

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

2.6%-12.5%. Has 16,700 employees. Chairman, President & CEO: Nicholas K. Akins. COO: Lisa Barton. Incorporated: New York. Address: 1 Riverside Plaza, Columbus, Ohio 43215-2373. Telephone: 614-716-1000. Internet: www.aep.com

234 243 272 Fixed Charge Cov. (% ANNUAL RATES Past Past Est'd '19-'21 of change (per sh) 10 Yrs. to '25-'27 Revenues .5% -1.5% 3.5% 'Cash Flow" 4.5% 4.5% 5.0% 5.5% 6.5% Earnings 6.0% 3.5% 6.0% 6.0% Dividends Book Value

NA

+.3

Annual Load Factor (%)

% Change Customers (vr-end)

NA NA NA

NA

+1.0

Calendar QUARTERLY REVENUES (\$ mill.)   2019 4056 3573 4315 3616 1	Full Year 15561 14918
<b>2019</b> 4056 3573 4315 3616 1	14918
<b>2020</b> 3747 3494 4066 3610 1	
<b>2021</b>   4281 3826 4623 4061   1	16792
<b>2022</b>   4593   <b>4107</b>   <b>4950</b>   <b>4450</b>   1	18100
2023   4800   4300   5150   4550   1	18800
Cal- EARNINGS PER SHARE A	Full
endar Mar.31 Jun.30 Sep.30 Dec.31	Year
<b>2019</b> 1.16 .93 1.48 .51	4.08
<b>2020</b> 1.00 1.05 1.50 .87	4.42
<b>2021</b> 1.15 1.15 1.59 1.07	4.96
<b>2022</b> 1.41 <i>1.15 1.64 1.00</i>	5.20
2023 1.30 1.25 1.75 1.05	5.35
Cal- QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID B ■ †	Full
endar Mar.31 Jun.30 Sep.30 Dec.31	Year
<b>2018</b> .62 .62 .62 .67	2.53
<b>2019</b> .67 .67 .67 .70	2.71
<b>2020</b> .70 .70 .74	2.84
<b>2021</b> .74 .74 .74 .78	3.00
<b>2022</b> .78 .78	

American Electric Power should soon complete an asset sale, and the company is interested in divesting other assets. AEP expects to raise \$1.45 billion from the sale of its Kentucky Power subsidiary, which has not been earning an adequate return on equity. This is expected to be completed by the end of this month. The company also wants to sell its 1,600-megawatt portfolio of nonregulated renewable-energy projects, either piece-meal or as a whole. We will *include* any gains on these sales in our earnings presentation. AEP plans to expand its investments in regulated renewable-energy projects, which have less risk than nonutility assets, and electric transmission.

expect respectable earnings growth in 2022 and 2023. We raised our estimate for this year by \$0.20 a share, to \$5.20, thanks to a \$0.20 mark-to-market credit that AEP booked in the first quarter. Our revised estimate is within management's guidance (on a GAAP basis) of \$5.06-\$5.26 a share. Otherwise, the company should continue to benefit from rate relief, increased investment in its transmission business, and volume growth.

Some industrial customers in its service area have expansions that are expected to come on later this year, despite the state of the national economy.

Some regulatory matters are pending or were concluded. The SWEPCO subsidiary was granted \$28 million in Arkansas, based on a 9.5% return on equity and a 45% common-equity ratio. New tariffs will take effect on July 1st. In Louisiana, the utility requested \$73 million, based on a 10.35% ROE and a 50.8% commonequity ratio. (This is net of increases in depreciation and amortization.) In Virginia, Appalachian Power is appealing an unfavorable rate order to the state Supreme Court. A decision is expected later in 2022. Note that the company has already received rate increases in Texas and Indiana this year.

The dividend yield of this top-quality stock is at the utility average. Total return potential is unspectacular for the next 18 months and the 3- to 5-year period. The recent quotation is within our 2025-2027 Target Price Range. The stock price has risen 16% year to date. Paul E. Debbas, CFĂ June 10, 2022

(A) Diluted EPS. Excl. nonrec. gains (losses): '06, (20¢); '07, (20¢); '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¢). Next earnings report due late July. (B) Div'ds paid early Mar., June, Sept., & Dec. ■ Div'd reinvestment plan avail. † Shareholder invest. plan avail.

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