE* recently agreed to be acquired, in part to be better positioned for the AI boom and record power demand. As a small utility in public markets, *ALLETE* was struggling to raise the necessary capital for its transmission transformation and building the grid. The pending buyout would allow *ALLETE* to take advantage of the biggest demand jump in its history, and build the infrastructure for new data centers. These technological advancements are a strong catalyst for long-term prospects and have brought a whole new group of investors to electric utilities.

Conclusion

Utilities have outpaced the broader-market averages of late. Growing electricity demand from data centers, the emerging AI boom, and the prospect of lower interest rates in the near future are positive factors. That said, other macro challenges continue to negatively impact performance from the group. We recommend that investors stay selective when committing funds.

Utilities currently have strong long-term capital appreciation potential compared to the *Value Line* median. We recommend looking for equities with 12% or greater long-term annual return potential, and average dividend growth of 4.5% or more. The favorable risk profile of electric utilities is also worth considering. Investors should also take note of states with positive data center and green energy transition regulatory environments, as companies in these regions will likely be the best positioned for the future. As always, investors should look out for future rate-setting meetings.

Zachary J. Hodgkinson



All major electric utilities located in the Western region of the United States are reviewed in this Issue; Eastern-based electrics, in Issue 1; and the remainder in Issue 5. Since our January review of the Electric Utility (West) group, utility stocks covered in *The Value Line Investment Survey* fell 3.3% in value on average, compared to a 9.2% increase in the S&P 500.

On a 12-month basis, utilities under our coverage have declined 14.6% versus a 16.2% gain in the *Value Line Arithmetic Index*. The sharp rise in interest rates through mid-October, when the 10-year Treasury yield hit 4.98%, a level last seen in 2007, depressed utility values. Treasurys provide a competitive investment vehicle, so it's important to be mindful of the spread between bond rates and the dividend yields on utilities (recently 4.02% on average). As rates fell 110 basis points, from 4.98% in mid-October to 3.88% in late December, utility stocks rallied. Year to date, however, they're back to underperforming, as the 10-year Treasury yield has risen to 4.42%.

With this year's drop in utility share prices, 3- to 5-year total annual return potential for this group has risen to 10.5% from 8.6% three months ago. Although there is a generally reduced risk level in owning utilities, given that they're regulated monopolies, we like to see the prospect of at least 10%-11% total returns for a given equity before recommending it. That level is in line with historical returns for the broader market.

Utility Portfolio Considerations

While many equities within the Electric Utility (West) Industry remain depressed relative to their highs of a few years ago, we're not overly bullish on this industry. If interest rates fall, it's highly likely that well-positioned utility stocks will perform relatively well. But, we think it's doubtful that the overly favorable backdrop for interest-rate sensitive stocks, often witnessed over the past several years, is on its way back. In long-term historical terms, if interest rates on government bonds normalized to the mid- to high-single-digit range, utilities would be relatively overvalued.

Utility investors can help their cause by being disciplined buyers. New commitments should be made when the midpoint of the annual total return projections are no less than 11%. It would also be a good practice to emphasize utilities with above-average dividend growth prospects. We'd put the industry median at about 4.5% for that measure. Staying away from utilities in a poor regulatory climate is a good practice, as is keeping a well-diversified group of dividend-paying stocks.

Topical Considerations

Key challenges electrics are facing include higher interest rates and overall inflation. Due to how the regulatory mechanisms work, some costs can rapidly be passed on to consumers, such as natural gas prices. Others cannot and have to go through a filed rate-case process with regulators. The regulatory lag before recoupment may be as short as one year or less, but in some instances can drag on for a few years. Some companies are fortunate to have a very minimal lag on a reasonable percentage of outlays, owing to their approved use of near real-time pricing mechanisms.

Another recent problem for this industry is the level of authorized return on equity (ROE) that's being set by

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regulators. They're looking back to a time of historically low interest rates over the past several years and using that snap shot to price returns in the present. Note that the ROE applied to investments made in grid infrastructure (known as the rate base) is what drives profits in these regulated monopolies. Utilities recoup their investment plus a return on it through the regulatory-approved delivery rates they bill for.

High purchased power costs during peak load periods have been exacerbated by the shuttering of cheap and reliable coal generation in the West. We've also seen that under certain conditions, such as mild weather, the supply of "green" energy, including hydro, can get depressed. The impact is especially problematic because open-market power purchases are not necessarily an automatic and quick pass-through to consumers. This problem also represents an opportunity, as it increasingly makes sense for more generating capacity to be approved for utility ownership.

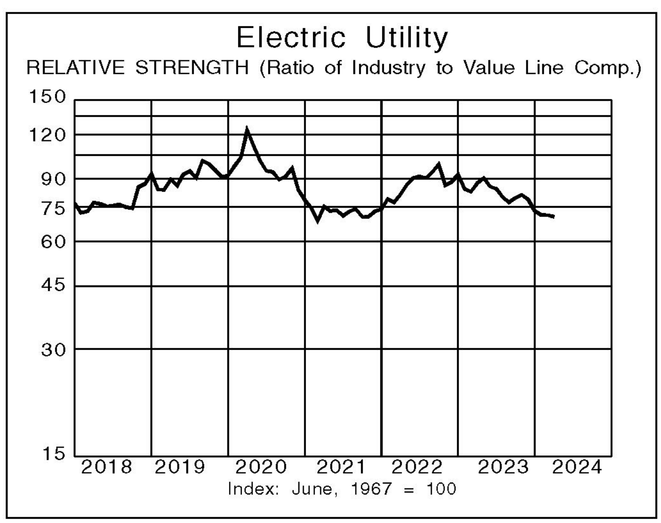
Lastly, with *PG&E Corp.* back within our coverage, and *Edison Int'l* embroiled in some new wildfire lawsuits, a discussion on business risk in California is always topical in the Electric Utility (West) Industry. Regarding the mounting lawsuits impacting *Hawaiian Electric* and to a lesser degree *Xcel Energy*, we'd refer subscribers to the respective company reviews.

The California Wildfire Fund, established in 2019, is a form of insurance for the state's three major electric utility holding corporations (*Sempra Energy* is the third), funded by the companies and their customer base up to $21 billion. Pre-2019 disasters are not covered and individual claims are paid after a $1 billion deductible is incurred. The fund covers catastrophic losses, but does not cover gross negligence. With this extra layer of protection above regular liability insurance, bankruptcy risk for the aforementioned California holding companies is very much reduced.

Conclusion

Individual utilities vary widely. Regulatory climate and the overall health of the underlying regional and local economies encompassed within a service area are impactful. And, states with progressive renewable-energy goals are providing solid growth prospects to utilities. As always, investors need to be selective.

Anthony J. Glennon



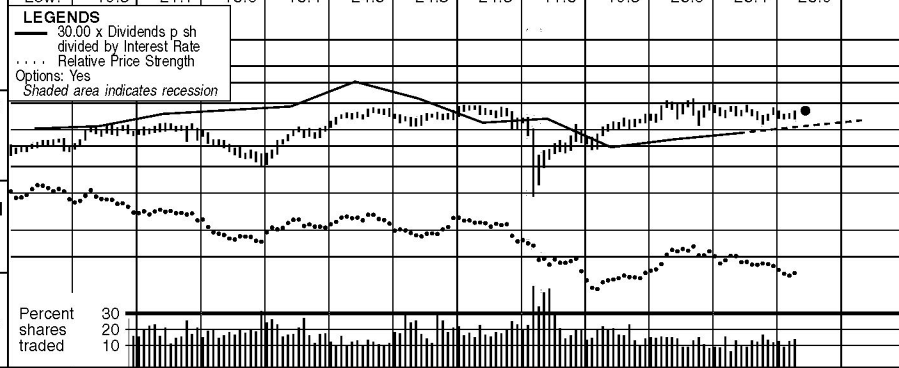
CENTERPOINT EN'RGY NYSE-CNP

RECENT PRICE	29.51	P/E RATIO	20.4 (Trailing: 20.8 / Median: 19.0)	RELATIVE P/E RATIO	1.14	DIV'D YLD	2.7%	VALUE LINE

TIMELINESS 3 Lowered 5/24/24
SAFETY 3 Lowered 12/18/15
TECHNICAL 3 Raised 6/7/24
BETA 1.15 (1.00 = Market)

High:	25.7	25.8	23.7	25.0	30.5	29.6	31.4	27.5	28.4	33.5	31.5	30.4
Low:	19.3	21.1	16.0	16.4	24.5	24.8	24.3	11.6	19.3	25.0	25.4	26.9

LEGENDS
— 30.00 x Dividends p sh divided by Interest Rate
.... Relative Price Strength
Options: Yes
Shaded area indicates recession



Target Price Range
2027 | 2028 | 2029
64 / 48 / 40 / 32 / 24 / 20 / 16 / 12 / 8 / 6

18-Month Target Price Range

Low-High	Midpoint (% to Mid)
$26-$37	$32 (5%)

2027-29 PROJECTIONS

	Price	Gain	Ann'l Total Return
High	40	(+35%)	*10%*
Low	25	(-15%)	*-1%*

Institutional Decisions

	2Q2023	3Q2023	4Q2023
to Buy	257	258	300
to Sell	272	270	251
Hld's(000)	562002	579775	591989

Percent shares traded 30 / 20 / 10

% TOT. RETURN 4/24

	THIS STOCK	VL ARITH.* INDEX
1 yr.	-1.7	11.5
3 yr.	28.5	5.5
5 yr.	8.0	56.1

2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	27-29
32.71	21.14	20.69	19.83	17.43	18.90	21.51	17.18	17.48	22.30	21.13	24.49	13.45	13.28	14.81	13.78	***13.75***	***14.20***	Revenues per sh	***17.00***
3.42	2.94	3.14	3.43	3.89	3.54	3.85	3.40	3.68	4.03	3.24	4.12	3.46	3.00	3.65	3.67	***3.80***	***4.00***	"Cash Flow" per sh	***4.50***
1.30	1.01	1.07	1.27	1.35	1.24	1.42	1.08	1.00	1.57	.74	1.49	1.29	.94	1.59	1.37	***1.45***	***1.55***	Earnings per sh A	***1.90***
.73	.76	.78	.79	.81	.83	.95	.99	1.03	1.35	1.12	.86	.90	.66	.72	.77	***.83***	***.89***	Div'd Decl'd per sh B ■	***1.01***
2.95	2.96	3.55	3.06	2.84	3.00	3.20	3.68	3.28	3.31	3.29	4.99	4.71	5.03	7.02	6.97	***6.85***	***5.95***	Cap'l Spending per sh	***6.50***
5.89	6.74	7.53	9.91	10.06	10.09	10.60	8.05	8.03	10.88	12.53	13.10	10.78	13.70	14.68	15.31	***16.35***	***17.10***	Book Value per sh C	***20.00***
346.09	391.75	424.70	426.03	427.44	429.00	429.00	430.00	430.68	431.04	501.20	502.24	551.36	628.92	629.54	631.23	***640.00***	***641.00***	Common Shs Outst'g D	***645.00***
11.3	11.8	13.8	14.6	14.8	18.7	17.0	18.1	21.9	17.9	37.0	19.5	15.9	26.1	18.7	21.1	*Bold figures are*		Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	***18.0***
.68	.79	.88	.92	.94	1.05	.89	.91	1.15	.90	2.00	1.04	.82	1.41	1.08	1.18	*Value Line*		Relative P/E Ratio	***1.00***
5.0%	6.4%	5.3%	4.3%	4.0%	3.6%	3.9%	5.1%	4.7%	4.8%	4.1%	3.0%	4.4%	2.7%	2.4%	2.7%	*estimates*		Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	***3.1%***

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 3/31/24
Total Debt $18295 mill. **Due in 5 Yrs** $7300 mill.
LT Debt $18117 mill. **LT Interest** $800 mill.
Incl. $320 mill. securitized transition & system restoration bonds.
(LT interest coverage: 2.5x)
Leases, Uncapitalized Annual rentals $4 mill.
Pension Assets-12/23 $1204 mill. **Oblig** $1548 mill.
Pfd Stock None
Common Stock 639,724,143 shs.
as of 4/22/24
MARKET CAP: $18.9 billion (Large Cap)

2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025		27-29
9226.0	7386.0	7528.0	9614.0	10589	12301	7418.0	8352.0	9321.0	8696.0	***8800***	***9100***	Revenues ($mill)	***11000***
611.0	465.0	432.0	679.0	368.0	871.0	863.0	668.0	1057.0	917.0	***980***	***1055***	Net Profit ($mill)	***1285***
31.0%	35.1%	37.0%	36.1%	28.4%	14.9%	13.4%	14.1%	25.4%	15.6%	***16.0%***	***16.0%***	Income Tax Rate	***16.0%***
4.1%	4.7%	3.5%	2.9%	5.4%	6.7%	6.0%	9.3%	9.3%	5.0%	***6.0%***	***6.0%***	AFUDC % to Net Profit	***5.0%***
63.8%	69.5%	68.5%	63.6%	51.9%	63.0%	58.0%	62.3%	59.6%	64.5%	***63.5%***	***62.5%***	Long-Term Debt Ratio	***59.0%***
36.2%	30.5%	31.5%	36.4%	37.5%	29.1%	29.9%	34.5%	37.1%	35.5%	***36.5%***	***37.5%***	Common Equity Ratio	***41.0%***
12557	11362	10992	12883	16740	22603	19869	24973	24878	27226	***28550***	***29175***	Total Capital ($mill)	***31300***
10502	11537	12307	13057	14044	20945	22362	23484	27143	29853	***32750***	***35000***	Net Plant ($mill)	***41000***
6.7%	6.1%	5.8%	6.8%	3.4%	5.1%	5.6%	3.8%	5.3%	4.7%	***4.5%***	***5.0%***	Return on Total Cap'l	***5.0%***
13.4%	13.4%	12.5%	14.5%	4.6%	10.4%	10.3%	7.1%	10.5%	9.5%	***9.5%***	***9.5%***	Return on Shr. Equity	***10.0%***
13.4%	13.4%	12.5%	14.5%	5.3%	11.5%	11.6%	6.7%	10.9%	9.5%	***9.0%***	***9.0%***	Return on Com Equity E	***9.5%***
4.5%	1.1%	NMF	4.7%	NMF	2.7%	5.0%	2.2%	6.1%	4.5%	***4.0%***	***4.0%***	Retained to Com Eq	***4.5%***
67%	92%	103%	68%	NMF	80%	66%	72%	46%	53%	***54%***	***54%***	All Div'ds to Net Prof	***51%***

ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS

	2021	2022	2023
% Change Retail Sales (GWH)	+1.8	+2.0	+3.0
Avg. Indust. Use (MWH)	NA	NA	NA
Avg. Indust. Revs. per KWH (¢)	NA	NA	NA
Capacity at Peak (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
Peak Load, Summer (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
Annual Load Factor (%)	NA	NA	NA
% Change Customers (avg.)	+2.5	+2.0	+2.0%
Fixed Charge Cov. (%)	135	252	251

BUSINESS: CenterPoint Energy, Inc. is a holding company for Houston Electric, which serves over 2.76 million customers in Houston and environs. Indiana Electric, which serves approximately 152,000 customers, and gas utilities with 4.31 million customers in Texas, Minnesota, Louisiana, Mississippi, Indiana, and Ohio. Acquired Vectren 2/19. Sold nonutility operations in '20. Sold its stake in Energy Transfer LP in '22 and '23. Electric revenue breakdown not available. Fuel costs: 25% of total revenues. Has 8,827 employees. Chairman: Martin H. Nesbitt. President & Chief executive officer: Jason P. Wells. Incorporated: Texas. Address: 1111 Louisiana, P.O. Box 4567, Houston, Texas 77210-4567. Telephone: 713-207-1111. Internet: www.centerpointenergy.com.

ANNUAL RATES of change (per sh)	Past 10 Yrs.	Past 5 Yrs.	Est'd '21-'23 to '27-'29
Revenues	-3.0%	-7.0%	*3.5%*
"Cash Flow"	-.5%	-1.0%	*4.5%*
Earnings	--	3.5%	*6.5%*
Dividends	-1.0%	-9.5%	*6.0%*
Book Value	4.0%	7.0%	*5.5%*

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY REVENUES ($ mill.) Mar.31	Jun. 30	Sep. 30	Dec. 31	Full Year
2021	2547	1742	1749	2314	8352
2022	2763	1944	1903	2711	9321
2023	2779	1875	1860	2182	8696
2024	2620	***1900***	***1950***	***2330***	***8800***
2025	***2250***	***2250***	***2300***	***2300***	***9100***

Cal-endar	EARNINGS PER SHARE A Mar.31	Jun. 30	Sep. 30	Dec. 31	Full Year
2021	.41	.29	.21	.03	.94
2022	.82	.28	.30	.19	1.59
2023	.49	.17	.40	.30	1.37
2024	.55	***.20***	***.45***	***.25***	***1.45***
2025	***.50***	***.25***	***.50***	***.30***	***1.55***

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID B ■ Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2020	.29	.15	.15	.15	.74
2021	.16	.16	.16	.17	.65
2022	.17	.17	.18	.18	.70
2023	.18	.19	.19	.20	.76
2024	.20	.20			

CenterPoint Energy registered mixed first-quarter results. The top line fell 6% year over year, to $2.6 billion, primarily due to soft utility revenues, particularly in natural gas. However, the bottom line increased 12%, to $0.55 per share, driven by rate recovery, favorable weather, and improved usage metrics.

The utility appears to be progressing as planned with its previously announced gas asset sales. CenterPoint filed approval applications with the regulator in April regarding the transaction involving the Louisiana and Mississippi Gas local distribution companies (LDCs). The divestiture is projected to yield approximately $1 billion in after-cash proceeds and is expected to conclude in the first quarter of 2025. The decision to sell these LDCs reflects the company's strategic focus on jurisdictions where it maintains a notable presence in electric and gas utilities. After the sale, CenterPoint estimates its utility mix to be 66% electric and 34% gas.

We look for near-term share earnings to proceed at a mid-single-digit pace. Benefits from rate relief and new customer wins should support the bottom line. Also, operations and maintenance cost controls have been ongoing, aimed at 1% to 2% annual cost reductions. All things considered, we expect 2024 and 2025 earnings per share to clock in at about $1.45 and $1.55, respectively.

CenterPoint has developed a comprehensive plan to enhance the resilience of the electric grid in Texas. The proposal includes upgrading transmission infrastructures, modernizing old transmission lines to meet current standards, and elevating substations to reduce flood risks. We believe this initiative represents a valuable capital investment, especially in light of recent power outages and restoration efforts in the region. The company anticipates making capital investments in the range of $2.2 billion to $2.7 billion through 2027.

Shares of CenterPoint have below average capital gains prospects over the next 18 months and the 2027-2029 time frame. The dividend yield is low for a utility, as well. Consequently, income-oriented investors may find better selections in the sector.

Emma Jalees *June 7, 2024*

(A) GAAP Dil. EPS 2022 & onwards. Excl. nonrecur. gains (losses): '11, $1.89; '12, (38¢); '13, (52¢); '15, ($2.69); '17, $2.56; '20, ($2.74); gain (loss) on disc. ops.: '20, (34¢); '21, $1.34. Next egs. report due late July. (B) Div'ds histor. paid in early Mar., June, Sept. & Dec. 5 declarations in '17 & '20, 3 in '19. ■ Div'd reinv. plan avail. (C) Incl. intang. In '23: $6.59/sh. (D) In mill. (E) Rate base: Net orig. cost. Rate all'd on com. eq. (elec.) in '20: 9.4%; (gas): 9.45%-11.25%; earned on avg. com. eq., '22: 8.27%. Regulatory Climate: TX, Avg.; IN, Above Avg.

Company's Financial Strength	A
Stock's Price Stability	75
Price Growth Persistence	40
Earnings Predictability	55

AVANGRID, INC. NYSE-AGR

RECENT PRICE	P/E RATIO	RELATIVE P/E RATIO	DIV'D YLD
36.63	16.3 (Trailing: 15.7 / Median: NMF)	0.94	4.8%

VALUE LINE

TIMELINESS	– Suspended 3/22/24
SAFETY	2 Raised 5/10/24
TECHNICAL	– Suspended 3/22/24
BETA .95 (1.00 = Market)	

18-Month Target Price Range

Low-High	Midpoint (% to Mid)
$23-$43	$33 (-10%)

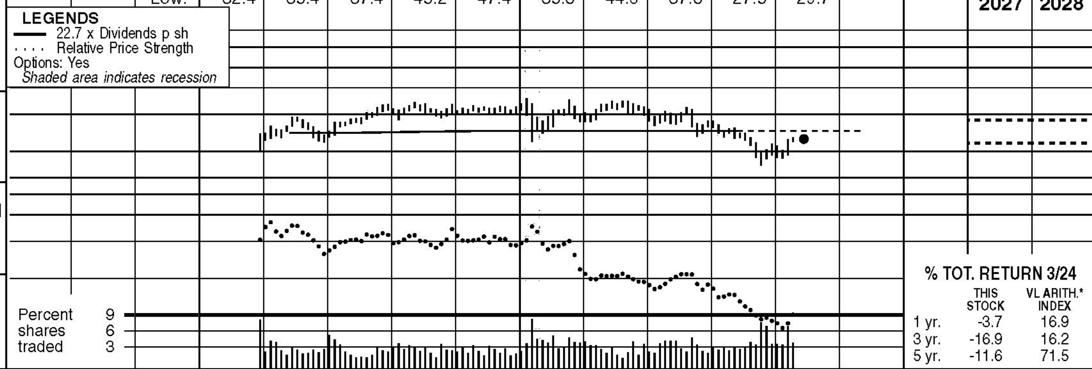
2027-29 PROJECTIONS

	Price	Gain	Ann'l Total Return
High	45	(+25%)	9%
Low	35	(-5%)	4%

Institutional Decisions

	2Q2023	3Q2023	4Q2023
to Buy	146	166	142
to Sell	132	136	152
Hld's(000)	50434	51130	51016

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
High:		38.9	46.7	53.5	54.6	52.9	57.2	55.6	51.7	44.8	37.3
Low:		32.4	35.4	37.4	45.2	47.4	35.6	44.0	37.6	27.5	29.7



Target Price Range

2027	2028	2029

% TOT. RETURN 3/24

	THIS STOCK	VL ARITH.* INDEX
1 yr.	-3.7	16.9
3 yr.	-16.9	16.2
5 yr.	-11.6	71.5

Avangrid, Inc. was formed through a merger between Iberdrola USA, Inc. and UIL Holdings Corporation in December of 2015. Iberdrola S.A., a worldwide leader in the energy industry, owns 81.5% of Avangrid. The predecessor company was founded in 1852 and is headquartered in New Gloucester, Maine. It was incorporated in 1997 in New York under the name NGE Resources, Inc. Avangrid began trading on the NYSE on December 17, 2015.

2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	27-29
--	14.14	19.48	19.30	20.96	20.51	20.45	18.04	20.49	21.48	22.20	23.00	Revenues per sh	25.85
--	3.44	4.74	4.49	4.89	5.41	5.22	4.64	5.14	5.08	5.30	5.60	"Cash Flow" per sh	6.25
--	1.05	1.98	1.67	1.92	2.17	2.02	2.18	2.32	2.09	2.25	2.40	Earnings per sh A	2.70
--	--	1.73	1.73	1.74	1.76	1.76	1.76	1.76	1.76	1.76	1.76	Div'd Decl'd per sh B ■	1.76
--	3.50	5.52	7.82	5.78	8.87	9.00	7.70	6.52	7.68	7.50	7.60	Cap'l Spending per sh	8.00
--	48.74	48.90	48.79	48.88	49.31	49.21	49.35	50.13	50.80	51.25	51.90	Book Value per sh C	54.50
--	308.86	308.99	309.01	309.01	309.01	309.08	386.57	386.63	386.77	387.00	387.00	Common Shs Outst'g D	387.00
--	33.5	20.5	27.3	26.1	23.1	23.6	23.2	19.6	17.5	Bold figures are		Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	15.0
--	1.69	1.08	1.37	1.41	1.23	1.21	1.25	1.13	.98	Value Line		Relative P/E Ratio	.85
--	--	4.3%	3.8%	3.5%	3.5%	3.7%	3.5%	3.9%	4.8%	estimates		Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	4.3%
4594.0	4367.0	6018.0	5963.0	6478.0	6338.0	6320.0	6974.0	7923.0	8309.0	8600	8900	Revenues ($mill)	10000
424.0	267.0	611.0	516.0	595.0	673.0	625.0	780.0	901.0	808.0	870	930	Net Profit ($mill)	1050
39.9%	11.3%	37.4%	32.4%	22.1%	17.0%	7.2%	6.2%	3.2%	7.0%	7.0%	7.0%	Income Tax Rate	7.0%
6.8%	12.7%	7.5%	12.4%	9.4%	15.0%	17.1%	15.5%	12.9%	17.9%	18.0%	18.0%	AFUDC % to Net Profit	16.0%
16.8%	23.1%	23.0%	25.6%	26.2%	30.6%	40.8%	29.3%	29.8%	33.7%	36.5%	39.5%	Long-Term Debt Ratio	44.5%
83.2%	76.9%	77.0%	74.4%	73.8%	69.4%	59.2%	70.7%	70.2%	66.3%	63.5%	60.5%	Common Equity Ratio	55.5%
14956	19583	19619	20273	20472	21953	25687	26998	27603	29632	31375	33075	Total Capital ($mill)	38000
17099	20711	21548	22669	23459	25218	26751	28866	30994	32857	34575	36300	Net Plant ($mill)	41150
3.7%	2.1%	3.8%	3.1%	3.5%	3.7%	3.0%	3.4%	3.8%	3.4%	3.5%	3.5%	Return on Total Cap'l	3.5%
3.4%	1.8%	4.0%	3.4%	3.9%	4.4%	4.1%	4.1%	4.6%	4.1%	4.5%	4.5%	Return on Shr. Equity	5.0%
3.4%	1.8%	4.0%	3.4%	3.9%	4.4%	4.1%	4.1%	4.6%	4.1%	4.5%	4.5%	Return on Com Equity E	5.0%
3.4%	1.8%	1.4%	NMF	.4%	.8%	.5%	.9%	1.1%	.6%	1.0%	1.0%	Retained to Com Eq	2.0%
--	--	66%	104%	90%	81%	87%	79%	76%	84%	78%	73%	All Div'ds to Net Prof	65%

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 3/31/24
Total Debt $12965 mill. **Due in 5 Yrs** $3579 mill.
LT Debt $9859 mill. **LT Interest** $409 mill.
Incl. $81 mill. finance leases.
(Total Interest coverage: 2.8x)
Leases, Uncapitalized Annual rentals $12 mill.

Pension Assets-12/23 $2159 mill. **Oblig.** $2500 mill.
Pfd Stock None

Common Stock 386,906,260 shs.
as of 4/23/24
MARKET CAP: $14.2 billion (Large Cap)

ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS

	2021	2022	2023
% Change Retail Sales (MWH)	+1.8	+.7	-3.3
Avg. Indust. Use (MWH)	NA	NA	NA
Avg. Indust. Revs. per KWH (¢)	NA	NA	NA
Capacity at Peak (MW)	NA	NA	NA
Peak Load, Summer (MW)	NA	NA	NA
Annual Load Factor (%)	NA	NA	NA
% Change Customers (yr-end)	+.1	+1.2	+.4
Fixed Charge Cov. (%)	300	247	203

ANNUAL RATES of change (per sh)	Past 10 Yrs.	Past 5 Yrs.	Est'd '21-'23 to '27-'29
Revenues	--	--	4.5%
"Cash Flow"	--	1.0%	4.0%
Earnings	--	3.5%	3.5%
Dividends	--	0.5%	Nil
Book Value	--	0.5%	1.5%

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY REVENUES ($ mill.) Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	1966	1477	1598	1933	6974
2022	2133	1794	1838	2158	7923
2023	2466	1587	1974	2282	8309
2024	2417	1733	2150	2300	8600
2025	2500	1800	2225	2375	8900

Cal-endar	EARNINGS PER SHARE A Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	1.14	.35	.34	.44	2.18
2022	1.16	.46	.31	.39	2.32
2023	.64	.21	.27	.97	2.09
2024	.88	.37	.40	.60	2.25
2025	.90	.40	.45	.65	2.40

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID B ■ Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2020	.44	.44	.44	.44	1.76
2021	.44	.44	.44	.44	1.76
2022	.44	.44	.44	.44	1.76
2023	.44	.44	.44	.44	1.76
2024	.44	.44			

BUSINESS: Avangrid, Inc. (formerly Iberdrola USA, Inc.), is a diversified energy and utility company that serves 2.3 million electric customers in New York, Connecticut, and Maine and 1.0 million gas customers in New York, Connecticut, Massachusetts & Maine. Has a nonregulated generating subsidiary focused on wind and solar power generation, with 9.3 GW of capacity and 1.3 GW under construction. Renewables segment accounted for about 22% of net profits for trailing 12 months. Power/fuel costs: 29% of rev. '23 reported depr. rate: 2.5%. Iberdrola owns 81.6% of stock. Employs about 8,000. Board Chair: Ignacio Sanchez Galan. CEO: Pedro Azagra Blazquez. Inc.: New York. Address: 180 Marsh Hill Road, Orange, CT 06477. Tel.: 207-629-1200. Web: www.avangrid.com.

Avangrid's parent company, Iberdrola S.A., has made a $34.25-per-share cash offer for the public float. The Spanish multinational power company already owns about 81.6% of Avangrid's common stock. The non-binding proposal to purchase the remaining stake was made to Avangrid's board of directors on March 6th. The company's board stated that it will review, evaluate, negotiate, and approve or disapprove of the offer based on the recommendations of its legal and financial advisers. Consummation of the proposed transaction is conditional upon the independent board's approval and a vote by minority shareholders.

We see very little potential of a competing third-party offer coming for the whole of the company. This is because of Iberdrola's majority stake and the additional regulatory constraints involved in purchasing a utility holding company such as Avangrid. Approval from the utility regulatory agencies of each of the four states it does business in plus the green light from a host of federal agencies would be necessary. Following the parent company's proposal, Avangrid's stock price has managed to remain above the buyout price, trading within a tight range of $35.50-$37.00 per share. We think the recent price mainly reflects the presumption that the independent board of directors will be able to negotiate a better deal. Ironically, the last major buyout proposed for a utility holding company that can be used as a benchmark for valuation was Avangrid's long-standing offer to purchase PNM Resources. (The merger was never able to gain regulatory approval.) Using a comparable valuation on operating profits to the PNM deal, while taking into account the varied debt levels, would imply about a $39-per-share price for Avangrid. Hence, there is a bit of room for an improved offer from Iberdrola.

Most existing shareholders should exit their positions in the open market. This can be a lengthy process and the offer is nonbinding, so there's no guarantee a deal will get done. On the other hand, there may be $1-$3 per share of upside and a few more dividends to collect. The Timeliness rank for this equity is suspended due to the buyout proposal.

Anthony J. Glennon *May 10, 2024*

(A) Diluted egs. Excl. nonrecur. gain/(loss): '16, 6¢; '17, (44¢); '19, 9¢; '20, (14¢); '21, (21¢); '22, (5¢); '23, (6¢); 1Q '24, 3¢. Qtly. EPS may not sum to full-year due to rounding. Next egs. report due late July. (B) Div'ds paid in early Jan., Apr., July and Oct. ■ Div'd reinvestment plan available. (C) Incl. intangibles. In '23: $6,214 mill., $16.07/sh. (D) In mill. (E) Rate base: Net original cost. Rate allowed on com. eq. in NY in '23: 9.2%; in CT in '23: 8.63% elec.; in CT in '19: 9.3% gas; in ME in '22: 9.25%. Regulatory Climate: Below Average.

Company's Financial Strength	A
Stock's Price Stability	80
Price Growth Persistence	35
Earnings Predictability	80

EVERGY, INC. NYSE-EVRG

RECENT PRICE	53.43	P/E RATIO	14.8 (Trailing: 18.8; Median: NMF)	RELATIVE P/E RATIO	0.83	DIV'D YLD	4.9%	VALUE LINE

TIMELINESS 3 Raised 6/7/24
SAFETY 2 New 9/14/18
TECHNICAL 4 Raised 6/7/24
BETA .95 (1.00 = Market)

18-Month Target Price Range

Low-High	Midpoint (% to Mid)
$46-$75	$61 (15%)

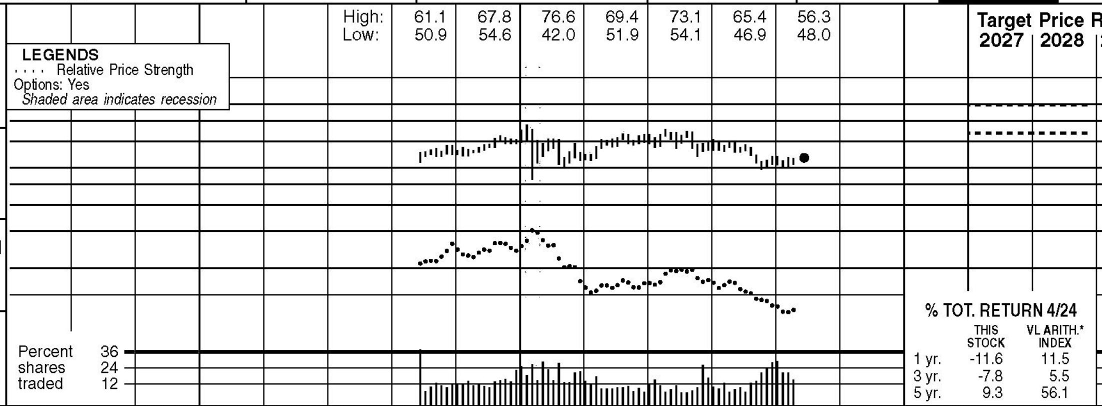
2027-29 PROJECTIONS

	Price	Gain	Ann'l Total Return
High	95	(+80%)	*19%*
Low	70	(+30%)	*11%*

Institutional Decisions

	2Q2023	3Q2023	4Q2023
to Buy	298	320	357
to Sell	272	273	292
Hld's(000)	192350	196134	203440

	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
High:	61.1	67.8	76.6	69.4	73.1	65.4	56.3
Low:	50.9	54.6	42.0	51.9	54.1	46.9	48.0



% TOT. RETURN 4/24

	THIS STOCK	VL ARITH.* INDEX
1 yr.	-11.6	11.5
3 yr.	-7.8	5.5
5 yr.	9.3	56.1

Evergy, Inc. was formed through the merger of Great Plains Energy and Westar Energy in June of 2018. Great Plains Energy holders received .5981 of a share of Evergy for each of their shares, and Westar Energy holders received one share of Evergy for each of their shares. The merger was completed on June 4, 2018. Shares of Evergy began trading on the New York Stock Exchange one day later.

2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	27-29
--	--	--	--	16.75	22.71	21.66	24.36	25.49	23.98	***25.20***	***26.10***	Revenues per sh	***29.80***
--	--	--	--	4.89	7.18	7.06	8.18	7.34	8.33	***7.95***	***8.50***	"Cash Flow" per sh	***9.20***
--	--	--	--	2.50	2.79	2.72	3.83	3.26	3.17	***3.60***	***4.00***	Earnings per sh A	***4.60***
--	--	--	--	1.74	1.93	2.05	2.18	2.33	2.48	***2.61***	***2.74***	Div'd Decl'd per sh B ■	***3.05***
--	--	--	--	4.19	5.34	6.88	8.60	9.41	9.23	***9.25***	***9.30***	Cap'l Spending per sh	***9.50***
--	--	--	--	39.28	37.82	38.50	40.32	41.86	42.06	***44.10***	***45.65***	Book Value per sh C	***47.50***
--	--	--	--	255.33	226.64	226.84	229.30	229.90	229.73	***230.00***	***230.00***	Common Shs Outst'g D	***230.00***
--	--	--	--	22.7	21.8	21.7	16.2	19.9	18.0	***Bold figures are***		Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	***17.5***
--	--	--	--	1.23	1.16	1.11	.88	1.15	1.01	***Value Line***		Relative P/E Ratio	***.95***
--	--	--	--	3.1%	3.2%	3.5%	3.5%	4.0%	5.1%	***estimates***		Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	***3.7%***
--	--	--	--	4275.9	5147.8	4913.4	5586.7	5859.1	5508.2	***5800***	***6000***	Revenues ($mill)	***6850***
--	--	--	--	535.8	669.9	618.3	879.7	752.7	731.3	***830***	***920***	Net Profit ($mill)	***1060***
--	--	--	--	9.8%	12.6%	14.1%	11.7%	5.8%	2.1%	***9.0%***	***9.0%***	Income Tax Rate	***9.0%***
--	--	--	--	2.5%	2.5%	5.5%	5.0%	5.1%	5.4%	***6.0%***	***6.0%***	AFUDC % to Net Profit	***5.0%***
--	--	--	--	40.0%	50.6%	51.3%	50.1%	50.0%	51.5%	***51.5%***	***52.0%***	Long-Term Debt Ratio	***53.5%***
--	--	--	--	60.0%	49.4%	48.7%	49.9%	48.0%	48.0%	***48.5%***	***48.0%***	Common Equity Ratio	***46.5%***
--	--	--	--	16716	17337	17924	18542	19668	20019	***21250***	***22500***	Total Capital ($mill)	***23400***
--	--	--	--	18952	19346	20106	21150	22277	23729	***24200***	***25300***	Net Plant ($mill)	***26300***
--	--	--	--	4.0%	4.8%	4.5%	5.7%	6.9%	6.4%	***5.5%***	***5.5%***	Return on Total Cap'l	***6.0%***
--	--	--	--	5.3%	7.8%	7.1%	9.5%	8.1%	7.6%	***9.0%***	***9.0%***	Return on Shr. Equity	***10.0%***
--	--	--	--	5.3%	7.8%	7.1%	9.5%	8.1%	7.6%	***9.0%***	***9.0%***	Return on Com Equity E	***10.0%***
--	--	--	--	.6%	2.4%	1.8%	4.1%	3.1%	2.5%	***3.0%***	***3.0%***	Retained to Com Eq	***3.5%***
--	--	--	--	89%	69%	75%	57%	73%	69%	***68%***	***68%***	All Div'ds to Net Prof	***63%***

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 3/31/24
Total Debt $12470 mill. **Due in 5 Yrs** $4388 mill.
LT Debt $11658 mill. **LT Interest** $306 mill.
Incl. $40.9 mill. finance leases.
(LT interest earned: 3.8x)

Leases, Uncapitalized Annual rentals $18.8 mill.

Pension Assets-12/22 $1714.7 mill. **Oblig** $2561.7 mill.

Pfd Stock None

Common Stock 229,929,116 shs.
MARKET CAP: $12.3 billion (Large Cap)

ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS

	2020	2021	2022
% Change Retail Sales (KWH)	-3.9	+3.1	+6.7
Avg. Indust. Use (MWH)	NA	NA	NA
Avg. Indust. Revs. per KWH (¢)	7.14	6.94	NA
Capacity at Peak (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
Peak Load, Summer (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
Annual Load Factor (%)	NA	NA	NA
% Change Customers (yr-end)	NA	NA	NA
Fixed Charge Cov. (%)	286	350	382

ANNUAL RATES of change (per sh)	Past 10 Yrs.	Past 5 Yrs.	Est'd '20-'22 to '27-'29
Revenues	--	--	*2.5%*
"Cash Flow"	--	--	*5.0%*
Earnings	--	--	*7.5%*
Dividends	--	--	*7.0%*
Book Value	--	--	*3.5%*

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY REVENUES ($ mill.) Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	1611.4	1236.7	1616.5	1122.1	5586.7
2022	1223.9	1446.5	1909.1	1279.6	5859.1
2023	1296.8	1354.2	1669.3	1187.9	5508.2
2024	1331.0	***1400***	***1750***	***1319***	***5800***
2025	***1350***	***1450***	***1850***	***1350***	***6000***

Cal-endar	EARNINGS PER SHARE A Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	.84	.81	1.95	.23	3.83
2022	.53	.84	1.86	.03	3.26
2023	.62	.78	1.53	.24	3.17
2024	.53	***.85***	***1.75***	***.47***	***3.60***
2025	***.70***	***.85***	***2.00***	***.45***	***4.00***

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID B ■ Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2020	.505	.505	.505	.535	2.05
2021	.535	.535	.535	.5725	2.18
2022	.5725	.5725	.5725	.6125	2.33
2023	.6125	.6125	.6125	.6425	2.48
2024	.6425	.6425			

BUSINESS: Evergy, Inc. was formed through the merger of Great Plains Energy and Westar Energy in June of 2018. Through its subsidiaries (now doing business under the Evergy name), provides electric service to 1.6 million customers in Kansas and Missouri, including the greater Kansas City area. Electric revenue breakdown: residential, 32%; commercial, 27%; industrial, 15%; wholesale, 13%; other, 13%. Generating sources: coal, 54%; nuclear, 17%; purchased, 29%. Fuel costs: 28% of revenues. '23 reported deprec. rate: 3%. Has 4,900 employees. Chairman: Mark A. Ruelle. President & CEO: David A. Campbell. COO: Kevin E. Bryant. Inc.: Missouri. Address: 1200 Main Street, Kansas City, Missouri 64105. Tel.: 816-556-2200. Internet: www.evergy.com.

Evergy's Missouri West subsidiary has a rate case pending. As a reminder, Missouri West filed for an increase of $104 million (13.4%), excluding fuel. The utility is looking to recover grid modernization investments and new rates will go into effect in January 2025, if approved. In Kansas, the utility filed its 2024 integrated resource plan (IRP), which will add 360 MW over the next 10 years compared to the 2023 update. Note, Evergy's $12.5 billion capital investment plan does not yet include the changes in its 2024 IRP.

Our 2024 bottom-line target is staying put at $3.60 per share. The company should continue to benefit from investments in its transmission system, and rate relief through this year and beyond. What's more, elevated power demand due to artificial intelligence innovations and data centers will likely rise exponentially and prop up profits nicely. Evergy remains committed to its earnings-per-share growth target of 4%-6% annually through 2026 based on management's original 2023 outlook midpoint. And, it expects annual rate base growth of 6% through 2028. We look for earnings to improve in 2025 to $4.00 per share. The aforementioned Missouri West rate case should provide a full year of rate relief, along with other regulatory matters over that time period. And, borrowing costs should improve if interest rates start to decline, which is important as Evergy generally has low return rates on total capital and relies heavily on high debt levels.

Evergy's stock price has risen nicely of late. The stock is up almost 10% since our early March report, erasing year-to-date losses. Indeed, these shares are now up slightly so far this year, after struggling in the early months.

Income-oriented investors may want to take a look here. The dividend yield of this stock stands far above the utility average, and prospective annual dividend increases of 7% add to the appeal. Meanwhile, intermediate- and long-term capital appreciation potential is decent in comparison to most of its peers. Indeed, our 18-month Target Price Range indicates a 15% premium to the current quotation. And, we look for the stock to trade between $70-$95 by 2027-2029.

Zachary J. Hodgkinson *June 7, 2024*

(A) Diluted earnings. Next earnings report due early Aug. (B) Dividends paid in mid-March, June, September, and December. ■ Dividend reinvestment plan available. (C) Incl. intangibles. (D) In millions. (E) Rate base: Original cost depreciated. Rate allowed on common equity in Missouri in '18: none specified; in Kansas in '18: 9.3%; earned on average common equity, '22: 9.8%. Regulatory Climate: Average.

Company's Financial Strength	B++
Stock's Price Stability	90
Price Growth Persistence	25
Earnings Predictability	85

ALLETE NYSE-ALE

RECENT PRICE 62.92 | P/E RATIO 16.8 (Trailing: 15.1; Median: 19.0) | RELATIVE P/E RATIO 0.94 | DIV'D YLD 4.5% | VALUE LINE

TIMELINESS 3 Lowered 2/16/24

SAFETY 2 New 10/1/04

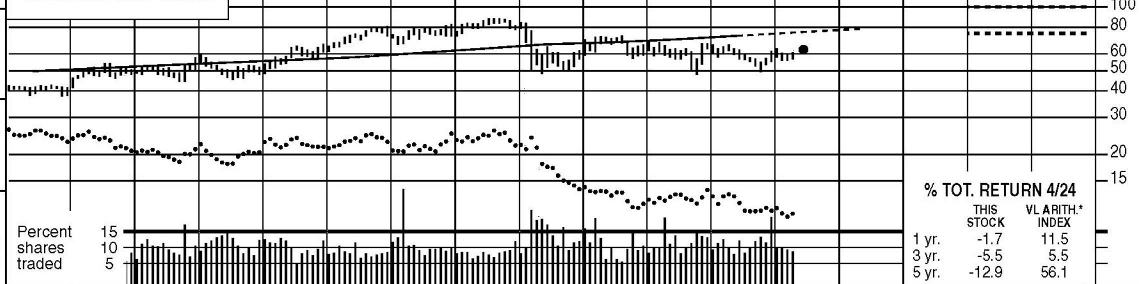
TECHNICAL 3 Raised 6/7/24

BETA .95 (1.00 = Market)

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
High:	54.1	58.0	59.7	66.9	81.2	82.8	88.6	84.7	73.1	68.6	66.7	65.9
Low:	41.4	44.2	45.3	48.3	61.6	66.6	72.5	48.2	56.8	47.8	49.3	55.9

LEGENDS
— 27.00 x Dividends p sh
.... Relative Price Strength
Options: Yes
Shaded area indicates recession

Target Price Range 2027 | 2028 | 2029



18-Month Target Price Range

Low-High	Midpoint (% to Mid)
$53-$82	$68 (5%)

2027-29 PROJECTIONS

	Price	Gain	Ann'l Total Return
High	100	(+60%)	16%
Low	75	(+20%)	9%

Institutional Decisions

	2Q2023	3Q2023	4Q2023
to Buy	159	145	156
to Sell	123	141	153
Hld's(000)	43650	44027	44075

Percent shares traded 15 10 5

% TOT. RETURN 4/24

	THIS STOCK	VL ARITH.* INDEX
1 yr.	-1.7	11.5
3 yr.	-5.5	5.5
5 yr.	-12.9	56.1

2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	27-29
24.57	21.57	25.34	24.75	24.40	24.60	24.77	30.27	27.01	27.78	29.10	23.99	22.44	26.68	28.04	32.65	29.50	30.50	Revenues per sh	32.80
4.23	3.57	4.35	4.91	5.01	5.35	5.68	6.79	7.08	6.59	7.37	7.24	7.52	7.54	7.70	8.67	8.30	8.80	"Cash Flow" per sh	9.65
2.82	1.89	2.19	2.65	2.58	2.63	2.90	3.38	3.14	3.13	3.38	3.33	3.35	3.23	3.38	4.30	3.75	4.10	Earnings per sh A	5.15
1.72	1.76	1.76	1.78	1.84	1.90	1.96	2.02	2.08	2.14	2.24	2.35	2.47	2.52	2.60	2.71	2.82	2.93	Div'd Decl'd per sh B ■ †	3.25
9.24	9.05	6.95	6.38	10.30	7.93	12.48	5.84	5.35	4.08	6.07	11.55	13.78	8.90	3.64	4.92	5.95	6.20	Cap'l Spending per sh	7.25
25.37	26.41	27.26	28.78	30.48	32.44	35.06	37.07	38.17	40.47	41.86	43.17	44.04	45.36	47.06	48.78	51.25	52.55	Book Value per sh C	54.00
32.60	35.20	35.80	37.50	39.40	41.40	45.90	49.10	49.60	51.10	51.50	51.70	52.10	53.20	56.01	57.58	59.00	59.00	Common Shs Outst'g D	61.00
13.9	16.1	16.0	14.7	15.9	18.6	17.2	15.1	18.6	23.0	22.2	24.7	18.3	20.6	18.1	13.8	Bold figures are		Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	17.0
.84	1.07	1.02	.92	1.01	1.05	.91	.76	.98	1.16	1.20	1.32	.94	1.11	1.05	.79	Value Line		Relative P/E Ratio	.95
4.4%	5.8%	5.0%	4.6%	4.5%	3.9%	3.9%	4.0%	3.6%	3.0%	3.0%	2.9%	4.0%	3.8%	4.4%	4.9%	estimates		Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	3.7%

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 3/31/24
Total Debt $1797.3 mill. Due in 5 Yrs $390.7 mill.
LT Debt $1772.4 mill. LT Interest $65.9 mill.
(LT interest earned: 2.7x)

Leases, Uncapitalized Annual rentals $5.1 mill.

Pension Assets-12/22 $745.7 mill. Oblig $911.7 mill.

Pfd Stock None

Common Stock 57,666,069 shs.

MARKET CAP: $3.6 billion (Mid Cap)

2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025		27-29
1136.8	1486.4	1339.7	1419.3	1498.6	1240.5	1169.1	1419.2	1570.7	1879.8	1740	1800	Revenues ($mill)	2000
124.8	163.4	155.3	159.2	174.1	172.4	174.2	169.2	189.3	247.6	220	240	Net Profit ($mill)	315
22.6%	19.4%	11.3%	14.8%	--	--	--	NMF	NMF	NMF	NMF	NMF	Income Tax Rate	NMF
6.3%	2.0%	1.4%	.8%	.7%	1.3%	1.1%	1.5%	1.4%	1.3%	2.0%	1.5%	AFUDC % to Net Profit	1.0%
44.2%	46.3%	42.0%	41.0%	39.9%	38.6%	41.0%	42.2%	40.8%	40.3%	39.5%	40.0%	Long-Term Debt Ratio	40.5%
55.8%	53.7%	58.0%	59.0%	60.1%	61.4%	59.0%	57.8%	59.6%	53.8%	60.5%	60.0%	Common Equity Ratio	59.5%
2882.2	3388.9	3263.4	3507.4	3584.3	3632.8	3887.8	4176.3	4457.5	4682.8	4900	5150	Total Capital ($mill)	5550
3286.4	3669.1	3741.2	3822.4	3904.4	4377.0	4840.8	5100.2	5004.0	5013.0	5450	5500	Net Plant ($mill)	5675
5.2%	5.8%	5.8%	5.5%	5.8%	5.6%	5.3%	4.8%	5.6%	6.5%	5.5%	5.5%	Return on Total Cap'l	6.0%
7.8%	9.0%	8.2%	7.7%	8.1%	7.7%	7.6%	7.0%	7.5%	8.8%	8.0%	8.0%	Return on Shr. Equity	9.0%
7.8%	9.0%	8.2%	7.7%	8.1%	7.7%	7.6%	7.0%	7.5%	8.8%	8.0%	8.0%	Return on Com Equity E	9.0%
2.5%	3.6%	2.8%	2.4%	2.7%	2.3%	2.0%	1.5%	2.5%	3.5%	2.5%	2.5%	Retained to Com Eq	3.5%
67%	60%	66%	68%	66%	70%	74%	78%	76%	70%	69%	69%	All Div'ds to Net Prof	60%

ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS

	2020	2021	2022
% Change Retail Sales (KWH)	-12.0	+11.5	+4.7
Avg. Indust. Use (MWH)	NA	NA	NA
Avg. Indust. Revs. per KWH (¢)	NA	NA	NA
Capacity at Peak (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
Peak Load, Winter (Mw) F	1588	1557	1556
Annual Load Factor (%)	NA	NA	NA
% Change Customers (avg.)	NA	NA	NA
Fixed Charge Cov. (%)	230	219	220

ANNUAL RATES of change (per sh)	Past 10 Yrs.	Past 5 Yrs.	Est'd '21-'23 to '27-'29
Revenues	--	-3.0%	3.0%
"Cash Flow"	4.5%	2.0%	4.5%
Earnings	3.0%	.5%	6.0%
Dividends	3.5%	3.5%	3.5%
Book Value	4.5%	3.0%	3.5%

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY REVENUES ($ mill.) Mar.31	Jun. 30	Sep. 30	Dec. 31	Full Year
2021	339.2	335.6	345.4	399.0	1419.2
2022	383.5	373.1	388.3	425.8	1570.7
2023	564.9	533.4	378.8	402.7	1879.8
2024	403.3	475	421.7	440	1740
2025	430	480	440	450	1800

Cal-endar	EARNINGS PER SHARE A Mar.31	Jun. 30	Sep. 30	Dec. 31	Full Year
2021	.99	.53	.53	1.18	3.23
2022	1.24	.67	.59	.90	3.38
2023	1.02	.90	1.49	.89	4.30
2024	.88	.85	.80	1.22	3.75
2025	1.05	.90	.90	1.25	4.10

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID B ■ † Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2020	.6175	.6175	.6175	.6175	2.47
2021	.63	.63	.63	.63	2.52
2022	.65	.65	.65	.65	2.60
2023	.6775	.6775	.6775	.6775	2.71
2024	.7050	.7050			

BUSINESS: ALLETE, Inc. is the parent of Minnesota Power, which supplies electricity to 146,000 customers in northeastern MN, & Superior Water, Light & Power in northwestern WI. Electric rev. breakdown: taconite mining/processing, 26%; wholesale, 14%; residential, 13%; commercial 13% paper/wood products, 9%; other industrial, 8%; other, 17%. ALLETE Clean Energy (ACE) owns renewable energy projects. Acq'd U.S. Water Services 2/15; sold it 3/19. Generating sources: coal, 28%; wind, 10%; other, 4%; purchased, 58%. Fuel costs: 40% of revs. '23 deprec. rate: 3.1%. Has 1,400 employees. Chairman, President & CEO: Bethany M. Owen. Inc.: Minnesota. Address: 30 West Superior St., Duluth, MN 55802-2093. Tel.: 218-279-5000. Internet: www.allete.com.

ALLETE agreed to be acquired by a combination of Canada Pension Plan Investment Board and Global Infrastructure Partners. ALE stockholders would receive $67 per share in a deal to be taken private at a total value of $6.2 billion. The stock price has risen nicely of late and the transaction currently represents a very slight premium to the present quotation. The deal is expected to close in mid-2025.

The company plans to spend $4.3 billion on renewable energy over the next five years. While utilities are well positioned to benefit from artificial intelligence innovations and data centers that boost power demand, the clean-energy transition requires raising significant investments, which is very challenging for small utilities in public markets. If approved, the buyout would allow ALLETE to take advantage of the biggest demand jump in its history, and provide the utility assistance in its long-term goals. Indeed, ALLETE's largest subsidiary, Minnesota Power, has a carbon-free mandate by 2040, among other initiatives that should be easier to obtain as a private company.

We think the deal makes sense. ALLETE is looking to grow at a significant rate to keep up with the elevated demand from tech innovations. The pending acquisition should set up the company nicely in the long term to meet the all-time high power demand. This would likely not be possible as a small-cap utility in the currently volatile markets. The purchase price of $67 per share is right near the midpoint of our 18-month Target Price Range, indicating a modest premium to our future projected stock price. ALLETE plans to retain its workforce and continue to operate locally in Minnesota.

The stock is inching closer to its buyout price. Investors seem enthused with the deal and the likelihood of it being completed, accounting for the recent run-up. If the transaction does not go through, capital appreciation potential for the 3- to 5-year time frame is above average in comparison to most of ALLETE's peers. We look for the stock to trade around $75-$100 by 2027-2029. ALLETE is also ranked Above Average (2) for Safety and holds a high score for Price Stability.

Zachary J. Hodgkinson June 7, 2024

(A) Diluted EPS. Excl. nonrec. gains (loss): '15, (46¢); '17, 25¢; '19, 26¢; '19 EPS don't sum due to rounding. Next earnings report due early Aug. (B) Div'ds historically paid in early Mar., June, Sept. and Dec. ■ Div'd reinvest. plan avail. † Shareholder invest. plan avail. (C) Incl. deferred charges. In '23: $9.60/sh. (D) In mill. (E) Rate base: Orig. cost depr. Rate all'd in MN on com. eq. in '18: 9.25%; earned on avg. com. eq., '21: 7.2%. Regul. Climate: Avg. (F) Summer peak in '21.

Company's Financial Strength	A
Stock's Price Stability	85
Price Growth Persistence	30
Earnings Predictability	90

PORTLAND GENERAL NYSE-POR

RECENT PRICE	P/E RATIO	(Trailing / Median)	RELATIVE P/E RATIO	DIV'D YLD	
41.66	14.3	(Trailing: 17.6 / Median: 18.0)	0.78	4.8%	VALUE LINE

TIMELINESS 5 Lowered 8/11/23
SAFETY 3 Lowered 1/19/24
TECHNICAL 4 Lowered 3/8/24
BETA .90 (1.00 = Market)

18-Month Target Price Range
Low-High Midpoint (% to Mid)
$35-$62 $49 (15%)

2027-29 PROJECTIONS

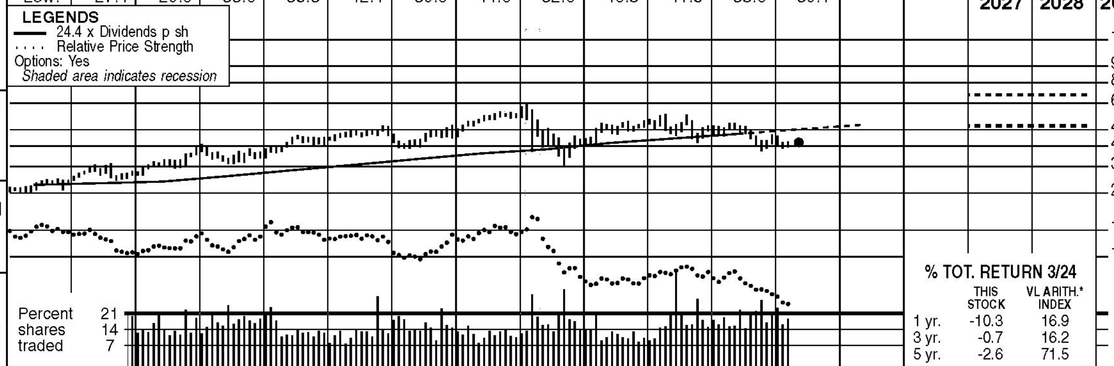
	Price	Gain	Ann'l Total Return
High	70	(+70%)	17%
Low	50	(+20%)	9%

Institutional Decisions

	2Q2023	3Q2023	4Q2023
to Buy	189	173	213
to Sell	170	186	164
Hld's(000)	103597	100907	103294

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
High:	33.3	40.3	41.0	45.2	50.1	50.4	58.4	63.1	53.1	57.0	51.6
Low:	27.4	29.0	33.0	35.3	42.4	39.0	44.0	32.0	40.8	41.6	38.0

(2024: High 44.8, Low 39.1)



% TOT. RETURN 3/24

	THIS STOCK	VL ARITH.* INDEX
1 yr.	-10.3	16.9
3 yr.	-0.7	16.2
5 yr.	-2.6	71.5

2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	27-29
27.89	23.99	23.67	24.06	23.89	23.18	24.29	21.38	21.62	22.54	22.30	23.75	23.96	26.80	29.65	28.90	*30.30*	*31.55*	Revenues per sh	*34.90*
4.71	4.07	4.82	4.96	5.15	4.93	6.08	5.37	5.78	6.16	6.65	6.97	7.83	7.25	7.41	6.83	*8.00*	*8.55*	"Cash Flow" per sh	*10.20*
1.39	1.31	1.66	1.95	1.87	1.77	2.18	2.04	2.16	2.29	2.37	2.39	2.75	2.72	2.74	2.38	*3.05*	*3.25*	Earnings per sh A	*3.85*
.97	1.01	1.04	1.06	1.08	1.10	1.12	1.18	1.26	1.34	1.43	1.52	1.59	1.70	1.79	1.88	*1.98*	*2.08*	Div'd Decl'd per sh B ■ †	*2.46*
6.12	9.25	5.97	3.98	4.01	8.40	12.87	6.73	6.57	5.77	6.67	6.78	8.76	7.11	8.58	13.42	*12.90*	*11.75*	Cap'l Spending per sh	*11.00*
21.64	20.50	21.14	22.07	22.87	23.30	24.43	25.43	26.35	27.11	28.07	28.99	29.18	30.28	31.13	32.81	*34.00*	*35.25*	Book Value per sh C	*39.75*
62.58	75.21	75.32	75.36	75.56	78.09	78.23	88.79	88.95	89.11	89.27	89.39	89.54	89.41	89.28	101.16	*101.50*	*102.00*	Common Shs Outst'g D	*106.00*
16.3	14.4	12.0	12.4	14.0	16.9	15.3	17.7	19.1	20.0	18.4	22.3	16.6	17.7	18.2	19.3	*Bold figures are*		Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	*15.5*
.98	.96	.76	.78	.89	.95	.81	.89	1.00	1.01	.99	1.19	.85	.96	1.05	1.08	*Value Line*		Relative P/E Ratio	*.85*
4.3%	5.4%	5.2%	4.4%	4.1%	3.7%	3.3%	3.3%	3.1%	2.9%	3.3%	2.8%	3.5%	3.5%	3.6%	4.1%	*estimates*		Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	*4.1%*

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 12/31/23
Total Debt $4440 mill. **Due in 5 Yrs** $467 mill.
LT Debt $4194 mill. **LT Interest** $166 mill.
Incl. $289 mill. finance leases.
(Total Interest Coverage: 2.5x)
Leases, Uncapitalized Annual rentals $3 mill.
Pension Assets-12/23 $530 mill.
Oblig $690 mill.
Pfd Stock None

Common Stock 101,162,366 shs.
as of 2/8/24

MARKET CAP: $4.2 billion (Mid Cap)

2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025		27-29
1900.0	1898.0	1923.0	2009.0	1991.0	2123.0	2145.0	2396.0	2647.0	2923.0	*3075*	*3220*	Revenues ($mill)	*3700*
175.0	172.0	193.0	204.0	212.0	214.0	247.0	244.0	245.0	233.0	*310*	*330*	Net Profit ($mill)	*405*
26.0%	20.7%	20.6%	25.3%	7.4%	11.2%	12.4%	8.6%	15.2%	16.8%	*17.5%*	*17.5%*	Income Tax Rate	*17.5%*
33.7%	19.8%	16.6%	8.8%	8.0%	7.0%	9.7%	10.2%	8.6%	13.7%	*11.0%*	*11.0%*	AFUDC % to Net Profit	*11.0%*
52.7%	47.8%	48.4%	50.1%	46.5%	51.3%	53.6%	56.8%	57.0%	55.8%	*58.5%*	*60.0%*	Long-Term Debt Ratio	*60.0%*
47.3%	52.2%	51.6%	49.9%	53.5%	48.7%	46.4%	43.2%	43.0%	44.2%	*41.5%*	*40.0%*	Common Equity Ratio	*40.0%*
4037.0	4329.0	4544.0	4842.0	4684.0	5323.0	5628.0	6265.0	6459.0	7513.0	*8325*	*8975*	Total Capital ($mill)	*10500*
5679.0	6012.0	6434.0	6741.0	6887.0	7161.0	7539.0	8005.0	8465.0	9546.0	*10350*	*11000*	Net Plant ($mill)	*12600*
5.8%	5.4%	5.6%	5.5%	5.8%	5.1%	5.6%	4.9%	4.9%	4.2%	*5.0%*	*5.0%*	Return on Total Cap'l	*5.0%*
9.2%	7.6%	8.2%	8.4%	8.5%	8.3%	9.5%	9.0%	8.8%	7.0%	*9.0%*	*9.0%*	Return on Shr. Equity	*9.5%*
9.2%	7.6%	8.2%	8.4%	8.5%	8.3%	9.5%	9.0%	8.8%	7.0%	*9.0%*	*9.0%*	Return on Com Equity E	*9.5%*
4.6%	3.3%	3.5%	3.6%	3.5%	3.1%	4.1%	3.5%	3.1%	1.6%	*3.0%*	*3.5%*	Retained to Com Eq	*3.5%*
50%	56%	57%	58%	59%	63%	57%	61%	64%	77%	*65%*	*64%*	All Div'ds to Net Prof	*64%*

ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS

	2021	2022	2023
% Change Retail Sales (KWH)	+5.1	+3.4	+.9
Avg. Indust. Use (MWH)	20002	22097	23052
Avg. Indust. Revs. per KWH (¢)	5.22	5.23	5.85
Capacity at Peak (MW)	NA	NA	NA
Peak Load, Summer (MW)	4453	4255	4498
Annual Load Factor (%)	NA	NA	NA
% Change Customers (yr-end)	+.6	+1.1	+.7
Fixed Charge Cov. (%)	261	254	217

ANNUAL RATES of change (per sh)	Past 10 Yrs.	Past 5 Yrs.	Est'd '21-'23 to '27-'29
Revenues	2.0%	5.0%	*3.5%*
"Cash Flow"	3.5%	3.0%	*6.0%*
Earnings	3.5%	3.0%	*6.0%*
Dividends	5.0%	6.0%	*5.5%*
Book Value	3.5%	3.0%	*4.0%*

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY REVENUES ($ mill.) Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	609	537	642	608	2396
2022	626	591	743	687	2647
2023	748	648	802	725	2923
2024	*750*	*700*	*850*	*775*	*3075*
2025	*785*	*735*	*890*	*810*	*3220*

Cal-endar	EARNINGS PER SHARE A Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	1.07	.36	.56	.73	2.72
2022	.67	.72	.65	.70	2.74
2023	.80	.44	.46	.67	2.38
2024	*.95*	*.60*	*.70*	*.80*	*3.05*
2025	*1.00*	*.65*	*.75*	*.85*	*3.25*

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID B ■ † Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2020	.385	.385	.385	.4075	1.56
2021	.4075	.4075	.43	.43	1.68
2022	.43	.43	.4525	.4525	1.77
2023	.4525	.4525	.475	.475	1.86
2024	.475	.475			

BUSINESS: Portland General Electric Company provides electricity to 934,000 customers in 51 cities in a 4,000-square-mile area of Oregon, including Portland and Salem (population: 1.9 million). The company is in the process of decommissioning the Trojan nuclear plant, which was closed in 1993. Electric revenue breakdown: residential, 52%; commercial, 33%; industrial, 15%; other, less than 1%. Generating sources: gas, 40%; wind, 7%; coal, 8%; hydro, 4%; purchased, 41%. Fuel costs: 40% of revenues. '23 reported depreciation rate: 3.4%. Has 2,842 full-time employees. Chair: James P. Torgerson. President and CEO: Maria M. Pope. Incorporated: Oregon. Address: 121 S.W. Salmon Street, Portland, OR 97204. Tel.: 503-464-8000. Internet: www.portlandgeneral.com.

Portland General Electric's per-share profits should bounce back this year and next. In 2023, the company suffered from weather that was exceedingly mild, resulting in less than 1% volume growth for a service area that is accustomed to 2% or better. On top of that, purchased-power costs were excessively high, as mild weather is not ideal for hydroelectric and wind power production in the Pacific Northwest. This resulted in a tight supply situation that drove up pricing. Management expects the utility will earn $2.98-$3.18 a share in 2024. To a large extent, the recovery is based on normalized weather conditions, as well as utility rate relief, to address last year's rise in costs and investments made in the electric grid. In 2025, a general rate case decision is due. Portland General is seeking $225 million in additional annual revenues for recoupment of investments made, plus timely recovery mechanisms via customer billing pass-throughs. The company appears to have a reasonably good partnership with the state of Oregon in terms of addressing the state's "green" energy commitments. We think that will translate to a constructive rate-case outcome.

Longer term, the utility's 5%-7% earnings and dividend growth targets seem achievable. Over time, Portland General's bottom line should be less volatile, as the company reduces its reliance on open market power purchases, which have a tendency to spike in price. The company has the green light from regulators to add at least 375-500 megawatts of nonemitting annual power generation in the intermediate term, plus significant battery storage capacity. Projects committed to appear to have solid partnerships in place with lengthy annual purchased-power agreements on portions of generating capacity the company does not directly own. There should be several years of 8%-plus rate base growth, as the general outline of the projects described above are replicated sixfold into the 2030s. On the demand front, 2% annual load growth is supported by a healthy high-tech industrial segment in Portland General's service area.

Though untimely, patient utility investors can do well here, as the stock offers good total return prospects.

Anthony J. Glennon *April 19, 2024*

(A) Diluted earnings. Excl. nonrecurring gains/(losses): '13, (42¢); '17, (19¢); '20, ($1.03); '22, (14¢); '23, (5¢). Quarterly EPS many not sum to full year due to rounding. Next earnings report due early May. (B) Dividends paid mid-Jan., Apr., July, and Oct. ■ Dividend reinvestment plan available. † Shareholder investment plan available. (C) Incl. deferred charges. In '23: $492 mill., $4.86/sh. (D) In mill. (E) Rate base: Net original cost. Rate allowed on common equity in '22: 9.5%. Regulatory Climate: Average.

Company's Financial Strength	B++
Stock's Price Stability	90
Price Growth Persistence	40
Earnings Predictability	95

DUKE ENERGY NYSE-DUK

RECENT PRICE **98.73** | P/E RATIO **16.5** (Trailing: 17.8 Median: 18.0) | RELATIVE P/E RATIO **0.95** | DIV'D YLD **4.2%** | **VALUE LINE**

TIMELINESS 3 Raised 11/24/23
SAFETY 2 New 6/1/07
TECHNICAL 4 Lowered 3/29/24
BETA .90 (1.00 = Market)

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
High:	75.5	87.3	90.0	87.8	91.8	91.4	97.4	103.8	108.4	116.3	106.4	99.9
Low:	64.2	67.1	65.5	70.2	76.1	72.0	82.5	62.1	85.6	83.8	83.1	90.1

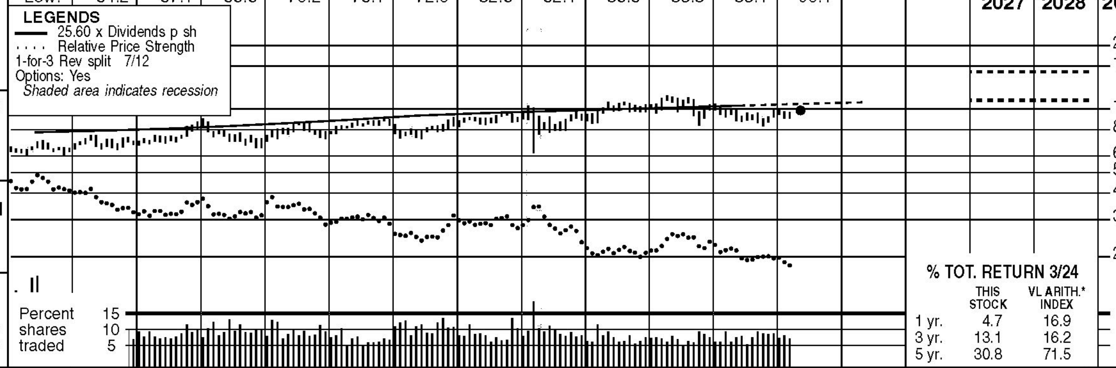
18-Month Target Price Range
Low-High $87-$133 · Midpoint (% to Mid) $110 (10%)

2027-29 PROJECTIONS

	Price	Gain	Ann'l Total Return
High	150	(+50%)	14%
Low	110	(+10%)	7%

Institutional Decisions

	2Q2023	3Q2023	4Q2023
to Buy	852	830	838
to Sell	753	745	864
Hld's(000)	495714	500344	505574



% TOT. RETURN 3/24

	THIS STOCK	VL ARITH.* INDEX
1 yr.	4.7	16.9
3 yr.	13.1	16.2
5 yr.	30.8	71.5

2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	27-29
31.15	29.18	32.22	32.63	27.88	34.84	33.84	34.10	32.49	33.66	33.73	34.21	31.04	32.64	37.36	37.69	*38.85*	*40.25*	Revenues per sh	*42.40*
7.34	7.58	8.49	8.68	6.80	8.56	9.11	9.40	9.20	10.01	11.05	12.12	12.04	12.60	12.91	13.22	*13.55*	*13.90*	"Cash Flow" per sh	*15.05*
3.03	3.39	4.02	4.14	3.71	3.98	4.13	4.10	3.71	4.22	4.72	5.06	5.12	5.24	5.27	5.56	*6.00*	*6.35*	Earnings per sh A	*7.60*
2.70	2.82	2.91	2.97	3.03	3.09	3.15	3.24	3.36	3.49	3.64	3.75	3.82	3.90	3.98	4.06	*4.14*	*4.22*	Div'd Decl'd per sh B ■	*4.30*
10.35	9.85	10.84	9.80	7.81	7.83	7.62	9.83	11.29	11.50	12.91	15.17	12.88	12.63	14.76	16.35	*17.60*	*17.75*	Cap'l Spending per sh	*16.75*
49.51	49.85	50.84	51.14	58.04	58.54	57.81	57.74	58.62	59.63	60.27	61.20	59.82	61.55	61.51	63.70	*66.25*	*68.65*	Book Value per sh C	*70.00*
423.96	436.29	442.96	445.29	704.00	706.00	707.00	688.00	700.00	700.00	727.00	733.00	769.00	769.00	770.00	771.00	*772.00*	*773.00*	Common Shs Outst'g D	*775.00*
17.3	13.3	12.7	13.8	17.5	17.4	17.9	18.2	21.3	19.9	17.0	17.7	17.1	18.9	19.6	16.9	*Bold figures are Value Line estimates*		Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	*17.0*
1.04	.89	.81	.87	1.11	.98	.94	.92	1.12	1.00	.92	.94	.88	1.02	1.14	.94			Relative P/E Ratio	*.95*
5.2%	6.2%	5.7%	5.2%	4.7%	4.4%	4.3%	4.3%	4.3%	4.2%	4.5%	4.2%	4.4%	3.9%	3.9%	4.3%			Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	*3.9%*

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 12/31/23
Total Debt $75252 mill. **Due in 5 Yrs** $19536 mill.
LT Debt $72452 mill. **LT Interest** $2206 mill.
Incl. $915 mill. finance leases.
(LT interest earned: 2.7x)
Leases, Uncapitalized Annual rentals $225 mill.
Pension Assets-12/23 $6993 mill. Oblig $8207 mill.
Pfd Stock $1962 mill. **Pfd Div'd** $107 mill.
40 mill. shs. 5.75%, cum., $25 liq. value, redeemable at $25.50 prior to 6/15/24; 1 mill. shs. 4.875%, cum., $1000 liq. value.
Common Stock 770,811,446 shs. **as of 1/31/24**
MARKET CAP: $76.1 billion (Large Cap)

2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025		27-29
23925	23459	22743	23565	24521	25079	23868	25097	28768	29060	*30000*	*31100*	Revenues ($mill)	*32850*
2934.0	2854.0	2560.0	2963.0	3339.0	3748.0	1377.0	3908.0	2550.0	2841.0	*3350*	*3825*	Net Profit ($mill)	*4775*
30.6%	32.2%	31.0%	30.4%	14.1%	12.7%	.3%	5.1%	7.4%	9.2%	*9.0%*	*9.0%*	Income Tax Rate	*9.0%*
7.2%	9.2%	11.7%	12.3%	11.4%	8.0%	6.9%	5.9%	8.1%	7.1%	*7.0%*	*7.0%*	AFUDC % to Net Profit	*7.0%*
47.7%	48.6%	52.6%	54.0%	53.8%	54.0%	53.7%	55.1%	56.1%	59.6%	*58.5%*	*58.5%*	Long-Term Debt Ratio	*61.0%*
52.3%	51.4%	47.4%	46.0%	46.2%	44.1%	44.4%	43.1%	42.5%	40.4%	*41.0%*	*40.5%*	Common Equity Ratio	*37.5%*
78088	77222	86609	90774	94940	101807	103589	109744	115235	121564	*124525*	*125500*	Total Capital ($mill)	*144100*
70046	75709	82520	86391	91694	102127	106782	111408	111748	115315	*124375*	*132500*	Net Plant ($mill)	*141100*
4.8%	4.8%	4.0%	4.3%	4.6%	4.7%	4.8%	4.8%	2.0%	2.3%	*4.5%*	*4.5%*	Return on Total Cap'l	*4.5%*
7.2%	7.2%	6.2%	7.1%	7.6%	8.0%	8.1%	8.4%	5.2%	5.8%	*9.0%*	*9.0%*	Return on Shr. Equity	*9.0%*
7.2%	7.2%	6.2%	7.1%	7.6%	8.3%	8.2%	8.5%	5.2%	5.8%	*9.0%*	*9.0%*	Return on Com Equity E	*9.0%*
1.7%	1.5%	.6%	1.2%	2.0%	2.4%	2.3%	1.9%	1.5%	1.8%	*2.5%*	*2.5%*	Retained to Com Eq	*3.0%*
76%	79%	91%	83%	74%	71%	73%	78%	76%	73%	*73%*	*73%*	All Div'ds to Net Prof	*68%*

ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS

	2021	2022	2023
% Change Retail Sales (KWH)	+2.0	NA	NA
Avg. Indust. Use (MWH)	NA	NA	NA
Avg. Indust. Revs. per KWH (¢)	NA	NA	NA
Capacity at Peak (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
Peak Load, Summer (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
Annual Load Factor (%)	NA	NA	NA
% Change Customers (avg.)	NA	NA	NA
Fixed Charge Cov. (%)	209	285	NA

ANNUAL RATES of change (per sh)	Past 10 Yrs.	Past 5 Yrs.	Est'd '21-'23 to '27-'29
Revenues	.5%	-.5%	*2.5%*
"Cash Flow"	4.0%	5.0%	*5.0%*
Earnings	3.0%	4.5%	*5.0%*
Dividends	3.0%	3.5%	*2.0%*
Book Value	2.0%	1.0%	*2.5%*

QUARTERLY REVENUES ($ mill.)

Cal-endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	6150	5758	6951	6238	25097
2022	7132	6685	7968	6983	28768
2023	7276	6578	7994	7212	29060
2024	*7350*	*6650*	*8250*	*7750*	*30000*
2025	*7700*	*6850*	*8450*	*8100*	*31100*

EARNINGS PER SHARE A

Cal-endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	1.26	1.15	1.88	.94	5.24
2022	1.30	1.14	1.78	1.11	5.27
2023	1.20	.91	1.94	1.51	5.56
2024	*1.40*	*1.05*	*2.05*	*1.50*	*6.00*
2025	*1.40*	*1.35*	*2.10*	*1.50*	*6.35*

QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID B ■

Cal-endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2020	.945	.945	.965	.965	3.82
2021	.965	.965	.985	.985	3.90
2022	.985	.985	1.005	1.005	3.98
2023	1.005	1.005	1.025	1.025	4.06
2024	1.025				

BUSINESS: Duke Energy Corporation is a holding company for utilities with 7.6 mill. elec. customers in NC, FL, IN, SC, OH, and KY, and 1.6 mill. gas customers in OH, KY, NC, SC, and TN. Owns independent power plants & has 25% stake in National Methanol in Saudi Arabia. Acq'd Progress Energy 7/12; Piedmont Natural Gas 10/16; discontinued most int'l ops. in '16. Elec. rev. breakdown: residential, 45%; commercial, 28%; industrial, 13%; other, 14%. Generating sources: gas, 32%; nuclear, 30%; coal, 18%; other, 1%; purchased, 19%. Fuel costs: 28% of revs. '22 reported deprec. rate: 3.6%. Has 27,600 employees. Chairman, President & CEO: Lynn J. Good. Inc.: DE. Address: 550 South Tryon St., Charlotte, NC 28202-1803. Tel.: 704-382-3853. Internet: www.duke-energy.com.

Duke Energy recently filed some rate cases. In Indiana, the utility filed for a hike of $492 million (16%) over 2026 for its investments in improving the electric grid. In North Carolina, Piedmont Gas is seeking recovery for its infrastructure investments to improve reliability, an overall 11.7% increase. And, Duke Energy Florida requested an increase of approximately $820 million between 2025-2027 to increase efficiency, reduce outages, and add 14 new solar sites.

We are sticking with our 2024 earnings-per-share estimate of $6.00. This is around the midpoint of the company's targeted range of $5.85-$6.10 per share. Management also reaffirmed its long-term profit growth target of 5%-7% annually through 2028. We think rate relief and growing power demand will produce a 8% rise in earnings this year, and a 6% increase in 2025. Duke Energy expects its power demand to grow by 1.5%-2% annually in the near-term and looks for a sharper rise of 2.5% a year over the next decade or so. The adoption of electric vehicles should make up about 40% of this increase. Meanwhile, the company's earnings over the next few years should benefit from the aforementioned pending rate cases and energy-efficiency programs.

Duke remains focused on improving the electricity grid and providing solar investments. The utility recently completed its Bad Creek upgrade, which added 320 MWh of energy to support electricity demand. The upgrades took four years to complete and the total capacity of the station is now 1,680 MWh, enough to power over a million homes. The company is looking to extend its license of the Bad Creek facility and potentially add a second powerhouse at the site.

This issue is tailor made for income-oriented accounts. Duke stock has an above-average dividend yield for a utility. And, the company has proven to be one of the better-managed and best-performing utilities in the industry. We also slightly increased our 3- to 5-year Target Price Range, and now look for these shares to trade around $110-$150 over that interim. At the current quotation, however, long-term capital appreciation potential is nothing to write home about.

Zachary J. Hodgkinson *May 10, 2024*

(A) Dil. EPS. Excl. net nonrec. losses: '12, 64¢; '13, 22¢; '14, 59¢; '15, 5¢; '16, 60¢; '18, 96; '20, $3.40; '21, 30¢; net nonrec gain: '17, 14¢. 2021 EPS may not sum to annual due to rounding. Next egs. due early Aug. (B) Div'ds paid mid-Mar., June, Sept., & Dec. ■ Div'd reinv. plan avail. (C) Incl. intang. In '22: $41.34/sh. (D) In mill., (E) Rate base: Net orig. cost. Rate all'd on com. eq. in '21 in NC: 9.6%; 9.5%; in '20 in FL: 9.5%-11.5%; in '20 in IN: 9.7%. in '19 in SC:9.5%; Reg. Clim.: NC, SC Avg.; OH, IN Above Avg.

Company's Financial Strength	A
Stock's Price Stability	95
Price Growth Persistence	45
Earnings Predictability	100

NORTHWESTERN NDQ-NWE

RECENT PRICE **50.25** | P/E RATIO **13.7** (Trailing: 15.6 / Median: 17.0) | RELATIVE P/E RATIO **0.74** | DIV'D YLD **5.2%** | **VALUE LINE**

TIMELINESS 2 Raised 4/12/24
SAFETY 3 Lowered 1/19/24
TECHNICAL 5 Lowered 4/12/24
BETA .95 (1.00 = Market)

18-Month Target Price Range

Low-High	Midpoint (% to Mid)
$41-$70	$56 (10%)

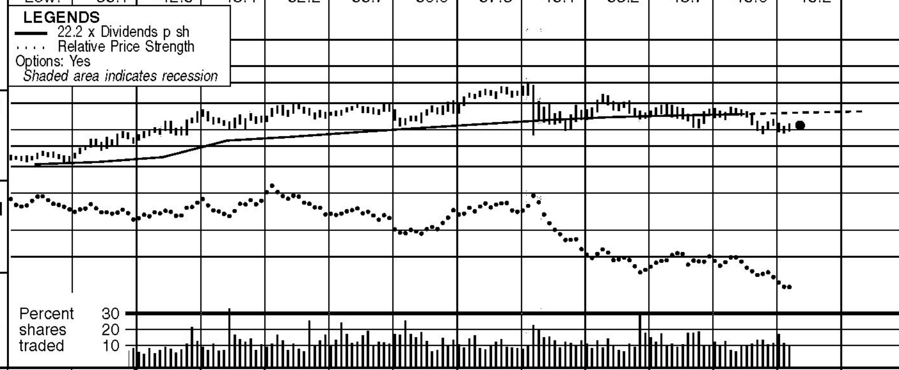
2027-29 PROJECTIONS

	Price	Gain	Ann'l Total Return
High	75	(+50%)	14%
Low	50	(Nil)	5%

Institutional Decisions

	2Q2023	3Q2023	4Q2023
to Buy	157	123	144
to Sell	113	151	130
Hld's(000)	58238	59029	59945

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
High:	47.2	58.7	59.7	63.8	64.5	65.7	76.7	80.5	70.8	63.1	61.2	51.8
Low:	35.1	42.6	48.4	52.2	55.7	50.0	57.3	45.1	53.2	48.7	46.0	46.2



Target Price Range 2027 | 2028 | 2029: 128, 96, 80, 64, 48, 40, 32, 24, 16, 12

% TOT. RETURN 3/24

	THIS STOCK	VL ARITH.* INDEX
1 yr.	-7.6	16.9
3 yr.	-10.6	16.2
5 yr.	-10.6	71.5

2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	27-29
35.09	31.72	30.66	30.80	28.76	29.80	25.68	25.21	26.01	26.45	23.81	24.93	23.70	25.38	24.74	23.22	*25.60*	*26.60*	Revenues per sh	*28.90*
4.40	4.62	4.76	5.42	5.18	5.45	5.39	5.92	6.74	6.76	6.96	7.07	6.86	6.92	6.46	6.69	*7.10*	*7.45*	"Cash Flow" per sh	*8.55*
1.77	2.02	2.14	2.53	2.26	2.46	2.99	2.90	3.39	3.34	3.40	3.53	3.21	3.50	3.29	3.22	*3.50*	*3.70*	Earnings per sh A	*4.25*
1.32	1.34	1.36	1.44	1.48	1.52	1.60	1.92	2.00	2.10	2.20	2.30	2.40	2.48	2.52	2.56	*2.60*	*2.64*	Div'd Decl'd per sh B ■ †	*2.76*
3.47	5.26	6.30	5.20	5.89	5.95	5.76	5.89	5.96	5.60	5.64	6.26	8.02	8.03	8.62	9.26	*8.15*	*8.15*	Cap'l Spending per sh	*8.25*
21.25	21.86	22.64	23.68	25.09	26.60	31.50	33.22	34.68	36.44	38.60	40.42	41.10	43.28	44.61	45.48	*46.40*	*47.50*	Book Value per sh C	*51.85*
35.93	36.00	36.23	36.28	37.22	38.75	46.91	48.17	48.33	49.37	50.32	50.45	50.59	54.06	59.74	61.25	*61.50*	*62.00*	Common Shs Outst'g D	*64.00*
13.9	11.5	12.9	12.6	15.7	16.9	16.2	18.4	17.2	17.8	16.8	19.9	18.6	17.4	17.3	17.0	*Bold figures are*		Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	*14.5*
.84	.77	.82	.79	1.00	.95	.85	.93	.90	.90	.91	1.06	.96	.94	1.00	.95	*Value Line*		Relative P/E Ratio	*.80*
5.4%	5.7%	4.9%	4.5%	4.2%	3.7%	3.3%	3.6%	3.4%	3.5%	3.9%	3.3%	4.0%	4.1%	4.4%	4.7%	*estimates*		Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	*4.5%*

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 12/31/23
Total Debt $2820.8 mill. **Due in 5 Yrs** $1011.5 mill.
LT Debt $2690.5 mill. **LT Interest** $109.0 mill.
Incl. $5.5 mill. finance leases.
(Total Interest Coverage: 2.4x)

Pension Assets-12/23 $402.7 mill. **Oblig** $477.0 mill.

Pfd Stock None

Common Stock 61,256,549 shs. as of 2/9/24

MARKET CAP: $3.1 billion (Mid Cap)

2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025		27-29
1204.9	1214.3	1257.2	1305.7	1198.1	1257.9	1198.7	1372.3	1477.8	1422.1	*1575*	*1650*	Revenues ($mill)	*1850*
120.7	138.4	164.2	162.7	171.1	179.3	162.6	181.6	185.5	194.1	*215*	*230*	Net Profit ($mill)	*270*
--	13.7%	--	7.6%	--	1.6%	--	.9%	.9%	3.7%	*6.0%*	*9.0%*	Income Tax Rate	*12.0%*
8.9%	9.8%	4.3%	5.2%	3.4%	4.6%	6.0%	14.9%	18.5%	21.6%	*20.0%*	*20.0%*	AFUDC % to Net Profit	*20.0%*
53.4%	53.1%	52.0%	50.2%	52.2%	52.5%	52.8%	52.2%	48.2%	49.1%	*50.0%*	*51.0%*	Long-Term Debt Ratio	*50.5%*
46.6%	46.9%	48.0%	49.8%	47.8%	47.5%	47.2%	47.8%	51.8%	50.9%	*50.0%*	*49.0%*	Common Equity Ratio	*49.5%*
3168.0	3408.6	3493.9	3614.5	4064.6	4289.8	4409.1	4893.1	5148.3	5475.4	*5725*	*5975*	Total Capital ($mill)	*6700*
3758.0	4059.5	4214.9	4358.3	4521.3	4700.9	4952.9	5247.2	5657.5	6039.8	*6300*	*6600*	Net Plant ($mill)	*7300*
4.8%	5.2%	5.9%	5.6%	5.2%	5.2%	4.6%	4.6%	4.5%	4.5%	*4.5%*	*5.0%*	Return on Total Cap'l	*5.0%*
8.2%	8.6%	9.8%	9.0%	8.8%	8.8%	7.8%	7.8%	7.0%	7.0%	*7.5%*	*8.0%*	Return on Shr. Equity	*8.0%*
8.2%	8.6%	9.8%	9.0%	8.8%	8.8%	7.8%	7.8%	7.0%	7.0%	*7.5%*	*8.0%*	Return on Com Equity E	*8.0%*
3.8%	3.0%	4.1%	3.4%	3.2%	3.1%	2.0%	2.3%	1.7%	1.4%	*2.0%*	*2.5%*	Retained to Com Eq	*3.0%*
54%	65%	58%	62%	64%	64%	74%	71%	76%	79%	*74%*	*71%*	All Div'ds to Net Prof	*65%*

ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS

	2021	2022	2023
% Change Retail Sales (KWH)	+.7	+3.7	-.3
Avg. Indust. Use (MWH)	NA	NA	NA
Avg. Indust. Revs. per KWH (¢)	NA	NA	NA
Capacity at Peak (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
Peak Load, Winter (Mw)	2000	2073	1992
Annual Load Factor (%)	NA	NA	NA
% Change Customers (yr-end)	+1.6	+1.5	+1.6
Fixed Charge Cov. (%)	245	219	216

ANNUAL RATES

of change (per sh)	Past 10 Yrs.	Past 5 Yrs.	Est'd '21-'23 to '27-'29
Revenues	-2.0%	-1.0%	*2.5%*
"Cash Flow"	2.5%	-.5%	*3.5%*
Earnings	3.5%	--	*4.0%*
Dividends	5.5%	3.5%	*2.0%*
Book Value	6.0%	4.0%	*3.0%*

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY REVENUES ($ mill.) Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	400.8	298.2	326.0	347.3	1372.3
2022	394.5	323.0	335.1	425.2	1477.8
2023	454.5	290.5	321.1	356.0	1422.1
2024	*475*	*325*	*370*	*405*	*1575*
2025	*500*	*340*	*385*	*425*	*1650*

Cal-endar	EARNINGS PER SHARE A Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2021	1.24	.59	.70	.97	3.50
2022	1.08	.58	.47	1.16	3.29
2023	1.10	.32	.48	1.32	3.22
2024	*1.25*	*.50*	*.60*	*1.15*	*3.50*
2025	*1.30*	*.55*	*.65*	*1.20*	*3.70*

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID B ■ † Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2020	.60	.60	.60	.60	2.40
2021	.62	.62	.62	.62	2.48
2022	.63	.63	.63	.63	2.52
2023	.64	.64	.64	.64	2.56
2024	.65				

BUSINESS: NorthWestern Energy Group, Inc. supplies electricity & gas in the Upper Midwest and Northwest, serving 467,700 electric customers in Montana and South Dakota and 307,600 gas customers in Montana, South Dakota, and Nebraska. Electric revenue breakdown for 2023: residential, 44%; commercial, 50%; industrial, 4%; and other, 2%. Generating sources: coal, 18%; hydro, 37%; wind, 4%; natural gas, 12%; purchased power, 29%. Fuel costs: 30% of revenues. 2023 reported depreciation rate: 2.8%. Had 1,573 employees as of 12/31/23. Chair of the board of directors: Dana J. Dykhouse. President and CEO: Brian B. Bird. Incorporated: DE. Address: 3010 West 69th Street, Sioux Falls, SD 57108. Telephone: 605-978-2900. Internet: www.northwesternenergy.com.

NorthWestern Energy's profits should be on the rise this year from higher electric and natural gas delivery rates. In October, Montana regulators approved the settlement agreement the utility had negotiated with key members of the state's business community. The new prices lift annual electric and natural gas revenues by $67.4 million and $14.1 million, respectively. Those levels are based on an authorized return on equity (ROE) of 9.65% for electric and 9.55% for gas. The utility also received pricing mechanisms that allow for the expedient pass through of changes in both fuel/purchased power costs and property taxes. Those will reduce regulatory lag. In January, South Dakota officials came to terms with the company on electric rates that will raise annual revenue by $21.5 million based on a 6.81% rate of return. Management is targeting a range of $3.42 to $3.62 for 2024 earnings per share. The company raised the quarterly dividend to an annualized rate of $2.60 a share from $2.56.

Leadership affirmed its 4% to 6% annual earnings growth expectation. It provided an updated five-year capital investment plan that calls for average expenditures of $500 million per year from 2024 through 2028. The $2.5 billion total investment should grow the company's rate base (the dollar value of assets for which a utility is allowed to earn a regulated return on) by about 4% to 6% per annum. That, in turn, should translate to 4% to 6% yearly earnings-per-share gains. The fairly conservative plan assumes no equity needs are necessary unless there are opportunities to expand generation build beyond the $143 million budgeted for that category. We're projecting there will be some on both fronts. The plan also calls for $1.8 billion to be spent on the expansion and modernization of electric and gas transmission and distribution systems across its territories, with the remainder on infrastructure maintenance.

This equity is timely. Longer term, however, it doesn't really stand out relative to its peer group on an annual total-return basis. This is partially because it's growth prospects are about average and dividend hikes will likely remain limited until the payout ratio returns to the mid-60% area.

Anthony J. Glennon *April 19, 2024*

(A) Diluted egs. Excl. nonrec. gains/(losses): '12, 40¢; '15, 27¢; '18, 52¢; '19, 45¢; '20, (15¢); '21, 10¢; '22, (4¢). Qtly EPS may not sum to full yr. due to rounding. Next egs. report due early May. (B) Div'ds paid late Mar., June, Sept. & Dec. ■ Div'd reinvest. plan avail. † Shrhldr. invest. plan avail. (C) Incl. def'd charges and intag. '23: $17.90/sh. (D) In mill. (E) Rate base: Net orig. cost. Rate allowed on com. eq. in MT in '22 (elec.): 9.65%; in '22 (gas): 9.55%; in SD in '24: 6.81%; in NE in '07: 10.4%. Reg. Climate: Below Avg.

Company's Financial Strength	B+
Stock's Price Stability	90
Price Growth Persistence	25
Earnings Predictability	95

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