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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 New York and New Jersey. ConEd has 3.9 mill. electric, 1.2 mill. gas customers. Expected to close on

Purchases most of its power. Fuel costs: 26% of revenues. '22 reported deprec. rates: 3.0%-3.5%. Employs 14,319. Chrmn, President & CEO: Timothy Cawley. Inc.: NY. Addr.: 4 Irving Place, New York, NY 10003. Tel.: 212-460-4600. Internet: www.conedison.com.

ConEd Fixed Charge Cov. (%)	325	352	240
ANNUAL RATES of change (per sh) Revenues "Cash Flow"	Past 10 Yrs. -1.0% 4.0%	Past 5 Yrs.	Est'd '2 to '26 6 4.5	20-'22 -'28 5%
Earnings Dividends Book Value	2.0% 2.5% 4.0%	1.5%	6.0 6 3.5	0% 5% 0%

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Annual Govt. & Other Use (GWH)

% Change Customers (yr-Peak Load, Summer (Mw)

Cal- endar	QUART Mar.31		ENUES (\$ Sep.30		Full Year	
2020	3234	2719	3333	2960	12246	
2021	3677	2971	3613	3415	13676	
2022	4060	3415	4165	4031	15670	
2023	4403	3420	4100	4077	16000	
2024	4550	3525	4225	4200	16500	
Cal-	Cal- EARNINGS PER SHARE A					
endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year	
2020	1.35	.60	1.48	.74	4.17	
2021	1.44	.53	1.41	1.00	4.38	
2022	1.47	.64	1.63	.81	4.55	
2023	1.83	.57	1.68	.82	4.90	
2024	1.88	.62	1.80	.90	5.20	
Cal-	QUAR'	Full				
endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Year	
2019	.74	.74	.74	.74	2.96	
2020	.765	.765	.765	.765	3.06	
2021	.775	.775	.775	.775	3.10	
2022	.79	.79	.79	.79	3.16	
2023	.81	.81				

Consolidated Edison's electric and gas rate reviews have concluded. The New York State Public Service Commission (NYSPSC) signed off on a deal that will raise the regulated return on equity (ROE) for the holding company's larger of its two utilities, Consolidated Edison Company of New York (CECONY), from 8.8% to 9.25%. Nearly \$12 billion in new capital investments have been approved through 2026-2028, directed at reliability, safety, and clean energy objectives.

The benefits of rate hikes and New York's aggressive "green" energy transition should lead to years of solid profit gains. To pay for the powergrid modernization work, energy delivery prices are heading up. Electric and gas rates are slated to increase \$442 million and \$217 million, respectively, starting this month. Next August, an additional \$518 million in electric rates and \$173 million in gas rates is to take effect. And in August of 2025, electric and gas rates would rise for the third-consecutive year, by \$382 million and \$122 million, respectively. Furthermore, CECONY filed for a rate increase of \$141 million nine months

ago for its steam service, effective November of this year. Taking the aforementioned figures into account, ConEd should see a few years of 6%-7% profit gains.

This issue is ranked to outperform the market over the coming six to 12 months. Earnings growth is accelerating, and the company has simplified its business model by shedding generating assets that were not under the regulatory pricing umbrella. The capital from those divestitures has paved the way for the company to fully benefit from New York's greenenergy push without having to dilute its shareholders any time soon by raising equity. Our concern for long-term utility investors is that the recent stock price appears to discount most of the good news and seems to be pricing in perennial 6%-7% share-earnings growth. In reality the rate will likely slow some starting in 2025. The company will need to secure further significant price hikes from 2026 onwards to keep its profits on the rise. The likely pushback may make raising rates untenable in what has historically been a below average regulatory environment. Anthony J. Glennon August 11, 2023

(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¢; 1Q '23, \$2.23. Excl. gain on disc. ops.: '08, \$1.01.

Next egs. report due early Nov. Qtly. 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 '22: \$12.35/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 Stock's Price Stability A+ 90 Price Growth Persistence 55 **Earnings Predictability** 100