

Sustainability Growth Investment Program

**Supplemental Presentation** 

January 31, 2023



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## Overview of Updated Sustainability Growth Investment Program

These investments are expected to generate \$580M in run-rate annual FCF(1)

In February 2022, WM outlined a multi-year plan for significant investments in its Renewable Energy and Recycling businesses

- WM has been executing on those announced plans and is very pleased with its progress to date
- WM has the industry's leading platforms in both Renewable Energy and Recycling
- WM remains enthusiastic about making economically-attractive, environmentally-conscious investments in these businesses

January 31, 2023 Update

Today we are providing an update on our planned investments, including:





- A comparison of previously announced plans to current plans for Renewable Energy and Recycling businesses
- Commentary on the drivers of the expanded investment programs for Renewable Energy and Recycling
- High-level commentary on the potential impacts of the Inflation Reduction Act ("IRA") and the Proposed EPA Set Rule (See Glossary on last page), including e-RINs, for our renewable energy business

# —— April 5, 2023 —— Investor Information Session

We plan to host an investor information session that will provide further commentary on our long-term plans for these businesses, including:

- For the Renewable Energy business:
  - Additional commentary on the potential impacts of the IRA & Proposed EPA Set Rule
  - Progress on our development plans for renewable natural gas (RNG) plants
  - Further opportunities in the landfill gas (LFG)-to-energy space
- For the Recycling business: Z
  - Additional detail on new geographic markets
  - Information on new and proposed recycling regulations
  - Progress of automation investments
- Positive environmental impacts of these projects



# Growing Our Renewable Energy Business



# Robust Long-Term Growth Potential for WM's LFG-to-Energy Platform

WM is driving growth from its existing landfill network as well as future value through a myriad of options

## **Our Portfolio Today**

## **Driving Opportunities for Tomorrow**



254 active solid waste landfills



200+ closed landfills

We have the largest landfill portfolio in North America



Captured ~120 Million MMBtu of landfill gas in 2021



55% available for beneficial use



45% beneficially used

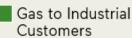


~65 Million **MMBtu** 



~55 Million **MMBtu** 





## Increasing beneficial use through new projects

- Actively developing new RNG projects to deliver value beyond traditional landfill operations and generate new earnings potential at closed landfills
- Accelerating development on smaller landfills by contracting with 3<sup>rd</sup> parties
- Considering options for development at remaining landfills, including landfill gas-to-electricity projects based on e-RIN pathway from EPA

#### Optimizing value from existing beneficial use projects Site count

Existing LFG-to-electricity projects are projected to generate e-RINs with no incremental CAPEX



91 facilities

WM to evaluate contracts with 3<sup>rd</sup> parties when they expire to maximize beneficial use



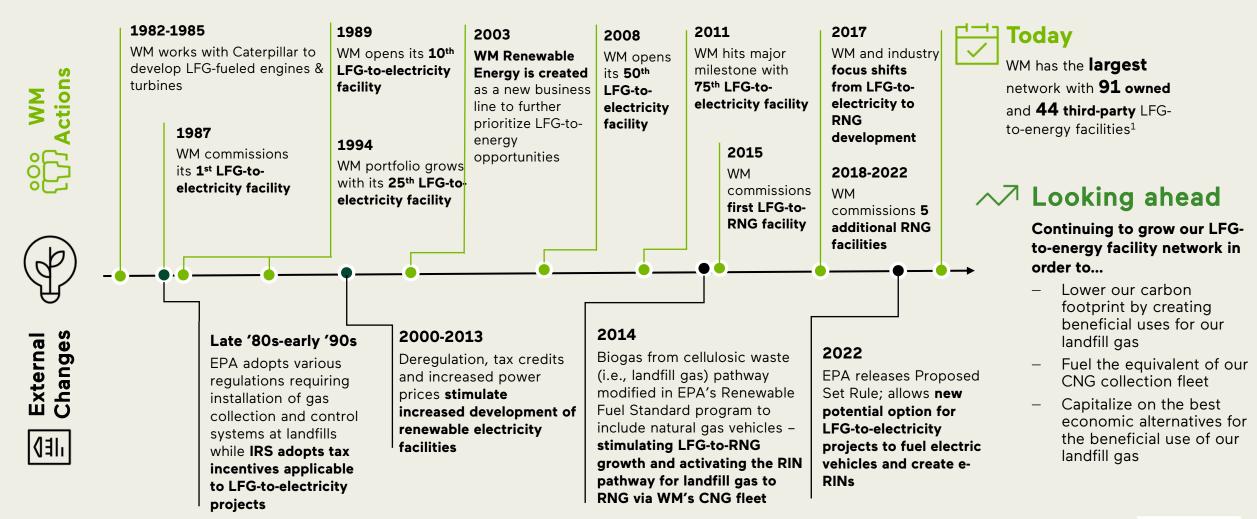
Industrial Customers





# Diving Deeper: Marrying Project Development with Regulatory Incentives

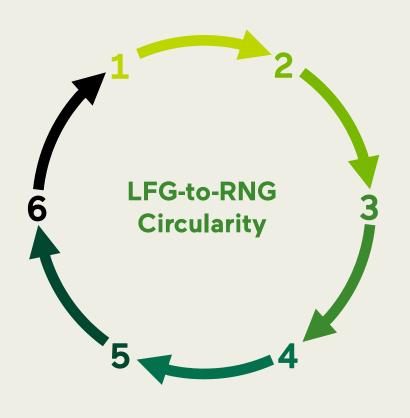
WM has a history of delivering value from its landfill gas through renewable energy projects





# Diving Deeper: How We Create Environmental and Economic Value From Landfill Gas

Our unique, vertically-integrated business enables us to fully "close the loop" when we generate pipeline quality RNG





#### Collection

Our CNG trucks, running on RNG, pick up waste at customer locations

## Transfer

Collection or transfer trucks deliver materials to our landfills

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#### Landfill

Waste is deposited in the landfill; landfill gas is generated and collected as organic waste decomposes

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#### **Processing & Pipeline**

LFG is processed to create RNG, which is delivered to pipelines

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## WM CNG Fueling Station

Pipelines deliver natural gas to CNG fueling stations, where WM trucks refuel

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#### **RIN Generation**

CNG fleet fuel use is matched with RNG production, closing the loop and generating RINs we sell



## We are Increasing our LFG-to-RNG Planned Investments and Financial Projections<sup>(1)</sup>

Evaluating the impacts of the IRA and Proposed EPA Set Rule, which provide exciting options for the beneficial use of our landfill gas

#### **Updated LFG-to-RNG Plans and Outlook**

- We are planning to bring more RNG plants and volume online
- \$390M of additional projected CAPEX to support this growth:
  - Removed 2 projects that will now remain LFG-toelectricity based on e-RIN pathway
  - Added 5 new planned RNG sites
  - Increased scale at a portion of previously planned sites
  - Increased costs due to inflationary pressures

	Original Expectations	Revised Expectations <sup>(2)</sup>
Total New RNG Projects Online by 2026	17	20
Incremental Annual Run-Rate RNG Volume in 2026	21 million MMBtu	25 million MMBtu
Incremental 2022-2026 Capital Investment	\$825 million	\$1.215 billion
Incremental Annual Operating EBITDA by 2026	\$400 million	\$500 million <sup>(3)</sup>
Incremental Annual FCF by 2026 —		\$450 million <sup>(4)</sup>

### **Evaluation of IRA and Proposed EPA Set Rule**

 Our industry-leading landfill portfolio stands to potentially benefit significantly from both the IRA and the Proposed EPA Set Rule: We will continue evaluating the full range of options for landfill gas monetization, drawing upon our broad historical expertise in both LFG-to-RNG and LFG-to-electricity



# The IRA provides additional incentives for our RNG development pipeline

 The IRA's investment tax credits for LFG-to-RNG are now expected to generate incremental free cash flow which is included in our revised expectations



# EPA's Proposed Set Rule would activate a new pathway to drive greater value from our landfill portfolio

 Introduction of e-RINs potentially creates attractive optionality for our current LFG-to-electricity projects and expands options for future development (not included in our revised expectations)



## \$500M Incremental Annual Operating EBITDA Projected from 20 RNG Plants by 2026<sup>(1)</sup>

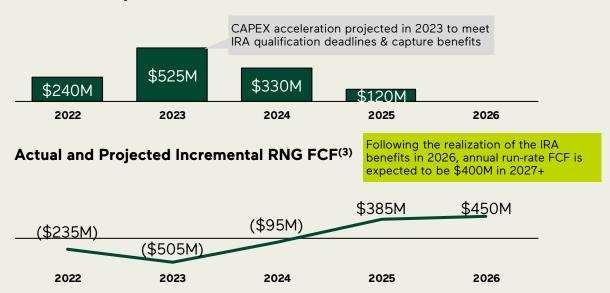
Operating EBITDA projections and IRA potential benefits support increased investment in RNG, generating attractive expected returns and short payback periods

#### Actual Adjusted and Projected Incremental RNG Operating EBITDA

Assumes Blended Average RNG Value of \$26/MMBtu<sup>(2)</sup>



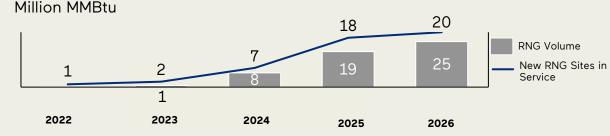
#### **Actual and Projected Incremental RNG CAPEX**



#### IRA expected to drive meaningful benefit

- We expect the Investment Tax Credit ("ITC") portion of the IRA to provide between \$250M \$350M in cumulative benefit (modeled at \$300M on the left-hand free cash flow chart), a large portion of which is anticipated to be realized in 2025
  - The cumulative benefit may ultimately exceed \$350M
  - WM is very focused on capturing the potential IRA benefits
- Currently, we expect 17 of our 20 plants likely qualify for this ITC and an estimated ~90% of capital spending at the plants to qualify
- The impact from the production tax credit portion of the IRA is under review and requires further study to quantify

#### **Actual and Projected Incremental RNG Production Volume**





# Growing and Optimizing our Recycling Business



## We are Increasing our Recycling Planned Investments and Financial Projections<sup>(1)</sup>

## Investments in our Material Recovery Facilities ("MRF") expected to drive meaningful operating EBITDA

- We are planning to enter more new markets and increasing the scope of already-announced projects
- ~\$200M of additional projected CAPEX to support this growth:
  - Addition of 4 new automation and 2 new market projects planned
  - Anticipated municipal program expansions to recover additional commodities
  - Expanded scope of some planned projects
  - Increased costs due to inflationary pressures

	Original Expectations	Revised Expectations
Incremental 2022-2026 Capital Investment	\$800 million	\$1.0 billion
Incremental Annual Operating EBITDA by 2026	\$180 million	\$240 million <sup>(2)</sup>
Incremental Annual FCF by 2026		→ \$180 million <sup>(3)</sup>

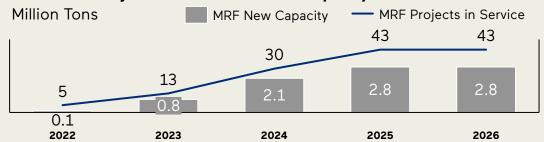
#### Actual Adjusted and Projected Incremental Recycling Operating EBITDA(2) Assumes Blended Average Value of \$125/ton



#### **Actual and Projected Incremental Recycling CAPEX**



#### **Actual and Projected Incremental MRF Capacity**



#### Actual and Projected Incremental Recycling FCF<sup>(3)</sup>





# ~\$240M Annual Operating EBITDA Projected by 2026 via MRF Investments<sup>(1)</sup>

Additional investments to focus on four key initiatives to drive anticipated results



# Projected Annual Operating EBITDA \$70M

- Job upskilling and overall expected ~30% labor cost reduction
- Safer work environment for employees

# Revenue Quality Further separating materials



# Projected Annual Operating EBITDA \$70M

- Producing a higher quality product to enhance movement across the economic cycle
- Potentially boosting revenue from additional commodity capture

## **Capacity Expansion**

An additional expected 1M tons of capacity



# Projected Annual Operating EBITDA \$35M

- Capacity expansion includes additional commodities WM can potentially recycle
- Supports WM's goal to increase recovery of materials for beneficial reuse to 25M tons per year by 2030

#### **New Markets**

Unlocking volumes in communities that lack recycling access



# Projected Annual Operating EBITDA \$65M

- Targeting 12 new markets
  - 6 single stream
  - 4 C&D recycling
  - 2 commercial
- New projected capacity totaling 1.8M tons

Projected incremental annual operating EBITDA ranges from \$200M to \$260M assuming commodity prices range from \$75/ton to \$150/ton



# WM to Host Additional Investor Information Session on April 5, 2023

Join us on April 5, 2023 for additional details on our sustainability growth investments

We are excited to announce an investor information session on April 5, during which we'll share additional details on our long-term growth trajectory for our Renewable Energy and Recycling businesses and their positive impact on key stakeholders





- Additional commentary on the potential impacts of the IRA & Proposed EPA Set Rule
- Progress on our development plans for our RNG plants
- Further opportunities in the LFG-to-energy space

- Details on new geographic markets
- Insights into new and potential recycling regulations and expected customer demand
- Details on automation progress

Instructions to join the information session will be posted on <u>investors.wm.com</u> under Events & Presentations



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# Glossary

Term	Acronym	Definition	
Landfill	LF	A discrete area of land or excavation that receives and stores waste	
Landfill Gas	LFG	Landfill gas is a natural byproduct of the decomposition of organic material in landfills	
Renewable Natural Gas	RNG	Renewable natural gas (RNG) is a pipeline-quality gas that is fully interchangeable with conventional natural gas and thus can be used in natural gas vehicles. RNG is essentially biogas (the gaseous product of the decomposition of organic matter) that has been processed to purity standards. Like conventional natural gas, RNG can be used as a transportation fuel in the form of compressed natural gas (CNG) or liquefied natural gas (LNG). Landfill RNG qualifies as a cellulosic biofuel under the Renewable Fuel Standard	
Compressed Natural Gas	CNG	Natural gas compressed to less than 1% of its volume at standard atmospheric pressure; typically used to fuel vehicles as an eco-friendly alternative to gasoline	
Renewable Fuel Standard	RFS	The RFS program requires refiners and importers either to blend volumes of renewable fuel such as ethanol or biodiesel into the transportation pool (gasoline and diesel fuel) or to purchase renewable fuel credits known as renewable identification numbers ("RINs"). Producers of qualifying renewable fuels are permitted to generate and sell RINs associated with their production.	
Renewable Identification Number	RIN	RINs are credits used for compliance and are the "currency" of the RFS program. RINs are generated when renewable fuel is created and retired when they are used to demonstrate compliance. A RIN can be assigned directly to a batch of fuel, or separated from the fuel it was originally assigned to. RINs can then be bought/sold to obligated parties such as non-renewable fuel producers and importers. WM is a renewable fuel producer and matches its CNG vehicle fleet's fuel demand with renewable natural gas production, thereby generating RINs.	
Electricity-generated Renewable Identification Number	e-RIN	Potential equivalent of a RIN for electricity produced from qualifying renewable biomass and used as transportation fuel as proposed by the Proposed EPA Set Rule	
Renewable Volume Obligation	RVO	Annual renewable fuel usage requirement for "obligated parties" determined by the EPA	
Proposed EPA Set Rule		The highly anticipated proposed rule issued by the EPA in December 2022 establishing biofuel blending volumes under the RFS program for compliance years 2023 through 2025. EPA refers to the proposal as the Set Rule. It includes a number of important policies impacting the RFS program going forward, including provisions related to renewable electricity and generation of e-RINs.	
Electric Vehicle	EV	Vehicle powered by electricity instead of an internal combustion engine	
Inflation Reduction Act	IRA	2022 federal law that includes incentives for investing in domestic renewable energy and carbon capture, utilization and sequestration	
Investment Tax Credit	ITC	Tax incentive for business investment	
Standard Cubic Feet per Minute	SCFM	Measurement of gas flow rate	
Million British Thermal Units	MMBtu	Measurement of heat	
Megawatts	MW	Measurement of electric power	

Sources: EPA , Department of Energy

