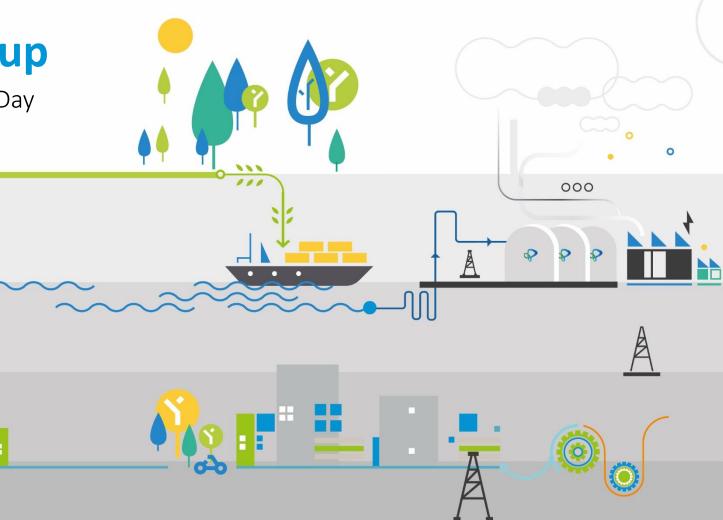


Drax Group

Capital Markets Day

15 June 2017



Presenters



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Chief Executive Officer
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President and CEO
Drax Biomass

Agenda

9.30 – 9.45	Introduction and Strategy Dorothy Thompson
9.45 – 10.15	Retail – Haven Power and Opus Energy Jonathan Kini
10.15 – 10.45	Generation – Drax Power Andy Koss
	Q&A
10.45 – 11.15	Break
11.15 – 11.45	Biomass Supply – Drax Biomass Pete Madden
11.45 – 12.15	Financial Model Will Gardiner
	Q&A

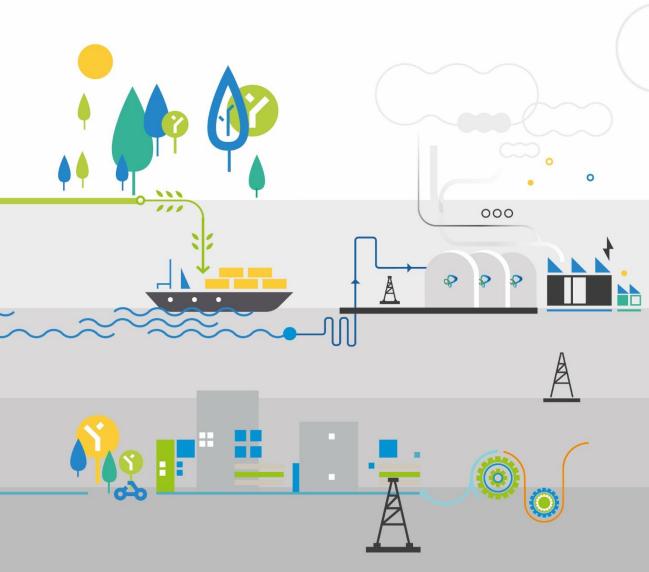




Strategy

Dorothy Thompson

CEO, Drax Group



Helping Change the Way Energy is Generated, Supplied and Used for a Better Future

Our purpose

To help change the way energy is generated, supplied and used for a better future

How

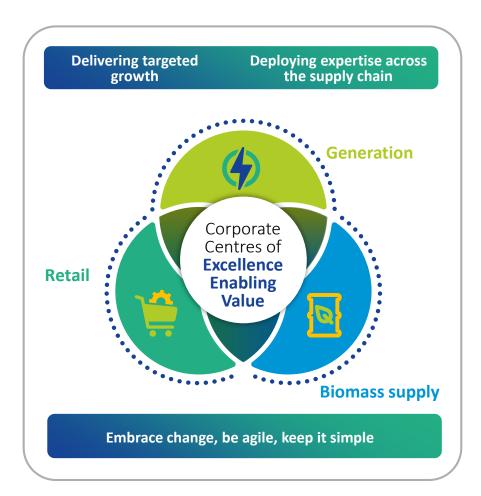
By providing inspiring, flexible energy solutions that make a difference to customers

Result

Predictable and growing earnings

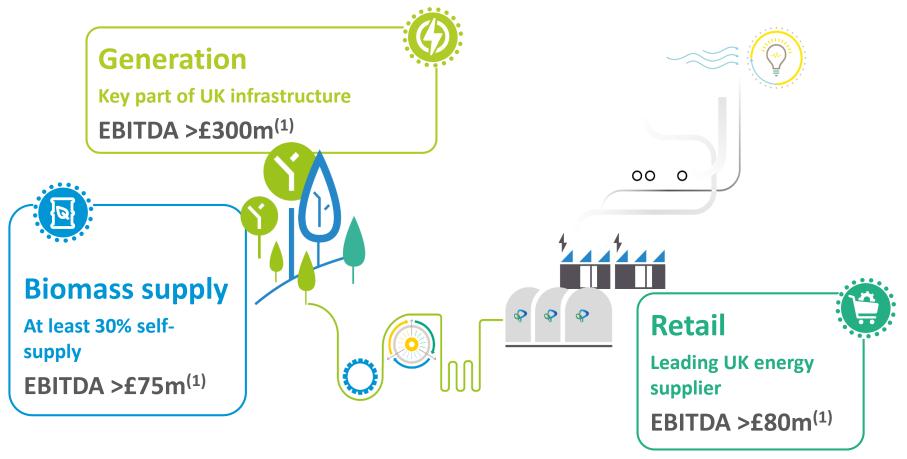
Targeted investment in long-term growth

Prudent capital structure and financial policies



Drax 2025

High quality growing earnings across all areas of operation



(1) Excludes Central Costs

Underpinned by safety, sustainability, operational excellence and expertise in our markets

Investment Case



Clear strategy offering a strong growth opportunity



Key components of the Group in place, with continued earnings streams beyond 2027



Capital allocation supports growth strategy and dividend policy



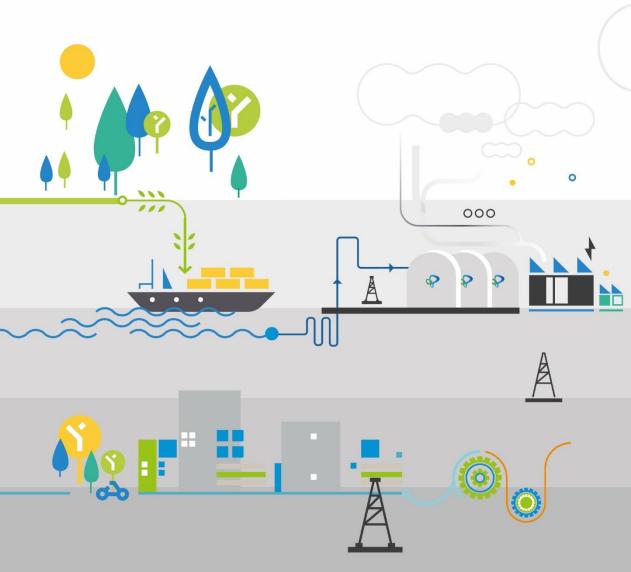
Management team focused on driving operational excellence and innovation



Retail

Jonathan Kini

CEO, Haven Power & Opus Energy



Retail Strategy



A leading challenger

Continued strong growth in SME⁽¹⁾

Profitable I&C(2)

A growing retail annuity



Innovation

Commercial agility

Lowering cost to serve

Customer proposition



Market differentiation

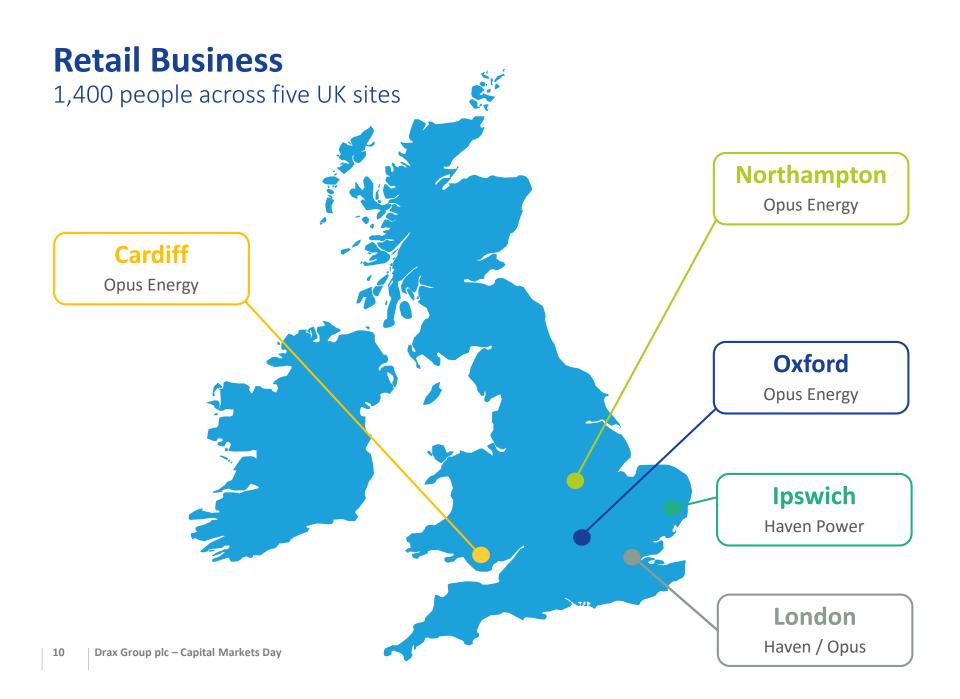
Focus on customers

Make renewables and sustainability simple

Inspire change in energy use

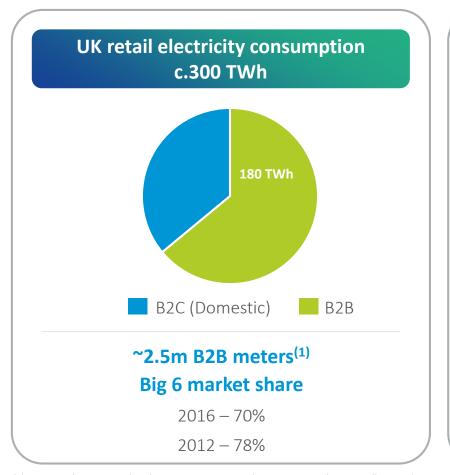
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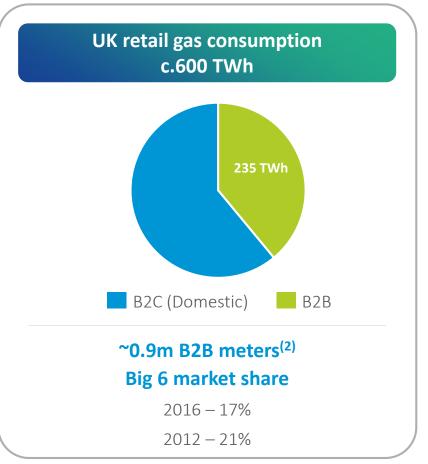
- (1) Small and Medium-sized Enterprise
- (2) Industrial & Commercial



Business to Business (B2B) Market

A major market with over five million businesses

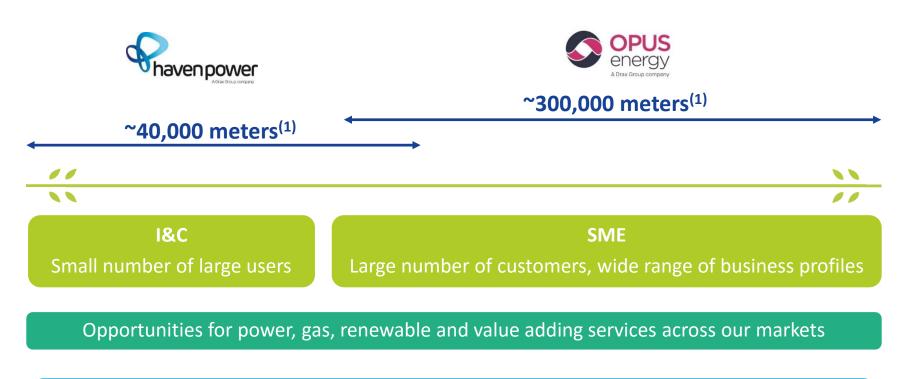




- (1) Business Electricity Market Share Assessments, October 2016. Report by Cornwall Energy (January 2017)
- (2) Business Gas Market Share Assessments, October 2016. Report by Cornwall Energy (January 2017)

Our Customers

Over 340,000 meters in electricity & gas



Opus – target growth in SME market sector

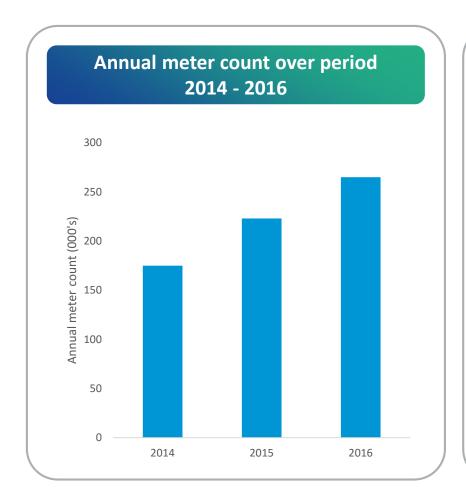
Haven – target growth in larger customers in mid market sector

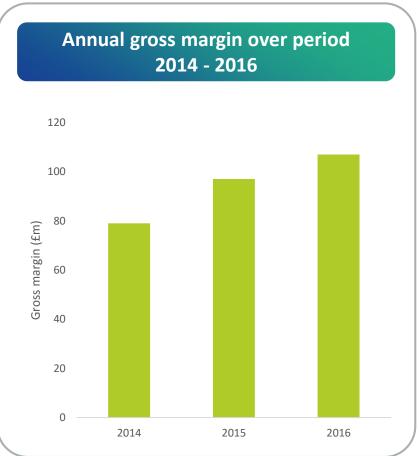
Haven – profitability in I&C

(1) At March 2017

Opus Energy

Track record of SME market share growth and profitability





Opus Energy

Delivering the strategy



A leading challenger

Increase SME market share

Strong TPI⁽¹⁾ relationships

Increase product holding of base

Retention



Innovation

Customer service

– easy to do
business with

Tie up with Renewables

Cost to serve – online

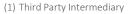


Market differentiation

Certainty

Understand business needs; expertise in SME market

Speed of execution





Opus Energy

Differentiating in the market



Strength of service to Customers and TPIs



Expanding product offering to new segments





Comprehensive online service



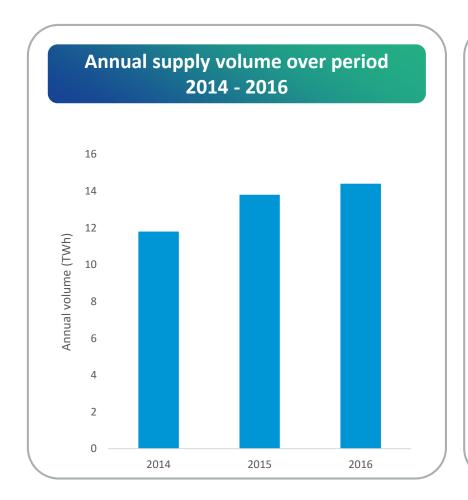
Understand the value of certainty to the SME market

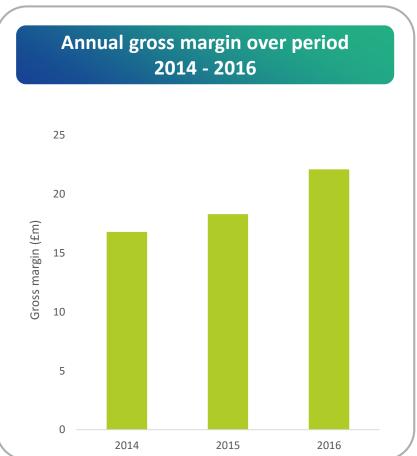




Haven Power

Growth and increasing profitability in I&C / SME markets





Haven Power

Delivering the strategy



A leading challenger

Sales volume

I&C profitability

SME growth



Innovation

Renewable tariff products

New platform



Market differentiation

Better use of energy

Partnerships



Haven Power

Differentiating in the market



Flexible contracts



Demand side response

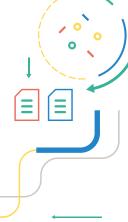




Energy efficiency and consulting services



Budget tracking

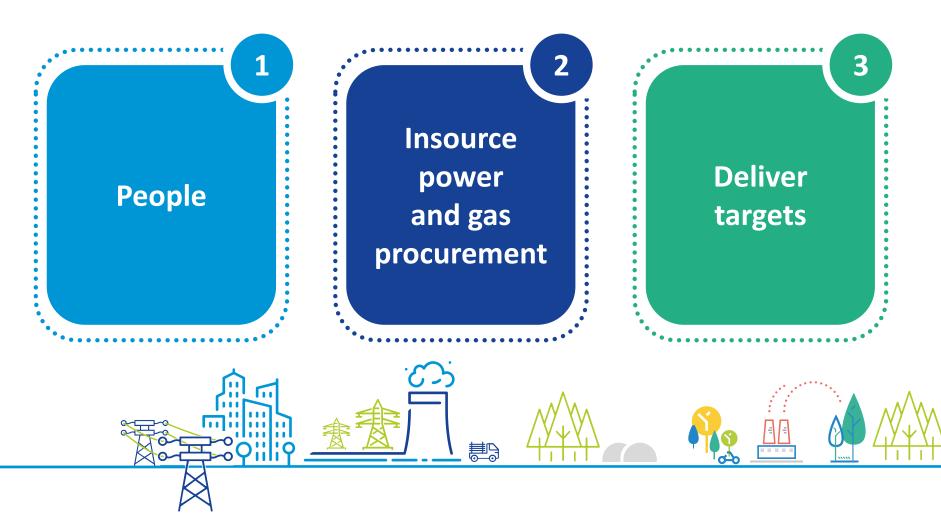






Opus Energy – On-boarding

Areas of focus in 2017



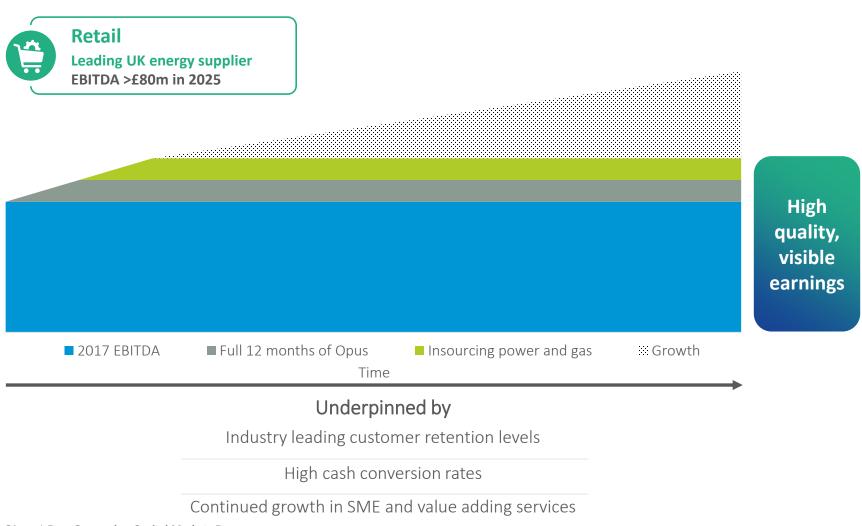
Areas of Focus

Future



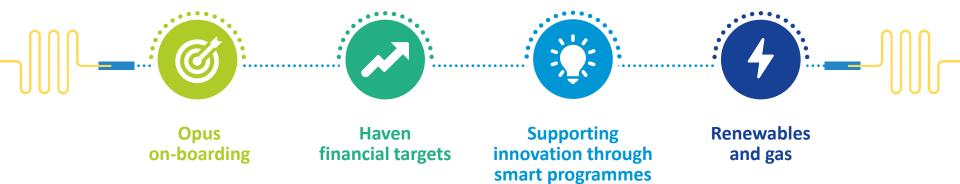
A Growing Retail Annuity

Margin predictability through customer retention



Priorities for 2017

Supporting the strategy



Summary



A leading challenger

Continued strong growth in SME

Profitable I&C

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Innovation

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Market differentiation

Focus on customers

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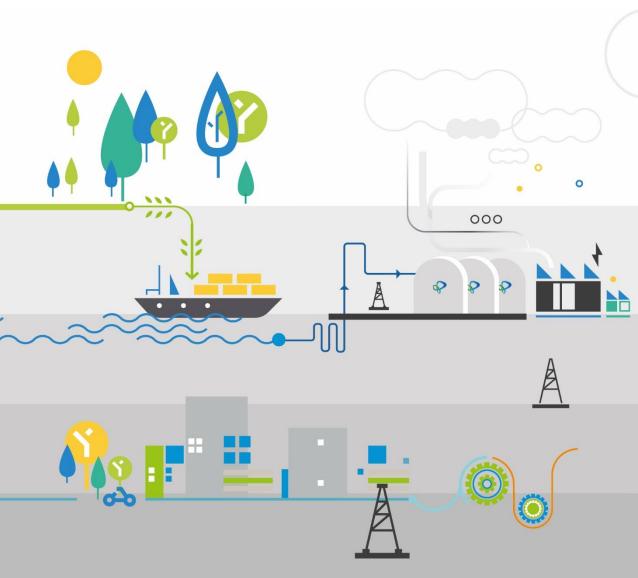




Generation

Andy Koss

CEO, Drax Power



Generation Strategy



Optimise returns from Drax Power Station



Expand business to support low carbon future and manage system stability



Explore all options to exploit strengths beyond 2027

Underpinned by safety, sustainability, operational excellence and expertise in our markets





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Safety and Sustainability



Safety

Strong safety performance

Lowest injury rates on record

Total Recordable Injury Rate

0.10 YTD

(2016: 0.13)



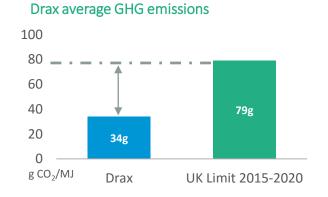
Sustainability

Proven carbon abatement

Well established sustainability policy

Major reduction in NOx emissions

- Biomass generation and NOx abatement strategy
- IED⁽¹⁾ compliant



(1) Industrial Emissions Directive

Generation Business



(1) Dedicated facilities at four major UK ports – Hull, Immingham, Tyne and Liverpool

Drax Power Station4GW

Rapid response gas developments
1.2GW

Other infrastructure

12Mt biomass handling capacity⁽¹⁾

225 biomass rail wagons

Biomass – low cost, large scale renewable generation

CfD unit operations

Stable and predictable revenues to 2027 – indexed to CPI

ROC unit operations

ROC revenues to 2027 – indexed to RPI

Secure biomass supply and cost visibility

Core fuel requirement secured

5-10 year fixed price-formula contracts in place

Rolling five year hedging strategy



Biomass – optimising operational performance



Availability

World class performance – 95% availability in Q1 2017



Investment

Prioritisation of biomass unit performance

Year-round high availability target

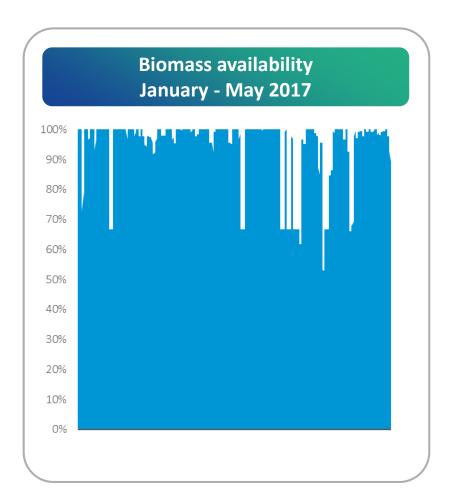
Focus on CfD unit outage in Q3 2017



Innovation

Lean management

Analytics to drive continuous improvement



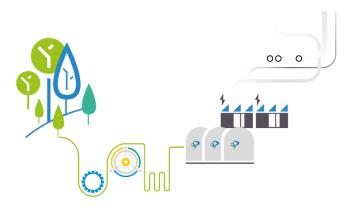
Coal – flexible capacity focused on system support market

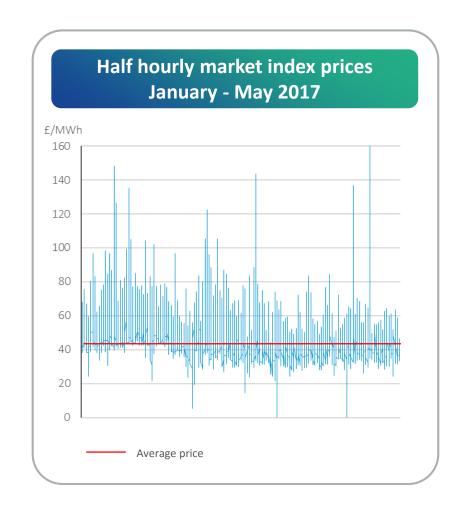
Greater demand for system support services

Flexible operations

- Dynamic mix of revenues depending on electricity price and system operator requirements
- Units positioned to be attractive to National Grid

Focus on capturing high value prompt prices at times of system scarcity





Coal – optimising operational performance



Availability

Limited summer operation, higher level winter operation

Secure capacity market revenues



Investment

Targeted investment, maintaining optionality

Flexibility and reliability rewarded over efficiency



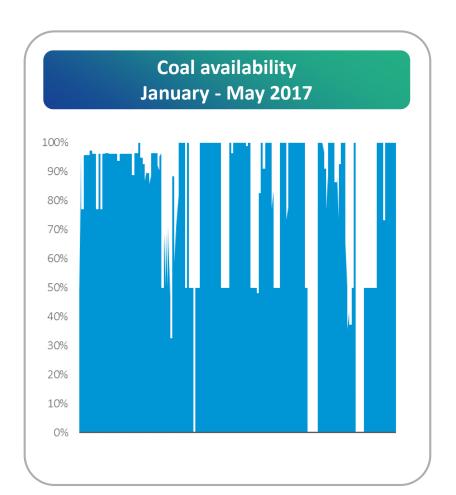
Fuel diet

Broader diet targeted to enhance value



Innovation

Ash reclaim project from landfill



Meeting the system operability challenge

Growth of system support



- Increase in intermittent and embedded generation
- Closure of large thermal plant
- Renewal of inflexible nuclear

Key services



Frequency, reserve and voltage

Markets



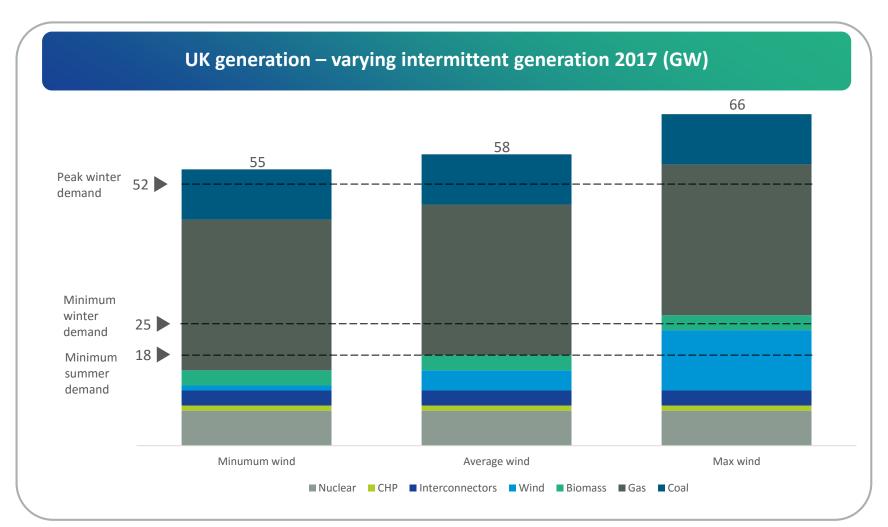
- Prompt, balancing and ancillary service markets

Opportunities



- Ability to provide headroom (turn up) on coal units and footroom (turn down) on biomass units
- All forms of frequency response available, including Enhanced Frequency Response
- Black Start capability
- All Drax units provide inertia to support system stability
- Voltage management

Opportunities from changing system demand requirements



Expansion Opportunity

Rapid response Open Cycle Gas Turbines (OCGT)

Why rapid response?

Response to system operability challenge

- Highly flexible
- Rapid delivery of full load from stand-still

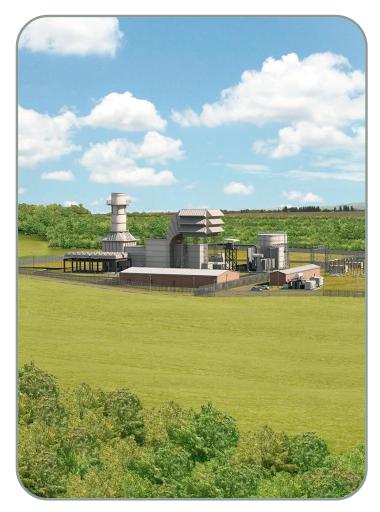
Strong strategic fit

- Long-term revenue predictability from capacity market
- Builds on generation and trading core competencies

Proven technology

Aligned with government energy policy

Important enabler for the move to a low carbon economy



Artist's impression of a Drax rapid response gas power station

Rapid Response Gas

Project update

Four sites with total capacity of c.1,200MW

Four x 299MW units

Two sites with all principal permits

Progress Power and Hirwaun Power

- Bidding in 2017 auction for 15 year capacity contract
- Target operations three years post contract award

Two sites in permit process

Millbrook Power and Abergelli Power

Targeting 2019 T-4 capacity market auction











Rapid Response Gas

Investment case



Option to develop 1.2GW of new OCGT gas

Investment decisions subject to 15 year capacity contract

Multiple revenue streams, with high visibility from capacity contract

Low capital and operating cost

Attractive return on capital

Diversification of generation asset base and location

Options Beyond 2027

Biomass – continuing profitable generation



Continued need for system support services

Biomass units can provide reliable, flexible low carbon generation



Pellet cost reduction

Specific team focused on pellet cost reduction

Comprehensive review of all aspects of pellet cost
Fibre, freight, logistics

Research and Innovation Fuel envelope and technologies

and unit efficiency



Development of options for future unit conversions

Trialling low cost solutions for further unit conversion

U4 trial extended through summer Testing options for use of existing co-firing infrastructure

Options Beyond Coal

Creating options, supporting operational flexibility

New opportunities for a coal-free future

Conversion of remaining units to biomass

Baseload or system support units with optimised biomass supply chain

Potential to repurpose assets to gas

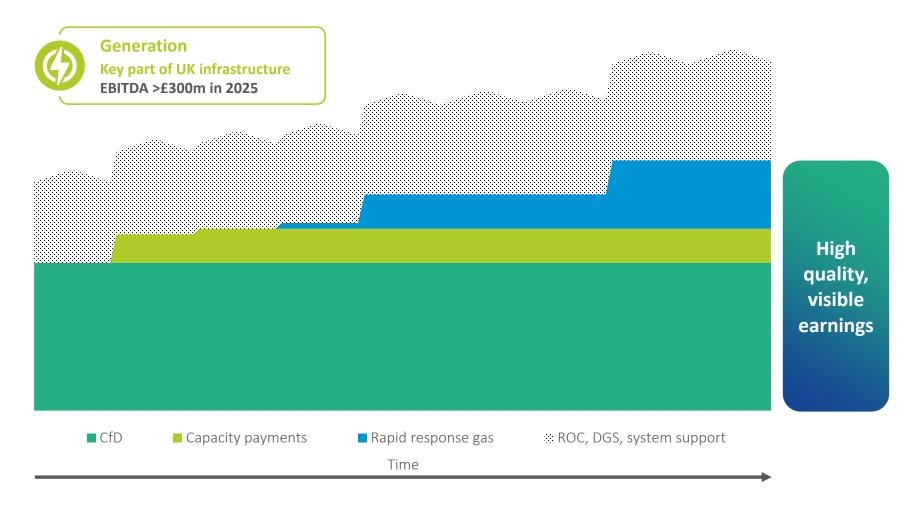
Exploit infrastructure and grid access







Increasing earnings visibility and important role in system support



Summary





Optimise returns from current business

- CfD strong visible base
- RO significant additional earnings
- Coal upside from flexible operations
- System support
- Capacity payments



Low carbon future

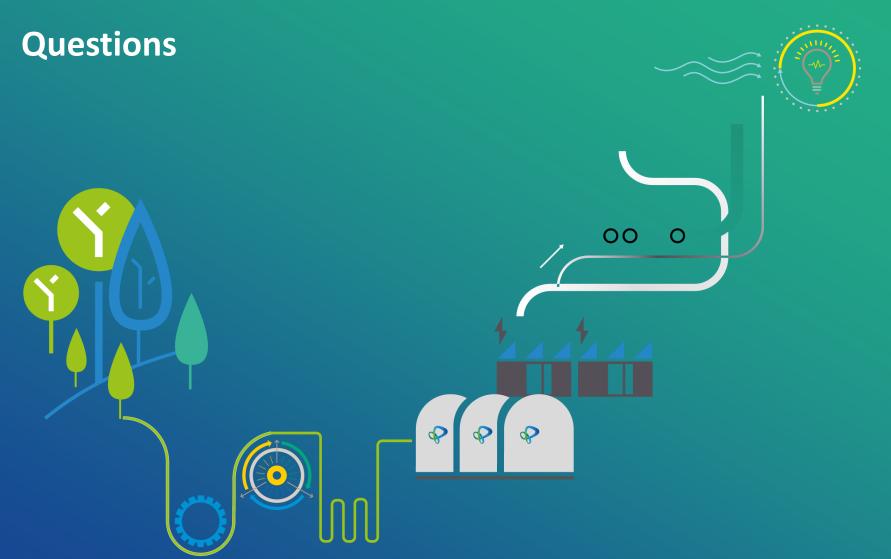
- Further biomass generation
- Rapid response gas projects



Development options

- Optimisation of biomass supply chain and logistics
- Opportunities for a coal-free future



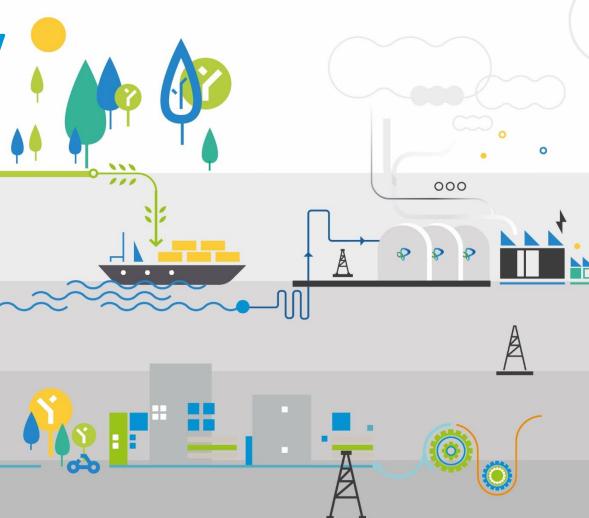




Biomass Supply

Pete Madden

President and CEO, Drax Biomass



Pellet Supply Strategy

Advancing innovation and improvement within the pellet industry



Operational excellence

- Safe, reliable and flexible operations
- Low cost, good quality pellets



Innovation

- Continuous improvement, efficiencies and cost reduction
- Leverage benefits of multiple assets and location for operational efficiencies



Increase to at least 30% self-supply

- Identify opportunities to add capacity to portfolio
- Stable and growing earnings profile
- Attractive long-term market

Underpinned by safety, sustainability, operational excellence and expertise in our markets



Safe and Sustainable

Committed to high safety and sustainability standards



Safety

Improving performance



Strong sustainability credentials

SFI® Certified Sourcing

SFI®, PEFC, FSC® Chain of Custody

Sustainable Biomass Programme certification



Further commitment to sustainability

Independent audit by third party

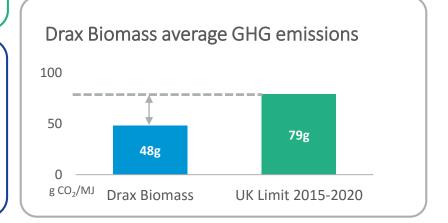
Working with forest owners

- Tree farmers programme
- Promote sustainable forest management

Total Recordable Injury Rate

0.47YTD

(2016: 1.11)



US Forestry

Leveraging abundant resource of fibre and infrastructure in US Southeast

US has >750 million acres of forest land

>35% of the landmass and 25% of global industrial wood production

Pellet industry less than 3% of annual harvest

Forest growing annually since 1950s

Protected by statutes, regulation and certification

Best practices in **forest management** and sustainability

US Southeast – key fibre basket

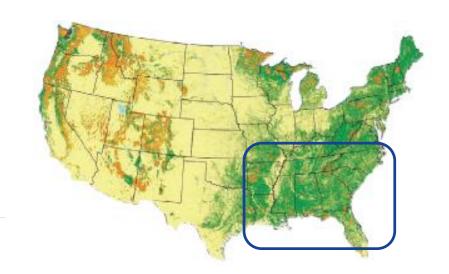
Vast resources of sustainable forestry

Inventories increased >90% since 1950

Well established commercial forestry industry and infrastructure

Structural decline in incumbent users of low value fibre

Opportunity for pellet producers



Stable commercial and regulatory environment

Operations Located in US Southeast

1.5 million tonnes of capacity



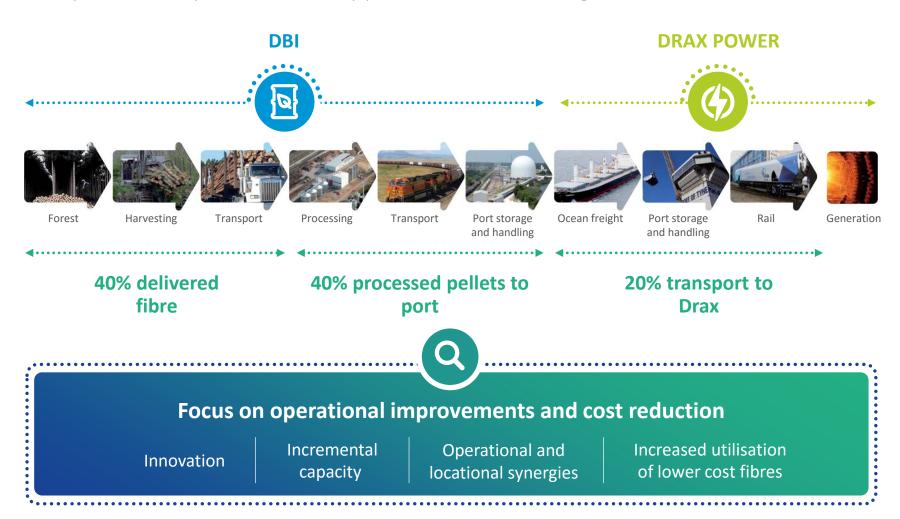
LaSalle BioEnergy

LaSalle, LA, 450kt pa

(from 2018)

Pellet Plant Economics

Components of process cost, opportunities for savings



Innovation

Case study: pellet dies

Pellet dies

Used to press fibre at high temperature into pellets

Significant wear and tear

12 dies per plant

c.\$10k per die

300-400 hours of operation

Outage required for replacement

New pellet dies reduce costs

Increased availability

800-1,000 hours of operation

Lighter, easier installation

Operational efficiency

Technology applicable across all existing assets



Innovation and Continuous Improvement

Opportunities identified to increase capacity and reduce pellet costs



Investments at Amite and Morehouse

Additional truck dumps

Increase capacity for lower cost residuals

Install dry shavings system

Increase capacity c.75k tonnes per plant

Total capex c.£10 million

Payback within two years



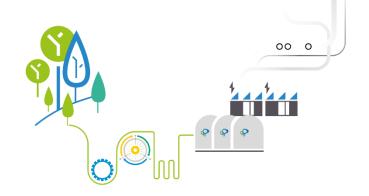
Benefits

Increase utilisation of lower cost fibre

- Original 80% pulpwood, 20% residuals
- Future 60% pulpwood, 40% residuals/shavings

Reduce processing cost





LaSalle BioEnergy

Attractively priced, good quality asset

Attractively priced

1/3 of new build cost

Price reflects lack of long-term offtake agreement

Shorter lead time to operation vs. new build

 Commission Q1 2018 following upgrades, build output through 2018

Significant contribution to portfolio

450kt capacity





Good quality asset

Proven technology

c.130k pellets produced in 2016

c.£20 million investment for additional upgrades

- Railroad infrastructure and additional log/chip storage
- Single line electrical system and IT infrastructure
- Safety, environmental policy and training
- Spare parts and equipment gap analysis



LaSalle BioEnergy

Strong fibre basket – low fibre demand, high supply



Region with 70% forest coverage

70 million metric tonnes of standing pine timber in 50 mile radius⁽¹⁾



Strong market for low value fibre

- > Two million metric tonnes decline in pulpwood fibre demand
- Closure of two pulp & paper facilities LaSalle requirement
- One million mt of fibre
- 450kt of pellets

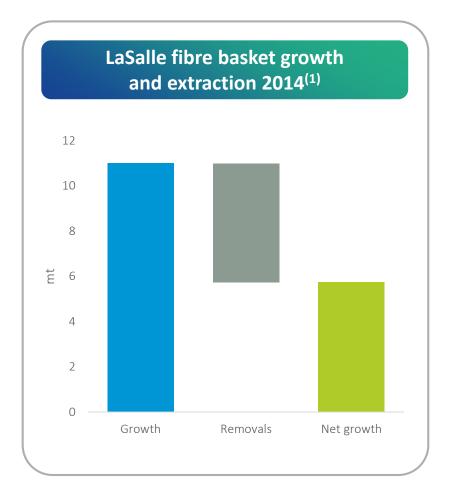


Sustain local forest-based economy

Supports long-term investment in forest

- Healthier forests, stronger yield





(1) USDA Forest Service

LaSalle Bioenergy

Leverage benefits of multiple assets and locations for operational efficiencies

All sites within 200 mile radius

Operational efficiencies

Common plant and joint strategic spares

Maximise reliability, minimise capital outlay

Flexibility through outage cycle

Human capital

Shared logistics to Baton Rouge

Rail and road

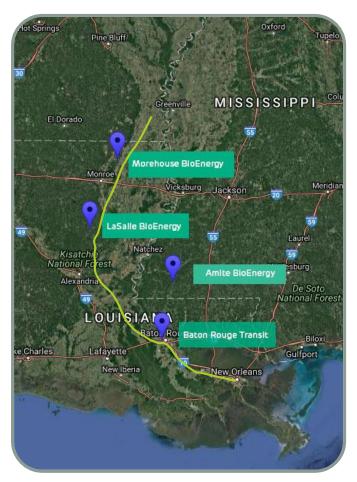
Increased port throughput

Complementary fibre sourcing

Optimisation of supply between plants

Further benefits associated with increased capacity

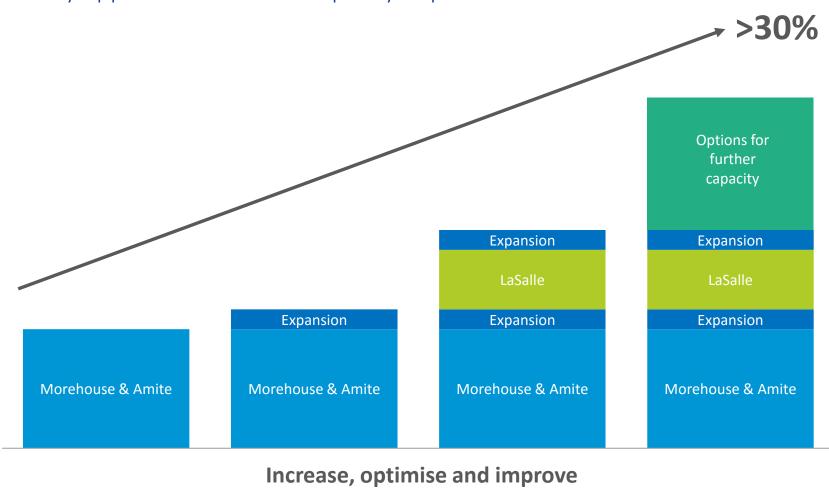
Target at least 30% self-supply



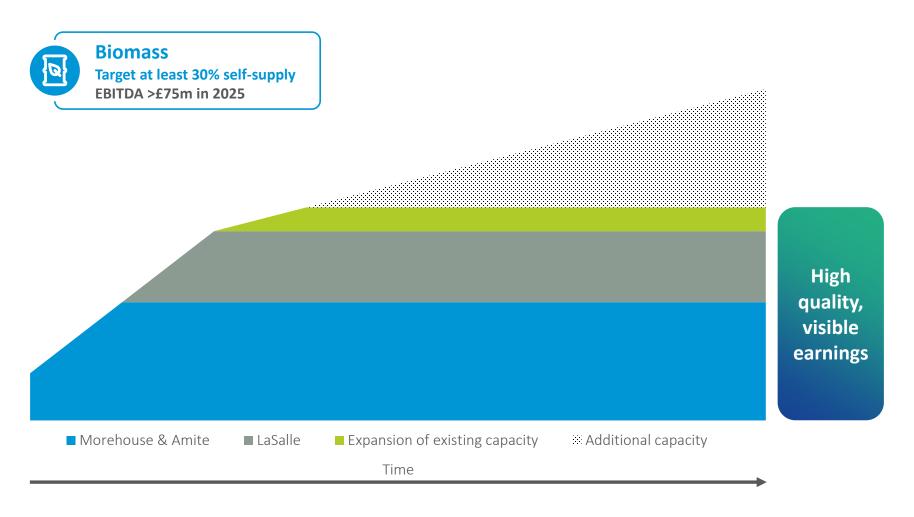
Rail line – Morehouse – LaSalle – Baton Rouge

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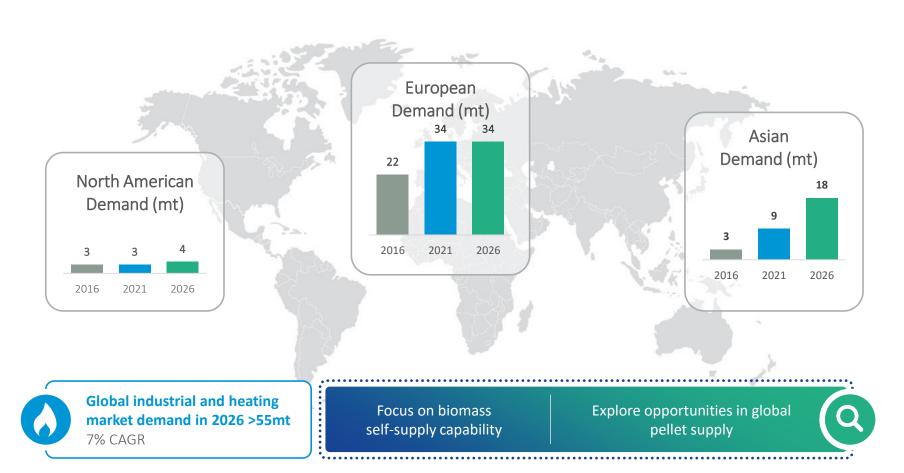


Increasingly profitable and growing biomass supply business



Global Pellet Market Outlook

Development of stable global growth of industrial and heating markets



(1) Hawkins Wright – The Outlook for Wood Pellets (2017)

Summary

Excellence in operations

Safe, reliable, flexible operations



Innovation

Opportunities for operational and fibre cost savings

Strong locational benefits

Maximising fibre basket resources

Good progress towards self-supply strategy

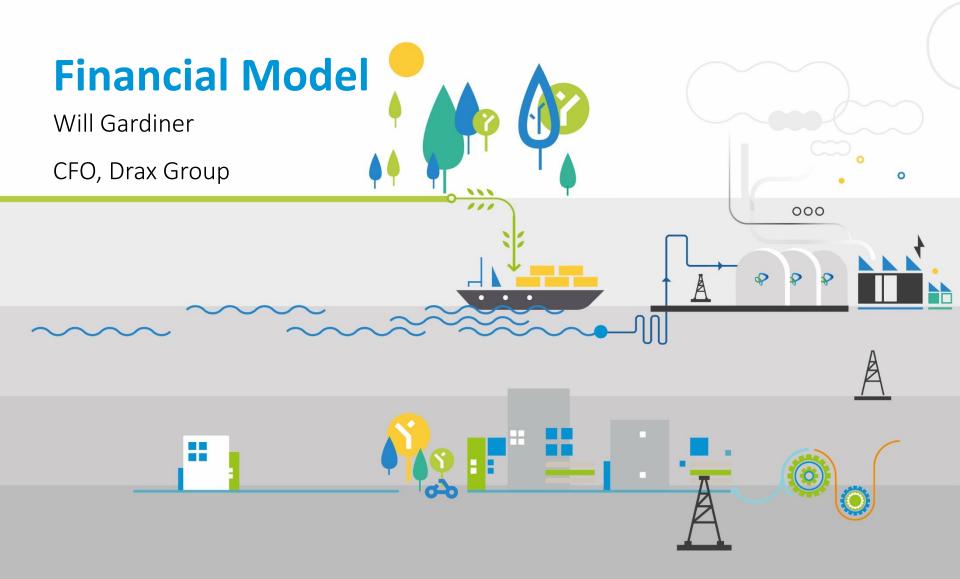
Incremental capacity improvements

LaSalle engineering programme in place, commissioning and ramping through 2018

Strong long-term outlook for global pellet market

Self-supply or third party opportunities





Financial Model

Highlights



High degree of earnings visibility, reducing commodity exposure

- Renewable support CfD and RO contracts to 2027 with long-term fuel and FX hedging programme
- Capacity payments
- Retail annuity
- Predictable pellet supply earnings



Good underlying growth in core business

- Profitable and growing retail businesses
- Important role in system support services
- Increasingly profitable and growing biomass supply business



Opportunities for further long-term growth

- Retail platform for growth
- Acquisition of pellet plants
- Development of rapid response gas, subject to capacity market
- Long-term options for generation



Strong financial position

- Strong balance sheet with low leverage
- Strong cash conversion stable maintenance capex and working capital efficiency opportunities



Clear capital allocation plan

- Maintain credit rating
- Investment in core business
- Sustainable and growing dividend
- Return surplus capital to shareholders

Underpinned by safety, sustainability, operational excellence and expertise in our markets

High Degree of Earnings Visibility

Reducing commodity exposure

Renewable support mechanisms

One biomass unit supported by CfD

- Guaranteed strike price for electricity
- £107/MWh in 2017⁽¹⁾
- Extends to 2027 indexed to CPI

Two biomass units supported by ROCs

- Increasing premium on power price
- Units earn c.£45/MWh⁽²⁾ plus power price
- Extends to 2027 indexed to RPI

Increase in non-power market revenues

Capacity payments, 2017-2021

c.£80m contracted

System support

A growing retail annuity

Stable margins from growing long-term biomass supply

- (1) Strike price in 2012 £100/MWh indexed to CPI
- (2) CP-16 price full buy out, excluding recycle fee

High Degree of Earnings Visibility

Risk management supports earnings visibility



Biomass generation revenues actively hedged

CfD unit hedged via CfD reference price

Forward power sales concentrated on ROC units

Largely sold over 2017/18

Coal units – focused on short-term markets

Upside from power market tightness

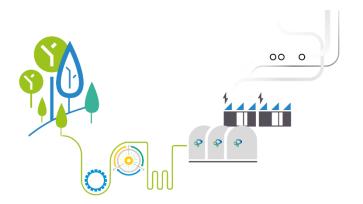


Biomass cost actively hedged

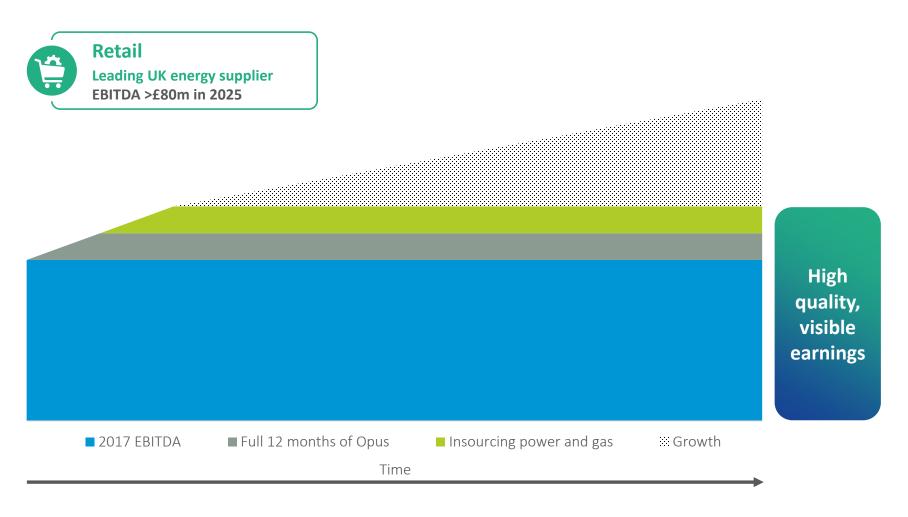
5-10 year fixed price-formula contracts in place

Benefit of self-supply capability

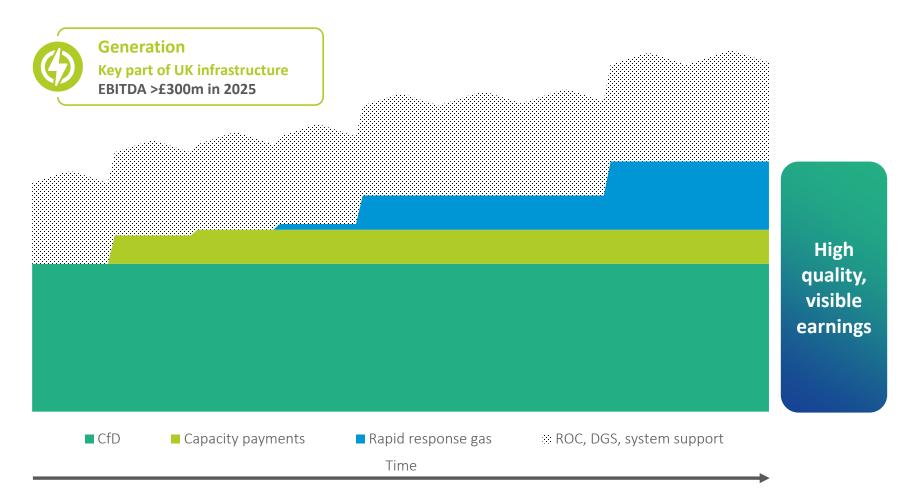
Rolling five year hedging strategy



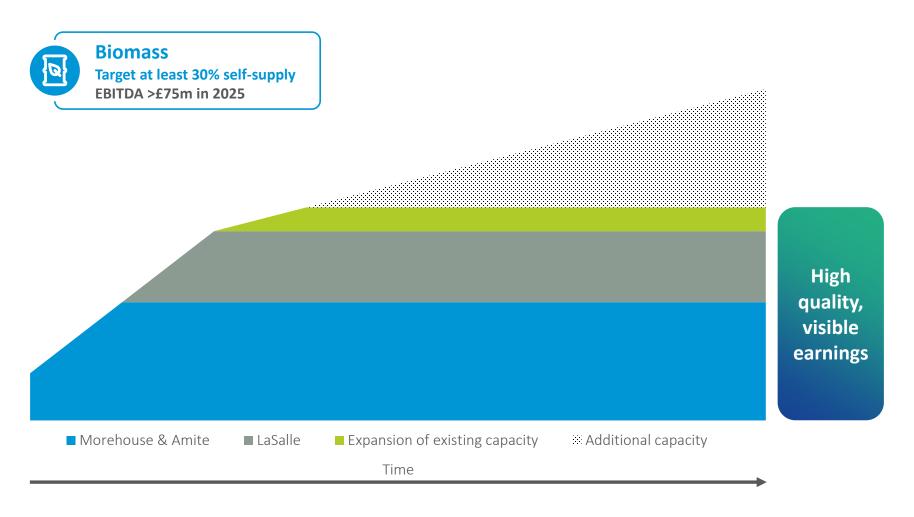
Profitable and growing retail business



Increasing earnings visibility and important role in system support



Increasingly profitable and growing biomass supply business



Opportunities for Further Long-term Growth

Value accretive long-term investment opportunities



Retail

Strengthen annuity by expanding product offering

Platforms offer market expansion opportunities



Generation

Further biomass generation

Continuing trials of low cost conversion solutions

Supply chain optimisation and ower cost biomass

Potential to repurpose coal



Pellet Supply

Attractive growing market



Opportunities to create value across the supply chain

Strong Financial Position

Cash flow



Operating cash flow

Visible and growing operating cash flow

Capital investment



Average maintenance capex c.£50m

Further investment in value accretive projects

- Rapid response gas £320-£400m
- Additional pellet plant acquisitions



Working capital

Remain focused on working capital management

Strong Financial Position

Prudent financial policies



Refinancing complete

Modest levels of debt

- Robust to low points in business cycle
- 2017 target c.2x net debt/EBITDA

Lower cost of financing

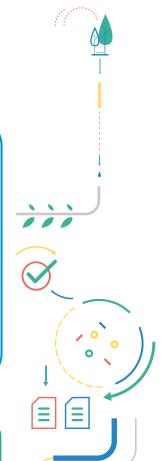
Commitment credit rating

- Supportive of trading strategy
- Investment grade rating on super-senior RCF



Strong cash flow generation from stable and predictable earnings base

Opportunities for further cash flow benefits



£550m high yield bonds £350m revolving credit facility

Capital Allocation

Policy designed to support strategy



Maintain credit rating

Investment in core business

Pay a sustainable and growing dividend

Return surplus capital to shareholders

Dividend Policy

Drax expects to pay a growing dividend consistent with maintaining its credit rating and investing in its business

Drax expects to recommend a dividend of £50m with regards to the 2017 financial year. The Board is confident that this dividend is sustainable and expects it to grow from this level as the implementation of the strategy generates an increasing proportion of stable earnings and cash flow. In determining the rate of growth in dividends the Board will take account of future investment opportunities and the less predictable cash flows from the Group's commodity-based businesses

If there is a build-up of capital in excess of the Group's investment needs the Board will consider the most appropriate mechanism to return this to shareholders

Summary

Strategy being delivered

Improving quality and stability of earnings, reducing commodity exposure

- Renewable and contract based revenues
- Retail and pellet supply becoming businesses of scale

Attractive opportunities from core assets

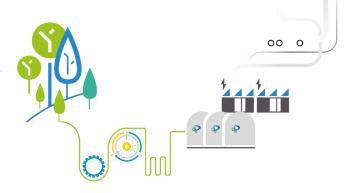
Value accretive investment opportunities support long-term earnings visibility

Financial model in place to support strategy

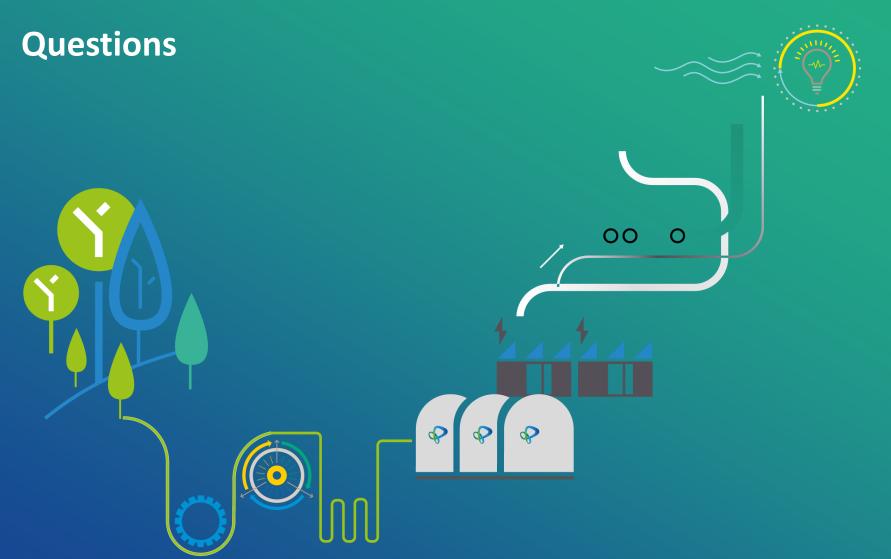
Refinancing complete

Dividend policy confirmed

2017 - in line with expectation







Drax Model Summary

Supporting earnings visibility and growth

Strategic Objective		Higher quality diversified and visible earnings, management of commodity exposure Targeted long-term growth opportunities			
		Current	Drax 2025		Other Opportunities
Markets	Retail	Opus and Haven	Opus and Haven	>£80m*	Products, services, markets
	Generation	1 baseload CfD unit Capacity payments	1 baseload CfD unit Capacity payments Rapid response gas	 >£300m* 	Further biomass generation
		2 x ROC units System support services	2 x ROC units System support services		Supply chain optimisation Repurposed coal
		3 x coal units	3 x coal unit opportunity		R&I / new technologies
	Biomass supply	c.15% self-supply	>30% self-supply target	>£75m*	New markets Further optimisation

Strategy underpinned by strong financial structure and capital allocation plan

Capital allocation

- Maintain credit rating
- Investment in core business
- Sustainable and growing dividend
- Investment in value or distribution to shareholders

Strong balance sheet

- £550m bonds (fixed and floating)
- £350m RCF

Balance sheet objectives

- 2017 target c.2x net debt/EBITDA
- Maintain credit rating

Capital investment

- Core £50m pa
- Gas £320-£400m
- Additional pellet plant acquisitions – new build benchmark c.\$120m for 500kt

Dividend policy

- £50m in 2017, expected to grow over time
- Affordable and sustainable
- Consider most appropriate mechanism to return surplus capital to shareholders

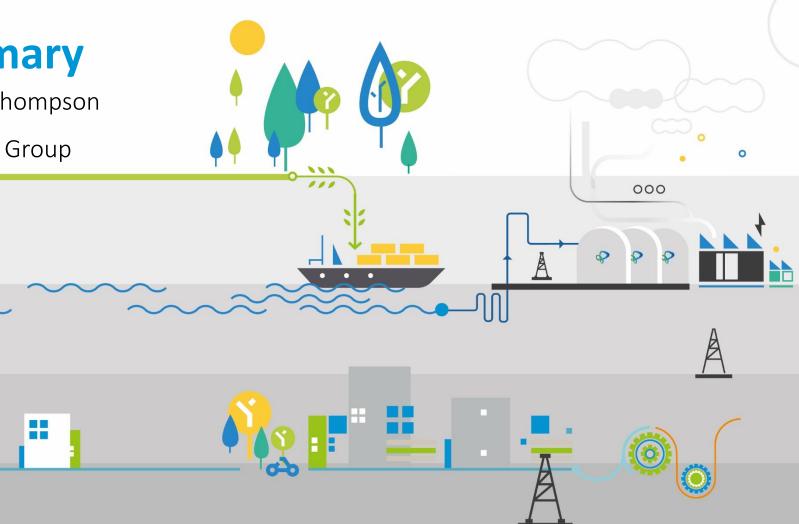
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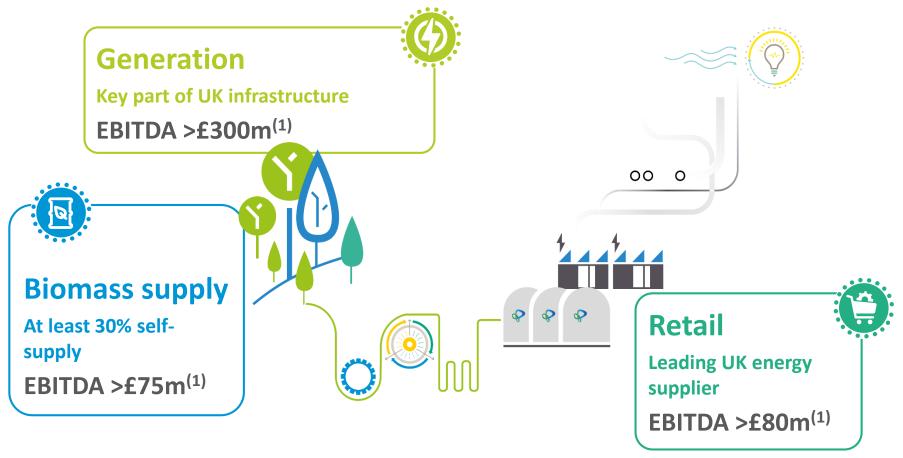
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Drax 2025

High quality growing earnings across all areas of operation



(1) Excludes Central Costs

Underpinned by safety, sustainability, operational excellence and expertise in our markets



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