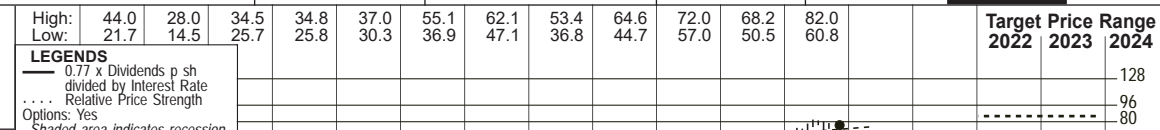


BLACK HILLS CORP. NYSE-BKH

RECENT PRICE **77.18** P/E RATIO **22.6** (Trailing: 22.7 Median: 18.0) RELATIVE P/E RATIO **1.34** DIV'D YLD **2.8%**

VALUE LINE

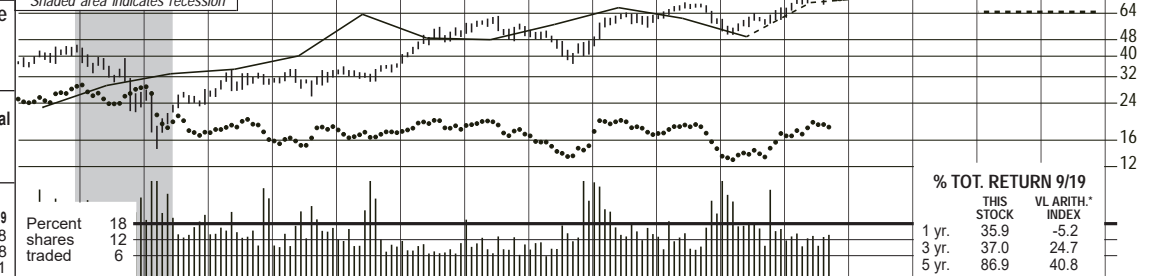
TIMELINESS 3 Lowered 9/20/19
SAFETY 2 Raised 5/11/15
TECHNICAL 3 Lowered 10/25/19
BETA .70 (1.00 = Market)



18-Month Target Price Range
 Low-High Midpoint (% to Mid)
 \$59-\$86 \$73 (-5%)

2022-24 PROJECTIONS
 High Price Gain Ann'l Total Return
 Low 85 (+10%) 5%
 65 (-15%) -1%

Institutional Decisions
 4Q2018 1Q2019 2Q2019
 to Buy 135 144 148
 to Sell 112 128 128
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2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	22-24
35.17	34.54	41.97	19.69	18.41	26.03	32.58	33.29	28.96	26.55	28.67	31.20	25.48	29.47	31.38	29.24	28.45	28.80	Revenues per sh	31.25
4.26	4.46	4.81	5.04	5.29	2.95	5.41	4.88	4.01	5.59	5.93	6.25	5.67	6.28	7.15	6.61	6.85	7.15	"Cash Flow" per sh	8.25
1.84	1.74	2.11	2.21	2.68	.18	2.32	1.66	1.01	1.97	2.61	2.89	2.83	2.63	3.38	3.47	3.45	3.65	Earnings per sh ^A	4.25
1.20	1.24	1.28	1.32	1.37	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	Div'd Decl'd per sh ^B	2.60
2.80	2.80	4.18	9.24	6.92	8.51	8.90	12.04	10.03	7.90	7.97	8.92	8.90	8.89	6.09	7.62	12.65	9.30	Cap'l Spending per sh	6.75
21.72	22.43	22.29	23.68	25.66	27.19	27.84	28.02	27.53	27.88	29.39	30.80	28.63	30.25	31.92	36.36	38.50	40.45	Book Value per sh ^C	45.50
32.30	32.48	33.16	33.37	37.80	38.64	38.97	39.27	43.92	44.21	44.50	44.67	51.19	53.38	53.54	60.00	61.50	62.50	Common Shs Outst'g ^D	62.50
15.9	17.1	17.3	15.8	15.0	NMF	9.9	18.1	31.1	17.1	18.2	19.0	16.1	22.3	19.5	16.8	17.5	18.00	Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	17.5
.91	.90	.92	.85	.80	NMF	.66	1.15	1.95	1.09	1.02	1.00	.81	1.17	.98	.91	1.17	1.17	Relative P/E Ratio	.95
4.1%	4.2%	3.5%	3.8%	3.4%	4.2%	6.2%	4.8%	4.6%	4.4%	3.2%	2.8%	3.5%	2.9%	2.7%	3.3%	2.7%	3.3%	Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	3.5%

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 6/30/19
 Total Debt \$3157.9 mill. Due in 5 Yrs \$1147.4 mill.
 LT Debt \$3049.7 mill. LT Interest \$114.6 mill.
 (LT interest earned: 3.0x)
 Leases, Uncapitalized Annual rentals \$1.1 mill.
 Pension Assets-12/18 \$390.8 mill. Oblig \$445.4 mill.
 Pfd Stock None
 Common Stock 61,063,230 shs. as of 7/31/19
 MARKET CAP: \$4.7 billion (Mid Cap)

1269.6	1307.3	1272.2	1173.9	1275.9	1393.6	1304.6	1573.0	1680.3	1754.3	1750	1800	Revenues (\$mill)	1950
89.7	64.6	40.4	86.9	115.8	128.8	128.3	140.3	186.5	192.5	210	225	Net Profit (\$mill)	270
30.7%	26.4%	31.1%	35.5%	34.7%	33.7%	35.8%	25.1%	28.7%	19.2%	13.5%	13.5%	Income Tax Rate	13.5%
20.1%	28.0%	65.0%	5.4%	2.4%	2.4%	2.7%	5.3%	2.7%	1.4%	2.0%	2.0%	AFUDC % to Net Profit	2.0%
48.4%	51.9%	51.4%	43.2%	51.6%	47.9%	56.0%	66.5%	64.5%	57.5%	62.0%	57.5%	Long-Term Debt Ratio	55.5%
51.6%	48.1%	48.6%	56.8%	48.4%	52.1%	44.0%	33.5%	35.5%	42.5%	38.0%	42.5%	Common Equity Ratio	44.5%
2100.7	2286.3	2489.7	2171.4	2704.7	2643.6	3332.7	4825.8	4818.4	5132.4	6220	5980	Total Capital (\$mill)	6375
2160.7	2495.4	2789.6	2742.7	2990.3	3239.4	3259.1	4469.0	4541.4	4854.9	5420	5785	Net Plant (\$mill)	6500
5.9%	4.4%	3.3%	5.5%	5.5%	6.1%	4.9%	4.0%	5.2%	5.0%	4.5%	5.0%	Return on Total Cap'l	5.0%
8.3%	5.9%	3.3%	7.1%	8.9%	9.4%	8.8%	8.7%	10.9%	8.8%	9.0%	9.0%	Return on Shr. Equity	9.5%
8.3%	5.9%	3.3%	7.1%	8.9%	9.4%	8.8%	8.7%	10.9%	8.8%	9.0%	9.0%	Return on Com Equity ^E	9.5%
3.2%	.7%	NMF	1.8%	3.7%	4.3%	3.8%	3.3%	5.3%	3.9%	3.5%	3.5%	Retained to Com Eq	4.0%
62%	77%	NMF	75%	58%	54%	57%	62%	52%	55%	59%	59%	All Div'ds to Net Prof	60%

ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS

	2016	2017	2018
% Change Retail Sales (KWH)	+3.0	+9	+2.7
Avg. Indust. Use (MWH)	17321	18376	19789
Avg. Indust. Rev. per KWH (¢)	7.80	7.69	7.41
Capacity at Yearend (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
Peak Load, Summer (Mw)	1086	1094	1104
Annual Load Factor (%)	NA	NA	NA
% Change Customers (yr-end)	+6	+8	+8

Fixed Charge Cov. (%) 236 296 276

ANNUAL RATES Past 10 Yrs. Past 5 Yrs. Est'd '16-'18 of change (per sh)

Revenues	3.5%	1.5%	.5%
"Cash Flow"	4.0%	5.0%	3.5%
Earnings	6.5%	11.0%	5.0%
Dividends	3.0%	4.0%	6.5%
Book Value	2.5%	3.0%	5.5%

BUSINESS: Black Hills Corporation is a holding company for Black Hills Energy, which serves 212,000 electric customers in CO, SD, WY and MT, and 1.1 million gas customers in NE, IA, KS, CO, WY, and AR. Has coal mining sub. Acq'd Cheyenne Light 1/05; utility ops. from Aquila 7/08; SourceGas 2/16. Disc. telecom in '05; oil marketing in '06; gas marketing in '11; gas & oil E&P in '17. Electric

rev. breakdown: res'l, 33%; comm'l, 37%; ind'l, 19%; other, 11%. Generating sources: coal, 32%; other, 10%; purch., 58%. Fuel costs: 36% of revs. '18 deprec. rate: 3.4%. Has 2,900 employees. Chairman: David R. Emery, Pres. & CEO: Linn Evans, Inc.: SD. Address: 7001 Mount Rushmore Rd., P.O. Box 1400, Rapid City, SD 57709-1400. Tel.: 605-721-1700. Internet: www.blackhillscorp.com.

QUARTERLY REVENUES (\$ mill.)

Cal-endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2016	450.0	325.4	333.8	463.8	1573.0
2017	547.5	341.9	335.6	455.3	1680.3
2018	575.4	355.7	322.0	501.2	1754.3
2019	597.8	333.9	343.3	475	1750
2020	610	350	350	490	1800

EARNINGS PER SHARE ^A

Cal-endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2016	.94	.31	.41	.97	2.63
2017	1.42	.41	.52	1.03	3.38
2018	1.59	.45	.32	1.11	3.47
2019	1.73	.24	.48	1.00	3.45
2020	1.70	.42	.48	1.05	3.65

QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID ^B

Cal-endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2015	.405	.405	.405	.405	1.62
2016	.42	.42	.42	.42	1.68
2017	.445	.445	.445	.475	1.81
2018	.475	.475	.475	.505	1.93
2019	.505	.505	.505		

Black Hills has some rate cases pending or upcoming. The utility filed for a \$2.5 million gas rate increase in Colorado, based on a return of 10.3% on a common-equity ratio of 50.1%. In Wyoming, Black Hills is seeking a gas tariff hike of \$16.1 million, based on a return of 10.3% on a common-equity ratio of 50.2%. New rates are expected to take effect in Colorado at the start of March and in Wyoming at the start of April. The filings followed the consolidation of multiple gas companies into one legal entity in each state. Black Hills is asking the Nebraska commission to approve a similar consolidation, and will file a rate case there in 2020. A gas application is upcoming in Arkansas, as well.

We have trimmed our 2019 earnings estimate by \$0.10 a share, to \$3.45. June-quarter profits were well below normal, due in part to unfavorable weather conditions (a cool spring and flooding). Our revised estimate remains within Black Hills' targeted range of \$3.40-\$3.60 a share.

We look for record earnings in 2020. Black Hills should benefit from rate relief, including revenues annually from formula

rate plans. Our estimate remains \$3.65 a share, the midpoint of the company's guidance of \$3.50-\$3.80.

The capital budget is higher than usual in 2019. Among the significant projects are a transmission line, a gas pipeline, and a wind farm. Black Hills expects to issue \$80 million-\$100 million of common equity this year and \$40 million-\$80 million in 2020. The company issued \$700 million of long-term debt in October, taking advantage of the low interest-rate environment.

We expect a dividend increase in the current quarter. We estimate the board will raise the quarterly disbursement \$0.03 a share (5.9%), the same increase as in each of the past two years. Black Hills is targeting a payout ratio in a range of 50%-60%.

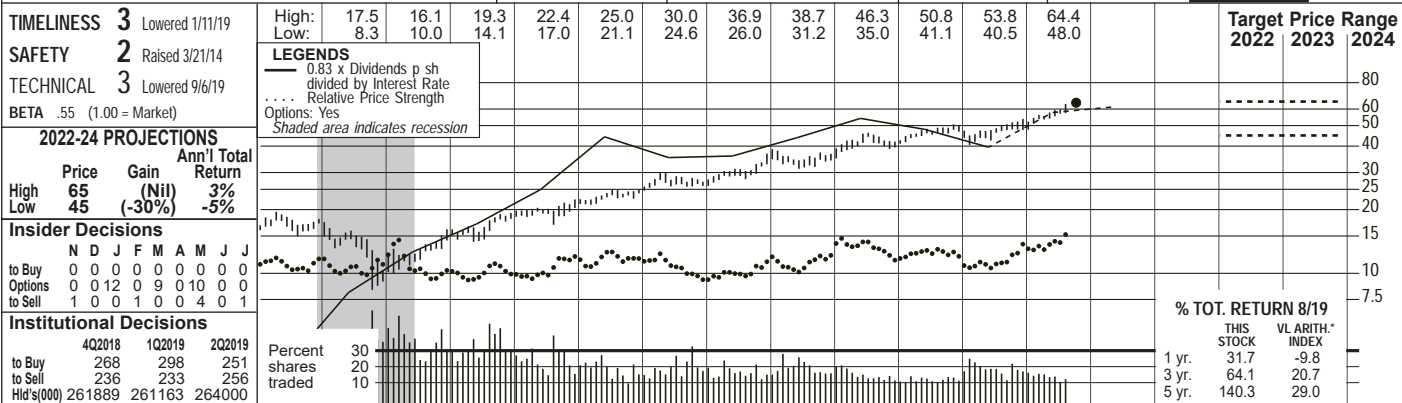
Black Hills stock has a modest dividend yield, for a utility. We look for negative total returns over the 18-month period and unexciting total returns over the 3- to 5-year period. Like most utility issues, the recent quotation is well within our 2022-2024 Target Price Range.

Paul E. Debbas, CFA October 25, 2019

(A) Diluted EPS. Excl. nonrec. gains (losses): '08, (\$1.55); '09, (28¢); '10, 10¢; '12, 4¢; '15, (\$3.54); '16, (\$1.26); '17, 14¢; '18, \$1.31; gains (losses) on disc. ops.: '06, 21¢; '07, (4¢); '08, \$4.12; '09, 7¢; '11, 23¢; '12, (16¢); '17, (31¢); '18, (12¢). Next earnings report due early Nov. (B) Div'ds paid early Mar., Jun., Sept., & Dec. (C) Div'd reinv. plan avail. (D) Incl. def'd chgs. In '18: \$25.82/sh. (E) In mill. (F) Rate base: Net orig. cost. Rate all'd on com. eq. in SD in '15: none specified; in CO in '17: 9.37%; earned on avg. com. eq., '18: 10.1%. Regul. Climate: Avg.

CMS ENERGY CORP. NYSE-CMS

RECENT PRICE **64.38** P/E RATIO **24.8** (Trailing: 31.4 Median: 17.0) RELATIVE P/E RATIO **1.54** DIV'D YLD **2.5%** VALUE LINE



2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	22-24
34.21	28.06	28.52	30.57	28.95	30.13	27.23	25.77	25.59	23.90	24.68	26.09	23.29	22.92	23.37	24.25	24.55	25.35	Revenues per sh	27.00
2.39	2.87	3.43	3.22	3.08	3.88	3.47	3.70	3.65	3.82	4.06	4.22	4.59	4.88	5.29	5.61	6.00	6.35	"Cash Flow" per sh	7.50
d.29	.74	1.10	.64	.64	1.23	.93	1.33	1.45	1.53	1.66	1.74	1.89	1.98	2.17	2.32	2.50	2.70	Earnings per sh ^A	3.25
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3.32	2.69	2.69	3.01	5.61	3.50	3.59	3.29	3.47	4.65	4.98	5.73	5.64	5.99	5.91	7.32	7.70	8.35	Cap'l Spending per sh	7.50
9.84	10.63	10.53	10.03	9.46	10.88	11.42	11.19	11.92	12.09	12.98	13.34	14.21	15.23	15.77	16.78	17.90	19.35	Book Value per sh ^C	24.50
161.13	195.00	220.50	222.78	225.15	226.41	227.89	249.60	254.10	264.10	266.10	275.20	277.16	279.21	281.65	283.37	285.00	288.00	Common Shs Outst'g ^D	297.00
--	12.4	12.6	22.2	26.8	10.9	13.6	12.5	13.6	15.1	16.3	17.3	18.3	20.9	21.3	20.3	Bold figures are Value Line estimates		Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	16.0
--	.66	.67	1.20	1.42	.66	.91	.80	.85	.96	.92	.91	.92	1.10	1.07	1.09			Relative P/E Ratio	.90
--	--	--	--	1.2%	2.7%	4.0%	4.0%	4.3%	4.2%	3.8%	3.6%	3.4%	3.0%	2.9%	3.0%			Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	3.8%

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 6/30/19
 Total Debt \$12399 mill. Due in 5 Yrs \$4121 mill.
 LT Debt \$11322 mill. LT Interest \$504 mill.
 Incl. \$86 mill. capitalized leases.
 (LT interest earned: 2.6x)
Leases, Uncapitalized Annual rentals \$16 mill.
Pension Assets-12/18 \$2247 mill.
Oblig \$2512 mill.
Pfd Stock \$37 mill. Pfd Div'd \$2 mill.
 Incl. 373,148 shs. \$4.50 \$100 par, cum., callable at \$110.00.
Common Stock 283,787,006 shs. as of 7/9/19
MARKET CAP: \$18 billion (Large Cap)

ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS

	2016	2017	2018
% Change Retail Sales (KWH)	+1.7	-1.4	+2.2
Avg. Indust. Use (MWH)	6031	NA	NA
Avg. Indust. Revs. per KWH (¢)	7.76	8.26	7.63
Capacity at Peak (Mw)	8331	NA	NA
Peak Load, Summer (Mw)	8227	7634	8084
Annual Load Factor (%)	54.6	NA	NA
% Change Customers (yr-end)	+5	+1.2	+3

ANNUAL RATES Past 10 Yrs. Past 5 Yrs. Est'd '16-'18 of change (per sh)

	Past 10 Yrs.	Past 5 Yrs.	Est'd '16-'18
Revenues	-2.5%	-1.0%	2.5%
"Cash Flow"	4.5%	6.5%	6.0%
Earnings	10.0%	7.0%	7.0%
Dividends	21.5%	7.0%	7.0%
Book Value	4.5%	5.5%	7.5%

QUARTERLY REVENUES (\$ mill.)

Cal-endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2016	1801	1371	1587	1640	6399
2017	1829	1449	1527	1778	6583
2018	1953	1492	1599	1829	6873
2019	2059	1445	1646	1850	7000
2020	2100	1600	1700	1900	7300

EARNINGS PER SHARE ^A

Cal-endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2016	.59	.45	.67	.28	1.98
2017	.71	.33	.61	.52	2.17
2018	.86	.49	.59	.38	2.32
2019	.75	.33	.80	.62	2.50
2020	.85	.50	.80	.55	2.70

QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID ^B

Cal-endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2015	.29	.29	.29	.29	1.16
2016	.31	.31	.31	.31	1.24
2017	.3325	.3325	.3325	.3325	1.33
2018	.3575	.3575	.3575	.3575	1.43
2019	.3825	.3825	.3825		

BUSINESS: CMS Energy Corporation is a holding company for Consumers Energy, which supplies electricity and gas to lower Michigan (excluding Detroit). Has 1.8 million electric, 1.8 million gas customers. Has 1,034 megawatts of nonregulated generating capacity. Sold Palisades nuclear plant in '07. Electric revenue breakdown: residential, 45%; commercial, 34%; industrial, 15%; other, 6%. Generating sources: coal, 26%; gas, 14%; other, 3%; purchased, 57%. Fuel costs: 44% of revenues. '18 reported deprec. rates: 3.9% electric, 2.9% gas, 10.1% other. Has 8,000 full-time employees. Chairman: John G. Russell. President & CEO: Patricia K. Poppe. Inc.: Michigan. Address: One Energy Plaza, Jackson, MI 49201. Tel.: 517-788-0550. Internet: www.cmsenergy.com.

CMS Energy's earnings are likely to wind up higher in 2019, despite unfavorable comparisons in the first half of the year. The weather was the main culprit in the first half, as storms and mild weather hurt profits. The year-to-year comparisons should turn favorable in the last six months of 2019 thanks to a planned decline in operating and maintenance expenses. CMS Energy's utility subsidiary, Consumers Energy, is also benefiting from increased demand (when not held back by mild weather) from residential and commercial customers. And the company will likely see increased income from a nonutility asset. Our 2019 earnings estimate remains at \$2.50 a share. This is within management's typically narrow range of \$2.47-\$2.51 a share.

Consumers Energy should get an order on its gas rate case by the end of this month. The utility is seeking an increase of \$204 million, based on a return of 10.75% on a 52.5% common-equity ratio. The staff of the Michigan commission recommended a hike of \$146 million, based on a return of 9.65% on a common-equity ratio of 52%. An administrative law

judge proposed a raise of \$144 million, based on a return of 9.8% on a common-equity ratio of 52%. Consumers Energy is also asking for the decoupling of volume and revenues. This is supported by both the staff and the ALJ. The utility has been spending a lot of capital to upgrade its system, so it plans to put forth another gas-rate application in late 2019, with an order due 10 months after the filing date. On the electric side, Consumers Energy plans to file a case in the first quarter of 2020. **We estimate an 8% profit increase next year.** The company will benefit from effective expense control and a full year's effect of rate relief from the gas case.

The Michigan commission approved Consumers Energy's integrated resource plan. The utility will retire two coal-fired units, add 1,100 megawatts of solar capacity, and increase spending on energy efficiency. Half of the solar energy will come from purchased-power contracts. **The stock's valuation is high.** The dividend yield is well below average for a utility, and the recent price is near the high end of our 2022-2024 Target Price Range.

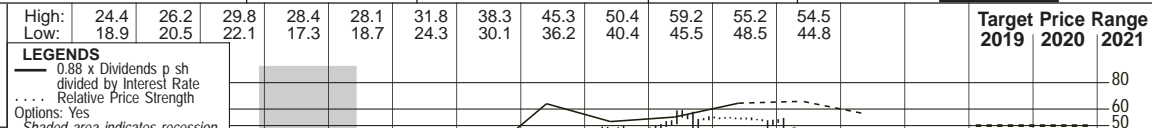
Paul E. Debbas, CFA September 13, 2019

(A) Diluted EPS. Excl. nonrec. gains (losses): '05, (\$1.61); '06, (\$1.08); '07, (\$1.26); '09, (.75); '10, .3¢; '11, 12¢; '12, (14¢); '17, (53¢); '18, (7¢) (losses) on disc. ops.: '05, 7¢; '06, 3¢; '07, (40¢); '09, 8¢; '10, (8¢); '11, 1¢; '12, 3¢. '16 EPS don't sum due to rounding. Next earnings report due late Oct. (B) Div'ds historically paid late Feb., May, Aug., & Nov. ■ Div'd reinvest. plan avail. (C) Incl. intang. In '18: \$6.15/sh. (D) In mill. (E) Rate base: Net orig. cost. Rate allowed on com. eq. in '18: 10%; earn. on avg. com. eq., '18: 14.3%. Reg. Clim.: Above Avg.

CLECO CORPORATION NYSE-CNL

RECENT PRICE **46.42** P/E RATIO **20.5** (Trailing: 21.1; Median: 15.0) RELATIVE P/E RATIO **1.16** DIV'D YLD **3.6%** VALUE LINE

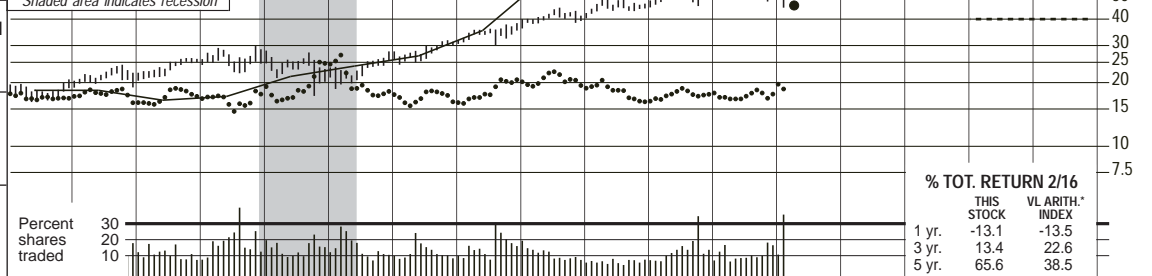
TIMELINESS 3 New 3/16
SAFETY 1 Raised 6/22/12
TECHNICAL 1 Raised 3/11/16
BETA .70 (1.00 = Market)



2019-21 PROJECTIONS
 Price Gain Ann'l Total
 High 50 (+10%) 6%
 Low 40 (-15%) 1%

Insider Decisions
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2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	19-21
18.23	23.55	15.33	18.54	15.03	18.41	17.38	17.19	17.99	14.17	18.98	18.53	16.46	18.14	21.01	20.00	21.05	22.15	Revenues per sh	25.25
2.77	2.94	3.05	2.98	2.56	2.76	2.63	2.69	3.71	3.78	5.12	5.28	5.40	5.32	5.15	4.85	5.10	5.35	"Cash Flow" per sh	6.50
1.46	1.51	1.52	1.26	1.32	1.42	1.36	1.32	1.70	1.76	2.29	2.59	2.70	2.65	2.55	2.20	2.25	2.35	Earnings per sh ^A	2.75
.85	.87	.90	.90	.90	.90	.90	.90	.90	.90	.98	1.12	1.30	1.43	1.56	1.60	1.63	1.68	Div'd Decl'd per sh ^B	1.80
2.52	1.10	1.91	1.58	1.61	3.19	4.11	8.51	5.59	4.15	4.68	3.25	4.06	3.12	3.44	2.60	4.30	3.05	Cap'l Spending per sh	3.25
10.04	10.69	11.77	10.09	10.83	13.69	15.22	16.85	17.65	18.50	21.76	23.55	24.84	26.24	26.93	27.70	28.35	29.05	Book Value per sh ^C	31.50
44.99	44.96	47.04	47.18	49.62	49.99	57.57	59.94	60.04	60.26	60.53	60.29	60.36	60.45	60.42	60.50	60.50	60.50	Common Shs Outst'g ^D	60.50
13.2	14.6	12.2	12.4	13.8	15.0	17.3	19.6	14.1	13.2	12.3	13.3	15.0	17.3	20.5	24.4	Bold figures are Value Line estimates		Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	16.0
.86	.75	.67	.71	.73	.80	.93	1.04	.85	.88	.78	.83	.95	.97	1.08	1.24			Relative P/E Ratio	1.00
4.4%	3.9%	4.8%	5.8%	5.0%	4.2%	3.8%	3.5%	3.8%	3.9%	3.5%	3.3%	3.2%	3.1%	3.0%	3.0%			Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	4.0%

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 9/30/15
 Total Debt \$1226.6 mill. Due in 5 Yrs \$466.2 mill.
 LT Debt \$1207.2 mill. LT Interest \$69.4 mill.
 Incl. \$4.4 million capitalized leases.
 (LT interest earned: 3.5x)

Leases, Uncapitalized Annual rentals \$10.3 mill.
Pension Assets-12/14 \$412.8 mill.
 Oblig. \$498.4 mill.

Pfd Stock None

Common Stock 60,482,051 shs.
 as of 10/21/15
MARKET CAP: \$2.8 billion (Mid Cap)

1000.7	1030.6	1080.2	853.8	1148.7	1117.3	993.7	1096.7	1269.5	1209.4	1275	1340	1525	165
74.7	79.6	102.1	106.3	139.5	157.8	163.6	160.7	154.7	133.7	140	145	165	
36.0%	24.3%	15.3%	8.3%	44.1%	30.6%	28.5%	33.1%	30.3%	36.8%	38.5%	38.5%	38.5%	38.5%
14.2%	57.9%	82.8%	93.5%	12.2%	4.3%	5.5%	3.4%	4.5%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	2.0%
40.9%	43.2%	51.1%	54.2%	51.5%	48.5%	45.6%	45.3%	45.3%	46.0%	45.5%	40.0%	42.5%	42.5%
57.8%	56.7%	48.9%	45.8%	48.5%	51.5%	54.4%	54.7%	54.7%	54.0%	54.5%	60.0%	57.5%	57.5%
1515.6	1780.5	2167.7	2436.4	2717.9	2756.9	2756.5	2901.7	2976.9	3100	3140	2930	3325	3325
1304.9	1725.9	2045.3	2247.0	2784.2	2893.9	3009.5	3083.1	3165.5	3191.6	3280	3285	3250	3250
6.3%	5.6%	6.1%	5.9%	6.6%	7.0%	7.3%	6.8%	6.4%	5.5%	5.5%	6.0%	6.0%	6.0%
8.3%	7.9%	9.6%	9.5%	10.6%	11.1%	10.9%	10.1%	9.5%	8.0%	8.0%	8.0%	8.5%	8.5%
8.3%	7.8%	9.6%	9.5%	10.6%	11.1%	10.9%	10.1%	9.5%	8.0%	8.0%	8.0%	8.5%	8.5%
3.0%	2.6%	4.5%	4.7%	6.1%	6.3%	5.7%	4.7%	3.7%	2.0%	2.5%	2.5%	3.0%	3.0%
65%	68%	53%	51%	42%	43%	48%	54%	61%	72%	71%	71%	65%	65%

Revenues per sh 25.25
"Cash Flow" per sh 6.50
Earnings per sh ^A 2.75
Div'd Decl'd per sh ^B 1.80
Cap'l Spending per sh 3.25
Book Value per sh ^C 31.50
Common Shs Outst'g ^D 60.50
Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio 16.0
Relative P/E Ratio 1.00
Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield 4.0%

ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS

	2012	2013	2014
% Change Retail Sales (KWH)	-3.4	+1.4	-3
Avg. Indust. Use (MWH)	3814	3870	3756
Avg. Indust. Revs. per KWH (c)	6.83	7.50	7.49
Capacity at Peak (Mw)	3315	3315	3360
Peak Load, Summer (Mw)	2282	2278	2612
Annual Load Factor (%)	55.1	57.0	57.1
% Change Customers (avg.)	+6	+6	+5

Fixed Charge Cov. (%) 326 360 380

BUSINESS: Cleco Corporation is a holding company for Cleco Power LLC, which supplies electricity to about 286,000 customers in central Louisiana. Electric revenue breakdown: residential, 46%; commercial, 30%; industrial, 14%; other, 10%. Largest industrial customers are paper mills and other wood-product industries. Generating sources: gas & oil, 26%; petroleum coke, 26%; coal & lignite, 23%; purchased, 25%. Fuel costs: 44% of revenues. ¹⁴ reported depreciation rate (utility): 2.7%. Has 1,200 employees. Chairman: J. Patrick Garrett. President & CEO: Bruce A. Williamson. Incorporated: Louisiana. Address: 2030 Donahue Ferry Road, P.O. Box 5000, Pineville, Louisiana 71361-5000. Telephone: 318-484-7400. Internet: www.cleco.com.

We estimate that earnings will advance this year and next. In 2015, costs associated with the proposed acquisition (*included* in our earnings presentation) reduced profits by \$0.08 a share. We figure that these expenses will be lower this year, and nonexistent in 2017. In addition, the utility benefits from a formula rate-making plan that provides some additional revenues every year without having to file a general rate case. Note that Cleco has not provided earnings guidance for 2016, nor has it stated any expectation for the dividend.

If the deal is terminated, we think there is a chance of a dividend increase in the second quarter. The board of directors has not raised the disbursement while the attempted takeover was pending. We look for an increase of a cent a share (2.5%) in the quarterly payout at the first dividend meeting following the termination of the proposed acquisition.

The dividend yield of Cleco stock is about equal to the mean for electric utilities. Total return potential over the 3- to 5-year period is unimpressive.

Paul E. Debbas, CFA March 18, 2016

ANNUAL RATES Past 10 Yrs. Past 5 Yrs. Est'd '12-'14 of change (per sh)

	Past 10 Yrs.	Past 5 Yrs.	Est'd '12-'14
Revenues	1.5%	2.5%	4.5%
"Cash Flow"	6.5%	9.5%	3.0%
Earnings	7.0%	10.5%	.5%
Dividends	5.0%	9.5%	3.5%
Book Value	9.0%	8.0%	3.0%

QUARTERLY REVENUES (\$ mill.)

Calendar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2013	240.9	263.9	328.8	263.1	1096.7
2014	284.4	309.1	371.4	304.6	1269.5
2015	295.4	289.1	345.5	279.4	1209.4
2016	305	310	355	305	1275
2017	320	325	375	320	1340

EARNINGS PER SHARE ^A

Calendar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2013	.45	.69	1.09	.41	2.65
2014	.43	.60	1.17	.35	2.55
2015	.44	.50	.90	.36	2.20
2016	.35	.55	1.00	.35	2.25
2017	.40	.57	1.03	.35	2.35

QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID ^B

Calendar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2012	.3125	.3125	.3375	.3375	1.30
2013	.3375	.3625	.3625	.3625	1.43
2014	.3625	.40	.40	.40	1.56
2015	.40	.40	.40	.40	1.60
2016	.40				

The Louisiana Public Service Commission (LPSC) rejected the proposed acquisition of Cleco. An investor group led by Macquarie Infrastructure Partners and British Columbia Energy agreed to pay \$55.37 a share in cash for each share of Cleco. However, some intervenors opposed the transaction, and the LPSC did not approve it. Whether the objection was more related to foreign ownership or the specific deal is uncertain.

The companies have not given up. They asked the LPSC for an immediate rehearing, and requested placement on the LPSC's Supplemental Agenda for its meeting on March 16th (in between the time this report went to press and the time it came out in print). If the companies' request proves unsuccessful, they can seek relief in the courts. However . . .

The stock is trading as though the deal is already dead. Due to the LPSC's rejection of the proposed combination, the share price of Cleco is down 11% year to date, in what has been a good year for most utility equities. Because the stock is no longer trading on takeover considerations, we restored its Timeliness rank.

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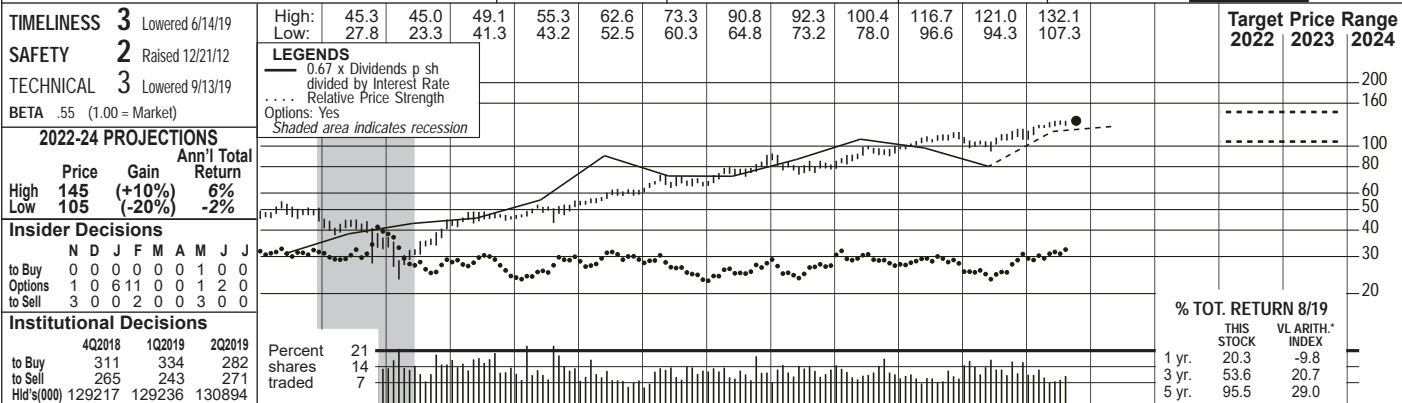
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Price Growth Persistence 85
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RECENT PRICE **131.88** P/E RATIO **21.1** (Trailing: 21.7; Median: 16.0) RELATIVE P/E RATIO **1.31** DIV'D YLD **3.1%** VALUE LINE



Year	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Revenues per sh	41.76	40.84	50.74	50.93	54.28	57.23	48.45	50.51	52.57	51.01	54.56	69.50	57.60	59.24	70.28	78.12	71.90	73.45	73.45	73.45	73.45	73.45
"Cash Flow" per sh	6.95	6.81	8.14	8.19	8.48	8.26	9.38	9.78	9.57	9.77	10.13	11.85	9.44	10.60	11.77	12.65	13.35	13.35	13.35	13.35	13.35	13.35
Earnings per sh ^A	2.85	2.55	3.27	2.45	2.66	2.73	3.24	3.74	3.67	3.88	3.76	5.10	4.44	4.83	5.73	6.17	6.25	6.40	6.40	6.40	6.40	6.40
Div'd Decl'd per sh ^B	2.06	2.06	2.06	2.08	2.12	2.12	2.12	2.18	2.32	2.42	2.59	2.69	2.84	3.06	3.36	3.59	3.85	4.09	4.09	4.09	4.09	4.09
Cap'l Spending per sh	4.45	5.19	5.99	7.92	7.96	8.42	6.26	6.49	8.77	10.56	10.59	11.58	11.26	11.40	12.54	14.91	19.60	12.75	12.75	12.75	12.75	12.75
Book Value per sh ^C	31.36	31.85	32.44	33.02	35.86	36.77	37.96	39.67	41.41	42.78	44.73	47.05	48.88	50.22	53.03	56.27	60.35	64.00	64.00	64.00	64.00	64.00
Common Shs Outst'g ^D	168.61	174.21	177.81	177.14	163.23	163.02	165.40	169.43	169.25	172.35	177.09	176.99	179.47	179.43	179.39	181.93	192.00	196.00	196.00	196.00	196.00	196.00
Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	13.7	16.0	13.8	17.4	18.3	14.8	10.4	12.3	13.5	14.9	17.9	14.9	18.1	19.0	18.6	17.4	16.5	16.5	16.5	16.5	16.5	16.5
Relative P/E Ratio	.78	.85	.73	.94	.97	.89	.69	.78	.85	.95	1.01	.78	.91	1.00	.94	.94	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	5.3%	5.0%	4.6%	4.9%	4.4%	5.2%	6.3%	4.8%	4.7%	4.2%	3.8%	3.5%	3.5%	3.3%	3.2%	3.3%	3.8%	3.8%	3.8%	3.8%	3.8%	3.8%

Year	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Revenues (\$mill)	8014.0	8557.0	8897.0	8791.0	9661.0	9661.0	9661.0	9661.0	9661.0	9661.0	9661.0	9661.0	9661.0	9661.0	9661.0	9661.0	9661.0	9661.0	9661.0	9661.0	9661.0	9661.0
Net Profit (\$mill)	532.0	630.0	624.0	666.0	661.0	661.0	661.0	661.0	661.0	661.0	661.0	661.0	661.0	661.0	661.0	661.0	661.0	661.0	661.0	661.0	661.0	661.0
Income Tax Rate	31.6%	32.7%	35.9%	29.8%	27.5%	28.5%	25.6%	24.5%	21.8%	8.1%	11.5%	11.5%	11.5%	11.5%	11.5%	11.5%	11.5%	11.5%	11.5%	11.5%	11.5%	11.5%
AFUDC % to Net Profit	2.6%	1.6%	1.6%	3.0%	3.5%	4.1%	4.3%	3.6%	3.5%	3.8%	4.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%
Long-Term Debt Ratio	54.0%	51.3%	50.6%	48.8%	47.7%	50.0%	50.2%	55.6%	56.2%	54.2%	53.0%	54.0%	54.0%	54.0%	54.0%	54.0%	54.0%	54.0%	54.0%	54.0%	54.0%	54.0%
Common Equity Ratio	46.0%	48.7%	49.4%	51.2%	52.3%	50.0%	49.8%	44.4%	43.8%	45.8%	47.0%	46.0%	46.0%	46.0%	46.0%	46.0%	46.0%	46.0%	46.0%	46.0%	46.0%	46.0%
Total Capital (\$mill)	13648	13811	14196	14387	15135	16670	17607	20280	21697	22371	25325	27175	25325	27175	25325	27175	25325	27175	27175	27175	27175	27175
Net Plant (\$mill)	12431	12992	13746	14684	15800	16820	18034	19730	20721	21650	24125	25250	24125	25250	24125	25250	24125	25250	25250	25250	25250	25250
Return on Total Cap'l	5.7%	6.3%	5.9%	6.1%	5.7%	6.6%	5.7%	5.3%	5.9%	6.1%	5.5%	5.5%	5.5%	5.5%	5.5%	5.5%	5.5%	5.5%	5.5%	5.5%	5.5%	5.5%
Return on Shr. Equity	8.5%	9.4%	8.9%	9.0%	8.3%	10.9%	9.1%	9.6%	10.8%	10.9%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%
Return on Com Equity ^E	8.5%	9.4%	8.9%	9.0%	8.3%	10.9%	9.1%	9.6%	10.8%	10.9%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%
Retained to Com Eq	2.9%	4.0%	3.4%	3.5%	2.7%	5.2%	3.4%	3.7%	4.6%	4.9%	3.5%	3.5%	3.5%	3.5%	3.5%	3.5%	3.5%	3.5%	3.5%	3.5%	3.5%	3.5%
All Div'ds to Net Prof	65%	57%	62%	61%	67%	67%	67%	63%	61%	58%	55%	63%	63%	63%	63%	63%	63%	63%	63%	63%	63%	63%

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 6/30/19
 Total Debt \$15070 mill. Due in 5 Yrs \$4746 mill.
 LT Debt \$13569 mill. LT Interest \$574 mill.
 Incl. \$756 mill. Trust Preferred Securities.
 (LT interest earned: 3.1x)

Leases, Uncapitalized Annual rentals \$42 mill.

Pension Assets-12/18 \$4273 mill. Oblig \$5124 mill.

Pfd Stock None
Common Stock 183,301,732 shs.

MARKET CAP: \$24 billion (Large Cap)

ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS

	2016	2017	2018
% Change Retail Sales (KWH)	+3.5	-3.1	+3.5
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

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, 47%; commercial, 34%; industrial, 13%; other, 6%. Generating sources: coal, 67%; nuclear, 17%; gas, 1%; purchased, 15%. Fuel costs: 61% of revenues. '18 reported deprec. rates: 3.7% electric, 2.7% gas. Has 10,600 employees. Chairman: Gerard M. Anderson. President & CEO: Jerry Norcia. Inc.: MI. Address: One Energy Plaza, Detroit, MI 48226-1279. Tel.: 313-235-4000. Internet: www.dteenergy.com.

DTE Energy's electric utility subsidiary has filed a general rate case. DTE Electric requested an increase of \$351 million (7%), based on a return of 10.5% (up from the current 10%) on a common-equity ratio of 50%. New tariffs are expected to take effect in May of 2020. The utility received a \$273 million rate increase in May this year, and has come under criticism in Michigan (including some from the state's attorney general) for frequent rate hikes. We note, too, that the commission has a new member. Thus, we would not assume that the rate order will be as constructive as the one earlier in 2019 or those in previous years.

Earnings this year might well rise just slightly from the 2018 result. Favorable weather patterns helped the income of DTE Electric and DTE Gas last year. Also, average shares outstanding will be higher in 2019. Our estimate is within the company's guidance of \$6.02-\$6.38 a share.

We expect earnings improvement in 2020. The company will benefit from rate relief at DTE Electric, unless it receives a harsh order. DTE Gas recovers certain capital expenditures through a regulatory mechanism that provides revenues without having to file a general rate case. DTE Energy is also experiencing growth from new projects and assets in its nonutility businesses.

DTE Energy has completed the acquisition of some midstream gas assets, and another deal is pending. The company paid \$275 million for a 30% stake in a gas gathering system in West Virginia. It now owns 85% of this asset. DTE Energy also agreed to pay \$150 million-\$200 million (the seller didn't want to be more specific) for a pipeline in Ohio. The purchase will likely be completed in the next several weeks.

A healthy dividend increase is likely, effective with the payment in early 2020. We estimate that the board will raise the quarterly payout \$0.065 a share (6.9%). DTE Energy has stated its expectation of 7% annual dividend growth through 2020.

DTE Energy stock has a modest dividend yield, by utility standards. Total return potential over the 3- to 5-year period is negligible.

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY REVENUES (\$ mill.)				Full Year
	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Year
2016	2566	2262	2928	2874	10630
2017	3236	2855	3245	3271	12607
2018	3753	3159	3550	3750	14212
2019	3514	2888	3600	3798	13800
2020	3650	3050	3750	3950	14400

Cal-endar	EARNINGS PER SHARE ^A				Full Year
	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Year
2016	1.37	.84	1.88	.74	4.83
2017	2.23	.99	1.51	1.00	5.73
2018	2.00	1.29	1.84	1.05	6.17
2019	2.19	.99	1.87	1.20	6.25
2020	2.20	1.10	1.90	1.20	6.40

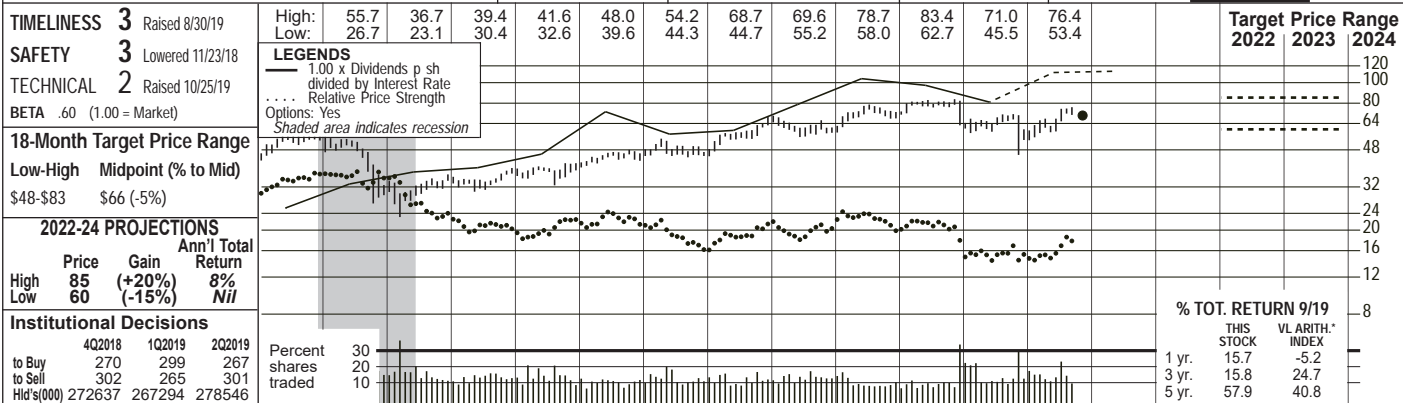
Cal-endar	QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID ^B				Full Year
	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Year
2015	.69	.69	.69	.73	2.80
2016	.73	.73	.73	.77	2.96
2017	.825	.825	.825	.825	3.30
2018	.8825	.8825	.8825	.8825	3.53
2019	.945	.945	.945		

(A) Diluted EPS. Excl. nonrec. gains (losses): '03, (16¢); '05, (2¢); '07, \$1.96; '08, 50¢; '11, 51¢; '15, (39¢); '17, 59¢; gains (losses) on disc. ops.: '03, 40¢; '04, (6¢); '05, (20¢); '06, (2¢); '07, \$1.20; '08, 13¢; '12, (33¢); '17-'18 EPS don't sum due to rounding. Next egs. due late Oct. (B) Div'ds pd. mid-Jan., Apr., July & Oct. ■ Div'd invest. plan avail. (C) Incl. intang. In '18: \$42.63/sh. (D) In mill. (E) Rate base: Net orig. cost. Rate all'd on com. eq. in '18: 10% elec.; in '16: 10.1% gas; earn. on avg. com. eq., '18: 11.3%. Regul. Clim.: Above Avg.

Company's Financial Strength B++
 Stock's Price Stability 100
 Price Growth Persistence 75
 Earnings Predictability 85

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2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	22-24
37.25	31.30	36.38	38.74	40.25	43.31	37.98	38.09	39.16	36.41	38.61	41.17	35.37	36.43	37.81	38.85	37.00	38.50	Revenues per sh	43.00
5.88	3.79	6.99	7.25	7.60	8.08	7.96	8.41	9.03	9.63	8.80	9.95	10.35	10.43	11.03	4.69	9.85	10.25	"Cash Flow" per sh	12.00
2.38	.69	3.34	3.28	3.32	3.68	3.24	3.35	3.23	4.55	3.78	4.33	4.15	3.94	4.51	d1.26	4.60	4.50	Earnings per sh ^A	5.50
--	.80	1.02	1.10	1.18	1.23	1.25	1.27	1.29	1.31	1.37	1.48	1.73	1.98	2.23	2.43	2.46	2.49	Div'd Decl'd per sh ^B	2.75
3.95	5.32	5.73	7.78	8.67	8.67	10.07	13.94	14.76	12.73	11.05	11.99	12.97	11.46	11.75	13.84	13.15	13.50	Cap'l Spending per sh	13.75
16.52	18.57	20.30	23.66	25.92	29.21	30.20	32.44	30.86	28.95	30.50	33.64	34.89	36.82	35.82	32.10	37.85	40.30	Book Value per sh ^C	48.75
325.81	325.81	325.81	325.81	325.81	325.81	325.81	325.81	325.81	325.81	325.81	325.81	325.81	325.81	325.81	325.81	365.00	370.00	Common Shs Outst'g ^D	385.00
7.0	37.6	11.7	13.0	16.0	12.4	9.7	10.3	11.8	9.7	12.7	13.0	14.8	17.9	17.2	--	--	--	Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	13.0
.40	1.99	.62	.70	.85	.75	.65	.66	.74	.62	.71	.68	.75	.94	.87	--	--	--	Relative P/E Ratio	.70
--	3.1%	2.6%	2.6%	2.2%	2.7%	4.0%	3.7%	3.4%	3.0%	2.8%	2.6%	2.8%	2.8%	2.9%	3.8%	--	--	Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	3.8%

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 6/30/19		2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC		
Total Debt \$17575 mill. Due in 5 Yrs \$4864 mill.		12374	12409	12760	11862	12581	13413	11524	11869	12320	12657	13500	14250	16600	1775	1775	1775	1775	1775	16600	Revenues (\$mill)	
LT Debt \$15883 mill. LT Interest \$768 mill.		1115.0	1153.0	1112.0	1594.0	1344.0	1539.0	1480.0	1422.0	1603.0	d290.0	1680	1775	2215	1775	1775	1775	1775	1775	2215	Net Profit (\$mill)	
(Interest not earned.)		33.0%	32.1%	25.7%	14.3%	25.2%	22.4%	6.6%	11.1%	5.0%	--	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	Income Tax Rate	
Leases, Uncapitalized Annual rentals \$190 mill.		10.5%	16.9%	14.8%	8.5%	7.8%	5.8%	8.0%	6.8%	7.2%	--	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%	AFUDC % to Net Profit	
Pens. Assets-12/18 \$3321 mill. Oblig \$3880 mill.		49.3%	51.8%	55.3%	45.2%	45.7%	44.1%	45.0%	41.8%	45.6%	53.6%	52.0%	52.0%	51.5%	51.5%	51.5%	51.5%	51.5%	51.5%	51.5%	Long-Term Debt Ratio	
Prd Stock \$2193 mill. Prd Div'd \$120 mill.		46.5%	44.3%	40.6%	46.2%	46.2%	47.2%	46.7%	49.2%	45.8%	38.3%	41.5%	41.5%	41.5%	41.5%	41.5%	41.5%	41.5%	41.5%	41.5%	Common Equity Ratio	
4,800,198 sh. 4.08%-4.78%, \$25 par, call. \$25.50-		21185	23861	24773	20422	21516	23216	24352	24362	25506	27284	33450	35750	43200	44000	46850	46850	46850	46850	43200	Total Capital (\$mill)	
\$28.75/sh.; 3,250,000 sh. variable, noncum., call.		21966	24778	32116	30273	30455	32981	35085	37000	39050	41348	44000	46850	55100	55100	55100	55100	55100	55100	55100	Net Plant (\$mill)	
\$100; 1,250,000 sh. 6.5% cum., \$100 liq. value;		6.9%	6.3%	6.0%	8.9%	7.3%	7.7%	7.1%	6.9%	7.3%	.1%	6.0%	6.0%	6.5%	6.0%	6.0%	6.0%	6.0%	6.0%	6.5%	Return on Total Cap'l	
350,000 sh. 6.25%, \$100 liq. value; 460,012 sh.		10.4%	10.0%	10.0%	14.2%	11.5%	11.9%	11.1%	10.0%	11.6%	NMF	10.5%	10.5%	10.5%	10.5%	10.5%	10.5%	10.5%	10.5%	10.5%	Return on Shr. Equity	
5.1%-5.75%, \$2500 liq. value.		10.8%	10.4%	10.5%	15.9%	12.5%	13.0%	12.0%	10.8%	12.7%	NMF	11.5%	11.0%	11.0%	11.0%	11.0%	11.0%	11.0%	11.0%	11.0%	Return on Com Equity ^E	
Common Stock 325,811,206 sh. as of 7/23/19		6.7%	6.5%	6.3%	11.4%	8.1%	8.8%	7.2%	5.6%	6.6%	NMF	5.0%	5.0%	5.5%	5.0%	5.0%	5.0%	5.0%	5.5%	5.5%	Retained to Com Eq	
MARKET CAP: \$23 billion (Large Cap)		41%	40%	43%	32%	40%	37%	44%	53%	52%	NMF	58%	58%	58%	58%	58%	58%	58%	58%	53%	All Div'ds to Net Prof	

ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS			
	2016	2017	2018
% Change Retail Sales (KWH)	-2.6	+2	-4
Avg. Indust. Use (MWH)	664	643	667
Avg. Indust. Revs. per KWH (¢)	6.51	NA	NA
Capacity at Peak (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
Peak Load, Summer (Mw)	23091	23508	23766
Annual Load Factor (%)	50.7	NA	NA
% Change Customers (yr-end)	+5	+7	+6

ANNUAL RATES Past					Est'd '16-'18	
of change (per sh)	10 Yrs.	5 Yrs.	to '22-'24	to '22-'24	to '22-'24	to '22-'24
Revenues	-1.0%	--	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%
"Cash Flow"	1.5%	-1.0%	5.5%	5.5%	5.5%	5.5%
Earnings	-3.5%	-9.0%	NMF	NMF	NMF	NMF
Dividends	6.5%	11.0%	3.5%	3.5%	3.5%	3.5%
Book Value	3.0%	3.0%	5.5%	5.5%	5.5%	5.5%

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY REVENUES (\$ mill.)				Full Year
	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	
2016	2440	2777	3767	2885	11869
2017	2463	2965	3672	3220	12320
2018	2564	2815	4269	3009	12657
2019	2824	2812	4500	3364	13500
2020	2900	3100	4700	3550	14250

Cal-endar	EARNINGS PER SHARE ^A				Full Year
	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	
2016	.85	.86	1.27	.96	3.94
2017	1.11	.85	1.43	1.12	4.51
2018	.82	.84	1.57	d4.49	d1.26
2019	.63	1.58	1.45	.94	4.60
2020	1.00	.95	1.55	1.00	4.50

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID ^B				Full Year
	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	
2015	4.175	4.175	4.175	4.175	1.67
2016	.48	.48	.48	.48	1.92
2017	.5425	.5425	.5425	.5425	2.17
2018	.605	.605	.605	.605	2.42
2019	6.125	6.125	6.125	6.125	2.42

BUSINESS: Edison International (formerly SCECorp) is a holding company for Southern California Edison Company (SCE), which supplies electricity to 5.1 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, 37%; commercial, 44%; industrial, 6%; other, 13%. Generating sources: gas, 6%; nuclear, 6%; hydro, 5%; purchased, 83%. Fuel costs: 38% of revs. '18 reported depr. rate: 3.7%. Has 12,500 empl. Chairman: William P. Sullivan. Pres. & CEO: Pedro J. Pizarro. Inc.: CA. Address: 2244 Walnut Grove Ave., P.O. Box 976, Rosemead, CA 91770. Tel.: 626-302-2222. Web: www.edison.com.

A law was passed in California that addresses future wildfire liabilities for utilities, including Edison International's subsidiary. The new law established a \$21 billion fund (half of which is supplied by the utilities) to pay for future liabilities. Southern California Edison's contribution was \$2.4 billion, which the parent raised through an equal split of debt and equity. (How this will be accounted for is still unclear.) The law also changed the way liability is determined so that it is not as easy as it was previously to place the blame on utilities. However, the law does not affect liabilities associated with previous wildfires. In the fourth quarter of 2018, the company took a charge of \$5.60 a share as a reserve for its minimum estimate of these liabilities. So far, it has not taken any additional charges, but this cannot be ruled out.

We no longer think there is a risk of a dividend cut. In fact, we estimate the board will raise the dividend modestly at its meeting in December, effective with the payment in the first quarter of 2020.

Financing needs are significant. Besides the cash needed for SCE's contribu-

tion to the wildlife liability fund, the company is issuing additional common equity and long-term debt for its high (and rising) capital budget. Capital spending needs for wildfire prevention are considerably higher, but the utility is also spending additional monies for other functions, such as modernization of the electric grid.

We reduced our 2019 and 2020 share-earnings estimates by \$0.15 and \$0.30, respectively. The main reason for the cuts is the significant rise in average shares outstanding, which is much greater than we had estimated three months ago.

A cost-of-capital filing is pending with the California commission. SCE is requesting an allowed return on equity of 11.45% and a common-equity ratio of 52% (up from the currently allowed 48%). An order is due in time for it to take effect at the start of 2020.

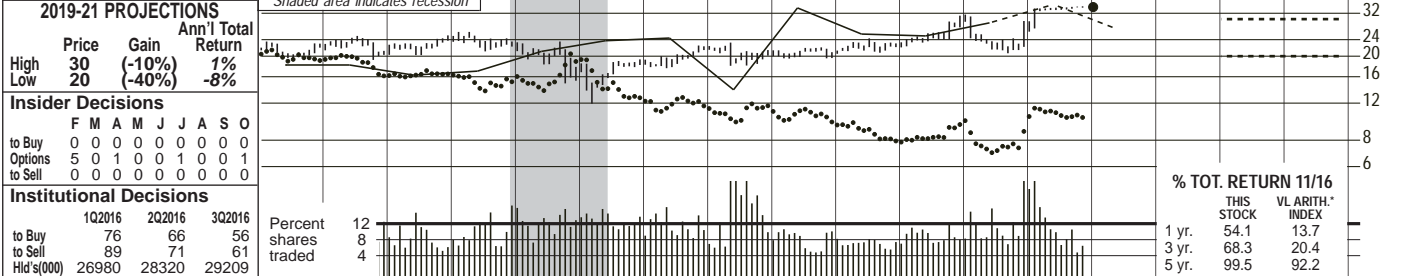
This stock has a dividend yield that is slightly above the industry average. However, total return potential is unappealing for the 18-month and 3- to 5-year periods. And the company still faces risks related to past wildfires.

Paul E. Debbas, CFA *October 25, 2019*

EMPIRE DISTRICT NYSE-EDE

RECENT PRICE **34.20** P/E RATIO **23.8** (Trailing: 24.8 Median: 16.0) RELATIVE P/E RATIO **1.22** DIV'D YLD **3.1%** VALUE LINE

TIMELINESS — Suspended 2/19/16	High: 25.0	25.1	26.1	23.5	19.4	22.5	23.3	22.0	24.3	31.2	31.5	34.5	Target Price Range
SAFETY 2 Raised 3/23/12	Low: 19.3	20.3	21.1	14.9	11.9	17.6	18.0	19.5	20.6	22.0	20.7	26.2	2019 2020 2021
TECHNICAL — Suspended 2/19/16	LEGENDS 0.61 x Dividends p sh divided by Interest Rate Relative Price Strength Options: Yes Shaded area indicates recession												
BETA .70 (1.00 = Market)	64 48 40 32 24 20 16 12 8 6												



2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	19-21
14.78	13.37	13.56	13.03	12.67	14.80	13.67	14.59	15.25	13.04	13.02	13.74	13.11	13.81	15.00	13.82	13.50	13.55	Revenues per sh	14.75
3.12	2.19	2.43	2.48	2.22	2.45	2.75	2.69	2.91	2.72	2.85	3.21	2.99	3.14	3.45	3.32	3.60	3.80	"Cash Flow" per sh	4.50
1.35	.59	1.19	1.29	.86	.92	1.41	1.09	1.17	1.18	1.17	1.31	1.32	1.48	1.55	1.29	1.40	1.45	Earnings per sh ^A	1.75
1.28	1.28	1.28	1.28	1.28	1.28	1.28	1.28	1.28	1.28	1.28	.64	1.00	1.01	1.03	1.04	1.04	1.06	Div'd Decl'd per sh ^B = †	1.20
7.61	4.02	3.43	2.65	1.64	2.83	3.97	5.46	6.28	4.07	2.63	2.44	3.22	3.60	4.91	4.23	2.70	2.40	Cap'l Spending per sh	3.50
13.65	13.58	14.59	15.17	14.76	15.08	15.49	16.04	15.56	15.75	15.82	16.53	16.90	17.43	18.02	18.32	18.55	18.85	Book Value per sh ^C	20.25
17.60	19.76	22.57	24.98	25.70	26.08	30.25	33.61	33.98	38.11	41.58	41.98	42.48	43.04	43.48	43.82	44.50	45.00	Common Shs Outst'g ^D	46.50
17.7	33.9	16.2	15.8	24.8	24.5	15.9	21.7	17.3	14.3	16.8	15.8	15.8	15.0	16.2	18.6	Bold figures are Value Line estimates		Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	14.5
1.15	1.74	.88	.90	1.31	1.30	.86	1.15	1.04	.95	1.07	.99	1.01	.84	.85	.93			Relative P/E Ratio	.90
5.4%	6.4%	6.6%	6.3%	6.0%	5.7%	5.7%	5.4%	6.3%	7.6%	6.5%	3.1%	4.8%	4.5%	4.1%	4.3%			Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	4.7%

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 9/30/16		2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	Revenues (\$mill)	2019-21
Total Debt	\$854.9 mill. Due in 5 Yrs \$216.8 mill.	413.5	490.2	518.2	497.2	541.3	576.9	557.1	594.3	652.3	605.6	600	610	685	
LT Debt	\$829.6 mill. LT Interest \$42.3 mill.	39.9	33.2	39.7	41.3	47.4	55.0	55.7	63.4	67.1	56.6	60.0	65.0	80.0	
Incl.	\$3.3 mill. capitalized leases. (LT interest earned: 3.0x)	35.4%	30.3%	32.5%	32.5%	39.2%	38.4%	38.0%	37.1%	36.9%	37.4%	37.5%	38.0%	38.0%	
Pension Assets-12/15	\$186.9 mill. Oblig \$243.7 mill.	10.7%	23.1%	31.5%	34.2%	21.5%	.9%	3.5%	9.4%	14.8%	13.6%	8.0%	3.0%	5.0%	
Pfd Stock	None	49.7%	50.1%	53.6%	51.6%	51.3%	49.9%	49.1%	49.8%	50.6%	51.1%	53.0%	50.0%	50.5%	
Common Stock	44,094,312 shs. as of 10/31/16	50.3%	49.9%	46.4%	48.4%	48.7%	50.1%	50.9%	50.2%	49.4%	48.9%	47.0%	50.0%	49.5%	
MARKET CAP:	\$1.5 billion (Mid Cap)	931.0	1081.1	1140.4	1240.3	1350.7	1386.2	1409.4	1493.6	1586.5	1640.7	1765	1695	1900	
ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS		1031.0	1178.9	1342.8	1459.0	1519.1	1563.7	1657.6	1751.9	1910.3	2020.4	2040	2045	2175	
% Change Retail Sales (KWH)		5.9%	4.7%	5.2%	5.2%	5.1%	5.5%	5.4%	5.6%	5.5%	4.8%	5.0%	5.0%	5.5%	
Avg. Industrial Use (MWH)		8.5%	6.2%	7.5%	6.9%	7.2%	7.9%	7.8%	8.5%	8.6%	7.1%	7.5%	7.5%	7.5%	
Avg. Industrial Rev/KWH (c)		8.5%	6.2%	7.5%	6.9%	7.2%	7.9%	7.8%	8.5%	8.6%	7.1%	7.5%	7.5%	7.5%	
Capacity at Peak (Mw)		.8%	NMF	NMF	NMF	NMF	4.1%	1.9%	2.7%	2.9%	1.4%	2.0%	2.0%	2.5%	
Peak Load, Summer (Mw)		90%	117%	109%	109%	110%	49%	76%	68%	66%	80%	74%	73%	69%	
Annual Load Factor (%)		BUSINESS: The Empire District Electric Company supplies electricity to 170,000 customers in a 10,000 sq. mi. area in southwestern Missouri (89% of retail elec. revs.), Kansas (5%), Oklahoma (3%), & Arkansas (3%). Acquired Missouri Gas (44,000 customers) 6/06. Supplies water service (4,000 customers) and has a small fiber-optics operation. Elec. rev. breakdown: residential, 42%; commercial, 31%; industrial, 16%; other, 11%. Generating sources: coal, 50%; gas, 27%; hydro, 1%; purch., 22%. Fuel costs: 31% of revenues. '15 reported depr. rate: 3.2%. Has about 750 employees. Chairman: D. Randy Laney. President & CEO: Bradley P. Beecher. Inc.: KS. Address: 602 S. Joplin Ave., P.O. Box 127, Joplin, MO 64802-0127. Tel.: 417-625-5100. Internet: www.empiredistrict.com.													
% Change Customers (avg.)		It appears as if the acquisition of Empire District Electric Company will be completed soon. Algonquin Power & Utilities, a Canadian company that already has some operations in the United States under the Liberty Utilities name, has agreed to pay \$34.00 in cash for each share of Empire District Electric. All shareholder and regulatory approvals have been received, except that of the Kansas Corporation Commission (KCC). However, the companies have reached a settlement with the KCC's staff. As part of the agreement, Empire District Electric would withdraw its pending request for a \$6.4 million (25.7%) rate increase. Instead, the company would file for recovery of certain environmental costs through a rider on customers' bills. This would raise rates by \$1.2 million. A ruling from the KCC is due by January 10, 2017. If the regulators approve the settlement—and there has been no significant opposition—the transaction is likely to be completed shortly thereafter. Accordingly, this might well be our last full-page report on Empire District Electric. We advise stockholders to sell their shares on the open market. The recent price of Empire District Electric stock is above the buyout price. The Timeliness rank of this equity remains suspended due to the takeover agreement. Empire District Electric received a rate increase in Missouri. The Missouri Public Service Commission approved a settlement calling for a hike of \$20.4 million (4.5%), based on a return on equity in a range of 9.5%-9.9%. New tariffs took effect in mid-September. We expect higher earnings this year and next, despite the inclusion of merger-related expenses. Merger-related costs are expected to reduce the bottom line by \$0.10-\$0.12 a share in 2016. Even so, we think profits will wind up higher for the year because the effects of regulatory lag hurt earnings in 2015. In addition, Empire District Electric should benefit from rate relief in 2016 and 2017. Note that we have raised our 2016 earnings estimate by \$0.05 a share, to \$1.40, because a hotter-than-normal summer helped boost the bottom line in the third quarter.													

ANNUAL RATES	Past 10 Yrs.	Past 5 Yrs.	Est'd '13-'15
of change (per sh)			
Revenues	.5%	.5%	.5%
"Cash Flow"	3.5%	3.0%	5.5%
Earnings	3.5%	4.0%	3.5%
Dividends	-2.0%	-4.5%	2.5%
Book Value	2.0%	2.5%	2.0%

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY REVENUES (\$ mill.)				Full Year
	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	
2013	151.1	136.6	157.5	149.1	594.3
2014	179.7	149.8	171.5	151.3	652.3
2015	164.5	134.6	169.7	136.8	605.6
2016	151.3	139.3	175.4	134	600
2017	160	140	175	135	610

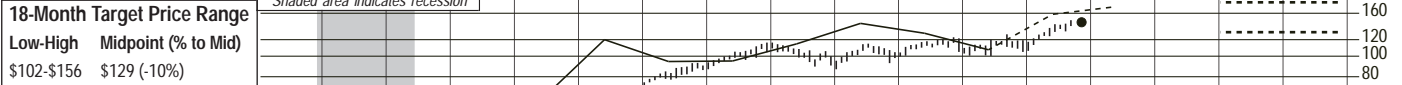
Cal-endar	EARNINGS PER SHARE ^A				Full Year
	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	
2013	.30	.27	.56	.35	1.48
2014	.48	.26	.55	.26	1.55
2015	.34	.15	.58	.23	1.29
2016	.32	.21	.62	.25	1.40
2017	.31	.26	.60	.28	1.45

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID ^B = †				Full Year
	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	
2012	.25	.25	.25	.25	1.00
2013	.25	.25	.25	.255	1.01
2014	.255	.255	.255	.26	1.03
2015	.26	.26	.26	.26	1.04
2016	.26	.26	.26	.26	

(A) Diluted earnings. Excl. loss from discontinued operations: '06, 2c. '15 EPS don't add due to rounding. Next earnings report due early Feb. (B) Div's historically paid in mid-Mar., June, Sept. and Dec. Div's suspended 3Q '11, reinstated 1Q '12. ■ Div'd reinvestment plan avail. (3% discount). † Shareholder investment plan avail. (C) Incl. intangibles. In '15: \$5.88/sh. (D) In mill. (E) Rate base: Deprec. orig. cost. Rate allowed on com. eq. in MO in '16: 9.5%-9.9%; earned on avg. com. eq., '15: 7.2%. Regulatory Climate: Below Average.

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

TIMELINESS 3 Lowered 6/21/19	High: 63.0 57.2 57.2 56.0 72.9 93.0 116.3 116.2 114.7 123.0 127.2 148.1	LEGENDS 0.90 x Dividends p sh divided by Interest Rate Relative Price Strength Options: Yes Shaded area indicates recession	Target Price Range 2022 2023 2024
SAFETY 2 Raised 7/29/16	Low: 34.3 36.4 43.9 44.8 54.7 70.6 86.7 89.4 86.7 99.7 100.5 106.1		
TECHNICAL 3 Lowered 9/13/19			200
BETA .75 (1.00 = Market)			160



2022-24 PROJECTIONS			
High	Price	Gain	Ann'l Total Return
Low	180 (+25%)	130 (-10%)	8%
			1%
Institutional Decisions			
	4Q2018	1Q2019	2Q2019
to Buy	344	344	338
to Sell	277	294	316
Hlds(000)	263178	266999	257637
	Percent shares traded	24	16
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2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC 22-24	
34.81	40.18	45.64	44.89	43.79	44.21	32.88	37.44	41.83	39.80	43.18	44.80	41.20	40.71	44.59	42.69	38.60	40.00	Revenues per sh	43.75
5.56	6.58	5.96	6.74	6.93	7.40	7.94	7.76	8.58	8.92	8.87	9.41	10.32	9.50	10.57	11.07	11.05	12.25	"Cash Flow" per sh	15.00
3.01	3.93	3.52	4.23	4.26	4.43	4.78	4.02	4.47	4.35	4.22	4.63	5.23	4.24	4.63	5.48	5.75	6.85	Earnings per sh ^A	9.00
1.00	1.00	1.16	1.20	1.24	1.37	1.56	1.56	1.92	2.40	2.52	2.64	2.80	3.02	3.29	3.58	3.87	4.20	Div'd Decl'd per sh ^B	5.25
4.63	4.62	5.46	7.28	7.70	8.47	7.76	8.58	11.85	12.20	10.52	12.68	12.71	16.85	15.71	13.82	16.90	13.40	Cap'l Spending per sh	10.25
17.17	20.78	23.95	28.66	31.87	32.75	36.54	37.54	41.00	42.42	45.03	45.98	47.56	51.77	50.41	54.35	60.15	64.75	Book Value per sh ^C	76.50
226.60	234.18	257.19	262.01	261.21	243.32	246.51	240.45	239.93	242.37	244.46	246.33	248.30	250.15	251.36	273.77	290.00	300.00	Common Shs Outst'g ^D	320.00
9.0	8.6	11.8	11.5	14.0	11.8	10.1	12.6	11.8	14.9	19.7	21.9	19.7	24.4	24.3	20.4	17.0	17.0	Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	17.0
.51	.45	.63	.62	.74	.71	.67	.80	.74	.95	1.11	1.15	.99	1.28	1.22	1.10	1.22	1.10	Relative P/E Ratio	.95
3.7%	2.9%	2.8%	2.5%	2.1%	2.6%	3.2%	3.1%	3.6%	3.7%	3.0%	2.6%	2.7%	2.9%	2.9%	3.2%	3.2%	3.4%	Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	3.4%

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 6/30/19		8106.0	9003.0	10036	9647.0	10557	11035	10231	10183	11207	11687	11200	12000	Revenues (\$mill)	14000
Total Debt \$25750 mill. Due in 5 Yrs \$10461 mill.		1193.0	1008.0	1088.0	1079.0	1060.0	1162.0	1314.0	1065.0	1169.0	1607.0	1880	2280	Net Profit (\$mill)	3000
LT Debt \$21199 mill. LT Interest \$852 mill.		30.5%	26.5%	25.3%	18.2%	26.5%	19.7%	19.2%	14.4%	24.5%	20.1%	21.0%	21.0%	Income Tax Rate	23.5%
Incl. \$1275 mill. capitalized leases.		10.6%	11.3%	15.2%	17.2%	11.2%	14.4%	15.3%	22.2%	21.9%	12.6%	11.0%	9.0%	AFUDC % to Net Profit	7.0%
(LT interest earned: 3.3%)		44.8%	49.4%	50.4%	52.8%	50.5%	51.7%	52.6%	52.7%	56.4%	55.7%	54.0%	53.0%	Long-Term Debt Ratio	54.0%
Leases, Uncapitalized Annual rentals \$91 mill.		54.1%	49.6%	49.2%	46.7%	49.4%	48.2%	47.3%	47.3%	43.5%	38.4%	41.0%	42.0%	Common Equity Ratio	46.0%
Pension Assets-12/18 \$2160 mill.		16646	18186	20015	22002	22281	23513	24963	27400	29135	38769	42775	46150	Total Capital (\$mill)	53400
Oblig \$3356 mill.		18281	19876	23572	25191	25460	25902	28039	32931	36503	36796	37750	40100	Net Plant (\$mill)	44100
Pfd Stock \$2278 mill. Pfd Div'd \$105 mill.		8.3%	6.8%	6.7%	6.1%	6.0%	6.1%	6.4%	5.0%	5.1%	5.1%	5.5%	6.0%	Return on Total Cap'l	6.5%
17.25 mill. shs. 6% mandatorily convertible pfd.;		13.0%	10.9%	10.9%	10.4%	9.6%	10.2%	11.1%	8.2%	9.2%	9.4%	9.0%	10.0%	Return on Shr. Equity	12.0%
5.75 mill. shs. 6.75% mandatorily convertible pfd.;		13.1%	11.1%	11.0%	10.4%	9.6%	10.3%	11.1%	8.2%	9.2%	10.0%	9.5%	10.5%	Return on Com Equity ^E	12.0%
811,073 shs. 6% cum., \$25 par.		9.3%	7.0%	6.5%	5.1%	4.1%	5.0%	5.8%	2.9%	3.3%	4.1%	3.0%	4.0%	Retained to Com Eq	5.0%
Common Stock 274,550,561 shs. as of 7/29/19		29%	37%	41%	52%	58%	52%	48%	65%	65%	62%	70%	64%	All Div'ds to Net Prof	58%
MARKET CAP: \$40 billion (Large Cap)															

ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS			
	2016	2017	2018
% Change Retail Sales (KWH)	-3.8	-2	-3.2
Avg. Indust. Use (MWH)	4785	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)	+6	+8	+9

BUSINESS: Sempra Energy is a holding co. for San Diego Gas & Electric Company, which sells electricity & gas mainly in San Diego County, & Southern California Gas Company, which distributes gas to most of Southern California. Owns 80% of Oncor (acq'd 3/18), which distributes electricity in Texas. Customers: 4.9 mill. electric, 6.6 mill. gas. Electric rev. breakdown: residential, 41%; commercial, 42%; industrial, 10%; other, 7%. Purchases most of its power; the rest is gas. Has nonutility subsidiaries. Sold commodities business in '10. Power costs: 34% of revs. '18 reported deprec. rates: 2.4%-6.4%. Has 20,000 employees. Chairman: Debra L. Reed. CEO: Jeffrey W. Martin, Inc.: CA. Address: 488 8th Ave., San Diego, CA 92101. Tel.: 619-696-2000. Internet: www.sempra.com.

Sempra Energy has reached separate agreements to sell its utility assets in Peru and Chile. The sale prices are \$3.59 billion for the assets in Peru and \$2.23 billion for those in Chile, but the company won't wind up with nearly that much cash due to significant tax leakage. Sempra plans to use the sale proceeds for debt reduction and capital spending for its utilities in California and Texas. The transactions are expected to close in the first quarter of 2020. These will probably be the last major asset sales after management made acquisitions and divestitures in the past two years that changed Sempra's strategic and geographic focus.

The utilities in California were granted rate increases. Southern California Gas and San Diego Gas and Electric received increases of \$314 million (12.8%) and \$107 million (5.7%), respectively, retroactive to the start of 2019. SDG&E was granted hikes of \$134 million (6.7%) and \$102 million (4.8%) for 2020 and 2021, respectively. SoCalGas received increases of \$220 million (7.9%) and \$150 million (5.0%) for 2020 and 2021, respectively. This rate relief will contribute to the profit growth we expect in each of these three years.

A cost-of-capital filing is pending in California. SDG&E is asking for an allowed return on equity of 12.38%, and SoCalGas is seeking an allowed ROE of 10.7%. The utilities are requesting a common-equity ratio of 56%, up from the current 52%. A ruling is expected by year-end, and will take effect at the start of 2020.

The first train of a liquefied natural gas export facility has begun operating. The next two trains are under construction, with commercial operation expected in 2020. Annual earnings are estimated at \$400 million-\$450 million beginning in 2021, the first full year of operation.

The market has recognized Sempra's good prospects. The share price has risen 34% in 2019. However, Sempra doesn't stand out among utility issues for its dividend yield. Moreover, we look for total returns to be negative over the 18-month period and unspectacular over the 3- to 5-year pull.

ANNUAL RATES Past 10 Yrs. Past 5 Yrs. Est'd '16-'18 of change (per sh)	Revenues	-5%	5%	5%
"Cash Flow"	4.0%	3.5%	6.5%	
Earnings	1.0%	2.0%	11.0%	
Dividends	10.0%	7.5%	8.0%	
Book Value	5.5%	4.0%	6.5%	

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY REVENUES (\$ mill.)				Full Year
	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	
2016	2622	2156	2535	2870	10183
2017	3031	2533	2679	2964	11207
2018	2962	2564	2940	3221	11687
2019	2898	2230	2900	3172	11200
2020	3100	2400	3100	3400	12000

Cal-endar	EARNINGS PER SHARE ^A				Full Year
	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	
2016	1.61	.06	1.02	1.52	4.24
2017	1.75	1.20	.22	1.46	4.63
2018	1.43	1.27	1.23	1.55	5.48
2019	1.78	1.10	1.27	1.60	5.75
2020	2.00	1.50	1.50	1.85	6.85

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID ^B				Full Year
	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	
2015	.66	.70	.70	.70	2.76
2016	.70	.755	.755	.755	2.97
2017	.755	.8225	.8225	.8225	3.22
2018	.8225	.895	.895	.895	3.51
2019	.895	.9675	.9675	.9675	

(A) Dil. EPS. Excl. nonrec. gains (losses): '09, (26¢); '10, (\$1.05); '11, \$1.15; '12, (98¢); '13, (30¢); '15, 14¢; '16, \$1.23; '17, (17¢); '18, (\$2.06); '19, 16¢; gain (losses) from disc. ops.: '06, \$1.21; '07, (10¢); '19, 7¢. '16 EPS don't sum due to chg. in shs. Next eqs. report due early Nov. (B) Div'ds paid mid-Jan., Apr., July, Oct. = Div'd reinv. plan avail. (C) Incl. intang. In '18: \$15.47/sh. (D) In mill. (E) Rate base: Net orig. cost. Rate all'd on com. eq.: SDG&E in '13: 10.3%; SoCalGas in '13: 10.1%; earn. on avg. com. eq., '18: 10.5%. Regul. Climate: Avg.

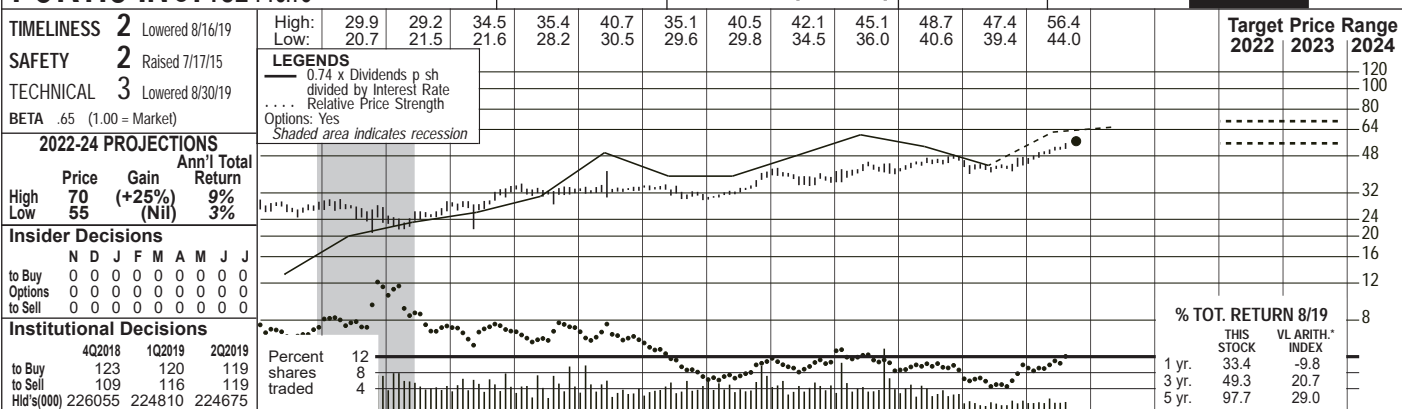
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RECENT PRICE **56.33** P/E RATIO **21.4** (Trailing: 22.4 Median: 19.0) RELATIVE P/E RATIO **1.33** DIV'D YLD **3.4%**

VALUE LINE



2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	22-24
12.13	11.99	13.86	14.14	17.48	23.07	21.24	21.01	19.84	19.07	18.99	19.57	23.89	17.03	19.71	19.58	19.90	20.35	Revenues per sh	21.50
1.92	2.23	2.73	3.05	2.96	3.51	3.66	3.99	3.90	4.10	4.10	3.62	5.21	3.91	5.43	5.40	5.70	6.00	"Cash Flow" per sh	6.75
1.03	1.01	1.19	1.36	1.29	1.52	1.51	1.62	1.74	1.65	1.63	1.38	2.11	1.89	2.66	2.52	2.60	2.75	Earnings per sh ^B	3.00
.52	.54	.59	.67	.82	1.00	1.04	1.12	1.17	1.21	1.25	1.30	1.43	1.55	1.65	1.75	1.85	1.96	Div'd Decl'd per sh ^C	2.35
2.99	2.92	4.93	4.80	5.16	5.34	5.79	5.89	5.91	5.68	5.32	6.00	7.97	5.13	7.18	7.51	9.75	7.80	Cap'l Spending per sh	7.75
8.84	10.47	11.76	12.26	16.72	18.00	18.57	18.95	20.53	20.84	22.39	24.90	28.63	32.32	31.77	34.80	37.15	38.85	Book Value per sh ^D	44.00
69.52	95.53	103.20	104.09	155.52	169.19	171.26	174.39	188.83	191.57	213.17	276.00	281.56	401.49	421.10	428.50	440.00	445.00	Common Shs Outst'g ^E	460.00
13.6	15.3	17.2	17.7	21.1	17.5	16.4	18.2	18.8	20.1	20.0	24.3	18.0	21.6	16.8	17.1	17.5	17.5	Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	20.5
.78	.81	.92	.96	1.12	1.05	1.09	1.16	1.18	1.28	1.12	1.28	.91	1.13	.84	.92	.92	.92	Relative P/E Ratio	1.15
3.7%	3.5%	2.9%	2.8%	3.0%	3.8%	4.2%	3.8%	3.6%	3.6%	3.8%	3.9%	3.8%	3.8%	3.7%	4.1%	4.1%	4.1%	Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	3.8%

2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	22-24
3637.0	3664.0	3747.0	3654.0	4047.0	5401.0	6727.0	6838.0	8301.0	8390.0	8750	9050	Revenues (\$mill)	9900						
280.0	313.0	347.0	362.0	390.0	374.0	672.0	660.0	1174.0	1136.0	1305	1390	Net Profit (\$mill)	1575						
14.4%	17.2%	18.3%	14.1%	7.4%	14.6%	21.3%	16.9%	25.8%	13.4%	15.5%	15.5%	Income Tax Rate	15.5%						
6.4%	4.2%	5.5%	5.0%	5.9%	7.2%	7.4%	10.0%	9.5%	8.4%	8.0%	8.0%	AFUDC % to Net Profit	8.0%						
61.3%	60.5%	57.5%	55.1%	53.5%	54.8%	53.3%	59.3%	58.4%	58.8%	57.0%	55.5%	Long-Term Debt Ratio	53.0%						
34.8%	33.5%	36.9%	35.1%	37.0%	35.7%	38.1%	36.2%	37.1%	37.2%	39.0%	41.0%	Common Equity Ratio	43.0%						
9136.0	9868.0	10513	11358	12892	19235	21151	35874	36108	40082	41825	42375	Total Capital (\$mill)	47100						
8246.0	8762.0	9281.0	10249	12267	17816	19595	29337	29668	32654	35575	37625	Net Plant (\$mill)	42900						
5.0%	5.0%	5.0%	4.8%	4.6%	3.4%	4.5%	2.8%	4.5%	4.1%	4.5%	4.5%	Return on Total Cap'l	4.5%						
7.9%	8.0%	7.8%	7.1%	6.5%	4.3%	6.8%	4.5%	7.8%	6.9%	7.5%	7.5%	Return on Shr. Equity	7.0%						
8.2%	8.6%	8.2%	7.9%	7.0%	4.5%	7.4%	4.5%	8.3%	7.2%	7.5%	7.5%	Return on Com Equity ^F	7.0%						
4.1%	2.8%	4.3%	3.7%	3.2%	1.7%	4.5%	2.1%	5.2%	4.1%	4.0%	4.0%	Retained to Com Eq	3.5%						
54%	71%	52%	60%	61%	68%	46%	59%	41%	46%	43%	43%	All Div'ds to Net Prof	46%						

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 6/30/19
 Total Debt \$23477 mill. Due in 5 Yrs \$6335 mill.
 LT Debt \$22561 mill. LT Interest \$925 mill.
 Incl. \$331 mill. capitalized leases.
 (LT interest earned: 2.3x)
 Leases, Uncapitalized Annual rentals \$8 mill.

Pension Assets-12/18 \$2830 mill.
 Oblig \$3207 mill.
 Pfd Stock \$1623 mill. Pfd Div'd \$66 mill.

Common Stock 436,600,000 shs.
 as of 8/1/19
MARKET CAP: \$25 billion (Large Cap)

ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS

	2016	2017	2018
% 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. (%) 173 231 208

ANNUAL RATES Past Past Est'd '16-'18
 of change (per sh) 10 Yrs. 5 Yrs. to '22-'24

Revenues	5%	-5%	2.5%
"Cash Flow"	4.5%	4.0%	5.5%
Earnings	5.5%	7.0%	4.0%
Dividends	7.0%	6.5%	6.0%
Book Value	7.5%	9.0%	5.0%

QUARTERLY REVENUES (\$ mill.)

Cal-endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2016	1772	1485	1528	2053	6838
2017	2274	2015	1901	2111	8301
2018	2197	1947	2040	2206	8390
2019	2436	1970	2100	2244	8750
2020	2500	2100	2150	2300	9050

EARNINGS PER SHARE^B

Cal-endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2016	.57	.38	.45	.49	1.89
2017	.72	.62	.66	.66	2.66
2018	.69	.57	.65	.61	2.52
2019	.72	.54	.69	.65	2.60
2020	.75	.65	.70	.65	2.75

QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID^C

Cal-endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2015	.34	.34	.34	.375	1.40
2016	.375	.375	.375	.40	1.53
2017	.40	.40	.40	.425	1.63
2018	.425	.425	.425	.45	1.73
2019	.45	.45	.45		

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: 30% of revenues. '18 reported deprec. rate: 2.5%. Has 8,800 employees. Chairman: Douglas J. Haughey. President & CEO: Barry V. Perry. 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.

Fortis' Tucson Electric Power subsidiary has a general rate case pending. The utility filed for a rate increase of \$115 million (7%), based on a return of 10.35% on a common-equity ratio of 53%. The requested ROE and equity ratio are higher than those allowed in rates currently, which are 9.75% and 50%, respectively. An order from the Arizona Corporation Commission is expected in time for new tariffs to take effect on May 1st.

We reduced our 2019 earnings estimate by \$0.10 a share, to \$2.60. June-quarter earnings were hurt by unfavorable weather patterns in Arizona, where the Tucson area experienced its mildest second quarter in the past 20 years. In addition, the average share count will be higher than we had estimated. Our revised expectation for share net would still produce a modest increase over the 2018 tally. Central Hudson is benefiting from the second phase of a three-year rate hike, which took effect in mid-2019. Finally, the ITC transmission subsidiary receives rate relief every year thanks to a forward-looking formula rate plan. Note that our earnings presentation excludes a gain of \$1.12 a

share on an asset sale that Fortis recorded in the second quarter.

We estimate record share profits in 2020. We assume reasonable regulatory treatment for Tucson Electric. Central Hudson and ITC will get additional rate increases, as well. Our estimate of \$2.75 a share would produce a 6% earnings increase. Note, though, that Fortis' earning power is affected by allowed ROEs and equity ratios for its Canadian utilities that are well below those allowed in the U.S.

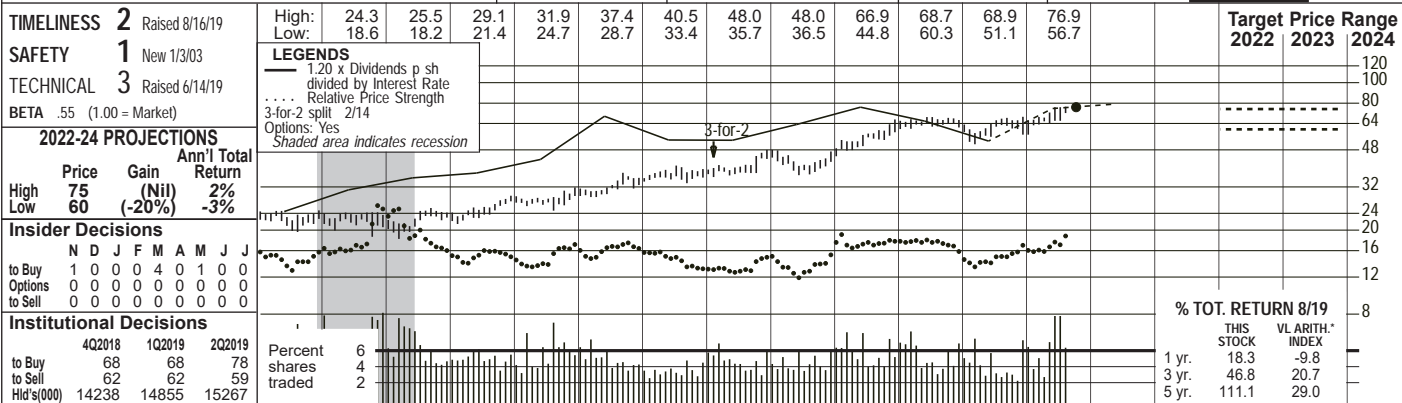
A dividend increase is likely, effective with the December payment. This has been the pattern in recent years. We think the board of directors will boost the quarterly disbursement \$0.025 a share (5.6%), the same as in each of the past three years. Fortis' goal is 6% annual dividend growth through 2023, so a slightly greater hike than we estimate is not out of the question.

Timely Fortis stock has a dividend yield that is slightly higher than the utility average. Total return potential to 2022-2024 is modest, but still better than that of most utility issues.

Paul E. Debbas, CFA September 13, 2019

MGE ENERGY INC. NDQ-MGEE

RECENT PRICE **76.51** P/E RATIO **29.3** (Trailing: 31.1 Median: 18.0) RELATIVE P/E RATIO **1.82** DIV'D YLD **1.9%** VALUE LINE

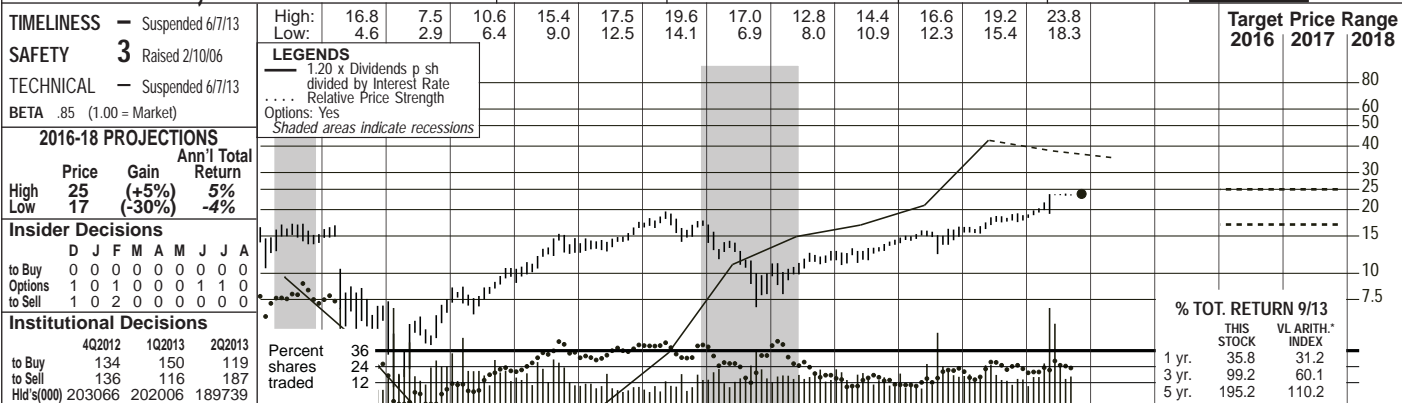


2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	22-24
14.59	13.89	16.73	16.13	16.33	17.35	15.40	15.36	15.76	15.61	17.04	17.88	16.27	15.71	16.24	16.15	16.45	16.85	Revenues per sh	18.25
1.96	1.92	2.00	2.34	2.46	2.68	2.66	2.76	2.94	2.98	3.28	3.49	3.33	3.47	3.73	4.06	4.70	4.90	"Cash Flow" per sh	5.75
1.14	1.18	1.05	1.37	1.51	1.59	1.47	1.67	1.76	1.86	2.16	2.32	2.06	2.18	2.20	2.43	2.60	2.75	Earnings per sh A	3.25
.90	.91	.92	.93	.94	.96	.97	.99	1.01	1.04	1.07	1.11	1.16	1.21	1.26	1.32	1.38	1.45	Div'd Decl'd per sh B = †	1.70
3.02	3.13	2.80	2.94	4.14	3.08	2.35	1.76	1.88	2.84	3.43	2.67	2.08	2.41	3.12	6.12	5.90	4.35	Cap'l Spending per sh	4.75
9.56	11.06	11.21	11.93	12.99	13.92	14.47	15.14	15.89	16.71	17.81	19.02	19.92	20.89	22.45	23.56	24.80	26.05	Book Value per sh C	30.50
27.52	30.59	30.68	31.46	32.93	34.36	34.67	34.67	34.67	34.67	34.67	34.67	34.67	34.67	34.67	34.67	34.67	34.67	Common Shs Outst'g D	34.67
17.5	18.0	22.4	15.9	15.0	14.2	15.1	15.0	15.8	17.2	17.0	17.2	20.3	24.9	29.4	25.1	25.0	25.0	Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	21.0
1.00	.95	1.19	.86	.80	.85	1.01	.95	.99	1.09	.96	.91	1.02	1.31	1.48	1.36	1.36	1.36	Relative P/E Ratio	1.30
4.5%	4.3%	3.9%	4.3%	4.1%	4.2%	4.4%	4.0%	3.6%	3.2%	2.9%	2.8%	2.8%	2.2%	2.0%	2.2%	2.0%	2.2%	Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	2.5%

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 6/30/19		2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	2036	2037	2038	2039	2040	2041	2042	2043	2044	2045	2046	2047	2048	2049	2050	2051	2052	2053	2054	2055	2056	2057	2058	2059	2060	2061	2062	2063	2064	2065	2066	2067	2068	2069	2070	2071	2072	2073	2074	2075	2076	2077	2078	2079	2080	2081	2082	2083	2084	2085	2086	2087	2088	2089	2090	2091	2092	2093	2094	2095	2096	2097	2098	2099	2100	2101	2102	2103	2104	2105	2106	2107	2108	2109	2110	2111	2112	2113	2114	2115	2116	2117	2118	2119	2120	2121	2122	2123	2124	2125	2126	2127	2128	2129	2130	2131	2132	2133	2134	2135	2136	2137	2138	2139	2140	2141	2142	2143	2144	2145	2146	2147	2148	2149	2150	2151	2152	2153	2154	2155	2156	2157	2158	2159	2160	2161	2162	2163	2164	2165	2166	2167	2168	2169	2170	2171	2172	2173	2174	2175	2176	2177	2178	2179	2180	2181	2182	2183	2184	2185	2186	2187	2188	2189	2190	2191	2192	2193	2194	2195	2196	2197	2198	2199	2200	2201	2202	2203	2204	2205	2206	2207	2208	2209	2210	2211	2212	2213	2214	2215	2216	2217	2218	2219	2220	2221	2222	2223	2224	2225	2226	2227	2228	2229	2230	2231	2232	2233	2234	2235	2236	2237	2238	2239	2240	2241	2242	2243	2244	2245	2246	2247	2248	2249	2250	2251	2252	2253	2254	2255	2256	2257	2258	2259	2260	2261	2262	2263	2264	2265	2266	2267	2268	2269	2270	2271	2272	2273	2274	2275	2276	2277	2278	2279	2280	2281	2282	2283	2284	2285	2286	2287	2288	2289	2290	2291	2292	2293	2294	2295	2296	2297	2298	2299	2300	2301	2302	2303	2304	2305	2306	2307	2308	2309	2310	2311	2312	2313	2314	2315	2316	2317	2318	2319	2320	2321	2322	2323	2324	2325	2326	2327	2328	2329	2330	2331	2332	2333	2334	2335	2336	2337	2338	2339	2340	2341	2342	2343	2344	2345	2346	2347	2348	2349	2350	2351	2352	2353	2354	2355	2356	2357	2358	2359	2360	2361	2362	2363	2364	2365	2366	2367	2368	2369	2370	2371	2372	2373	2374	2375	2376	2377	2378	2379	2380	2381	2382	2383	2384	2385	2386	2387	2388	2389	2390	2391	2392	2393	2394	2395	2396	2397	2398	2399	2400	2401	2402	2403	2404	2405	2406	2407	2408	2409	2410	2411	2412	2413	2414	2415	2416	2417	2418	2419	2420	2421	2422	2423	2424	2425	2426	2427	2428	2429	2430	2431	2432	2433	2434	2435	2436	2437	2438	2439	2440	2441	2442	2443	2444	2445	2446	2447	2448	2449	2450	2451	2452	2453	2454	2455	2456	2457	2458	2459	2460	2461	2462	2463	2464	2465	2466	2467	2468	2469	2470	2471	2472	2473	2474	2475	2476	2477	2478	2479	2480	2481	2482	2483	2484	2485	2486	2487	2488	2489	2490	2491	2492	2493	2494	2495	2496	2497	2498	2499	2500	2501	2502	2503	2504	2505	2506	2507	2508	2509	2510	2511	2512	2513	2514	2515	2516	2517	2518	2519	2520	2521	2522	2523	2524	2525	2526	2527	2528	2529	2530	2531	2532	2533	2534	2535	2536	2537	2538	2539	2540	2541	2542	2543	2544	2545	2546	2547	2548	2549	2550	2551	2552	2553	2554	2555	2556	2557	2558	2559	2560	2561	2562	2563	2564	2565	2566	2567	2568	2569	2570	2571	2572	2573	2574	2575	2576	2577	2578	2579	2580	2581	2582	2583	2584	2585	2586	2587	2588	2589	2590	2591	2592	2593	2594	2595	2596	2597	2598	2599	2600	2601	2602	2603	2604	2605	2606	2607	2608	2609	2610	2611	2612	2613	2614	2615	2616	2617	2618	2619	2620	2621	2622	2623	2624	2625	2626	2627	2628	2629	2630	2631	2632	2633	2634	2635	2636	2637	2638	2639	2640	2641	2642	2643	2644	2645	2646	2647	2648	2649	2650	2651	2652	2653	2654	2655	2656	2657	2658	2659	2660	2661	2662	2663	2664	2665	2666	2667	2668	2669	2670	2671	2672	2673	2674	2675	2676	2677	2678	2679	2680	2681	2682	2683	2684	2685	2686	2687	2688	2689	2690	2691	2692	2693	2694	2695	2696	2697	2698	2699	2700	2701	2702	2703	2704	2705	2706	2707	2708	2709	2710	2711	2712	2713	2714	2715	2716	2717	2718	2719	2720	2721	2722	2723	2724	2725	2726	2727	2728	2729	2730	2731	2732	2733	2734	2735	2736	2737	2738	2739	2740	2741	2742	2743	2744	2745	2746	2747	2748	2749	2750	2751	2752	2753	2754	2755	2756	2757	2758	2759	2760	2761	2762	2763	2764	2765	2766	2767	2768	2769	2770	2771	2772	2773	2774	2775	2776	2777	2778	2779	2780	2781	2782	2783	2784	2785	2786	2787	2788	2789	2790	2791	2792	2793	2794	2795	2796	2797	2798	2799	2800	2801	2802	2803	2804	2805	2806	2807	2808	2809	2810	2811	2812	2813	2814	2815	2816	2817	2818	2819	2820	2821	2822	2823	2824	2825	2826	2827	2828	2829	2830	2831	2832	2833	2834	2835	2836	2837	2838	2839	2840	2841	2842	2843	2844	2845	2846	2847	2848	2849	2850	2851	2852	2853	2854	2855	2856	2857	2858	2859	2860	2861	2862	2863	2864	2865	2866	2867	2868	2869	2870	2871	2872	2873	2874	2875	2876	2877	2878	2879	2880	2881	2882	2883	2884	2885	2886	2887	2888	2889	2890	2891	2892	2893	2894	2895	2896	2897	2898	2899	2900	2901	2902	2903	2904	2905	2906	2907	2908	2909	2910	2911	2912	2913	2914	2915	2916	2917	2918	2919	2920	2921	2922	2923	2924	2925	2926	2927	2928	2929	2930	2931	2932	2933	2934	2935	2936	2937	2938	2939	2940	2941	2942	2943	2944	2945	2946	2947	2948	2949	2950	2951	2952	2953	2954	2955	2956	2957	2958	2959	2960	2961	2962	2963	2964	2965	2966	2967	2968	2969	2970	2971	2972	2973	2974	2975	2976	2977	2978	2979	2980	2981	2982	2983	2984	2985	2986	2987	2988	2989	2990	2991	2992	2993	2994	2995	2996	2997	2998	2999	3000	3001	3002	3003	3004	3005	3006	3007	3008	3009	3010	3011	3012	3013	3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NV ENERGY, INC. NYSE-NVE

RECENT PRICE **23.74** P/E RATIO **18.1** (Trailing: 17.3; Median: 17.0) RELATIVE P/E RATIO **0.97** DIV'D YLD **3.4%** VALUE LINE



1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	16-18
15.86	17.04	16.69	29.75	44.94	29.28	23.79	24.04	15.09	15.18	15.41	15.06	15.27	13.94	12.47	12.67	12.70	13.15	Revenues per sh	14.50
3.04	3.12	2.10	1.45	1.94	d1.27	2.75	4.65	2.42	2.89	2.91	2.02	3.45	3.48	2.91	3.67	3.70	3.95	"Cash Flow" per sh	4.50
1.65	1.64	.83	d.63	.34	d3.00	d1.15	.40	.44	1.14	.89	.89	.78	.96	.69	1.35	1.30	1.40	Earnings per sh ^A	1.65
1.60	1.45	1.17	1.00	.40	.20	--	--	--	--	.16	.34	.41	.45	.49	.64	.76	.82	Div'd Decl'd per sh ^B	.95
4.41	6.31	3.95	4.58	3.28	3.91	3.19	3.68	3.42	4.46	5.12	4.54	3.69	2.79	2.68	2.16	2.20	1.85	Cap'l Spending per sh	2.00
16.54	16.86	18.83	17.33	16.60	12.99	12.24	12.76	10.26	11.86	12.82	13.36	13.73	14.24	14.43	15.13	15.65	16.25	Book Value per sh ^C	18.25
50.40	51.27	78.43	78.48	102.11	102.18	117.24	117.47	200.79	221.03	233.74	234.32	234.83	235.32	236.00	235.08	236.00	236.00	Common Shs Outst'g ^D	236.00
12.9	15.2	25.7	--	NMF	--	--	20.9	27.5	12.6	19.1	13.3	13.9	13.2	21.7	12.8			Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	13.0
.74	.79	1.46	--	NMF	--	--	1.10	1.46	.68	1.01	.80	.93	.84	1.36	.82			Relative P/E Ratio	.85
7.5%	5.8%	5.5%	6.5%	2.7%	2.2%	--	--	--	--	.9%	2.9%	3.8%	3.6%	3.3%	3.7%			Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	4.5%

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 6/30/13
Total Debt \$5023.8 mill. **Due in 5 Yrs** \$1601.9 mill.
LT Debt \$4543.7 mill. **LT Interest** \$264.0 mill.
 Incl. \$44.3 mill. capitalized leases.
 (LT interest earned: 2.7x)

Leases, Uncapitalized Annual rentals \$17.4 mill.
Pension Assets-12/12 \$841.5 mill. **Oblig.** \$935.5 mill.

Pfd Stock None

Common Stock 235,580,598 shs.
 as of 7/31/13
MARKET CAP: \$5.6 billion (Large Cap)

2789.2	2823.8	3030.2	3356.0	3601.0	3528.1	3585.8	3280.2	2943.3	2979.2	3000	3100	Revenues (\$mill)	3400
d129.4	75.3	86.2	238.9	197.3	208.9	182.9	227.0	163.4	321.9	310	335	Net Profit (\$mill)	395
--	34.5%	33.4%	34.1%	30.7%	31.3%	29.2%	33.4%	34.7%	34.1%	33.0%	33.0%	Income Tax Rate	33.0%
--	19.3%	52.2%	14.8%	29.3%	32.5%	24.3%	22.7%	12.0%	5.2%	4.0%	4.0%	AFUDC % to Net Profit	4.0%
70.7%	72.5%	64.4%	60.4%	58.0%	62.7%	62.2%	59.5%	56.8%	55.0%	53.5%	53.5%	Long-Term Debt Ratio	46.0%
28.3%	26.6%	34.8%	39.6%	42.0%	37.3%	37.8%	40.5%	40.5%	43.2%	45.0%	46.5%	Common Equity Ratio	54.0%
5065.1	5629.9	5927.3	6623.8	7134.4	8398.2	8527.3	8274.9	8415.0	8227.2	8160	8215	Total Capital (\$mill)	8000
4642.7	4926.9	5397.6	6087.0	7011.0	8310.3	8665.6	8929.7	9227.1	9426.0	9525	9515	Net Plant (\$mill)	9400
4%	4.1%	4.0%	5.8%	4.7%	4.3%	4.1%	4.8%	3.7%	5.7%	5.5%	5.5%	Return on Total Cap'l	6.5%
NMF	4.9%	4.1%	9.1%	6.6%	6.7%	5.7%	6.8%	4.8%	9.1%	8.5%	9.0%	Return on Shr. Equity	9.0%
NMF	4.8%	4.0%	9.0%	6.6%	6.7%	5.7%	6.8%	4.8%	9.1%	8.5%	9.0%	Return on Com Equity ^E	9.0%
NMF	4.8%	4.0%	9.0%	5.4%	4.1%	2.7%	3.6%	1.4%	4.8%	3.5%	3.5%	Retained to Com Eq	4.0%
NMF	5%	5%	1%	18%	38%	53%	47%	71%	47%	58%	57%	All Div'ds to Net Prof	57%

ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS

	2010	2011	2012
% Change Retail Sales (KWH)	-1.4	-1.9	+3.6
Avg. Indust. Use (MWH)	NA	NA	NA
Avg. Indust. Revs. per KWH (c)	NA	NA	NA
Capacity at Peak (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
Peak Load, Summer (Mw)	7215	7052	7437
Annual Load Factor (%) ^F	43.0	44.7	44.2
% Change Customers (yr-end)	+3	-2.8	+9

BUSINESS: NV Energy, Inc. (formerly Sierra Pacific Resources) is a holding company formed through the 7/99 merger of Sierra Pacific (now NV Energy North) and Nevada Power (now NV Energy South). Sells electricity in west central & southern Nevada & eastern California; provides gas to Reno & Sparks, NV & environs. Customers: 1.2 mill. elec., 153,000 gas. Elec. rev. breakdown: res'l, 45%; comm'l, 25%; ind'l, 27%; other, 3%. Generating sources: gas, 59%; coal, 10%; purchased, 31%. Fuel costs: 38% of revs. '12 reported deprec. rates: South, 3.2%; North, 2.9%. Has 2,700 employees. Chairman: Philip G. Satre. President & CEO: Michael W. Yackira. Inc.: NV. Address: 6226 West Sahara Ave., Las Vegas, NV 89146. Tel.: 702-402-5000. Internet: www.nvenergy.com.

Fixed Charge Cov. (%)

181	181	256
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ANNUAL RATES Past 10 Yrs. 5 Yrs. Est'd '10-'12 of change (per sh)

Revenues	-9.5%	-3.0%	2.0%
"Cash Flow"	17.0%	4.0%	5.0%
Earnings	--	4.0%	8.5%
Dividends	--	--	10.0%
Book Value	-5%	4.5%	4.0%

Shareholders of NV Energy have approved the takeover of the company by MidAmerican Energy. MidAmerican, a subsidiary of Berkshire Hathaway, has agreed to pay \$23.75 in cash for each share of NV Energy. The deal still requires the approval of the Public Utilities Commission of Nevada (PUCN) and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. The companies are targeting the first quarter of 2014 for completion of the transaction. Due to the buyout agreement, the Timeliness rank of NV Energy stock remains suspended.

filings. This case was required by state regulatory law. The utility is now seeking an electric rate decrease of \$4.7 million (0.7%) and a gas tariff hike of \$6.0 million (6.7%). (The electric request is based on a reallocation of debt between the electric and gas businesses and a reduction in operating and maintenance costs.) NV Energy filed for returns on equity of 10.4% for electricity and 10.35% for gas, based on a common-equity ratio of 47%. An order is expected in December, with new rates taking effect at the start of 2014.

QUARTERLY REVENUES (\$ mill.)

Calendar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2010	714.5	782.7	1128.0	655.0	3280.2
2011	641.0	674.9	1017.8	609.6	2943.3
2012	611.4	740.7	1026.5	600.6	2979.2
2013	584.2	731.6	1050	634.2	3000
2014	625	750	1075	650	3100

We continue to advise NV Energy stockholders to sell their shares on the open market. The offer is generous, at 18 times earnings. The recent price of the stock is just slightly below the takeover price, leaving very little upside potential for stockholders. Accordingly, by selling their stock now, NV Energy holders can avoid downside risk in case the deal falls through. So far, the agreement has not generated much controversy, but an unfavorable regulatory outcome cannot be ruled out.

NV Energy is asking the PUCN for approval to combine its two utilities into one. The company is building a transmission line to connect NV Energy North and NV Energy South, which would enable it to operate the utilities as one entity. A ruling is expected in March of 2014.

EARNINGS PER SHARE ^A

Calendar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2010	d.01	.16	.75	.06	.96
2011	.01	.05	.73	d.11	.69
2012	.05	.29	.94	.07	1.35
2013	.09	.27	.89	.05	1.30
2014	.10	.30	.92	.08	1.40

We estimate that earnings will decline a bit this year. Weather patterns were favorable in 2012, and NV Energy is incurring costs related to the pending takeover. These reduced profits by \$0.04 a share in the second quarter. We figure that earnings will exceed the 2012 level in 2014.

QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID ^B

Calendar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2009	.10	.10	.10	.11	.41
2010	.11	.11	.11	.12	.45
2011	.12	.12	.12	.13	.49
2012	.13	.17	.17	.17	.64
2013	.19	.19	.19		

NV Energy North has revised its rate cost. Rate allowed on com. eq. for NV Energy North in '08: 10.6%; NV Energy South in '12: 10%; earned on avg. com. eq., '12: 9.2%. Reg. Climate: Avg. ^F NV Energy South only.

(A) Diluted EPS. Excl. gains (losses) from disc. ops.: '00, 8¢; '01, 31¢; '03, (5¢); '04, (3¢); non-rec. gain (loss): '04, (21¢); '06, 20¢. '11 EPS don't add due to rounding. Next earnings report due late Feb. **(B)** Div'd reinstated 7/07. Div'ds historically paid mid-Mar., June, Sept., & Dec. **(C)** Div'd reinv. plan avail. **(D)** Incl. intang. In '12: \$6.77/sh. **(E)** In mill. **(F)** Rate base: Net orig.

Company's Financial Strength B+

Stock's Price Stability 90

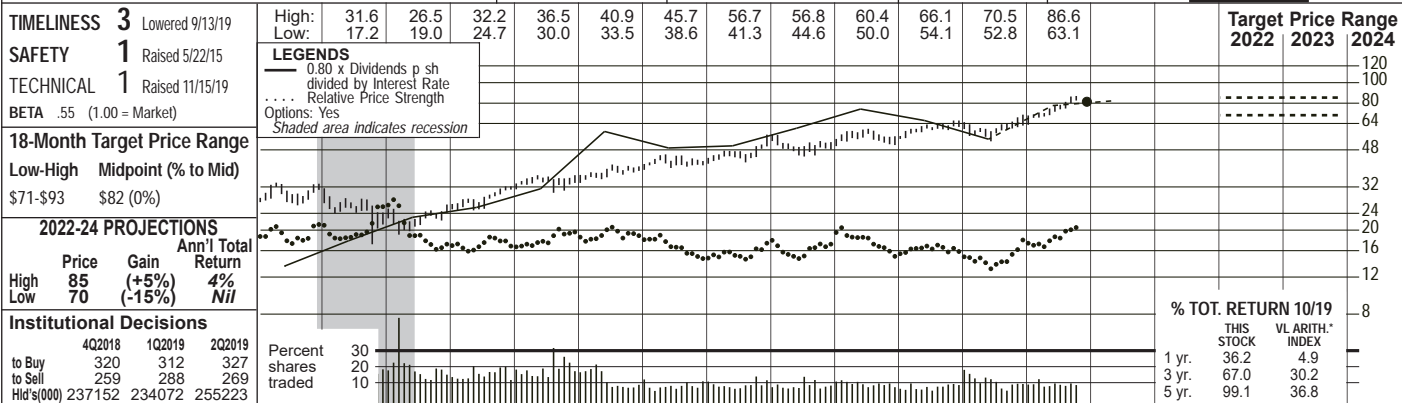
Price Growth Persistence 90

Earnings Predictability 60

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EVERSOURCE ENERGY NYSE-ES

RECENT PRICE **81.08** P/E RATIO **22.7** (Trailing: 24.2 Median: 18.0) RELATIVE P/E RATIO **1.30** DIV'D YLD **2.8%** VALUE LINE



2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	22-24
47.53	51.82	41.85	44.64	37.27	37.22	30.97	27.76	25.21	19.98	23.16	24.42	25.08	24.11	24.46	26.66	26.25	25.80	Revenues per sh	27.50
5.80	5.00	5.46	3.69	4.82	6.16	4.96	5.68	4.88	4.03	5.22	4.56	4.94	5.46	5.84	6.64	7.15	7.35	"Cash Flow" per sh	8.25
1.24	.91	.98	.82	1.59	1.86	1.91	2.10	2.22	1.89	2.49	2.58	2.76	2.96	3.11	3.25	3.45	3.65	Earnings per sh ^A	4.25
.58	.63	.68	.73	.78	.83	.95	1.03	1.10	1.32	1.47	1.57	1.67	1.78	1.90	2.02	2.14	2.26	Div'd Decl'd per sh ^B	2.65
4.31	4.85	5.89	5.49	7.14	8.06	5.17	5.41	6.08	4.69	4.62	5.06	5.44	6.24	7.41	7.96	9.15	7.70	Cap'l Spending per sh	6.75
17.73	17.80	18.46	18.14	18.65	19.38	20.37	21.60	22.65	29.41	30.49	31.47	32.64	33.80	34.99	36.25	37.70	40.40	Book Value per sh ^C	46.25
127.70	129.03	131.59	154.23	156.22	155.83	175.62	176.45	177.16	314.05	315.27	316.98	317.19	316.89	316.89	316.89	324.00	337.00	Common Shs Outst'g ^D	350.00
13.4	20.8	19.8	27.1	18.7	13.7	12.0	13.4	15.4	19.9	16.9	17.9	18.1	18.7	19.5	18.7	19.5	18.7	Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	18.0
.76	1.10	1.05	1.46	.99	.82	.80	.85	.97	1.27	.95	.94	.91	.98	.98	1.01	1.01	1.01	Relative P/E Ratio	1.00
3.5%	3.3%	3.5%	3.3%	2.6%	3.2%	4.2%	3.6%	3.2%	3.5%	3.5%	3.4%	3.3%	3.2%	3.1%	3.3%	3.1%	3.3%	Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	3.5%

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 6/30/19		2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Total Debt	\$15152 mill. Due in 5 Yrs	5439.4	4898.2	4465.7	6273.8	7301.2	7741.9	7954.8	7639.1	7752.0	8448.2	8500	8700	Revenues (\$mill)	9600				
LT Debt	\$13601 mill. LT Interest \$533.5 mill.	335.6	377.8	400.3	533.0	793.7	827.1	886.0	949.8	995.5	1040.5	1110	1215	Net Profit (\$mill)	1490				
Leases, Uncapitalized	Annual rentals \$11.5 mill.	34.9%	36.6%	29.9%	34.0%	35.0%	36.2%	37.9%	36.9%	36.8%	21.7%	21.5%	21.5%	Income Tax Rate	21.5%				
Pension Assets-12/18	\$4573.9 mill.	4.6%	7.1%	8.6%	2.3%	1.4%	2.4%	2.9%	3.9%	4.7%	6.1%	6.0%	6.0%	AFUDC % to Net Profit	5.0%				
Pfd Stock	\$155.6 mill. Pfd Div'd \$7.6 mill.	57.2%	55.1%	53.4%	43.7%	44.3%	45.9%	45.6%	44.8%	51.2%	52.4%	53.0%	52.0%	Long-Term Debt Ratio	53.0%				
Incl. 2,324,000 shs	\$1.90-\$3.28 rates (\$50 par) not subject to mandatory redemption, call. at \$50.50-\$54.00; 430,000 shs 4.25%-4.78% not subject to mandatory redemption, call. at \$102.80-\$103.63.	41.5%	43.6%	45.3%	55.4%	54.8%	53.2%	53.6%	54.4%	48.2%	46.9%	46.5%	47.5%	Common Equity Ratio	46.5%				
Common Stock	323,602,045 shs. as of 7/31/19	8629.5	8741.8	8856.0	16675	17544	18738	19313	19697	23018	24474	26375	28775	Total Capital (\$mill)	34900				
MARKET CAP:	\$26 billion (Large Cap)	8840.0	9567.7	10403	16605	17576	18647	19892	21351	23617	25610	27300	28800	Net Plant (\$mill)	32300				
OBIGI	\$5520.0 mill.	5.4%	5.8%	5.9%	4.2%	5.5%	5.3%	5.5%	5.8%	5.2%	5.2%	5.0%	5.0%	Return on Total Cap'l	5.5%				
Annual Load Factor (%)		9.1%	9.6%	9.7%	5.7%	8.1%	8.2%	8.4%	8.7%	8.9%	8.9%	9.0%	9.0%	Return on Shr. Equity	9.0%				
% Change Customers (yr-end)		9.2%	9.8%	9.8%	5.7%	8.2%	8.2%	8.5%	8.8%	8.9%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%	Return on Com Equity ^E	9.0%				
Fixed Charge Cov. (%)		4.7%	5.0%	5.0%	1.6%	3.4%	3.5%	3.4%	3.5%	3.5%	3.4%	3.5%	3.5%	Retained to Com Eq	3.5%				
		50%	49%	50%	72%	59%	58%	61%	60%	61%	62%	62%	62%	All Div'ds to Net Prof	62%				

BUSINESS: Eversource Energy (formerly Northeast Utilities) is the parent of utilities that have 3.1 mill. electric, 504,000 gas, 230,000 water customers. Supplies power to most of Connecticut and gas to part of Connecticut; supplies power to 3/4 of New Hampshire's population; supplies power to western Massachusetts and parts of eastern Massachusetts & gas to central & eastern Massachusetts; supplies water to CT, MA, & NH. Acq'd NSTAR 4/12; Aquarion 12/17. Electric rev. breakdown: residential, 54%; commercial, 37%; industrial, 5%; other, 4%. Fuel costs: 37% of revs. '18 reported deprec. rate: 2.9%. Has 8,000 empls. Chairman, Pres. & CEO: James J. Judge, Inc.: MA. Address: 300 Cadwell Drive, Springfield, MA 01104. Tel.: 413-785-5871. Internet: www.eversource.com.

Eversource Energy is likely to post steady earnings growth in 2019 and 2020. Some of the company's utilities are benefiting from rate relief. Expense control is effective. Eversource's transmission spending is boosting its earning power, as well. Our 2019 share-net estimate remains \$3.45, the midpoint of Eversource's guidance of \$3.40-\$3.50. We are not changing our 2020 estimate of \$3.65 a share. Our estimates, if attained, will produce profit growth of 6% annually. This is within the company's target of 5%-7% a year. Eversource's goal for annual dividend growth is the same range.

Public Service of New Hampshire has a rate case pending. The utility filed for an increase of \$70 million, based on a return of 10.4% on a common-equity ratio of 54.85%. An interim hike of \$28.3 million was effective on July 1st. PSNH is asking for new tariffs to take effect on July 1, 2020.

Eversource's joint venture with Orsted plans to build offshore wind projects. These would provide 1,714 megawatts of capacity and would come on line from 2022, 2023, and 2024. Costs have not been disclosed. These projects are expected to produce returns on investment exceeding those of the regulated utility operations. However, offshore wind entails significant construction risk.

Finances are solid. The common-equity ratio took a hit earlier this year due to an aftertax charge of \$204 million to write off a transmission project that failed to win siting approval, but this was more than offset by the sale of \$1.3 billion of stock. A third of the nearly 18 million shares was issued in June, and the remainder will come in May of 2020 through a forward sale agreement. Eversource has also switched to issuances rather than open-market purchases for its dividend reinvestment and other stock plans. The fixed-charge coverage is above the industry average, too. All told, the company merits a Financial Strength rating of A.

This high-quality equity has a high valuation. The dividend yield is a bit below average, by utility standards. And Eversource stock doesn't stand out for total return potential, either for the next 18 months or the 3- to 5-year period.

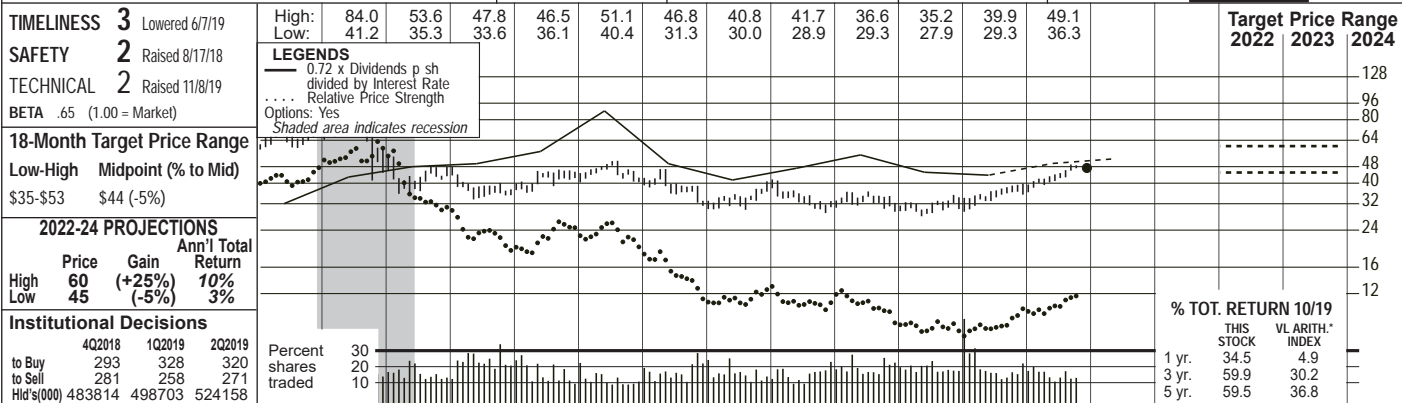
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Company's Financial Strength A
Stock's Price Stability 100
Price Growth Persistence 70
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FIRSTENERGY NYSE-FE

RECENT PRICE **47.32** P/E RATIO **30.3** (Trailing: 20.1 Median: 17.0) RELATIVE P/E RATIO **1.74** DIV'D YLD **3.4%** VALUE LINE



Year	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Revenues per sh	37.31	37.76	36.35	36.03	42.00	44.70	41.70	43.76	38.87	36.57	35.60	35.74	35.48	32.92	31.49	22.00	20.35	21.25	23.75	23.75	23.75	23.75
"Cash Flow" per sh	4.79	7.60	7.55	7.22	8.34	9.04	8.80	8.50	5.75	6.05	6.30	4.55	6.33	6.53	6.54	3.98	4.10	5.30	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00
Earnings per sh ^A	1.47	2.77	2.84	3.82	4.22	4.38	3.32	3.25	1.88	2.13	2.97	.85	2.00	2.10	2.73	1.33	1.50	2.55	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00
Div'd Decl'd per sh ^B	1.50	1.91	1.71	1.85	2.05	2.20	2.20	2.20	2.20	2.20	1.65	1.44	1.44	1.44	1.44	1.82	1.52	1.60	1.90	1.90	1.90	1.90
Cap'l Spending per sh	2.60	2.57	3.66	4.12	5.36	9.47	7.23	6.44	5.45	7.09	6.90	8.42	6.83	6.93	6.38	5.23	5.55	5.50	5.25	5.25	5.25	5.25
Book Value per sh ^C	25.13	26.04	27.86	28.30	29.45	27.17	28.08	28.03	31.75	31.29	30.32	29.49	29.33	14.11	8.81	13.17	13.75	14.80	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00
Common Shs Outst'g ^D	329.84	329.84	329.84	319.21	304.84	304.84	304.84	304.84	418.22	418.22	418.63	421.10	423.56	442.34	445.33	511.92	540.00	543.00	550.00	550.00	550.00	550.00
Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	22.5	14.1	16.1	14.2	15.6	15.6	13.0	11.7	22.4	21.1	13.1	39.8	17.0	15.9	11.4	26.5	16.5	16.5	16.5	16.5	16.5	16.5
Relative P/E Ratio	1.28	.74	.86	.77	.83	.94	.87	.74	1.41	1.34	.74	2.10	.86	.83	.57	1.43	1.05	1.05	1.05	1.05	1.05	1.05
Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	4.5%	4.9%	3.7%	3.4%	3.1%	3.2%	5.1%	5.8%	5.2%	4.9%	4.3%	4.3%	4.2%	4.3%	4.6%	5.2%	3.8%	3.8%	3.8%	3.8%	3.8%	3.8%

Year	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Total Debt \$20803 mill. Due in 5 Yrs \$4656 mill.	12712	13339	16258	15294	14903	15049	15029	14562	14022	11261	11000	11550	13000	1620	1620	1620	1620	1620	1620	1620	1620	1620
LT Debt \$19422 mill. LT Interest \$921 mill.	1015.0	991.0	752.0	891.0	1245.0	356.0	844.0	892.0	1213.0	726.0	810	1380	1620	1620	1620	1620	1620	1620	1620	1620	1620	1620
Incl. \$55 mill. capitalized leases. (LT interest earned: 2.7x)	19.6%	38.6%	41.3%	41.1%	36.1%	5.6%	35.7%	37.8%	37.2%	32.4%	20.5%	22.5%	22.5%	22.5%	22.5%	22.5%	22.5%	22.5%	22.5%	22.5%	22.5%	22.5%
Leases, Uncapitalized Annual rentals \$34 mill.	12.8%	16.6%	9.3%	8.1%	6.0%	33.1%	13.9%	11.5%	6.5%	9.0%	9.0%	5.0%	5.0%	5.0%	5.0%	5.0%	5.0%	5.0%	5.0%	5.0%	5.0%	5.0%
Pension Assets-12/18 \$6984 mill. Oblig \$9462 mill.	58.2%	59.5%	54.2%	53.7%	55.5%	60.7%	60.7%	74.5%	84.3%	72.3%	73.0%	73.0%	69.5%	69.5%	69.5%	69.5%	69.5%	69.5%	69.5%	69.5%	69.5%	69.5%
Pfd Stock None	41.8%	40.5%	45.8%	46.3%	44.5%	39.3%	39.3%	25.5%	15.7%	27.4%	27.0%	27.0%	30.5%	30.5%	30.5%	30.5%	30.5%	30.5%	30.5%	30.5%	30.5%	30.5%
Common Stock 540,311,707 shs.	20467	21124	28996	28263	28523	31596	31613	24433	25040	24565	27450	30000	32500	32500	32500	32500	32500	32500	32500	32500	32500	32500
MARKET CAP: \$26 billion (Large Cap)	19164	19788	30337	32903	33252	35783	37214	29387	28879	29911	31525	33050	37100	37100	37100	37100	37100	37100	37100	37100	37100	37100
ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS	6.9%	6.3%	4.0%	4.9%	6.0%	2.7%	4.3%	5.7%	7.0%	4.9%	4.5%	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%
% Change Retail Sales (KWH)	+3	+3	+3	+3	+3	+3	+3	+3	+3	+3	+3	+3	+3	+3	+3	+3	+3	+3	+3	+3	+3	+3
Avg. Indust. Use (MWH)	NMF	NMF	NMF	NMF	NMF	NMF	NMF	NMF	NMF	NMF	NMF	NMF	NMF	NMF	NMF	NMF	NMF	NMF	NMF	NMF	NMF	NMF
Avg. Indust. Revs. per KWH (¢)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Capacity at Peak (Mw)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Peak Load, Summer (Mw)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Annual Load Factor (%)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
% Change Customers (yr-end)	+5	+5	+5	+5	+5	+5	+5	+5	+5	+5	+5	+5	+5	+5	+5	+5	+5	+5	+5	+5	+5	+5

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 6.1 million customers in OH, PA, NJ, WV, MD, & NY. Acq'd Allegheny Energy 2/11. Electric revenue breakdown by customer class not available. Generating sources: coal, 44%; nuclear, 26%; purchased, 30%. Fuel costs: 32% of revenues. '18 reported deprec. rate: 2.6%. Has 12,500 employees. Chairman: George M. Smart. President & CEO: Charles E. Jones. Incorporated: Ohio. Address: 76 South Main Street, Akron, Ohio 44308-1890. Telephone: 800-736-3402. Internet: www.firstenergycorp.com.

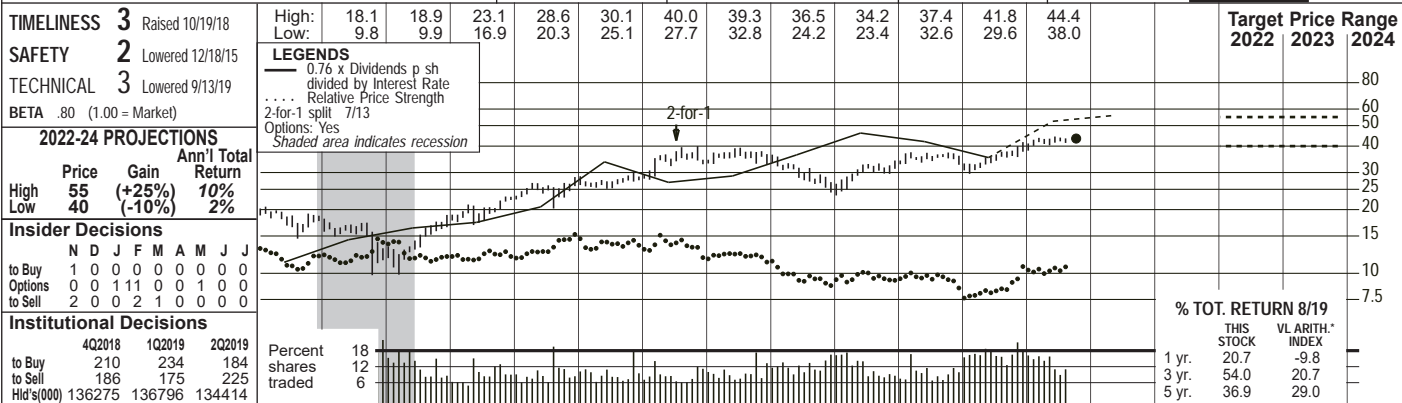
In the next few years, FirstEnergy's earning power will benefit from various capital spending programs. The company's utilities in Ohio will spend \$516 million over a three-year period to modernize the electric grid. This is recoverable through a rider (surcharge) on customers' bills. Similarly, Jersey Central Power & Light will spend \$97 million through the end of 2020. This is recoverable through 2020. FirstEnergy's utilities in Pennsylvania are proposing to spend \$572 million from 2020 through 2024 to improve their electric infrastructure. This would be recovered through a rider. The company expects a ruling by yearend. Finally, FirstEnergy is spending \$1.2 billion a year through 2021 on electric transmission. Most of this is recoverable through forward-looking regulatory mechanisms, and JCP&L is asking the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to approve similar treatment in New Jersey beginning in 2020. This would mean that at least 85% of FirstEnergy's transmission spending would be recovered this way. **Investors should not be alarmed by the loss we estimate for the fourth quarter of 2019.** Each year in the December period, FirstEnergy records a noncash mark-to-market accounting item associated with its pension plan. Management estimates that this will amount to a charge of \$400 million-\$1 billion; our estimate incorporates the midpoint of this range. (The final amount will be determined by the discount rate and asset returns at yearend.) The company's 2019 guidance (on a GAAP basis) is \$0.76-\$1.90 a share as a result of this wide range. We include no such item in our 2020 estimate of \$2.55 a share, which is within FirstEnergy's targeted range of \$2.40-\$2.60. **We think the board of directors will raise the dividend, effective with the first-quarter payment.** We estimate a hike of \$0.02 a share (5.3%) in the quarterly payout, the same increase as a year ago. **The dividend yield of this stock is not significantly above the utility average.** Projected total returns over the 18-month period are negative, and total return potential over the 3- to 5-year period, like those of most other utility issues, is unspectacular. *Paul E. Debbas, CFA November 15, 2019*

Cal-endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2016	3869	3401	3917	3375	14562
2017	3557	3309	3714	3442	14022
2018	2862	2625	3064	2710	11261
2019	2883	2516	2963	2638	11000
2020	3000	2750	3100	2700	11550

(A) Dil. EPS. Excl. nonrec. losses: '12, 29¢; '13, 12.07; '14, 17¢; '15, 63¢; '16, \$16.59; '17, \$6.61; gains (loss) from disc. ops.: '14, 20¢; '18, 66¢; '19, (11¢). '17, '18 EPS don't sum due to rounding or chg. in shs. Next egs. due late Feb. (B) Div'ds pd. early Mar., June, Sept., & Dec. 5 div'ds in '04 & '18, 3 in '13. Div'd reinv. avail. (C) Incl. intang. In '18: \$11.15/sh. (D) In mill. (E) Rate base: Depr. orig. cost. Rates all'd on com. eq.: 9.75%-11.7%; earned avg. com. eq.: '18: 12.7%. Regul. Climate: OH Above Avg.; PA, NJ Avg.; MD, WV Below Avg. **Company's Financial Strength** B++ **Stock's Price Stability** 90 **Price Growth Persistence** 20 **Earnings Predictability** 40

OGE ENERGY CORP. NYSE-OGE

RECENT PRICE **43.42** P/E RATIO **20.6** (Trailing: 21.4 Median: 17.0) RELATIVE P/E RATIO **1.28** DIV'D YLD **3.6%** VALUE LINE



2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	22-24
21.62	27.37	32.83	21.96	20.68	21.77	14.79	19.04	19.96	18.58	14.45	12.30	11.00	11.31	11.32	11.37	11.50	12.25	Revenues per sh	14.50
1.82	1.87	1.94	2.23	2.39	2.40	2.69	3.01	3.31	3.69	3.46	3.40	3.23	3.31	3.34	3.74	3.80	4.05	"Cash Flow" per sh	4.75
.87	.89	.92	1.23	1.32	1.25	1.33	1.50	1.73	1.79	1.94	1.98	1.69	1.69	1.92	2.12	2.10	2.25	Earnings per sh ^A	2.75
.67	.67	.67	.67	.68	.70	.71	.73	.76	.80	.85	.95	1.05	1.16	1.27	1.40	1.52	1.62	Div'd Decl'd per sh ^B	1.90
1.04	1.51	1.65	2.67	3.04	4.01	4.37	4.36	6.48	5.85	4.99	2.86	2.74	3.31	4.13	2.87	3.15	2.90	Cap'l Spending per sh	3.00
6.87	7.14	7.59	8.79	9.16	10.14	10.52	11.73	13.06	14.00	15.30	16.27	16.66	17.24	19.28	20.06	20.50	21.20	Book Value per sh ^C	23.50
174.80	180.00	181.20	182.40	183.60	187.00	194.00	195.20	196.20	197.60	198.50	199.40	199.70	199.70	199.70	199.70	200.00	200.00	Common Shs Outst'g ^D	200.00
11.8	14.1	14.9	13.7	13.8	12.4	10.8	13.3	14.4	15.2	17.7	18.3	17.7	17.7	18.3	16.5	16.5	16.5	Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	17.5
.67	.74	.79	.74	.73	.75	.72	.85	.90	.97	.99	.96	.89	.93	.92	.89	.89	.89	Relative P/E Ratio	.95
6.5%	5.3%	4.9%	4.0%	3.8%	4.5%	5.0%	3.7%	3.1%	2.9%	2.5%	2.6%	3.5%	3.9%	3.6%	4.0%	4.0%	4.0%	Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	4.0%

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 6/30/19		2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	
Total Debt \$3401.1 mill. Due in 5 Yrs \$208.0 mill.		2869.7	3716.9	3915.9	3671.2	2867.7	2453.1	2196.9	2259.2	2261.1	2270.3	2300	2450	Revenues (\$mill)	2900						
LT Debt \$193.6 mill. LT Interest \$132.0 mill. (LT interest earned: 4.0x)		258.3	295.3	342.9	355.0	387.6	395.8	337.6	338.2	384.3	425.5	420	455	Net Profit (\$mill)	545						
Leases, Uncapitalized Annual rentals \$22.1 mill.		31.7%	34.9%	30.7%	26.0%	24.9%	30.4%	29.2%	30.5%	32.5%	14.5%	3.5%	3.5%	Income Tax Rate	3.5%						
Pension Assets-12/18 \$522.8 mill. Pfd Stock None		9.1%	5.7%	9.0%	2.7%	2.6%	1.7%	3.7%	6.4%	15.0%	8.3%	4.0%	3.0%	AFUDC % to Net Profit	3.0%						
Oblig \$615.9 mill.		50.6%	50.8%	51.6%	50.7%	43.1%	45.9%	44.3%	41.1%	41.7%	42.0%	44.0%	44.5%	Long-Term Debt Ratio	45.5%						
Common Stock 200,175,812 shs.		49.4%	49.2%	48.4%	49.3%	56.9%	54.1%	55.7%	58.9%	58.3%	58.0%	56.0%	55.5%	Common Equity Ratio	54.5%						
MARKET CAP: \$6.7 billion (Large Cap)		4129.7	4652.5	5300.4	5615.8	5337.2	5999.7	5971.6	5849.6	6600.7	6902.0	7300	7630	Total Capital (\$mill)	8650						
ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS		5911.6	6464.4	7474.0	8344.8	6672.8	6979.9	7322.4	7696.2	8339.9	8643.8	8930	9145	Net Plant (\$mill)	9700						
% Change Retail Sales (KWH)		7.9%	7.8%	7.8%	7.7%	8.6%	7.8%	6.9%	7.0%	7.0%	7.3%	6.5%	7.0%	Return on Total Cap'l	7.5%						
Avg. Indust. Use (MWH)		12.7%	12.9%	13.4%	12.8%	12.8%	12.2%	10.2%	9.8%	10.0%	10.6%	10.0%	10.5%	Return on Shr. Equity	11.5%						
Avg. Indust. Revs. per KWH (¢)		12.7%	12.9%	13.4%	12.8%	12.8%	12.2%	10.2%	9.8%	10.0%	10.6%	10.0%	10.5%	Return on Com Equity ^E	11.5%						
Capacity at Peak (Mw)		6.0%	6.7%	7.7%	7.2%	7.3%	6.5%	4.0%	3.3%	3.5%	3.8%	3.0%	3.0%	Retained to Com Eq	3.5%						
Peak Load, Summer (Mw)		53%	48%	43%	44%	43%	47%	61%	67%	64%	64%	73%	71%	All Div'ds to Net Prof	70%						
Annual Load Factor (%)		Fixed Charge Cov. (%)		336	315	292															

BUSINESS: OGE Energy Corp. is a holding company for Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company (OG&E), which supplies electricity to 852,000 customers in Oklahoma (84% of electric revenues) and western Arkansas (8%); wholesale is (8%). Owns 25.5% of Enable Midstream Partners. Electric revenue breakdown: residential, 40%; commercial, 26%; industrial, 9%; oilfield, 7%; other, 18%. Generating sources: coal, 28%; gas, 27%; wind, 4%; purchased, 41%. Fuel costs: 39% of revenues. '18 reported depreciation rate (utility): 2.7%. Has 2,300 employees. Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer: Sean Trauschke. Incorporated: Oklahoma. Address: 321 North Harvey, P.O. Box 321, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73101-0321. Telephone: 405-553-3000. Internet: www.oge.com.

OGE Energy's utility subsidiary should soon receive an order in its general rate case. Oklahoma Gas and Electric reached a settlement calling for a \$76.4 million rate hike, based on a return of 9.5% on a common-equity ratio of 53%. If the Oklahoma Corporation Commission approves the agreement, this would enable the utility to place some major capital projects in the rate base. An administrative law judge has recommended approval of the settlement, and we assume in our estimates that this gets approved. New tariffs will be retroactive to July 1st.

We trimmed our 2019 earnings estimate by \$0.05 a share, to \$2.10. June-quarter profits were hurt by milder-than-normal weather patterns, which hurt the bottom line by \$0.06 a share. Our revised estimate remains within OGE Energy's targeted range of \$2.05-\$2.20 a share.

Earnings are likely to advance solidly in 2020. OG&E will benefit from a full year's effect of rate relief. The utility is also experiencing strong customer growth, helped by its low rates and economic development efforts along with the healthy economy of the service area. Our earnings estimate of \$2.25 a share would produce a 7% increase.

A dividend increase is likely at the board meeting later this month, effective with the October payment. OGE Energy's board of directors has been raising the dividend at a 10% level through this year, but this doesn't mean that stockholders can expect a similar boost in the disbursement with the upcoming declaration. We estimate a hike of \$0.03 a share (8.2%) in the quarterly disbursement. We think future increases will be lower than this, but still at or above the utility norm of 5%. Although OGE Energy has a payout ratio that is on the high side, even for a utility, this isn't a problem because the company is getting more than \$140 million a year in distributions from its stake in Enable Midstream Partners, a natural gas master limited partnership.

OGE Energy stock offers a dividend yield and 3- to 5-year total return potential that are each above average for a utility. We think this makes the equity suitable for income-oriented investors.

Paul E. Debbas, CFA September 13, 2019

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY REVENUES (\$ mill.)				Full Year
	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Year
2016	433.1	551.4	743.9	530.8	2259.2
2017	456.0	586.4	716.8	501.9	2261.1
2018	492.7	567.0	698.8	511.8	2270.3
2019	490.0	513.7	750	546.3	2300
2020	525	550	800	575	2450

Cal-endar	EARNINGS PER SHARE ^A				Full Year
	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Year
2016	.13	.35	.92	.29	1.69
2017	.18	.52	.92	.30	1.92
2018	.27	.55	1.02	.27	2.12
2019	.24	.50	1.06	.30	2.10
2020	.25	.60	1.10	.30	2.25

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID ^B				Full Year
	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Year
2015	.25	.25	.25	.275	1.03
2016	.275	.275	.275	.3025	1.13
2017	.3025	.3025	.3025	.3325	1.24
2018	.3325	.3325	.3325	.365	1.36
2019	.365	.365	.365		

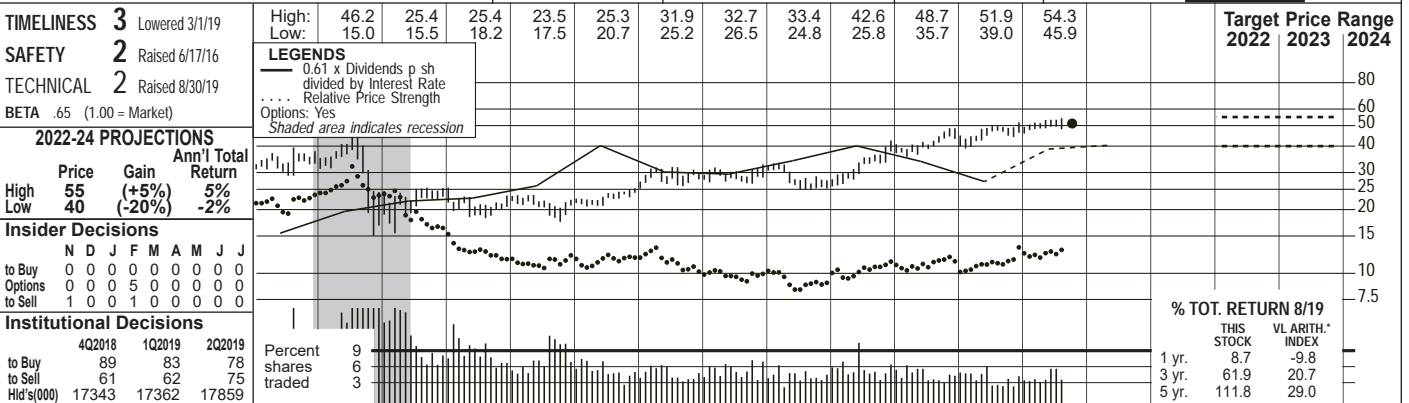
Company's Financial Strength		A
Stock's Price Stability		95
Price Growth Persistence		90
Earnings Predictability		80

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RECENT PRICE **51.19** P/E RATIO **23.6** (Trailing: 25.9 Median: 22.0) RELATIVE P/E RATIO **1.47** DIV'D YLD **2.8%** VALUE LINE



2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	22-24
29.28	30.45	35.59	37.43	41.50	37.06	29.03	31.08	29.86	23.76	24.63	21.48	20.60	20.42	21.47	23.10	23.60	24.10	Revenues per sh	27.50
3.30	2.88	3.35	3.39	3.55	2.81	2.76	2.60	2.36	2.71	3.02	3.09	3.14	3.44	3.70	3.96	4.05	4.15	"Cash Flow" per sh	4.75
1.51	1.50	1.78	1.69	1.78	1.09	.71	.38	.45	1.05	1.37	1.55	1.56	1.60	1.86	2.06	2.15	2.25	Earnings per sh ^A	2.50
1.08	1.10	1.12	1.15	1.17	1.19	1.19	1.19	1.19	1.19	1.19	1.21	1.23	1.25	1.28	1.34	1.40	1.46	Div'd Decl'd per sh ^B	1.65
1.97	1.72	2.04	2.35	5.43	7.51	4.95	2.38	2.04	3.20	4.53	4.40	4.23	4.10	3.36	2.66	5.55	9.05	Cap'l Spending per sh	3.50
12.98	14.81	15.80	16.67	17.55	19.14	18.78	17.57	15.83	14.43	14.75	15.39	15.98	17.03	17.62	18.38	19.35	21.00	Book Value per sh ^C	23.25
25.72	28.98	29.40	29.52	29.85	35.38	35.81	36.00	36.10	36.17	36.27	37.22	37.86	39.35	39.56	39.66	40.25	41.50	Common Shs Outst'g ^D	41.80
17.8	17.3	15.4	17.3	19.0	30.1	31.2	NMF	NMF	21.7	21.1	18.8	18.2	20.2	22.1	22.2	20.2	22.2	Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	19.0
1.01	.91	.82	.93	1.01	1.81	2.08	NMF	NMF	1.38	1.19	.99	.92	1.06	1.11	1.19	1.11	1.19	Relative P/E Ratio	1.05
4.0%	4.2%	4.1%	3.9%	3.5%	3.6%	5.4%	5.7%	5.6%	5.2%	4.1%	4.1%	4.3%	3.9%	3.1%	2.9%	3.1%	2.9%	Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	3.5%

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 6/30/19		2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	22-24
Total Debt \$628.8 mill. Due in 5 Yrs \$208.1 mill.		1039.5	1119.1	1077.9	859.2	893.3	799.3	779.8	803.5	849.4	916.4	950	1000	Revenues (\$mill)	1150						
LT Debt \$590.1 mill. LT Interest \$28.8 mill.		26.0	13.6	16.4	39.0	50.2	56.9	58.6	62.0	73.9	82.3	85.0	90.0	Net Profit (\$mill)	105						
(LT interest earned: 4.2x)		--	--	14.5%	5.2%	21.3%	22.5%	27.0%	24.5%	25.5%	15.0%	18.0%	19.0%	Income Tax Rate	18.0%						
Leases, Uncapitalized Annual rentals \$6.2 mill.		4.0%	6%	3.8%	1.7%	5.6%	3.9%	3.5%	2.2%	2.3%	4.1%	6.0%	9.0%	AFUDC % to Net Profit	4.0%						
Pension Assets-12/18 \$269.8 mill.		38.8%	40.2%	44.6%	44.0%	42.1%	46.5%	42.4%	43.0%	41.3%	44.7%	49.0%	49.5%	Long-Term Debt Ratio	50.5%						
Oblig \$328.4 mill.		59.8%	58.4%	54.0%	54.4%	57.9%	53.5%	57.6%	57.0%	58.7%	55.3%	51.0%	50.5%	Common Equity Ratio	49.5%						
Pfd Stock None		1124.4	1083.3	1058.9	959.2	924.4	1071.3	1051.0	1175.4	1187.3	1318.9	1530	1730	Total Capital (\$mill)	1950						
Common Stock 39,755,277 shs.		1098.6	1108.7	1077.5	1049.5	1167.0	1268.5	1387.8	1477.2	1539.6	1581.1	1725	2025	Net Plant (\$mill)	2250						
as of 7/31/19		3.4%	2.7%	3.2%	5.7%	6.8%	6.7%	6.8%	6.5%	7.3%	7.3%	6.5%	6.5%	Return on Total Cap'l	6.5%						
MARKET CAP: \$2.0 billion (Mid Cap)		3.8%	2.1%	2.8%	7.3%	9.4%	9.9%	9.7%	9.3%	10.6%	11.3%	11.0%	10.5%	Return on Shr. Equity ^E	11.0%						
ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS		3.8%	2.0%	2.7%	7.3%	9.3%	9.9%	9.7%	9.3%	10.6%	11.3%	11.0%	10.5%	Return on Com Equity	11.0%						
NMF NMF NMF NMF NMF NMF NMF NMF NMF NMF NMF NMF NMF NMF NMF NMF NMF NMF NMF NMF		1.2%	2.2%	2.0%	2.1%	3.3%	4.0%	4.0%	3.5%	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%	Retained to Com Eq	3.5%						
NMF NMF NMF NMF NMF NMF NMF NMF NMF NMF NMF NMF NMF NMF NMF NMF NMF NMF NMF NMF		113%	87%	78%	79%	69%	65%	65%	65%	65%	65%	65%	65%	All Div'ds to Net Prof	66%						

BUSINESS: Otter Tail Corporation is the parent of Otter Tail Power Company, which supplies electricity to 132,000 customers in Minnesota (53% of retail electric revenues), North Dakota (38%), and South Dakota (9%). Electric rev. breakdown: residential, 32%; commercial & farms, 37%; industrial, 30%; other, 1%. Generating sources: coal, 53%; other, 10%; purchased, 37%. Fuel costs: 15% of revenues. Also has operations in manufacturing and plastics (34% of '18 income). '18 reported deprec. rate (utility): 2.8%. Has 2,300 employees. Chairman: Nathan I. Partain. President & CEO: Charles S. MacFarlane. Incorporated: Minnesota. Address: 215 South Cascade St., P.O. Box 496, Fergus Falls, Minnesota 56538-0496. Tel.: 866-410-8780. Internet: www.ottertail.com.

The South Dakota commission approved a settlement for Otter Tail. The rate order boosted the utility's tariffs by \$2.6 million (7.7%), based on a return on equity of 8.75%. This also includes a phase-in plan to allow Otter Tail to recover the costs of two major projects (see below) until these can be included in the rate base. The company received 69% of the \$3.7 million it requested; nevertheless, the low allowed ROE is disappointing. New tariffs took effect on August 1st.

Earnings are likely to advance in 2019, despite a year-to-year decline in the first six months. The rate hike in South Dakota will help in the last five months. Also, some expenses that reduced earnings by \$0.15 a share in the second half of 2018, such as a scheduled outage at the Big Stone coal-fired plant and contributions to create a charitable foundation for the company, will not recur. Our estimate of \$2.15 a share is within Otter Tail's targeted range of \$2.10-\$2.25.

We expect further profit improvement in 2020. Otter Tail will have a full year's benefit of the rate increase in South Dakota. In addition, some of its capital investments are recovered through riders (surcharges) on customers' bills.

Two major projects are under construction. Otter Tail is building a 150-megawatt wind farm at a cost of \$270 million and a 245-mw gas-fired plant at a cost of \$158 million. The projects are scheduled for completion in 2020 and 2021, respectively. The company will finance construction with a combination of debt and common equity and should maintain a solid capital structure.

The nonutility businesses' prospects are mixed. The Manufacturing division is having a good year, but the Plastics division is being affected by weaker demand, higher raw material costs, and pricing pressures. So far, the nonregulated operations have been able to pass the costs of tariffs through to customers.

Unlike most utility stocks, Otter Tail's price has risen just slightly this year. There isn't an obvious reason for the underperformance. Still, the valuation of this equity is high. The dividend yield is slightly below average for a utility, and 3- to 5-year total return potential is negligible.

Paul E. Debbas, CFA September 13, 2019

Cal-endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2016	206.2	203.5	197.2	196.6	803.5
2017	214.1	212.1	216.5	206.7	849.4
2018	241.2	226.3	227.7	221.2	916.4
2019	246.0	229.2	240	234.8	950
2020	255	245	255	245	1000

Cal-endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2016	.38	.41	.37	.44	1.60
2017	.49	.42	.45	.50	1.86
2018	.66	.47	.58	.35	2.06
2019	.66	.39	.60	.50	2.15
2020	.68	.42	.63	.52	2.25

Cal-endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2015	.3075	.3075	.3075	.3075	1.23
2016	.3125	.3125	.3125	.3125	1.25
2017	.32	.32	.32	.32	1.28
2018	.335	.335	.335	.335	1.34
2019	.35	.35	.35		

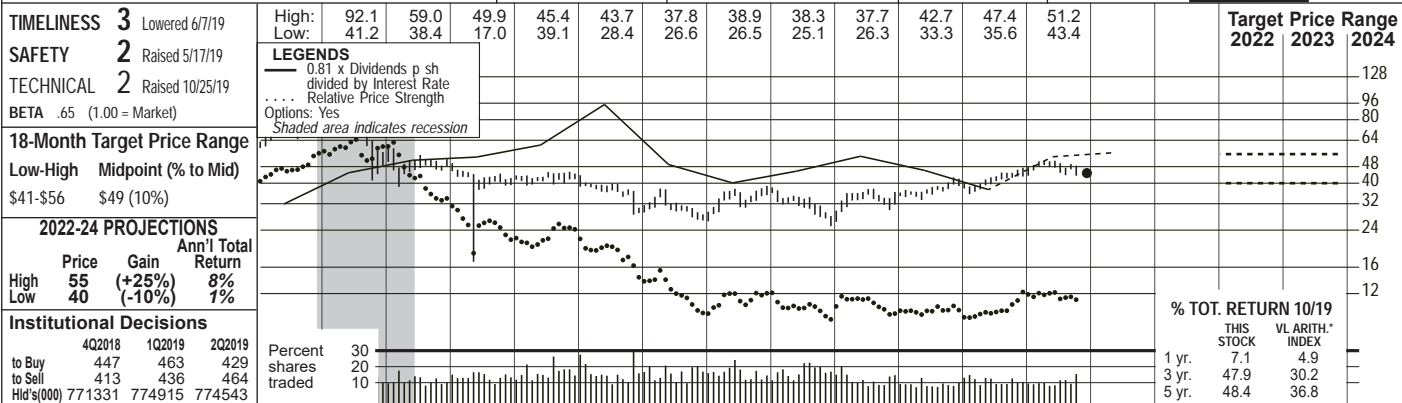
(A) Diluted earnings. Excl. nonrec. gains (loss): '16, 1¢; '17, 1¢. Next earnings report due early Nov. (B) Div'ds historically paid in early Mar., June, Sept., & Dec. (C) Div'd reinv. plan avail. (D) Incl. intang. In '18: \$4.67/sh. (E) In mill. (F) Rate all'd on com. eq. in MN in '17: 9.41%; in ND in '18: 9.77%; in SD in '19: 8.75%; earned on avg. com. eq., '18: 11.5%. Regulat. Clim.: MN, ND, Average; SD, Above Average.

Company's Financial Strength A
Stock's Price Stability 90
Price Growth Persistence 65
Earnings Predictability 65

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RECENT PRICE **44.78** P/E RATIO **14.1** (Trailing: 18.8 Median: 14.0) RELATIVE P/E RATIO **0.81** DIV'D YLD **3.4%** VALUE LINE



2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	22-24
24.09	21.85	23.05	23.37	28.62	28.65	26.25	28.17	28.53	27.48	29.03	31.90	32.01	33.94	34.81	37.17	35.50	37.15	Revenues per sh	42.50
5.06	5.68	6.19	6.71	7.43	7.64	8.25	8.32	7.23	6.61	6.72	6.61	6.80	8.37	8.24	9.00	9.45	9.45	"Cash Flow" per sh	10.75
2.44	2.75	3.21	3.50	4.03	4.10	4.29	3.87	3.75	1.92	2.31	2.10	2.54	1.80	2.78	2.07	3.00	3.15	Earnings per sh ^A	3.75
.96	1.26	1.60	1.64	1.82	2.05	2.10	2.10	2.10	2.10	1.46	1.24	1.24	1.26	1.31	1.38	1.45	1.52	Div'd Decl'd per sh ^B	1.80
2.98	2.89	3.25	3.61	4.05	4.74	4.96	5.03	6.09	6.77	6.29	7.07	8.29	9.26	7.87	7.84	7.60	7.25	Cap'l Spending per sh	7.25
12.95	14.19	13.69	14.89	15.34	16.78	19.16	20.49	21.68	25.07	26.52	26.29	28.04	27.96	30.99	31.77	33.35	35.00	Book Value per sh ^C	40.25
656.37	664.19	666.37	669.86	660.88	658.15	659.76	661.85	663.37	854.78	857.29	859.83	919.92	924.04	963.34	968.19	972.00	976.00	Common Shs Outst'g ^D	988.00
11.8	13.0	15.4	16.5	18.2	18.0	11.5	11.0	11.3	19.1	13.4	16.0	12.6	18.7	13.4	20.1	18.0	18.0	Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	12.5
.67	.69	.82	.89	.97	1.08	.77	.70	.71	1.22	.75	.84	.63	.98	.67	1.09	1.09	1.09	Relative P/E Ratio	.70
3.4%	3.5%	3.2%	2.8%	2.5%	2.8%	4.3%	4.9%	5.0%	5.7%	4.7%	3.7%	3.9%	3.7%	3.5%	3.3%	3.3%	3.3%	Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	3.8%

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 9/30/19		2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Total Debt	\$37713 mill. Due in 5 Yrs \$11451 mill.	17318	18644	18924	23489	24888	27429	29447	31360	33531	35985	34500	36250	Revenues (\$mill)	42000				
LT Debt	\$32446 mill. LT Interest \$1379 mill.	2844.0	2567.0	2499.0	1579.0	1999.0	1826.0	2282.0	1677.0	2636.0	2010.0	2900	3070	Net Profit (\$mill)	3615				
Includes \$390 mill. nonrecourse transition bonds. (LT interest earned: 2.5x)		38.8%	39.2%	36.8%	32.4%	36.5%	27.2%	32.2%	38.5%	34.2%	5.4%	20.5%	20.5%	Income Tax Rate	20.5%				
Leases, Uncapitalized Annual rentals \$140 mill.		2.3%	2.1%	3.0%	5.8%	4.5%	5.5%	5.4%	12.3%	6.5%	7.0%	6.0%	5.0%	AFUDC % to Net Profit	5.0%				
Pension Assets-12/18 \$16678 mill. Oblig \$20692 mill.		47.2%	46.8%	45.7%	45.8%	44.4%	46.7%	48.3%	55.5%	52.2%	52.8%	50.0%	51.0%	Long-Term Debt Ratio	50.0%				
Pfd Stock None		52.4%	52.9%	54.0%	53.5%	55.2%	52.8%	51.3%	44.5%	47.8%	47.2%	50.0%	49.0%	Common Equity Ratio	50.0%				
Common Stock 972,108,865 shs.		24112	25651	26661	40057	41196	42811	50272	58053	62422	65229	64750	70025	Total Capital (\$mill)	79500				
MARKET CAP: \$44 billion (Large Cap)		27341	29941	32570	45186	47330	52087	57439	71555	74202	76707	78750	80175	Net Plant (\$mill)	82700				
ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS		13.3%	11.4%	10.6%	5.1%	5.9%	5.3%	5.5%	4.1%	5.3%	4.2%	5.5%	5.5%	Return on Total Cap'l	6.0%				
% Change Retail Sales (KWH)		22.3%	18.8%	17.3%	7.3%	8.7%	8.0%	8.8%	6.5%	8.8%	6.5%	9.0%	9.0%	Return on Shr. Equity	9.0%				
% Change Retail Sales (KWH)		22.5%	18.9%	17.3%	7.3%	8.7%	8.0%	8.8%	6.5%	8.8%	6.5%	9.0%	9.0%	Return on Com Equity ^E	9.0%				
Avg. Indust. Use (MWH)		11.5%	8.7%	7.7%	NMF	3.2%	3.3%	4.5%	1.9%	4.7%	2.2%	4.5%	4.5%	Retained to Com Eq	4.5%				
Avg. Indust. Revs. per KWH (¢)		49%	54%	56%	109%	63%	59%	49%	70%	47%	66%	47%	47%	All Div'ds to Net Prof	48%				
Capacity at Peak (Mw)		<p>BUSINESS: Exelon Corporation is a holding company for Commonwealth Edison, PECO Energy, Baltimore Gas and Electric, Pepco, Delmarva Power, & Atlantic City Electric. Has 8.9 mill. elec., 1.3 mill. gas customers. Has nonregulated generating & energy-marketing ops. Acq'd Constellation Energy 3/12; Pepco Holdings 3/16. Elec. rev. breakdown: res'l, 54%; small comm'l & ind'l, 16%; large comm'l & ind'l, 17%; other, 13%. Generating sources: nuclear, 68%; other, 10%; purch., 22%. Fuel costs: 46% of revs. '18 depr. rates: 2.7%-7.0% elec., 2.1% gas. Has 33,400 empls. Chairman: Mayo A. Shattuck III. Pres. & CEO: Christopher M. Crane. Inc.: PA. Address: 10 S. Dearborn St., P.O. Box 805379, Chicago, IL 60680-5379. Tel.: 312-394-7398. Internet: www.exeloncorp.com.</p>																	

Exelon is experiencing some difficulties. Conditions in the power markets have been unfavorable for several years, and there are few signs of improvement. Exelon has closed nuclear units in New Jersey and Pennsylvania for financial reasons. Illinois enacted credits for some of the company's nuclear facilities, but its plants that are not eligible for these subsidies are struggling. Exelon is seeking legislation in Illinois that would address this, but the situation is complicated by a federal grand jury investigation into the company's lobbying practices and its relationship with a state senator. (The former head of Exelon's utility operations retired.) The stock price has dipped slightly from the start of 2019 in what has been a stand-out year for most electric utility equities. **The utility operations are faring well.** When Exelon acquired Pepco Holdings in 2016, Pepco's utilities were not earning adequate returns on equity. Through a series of rate cases, the utilities have improved their collective ROE. In Maryland, Pepco received a \$10.3 million increase, based on a 9.6% ROE, and the utility filed a multiyear case in the state, seeking \$160 million over three years, based on a 10.3% ROE. An order is expected in the fourth quarter of 2020. Next month, the Maryland commission is expected to issue an order on Baltimore Gas and Electric's settlement calling for electric and gas hikes totaling \$79 million. Overall, higher income from the utility operations should outweigh ongoing weakness from the non-utility activities, leading to higher earnings in 2019 and 2020. **We expect a dividend increase in the first quarter of 2020.** Exelon has stated its intention to provide 5% yearly dividend growth through 2020. We estimate the board will boost the annual disbursement \$0.07 a share (4.8%). Exelon's payout ratio is low for a utility, reflecting the company's significant presence in the merchant power sector. **We advise investors to look elsewhere.** Even after the stock's underperformance in 2019, the dividend yield is not significantly above the utility mean. Total return potential over the 18-month or 3- to 5-year period is unimpressive. The grand jury investigation is a cause for concern, too. *Paul E. Debbas, CFA November 15, 2019*

ANNUAL RATES	Past 10 Yrs.	Past 5 Yrs.	Est'd '16-'18
of change (per sh)	10 Yrs.	5 Yrs.	to '22-'24
Revenues	3.0%	4.5%	3.0%
"Cash Flow"	1.0%	3.0%	5.5%
Earnings	-5.5%	-3.5%	9.0%
Dividends	-3.5%	-7.0%	5.5%
Book Value	7.0%	4.5%	5.0%

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY REVENUES (\$ mill.)				Full Year
	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Year
2016	7573	6910	9002	7875	31360
2017	8757	7623	8769	8382	33531
2018	9693	8076	9403	8813	35985
2019	9477	7689	8929	8405	34500
2020	9950	8100	9400	8800	36250

Cal-endar	EARNINGS PER SHARE ^A				Full Year
	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Year
2016	.26	.45	.76	.32	1.80
2017	.83	.44	.95	.56	2.78
2018	.60	.56	.76	.16	2.07
2019	.93	.50	.79	.78	3.00
2020	.95	.65	.90	.65	3.15

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID ^B				Full Year
	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Year
2015	.31	.31	.31	.31	1.24
2016	.31	.318	.318	.318	1.26
2017	.328	.328	.328	.328	1.31
2018	.345	.345	.345	.345	1.38
2019	.3625	.3625	.3625		

(A) Dil. egs. Excl. nonrec. gain (losses): '03, (\$1.06); '05, (\$1.85); '06, (\$1.15); '09, (20¢); '12, (50¢); '13, (31¢); '14, 23¢; '16, (58¢); '17, \$1.19. '16 & '18 EPS don't sum due to rounding. Next egs. report due early Feb. (B) Div'ds all'd on com. eq. in IL in '15: 9.25%; in MD in historically paid in early Mar., June, Sept., & '16: 9.75% elec., 9.65% gas; in NJ in '16: Dec. = Div'd reinv. plan avail. (C) Incl. def'd chgs. In '18: \$15.40/sh. (D) In mill. (E) Rate Reg. Climate: PA, NJ Avg.; IL, MD, Below Avg.

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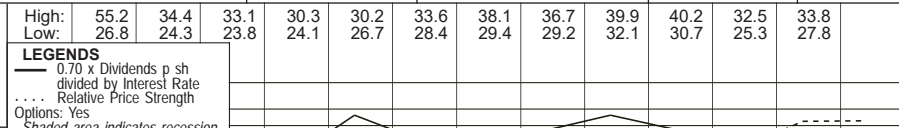
Company's Financial Strength B++
Stock's Price Stability 95
Price Growth Persistence 25
Earnings Predictability 60

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PPL CORPORATION NYSE-PPL

RECENT PRICE **33.57** P/E RATIO **13.6** (Trailing: 13.6; Median: 13.0) RELATIVE P/E RATIO **0.78** DIV'D YLD **4.9%** VALUE LINE

TIMELINESS 3 Lowered 5/17/19
SAFETY 2 Raised 8/21/15
TECHNICAL 3 Raised 11/8/19
BETA .70 (1.00 = Market)



Target Price Range	2022	2023	2024
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60			
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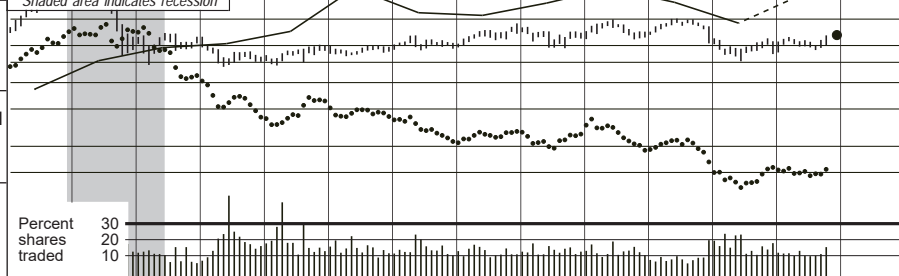
18-Month Target Price Range
 Low-High Midpoint (% to Mid)
 \$25-\$35 \$30 (-10%)

2022-24 PROJECTIONS

Price	Gain	Ann'l Total Return
High 45	(+35%)	11%
Low 35	(+5%)	6%

Institutional Decisions

	4Q2018	1Q2019	2Q2019
to Buy	379	431	374
to Sell	363	309	358
Hlds(000)	534281	526798	522107



% TOT. RETURN 10/19

	THIS STOCK	VL ARITH. INDEX
1 yr.	16.2	4.9
3 yr.	13.4	30.2
5 yr.	21.7	36.8

2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	22-24
15.75	15.37	16.36	17.92	17.41	21.47	20.03	17.63	22.02	21.11	18.82	17.27	11.38	11.06	10.74	10.81	10.00	10.30	Revenues per sh	11.00
3.60	3.59	3.84	4.26	5.10	4.71	3.47	3.66	4.59	4.84	4.64	4.58	3.78	3.68	4.16	3.95	4.30	“Cash Flow” per sh	5.00	
1.84	1.87	1.92	2.29	2.63	2.45	1.19	2.29	2.61	2.61	2.38	2.38	2.37	2.79	2.11	2.58	2.40	2.55	Earnings per sh ^A	2.75
.77	.82	.96	1.10	1.22	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	Div'd Decl'd per sh ^B	1.80
2.17	1.94	2.13	3.62	4.51	3.79	3.25	3.30	4.30	5.34	6.68	6.14	5.24	4.30	4.52	4.50	4.30	4.05	Cap'l Spending per sh	3.25
9.19	11.21	11.62	13.30	14.88	13.55	14.57	16.98	18.72	18.01	19.78	20.47	14.72	14.56	15.52	16.18	17.40	18.35	Book Value per sh ^C	21.50
354.72	378.14	380.15	385.04	373.27	374.58	377.18	483.39	578.41	581.94	630.32	665.85	673.86	679.73	693.40	720.32	770.00	773.00	Common Shs Outst'g ^D	780.00
10.6	12.5	15.1	14.1	17.3	17.6	25.7	11.9	10.5	10.9	12.8	14.1	13.9	12.8	17.6	11.3	Bold figures are Value Line estimates		Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	14.5
.60	.66	.80	.76	.92	1.06	1.71	.76	.66	.69	.72	.74	.70	.67	.89	.61			Relative P/E Ratio	.80
4.0%	3.5%	3.3%	3.4%	2.7%	3.1%	4.5%	5.1%	5.1%	5.1%	4.8%	4.4%	4.5%	4.2%	4.2%	5.6%			Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	4.5%

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 9/30/19
 Total Debt \$22934 mill. Due in 5 Yrs \$7474 mill.
 LT Debt \$21547 mill. LT Interest \$872 mill.
 Incl. 23 mill. units 7.75%, \$25 liq. value; 82,000 units 8.23%, \$1000 face value.
 (LT interest earned: 3.3x)

Leases, Uncapitalized Annual rentals 262 mill.
Pension Assets-12/18 \$10910 mill.
Oblig \$11158 mill.

Pfd Stock None
Common Stock 723,033,043 shs.
 as of 10/31/19
MARKET CAP: \$24 billion (Large Cap)

7556.0	8521.0	12737	12286	11860	11499	7669.0	7517.0	7447.0	7785.0	7700	7950	Revenues (\$mill)	8600
465.0	1009.0	1456.0	1536.0	1541.0	1583.0	1603.0	1902.0	1449.0	1827.0	1810	1980	Net Profit (\$mill)	2200
21.8%	22.0%	31.0%	26.2%	23.1%	33.0%	22.5%	25.4%	24.2%	20.0%	19.0%	19.0%	Income Tax Rate	19.0%
9.5%	3.5%	4.0%	4.1%	3.7%	2.8%	1.6%	1.6%	1.9%	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%	AFUDC % to Net Profit	1.0%
55.2%	59.0%	61.9%	64.1%	62.3%	58.0%	65.2%	64.3%	64.8%	63.3%	59.0%	57.5%	Long-Term Debt Ratio	55.0%
42.5%	39.8%	37.2%	35.9%	37.7%	42.0%	34.8%	35.7%	35.2%	36.7%	41.0%	42.5%	Common Equity Ratio	45.0%
12940	20621	29071	29205	33058	32484	28482	27707	30608	31726	32750	33475	Total Capital (\$mill)	37500
13174	20858	27266	30032	33087	34597	30382	30074	33092	34458	36525	38325	Net Plant (\$mill)	41800
5.2%	6.1%	6.5%	7.0%	6.2%	6.5%	7.1%	8.4%	6.2%	7.2%	7.0%	7.0%	Return on Total Cap'l	7.0%
8.0%	11.9%	13.1%	14.7%	12.4%	11.6%	16.2%	19.2%	13.5%	15.7%	13.5%	14.0%	Return on Shr. Equity	13.0%
8.1%	12.0%	13.3%	14.6%	12.4%	11.6%	16.2%	19.2%	13.5%	15.7%	13.5%	14.0%	Return on Com Equity ^E	13.0%
NMF	5.2%	6.4%	6.7%	5.3%	4.5%	6.0%	8.8%	3.5%	6.0%	4.5%	5.0%	Retained to Com Eq	4.5%
115%	58%	52%	54%	57%	61%	63%	54%	74%	62%	68%	65%	All Div'ds to Net Prof	64%

ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS

	2016	2017	2018
% Change Retail Sales (KWH)	-5	-1.5	+2.0
Avg. Indust. Use (MWH)	NA	NA	NA
Avg. Indust. Revs. per KWH (¢)	NA	NA	NA
Capacity at Peak (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
Peak Load, Winter (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
Annual Load Factor (%)	NA	NA	NA
% Change Customers (yr-end)	NA	NA	NA

BUSINESS: PPL Corporation (formerly PP&L Resources, Inc.) is a holding company for PPL Electric Utilities (formerly Pennsylvania Power & Light Company), which distributes electricity to 1.4 million customers in eastern & central PA. Acq'd Kentucky Utilities and Louisville Gas and Electric (1.2 mill. customers) 11/10. Has electric distribution sub. in U.K. (7.8 mill. customers). Sold gas distribution

subsidary in '08. Spun off power generating subsidiary in '15. The company no longer breaks out data on electric operating statistics. Fuel costs: 20% of revs. '18 reported depr. rate: 2.8%. Has 12,400 empl. Chairman & CEO: William H. Spence. President & COO: Vincent Sorgi. Inc.: PA. Address: Two North Ninth St., Allentown, PA 18101-1179. Tel.: 800-345-3085. Internet: www.pplweb.com.

ANNUAL RATES Past 10 Yrs. Past 5 Yrs. Est'd '16-'18 of change (per sh)

Revenues	-5.5%	-12.0%	Nil
“Cash Flow”	-1.5%	-3.0%	3.5%
Earnings	--	-5%	1.5%
Dividends	2.5%	2.0%	2.0%
Book Value	1.0%	-4.0%	5.5%

PPL Corporation's stock has the highest dividend yield of any electric utility equity under our coverage. The yield is nearly two percentage points above the utility average. The stock trades at a discount to most electric issues because of the regulatory uncertainty arising from PPL's ownership of electric distribution companies in the United Kingdom. In April of 2023, a new regulatory scheme will replace the current one under which PPL's U.K. utilities operate. Investors are worried that the replacement will be unfavorable for the company. Selling or spinning off these operations would produce significant tax leakage. At least the prospect of an unfavorable change in political leadership appears to have diminished, and the stock price is up 14% since our August report. In addition, all of PPL's exposure to the British pound in 2019 and 70% of its exposure in 2020 is hedged at rates that are more favorable than current exchange rates.

first nine months of 2019. (We include these items in our earnings presentation because they are an ongoing part of PPL's results.) Average shares outstanding is much higher this year. Our 2019 share-net estimate is at the midpoint of PPL's targeted range of \$2.35-\$2.45.

QUARTERLY REVENUES (\$ mill.)

Cal-endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2016	2011	1785	1889	1832	7517
2017	1951	1725	1845	1926	7447
2018	2126	1848	1872	1939	7785
2019	2079	1803	1933	1885	7700
2020	2200	1850	2000	1900	7950

We continue to estimate an earnings decline in 2019. In 2018, foreign currency hedges boosted share profits by \$0.21, but this benefit amounted to just \$0.03 in the

We estimate a 6% earnings increase in 2020. PPL will benefit from a full year's effect of rate relief. The U.K. operations got a price hike in April, and the company's utilities in Kentucky were granted tariff increases at the start of May. PPL has already provided a 2021 profit target of \$2.50-\$2.80 a share, and we think the company will attain this goal.

EARNINGS PER SHARE ^A

Cal-endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2016	.71	.71	.69	.68	2.79
2017	.59	.43	.51	.58	2.11
2018	.65	.73	.62	.57	2.58
2019	.64	.60	.65	.51	2.40
2020	.70	.60	.65	.60	2.55

This stock is of interest for income-oriented investors. However, our model for the 18-month period indicates negative total returns for this time frame. For the 3- to 5-year period, total return potential is superior to that of most utility issues.

QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID ^B

Cal-endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2015	.3725	.3725	.3725	.3775	1.50
2016	.3775	.38	.38	.38	1.52
2017	.38	.395	.395	.395	1.57
2018	.395	.41	.41	.41	1.63
2019	.41	.4125	.4125	.4125	

Is a merger in PPL's future? The financial press has reported rumors of a combination between PPL and AVANGRID. Even if the rumor is accurate, there is no assurance that a deal will be reached.
 Paul E. Debbas, CFA November 15, 2019

(A) Diluted EPS. Excl. nonrec. gain (losses): '07, (12¢); '10, (8¢); '11, 8¢; '13, (62¢); gains (losses) on disc. ops.: '07, 19¢; '08, 3¢; '09, (10¢); '10, (4¢); '12, (1¢); '14, 23¢; '15, (\$1.36). '18 EPS don't sum due to rounding. Next earnings report due early Feb. (B) Div'ds paid in early Jan., Apr., July, & Oct. Div'd reinvest. plan avail. (C) Incl. intang. In '18: \$7.71/sh.

(D) In mill., adj. for split. (E) Rate base: Fair value. Rate all'd on com. eq. in PA in '16: none spec.; in KY in '19: 9.725%; earned on avg. com. eq., '18: 16.1%. Regulatory Climate: Avg.

Company's Financial Strength	B++
Stock's Price Stability	95
Price Growth Persistence	15
Earnings Predictability	70

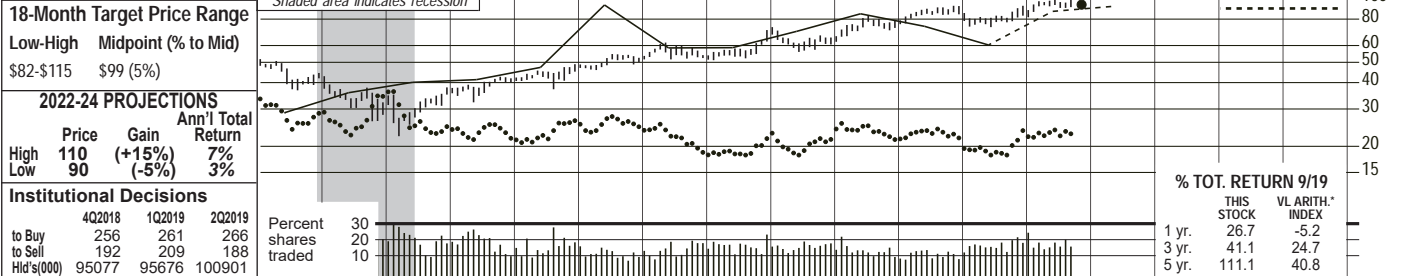
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PINNACLE WEST NYSE-PNW

RECENT PRICE **93.66** P/E RATIO **20.2** (Trailing: 21.0 Median: 15.0) RELATIVE P/E RATIO **1.20** DIV'D YLD **3.2%** VALUE LINE

TIMELINESS 3 Lowered 8/30/19	High: 42.9 38.0 42.7 48.9 54.7 61.9 71.1 73.3 82.8 92.5 92.6 99.8	Target Price Range 2022 2023 2024
SAFETY 1 Raised 5/3/13	Low: 26.3 22.3 32.3 37.3 45.9 51.5 51.2 56.0 62.5 75.8 73.4 81.6	
TECHNICAL 2 Raised 10/25/19		
BETA .55 (1.00 = Market)		

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



2022-24 PROJECTIONS																	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC 22-24			
High	Price	Gain	Ann'l Total														% TOT. RETURN 9/19			
Low	110	(+15%)	Return														THIS STOCK	VL ARITH. INDEX		
	90	(-5%)	7%														1 yr.	26.7	-5.2	
			3%														3 yr.	41.1	24.7	
																	5 yr.	111.1	40.8	
2003	30.87	31.59	30.16	34.03	35.07	33.37	32.50	30.01	29.67	30.09	31.35	31.58	31.50	31.42	31.90	32.93	31.60	34.20	Revenues per sh	39.00
	7.33	6.93	5.76	9.70	9.29	8.13	8.08	6.85	7.52	7.92	8.15	8.09	9.39	9.79	11.41	11.55	12.20	"Cash Flow" per sh	14.25	
	2.52	2.58	2.24	3.17	2.96	2.12	2.26	3.08	2.99	3.50	3.66	3.58	3.92	3.95	4.43	4.75	5.05	Earnings per sh ^A	5.75	
	1.73	1.83	1.93	2.03	2.10	2.10	2.10	2.10	2.10	2.67	2.23	2.33	2.44	2.56	2.70	3.04	3.22	Div'd Decl'd per sh ^B	3.80	
	7.60	5.86	6.39	7.59	9.37	9.46	7.64	7.03	8.26	8.24	9.36	8.38	9.84	11.64	12.80	11.25	11.05	Cap'l Spending per sh	11.75	
	31.00	32.14	34.57	34.48	35.15	34.16	32.69	33.86	34.98	36.20	38.07	39.50	41.30	43.15	44.80	46.59	50.05	Book Value per sh ^C	55.75	
	91.29	91.79	99.08	99.96	100.49	100.89	101.43	108.77	109.25	109.74	110.18	110.57	110.98	111.34	111.75	112.10	112.50	Common Shs Outst'g ^D	114.00	
	14.0	15.8	19.2	13.7	14.9	16.1	13.7	12.6	14.6	14.3	15.3	15.9	16.0	18.7	19.3	17.8		Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	17.5	
	.80	.83	1.02	.74	.79	.97	.91	.80	.92	.91	.86	.84	.81	.98	.97	.96		Relative P/E Ratio	.95	
	4.9%	4.5%	4.5%	4.7%	4.8%	6.2%	6.8%	5.4%	4.8%	5.3%	4.0%	4.1%	3.9%	3.5%	3.2%	3.5%		Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	3.8%	

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 6/30/19																	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC 22-24	
Total Debt \$5569.3 mill. Due in 5 Yrs \$1382.3 mill.																		
LT Debt \$4886.9 mill. LT Interest \$193.9 mill.																		
Incl. \$13.4 mill. Palo Verde sale leaseback lessor notes.																		
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2003	3297.1	3263.6	3241.4	3301.8	3454.6	3491.6	3495.4	3498.7	3565.3	3691.2	3550	3850	Revenues (\$mill)	4450				
	229.2	330.4	328.2	387.4	406.1	397.6	437.3	442.0	497.8	511.0	540	575	Net Profit (\$mill)	670				
	36.9%	31.9%	34.0%	36.2%	34.4%	34.2%	34.3%	33.9%	32.5%	20.2%	10.0%	10.0%	Income Tax Rate	10.0%				
	11.2%	11.7%	12.8%	9.7%	10.0%	11.6%	11.8%	14.1%	13.9%	15.2%	7.0%	7.0%	AFUDC % to Net Profit	7.0%				
	50.4%	45.3%	44.1%	44.6%	40.0%	41.0%	43.0%	45.6%	48.9%	47.0%	48.5%	47.0%	Long-Term Debt Ratio	44.5%				
	49.6%	54.7%	55.9%	55.4%	60.0%	59.0%	57.0%	54.4%	51.1%	53.0%	51.5%	52.5%	Common Equity Ratio	55.5%				
	6686.6	6729.1	6840.9	7171.9	6990.9	7398.7	8046.3	8825.4	9796.4	9861.1	10500	10725	Total Capital (\$mill)	11450				
	9257.8	9578.8	9962.3	10396	10889	11194	11809	12714	13445	14030	14525	14975	Net Plant (\$mill)	16500				
	4.8%	6.5%	6.4%	6.8%	7.1%	6.4%	6.4%	6.0%	6.1%	6.2%	6.0%	6.5%	Return on Total Cap'l	7.0%				
	6.9%	9.0%	8.6%	9.8%	9.7%	9.1%	9.5%	9.2%	9.9%	9.8%	10.0%	10.0%	Return on Shr. Equity	10.5%				
	6.9%	9.0%	8.6%	9.8%	9.7%	9.1%	9.5%	9.2%	9.9%	9.8%	10.0%	10.0%	Return on Com Equity ^E	10.5%				
	.7%	3.1%	2.8%	4.1%	4.1%	3.5%	3.9%	3.5%	4.2%	3.9%	3.5%	4.0%	Retained to Com Eq	4.0%				
	89%	66%	68%	58%	58%	62%	59%	62%	58%	60%	63%	63%	All Div'ds to Net Prof	64%				

BUSINESS: Pinnacle West Capital Corporation is a holding company for Arizona Public Service Company (APS), which supplies electricity to 1.3 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, 51%; commercial, 39%; industrial, 5%; other, 5%. Generating sources: nuclear, 28%; gas & other, 26%; coal, 24%; purchased, 22%. Fuel costs: 29% of revenues. '18 reported deprec. rate: 2.8%. Has 6,300 employees. Chairman, President & CEO: Donald E. Brandt, Inc.: AZ. Address: 400 North Fifth St., P.O. Box 53999, Phoenix, AZ 85072-3999. Tel.: 602-250-1000. Internet: www.pinnaclewest.com.

Pinnacle West's utility subsidiary is about to file a general rate case. Arizona Public Service wasn't planning to file an application until June 1, 2020, but the Arizona Corporation Commission (ACC) directed the utility to do so by October 31, 2019. We do not know how much APS will request, but significant matters concerning rate design are not expected to be part of the upcoming petition. When an order will be issued is unknown, but this case won't have much (if any) effect on the company's earnings until 2021.

The utility is still awaiting an order on another regulatory matter. APS requested a \$67.5 million "step" increase to recover the cost of an environmental upgrade to a coal-fired plant. The ACC's staff and an administrative law judge recommended a \$58.5 million increase, which the company found acceptable. However, the ACC still has not issued an order (one was initially expected several months ago), and there is no telling when it will do so. In fact, it is not out of the question that this matter will be combined with the upcoming rate case.

We reduced our 2019 share-earnings estimate by \$0.10. It appears as if APS will not get any rate relief this year for the aforementioned environmental upgrade. This will hurt the bottom line by \$0.07 a share. The utility's service area also experienced milder-than-normal weather conditions in the second quarter. (On the other hand, August was hotter than usual.) Our revised share-net estimate is at the bottom end of Pinnacle West's targeted range of \$4.75-\$4.95. Note that management is guiding Wall Street to the lower end of this range.

As this report went to press, we were expecting an announcement of a dividend increase. We estimate that the board will boost the annual disbursement by \$0.18 a share (6.1%). Pinnacle West is targeting 6% yearly dividend growth.

This high-quality stock has a dividend yield that is average, by utility standards. The equity is expected to produce total returns that are respectable over 18 months, but just modest over the 3- to 5-year period. Like most utility issues, the recent quotation is within our 2022-2024 Target Price Range.

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY REVENUES (\$ mill.)				Full Year
	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	
2016	677.2	915.4	1166.9	739.2	3498.7
2017	677.7	944.6	1183.3	759.7	3565.3
2018	692.7	974.1	1268.0	756.4	3691.2
2019	740.5	869.5	1200	740	3550
2020	700	1050	1300	800	3850

Cal-endar	EARNINGS PER SHARE ^A				Full Year
	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	
2016	.04	1.08	2.35	.47	3.95
2017	.21	1.49	2.46	.27	4.43
2018	.03	1.48	2.80	.23	4.54
2019	.16	1.28	3.05	.26	4.75
2020	.05	1.55	3.15	.30	5.05

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID ^B				Full Year
	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	
2015	.595	.595	.595	.625	2.41
2016	.625	.625	.625	.655	2.53
2017	.655	.655	.655	.695	2.66
2018	.695	.695	.695	.7375	2.82
2019	.7375	.7375			

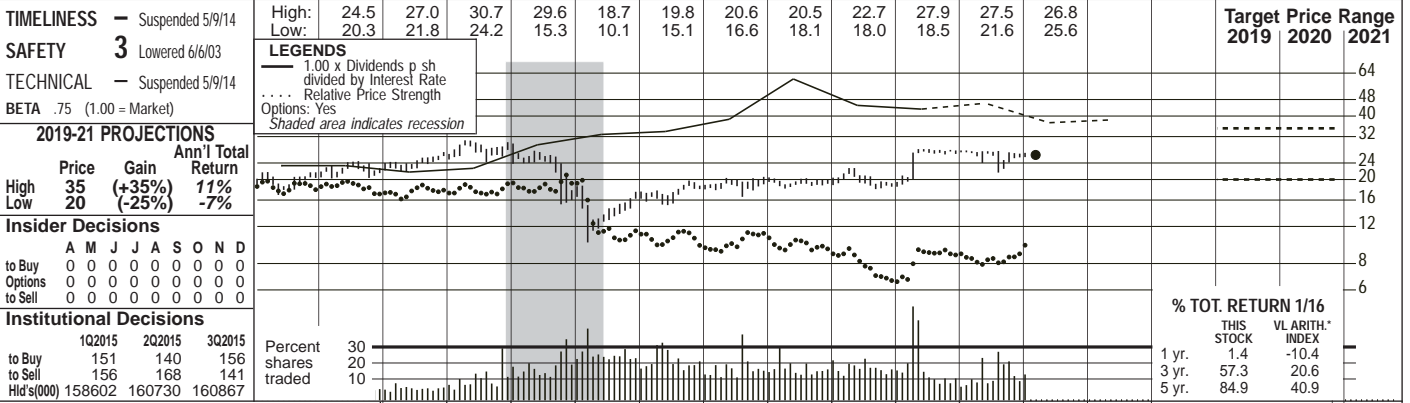
(A) Diluted EPS. Excl. nonrec. gain (loss): '09, (\$1.45); '17, 8¢; gains (losses) from disc. ops.: '05, (36¢); '06, 10¢; '08, 28¢; '09, (13¢); '10, 18¢; '11, 10¢; '12, (5¢). '16 EPS don't sum due to rounding. Next earnings report due early Nov. (B) Div'ds historically paid in early Mar., June, Sept., & Dec. There were 5 declarations in '12. Div'd reinv. plan avail. (C) Incl. def'd chgs. In '18: \$14.34/sh. (D) In mill. (E) Rate base: Fair value. Rate allowed on com. eq. in '17: 10.0%; earned on avg. com. eq., '17: 10.0%. Regulatory Climate: Average.

Company's Financial Strength A+
 Stock's Price Stability 100
 Price Growth Persistence 70
 Earnings Predictability 95

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RECENT PRICE **26.20** P/E RATIO **23.4** (Trailing: 28.5 Median: 16.0) RELATIVE P/E RATIO **1.45** DIV'D YLD **4.1%** VALUE LINE



2019-21 PROJECTIONS		Ann'l Total	
Price	Gain	Return	
High 35	(+35%)	11%	
Low 20	(-25%)	-7%	

Insider Decisions	
Month	Count
A	0
M	0
J	0
J	0
A	0
S	0
O	0
N	0
D	0

Institutional Decisions	
Quarter	Percent shares traded
1Q2015	151
2Q2015	140
3Q2015	156
1Q2016	156
2Q2016	168
3Q2016	141

Year	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Revenues per sh	43.57	46.71	48.88	41.66	31.27	26.02	22.09	18.64	19.49	19.70	20.85	22.25	23.50	24.75	26.00	27.25
"Cash Flow" per sh	3.47	3.30	3.55	2.82	2.97	3.00	3.21	3.01	3.16	3.35	3.40	3.50	3.60	3.70	3.80	3.90
Earnings per sh ^A	1.33	1.53	1.93	1.06	1.24	1.14	1.24	1.14	.96	1.05	1.15	1.22	1.30	1.40	1.50	1.60
Div'd Decl'd per sh ^B	1.04	1.04	1.08	1.08	1.08	1.08	1.08	1.08	1.08	1.08	1.08	1.08	1.08	1.08	1.08	1.08
Cap'l Spending per sh	2.47	3.11	3.57	3.89	3.56	4.14	5.29	5.23	4.89	5.20	5.20	5.00	4.80	4.60	4.40	4.20
Book Value per sh ^C	18.82	20.04	19.14	19.15	18.79	19.06	19.33	17.24	17.27	18.10	18.45	18.60	18.75	18.90	19.05	19.20
Common Shs Outst'g ^D	191.93	200.51	218.91	222.27	225.08	227.50	230.02	250.32	250.32	254.00	254.00	254.00	254.00	254.00	254.00	254.00
Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	18.1	18.2	12.2	13.7	14.0	16.7	15.6	17.5	26.0	25.1	24.0	23.0	22.0	21.0	20.0	19.0
Relative P/E Ratio	.98	.97	.73	.91	.89	1.05	.99	.98	1.37	1.27	1.15	1.05	0.95	0.85	0.75	0.65
Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	4.3%	3.7%	4.6%	7.4%	6.2%	5.7%	5.6%	5.4%	4.3%	4.1%	4.0%	3.9%	3.8%	3.7%	3.6%	3.5%

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 9/30/15	
Total Debt	\$6467 mill. Due in 5 Yrs \$1196 mill.
LT Debt	\$5028 mill. LT Interest \$260 mill. (LT interest earned: 3.7x)

Pension Assets-12/14 \$2.0 bill. Oblig. \$2.2 bill.	
Assets	\$2.0 billion
Obligations	\$2.2 billion

Pfd Stock None	
Common Stock	253,617,191 shs. as of 10/16/15

MARKET CAP: \$6.6 billion (Large Cap)	
Market Cap	\$6.6 billion

ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS	
% Change Retail Sales (KWH)	2012: NA, 2013: NA, 2014: NA
Avg. Residual Use (KWH)	2012: 10451, 2013: 10405, 2014: 10500
Avg. Residual Revs. per KWH(c)	2012: NA, 2013: NA, 2014: NA
Capacity at Peak (Mw)	2012: NA, 2013: NA, 2014: NA
Peak Load, Summer (Mw)	2012: NA, 2013: NA, 2014: NA
Annual Load Factor (%)	2012: NA, 2013: NA, 2014: NA
% Change Customers (yr-end)	2012: +3, 2013: +6, 2014: +1.7

ANNUAL RATES	
of change (per sh)	Past 10 Yrs. Past 5 Yrs. Est'd '12-'14 to '19-'21
Revenues	-7.0%, -15.0%, 2.5%
"Cash Flow"	-1.0%, -0.5%, 5.0%
Earnings	-3.0%, -6.0%, 8.0%
Dividends	3.0%, --, Nil
Book Value	--, -1.5%, NMF

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY REVENUES (\$ mill.)				Full Year
	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	
2013	1178	1053	1344	1091	4666.0
2014	1330	1117	1313	1118	4878.0
2015	1371	1140	1362	1127	5000
2016	1350	1200	1550	1300	5400
2017	1410	1270	1610	1360	5650

Cal-endar	EARNINGS PER SHARE ^{AF}				Full Year
	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	
2013	.24	.22	.44	.24	1.14
2014	.30	.21	.31	.14	.96
2015	.21	.21	.36	.27	1.05
2016	.23	.23	.39	.30	1.15
2017	.25	.25	.41	.31	1.22

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID ^B				Full Year
	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	
2012	.27	.27	.27	.27	1.08
2013	.27	.27	.27	.27	1.08
2014	.27	.27	.27	.27	1.08
2015	.27	.27	.27	.27	1.08
2016	.27	.27	.27	.27	1.08

March 4th may make or break for Pepco Holdings' acquisition by Exelon Corp. Indeed, Christopher Crane, the CEO of Exelon, said during a recent conference call with equity analysts that his company will walk away from its planned merger with Pepco if the District of Columbia Public Service Commission (DCPSC) doesn't issue a ruling on the deal by that date. The DCPSC had previously suggested that it would make a decision by March 4th only to backtrack later, saying that it was under no obligation to meet the deadline. For his part, Mr. Crane has said that, absent a March 4th ruling, Exelon will begin buying back the nearly 58 million shares that it issued to help fund the \$6.8 billion deal. This which would effectively end the 20-month courtship. That said, it is possible that CEO Crane was posturing a bit, given what's been a rather lengthy – and likely exhausting – merger review.

We still believe that a deal could get done. Underpinning our confidence is a belief that the long list of proposed merger concessions is sufficient enough to allay concerns that the marriage is not in the

public interest. To that point, the two utilities have already said that they'll provide affordable rates for low-income households and invest further in clean, renewable energy. Chicago-based Exelon has also agreed to relocate a portion of the post-merger utility's headquarters to the DC area.

Our Timeliness rank for Pepco shares remains suspended due to the pending merger. At the recent quotation, the stock is trading approximately 4% below Exelon's \$27.25-a-share, all-cash takeover offer. That said, we still recommend that investors take profits here, given the odds – however slim – that the deal is blocked. Were that to happen, a reversion to Pepco's premerger announcement trading levels (of \$19 and change per share) is possible in our view, partly reflecting the unwinding of large arbitrage-related positions. It is also worth noting that, with its lackluster earnings record, Pepco hasn't increased its dividend in more than seven years. Accordingly, income-seeking investors should look elsewhere for utility industry exposure.

Nils C. Van Liew February 19, 2016

Company's Financial Strength	
Stock's Price Stability	B+
Price Growth Persistence	95
Earnings Predictability	20
	70

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SCANA CORP. NYSE:SCG

RECENT PRICE **40.05** P/E RATIO **31.8** (Trailing: 14.7; Median: 14.0) RELATIVE P/E RATIO **1.90** DIV'D YLD **1.2%** Nil % **VALUE LINE**

TIMELINESS 4 Lowered 5/4/18	High: 45.5	44.1	38.6	42.0	45.5	50.3	54.4	63.4	65.6	76.4	74.1	49.4	Target Price Range	2021	2022	2023																																			
SAFETY 3 Lowered 10/13/17	Low: 32.9	27.8	26.0	34.2	34.6	43.3	44.7	45.6	49.9	59.5	37.1	33.6	128																																						
TECHNICAL 4 Raised 11/16/18	LEGENDS 0.68 x Dividends p sh divided by Interest Rate Relative Price Strength Options: Yes Shaded area indicates recession																																																		
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26.65	30.85	34.53	41.66	39.11	39.61	45.16	34.35	36.10	33.95	31.63	31.88	34.70	30.65	29.58	30.82	27.60	27.25	Revenues per sh	29.25
4.56	4.95	5.28	7.43	5.68	5.73	5.86	5.63	5.91	6.01	6.30	6.53	6.91	6.70	7.28	7.35	5.10	4.75	"Cash Flow" per sh	5.75
2.38	2.50	2.67	2.78	2.59	2.74	2.95	2.85	2.98	2.97	3.15	3.39	3.79	3.81	4.16	4.20	1.80	1.25	Earnings per sh ^A	1.75
1.30	1.38	1.46	1.56	1.68	1.76	1.84	1.88	1.90	1.94	1.98	2.03	2.10	2.18	2.30	2.45	.98	.49	Div'd Decl'd per sh ^B +	.70
6.41	6.94	4.86	3.38	4.52	6.21	7.68	7.41	6.87	6.81	8.16	7.84	7.65	8.07	11.05	8.57	6.10	6.05	Cap'l Spending per sh	6.50
19.64	20.82	21.78	23.35	24.39	25.37	25.85	27.63	29.05	29.94	31.47	33.08	34.95	38.09	40.06	36.75	37.55	38.35	Book Value per sh ^C	41.25
110.83	110.74	112.52	114.67	116.67	116.67	117.78	123.34	127.45	129.88	132.01	141.00	142.70	142.90	142.90	143.00	143.00	143.00	Common Shs Outst'g ^D	143.00
12.2	13.0	13.6	14.4	15.4	15.0	12.7	11.6	12.9	13.7	14.8	14.4	13.7	14.7	16.8	14.5	17.5	17.5	Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	17.5
.67	.74	.72	.77	.83	.80	.76	.77	.82	.86	.94	.81	.72	.74	.88	.73	4.0%	4.0%	Relative P/E Ratio	.95
4.5%	4.2%	4.0%	3.9%	4.2%	4.3%	4.9%	5.7%	4.9%	4.8%	4.2%	4.2%	4.1%	3.9%	3.3%	4.0%	4.0%	4.0%	Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	2.3%

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 9/30/18																Revenues (\$mill)	4200
Total Debt \$7067 mill. Due in 5 Yrs \$2200mill.																Net Profit (\$mill)	260
LT Debt \$6735 mill. LT Interest \$368 mill.																Income Tax Rate	23.5%
(LT interest earned: 2.5x)																AFUDC % to Net Profit	8.0%
Leases, Uncapitalized Annual rentals \$34 mill.																Long-Term Debt Ratio	53.5%
Pension Assets-12/17 \$849.6 mill.																Common Equity Ratio	46.5%
Pfd Stock None																Total Capital (\$mill)	12700
Oblig \$933.2 mill.																Net Plant (\$mill)	12500
Common Stock 142,619,243 shs.																Return on Total Cap'l	3.5%
as of 10/26/18																Return on Shr. Equity	4.5%
MARKET CAP: \$5.7 billion (Large Cap)																Return on Com Equity ^E	4.5%
ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS																Retained to Com Eq	2.5%
2015 2016 2017																All Div'ds to Net Prof	39%
% Change Retail Sales (KWH)																	
-9 +1.6 +2.5																	
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5234 5233 5233																	
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4970 4807 4701																	
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Fixed Charge Cov. (%)																	
323 319 313																	

BUSINESS: SCANA Corporation is a holding company for South Carolina Electric & Gas Company, which supplies electricity to 723,000 customers in central, southern, and southwestern South Carolina. Jimmy Addison. Incorporated: South Carolina. Address: 100 SCANA Parkway, Cayce, South Carolina 29033. Telephone: 803-217-9000. Internet: www.scana.com.

ANNUAL RATES Past 10 Yrs. Past 5 Yrs. Est'd '15-'17 of change (per sh)																SCANA stock has been weak of late due to the market's concerns about a possible unfavorable judicial ruling.	
Revenues -3.0% -2.0% -5%																Last year, the company's utility subsidiary, South Carolina Electric & Gas, canceled its nuclear construction project due to extensive cost overruns and delays. The utility had been recovering construction work in progress for this project thanks to the state's Base Load Review Act (BLRA). Recovering monies for a canceled project resulted in significant criticism from customers and politicians, and it appears as if a state judge is about to overturn the BLRA. This might result in a write-off of \$5.0 billion for revenues SCE&G has collected for the project to date. Moreover, as of year-end 2017, the utility had \$4 billion of unrecovered costs. Already, the state commission has reduced rates 15% through the end of 2018, and the regulators might make this cut permanent. This is why profits plummeted in the second and third quarters, and will be significantly lower this year.	
"Cash Flow" 1.0% 3.0% -3.5%																An unfavorable court ruling would probably threaten the proposed acquisition of SCANA by Dominion En-	
Earnings 4.0% 6.0% -13.0%																ergy. This calls for Dominion to issue .669 of a share (valued at \$47.28) for each share of SCANA. However, the recent price of its stock is 15% below the value of Dominion's offer. This indicates the market's expectation that the deal will fall through. Dominion has offered an alternative proposal for SCE&G's customers, but this might not be enough to win approval. The board of directors slashed the dividend 80% earlier this year, and we don't rule out a suspension. The decision was made to correspond to the portion of the payout that is attributable to SCE&G's electric business. Further bad news might prompt the board to eliminate the payout, in our view. Even if the dividend holds at the current level, the yield is not high enough to appeal to income-oriented investors. We advise investors to avoid this stock. It's true that shareholders will be amply rewarded if the Dominion acquisition goes through, but we think the potential reward is not worth the risk of additional rate reductions and/or refunds of previously collected revenues.	
Dividends 3.5% 3.5% -18.0%																Paul E. Debbas, CFA November 16, 2018	
Book Value 4.5% 5.0% 7.0%																	
Cal-endar	QUARTERLY REVENUES (\$ mill.)				Full Year												
	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31													
2015	1389	967	1068	956	4380.0												
2016	1172	905	1093	1057	4227.0												
2017	1173	1001	1076	1157	4407.0												
2018	1180	843	926	1001	3950												
2019	1050	850	950	1050	3900												
Cal-endar	EARNINGS PER SHARE ^A				Full Year												
	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31													
2015	1.39	.69	1.04	.69	3.81												
2016	1.23	.74	1.32	.87	4.16												
2017	1.19	.85	1.15	1.01	4.20												
2018	1.18	.06	.47	.14	1.85												
2019	.55	.10	.40	.20	1.25												
Cal-endar	QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID ^B +				Full Year												
	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31													
2014	.5075	.525	.525	.525	2.08												
2015	.525	.545	.545	.545	2.16												
2016	.545	.575	.575	.575	2.27												
2017	.575	.6125	.6125	.6125	2.41												
2018	.6125	.6125	.1237	.1237													

(A) Diluted earnings. Excl. nonrecurring gains (losses): '02, (\$3.72); '03, 31¢; '04, (23¢); '05, 3¢; '06, 9¢; '15, \$1.41; '17, (\$.50). Next earnings report due late Feb. (B) Div'ds historically paid in early Jan., Apr., July, & Oct. (C) Shareholder investment plan avail. (D) In millions. (E) Rate base: Net original cost. Rate allowed on com. eq. in SC: 10.25% elec. in '13, 10.25% gas in '05; in NC: 9.7% in '16; earned on avg. com. eq., '17: 10.3%. Regulatory Climate: Above Average.

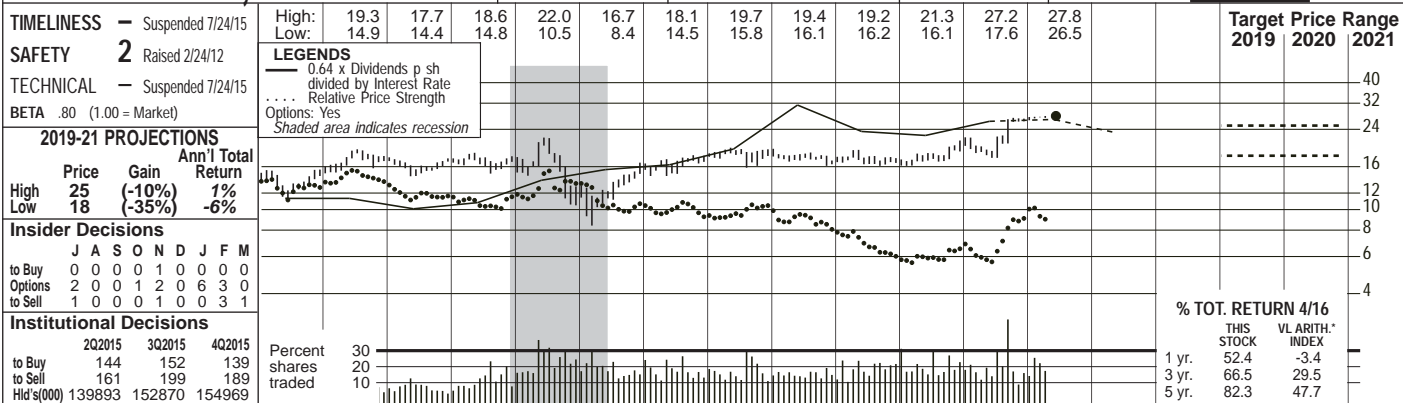
Company's Financial Strength **B**
 Stock's Price Stability **75**
 Price Growth Persistence **30**
 Earnings Predictability **80**

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TECO ENERGY, INC. NYSE-TE

RECENT PRICE **27.76** P/E RATIO **24.1** (Trailing: 25.9 Median: 16.0) RELATIVE P/E RATIO **1.32** DIV'D YLD **3.4%** VALUE LINE



2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	19-21
18.17	18.97	15.22	14.59	13.37	14.46	16.46	16.77	15.85	15.48	16.23	15.49	13.83	13.12	10.93	11.66	11.00	11.40	Revenues per sh	12.50
4.11	4.31	3.20	1.96	2.14	2.37	2.51	2.51	2.01	2.35	2.59	2.77	2.69	2.43	2.36	2.51	2.65	2.90	"Cash Flow" per sh	3.50
1.97	2.24	1.95	d.08	.71	1.00	1.17	1.27	.77	1.00	1.13	1.27	1.14	.92	.95	1.03	1.15	1.25	Earnings per sh ^A	1.50
1.33	1.37	1.41	.93	.76	.76	.76	.78	.80	.80	.82	.85	.88	.88	.88	.90	.92	.94	Div'd Decl'd per sh ^B	1.00
5.45	6.92	6.06	3.14	1.37	1.42	2.18	2.34	2.77	2.99	2.28	2.10	2.33	2.45	3.04	3.14	3.00	2.35	Cap'l Spending per sh	2.25
11.93	14.12	14.86	8.93	6.43	7.65	8.25	9.56	9.43	9.75	10.10	10.50	10.58	10.74	10.96	10.88	11.05	11.35	Book Value per sh ^C	12.50
126.30	139.60	175.80	187.80	199.70	208.20	209.50	210.90	212.90	213.90	214.90	215.80	216.60	217.30	234.90	235.30	236.00	237.00	Common Shs Outst'g ^D	240.00
11.9	12.9	11.0	--	19.3	17.1	13.8	13.3	21.2	12.6	14.6	14.4	15.5	18.9	18.8	21.4	21.4	21.4	Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	14.5
.77	.66	.60	--	1.02	.91	.75	.71	1.28	.84	.93	.90	.99	1.06	.99	1.08	1.08	1.08	Relative P/E Ratio	.90
5.7%	4.8%	6.6%	7.4%	5.5%	4.4%	4.7%	4.6%	4.9%	6.3%	4.9%	4.6%	5.0%	5.1%	4.9%	4.1%	4.1%	4.1%	Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	4.8%

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 3/31/16		2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	Revenues (\$mill)	3000	
Total Debt	\$4086.0 mill. Due in 5 Yrs \$1800.5 mill.	3448.1	3536.1	3375.3	3310.5	3487.9	3487.9	3487.9	3487.9	3487.9	3487.9	3487.9	3487.9	3487.9	3487.9	3487.9	3487.9	3487.9	3487.9	2700	Net Profit (\$mill)	360
LT Debt	\$3489.7 mill. LT Interest \$159.8 mill. (LT interest earned: 3.2x)	244.4	265.8	162.4	213.9	242.9	272.6	246.0	197.8	213.1	241.2	265	290	265	290	265	290	265	290	38.5%	Income Tax Rate	38.5%
Leases, Uncapitalized	Annual rentals \$7.7 mill.	40.4%	40.7%	36.8%	31.6%	34.8%	36.1%	35.9%	35.5%	38.3%	39.2%	38.5%	38.5%	38.5%	38.5%	38.5%	38.5%	38.5%	38.5%	11.0%	AFUDC % to Net Profit	1.0%
Pension Assets-12/15	\$625.4 mill. Oblig \$732.9 mill.	1.6%	2.3%	5.4%	6.5%	1.2%	6%	1.7%	5.0%	7.4%	10.8%	11.0%	11.0%	11.0%	11.0%	11.0%	11.0%	11.0%	11.0%	58.5%	Long-Term Debt Ratio	58.0%
Pfd Stock	None	65.0%	61.0%	61.5%	60.6%	59.2%	54.2%	56.5%	54.9%	56.6%	57.9%	58.5%	58.5%	58.5%	58.5%	58.5%	58.5%	58.5%	58.5%	42.0%	Common Equity Ratio	42.0%
Common Stock	235,550,000 shs. as of 4/29/16	35.0%	39.0%	38.5%	39.4%	40.8%	45.8%	43.5%	45.1%	43.4%	42.1%	41.5%	41.5%	41.5%	41.5%	41.5%	41.5%	41.5%	41.5%	7175	Total Capital (\$mill)	7175
MARKET CAP:	\$6.5 billion (Large Cap)	4941.6	5175.4	5214.3	5287.0	5317.8	4953.9	5264.5	5171.5	5928.7	6075.9	6280	6450	6280	6450	6280	6450	6280	6450	8275	Net Plant (\$mill)	8275
ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS		7.3%	7.3%	5.1%	6.0%	6.4%	7.4%	6.1%	5.4%	5.0%	5.3%	5.5%	5.5%	5.5%	5.5%	5.5%	5.5%	5.5%	5.5%	11.0%	Return on Total Cap'l	6.5%
% Change Retail Sales (KWH)	2013	2014	2015																	11.0%	Return on Shr. Equity	12.0%
Avg. Indust. Use (Mw)	NA	NA	NA																	11.0%	Return on Com Equity ^E	12.0%
Avg. Indust. Revs. per KWH (c)	8.50	8.65	8.57																	2.0%	Retained to Com Eq	4.0%
Capacity at Peak (Mw)	NA	NA	NA																	2.5%	All Div'ds to Net Prof	66%
Peak Load, Winter (Mw)	NA	NA	NA																			
Annual Load Factor (%)	NA	NA	NA																			
% Change Customers (avg.)	+1.5	+1.6	+1.8																			

BUSINESS: TECO Energy, Inc. is a holding company for Tampa Electric, which serves 706,000 customers in west central Florida, and Peoples Gas, which serves 354,000 customers in Florida. Acq'd New Mexico Gas (513,000 customers) 9/14. Sold TECO Transport 12/07; discontinued generation investments in Guatemala in '12; discontinued TECO Coal in '14. Electric revenue breakdown: residential, 50%; commercial, 30%; industrial, 8%; other, 12%. Generating sources: coal, 59%; gas, 36%; purchased, 5%. Fuel costs: 38% of revs. '14 reported deprec. rate (utility): 3.6%. Has 4,400 employees. Chairman: Sherrill W. Hudson. Pres. & CEO: John B. Ramil, Inc.: FL. Address: TECO Plaza, 702 N. Franklin St., Tampa, FL 33602. Tel.: 813-228-1111. Web: www.tecoenergy.com.

It appears as if the acquisition of TECO Energy might be completed within the next several weeks. Emera, a Canadian company, has agreed to pay \$27.55 in cash for each share of TECO Energy. Just one more regulatory approval is required: that of the New Mexico Public Regulation Commission (NMPRC). The companies and various intervenors have reached an unopposed settlement that will be presented to the NMPRC. In early May, a hearing examiner conducted hearings on the proposed combination, and will make a recommendation by early June, before the NMPRC issues its ruling. The current time line suggests that July is the best estimate for the closing date of the transaction. Thus, this might well be our last full-page report on TECO Energy.

We advise TECO Energy stockholders to sell their shares on the open market. The recent price of TECO Energy stock is slightly above the buyout price, so stockholders have no incentive to await completion of the takeover. Emera's offer is generous, at 24 times estimated 2016 earnings. The Timeliness rank of TECO Energy stock remains suspended due to the pending acquisition.

TECO Energy's utilities are performing well. Tampa Electric and Peoples Gas are benefiting from healthy customer growth, thanks to the solid economy in the utilities' service territory, and each utility is likely to earn a return on equity in the upper half of its allowed ROE range in 2016. (The allowed ROEs are shown in Footnote E.) New Mexico Gas, which TECO Energy bought in September of 2014, is benefiting from effective cost controls. Because first-quarter results were better than we expected, we have raised our 2016 share-earnings estimate by a nickel, to \$1.15. A continuation of current trends, plus rate relief that Tampa Electric will receive for a project to expand a gas-fired power plant, points to higher profits in 2017.

Our earnings presentation includes costs associated with the Emera deal. These were negligible in the first period of 2016, but reduced the bottom line by \$0.06 a share in 2015. We are not estimating any such expenses over the remainder of 2016.

Paul E. Debbas, CFA May 20, 2016

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY REVENUES (\$ mill.)				Full Year
	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	
2013	661.1	735.9	765.9	688.4	2851.3
2014	578.0	605.7	687.2	695.5	2566.4
2015	693.0	680.6	693.8	676.1	2743.5
2016	659.5	640.5	650	650	2600
2017	675	675	675	675	2700

Cal-endar	EARNINGS PER SHARE ^A				Full Year
	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	
2013	.19	.24	.29	.20	.92
2014	.22	.27	.28	.18	.95
2015	.27	.26	.28	.22	1.03
2016	.31	.24	.34	.26	1.15
2017	.35	.26	.36	.28	1.25

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID ^B				Full Year
	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	
2012	.22	.22	.22	.22	.88
2013	.22	.22	.22	.22	.88
2014	.22	.22	.22	.22	.88
2015	.225	.225	.225	.225	.90
2016	.23				

(A) Diluted EPS. Excl. nonrec. gain (losses): '03, (\$4.97); '07, 63c; '10, (2c); '14, (3c); gains (losses) on disc. ops.: '04, (77c); '05, 31c; '06, 1c; '07, 7c; '12, (15c); '14, (34c); '15, (29c). Next earnings report due early Aug. (B) Div'ds paid in late Feb., May, Aug., & Nov. (C) Div'd re-invest. plan avail. (D) Incl. intangibles. In '15: \$3.86/sh. (E) Rate base: Net orig. cost. Rate allowed on com. eq. in '13 (elec.): 10.25%-12.25%; in '09 (gas): 9.75%-11.75%; in NM in '12: 10% (implied); earned on avg. com. eq., '15: 9.4%. Regulatory Climate: Avg.

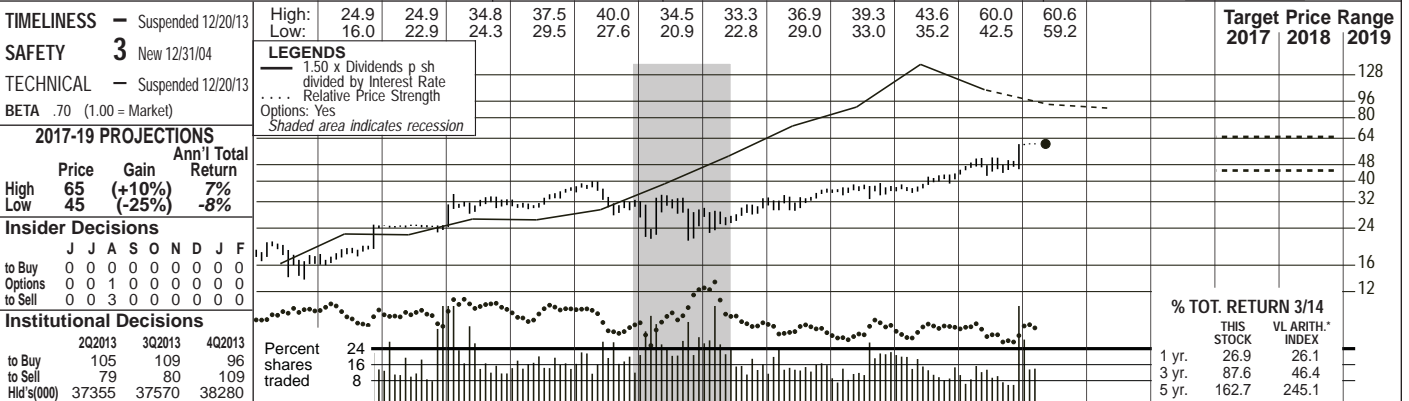
Company's Financial Strength B++
Stock's Price Stability 90
Price Growth Persistence 50
Earnings Predictability 80

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RECENT PRICE **60.23** P/E RATIO **20.1** (Trailing: 19.8; Median: 18.0) RELATIVE P/E RATIO **1.05** DIV'D YLD **3.2%** VALUE LINE



1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	17-19
23.83	24.85	31.12	43.12	25.50	28.71	34.13	35.26	37.42	39.12	39.41	38.89	39.78	40.89	35.36	35.74	36.40	37.60	Revenues per sh	41.20
3.48	3.96	4.23	5.41	4.80	5.20	5.29	5.21	5.68	5.64	4.56	7.82	7.33	7.44	6.48	7.33	7.60	7.60	"Cash Flow" per sh	8.00
.68	1.08	1.27	1.79	.97	1.30	1.31	1.30	1.85	1.55	.39	2.69	2.82	2.75	2.20	3.04	3.12	3.40	Earnings per sh ^A	3.80
--	--	.32	.40	.50	.60	.64	.76	.84	.90	.96	1.16	1.56	1.68	1.72	1.74	1.85	1.95	Div'd Decl'd per sh ^B = †	2.28
2.52	2.87	3.19	3.63	3.36	4.06	4.49	5.83	6.77	6.95	9.85	8.01	7.26	10.13	7.43	7.85	9.45	8.05	Cap'l Spending per sh	7.85
7.65	10.02	11.20	12.68	13.05	15.97	16.95	17.68	18.59	19.54	19.16	20.94	22.46	24.07	25.77	27.22	27.00	28.20	Book Value per sh	32.70
32.26	32.35	33.22	33.50	33.58	33.79	34.26	34.87	35.19	35.32	35.46	35.85	36.54	36.92	41.34	41.54	41.50	42.00	Common Shs Outst'g ^C	42.50
23.3	10.8	11.8	10.8	18.2	14.6	18.7	23.9	17.7	22.0	73.8	10.4	11.6	13.3	17.8	15.9	Bold figures are Value Line estimates		Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	14.0
1.21	.62	.77	.55	.99	.83	.99	1.27	.96	1.17	4.44	.69	.74	.83	1.13	.89			Relative P/E Ratio	.90
--	--	2.1%	2.1%	2.8%	3.2%	2.6%	2.5%	2.6%	2.6%	3.3%	4.1%	4.8%	4.6%	4.4%	3.6%			Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	4.1%

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 12/31/13
 Total Debt \$1806.6 mill. Due in 5 Yrs \$477.0 mill.
 LT Debt \$1656.8 mill. LT Interest \$71.0 mill.
 Incl. \$149.8 mill. capitalized leases.
 (LT interest earned: 3.0x)

Pension Assets-12/13 \$323 mill. **Oblig.** \$352 mill.
 Pfd Stock None

Common Stock 41,633,535 shs.
 as of 2/14/14
MARKET CAP: \$2.5 billion (Mid Cap)

1169.0	1229.5	1316.9	1381.4	1397.5	1394.4	1453.7	1509.5	1461.8	1484.6	1510	1580	Revenues (\$mill)	1750
45.9	46.1	69.2	58.4	14.0	104.3	111.5	110.0	90.9	127.5	125	140	Net Profit (\$mill)	160
42.5%	41.4%	38.8%	40.1%	54.8%	38.2%	41.2%	37.8%	38.0%	31.4%	38.0%	38.0%	Income Tax Rate	40.0%
--	--	2.9%	3.4%	--	--	--	--	--	--	Nil	Nil	AFUDC % to Net Profit	Nil
77.1%	75.3%	72.9%	68.8%	72.9%	70.5%	68.5%	67.8%	62.3%	59.4%	62.0%	62.5%	Long-Term Debt Ratio	63.0%
22.9%	24.7%	27.1%	31.2%	27.1%	29.5%	31.5%	32.2%	37.7%	40.6%	38.0%	37.5%	Common Equity Ratio	37.0%
2540.3	2494.9	2414.1	2214.9	2506.4	2547.0	2602.8	2758.6	2826.0	2787.6	2950	3180	Total Capital (\$mill)	3740
2081.1	2171.5	2259.6	2407.3	2617.7	2785.7	2961.5	3182.3	3300.4	3534.8	3450	3625	Net Plant (\$mill)	4200
5.1%	5.1%	5.9%	5.7%	3.0%	5.2%	5.5%	5.3%	4.5%	5.8%	6.0%	6.0%	Return on Total Cap'l	5.5%
7.9%	7.5%	10.6%	8.5%	2.1%	13.9%	13.6%	12.4%	8.5%	11.3%	11.0%	12.0%	Return on Shr. Equity	11.5%
7.9%	7.5%	10.6%	8.5%	2.1%	13.9%	13.6%	12.4%	8.5%	11.3%	11.0%	12.0%	Return on Com Equity ^D	11.5%
4.1%	3.2%	6.1%	3.9%	NMF	8.4%	6.7%	5.4%	2.0%	4.9%	4.5%	5.5%	Retained to Com Eq	4.5%
48%	57%	43%	54%	NMF	40%	51%	56%	77%	57%	58%	53%	All Div'ds to Net Prof	60%

ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS

	2011	2012	2013
% Change Retail Sales (KWH)	+4	-7	+1
Avg. Indust. Use (MWH)	5060	5086	5090
Avg. Indust. Revs. per KWH (¢)	7.10	7.20	7.20
Capacity at Peak (Mw)	3271	2950	3015
Peak Load, Summer (Mw)	2334	2290	2230
Annual Load Factor (%)	N/A	N/A	N/A
% Change Customers (yr-end)	+4	+5	+8

Fixed Charge Cov. (%) 251 239 291

BUSINESS: UNS Energy Corporation, through its subsidiaries, operates as an electric utility in Arizona. Subsidiaries include Tucson Electric Power (TEP), UNS Gas, and UNS Electric. '13 retail customers: TEP, 413,000 (in southeastern Arizona); UNS Gas, 149,000; UNS Electric, 93,000. Revenue sources: residential, 42%; commercial, 23%; industrial, 35%. Copper mining is largest industry

served. Fuels: coal, 75%; gas, 8%; purchased power, 17%. '13 TEP reported depreciation rate: 4.0%. Has 1,977 employees: TEP, 1,398; UNS Gas, 188; UNS Electric, 143; Other, 248. Chrmn. & CEO: Paul J. Bonavia. Pres.: David G. Hutchens. Inc.: AZ. Address: 88 E. Broadway Blvd., Tucson, AZ 85701. Telephone: 520-571-4000. Internet: www.uns.com.

ANNUAL RATES

	Past 10 Yrs	Past 5 Yrs	Est'd '11-'13 to '17-'19
Revenues	1.5%	-0.5%	1.0%
"Cash Flow"	3.5%	6.0%	2.0%
Earnings	7.0%	16.0%	6.5%
Dividends	13.0%	13.5%	5.5%
Book Value	6.5%	6.0%	5.0%

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission has approved the acquisition of UNS Energy Corporation by Fortis. UNS stockholders would receive \$60.25 in cash for each of their shares. The offer is generous, at 19 times estimated 2014 earnings. Indeed, the proposed purchase has been deemed consistent with the interest of the public, which moves the acquisition one step closer to completion. In addition, the shareholders of UNS Energy approved the transaction on March 26, 2014. The acquisition is expected to be completed by the end of 2014. It is now subject to approval by the Arizona Corporation Commission (ACC). The deal will give UNS much needed capital access to meet clean energy requirements. UNS will remain as a stand-alone company headquartered in Tucson, Arizona. One-third of Fortis' assets will be in the United States once the deal closes, and it will gain approximately 65,000 customers in Arizona. **UNS Energy had a profitable year.** The electric utility reported net income of \$127 million and share earnings of \$3.04. The significant increase in net income was mainly due to higher revenue at UNS En-

ergy's primary subsidiary, Tucson Electric Power (TEP). The subsidiary was able to report higher revenues for the year thanks to a non-fuel base rate increase which became effective on July 1, 2013, combined with a reduction in capital lease interest expense. The company also declared a first quarter dividend of \$0.48 per share for common shareholders. **Tucson Electric Power (TEP) has started to work on a new transmission line.** The 138 KV is expected to reduce electrical outages and provide more capacity for TEP. The project is expected to cost \$4.5 million and was approved by the Arizona Corporation Commission in March, 2011. The transmission line is expected to be completed in 2014. **The Timeliness rank for this issue is suspended due to the impending acquisition.** There is minimal potential for capital gains at this juncture as the stock is trading just below the takeover price. We advise investors to sell their holdings at the current level in order to avoid downside risk in case the deal falls through.

QUARTERLY REVENUES (\$ mill.)

Cal-endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2011	344.8	369.7	450.9	344.1	1509.5
2012	315.4	364.0	434.1	348.3	1461.8
2013	332.1	365.2	437.0	350.2	1484.6
2014	325	370	450	365	1510
2015	350	375	485	370	1580

EARNINGS PER SHARE^A

Cal-endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2011	.35	.71	1.46	.22	2.75
2012	.17	.64	1.21	.18	2.20
2013	.27	.83	1.62	.32	3.04
2014	.25	.75	1.67	.45	3.12
2015	.45	.80	1.65	.50	3.40

QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID^B = †

Cal-endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2010	.39	.39	.39	.39	1.56
2011	.42	.42	.42	.42	1.68
2012	.43	.43	.43	.43	1.72
2013	.435	.435	.435	.435	1.74
2014	.48				

(A) EPS diluted. Excl. nonrecr. gains: '98, 19¢; '99, \$1.35; '00, 48¢; '03, \$2.00. Next earnings report due early May. Earnings may not sum due to rounding. (B) Div'ds historically

paid in early Mar., June, Sept., and Dec. Div'd reinvest. plan avail. † Shareholder invest. plan avail. (C) In millions. (D) Rate base: fair value. Rate allowed on com. eq. in '13: 10.0%; earned on avg. com. eq. '13: 8.5%. Regulatory Climate: Avg.

Company's Financial Strength	B+
Stock's Price Stability	90
Price Growth Persistence	80
Earnings Predictability	40

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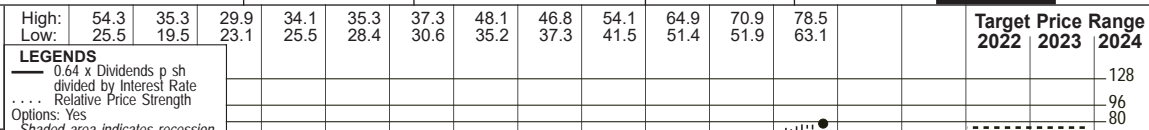
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AMEREN NYSE-AEE

RECENT PRICE **78.49** P/E RATIO **24.0** (Trailing: 24.3; Median: 16.0) RELATIVE P/E RATIO **1.49** DIV'D YLD **2.6%**

VALUE LINE

TIMELINESS 3 Lowered 3/29/19
SAFETY 2 Raised 6/20/14
TECHNICAL 3 Lowered 8/2/19
BETA .55 (1.00 = Market)



2022-24 PROJECTIONS

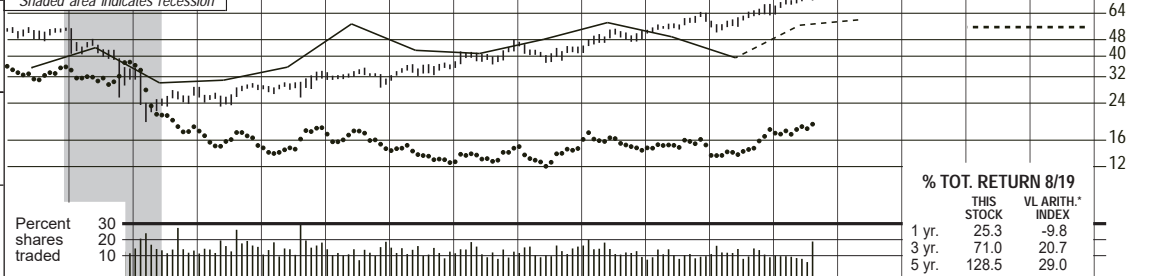
	Price	Gain	Ann'l Total Return
High	75	(-5%)	2%
Low	55	(-30%)	-5%

Insider Decisions

	N	D	J	F	M	A	M	J	J
to Buy	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Options	0	1	25	12	0	0	0	0	0
to Sell	2	0	0	0	7	0	1	1	0

Institutional Decisions

	4Q2018	1Q2019	2Q2019
to Buy	250	266	261
to Sell	257	245	255
Hlds(000)	178307	176800	175894



2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	22-24
28.20	26.43	33.12	33.30	36.23	36.92	29.87	31.77	31.04	28.14	24.06	24.95	25.13	25.04	25.46	25.73	24.55	25.95	Revenues per sh	28.25
6.29	5.57	6.10	6.02	6.76	6.44	6.06	6.33	5.87	5.87	5.25	5.77	6.08	6.59	6.80	7.64	7.75	8.25	"Cash Flow" per sh	10.00
3.14	2.82	3.13	2.66	2.98	2.88	2.78	2.77	2.47	2.41	2.10	2.40	2.38	2.68	2.77	3.32	3.30	3.50	Earnings per sh ^A	4.25
2.54	2.54	2.54	2.54	2.54	2.54	1.54	1.54	1.56	1.60	1.60	1.61	1.66	1.72	1.78	1.85	1.93	2.06	Div'd Decl'd per sh ^B	2.55
4.19	4.13	4.63	4.99	6.96	9.75	7.51	4.66	4.50	5.49	5.87	7.66	8.12	8.78	9.05	9.56	9.85	13.30	Cap'l Spending per sh	10.25
26.73	29.71	31.09	31.86	32.41	32.80	33.08	32.15	32.64	27.27	26.97	27.67	28.63	29.27	29.61	31.21	32.75	34.35	Book Value per sh ^C	40.75
162.90	195.20	204.70	206.60	208.30	212.30	237.40	240.40	242.60	242.63	242.63	242.63	242.63	242.63	242.63	244.50	246.50	250.50	Common Shs Outst'g ^D	255.00
13.5	16.3	16.7	19.4	17.4	14.2	9.3	9.7	11.9	13.4	16.5	16.7	17.5	18.3	20.6	18.3	18.3	18.3	Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	16.0
.77	.86	.89	1.05	.92	.85	.62	.62	.75	.85	.93	.88	.88	.96	1.04	.98	1.04	1.04	Relative P/E Ratio	.90
6.0%	5.5%	4.9%	4.9%	4.9%	6.2%	6.0%	5.8%	5.3%	5.0%	4.6%	4.0%	4.0%	3.5%	3.1%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	3.8%

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 6/30/19
 Total Debt \$9557 mill. Due in 5 Yrs \$2530 mill.
 LT Debt \$8222 mill. LT Interest \$389 mill.
 (LT interest earned: 4.0x)
Leases, Uncapitalized Annual rentals \$10 mill.
Pension Assets-12/18 \$3899 mill. **Oblig** \$4459 mill.
Pfd Stock \$142 mill. **Pfd Div'd** \$6 mill.
 807,595 sh. \$3.50 to \$5.50 cum. (no par), \$100 stated val., redeem. \$102.176-\$110/sh.; 616,323 sh. 4.00% to 6.625%, \$100 par, redeem. \$100-\$104/sh.
Common Stock 245,803,323 shs. as of 7/31/19
MARKET CAP: \$19 billion (Large Cap)

7090.0	7638.0	7531.0	6828.0	5838.0	6053.0	6098.0	6076.0	6177.0	6291.0	6050	6450	Revenues (\$mill)	7350
624.0	669.0	602.0	589.0	518.0	593.0	585.0	659.0	683.0	821.0	825	880	Net Profit (\$mill)	1100
34.7%	36.8%	37.3%	36.9%	37.5%	38.9%	38.3%	36.7%	38.2%	22.4%	19.0%	19.0%	Income Tax Rate	18.0%
5.8%	7.8%	5.6%	6.1%	7.1%	5.7%	5.1%	4.1%	3.5%	4.4%	4.0%	3.0%	AFUDC % to Net Profit	3.0%
49.7%	48.2%	45.3%	49.5%	45.2%	47.2%	49.3%	47.7%	49.2%	50.3%	50.5%	50.5%	Long-Term Debt Ratio	48.5%
49.1%	50.9%	53.7%	49.4%	53.7%	51.7%	49.7%	51.3%	49.8%	48.8%	48.5%	48.5%	Common Equity Ratio	50.5%
15991	15185	14738	13384	12190	12975	13968	13840	14420	15632	16625	17600	Total Capital (\$mill)	21000
17610	17853	18127	16096	16205	17424	18799	20113	21466	22810	24150	26275	Net Plant (\$mill)	29900
5.3%	6.0%	5.6%	6.0%	5.6%	5.8%	5.3%	6.0%	5.9%	6.3%	6.0%	6.0%	Return on Total Cap'l	6.5%
7.8%	8.5%	7.5%	8.7%	7.7%	8.7%	8.3%	9.1%	9.3%	10.6%	10.0%	10.0%	Return on Shr. Equity	10.0%
7.8%	8.6%	7.5%	8.8%	7.8%	8.7%	8.3%	9.2%	9.4%	10.7%	10.0%	10.0%	Return on Com Equity ^E	10.5%
3.5%	3.8%	2.8%	3.0%	1.9%	2.9%	2.5%	3.3%	3.4%	4.8%	4.0%	4.5%	Retained to Com Eq	4.0%
56%	56%	63%	66%	76%	67%	70%	64%	64%	56%	58%	58%	All Div'ds to Net Prof	61%

ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS

	2016	2017	2018
% Change Retail Sales (KWH)	-4.2	-3.4	+5.6
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)	NA	NA	NA

BUSINESS: Ameren Corporation is a holding company formed through the merger of Union Electric and CIPSCO. Acq'd CILCORP 1/03; Illinois Power 10/04. Has 1.2 mill. electric and 127,000 gas customers in Missouri; 1.2 mill. electric and 813,000 gas customers in Illinois. Discontinued nonregulated power-generation operation in '13. Electric rev. breakdown: residential, 43%; commercial, 32%; industrial, 8%; other, 17%. Generating sources: coal, 68%; nuclear, 24%; hydro & other, 3%; purchased, 5%. Fuel costs: 27% of revs. '18 reported deprec. rates: 3%-4%. Has 8,800 employees. Chairman, President & CEO: Warner L. Baxter. Inc.: MO. Address: One Ameren Plaza, 1901 Chouteau Ave., P.O. Box 66149, St. Louis, MO 63166-6149. Tel.: 314-621-3222. Internet: www.ameren.com.

ANNUAL RATES Past 10 Yrs. Past 5 Yrs. Est'd '16-'18 of change (per sh) to '22-'24

Revenues	-3.5%	-1.5%	2.0%
"Cash Flow"	1.0%	4.5%	6.0%
Earnings	.5%	4.5%	6.5%
Dividends	-3.5%	2.5%	6.0%
Book Value	-.5%	-.5%	5.0%

Ameren filed a general rate case in Missouri. The utility requested an electric rate decrease of \$1 million. This might seem strange, but the application includes the pass-through to customers of \$100 million of reduced fuel and purchased-power costs. Ameren's petition seeks a return of 9.95% on a common-equity ratio of 51.9%. An order is due by late April, with new tariffs taking effect in late May.

Ameren is adding two wind projects. The company will spend \$1.2 billion to add 700 megawatts of capacity. This will enable Ameren to meet Missouri's renewable-energy requirement. To help finance the two projects, Ameren executed a forward stock sale of 7.5 million shares. This will raise about \$560 million when it is settled, most likely in the fourth quarter of 2020. Note that Ameren canceled plans for a third project, which would have added 157 mw, because the interconnection costs turned out to be too high. This did not affect earnings.

QUARTERLY REVENUES (\$ mill.)

Cal-endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2016	1434	1427	1859	1356	6076.0
2017	1514	1538	1723	1402	6177.0
2018	1585	1563	1724	1419	6291.0
2019	1556	1379	1715	1400	6050
2020	1600	1500	1850	1500	6450

Earnings are likely to decline modestly in 2019. Second-quarter profits dropped significantly due to mild weather conditions this year. Temperatures were well above normal a year earlier. This affected the year-to-year earnings comparison by \$0.24 a share. Also, the Callaway nuclear unit had a refueling outage this spring, which lowered profits by \$0.08 a share. We are sticking with our share-earnings estimate of \$3.30, which is within Ameren's guidance of \$3.15-\$3.35.

We expect a dividend increase in the fourth quarter. We estimate the board of directors will raise the quarterly disbursement \$0.03 a share (6.3%). The company's goal for the payout ratio is a range of 55%-70%.

EARNINGS PER SHARE ^A

Cal-endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2016	.43	.61	1.52	.13	2.68
2017	.42	.79	1.18	.39	2.77
2018	.62	.97	1.45	.28	3.32
2019	.78	.72	1.50	.30	3.30
2020	.75	.80	1.55	.40	3.50

This stock remains expensively priced. The dividend yield is below the utility mean (even when factoring in the estimated increase). Moreover, the recent quotation is above our 3- to 5-year Target Price Range.

QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID ^B

Cal-endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2015	.41	.41	.41	.425	1.66
2016	.425	.425	.425	.44	1.72
2017	.44	.44	.44	.4575	1.78
2018	.4575	.4575	.4575	.475	1.85
2019	.475	.475			

We expect a solid profit increase in 2020. The company should benefit from a partial year's effect of the rate order. Also, Ameren benefits from forward-looking regulatory plans for its electric business in Illinois and its federally regulated transmis-

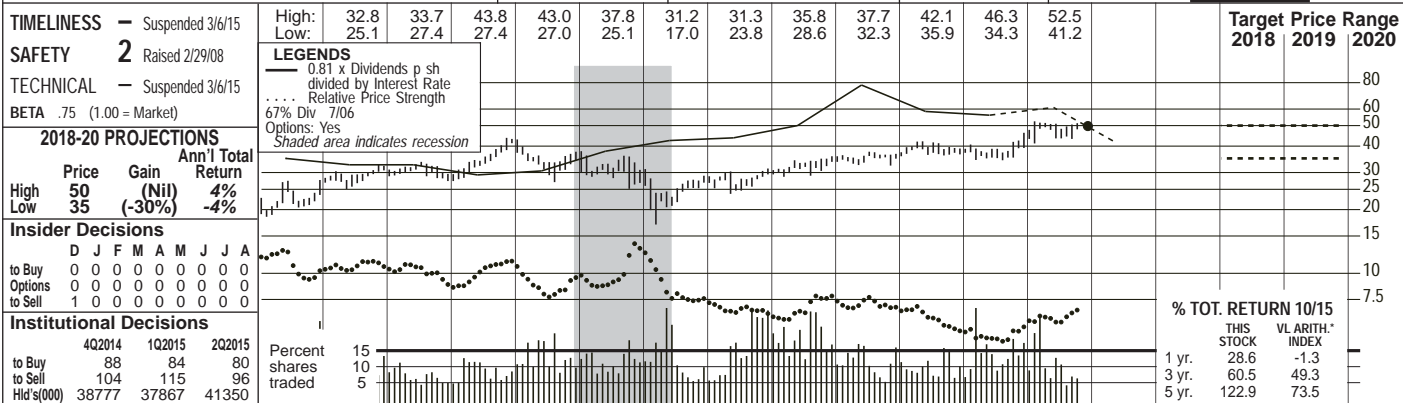
Paul E. Debbas, CFA September 13, 2019

(A) Dil. EPS. Excl. nonrec. gain (losses): '05, (11¢); '10, (\$2.19); '11, (32¢); '12, (\$6.42); '17, (63¢); gain (loss) from disc. ops.: '13, (92¢); '15, 21¢. '16-'17 EPS don't sum due to rounding. Next egs. report due early Nov. (B) Div'ds pd. late Mar., June, Sept., & Dec. Div'd reinv. plan avail. (C) Incl. intang. In '18: \$6.29/sh. (D) In mill. (E) Rate base: Orig. cost depr. Rate all'd on com. eq. in MO in '17: elec., none; in '11: gas, none; in IL in '14: elec., 8.7%, in '18: gas, 9.87%; earned on avg. com. eq., '18: 8.3%. Reg. Climate: MO, Avg.; IL, Below Avg.	Company's Financial Strength	A
	Stock's Price Stability	100
	Price Growth Persistence	80
	Earnings Predictability	80

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UIL HOLDINGS NYSE-UIL

RECENT PRICE **49.75** P/E RATIO **21.1** (Trailing: 23.5; Median: 17.0) RELATIVE P/E RATIO **1.19** DIV'D YLD **3.5%** VALUE LINE



1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	18-20
29.01	37.54	46.15	47.55	40.39	45.87	49.88	34.03	39.23	37.69	29.91	19.75	31.01	29.22	28.52	28.70	29.45	31.70	Revenues per sh	37.00
4.67	5.53	6.61	5.89	4.69	4.37	4.13	4.65	5.48	5.93	5.09	3.65	5.33	5.65	5.51	4.64	6.00	6.30	"Cash Flow" per sh	6.90
2.23	2.56	2.53	1.85	1.24	1.54	1.30	1.86	1.87	1.89	1.94	1.99	1.96	2.04	2.28	1.92	2.25	2.60	Earnings per sh ^A	2.75
1.73	1.73	1.73	1.73	1.73	1.73	1.73	1.73	1.73	1.73	1.73	1.73	1.73	1.73	1.73	1.73	1.73	1.73	Div'd Decl'd per sh ^B	1.73
1.48	2.31	2.01	2.41	2.19	2.04	2.25	3.09	9.92	8.57	4.12	4.03	6.48	5.67	5.38	5.49	5.45	6.15	Cap'l Spending per sh	7.90
19.55	20.42	21.25	20.28	20.65	22.84	22.39	18.53	18.55	18.85	19.15	21.31	21.61	21.95	23.85	24.07	25.40	26.50	Book Value per sh ^C	30.45
23.44	23.46	23.53	23.79	23.86	24.01	24.32	24.86	25.03	25.17	29.98	50.51	50.65	50.87	56.75	56.85	56.75	56.75	Common Shs Outst'g ^E	56.75
12.6	10.8	11.5	15.0	18.0	18.7	23.5	18.7	18.4	16.7	12.7	14.0	16.4	17.2	16.9	19.8	16.0	16.0	Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	16.0
.72	.70	.59	.82	1.03	.99	1.25	1.01	.98	1.01	.85	.89	1.03	1.09	.95	1.05	1.00	1.00	Relative P/E Ratio	1.00
6.2%	6.2%	5.9%	6.2%	7.7%	6.0%	5.7%	5.0%	5.0%	5.5%	7.0%	6.2%	5.4%	4.9%	4.5%	4.6%	4.5%	4.6%	Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	3.9%

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 9/30/15
 Total Debt \$1821.8 mill. Due in 5 Yrs. \$131.9 mill.
 LT Debt \$1730.3 mill. LT Interest \$75.0 mill.
 (LT interest earned: 3.0x)
 Leases, Uncapitalized: Ann. rentals \$4.5 mill.

Pension Assets-12/14 \$722 mill. **Oblig.** \$987 mill.

Pfd Stock None

Common Stock 56,629,377 shs. as of 10/29/15

MARKET CAP: \$2.7 billion (Mid Cap)

1213.1	846.0	982.0	948.7	896.6	997.7	1570.4	1486.5	1618.7	1631.9	1670	1800	Revenues (\$mill)	2100
31.4	45.4	46.7	48.1	54.3	70.3	99.7	103.7	120.3	109.6	130	150	Net Profit (\$mill)	170
44.1%	31.2%	39.5%	42.2%	38.0%	38.6%	38.5%	41.9%	37.7%	34.4%	38.0%	38.0%	Income Tax Rate	40.0%
9.0%	8.0%	8.3%	8.3%	10.0%	26.3%	12.1%	--	12.1%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	AFUDC % to Net Profit	10.0%
47.2%	47.0%	50.8%	53.6%	54.0%	58.4%	58.6%	58.9%	56.0%	55.6%	58.0%	58.0%	Long-Term Debt Ratio	58.0%
52.8%	53.0%	49.2%	46.4%	46.0%	41.6%	41.4%	41.1%	44.0%	44.4%	42.0%	42.0%	Common Equity Ratio	42.0%
1031.5	869.2	943.6	1023.6	1247.7	2587.9	2642.7	2716.9	3077.7	3079.6	3430	3595	Total Capital (\$mill)	4145
592.1	647.0	878.4	1073.6	1153.0	2327.5	2570.4	2787.4	3068.7	3292.7	3380	3550	Net Plant (\$mill)	4110
4.1%	6.5%	6.2%	6.1%	5.8%	3.7%	5.2%	5.4%	5.3%	5.0%	5.5%	5.5%	Return on Total Cap'l	5.5%
5.8%	9.9%	10.1%	10.1%	9.5%	6.5%	9.1%	9.3%	8.9%	8.0%	10.0%	10.0%	Return on Shr. Equity	10.0%
5.8%	9.9%	10.1%	10.1%	9.5%	6.5%	9.1%	9.3%	8.9%	8.0%	10.0%	10.0%	Return on Com Equity ^D	10.0%
NMF	NMF	3.1%	1.0%	1.2%	1.7%	1.1%	1.5%	2.4%	.9%	3.5%	4.0%	Retained to Com Eq	4.5%
NMF	117%	70%	90%	88%	74%	88%	84%	73%	89%	65%	60%	All Div'ds to Net Prof	50%

ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS

	2012	2013	2014
% Change Retail Sales (KWH)	-2.6	-1.6	-1.4
Avg. Indust. Use (MWH)	NA	NA	NA
Avg. Indust. Revs. per KWH (c)	7.1	7.8	7.9
Capacity at Peak (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
Peak Load, Summer (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
Annual Load Factor (%)	NA	NA	NA
% Change Customers (yr-end)	+2	+1.6	+8

BUSINESS: UIL Holdings, through its subsidiaries, operates as one of the largest regulated utility companies in Connecticut. Business consists of electric distribution/transmission operations of The United Illuminating Company and natural gas transportation/distribution operations of The Southern Connecticut Gas Company, The Connecticut Natural Gas Company, and The Berkshire

Gas Company. Revenue distribution by class: residential, 53%; commercial, 28%; industrial, 4%; other, 15%. Fuel costs: 36% of revenues; O&M costs, 24%. Has 1,902 employees as of 12/14. President & Chief Executive Officer: James P. Torgerson, Inc.: CT. Address: 157 Church Street, P.O. Box 1564, New Haven, CT. 06506-0901. Telephone: 203-499-2000. Internet: www.uil.com.

ANNUAL RATES Past 10 Yrs. Past 5 Yrs. Est'd '12-'14 of change (per sh)

Revenues	-4.5%	-4.0%	4.5%
"Cash Flow"	0.5%	-1.0%	4.5%
Earnings	3.0%	2.0%	5.0%
Dividends	-	-	Nil
Book Value	1.0%	4.5%	4.5%

UIL Holdings expects to soon become part of Iberdrola. Indeed, the Connecticut electric and gas utility is still targeting a year-end closing for its merger with the Spanish company's U.S. unit (Iberdrola U.S.), which includes New York State Electric & Gas and the second-largest wind-power portfolio in the United States. Under terms of the proposed transaction, investors are slated to receive \$10.50 in cash and one share of newly issued stock in the merged company, worth up to \$44.03, for each share of UIL that they own. Current UIL stakeholders would own 18.5% of the yet-to-be-named newco, which plans to list on the New York Stock Exchange, while Iberdrola S.A. would control the remaining 81.5%. **Left standing in the merger's way is, among other things, approval by the Connecticut Public Utility Regulatory Authority (CPURA).** That body's draft decision in July would have denied the change of control, which prompted UIL to withdraw its original submission. A subsequent settlement agreement, promising concessions to ratepayers and other constituencies, should help clear the path for

approval. That said, CPURA is expected to issue a final ruling on December 9th. **Reported earnings rose sharply in the September quarter, as a one-time reserve made for an easy year-ago comparison.** Still, the headline growth figure was significantly less than we envisioned, due to higher uncollectable billings at the utility's gas distribution unit. Ahead of the merger, UIL has also put off a rate case, further limiting near-term growth. **Shares of UIL remain unranked for year-ahead Timeliness due to the utility's pending merger with Iberdrola.** Investors may want to stay pat here with the intention of participating in the cash-and-stock exchange. That option, in our view, will provide good exposure to what looks to be a relatively fast-growing, shareholder-friendly newco. Indeed, earnings at the merged company are expected to increase approximately 10% per year through 2019, partly reflecting the accelerated utilization of existing tax benefits. A competitive dividend and above-average payout increases also appear to be in the cards.

Nils C. Van Liew November 20, 2015

QUARTERLY REVENUES (\$ mill.)

Calendar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2012	458.3	283.5	323.8	420.9	1486.5
2013	548.0	319.1	316.5	435.1	1618.7
2014	571.2	334.8	293.0	432.9	1631.9
2015	584.1	312.0	330.5	443.4	1670
2016	605	350	370	475	1800

EARNINGS PER SHARE ^A

Calendar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2012	.92	.23	.31	.56	2.04
2013	1.01	.35	.31	.61	2.28
2014	.97	.16	.22	.57	1.92
2015	1.01	.28	.27	.69	2.25
2016	1.00	.40	.45	.75	2.60

QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID ^B

Calendar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2011	.432	.432	.432	.432	1.73
2012	.432	.432	.432	.432	1.73
2013	.432	.432	.432	.432	1.73
2014	.432	.432	.432	.432	1.73
2015	.432	.432	.432	.432	1.73

(A) EPS basic. Excl. nonrecur. gains (losses): '00, 4c; '03, (26c); '04, \$2.14; '06, (\$5.07); '10, (47c). Next exgs. report due in early February (B) Div'ds historically paid in early March, June, Sept., and Dec. (C) Div'd reinvest. plan avail. (D) Incl. deferred charges. In '14: \$321.9 mill. or \$5.66/sh. (E) Rate base: orig. cost. Rate allowed on common equity in '13: 9.15%. Earned on average common equity in '14: 8.0%. Regul. Clim.: Below Average. (F) In millions. Adjusted for stock dividend.

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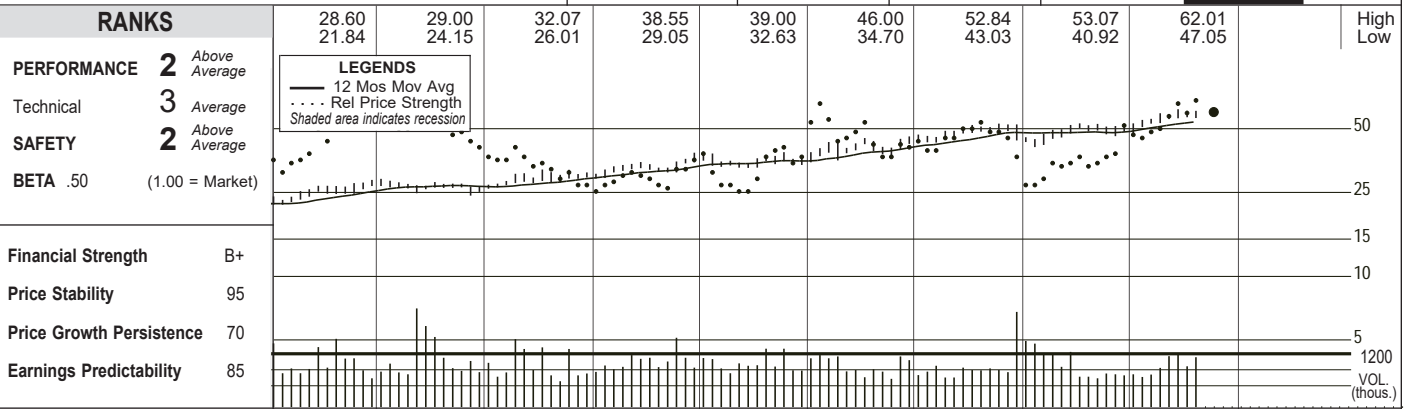
RECENT PRICE **60.03**

TRAILING P/E RATIO **20.1**

RELATIVE P/E RATIO **1.18**

DIV'D YLD **2.5%**

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© VALUE LINE PUBLISHING LLC	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020/2021
SALES PER SH	32.21	25.62	26.51	30.60	30.51	27.26	27.42	29.85	--	
"CASH FLOW" PER SH	4.16	3.86	4.28	4.80	5.15	5.24	5.12	5.61	--	
EARNINGS PER SH	1.50	1.43	1.57	1.79	1.89	1.94	2.06	2.23	2.32^{A,B}	2.47^C/NA
DIV'DS DECL'D PER SH	1.38	1.38	1.38	1.39	1.40	1.42	1.44	1.46	--	
CAP'L SPENDING PER SH	5.21	4.97	6.47	6.65	7.43	6.97	8.05	6.88	--	
BOOK VALUE PER SH	17.50	18.90	19.15	19.62	20.20	20.82	22.72	23.60	--	
COMMON SHS OUTST'G (MILL)	10.95	13.78	13.84	13.92	13.99	14.07	14.82	14.88	--	
AVG ANN'L P/E RATIO	16.8	18.7	18.5	18.4	18.5	21.0	23.3	21.6	25.9	24.3/NA
RELATIVE P/E RATIO	1.05	1.20	1.04	.97	.95	1.15	1.17	1.22	--	
AVG ANN'L DIV'D YIELD	5.5%	5.2%	4.8%	4.2%	4.0%	3.5%	3.0%	3.0%	--	
SALES (\$MILL)	352.8	353.1	366.9	425.8	426.8	383.4	406.2	444.1	--	Bold figures are consensus earnings estimates and, using the recent prices, P/E ratios.
OPERATING MARGIN	27.8%	27.4%	28.9%	28.0%	29.6%	34.3%	33.9%	32.4%	--	
DEPRECIATION (\$MILL)	29.3	35.1	37.7	42.1	45.7	46.6	46.9	50.4	--	
NET PROFIT (\$MILL)	16.4	18.2	21.6	24.7	26.3	27.1	29.0	33.0	--	
INCOME TAX RATE	37.9%	37.7%	37.0%	36.2%	36.9%	36.2%	37.6%	20.3%	--	
NET PROFIT MARGIN	4.6%	5.2%	5.9%	5.8%	6.2%	7.1%	7.1%	7.4%	--	
WORKING CAP'L (\$MILL)	d23.2	7.2	d4.7	15.8	d18.7	d45.3	.3	d40.3	--	
LONG-TERM DEBT (\$MILL)	288.5	287.7	284.8	336.4	319.1	325.1	382.0	390.1	--	
SHR. EQUITY (\$MILL)	193.7	260.6	265.2	273.3	282.8	293.1	336.8	351.3	--	
RETURN ON TOTAL CAP'L	5.5%	5.2%	5.8%	5.7%	6.2%	6.1%	5.6%	6.0%	--	
RETURN ON SHR. EQUITY	8.5%	7.0%	8.1%	9.0%	9.3%	9.2%	8.6%	9.4%	--	
RETAINED TO COM EQ	.6%	.4%	.9%	2.0%	2.4%	2.4%	2.6%	3.2%	--	
ALL DIV'DS TO NET PROF	93%	95%	88%	78%	75%	74%	70%	66%	--	

^ANo. of analysts changing earn. est. in last 9 days: 0 up, 0 down, consensus 5-year earnings growth 4.4% per year. ^BBased upon 2 analysts' estimates. ^CBased upon one analyst's estimate.

ANNUAL RATES				ASSETS (\$mill.)			INDUSTRY: Electric Utility (East)					
of change (per share)	5 Yrs.	1 Yr.		2017	2018	6/30/19	<p>BUSINESS: Unitil Corporation, a public utility holding company, engages in the distribution of electricity and natural gas in the United States. 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. The company also operates 86 miles of interstate underground natural gas transmission pipeline that provides interstate natural gas pipeline access and transportation services primarily in Maine and New Hampshire. In addition, it provides energy brokering and advisory services to commercial and industrial customers; and real estate management services. Currently, Unitil's operating utilities serve approximately 105,600 electric customers and 82,700 natural gas customers. Has 520 employees. C.E.O.: Thomas P. Meissner. Address: 6 Liberty Lane West, Hampton, NH 03842. Tel.: (603) 772-0775. Internet: www.unitil.com.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>L. Y.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>September 20, 2019</i></p>					
Sales	--	9.0%		Cash Assets	8.9	7.8				4.8		
"Cash Flow"	5.5%	9.5%		Receivables	67.4	66.8				48.7		
Earnings	6.5%	8.5%		Inventory	7.5	7.8				8.2		
Dividends	1.0%	1.5%		Other	67.5	69.8				45.7		
Book Value	4.0%	4.0%		Current Assets	151.3	152.2				107.4		
Fiscal Year	QUARTERLY SALES (\$mill.)			LIABILITIES (\$mill.)								
	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	Full Year							
12/31/17	126.0	80.8	84.0	115.4	406.2	Property, Plant & Equip, at cost				1279.2	1369.3	--
12/31/18	145.8	84.5	88.2	125.6	444.1	Accum Depreciation				307.7	332.5	--
12/31/19	152.1	84.4				Net Property	971.5	1036.8	1053.5			
12/31/20						Other	119.1	109.3	118.4			
						Total Assets	1241.9	1298.3	1279.3			
Fiscal Year	EARNINGS PER SHARE				Full Year	LONG-TERM DEBT AND EQUITY as of 6/30/19						
	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q		Total Debt \$457.4 mill.	Due in 5 Yrs. NA					
12/31/16	.78	.18	.25	.73	1.94	LT Debt \$373.1 mill.						
12/31/17	.88	.23	.16	.79	2.06	Including Cap. Leases NA						
12/31/18	1.06	.24	.19	.74	2.23	(50% of Cap'l)						
12/31/19	1.78	.27	.14	.81		Leases, Uncapitalized Annual rentals NA						
12/31/20	1.16											
Cal-endar	QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID				Full Year	Pension Liability \$121.5 mill. in '18 vs. \$150.1 mill. in '17						
	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q		Pfd Stock None	Pfd Div'd Paid None					
2016	.355	.355	.355	.355	1.42	Common Stock 14,921,000 shares						
2017	.36	.36	.36	.36	1.44	(50% of Cap'l)						
2018	.365	.365	.365	.365	1.46							
2019	.37	.37	.37									
INSTITUTIONAL DECISIONS						TOTAL SHAREHOLDER RETURN						
						Dividends plus appreciation as of 8/31/2019						
						3 Mos.	6 Mos.	1 Yr.	3 Yrs.	5 Yrs.		
to Buy	67	71	87									
to Sell	69	62	55									
Hld's(000)	10193	10507	10106									
						6.85%	11.36%	22.74%	66.94%	118.51%		

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ALLIANT ENERGY NDQ-LNT

RECENT PRICE **53.56** P/E RATIO **23.4** (Trailing: 24.7 Median: 16.0) RELATIVE P/E RATIO **1.45** DIV'D YLD **2.7%** VALUE LINE

TIMELINESS 1 Raised 8/16/19	High: 21.2 15.8 18.8 22.2 23.8 27.1 34.9 35.4 41.0 45.6 46.6 53.8	Target Price Range 2022 2023 2024
SAFETY 2 Raised 9/28/07	Low: 11.4 10.2 14.6 17.0 20.9 21.9 25.0 27.1 30.4 36.6 36.8 40.8	
TECHNICAL 4 Lowered 9/13/19	LEGENDS 0.90 x Dividends p sh divided by Interest Rate Relative Price Strength 2-for-1 split 5/16 Options: Yes Shaded area indicates recession	
BETA .60 (1.00 = Market)		
2022-24 PROJECTIONS		
Ann'l Total		
Price	Gain	Return
High 50	(-5%)	1%
Low 35	(-35%)	-6%
Insider Decisions		
N D J F M A M J J		
to Buy 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0		
Options 0 0 0 6 0 0 0 0 0		
to Sell 0 0 0 0 0 0 2 2 0		
Institutional Decisions		
4Q2018 1Q2019 2Q2019	Percent shares traded	24 16 8
to Buy 251 225 242		
to Sell 209 240 220		
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Alliant Energy, formerly called Interstate Energy Corporation, was formed on April 21, 1998 through the merger of WPL Holdings, IES Industries, and Interstate Power. WPL stockholders received one share of Interstate Energy stock for each WPL share, IES stockholders received 1.14 Interstate Energy shares for each IES share, and Interstate Power stockholders received 1.11 Interstate Energy shares for each Interstate Power share.	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	22-24
	15.51	15.40	16.51	13.94	14.77	15.10	14.34	14.58	14.62	14.97	15.40	15.90	Revenues per sh	16.45
	2.10	2.60	2.75	2.95	3.34	3.44	3.45	3.45	3.97	4.32	4.40	4.60	"Cash Flow" per sh	5.20
	.95	1.38	1.38	1.53	1.65	1.74	1.69	1.65	1.99	2.19	2.25	2.40	Earnings per sh ^A	2.80
	.75	.79	.85	.90	.94	1.02	1.10	1.18	1.26	1.34	1.42	1.50	Div'd Decl'd per sh ^B + †	1.74
	5.43	3.91	3.03	5.22	3.32	3.78	4.25	5.26	6.34	6.64	6.75	6.50	Cap'l Spending per sh	6.15
	12.54	13.05	13.57	14.12	14.79	15.54	16.41	16.96	18.08	19.43	21.80	23.05	Book Value per sh ^C	27.55
	221.31	221.79	222.04	221.97	221.89	221.87	226.92	227.67	231.35	236.06	240.00	242.00	Common Shs Outst'g ^D	250.00
	13.9	12.5	14.5	14.5	15.3	16.6	18.1	22.3	20.6	19.1	Bold figures are Value Line estimates	Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	15.0	
	.93	.80	.91	.92	.86	.87	.91	1.17	1.04	1.03	Relative P/E Ratio	.85		
5.7%	4.6%	4.3%	4.1%	3.7%	3.5%	3.6%	3.2%	3.1%	3.2%	Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	4.1%			

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 6/30/19 Total Debt \$6535.4 mill. Due in 5 Yrs \$1000.0 mill. LT Debt \$5438.1 mill. LT Interest \$230.0 mill. (LT interest earned: 3.2x)	3432.8	3416.1	3665.3	3094.5	3276.8	3350.3	3253.6	3320.0	3382.2	3534.5	3700	3850	Revenues (\$mill)	4115
	208.6	303.9	304.4	337.8	382.1	385.5	380.7	373.8	455.9	512.1	535	575	Net Profit (\$mill)	695
	--	30.1%	19.0%	21.5%	12.4%	10.1%	15.3%	13.4%	12.5%	8.4%	11.0%	11.0%	Income Tax Rate	11.0%
	--	--	--	--	--	--	6.5%	7.0%	7.6%	7.8%	7.5%	7.5%	AFUDC % to Net Profit	7.5%
	44.3%	46.3%	45.7%	48.4%	46.1%	49.7%	48.6%	52.8%	49.0%	53.3%	52.0%	52.0%	Long-Term Debt Ratio	52.0%
	51.2%	49.5%	50.9%	48.4%	50.8%	47.5%	51.4%	47.2%	48.6%	46.7%	48.0%	48.0%	Common Equity Ratio	48.0%
	5423.0	5840.8	5921.2	6476.6	6461.0	7257.2	7246.3	8177.6	8192.8	9832.0	10000	10500	Total Capital (\$mill)	12000
	6203.0	6730.6	7037.1	7838.0	7147.3	6442.0	8970.2	9809.9	10798	12462	13000	14000	Net Plant (\$mill)	17000
	5.1%	6.6%	6.4%	6.3%	7.0%	6.3%	6.3%	5.6%	6.8%	5.2%	4.0%	5.5%	Return on Total Cap'l	6.0%
	6.9%	9.7%	9.5%	10.1%	11.0%	10.6%	10.2%	9.7%	10.9%	11.2%	10.0%	10.5%	Return on Shr. Equity	10.0%
6.8%	9.9%	9.5%	10.3%	11.3%	10.9%	10.2%	9.7%	10.9%	11.2%	10.0%	10.5%	Return on Com Equity ^E	10.0%	
.9%	3.8%	3.3%	3.9%	4.9%	4.3%	3.6%	2.8%	4.0%	4.3%	3.5%	4.0%	Retained to Com Eq	4.0%	
88%	64%	67%	64%	57%	59%	65%	72%	63%	61%	63%	63%	All Div'ds to Net Prof	62%	

ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS			
% Change Retail Sales (KWH)	2016	2017	2018
	+2.0	-1.0	+2.0
Avg. Indust. Use (MWH)	11987	12102	12340
Avg. Indust. Revs. per KWH (\$)	7.04	7.16	7.25
Capacity at Peak (Mw)	5615	5375	5459
Peak Load, Summer (Mw)	5615	5375	5459
Annual Load Factor (%)	NA	NA	NA
% Change Customers (yr-end)	+1.0	+4	+4
Fixed Charge Cov. (%)	295	319	322

ANNUAL RATES				
Past 10 Yrs.	Past 5 Yrs.	Est'd '16-'18	to '22-'24	
Revenues	-5%	-1.0%	2.0%	
"Cash Flow"	3.0%	4.0%	6.0%	
Earnings	4.5%	4.5%	6.5%	
Dividends	7.5%	7.0%	5.5%	
Book Value	4.0%	4.5%	7.5%	

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY REVENUES (\$ mill.)				Full Year
	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	
2016	843.8	754.2	925.0	797.0	3320.0
2017	853.9	765.3	906.9	856.1	3382.2
2018	916.3	816.1	928.6	873.5	3534.5
2019	987.2	790.2	1050	872.6	3700
2020	975	880	1050	945	3850

Cal-endar	EARNINGS PER SHARE ^A				Full Year
	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	
2016	.43	.37	.57	.28	1.65
2017	.44	.41	.73	.41	1.99
2018	.52	.43	.87	.37	2.19
2019	.53	.40	.90	.42	2.25
2020	.57	.48	.94	.41	2.40

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID ^B + †				Full Year
	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	
2015	.275	.275	.275	.275	1.10
2016	.295	.295	.295	.295	1.18
2017	.315	.315	.315	.315	1.26
2018	.335	.335	.335	.335	1.34
2019	.355	.355	.355		

(A) Diluted EPS. Excl. nonrecr. gains (losses): '09, (44¢); '10, (8¢); '11, (1¢); '12, (8¢). Next earnings rpt. due early Nov. (B) Dividends historically paid in mid-Feb., May, Aug., and Nov. (C) Div'd reinvest. plan avail. (D) Shareholder invest. plan avail. (E) Incl. deferred chgs. In '18: \$89.7 mill., \$0.38/sh. (F) In millions, adjusted for split. (G) Rate base: Orig. cost. Rates all'd on com. eq. in IA in '18: 10.0%; in WI in '18 Regul. Clim.: WI, Above Avg.; IA, Avg.

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Alliant Energy's largest utility subsidiary has a general rate case pending. Interstate Power and Light of Iowa is seeking annual electric and natural gas increases of \$204 million (11.7%) and \$21 million (9.0%), respectively, to recoup investments in wind energy and enhancements made to its distribution network. An interim rate hike of \$90 million, on an annual basis, was implemented in April. Alliant expects a final decision from the Iowa Utilities Board in the fourth quarter of 2019 on both the interim increase and the remaining \$135 million of final rates.

The company is transitioning to cleaner energy resources. Last year, Alliant generated roughly 20% of its capacity from renewables, a four-fold increase from 2005. The utility did this by investing heavily in wind, solar, and hydro projects, which have become more economical in recent years thanks to technological advances and new regulatory standards. Alliant is further targeting around one-third of its energy mix to come from renewables by 2030, with the remainder derived mostly from natural gas (which is a cleaner-burning fuel than coal or oil).

Alliant has several projects coming online in 2019 and 2020. The Iowa-based Upland Prairie and English Wind Farm projects were both recently completed, with the two expected to add 470 megawatts of combined power to Alliant's renewable portfolio. Separately, the 200 mw Golden Plains wind project and the 150 mw Kossuth County wind farm are both expected to go into service in 2020. By the end of next year, LNT will have over 3,000 mw of total renewable energy generation.

The West Riverside Energy Center is over 90% complete. The 730-megawatt natural gas generating facility is expected to go into service later this year. The plant will help replace power from the retirements of older, less efficient coal-fired and peaking units.

This stock is now ranked 1 (Highest) for year-ahead price performance, having risen a notch on our Timeliness scale since June. While Alliant shares are a top choice for the near term, total return potential to 2022-2024 is well below the Value Line median. In addition, the dividend yield is subpar for a utility.

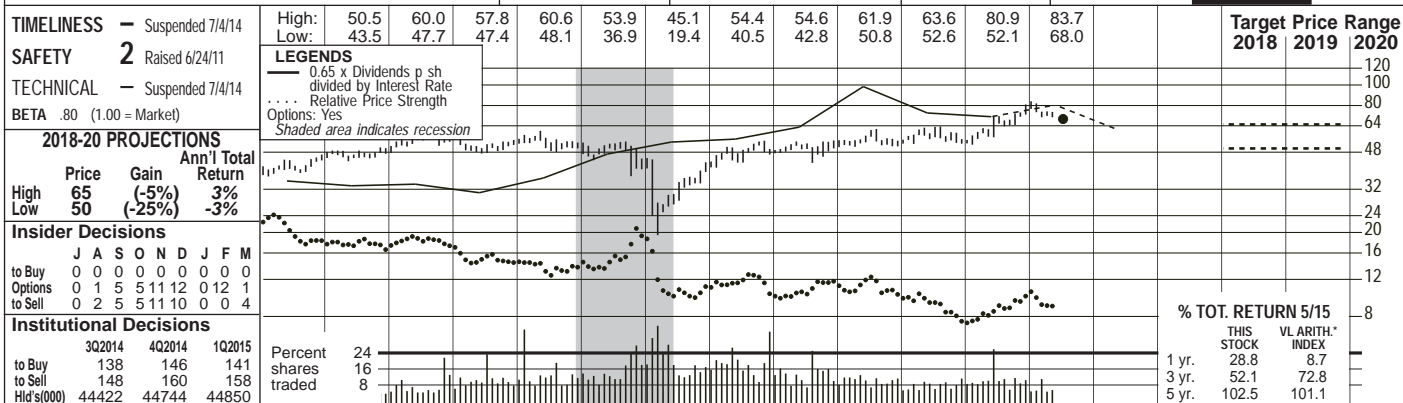
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Company's Financial Strength	A
Stock's Price Stability	95
Price Growth Persistence	80
Earnings Predictability	85

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INTEGRYS ENERGY NYSE-TEG

RECENT PRICE **68.88** P/E RATIO **24.2** (Trailing: 26.1 Median: 15.0) RELATIVE P/E RATIO **1.27** DIV'D YLD **3.9%** VALUE LINE



	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	18-20
Revenues per sh	173.37	160.01	135.44	184.86	98.71	67.27	60.44	54.07	70.92	52.11	45.30	47.80	Revenues per sh	53.50
"Cash Flow" per sh	7.40	6.33	5.19	4.69	5.34	6.70	6.13	6.95	7.72	6.46	6.60	7.30	"Cash Flow" per sh	8.25
Earnings per sh ^A	4.09	3.51	2.48	1.58	2.28	3.24	2.88	3.67	4.33	2.77	2.85	3.05	Earnings per sh ^A	4.00
Div'd Decl'd per sh ^B	2.24	2.28	2.56	2.68	2.72	2.72	2.72	2.72	2.72	2.72	2.72	2.72	Div'd Decl'd per sh ^B	2.80
Cap'l Spending per sh	10.31	7.94	5.17	7.01	5.85	3.35	4.00	7.63	8.42	10.88	12.05	12.00	Cap'l Spending per sh	13.50
Book Value per sh ^C	32.47	35.61	42.58	40.79	37.62	37.57	38.01	38.84	41.05	41.49	41.65	42.05	Book Value per sh ^C	44.75
Common Shs Outst'g ^D	40.16	43.06	75.99	75.99	75.98	77.35	77.91	77.90	79.45	79.53	79.50	79.50	Common Shs Outst'g ^D	79.50
Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	13.4	14.7	21.4	30.7	14.8	14.7	17.5	14.8	13.3	23.1	Bold figures are Value Line estimates		Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	14.0
Relative P/E Ratio	.71	.79	1.14	1.85	.99	.94	1.10	.94	.75	1.22			Relative P/E Ratio	.90
Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	4.1%	4.4%	4.8%	5.5%	8.1%	5.7%	5.4%	5.0%	4.7%	4.2%			Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	5.0%

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016		18-20
Revenues (\$mill)	6962.7	6890.7	10292	14048	7499.8	5203.2	4708.7	4212.4	5634.6	4144.2	3600	3800	Revenues (\$mill)	4250
Net Profit (\$mill)	157.4	151.6	181.1	124.8	178.2	255.9	230.9	294.2	350.1	227.0	230	250	Net Profit (\$mill)	320
Income Tax Rate	22.9%	22.9%	32.2%	29.1%	41.5%	40.4%	36.7%	33.8%	37.6%	41.2%	41.0%	41.0%	Income Tax Rate	41.0%
AFUDC % to Net Profit	1.0%	.5%	.7%	5.8%	4.5%	.7%	.4%	1.3%	4.3%	7.8%	6.0%	6.0%	AFUDC % to Net Profit	5.0%
Long-Term Debt Ratio	39.0%	44.8%	40.8%	42.1%	45.1%	42.2%	38.3%	38.6%	47.2%	46.9%	49.5%	50.0%	Long-Term Debt Ratio	49.5%
Common Equity Ratio	58.7%	53.4%	58.3%	57.0%	53.9%	56.8%	60.6%	60.4%	52.0%	52.3%	49.5%	49.5%	Common Equity Ratio	49.5%
Total Capital (\$mill)	2222.4	2871.9	5552.0	5438.7	5304.4	5118.5	4884.5	5008.6	6268.6	6307.1	6670	6775	Total Capital (\$mill)	7150
Net Plant (\$mill)	2049.4	2534.8	4463.8	4773.3	4945.1	5013.4	5199.1	5501.9	6410.5	6859.8	7525	8140	Net Plant (\$mill)	10275
Return on Total Cap'l	8.0%	6.4%	4.5%	3.5%	4.6%	6.2%	5.9%	6.9%	6.5%	4.8%	4.5%	5.0%	Return on Total Cap'l	6.0%
Return on Shr. Equity	11.6%	9.6%	5.5%	4.0%	6.1%	8.7%	7.7%	9.6%	10.6%	6.8%	7.0%	7.5%	Return on Shr. Equity	9.0%
Return on Com Equity ^E	11.8%	9.7%	5.5%	3.9%	6.1%	8.7%	7.7%	9.6%	10.6%	6.8%	7.0%	7.5%	Return on Com Equity ^E	9.0%
Retained to Com Eq	5.3%	3.4%	.0%	NMF	NMF	2.3%	.7%	2.6%	4.4%	.2%	.5%	1.0%	Retained to Com Eq	2.5%
All Div'ds to Net Prof	56%	65%	99%	NMF	NMF	118%	74%	73%	59%	97%	94%	88%	All Div'ds to Net Prof	70%

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 3/31/15
Total Debt \$3398.9 mill. Due in 5 Yrs \$568.3 mill.
LT Debt \$2956.3 mill. LT Interest \$147.8 mill.
 (LT interest earned: 3.3x)
Leases, Uncapitalized Annual rentals \$4.7 mill.
Pension Assets-12/14 \$1495.6 mill.
Obliq. \$1705.7 mill.

Pfd Stock \$51.1 mill. Pfd Div'd \$3.1 mill.
 510,626 shs. 5.00% to 6.88%, callable \$101 to \$107.50; sinking fund began 11/1/79. All cumulative, \$100 par.
Common Stock 79,963,091 shs. as of 5/4/15
MARKET CAP: \$5.5 billion (Large Cap)

ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS

	2012	2013	2014
% Change Retail Sales (KWH)	+2	-4	+6.0
Avg. C & I Use (KWH)	NA	NA	NA
Avg. C & I Revs. per KWH (¢)	NA	NA	NA
Capacity at Peak (Mw)	3173	3344	NA
Peak Load, Summer (Mw)	2347	2400	NA
Annual Load Factor (%)	NA	NA	NA
% Change Customers (yr-end)	+4	+4	-9.5

ANNUAL RATES	Past 10 Yrs.	Past 5 Yrs.	Est'd '12-'14 of change (per sh)
Revenues	-6.0%	-16.0%	NMF
"Cash Flow"	1.0%	7.0%	2.5%
Earnings	1.0%	11.0%	2.0%
Dividends	2.5%	.5%	.5%
Book Value	4.0%	--	1.5%

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY REVENUES (\$ mill.)				Full Year
	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	
2012	1247.9	839.6	927.7	1197.2	4212.4
2013	1678.2	1116.0	1129.7	1710.7	5634.6
2014	1638.0	836.8	657.1	1012.3	4144.2
2015	1163.2	800	636.8	1000	3600
2016	1250	825	675	1050	3800

Cal-endar	EARNINGS PER SHARE ^A				Full Year
	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	
2012	1.24	.65	.93	.86	3.67
2013	2.29	d.06	.47	1.63	4.33
2014	1.73	.10	.27	.66	2.77
2015	1.61	.10	.29	.85	2.85
2016	1.70	.10	.35	.90	3.05

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID ^B				Full Year
	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	
2011	.68	.68	.68	.68	2.72
2012	.68	.68	.68	.68	2.72
2013	.68	.68	.68	.68	2.72
2014	.68	.68	.68	.68	2.72
2015	.68	.68	.68	.68	2.72

BUSINESS: Integrys Energy Group, Inc. is a holding company for Wisconsin Public Service, Peoples Gas, and four other utility subsidiaries. Has 450,000 electric customers in WI, 1.7 million gas customers in WI, IL, MN, and MI. Sold Upper Peninsula Power and retail electric and gas marketing operations in '14. Elec. rev. breakdown: residential, 29%; small commercial & industrial, 29%; large commercial & industrial, 19%; other, 23%. Generating sources: coal, 49%; gas, 12%; other, 5%; purchased, 34%. Fuel costs: 51% of revs. '14 depr. rates (utility): 2.2%-3.2%. Has 4,600 employees. Chairman & CEO: Charles A. Schrock. President & COO: Lawrence T. Borgard. Inc.: WI. Address: 130 East Randolph St., Chicago, IL 60601-6207. Tel.: 312-228-5400. Internet: www.integrystgroup.com.

Integrys Energy is awaiting two more regulatory approvals before the acquisition of the company by Wisconsin Energy can be completed. Integrys stockholders would receive \$18.58 a share in cash and 1.128 shares of Wisconsin Energy stock for each of their shares, valuing the deal at \$69.57 a share at Wisconsin Energy's recent price. The regulatory commissions in Minnesota and Illinois still need to rule on the combination. The due date for a decision in Illinois is July 6th, and the companies hope to get a written order in Minnesota by then. If all goes well, the transaction will close shortly thereafter. Accordingly, this might well be our last full-page report on Integrys. The stock's Timeliness rank is suspended due to the pending takeover.

We think shareholders should sell their stock on the open market. The stock price of Integrys is now just 1% below the value of the buyout, leaving little upside potential for shareholders. Integrys holders also have some downside risk that the deal will fall through, or that the price of Wisconsin Energy stock (like that of most utility equities) continues to weaken.

Like many electric utility issues, Wisconsin Energy's stock price has fallen more than 10% so far this year. In fact, the value of the deal for Integrys holders has dropped below the \$71.47-a-share value when the acquisition was announced nearly a year ago.

Peoples Gas in Illinois has received some criticism for its management of its accelerated main-replacement program. The cost of the project is much more than expected when it was proposed several years ago. A consultant made 95 recommendations, many of which the utility is already implementing. How this will affect the proposed takeover is unknown. The Illinois commission might welcome a new parent company for Peoples Gas.

Rate relief should help earnings advance this year and next. Tariffs of Peoples Gas and North Shore Gas (also in Illinois) were raised in early 2015. Wisconsin Public Service has filed for electric and gas rate hikes of \$96.9 million and \$9.1 million, respectively, based on a return of 10.2% on a common-equity ratio of 50.52%. New rates should take effect in early 2016.

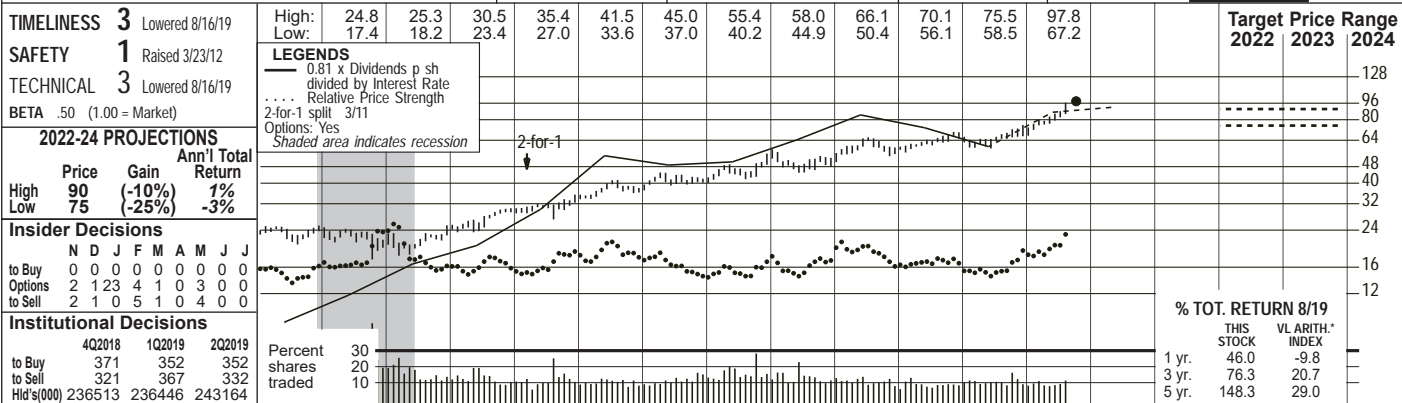
Paul E. Debbas, CFA June 19, 2015

Company's Financial Strength	A
Stock's Price Stability	90
Price Growth Persistence	55
Earnings Predictability	45

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RECENT PRICE **97.73** P/E RATIO **27.9** (Trailing: 28.2; Median: 17.0) RELATIVE P/E RATIO **1.73** DIV'D YLD **2.5%** VALUE LINE



2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	22-24
17.12	14.66	16.31	17.08	18.12	18.95	17.65	17.98	19.46	18.54	20.00	22.16	18.77	23.68	24.24	24.34	24.70	26.00	Revenues per sh	29.50
2.86	2.58	2.89	2.90	2.98	2.95	3.11	3.30	3.68	4.01	4.33	4.47	3.87	5.39	5.69	6.04	6.45	6.45	"Cash Flow" per sh	8.50
1.13	.93	1.28	1.32	1.42	1.52	1.60	1.92	2.18	2.35	2.51	2.59	2.34	2.96	3.14	3.34	3.53	3.70	Earnings per sh ^A	4.50
.40	.42	.44	.46	.50	.54	.68	.80	1.04	1.20	1.45	1.56	1.74	1.98	2.08	2.21	2.36	2.50	Div'd Decl'd per sh ^B	3.00
2.95	2.85	3.40	4.17	5.28	4.86	3.50	3.41	3.60	3.09	3.04	3.26	4.01	4.51	6.21	6.71	9.45	10.10	Cap'l Spending per sh	7.75
9.96	10.65	11.46	12.35	13.25	14.27	15.26	16.26	17.20	18.05	18.73	19.60	27.42	28.29	29.98	31.02	32.05	33.15	Book Value per sh ^C	36.75
236.85	233.97	233.96	233.94	233.89	233.84	233.82	233.77	230.49	229.04	225.96	225.52	315.68	315.62	315.57	315.52	315.50	315.50	Common Shs Outst'g ^D	315.50
12.4	17.5	14.5	16.0	16.5	14.8	13.3	14.0	14.2	15.8	16.5	17.7	21.3	19.9	20.0	19.6	18.0	18.0	Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	18.0
.71	.92	.77	.86	.88	.89	.89	.89	.89	1.01	.93	.93	1.07	1.04	1.01	1.05	1.01	1.05	Relative P/E Ratio	1.00
2.8%	2.6%	2.4%	2.2%	2.1%	2.4%	3.2%	3.0%	3.3%	3.2%	3.5%	3.4%	3.5%	3.4%	3.3%	3.4%	3.3%	3.4%	Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	3.7%

2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	22-24
4127.9	4202.5	4486.4	4246.4	4519.0	4997.1	5926.1	7472.3	7648.5	7679.5	7800	8200	Revenues (\$mill)	9300						
378.4	455.6	514.0	547.5	578.6	589.5	640.3	940.2	998.2	1060.5	1120	1180	Net Profit (\$mill)	1420						
36.5%	35.4%	33.9%	35.9%	36.9%	38.0%	40.4%	37.6%	37.2%	33.8%	11.0%	11.0%	Income Tax Rate	11.0%						
25.0%	18.6%	16.8%	9.4%	4.5%	1.3%	4.5%	3.8%	1.6%	2.1%	3.0%	3.0%	AFUDC % to Net Profit	2.0%						
51.9%	50.6%	53.6%	51.7%	50.6%	48.5%	51.2%	50.5%	48.0%	50.4%	50.0%	47.5%	Long-Term Debt Ratio	50.0%						
47.7%	49.0%	46.0%	48.0%	49.1%	51.2%	48.6%	49.3%	51.9%	49.4%	50.0%	52.5%	Common Equity Ratio	50.0%						
7473.1	7764.5	8608.0	8619.3	8626.6	8636.5	17809	18118	18238	19813	20225	19950	Total Capital (\$mill)	23225						
9070.5	9601.5	10160	10572	10907	11258	19190	19916	21347	22001	24350	26525	Net Plant (\$mill)	30950						
6.4%	7.5%	7.5%	7.9%	8.1%	8.1%	4.5%	6.3%	6.6%	6.5%	6.5%	7.0%	Return on Total Cap'l	7.5%						
10.5%	11.9%	12.9%	13.1%	13.6%	13.2%	7.4%	10.5%	10.5%	10.8%	11.0%	11.0%	Return on Shr. Equity	12.0%						
10.6%	12.0%	12.9%	13.2%	13.6%	13.3%	7.4%	10.5%	10.5%	10.8%	11.0%	11.5%	Return on Com Equity ^E	12.0%						
6.2%	7.0%	6.8%	6.5%	5.9%	5.3%	2.1%	3.5%	3.6%	3.7%	3.5%	3.5%	Retained to Com Eq	4.0%						
42%	41%	47%	51%	57%	60%	71%	67%	66%	66%	67%	67%	All Div'ds to Net Prof	67%						

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 6/30/19
 Total Debt \$11950 mill. Due in 5 Yrs \$4105.4 mill.
 LT Debt \$9921.0 mill. LT Interest \$481.2 mill.
 Incl. \$18.4 mill. capitalized leases.
 (LT interest earned: 3.4x)
 Leases, Uncapitalized Annual rentals \$8.7 mill.
 Pension Assets-12/18 \$2690.8 mill.
 Oblig \$2927.2 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 315,435,820 shs.

MARKET CAP: \$31 billion (Large Cap)

ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS

	2016	2017	2018
% Change Retail Sales (KWH)	+18.5	-3.0	+2.5
Avg. Indust. Use (MWH)	NA	NA	NA
Avg. Lg. C&I Revs. per KWH (\$)	7.08	7.13	7.05
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	+7	+7

Fixed Charge Cov. (%) 404 422 323

ANNUAL RATES Past 10 Yrs. Past 5 Yrs. Est'd '16-'18 of change (per sh)

	10 Yrs.	5 Yrs.	Est'd '16-'18
Revenues	3.0%	4.5%	3.5%
"Cash Flow"	7.0%	7.5%	7.0%
Earnings	8.5%	6.0%	6.0%
Dividends	15.5%	11.0%	6.0%
Book Value	8.5%	10.5%	3.5%

QUARTERLY REVENUES (\$ mill.)

Cal-endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2016	2194	1602	1712	1963	7472.3
2017	2304	1632	1657	2055	7648.5
2018	2287	1672	1644	2077	7679.5
2019	2377	1590	1700	2133	7800
2020	2450	1750	1750	2250	8200

EARNINGS PER SHARE ^A

Cal-endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2016	1.09	.57	.68	.61	2.96
2017	1.12	.63	.68	.71	3.14
2018	1.23	.73	.74	.65	3.34
2019	1.33	.74	.71	.75	3.53
2020	1.30	.80	.85	.75	3.70

QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID ^B

Cal-endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2015	.4225	.4225	.44	.4575	1.74
2016	.495	.495	.495	.495	1.98
2017	.52	.52	.52	.52	2.08
2018	.5525	.5525	.5525	.5525	2.21
2019	.59	.59	.59		

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. Sold Point Beach nuclear plant in '07. Electric revenue breakdown: residential, 35%; small commercial & industrial, 31%; large commercial & industrial,

WEC Energy's utilities in Wisconsin have reached settlements on their rate cases. The settlement, if approved by the Wisconsin commission, will grant Wisconsin Electric, Wisconsin Gas, and Wisconsin Public Service rate hikes totaling \$86.1 million. Wisconsin Electric and WPS will have an allowed return on equity of 10.0%, and Wisconsin Gas' allowed ROE will be 10.2%. The common-equity ratio will be 52.5%. New rates will take effect at the start of 2020.

We continue to expect solid profit growth this year and next. WEC Energy's utility in Chicago, Peoples Gas, is spending \$280 million-\$300 million a year to replace old pipes. The company is recovering these expenditures contemporaneously through a rider (surcharge) on customers' bills. The healthy economy of the utilities' service area is another positive factor. Management is guiding investors to the upper end of its targeted range for 2019 earnings of \$3.50-\$3.53 a share. In 2020, WEC Energy ought to benefit from rate relief for its utilities in Wisconsin.

The company has announced another

nonregulated renewable-energy project. WEC Energy would pay \$338 million for an 80% stake in a 300-megawatt wind farm. This is expected to be in service by the end of 2020.

This top-quality equity is noteworthy for its performance this year. The price has risen 20% since our mid-June report and 41% since the start of 2019. There isn't any obvious reason for such a strong outperformance. The company is faring well and its prospects are good, but this hasn't changed appreciably since the start of the year, nor has management upgraded its earnings guidance materially. Perhaps there is some takeover speculation, but WEC Energy is much larger than utilities that have been acquired in recent years. The yield is not much higher than the median of all dividend-paying issues under our coverage, and the recent quotation is above our 3- to 5-year Target Price Range, even though we raised this from where it was three months ago. Accordingly, we do not recommend these shares, even for income-oriented investors, due to their lofty valuation.

Paul E. Debbas, CFA September 13, 2019

(A) Diluted EPS. Excl. gains on discnt. ops.: '04, '77; '11, 6¢; nonrecurring gain: '17, 65¢. '16 & '18 EPS don't sum due to rounding. Next earnings report due early November. (B) Div'ds paid in early Mar., June, Sept. & Dec. ■ Div'd reinvest. plan avail. (C) Incl. intang. '18: \$21.74/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%-10.3%; in IL in '15: 9.05%; in MN in '16: 9.11%; in MI in '16: 9.9%; earned on avg. com. eq., '18: 11.0%. Regulatory Climate: WI, Above Avg.; IL, Below Avg.; MN & MI, Avg.	Company's Financial Strength	A+
	Stock's Price Stability	100
	Price Growth Persistence	75
	Earnings Predictability	90

All of the major electric utilities located in the eastern region of the United States are reviewed in this Issue; western electrics, in Issue 11; and the remaining utilities, in Issue 5.

We discuss merger and acquisition activity (and possible deals) in the Electric Utility Industry.

Two gas pipelines under development by several companies in Issue 1 have been hurt by delays and cost escalations stemming from litigation by environmental and other opponents.

Most electric utility equities have turned in a stellar performance in 2019.

Mergers And Acquisitions

In this decade, there have been several mergers and acquisitions in the Electric Utility Industry, some of which involved companies covered in this Issue. *Exelon* acquired Constellation Energy in 2012 and Pepco Holdings in 2016 because management wanted to increase the proportion of income generated by regulated utility operations. *Eversource Energy* was formed in 2012 through the combination of two contiguous utilities in New England, Northeast Utilities and NSTAR. *FirstEnergy* acquired Allegheny Energy in 2011. *Duke Energy* purchased Progress Energy in 2012 and expanded its presence in the gas business by buying Piedmont Natural Gas in 2016. *Southern Company* also bought a gas company, AGL Energy, in 2016. Similarly, *Dominion Energy* took over Questar in 2016, then completed an electric and gas transaction with the purchase of SCANA in early 2019. In some of these deals, the buyer paid a high price—30 times earnings in the case of Duke's acquisition of Piedmont.

Currently, there is not a lot of M&A activity in this industry. The only pending deal is an investor group's agreement to buy El Paso Electric Company (covered in Issue 11). However, there are rumors in the financial media indicating that *AVANGRID* and *PPL Corporation* are holding talks about a possible combination. Perhaps this will lead to a deal, but there is no assurance that this will occur. And even if an agreement is struck, there is no assurance that a deal will win regulatory approval. The Electric Utility Industry has a high failure rate in proposed M&A. In early 2019, the proposed takeover of Avista (covered in Issue 11) was terminated after this was rejected by the regulatory commissions in two states.

A deal between utilities does not necessarily have to involve two investor-owned companies. Two municipal utilities, Santee Cooper, with 176,000 customers in South Carolina, and JEA, with 478,000 electric customers in Florida (plus water, sewer and wastewater customers), might be acquired. *NextEra Energy* and *Duke Energy* are among the bidders. These would be sizable deals, if effected. *NextEra Energy* completed a much-smaller purchase in late 2018 when it bought the electric system of Vero Beach, Florida, with 35,000 customers.

Gas Pipeline Delays And Rising Costs

Many electric utilities also have a presence in natural

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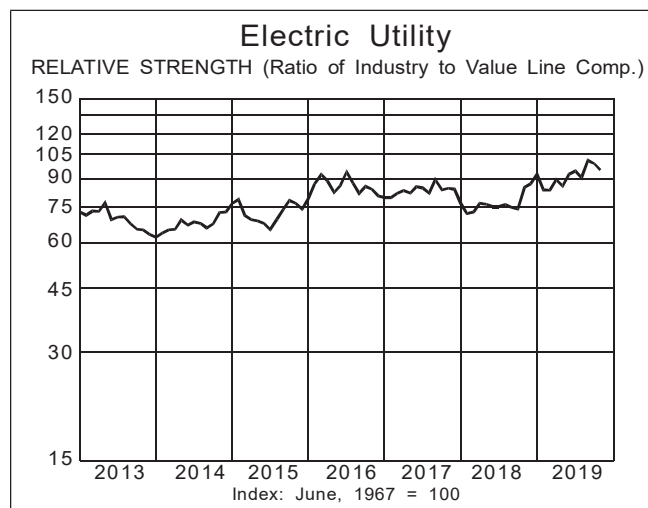
gas, through a gas distribution company and/or ownership of midstream gas assets. Some electric companies in Issue 1 have a stake in one of two gas pipelines that are under construction. The Atlantic Coast Pipeline (ACP) is owned by *Dominion Energy*, *Duke Energy*, and *Southern Company*. The Mountain Valley Pipeline (MVP) is owned by *NextEra Energy* and *Consolidated Edison*, among others. Each pipeline has faced litigation by environmental groups and other opponents, which has caused delays and significant cost increases. The cost of ACP is now estimated at \$7.3 billion-\$7.8 billion, and the cost of MVP is now expected to be \$5.3 billion-\$5.5 billion.

ACP got some good news when the U.S. Supreme Court accepted its petition to rule on the matter of whether the U.S. Forest Service has the authority to approve the project's Appalachian Trail crossing. Indirectly, this is good news for MVP, as well. A ruling from the Supreme Court is expected by June of 2020. A favorable ruling would allow the project to be completed by the end of 2021.

Conclusion

Almost every electric utility stock has performed extremely well in 2019. Only a few issues, including *AVANGRID* and *Exelon*, have declined in price. (The price of PG&E stock has plummeted, but this issue is no longer covered in *The Value Line Investment Survey* because the company is operating under Chapter 11.) Interest-rate cuts by the Federal Reserve have helped boost the quotations of these equities. With money-market funds, savings accounts, CDs, and U.S. Treasury securities offering low yields—that of the 10-year U.S. Treasury note is below 2%—income-oriented investors are “reaching for yield” with electric utility stocks, despite their high valuations. The average dividend yield of equities in the Electric Utility Industry is just 3.1%, which is low, by historical standards. For almost all of these issues, their recent price is well within their 2022-2024 Target Price Range. In some cases, the recent quotation is above this range.

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All of the major electric utilities located in the central region of the United States are reviewed in this Issue; eastern electrics, in Issue 1; and the remaining utilities, in Issue 11.

The recent decline in interest rates (along with speculation that the Federal Reserve will cut rates again) have spurred the strong performance of most stocks in the Electric Utility Industry in the past several weeks.

The state of the service area's economy is important for electric utilities. The utilities covered in Issue 5 have seen mixed signals of late.

We discuss the progress of companies that were involved in mergers or acquisitions in recent years.

Most electric utility equities were priced expensively even before the recent surge, so this group has become even more pricey.

Interest Rates

The level of interest rates has always been a determinant (though hardly the only one) of the performance of electric utility stocks. When the yields on debt securities decline, this makes the dividends of electric utility equities relatively more attractive. This has induced many income-oriented investors to "reach for yield" by purchasing utility stocks, even though these equities are expensive, by utility standards.

Lately, the yield of the 10-year U.S. Treasury note has fallen to well below 2%. The drop in rates has pushed the prices of electric utility issues much higher. If the price of an equity in this industry has risen by less than 10% in 2019, this makes the stock an exception, not the rule. Even more rare are the stocks that have barely moved or experienced a decline in price this year.

Declining interest rates are mostly helpful for utilities because this lowers their borrowing costs. If the debt is held at the utility level, then the reduction in interest expense will eventually be passed through to ratepayers when the company has its next general rate case. If the debt is held at the parent level (or by a nonutility subsidiary), the company retains the benefit of lower rates. This also encourages acquisitions thanks to the decline in borrowing costs to finance these deals.

There is a negative effect of lower interest rates for utilities, however. When a utility files a general rate case, it asks for a specified return on equity. Asking for a higher allowed ROE than is currently reflected in rates is never easy, but this becomes more difficult when interest rates are declining. Even so, the positive factors of low rates outweigh the negative ones.

The Economy Matters

The economy matters to electric utilities, especially regarding industrial kilowatt-hour sales, which aren't sensitive to the weather the way residential and commercial sales are. What is important is not the national economy, but the economy in the utility's service terri-

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tory. In the second quarter, some companies, such as *Wisconsin Energy*, *Entergy*, and *OGE Energy*, stated that the economies of their service areas were still strong. By contrast, *American Electric Power* indicated that it saw signs that the international trade war was starting to hurt some of its industrial customers.

Utilities typically have economic development efforts to help attract businesses to their service areas. The chief executive officer of *OGE Energy* cited this during the company's conference call to discuss second-quarter earnings. In some cases, utilities work in conjunction with state and local governments.

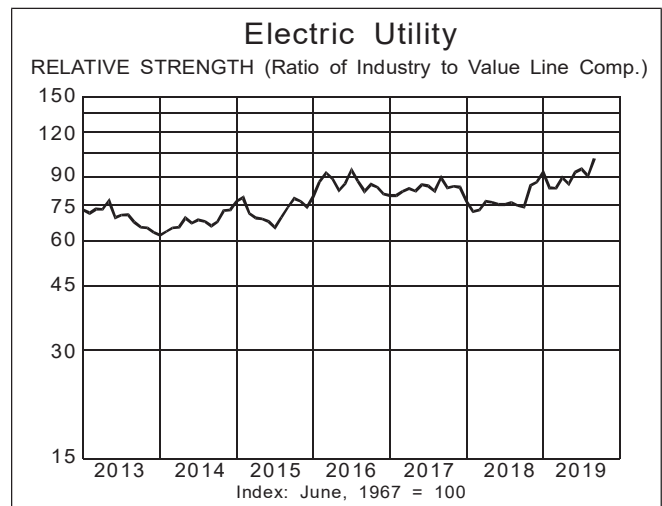
Merger And Acquisition Update

None of the utilities involved in this Issue is involved in M&A. However, *CenterPoint Energy* completed the purchase of Vectren in the first quarter of 2019, and *Eergy* was formed through the merger of Westar Energy and Great Plains Energy. These companies are cutting costs and are starting to achieve the expected merger-related expense reductions. *Eergy* is also buying back stock. The only pending deal in this industry is the takeover of El Paso Electric Company (reviewed in Issue 11).

Conclusion

Since Issue 5 last came out three months ago, electric utility stocks—which were already priced expensively—have become even more highly valued. Most are trading within their 2022-2024 Target Price Range, and some are trading above this range. Most are trading at market premium. In some cases, this premium is material. The average dividend yield of the stocks in this group is now just 3.1%, the lowest in many years. This is higher than the median of all dividend-paying equities covered in *The Value Line Investment Survey*, but low, by historical standards. As we have seen, even if a utility issue is priced expensively, it can become even more expensive.

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All of the major electric utilities located in the western region of the United States are reviewed in this Issue; eastern electrics, in Issue 1; and the remaining utilities, in Issue 5.

The California government passed a law that will help address the problems that the state's electric utilities face from huge liabilities stemming from wildfires. However, this did not ameliorate problems electric companies are facing from past wildfires.

Several companies in this Issue are filing rate cases in order to recover capital spending, increased expenses, and earn an adequate return on equity.

Most electric utility stocks have performed extremely well in 2019. These equities continue to have a high valuation.

Wildfire Problems In California

In recent years, the two largest electric utilities in California have faced huge liabilities stemming from wildfires in their service area. The largest one, Pacific Gas and Electric (a subsidiary of PG&E Corporation), faced liabilities so large that in early 2019 the utility and its parent filed for protection under Chapter 11 of the Federal Bankruptcy Code. (As a result of this filing, we no longer cover the stock in *The Value Line Investment Survey*.) The problems faced by Southern California Edison (a subsidiary of *Edison International*) aren't nearly as severe, but are still significant. The company took a substantial charge in the fourth quarter of 2018 to establish a reserve for its estimate of the minimum wildfire liabilities it is facing. The third major utility in the Golden State, San Diego Gas & Electric (a subsidiary of *Sempra Energy*) hasn't had a major wildfire in its service area in recent years, but in the second quarter of 2016 wrote off costs associated with a 2007 wildfire after the company was unable to recover these costs in rates. The utilities' problems were exacerbated by California's inverse condemnation law. Under this law, a company may be found liable for damage caused by its equipment, even if the company is not found negligent.

In July, the California government enacted a law that is expected to lessen the financial problems that utilities would face from future wildfires. (The law does not affect past wildfires.) A \$21 billion fund was formed, half of which has been paid for by the utilities based on their relative size. *Edison International* issued debt and common equity in order to finance its \$2.4 billion share of this fund. (How the companies will account for these payments in their financial statements is yet to be determined.) Utilities will also benefit from a cost cap and a revised standard of prudence that is less burdensome, although the new law did not abolish inverse condemnation.

Electric utilities have increased their capital and operating budgets as they attempt to reduce the risks of wildfires and respond to them more quickly and effectively. Pacific Gas and Electric even shut down some power lines earlier this month in response to the risks, and received criticism for doing so. Some of the capital spending is recoverable in rates, but the companies will not earn an equity return on these expenditures. The cost of wildfire insurance has soared, which is hardly

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surprising, but the utilities are recovering these costs from customers.

Regulatory Matters

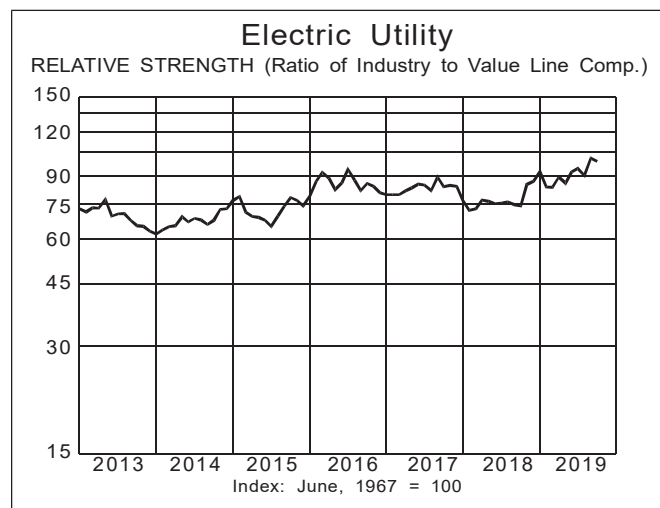
The wildfire matters mentioned above affect just two companies of the 12 covered in the Electric Utility (West) Industry in this Issue. By contrast, regulatory considerations affect every company in the Electric Utility Industry. Utility subsidiaries of *Avista* and *Hawaiian Electric Industries* have not earned an adequate return on equity in recent years, so the companies have come before the regulatory commissions frequently in recent years. The utilities owned by *Xcel Energy* are also frequent participants in the regulatory arena, especially as the company adds wind projects. *Black Hills* and *NorthWestern* also have rate cases pending.

Conclusion

Most electric utility stocks have turned in outstanding performances in 2019. The price of almost every issue in this Industry has risen more than 10%, and several increases have exceeded 30%. Interest-rate cuts by the Federal Reserve (and the possibility of additional easing) have increased investors' interest in these equities thanks to their generous dividends. This "reaching for yield" has sent these stocks to lofty valuations. Almost every utility equity covered in Issue 11 is trading at a market premium. The average dividend yield for the Electric Utility Industry is 3.1%. This figure is still comfortably above the median of all dividend-paying issues covered in *The Value Line Investment Survey*, which is 2.2%, but the gap has narrowed considerably this year.

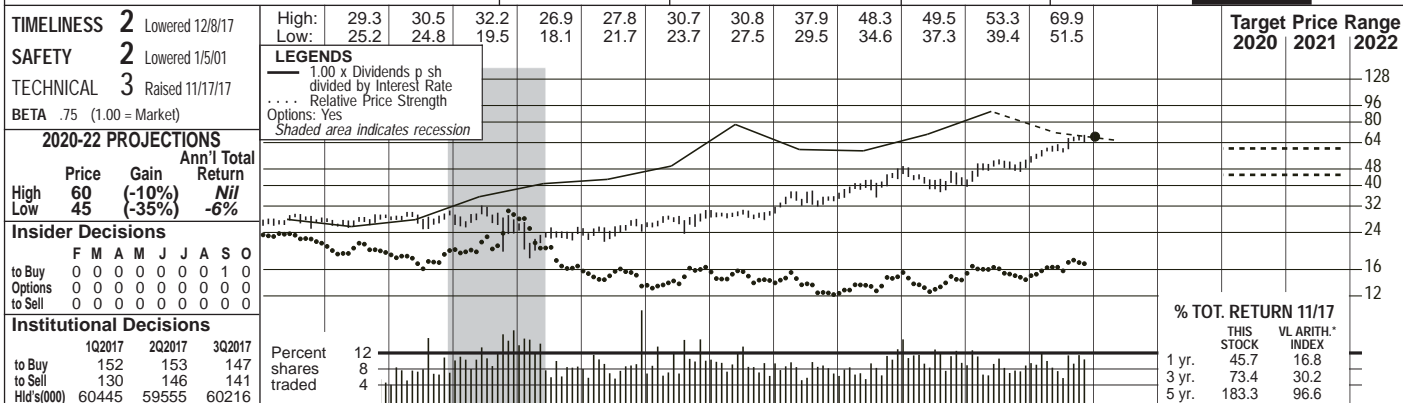
We advise investors to take a cautious stance due to the group's high valuation. The 18-month Target Price Ranges shown on the full-page reports for each stock do not reflect dividends, but even when dividends are added to these estimates, they do not suggest attractive total returns for this time frame. We do provide total return projections for the 3- to 5-year period. These are not appealing, either. In fact, the recent quotations for most of these stocks are within their 2022-2024 Target Price Range, and in some cases (such as *IDACORP*), the price is above this range.

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VECTREN CORP. NYSE-VVC

RECENT PRICE **68.28** P/E RATIO **25.2** (Trailing: 25.2 Median: 16.0) RELATIVE P/E RATIO **1.24** DIV'D YLD **2.7%** VALUE LINE



Vectren was formed on March 31, 2000 through the merger of Indiana Energy and SIGCORP. The merger was consummated with a tax-free exchange of shares and has been accounted for as a pooling of interests. Indiana Energy common stockholders received one Vectren common share for each share held. SIGCORP stockholders exchanged each common share for 1.333 common shares of Vectren.

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 9/30/17
 Total Debt \$2040.0 mill. Due in 5 Yrs \$633.5 mill.
 LT Debt \$1639.1 mill. LT Interest \$75.0 mill.
 (LT interest earned: 5.0x)

Pension Assets-12/16 \$304.5 mill.
 Oblig. \$350.4 mill.

Pfd Stock None

Common Stock 83,002,391 shs. as of 10/31/17

MARKET CAP: \$5.7 billion (Large Cap)

ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS

	2014	2015	2016
% Change Retail Sales (KWH)	+2.0	-2.4	+3
Avg. Indust. Use (MWH)	NA	NA	NA
Avg. Indust. Revs. per KWH (¢)	NA	NA	NA
Capacity at Peak (Mw)	1407	1357	1360
Peak Load, Summer (Mw)	1095	1088	1096
Annual Load Factor (%)	NA	NA	NA
% Change Customers (yr-end)	+6	+7	+8

ANNUAL RATES

	Past 10 Yrs.	Past 5 Yrs.	Est'd '14-'16 to '20-'22
Revenues	2.0%	2.5%	4.5%
"Cash Flow"	4.5%	4.0%	6.0%
Earnings	4.0%	6.0%	6.5%
Dividends	2.5%	2.5%	5.5%
Book Value	3.0%	3.0%	5.5%

QUARTERLY REVENUES (\$ mill.)^F

Cal-endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2014	796.8	542.5	595.6	676.8	2611.7
2015	706.2	551.0	573.5	604.0	2434.7
2016	584.8	533.7	631.0	699.0	2448.3
2017	624.5	630.7	691.2	703.6	2650
2018	655	655	710	730	2750

EARNINGS PER SHARE ^A

Cal-endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2014	.62	.14	.57	.69	2.02
2015	.69	.43	.48	.79	2.39
2016	.58	.39	.74	.84	2.55
2017	.67	.45	.75	.78	2.65
2018	.70	.48	.76	.86	2.80

QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID ^{B,†}

Cal-endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2013	.355	.355	.355	.360	1.43
2014	.360	.360	.360	.380	1.46
2015	.380	.380	.380	.400	1.54
2016	.400	.400	.400	.420	1.62
2017	.420	.420	.420	.450	

	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC 20-22
Revenues per sh	29.88	30.67	25.76	26.06	28.39	27.16	30.23	31.62	29.40	29.53	31.75	32.75	38.95
"Cash Flow" per sh	4.29	3.97	4.40	4.44	4.71	5.03	5.03	5.33	5.48	5.69	5.85	6.20	7.75
Earnings per sh ^A	1.83	1.63	1.79	1.65	1.73	1.94	1.66	2.02	2.39	2.55	2.65	2.80	3.35
Div'd Decl'd per sh ^{B,†}	1.27	1.31	1.35	1.37	1.39	1.41	1.43	1.46	1.54	1.62	1.71	1.83	2.10
Cap'l Spending per sh	4.38	4.83	5.33	3.39	3.92	4.45	4.77	5.43	5.76	6.54	7.20	7.60	9.30
Book Value per sh ^C	16.16	16.68	17.23	17.61	17.89	18.57	18.86	19.45	20.34	21.33	22.05	23.10	27.90
Common Shs Outst'g ^D	76.36	81.03	81.10	81.70	81.90	82.20	82.40	82.60	82.80	82.90	83.50	84.00	86.00
Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	15.3	16.8	12.9	15.0	15.8	15.0	20.7	20.0	17.9	19.2	16.0	16.0	16.0
Relative P/E Ratio	.81	1.01	.86	.95	.99	.95	1.16	1.05	.90	1.01	1.00	1.00	1.00
Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	4.5%	4.8%	5.9%	5.5%	5.1%	4.8%	4.2%	3.6%	3.6%	3.3%	3.9%	3.9%	3.9%
Revenues (\$mill)	2281.9	2484.7	2088.9	2129.5	2325.2	2232.8	2491.2	2611.7	2434.7	2448.3	2650	2750	3350
Net Profit (\$mill)	143.1	129.0	145.0	133.7	141.6	159.0	136.6	166.9	197.3	211.6	220	235	290
Income Tax Rate	34.7%	37.1%	26.5%	35.8%	37.9%	34.2%	32.9%	32.7%	33.6%	34.8%	35.0%	35.0%	35.0%
AFUDC % to Net Profit	2.8%	2.9%	4.1%	--	--	--	--	--	4.1%	4.0%	4.0%	4.0%	4.0%
Long-Term Debt Ratio	50.2%	48.0%	52.4%	49.9%	51.6%	50.4%	53.3%	46.7%	50.6%	47.3%	47.5%	47.5%	45.5%
Common Equity Ratio	49.8%	52.0%	47.6%	50.1%	48.4%	49.6%	46.7%	53.3%	49.4%	52.7%	52.5%	52.5%	54.5%
Total Capital (\$mill)	2479.1	2599.5	2937.7	2874.1	3025.1	3079.5	3331.4	3013.9	3406.6	3358.0	3490	3690	4400
Net Plant (\$mill)	2539.7	2720.3	2878.8	2955.4	3032.6	3119.6	3224.3	3439.0	4089.5	4406.8	4700	4950	5750
Return on Total Cap'l	7.2%	6.5%	6.3%	6.1%	6.2%	6.4%	5.4%	6.8%	7.0%	7.4%	7.5%	7.5%	7.5%
Return on Shr. Equity	11.6%	9.5%	10.4%	9.3%	9.7%	10.4%	8.8%	10.4%	11.7%	12.0%	12.0%	12.0%	12.0%
Return on Com Equity ^E	11.6%	9.5%	10.4%	9.3%	9.7%	10.4%	8.8%	10.4%	11.7%	12.0%	12.0%	12.0%	12.0%
Retained to Com Eq	3.8%	2.0%	2.6%	1.6%	1.9%	2.9%	1.2%	2.9%	4.2%	4.4%	4.0%	4.5%	5.0%
All Div'ds to Net Prof	67%	80%	75%	83%	80%	73%	86%	72%	65%	63%	65%	65%	62%

BUSINESS: Vectren Corp. is a holding company formed through the merger of Indiana Energy and SIGCORP. Supplies electricity and gas to an area nearly two-thirds of the state of Indiana. Owns gas distribution assets in Ohio. Has a customer base exceeding 1.1 million. 2016 Electricity revenues: residential, 37%; commercial, 27%; industrial, 34%; other, 2%. 2016 Gas revenues: residential,

67%; commercial, 23%; other, 10%. Nonutility operations include Infrastructure Services and Energy Services. Est'd plant age: electric, 10 years. '16 depreciation rate: 4.0%. Has about 5,800 employees. Chairman, President, & CEO: Carl L. Chapman. Incorporated: Indiana. Address: One Vectren Square, Evansville, Indiana 47708. Telephone: 812-491-4000. Internet: www.vectren.com.

Shares of Vectren have traded in a fairly narrow range over the past three months. This has followed a nice rally that began in late 2016. The company reported solid top-line growth for the September period. Performance at the nonutility group benefited from strong results at the infrastructure services operation, reflecting large pipeline projects this year. But the utility group fared less well, owing to a decline in usage from a large electric customer that completed its transition to a co-generation facility and lower electric margins. Moreover, growth in total operating expenses outstripped that of revenue, and share net advanced just modestly, to \$0.75. Looking forward, we expect solid performance will continue in the fourth quarter, but earnings per share will probably not match the impressive figure generated in the year-ago period.

ward. Performance at the utility group ought to be supported by investment in gas infrastructure programs in both Indiana and Ohio. Meanwhile, the nonutility group should further benefit from healthy demand for distribution services, as gas utilities continue to make significant investments in their infrastructure systems. The transmission business will likely be able to capitalize on high demand due to the need to replace aging infrastructure, though we do expect a measure of unevenness here going forward.

The board of directors has raised the dividend by 7%. Starting with the December payout, the quarterly dividend is now \$0.45 per share. Healthy dividend growth will probably continue. **Revenues and earnings should increase at a good pace from 2018 on-**

Short-term traders may want to take a closer look. This issue is well ranked for Timeliness. Moreover, Vectren earns good marks for Safety, Financial Strength, Price Stability, and Earnings Predictability. Volatility is subdued, as well.

But patient investors can probably find more-suitable choices elsewhere. The stock presently trades at a price-to-earnings multiple that is well in excess of its historical average. As a result, this equity lacks long-term appreciation potential at this time. Also, the dividend yield does not stand out for a utility.

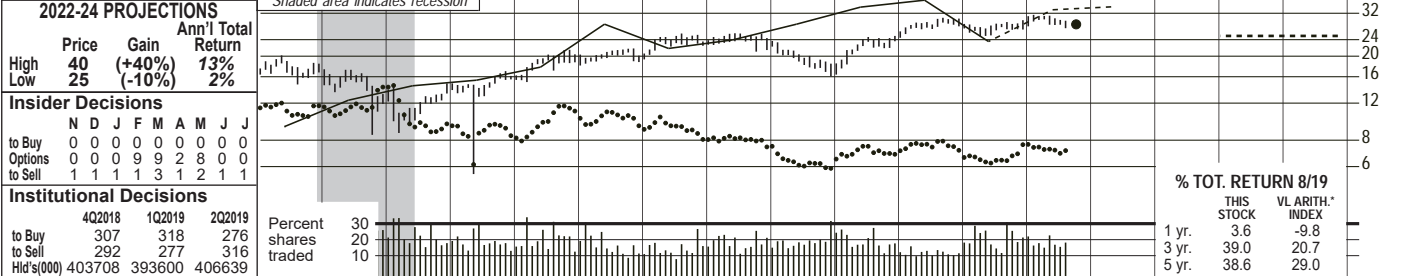
(A) Diluted EPS. Excl. nonrecurr. gain (loss): '09, 15¢. Next eps report due late February.	vest. plan avail. † Shareholder invest. plan avail. (C) Incl. intang. In '16, \$7.27/sh. (D) In millions. (E) Electric rate base determination: fair value. Rates allowed on elect. common	equity range from 10.15% to 10.4%. Regulatory Climate: Above Average. (F) Totals may not sum due to rounding.	Company's Financial Strength	A
(B) Div'ds historically paid in early March, June, September, and December. †Div'd rein-			Stock's Price Stability	90
			Price Growth Persistence	70
			Earnings Predictability	75

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RECENT PRICE **28.29** P/E RATIO **16.9** (Trailing: 24.8 Median: 17.0) RELATIVE P/E RATIO **1.05** DIV'D YLD **4.2%** VALUE LINE

TIMELINESS 3 Lowered 6/22/18	High: 17.3	14.9	17.0	21.5	21.8	25.7	25.8	23.7	25.0	30.5	29.6	31.4	Target Price Range
SAFETY 3 Lowered 12/18/15	Low: 8.5	8.7	5.5	15.1	18.1	19.3	21.1	16.0	16.4	24.5	24.8	27.2	2022 2023 2024
TECHNICAL 3 Lowered 8/16/19	LEGENDS 0.63 x Dividends p sh divided by Interest Rate Relative Price Strength Options: Yes Shaded area indicates recession												
BETA .80 (1.00 = Market)	64 48 40 32 24 20 16 12 8 6												



2022-24 PROJECTIONS		© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC 22-24																		
Price	Gain	Ann'l Total Return	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
High 40	(+40%)	13%	31.87	27.63	31.33	29.71	29.82	32.71	21.14	20.69	19.83	17.43	18.90	21.51	17.18	17.48	22.30	21.13	25.85	27.80
Low 25	(-10%)	23%	3.98	2.56	2.72	3.47	3.39	3.42	2.94	3.14	3.43	3.89	3.54	3.85	3.40	3.68	4.03	3.24	4.70	5.20
			1.37	.61	.67	1.33	1.17	1.30	1.01	1.07	1.27	1.35	1.24	1.42	1.08	1.00	1.57	.74	1.50	1.80
			4.40	4.40	4.40	.60	.68	.73	.76	.78	.79	.81	.83	.95	.99	1.03	1.35	1.12	1.16	1.20
			2.11	1.72	2.23	3.21	3.45	2.95	2.96	3.55	3.06	2.84	3.00	3.20	3.68	3.28	3.31	3.29	4.85	4.95
			5.75	3.59	4.18	4.96	5.61	5.89	6.74	7.53	9.91	10.06	10.09	10.60	8.05	8.03	10.88	12.53	18.55	19.10
			306.30	308.05	310.33	313.65	322.72	346.09	391.75	424.70	426.03	427.44	429.00	429.00	430.00	430.68	431.04	501.20	503.00	504.00
			6.0	17.8	19.1	10.3	15.0	11.3	11.8	13.8	14.6	14.8	18.7	17.0	18.1	21.9	17.9	NMF	14.5	14.5
			.34	.94	1.02	.56	.80	.68	.79	.88	.92	.94	1.05	.89	.91	1.15	.90	NMF	1.80	.80
			4.8%	3.7%	3.1%	4.4%	3.9%	5.0%	6.4%	5.3%	4.3%	4.0%	3.6%	3.9%	5.1%	4.7%	4.8%	4.1%	4.2%	4.2%

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 6/30/19		© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC 22-24												
Total Debt \$14609 mill. Due in 5 Yrs NA	8281.0	8785.0	8450.0	7452.0	8106.0	9226.0	7386.0	7528.0	9614.0	10589	13000	14000	Revenues per sh	29.25
LT Debt \$14121 mill. LT Interest \$692 mill.	372.0	442.0	546.0	581.0	536.0	611.0	465.0	432.0	679.0	368.0	885	1035	"Cash Flow" per sh	5.75
Incl. \$845 mill. securitized transition & system restoration bonds.	32.1%	37.3%	33.6%	33.4%	31.4%	31.0%	35.1%	37.0%	36.1%	28.4%	12.5%	12.5%	Earnings per sh A	2.25
(LT interest earned: 2.3x)	1.3%	2.7%	1.6%	2.6%	3.5%	4.1%	4.7%	3.5%	2.9%	5.4%	3.0%	3.0%	Div'd Decl'd per sh B	1.35
Leases, Uncapitalized Annual rentals \$6 mill.	77.6%	73.8%	67.2%	66.0%	64.4%	63.8%	69.5%	68.5%	63.6%	51.9%	53.5%	51.9%	Cap'l Spending per sh	5.00
Pension Assets-12/18 \$1516 mill.	22.4%	26.2%	32.8%	34.0%	35.6%	36.2%	30.5%	31.5%	36.4%	37.5%	39.0%	39.5%	Book Value per sh C	22.25
	11758	12199	12863	12658	12146	12557	11362	10992	12883	16740	23875	24400	Common Shs Outst'g D	540.00
	10788	11732	12402	13597	9593.0	10502	11537	12307	13057	14044	20125	21175	Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	14.5
	5.8%	6.1%	6.4%	6.8%	6.3%	6.7%	6.1%	5.8%	6.8%	3.4%	5.0%	5.5%	Relative P/E Ratio	.80
	14.1%	13.8%	12.9%	13.5%	12.4%	13.4%	13.4%	12.5%	14.5%	4.6%	8.0%	9.0%	Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	4.2%
	14.1%	13.8%	12.9%	13.5%	12.4%	13.4%	13.4%	12.5%	14.5%	5.3%	8.0%	9.5%		
	3.6%	3.8%	5.0%	5.5%	4.2%	4.5%	1.1%	NMF	4.7%	NMF	2.0%	3.0%		
	74%	72%	62%	60%	66%	67%	92%	103%	68%	NMF	79%	70%		

BUSINESS: CenterPoint Energy, Inc. is a holding company for Houston Electric, which serves 2.5 million customers in Houston and environs, and gas utilities with 4.4 million customers in Texas, Minnesota, Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, Indiana, and Ohio. Owns 53.8% of Enable Midstream Partners. Has nonutility operations. Discontinued Texas Genco Holdings in '04. Acquired Vectren 2/19. Electric revenue breakdown: residential, 52%; commercial, 31%; industrial, 15%; other, 2%. Gas costs: 55% of revenues. '18 depreciation rate: 6.3%. Has 14,000 employees. Chairman: Milton Carroll. President & CEO: Scott M. Prochazka. Inc.: Texas. Address: 1111 Louisiana, P.O. Box 4567, Houston, Texas 77210-4567. Tel.: 713-207-1111. Internet: www.centerpointenergy.com.

CenterPoint Energy's Houston Electric subsidiary received an unfavorable recommendation in its general rate case. The utility is seeking a rate hike of \$155 million (revised from the original request of \$161 million), based on a 10.4% return on a 50% common-equity ratio. The Texas commission's staff recommended an increase of just \$5 million, based on a 9.45% return on a 40% common-equity ratio. A proposal from an administrative law judge is expected soon, with an order expected in the fourth quarter. **A rate case was concluded, and one is upcoming.** The Ohio regulators approved a settlement that raised Vectren's gas rates \$22.7 million. This was a "black box" agreement in which an allowed ROE was not specified. Minnesota Gas is preparing to put forth an application in November. **Results in 2019 won't reflect CenterPoint's earning power.** The company is incurring expenses associated with its acquisition of Vectren earlier this year. We include these costs in our earnings presentation. **The bottom line should be much improved in 2020.** CenterPoint will still

book some merger-related expenses, but at a much lower level. The company should achieve merger-related expense reductions, which are estimated at \$75 million-\$100 million. Customer growth is solid, and CenterPoint's utilities should also benefit from rate relief. However, we have trimmed our 2020 share-net estimate by a nickel due to our concern about Houston Electric's rate case. Our revised estimate of \$1.80 is still within CenterPoint's targeted range of \$1.75-\$1.90. **CenterPoint plans to keep its stake in Enable Midstream Partners.** The master limited partnership has taken steps to reduce its exposure to oil and gas prices. The distributions are a good source of cash, and Enable's board raised the distribution for the first time since 2015. **CenterPoint stock has been one of the industry's laggards in 2019.** The share price has barely moved in what has been an excellent year for most utility issues. The dividend yield is about a percentage point above the utility average, and 3- to 5-year total return potential is also better than that of most utilities.

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Cal-endar	QUARTERLY REVENUES (\$ mill.)				Full Year
	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	
2016	1984	1574	1889	2081	7528.0
2017	2735	2143	2098	2638	9614.0
2018	3155	2186	2212	3036	10589
2019	3531	2798	3050	3621	13000
2020	4050	2950	3200	3800	14000

Cal-endar	EARNINGS PER SHARE A				Full Year
	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	
2016	.36	d.01	.41	.25	1.00
2017	.44	.31	.39	.43	1.57
2018	.38	d.17	.35	.18	.74
2019	.28	.33	.48	.41	1.50
2020	.45	.40	.50	.45	1.80

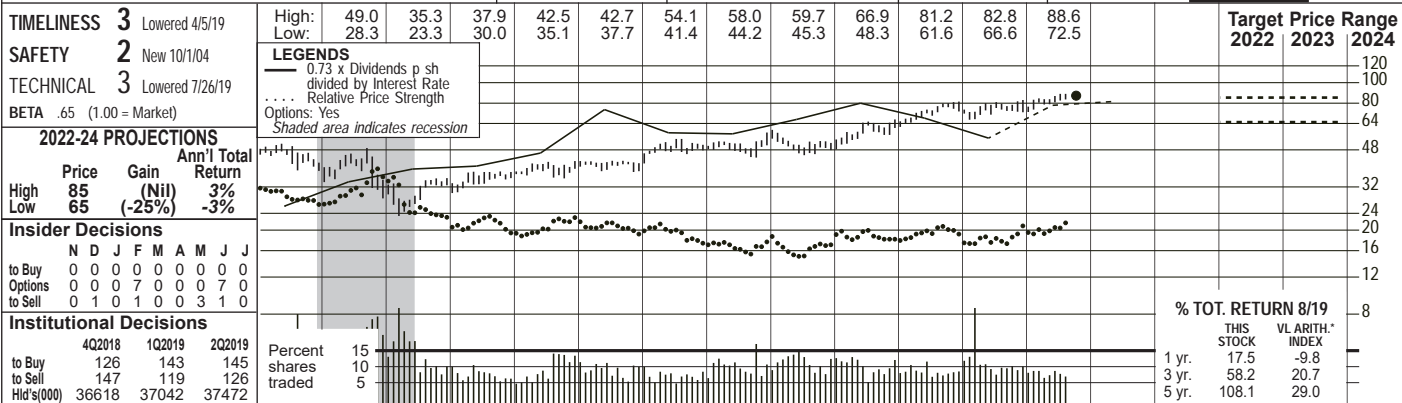
Cal-endar	QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID B				Full Year
	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	
2015	.2475	.2475	.2475	.2475	.99
2016	.2575	.2575	.2575	.2575	1.03
2017	.2675	.2675	.2675	.2675	1.07
2018	.2775	.2775	.2775	.2775	1.11
2019	.2875	.2875	.2875	.2875	1.15

(A) Diluted EPS. Excl. extraordinary gains (losses): '04, (\$2.72); '05, 9¢; '11, \$1.89; '12, (38¢); '13, (52¢); '15, (\$2.69); '17, \$2.56; losses on disc. ops.: '04, 37¢; '05, 1¢. '16 EPS don't sum due to rounding. Next earnings report due early Nov. (B) Div'ds historically paid in early Mar., June, Sept. & Dec. 5 declarations in '17. Div'd reinv. plan avail. (C) Incl. intang. In '18: \$5.65/sh. (D) In mill. (E) Rate base: Net orig. cost. Rate all'd on com. eq. (elec.) in '11: 10%; (gas): 9.45%-11.25%; (earned on avg. com. eq., '18: 5.5%. Regulatory Climate: Avg.

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

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2022-24 PROJECTIONS	Price	Gain	Ann'l Total Return
High	85	(Nil)	3%
Low	65	(-25%)	-3%

Insider Decisions	N	D	J	F	M	A	M	J	J
to Buy	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Options	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	7	0
to Sell	0	1	0	1	0	0	3	1	0

Institutional Decisions	4Q2018	1Q2019	2Q2019
to Buy	126	143	145
to Sell	147	119	126
Hlds(000)	36618	37042	37472

2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	22-24
--	25.30	24.50	25.23	27.33	24.57	21.57	25.34	24.75	24.40	24.60	24.77	30.27	27.01	27.78	29.10	24.65	24.85	Revenues per sh	28.00
--	2.97	3.85	4.14	4.42	4.23	3.57	4.35	4.91	5.01	5.35	5.68	6.79	7.08	6.59	7.37	7.50	7.85	"Cash Flow" per sh	9.00
--	1.35	2.48	2.77	3.08	2.82	1.89	2.19	2.65	2.58	2.63	2.90	3.38	3.14	3.13	3.38	3.40	3.65	Earnings per sh A	4.50
--	.30	1.25	1.45	1.64	1.72	1.76	1.76	1.78	1.84	1.90	1.96	2.02	2.08	2.14	2.24	2.35	2.46	Div'd Decl'd per sh B = †	2.85
--	2.12	1.95	3.37	6.82	9.24	9.05	6.95	6.38	10.30	7.93	12.48	5.84	5.35	4.08	6.07	10.55	7.15	Cap'l Spending per sh	5.25
--	21.23	20.03	21.90	24.11	25.37	26.41	27.26	28.78	30.48	32.44	35.06	37.07	38.17	40.47	41.86	43.00	44.20	Book Value per sh C	48.75
--	29.70	30.10	30.40	30.80	32.60	35.20	35.80	37.50	39.40	41.40	45.90	49.10	49.60	51.10	51.50	51.75	51.75	Common Shs Outst'g D	51.75
--	25.2	17.9	16.5	14.8	13.9	16.1	16.0	14.7	15.9	18.6	17.2	15.1	18.6	23.0	22.2	Bold figures are Value Line estimates		Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	16.5
--	1.33	.95	.89	.79	.84	1.07	1.02	.92	1.01	1.05	.91	.76	.98	1.16	1.19			Relative P/E Ratio	.90
--	.9%	2.8%	3.2%	3.6%	4.4%	5.8%	5.0%	4.6%	4.5%	3.9%	3.9%	4.0%	3.6%	3.0%	3.0%			Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	3.8%

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 6/30/19	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Total Debt \$1533.6 mill. Due in 5 Yrs \$404.3 mill.	759.1	907.0	928.2	961.2	1018.4	1136.8	1486.4	1339.7	1419.3	1498.6	1275	1285	Revenues (\$mill)	1450				
LT Debt \$1505.9 mill. LT Interest \$63.2 mill. (LT interest earned: 3.6x)	61.0	75.3	93.8	97.1	104.7	124.8	163.4	155.3	159.2	174.1	180	190	Net Profit (\$mill)	235				
Leases, Uncapitalized Annual rentals \$9.9 mill.	33.7%	37.2%	27.6%	28.1%	21.5%	22.6%	19.4%	11.3%	14.8%	NMF	10.0%	10.0%	Income Tax Rate	10.0%				
Pension Assets-12/18 \$598.0 mill. Pfd Stock None	12.8%	8.9%	2.7%	5.3%	4.4%	6.3%	2.0%	1.4%	8%	7%	2.0%	2.0%	AFUDC % to Net Profit	1.0%				
Common Stock 51,655,541 shs.	42.8%	44.2%	44.3%	43.7%	44.6%	44.2%	46.3%	42.0%	41.0%	39.9%	38.5%	38.5%	Long-Term Debt Ratio	41.0%				
MARKET CAP: \$4.5 billion (Mid Cap)	57.2%	55.8%	55.7%	56.3%	55.4%	55.8%	53.7%	58.0%	59.0%	60.1%	61.5%	61.5%	Common Equity Ratio	59.0%				
ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS	1625.3	1747.6	1937.2	2134.6	2425.9	2882.2	3388.9	3263.4	3507.4	3584.3	3620	3735	Total Capital (\$mill)	4275				
% Change Retail Sales (KWH)	1622.7	1805.6	1982.7	2347.6	2576.5	3286.4	3669.1	3741.2	3822.4	3904.4	4240	4395	Net Plant (\$mill)	4600				
Avg. Indust. Use (MWH)	4.8%	5.4%	6.0%	5.6%	5.3%	5.2%	5.8%	5.8%	5.5%	5.8%	5.5%	5.8%	Return on Total Cap'l	6.5%				
Avg. Indust. Revs. per KWH (¢)	6.6%	7.7%	8.7%	8.1%	7.8%	7.8%	9.0%	8.2%	7.7%	8.1%	8.0%	8.5%	Return on Shr. Equity	9.5%				
Capacity at Peak (Mw)	6.6%	7.7%	8.7%	8.1%	7.8%	7.8%	9.0%	8.2%	7.7%	8.1%	8.0%	8.5%	Return on Com Equity E	9.5%				
Peak Load, Winter (Mw)	.5%	1.5%	2.9%	2.3%	2.2%	2.5%	3.6%	2.8%	2.4%	2.7%	2.5%	3.0%	Retained to Com Eq	3.5%				
Annual Load Factor (%)	93%	81%	66%	71%	72%	67%	60%	66%	68%	66%	68%	66%	All Div'ds to Net Prof	63%				
% Change Customers (avg.)	Fixed Charge Cov. (%)	318	339	296														

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%; paper/wood products, 9%; other industrial, 8%; residential, 12%; commercial, 13%; wholesale, 16% other, 16%. ALLETE Clean Energy (ACE) owns renewable energy projects. Acq'd U.S. Water Services 2/15; sold it 3/19. Generating sources: coal & lignite, 43%; wind, 10%; other, 4%; purchased, 43%. Fuel costs: 27% of revs. '18 deprec. rate: 3.6%. Has 1,900 employees. Chairman & CEO: Alan R. Hodnik. President: Bethany M. Owen. Inc.: MN. Address: 30 West Superior St., Duluth, MN 55802-2093. Tel.: 218-279-5000. Internet: www.allete.com.

We estimate that ALLETE's earnings will increase in 2019, but just slightly. The fourth-quarter comparison will be difficult because the company's ALLETE Clean Energy (ACE) subsidiary booked a gain of \$0.20 a share on the sale of a wind facility a year ago. (ACE has done this before, and this is part of normal operations.) Also, wind conditions in 2019 have been subpar. And ALLETE sold its U.S. Water Services business earlier this year, and will not have the income (\$0.06 a share in 2018) that this contributed. Note that ALLETE's earnings target of \$3.50-\$3.80 a share for 2019 includes an aftertax gain of \$11.2 million (\$0.22 a share), which we are excluding from our earnings presentation as a nonrecurring item. Note as well that management is guiding Wall Street to the lower end of this range.

The company's largest utility subsidiary, Minnesota Power, plans to file a general rate case in early November. The utility's allowed return on equity is low, at 9.25%, and Minnesota Power is not earning this figure. An interim increase (subject to refund) will take effect at the start of 2020. The utility is also constructing a transmission line, and is earning a contemporaneous return on this \$345 million investment. This, along with growth at ACE, should enable earnings to advance next year.

ACE is growing solidly. ALLETE is using the \$265 million in proceeds from the U.S. Water sale to fund this subsidiary. ACE now has 555 megawatts of wind capacity in operation. Two projects (186 mw) should be completed by yearend, and a 303 mw project is scheduled for completion in 2020.

ACE might eventually become an independent entity. This wouldn't be the first time that ALLETE has spun off a growing subsidiary. In 2004, it spun off its auto-auction operation, ADESA (now KAR Auction Services, NYSE: KAR). We think management is considering this along with several other options.

This stock has a high valuation, especially for a utility. The dividend yield is below the industry average. Also, with the recent quotation above our 2022-2024 Target Price Range, total return potential is minimal.

Paul E. Debbas, CFA September 13, 2019

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY REVENUES (\$ mill.)	Full Year
2016	333.8 314.8 349.6 341.5	1339.7
2017	365.6 353.3 362.5 337.9	1419.3
2018	358.2 344.1 348.0 448.3	1498.6
2019	357.2 290.4 337.4 290	1275
2020	335 300 350 300	1285

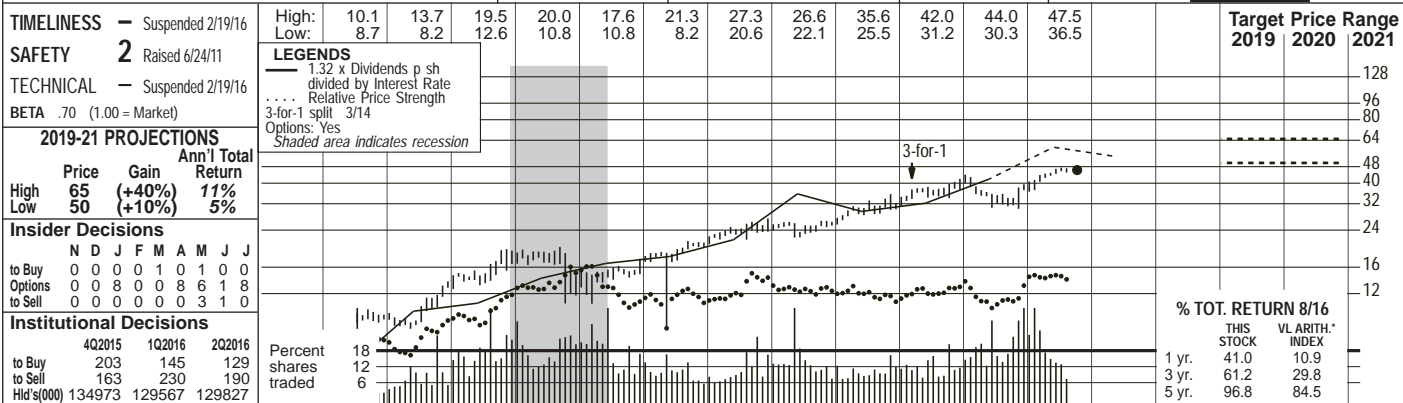
Cal-endar	EARNINGS PER SHARE A	Full Year
2016	.93 .50 .81 .90	3.14
2017	.97 .72 .88 .56	3.13
2018	.99 .61 .59 1.19	3.38
2019	1.18 .64 .80 .78	3.40
2020	1.20 .70 .88 .87	3.65

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID B = †	Full Year
2015	.505 .505 .505 .505	2.02
2016	.52 .52 .52 .52	2.08
2017	.535 .535 .535 .535	2.14
2018	.56 .56 .56 .56	2.24
2019	.5875 .5875 .5875	

(A) Diluted EPS. Excl. nonrec. gains (losses): '04, (25¢); '05, (\$1.84); '15, (46¢); '17, 25¢; '19, 22¢; gain (losses) on disc. ops.: '04, \$2.57; '05, (16¢); '06, (2¢). '16 & '18 EPS don't sum due to rounding. Next earnings report due early Nov. (B) Div's historically paid in early Mar., June, Sept. and Dec. = Div'd reinvest. plan avail. † Shareholder invest. plan avail. (C) Incl. deferred charges. In '18: \$11.90/sh. (D) In mill. (E) Rate base: Orig. cost depr. Rate allowed in MN on com. eq. in '18: 9.25%; earned on avg. com. eq., '18: 8.2%. Regulatory Climate: Avg.

Company's Financial Strength	A
Stock's Price Stability	95
Price Growth Persistence	60
Earnings Predictability	85

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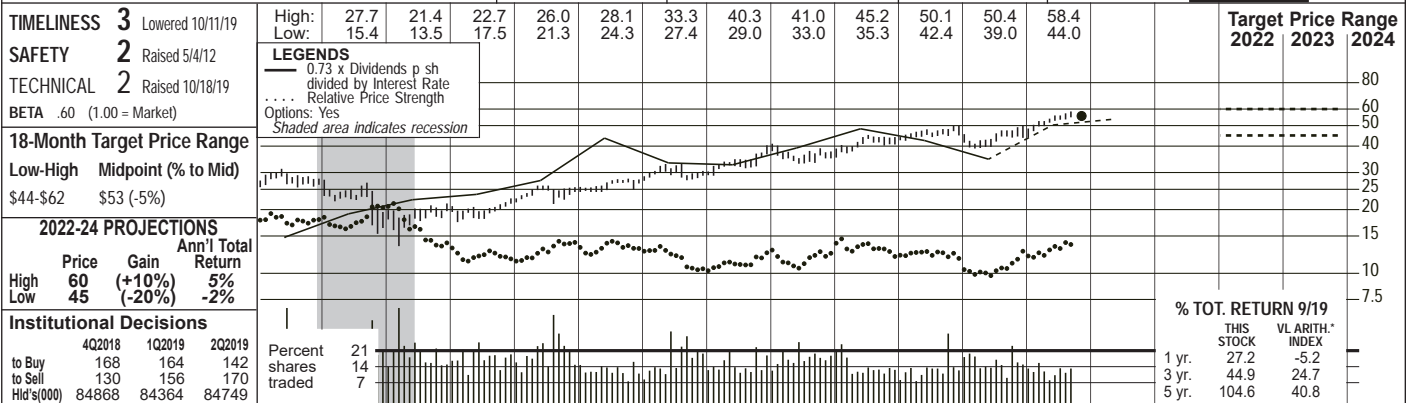


2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	19-21
--	--	--	--	1.37	2.06	1.76	3.31	4.15	4.13	4.58	4.92	5.30	5.98	6.59	6.84	7.80	8.85	Revenues per sh	11.75
--	--	--	--	.35	.68	.58	1.10	1.37	1.44	1.53	1.73	1.88	2.24	2.40	2.54	2.95	3.35	"Cash Flow" per sh	4.50
--	--	--	--	.03	.35	.31	.56	.73	.86	.95	1.10	1.20	1.47	1.54	1.56	1.85	2.15	Earnings per sh ^A	2.75
--	--	--	--	--	.18	.36	.38	.40	.42	.44	.46	.49	.54	.61	.70	.81	.93	Div'd Decl'd per sh ^B †	1.30
--	--	--	--	.83	1.19	1.32	2.23	2.70	2.69	2.55	3.62	5.12	5.22	4.73	4.48	6.50	6.70	Cap'l Spending per sh	6.75
--	--	--	--	2.14	2.64	4.18	4.37	6.24	6.73	7.34	8.18	9.03	10.25	10.76	11.19	12.25	13.55	Book Value per sh ^C	18.00
--	--	--	--	92.04	99.69	127.19	128.75	148.96	150.25	152.15	153.97	156.75	157.50	155.14	152.70	154.00	155.00	Common Shs Outst'g ^D	158.00
--	--	--	--	26.3	33.0	27.6	23.2	17.1	20.0	21.4	20.7	20.4	20.4	23.8	22.8	20.0	20.0	Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	20.5
--	--	--	--	1.40	1.78	1.47	1.40	1.14	1.27	1.34	1.32	1.15	1.25	1.15	1.15	1.15	1.15	Relative P/E Ratio	1.30
--	--	--	--	1.9%	3.5%	2.4%	2.3%	2.8%	2.3%	1.9%	2.0%	1.8%	1.7%	2.0%	2.0%	1.7%	1.7%	Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	2.3%

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 6/30/16				2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	2036	2037	2038	2039	2040	2041	2042	2043	2044	2045	2046	2047	2048	2049	2050																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																										
Total Debt \$4598.1 mill. Due in 5 Yrs \$1725.2 mill.				223.6	426.2	617.9	621.0	696.8	757.4	830.5	941.3	1023.0	1044.8	1200	1370	1875	2235	2615	3015	3435	3885	4365	4875	5415	5985	6585	7215	7875	8565	9285	10035	10815	11625	12465	13335	14235	15165	16125	17115	18135	19185	20265	21375	22515	23685	24885	26115	27375	28665	29985	31335	32715	34125	35565	37035	38535	39965	41425	42915	44435	45985	47565	49175	50815	52485	54185	55915	57675	59465	61285	63135	65015	66925	68865	70835	72835	74865	76925	79015	81135	83285	85465	87675	89915	92185	94485	96815	99175	101565	103985	106435	108915	111425	113965	116535	119135	121765	124425	127115	129835	132585	135365	138175	141015	143885	146785	149715	152675	155665	158685	161735	164815	167925	171065	174235	177435	180665	183925	187215	190535	193885	197265	200675	204115	207585	211085	214615	218175	221765	225385	229035	232715	236425	240165	243935	247735	251565	255425	259315	263235	267185	271165	275175	279215	283285	287385	291515	295675	299865	304085	308335	312615	316925	321265	325635	330035	334465	338925	343415	347935	352485	357065	361675	366315	370985	375685	380415	385175	389965	394785	399635	404515	409425	414365	419335	424335	429365	434425	439515	444635	449785	454965	460175	465395	470645	475925	481235	486575	491945	497345	502775	508235	513725	519245	524795	530375	535985	541625	547295	552995	558725	564485	570275	576095	581945	587825	593735	599675	605645	611645	617675	623735	629825	635945	642095	648275	654485	660725	666995	673295	679625	685985	692375	698795	705245	711725	718235	724775	731345	737945	744575	751235	757925	764645	771395	778175	784985	791825	798695	805595	812525	819485	826475	833495	840545	847625	854735	861875	869045	876245	883475	890735	898025	905345	912695	920075	927485	934925	942395	949895	957425	964985	972575	980195	987845	995525	1003235	1010975	1018745	1026545	1034375	1042235	1050125	1058045	1065995	1073975	1081985	1090025	1098095	1106195	1114325	1122485	1130675	1138895	1147145	1155425	1163735	1172075	1180445	1188845	1197275	1205735	1214225	1222745	1231295	1239875	1248485	1257125	1265795	1274495	1283225	1291985	1300775	1309595	1318445	1327325	1336235	1345175	1354145	1363145	1372175	1381235	1390325	1399445	1408595	1417775	1426985	1436225	1445495	1454795	1464125	1473485	1482875	1492295	1501745	1511225	1520735	1530275	1539845	1549445	1559075	1568735	1578425	1588145	1597895	1607675	1617485	1627325	1637195	1647095	1657025	1666985	1676975	1686995	1697045	1707125	1717235	1727375	1737545	1747745	1757975	1768235	1778525	1788845	1799195	1809575	1819985	1830425	1840895	1851395	1861925	1872485	1883075	1893695	1904345	1915025	1925735	1936475	1947245	1958045	1968875	1979735	1990625	2001545	2012495	2023475	2034485	2045525	2056595	2067695	2078825	2089985	2101175	2112395	2123645	2134925	2146235	2157575	2168945	2180345	2191775	2203235	2214725	2226245	2237795	2249375	2260985	2272625	2284295	2295995	2307725	2319485	2331275	2343095	2354945	2366825	2378735	2390675	2402645	2414645	2426675	2438735	2450825	2462945	2475095	2487275	2499485	2511725	2523995	2536295	2548625	2560985	2573375	2585795	2598245	2610725	2623235	2635775	2648345	2660945	2673575	2686235	2698925	2711645	2724395	2737175	2749985	2762825	2775695	2788595	2801525	2814485	2827475	2840495	2853545	2866625	2879735	2892875	2906045	2919245	2932475	2945735	2959025	2972345	2985695	2999075	3012485	3025925	3039395	3052895	3066425	3080985	3095575	3110195	3124845	3139525	3154235	3168975	3183745	3198545	3213375	3228235	3243125	3258045	3272995	3287975	3302985	3318025	3333095	3348195	3363325	3378485	3393675	3408895	3424145	3439425	3454735	3470075	3485445	3500845	3516275	3531735	3547225	3562745	3578295	3593875	3609485	3625125	3640795	3656495	3672225	3687985	3703775	3719595	3735445	3751325	3767235	3783175	3799145	3815145	3831175	3847235	3863325	3879445	3895595	3911775	3927985	3944225	3960495	3976795	3993125	4009485	4025875	4042295	4058745	4074625	4090535	4106475	4122445	4138445	4154475	4170535	4186625	4202745	4218895	4235075	4251285	4267525	4283795	4300095	4316425	4332785	4349175	4365595	4382045	4398525	4415035	4431575	4448145	4464745	4481375	4498035	4514725	4531445	4548195	4564975	4581785	4598625	4615495	4632395	4649325	4666285	4683275	4700295	4717345	4734425	4751535	4768675	4785845	4803045	4820275	4837535	4854825	4872145	4889495	4906875	4924285	4941725	4959195	4976695	4994225	5011785	5029375	5046995	5064645	5082325	5100035	5117775	5135545	5153345	5171175	5189035	5206925	5224845	5242795	5260775	5278785	5296825	5314895	5332995	5351125	5369285	5387475	5405695	5423945	5442225	5460535	5478875	5497245	5515645	5534075	5552535	5571025	5589545	5608095	5626675	5645285	5663925	5682595	5701295	5720025	5738785	5757575	5776395	5795245	5814125	5833035	5851975	5870945	5890945	5910975	5931035	5951125	5971245	5991395	6011575	6031785	6052025	6072295	6092595	6112925	6133285	6153675	6174095	6194545	6215025	6235535	6256075	6276645	6297245	6317875	6338535	6359225	6379945	6400695	6421475	6442285	6463125	6483995	6504895	6525825	6546785	6567775	6588795	6609845	6630925	6652035	6673175	6694345	6715545	6736775	6758035	67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RECENT PRICE **55.67** P/E RATIO **22.9** (Trailing: 24.9 Median: 16.0) RELATIVE P/E RATIO **1.36** DIV'D YLD **2.9%** VALUE LINE



2003	2004	2005F	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	22-24
--	--	23.14	24.32	27.87	27.89	23.99	23.67	24.06	23.89	23.18	24.29	21.38	21.62	22.54	22.30	23.75	24.00	Revenues per sh	27.25
--	--	4.75	4.64	5.21	4.71	4.07	4.82	4.96	5.15	4.93	6.08	5.37	5.78	6.16	6.65	7.00	7.45	"Cash Flow" per sh	8.75
--	--	1.02	1.14	2.33	1.39	1.31	1.66	1.95	1.87	1.77	2.18	2.04	2.16	2.29	2.37	2.40	2.55	Earnings per sh ^A	3.00
--	--	--	.68	.93	.97	1.01	1.04	1.06	1.08	1.10	1.12	1.18	1.26	1.34	1.43	1.52	1.62	Div'd Decl'd per sh ^B = †	1.95
--	--	4.08	5.94	7.28	6.12	9.25	5.97	3.98	4.01	8.40	12.87	6.73	6.57	5.77	6.67	7.10	8.30	Cap'l Spending per sh	5.75
--	--	19.15	19.58	21.05	21.64	20.50	21.14	22.07	22.87	23.30	24.43	25.43	26.35	27.11	28.07	28.90	29.80	Book Value per sh ^C	32.50
--	--	62.50	62.50	62.53	62.58	75.21	75.32	75.36	75.56	78.09	78.23	88.79	88.95	89.11	89.27	89.40	89.55	Common Shs Outst'g ^D	90.00
--	--	--	23.4	11.9	16.3	14.4	12.0	12.4	14.0	16.9	15.3	17.7	19.1	20.0	18.4	Bold figures are Value Line estimates		Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	17.0
--	--	--	1.26	.63	.98	.96	.76	.78	.89	.95	.81	.89	1.00	1.01	.99			Relative P/E Ratio	.95
--	--	--	2.5%	3.3%	4.3%	5.4%	5.2%	4.4%	4.1%	3.7%	3.3%	3.3%	3.1%	2.9%	3.3%			Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	3.8%

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 6/30/19
 Total Debt \$2394 mill. Due in 5 Yrs \$177 mill.
 LT Debt \$2377 mill. LT Interest \$119 mill.
 Incl. \$47 mill. capitalized leases.
 (LT interest earned: 2.7x)
Leases, Uncapitalized Annual rentals \$15 mill.
Pension Assets-12/18 \$546 mill.
Oblig \$811 mill.

Pfd Stock None

Common Stock 89,371,751 shs. as of 7/26/19

MARKET CAP: \$5.0 billion (Large Cap)

ELECTRIC OPERATING STATISTICS

	2016	2017	2018
% Change Retail Sales (KWH)	-2.1	+3.9	-2.5
Avg. Indust. Use (MWH)	16146	16041	16207
Avg. Indust. Revs. per KWH (¢)	4.99	4.94	4.79
Capacity at Peak (Mw)	4730	4743	4859
Peak Load, Summer (Mw)	3726	3976	3816
Annual Load Factor (%)	NA	NA	NA
% Change Customers (yr-end)	+1.2	+1.3	+1.1

1804.0	1783.0	1813.0	1805.0	1810.0	1900.0	1898.0	1923.0	2009.0	1991.0	2125	2150	Revenues (\$mill)	2450
95.0	125.0	147.0	141.0	137.0	175.0	172.0	193.0	204.0	212.0	215	230	Net Profit (\$mill)	265
28.8%	30.5%	28.3%	31.4%	23.2%	26.0%	20.7%	20.6%	25.3%	7.4%	13.0%	13.0%	Income Tax Rate	13.0%
31.6%	17.6%	5.4%	7.1%	14.6%	33.7%	19.8%	16.6%	8.8%	8.0%	7.0%	9.0%	AFUDC % to Net Profit	6.0%
50.3%	53.0%	49.6%	47.1%	51.3%	52.7%	47.8%	48.4%	50.1%	46.5%	50.0%	48.0%	Long-Term Debt Ratio	49.5%
49.7%	47.0%	50.4%	52.9%	48.7%	47.3%	52.2%	51.6%	49.9%	53.5%	50.0%	52.0%	Common Equity Ratio	50.5%
3100.0	3390.0	3298.0	3264.0	3735.0	4037.0	4329.0	4544.0	4842.0	4684.0	5195	5115	Total Capital (\$mill)	5775
3858.0	4133.0	4285.0	4392.0	4880.0	5679.0	6012.0	6434.0	6741.0	6887.0	7110	7415	Net Plant (\$mill)	7550
4.5%	5.4%	6.2%	5.9%	5.1%	5.8%	5.4%	5.6%	5.5%	5.8%	5.5%	5.5%	Return on Total Cap'l	6.0%
6.2%	7.9%	8.8%	8.2%	7.5%	9.2%	7.6%	8.2%	8.4%	8.5%	8.5%	8.5%	Return on Shr. Equity	9.0%
6.2%	7.9%	8.8%	8.2%	7.5%	9.2%	7.6%	8.2%	8.4%	8.5%	8.5%	8.5%	Return on Com Equity ^E	9.0%
1.5%	3.0%	4.1%	3.5%	2.9%	4.6%	3.3%	3.5%	3.6%	3.5%	3.0%	3.0%	Retained to Com Eq	3.0%
76%	62%	54%	57%	61%	50%	56%	57%	58%	59%	63%	63%	All Div'ds to Net Prof	66%

BUSINESS: Portland General Electric Company (PGE) provides electricity to 888,000 customers in 52 cities in a 4,000-square-mile area of Oregon, including Portland and Salem. The company is in the process of decommissioning the Trojan nuclear plant, which it closed in 1993. Electric revenue breakdown: residential, 47%; commercial, 32%; industrial, 11%; other, 10%. Generating sources: gas, 28%; coal, 15%; wind, 8%; hydro, 8%; purchased, 41%. Fuel costs: 29% of revenues. '18 reported depreciation rate: 3.6%. Has 3,000 employees. Chairman: Jack E. Davis. President and Chief Executive Officer: Maria M. Pope. Incorporated: Oregon. Address: 121 S.W. Salmon Street, Portland, Oregon 97204. Telephone: 503-464-8000. Internet: www.portlandgeneral.com.

ANNUAL RATES Past 10 Yrs. Past 5 Yrs. Est'd '16-'18 of change (per sh)

Revenues	-2.0%	-1.5%	3.5%
"Cash Flow"	2.5%	4.5%	6.0%
Earnings	3.5%	4.0%	4.5%
Dividends	4.5%	4.5%	6.5%
Book Value	2.5%	3.5%	3.0%

We have trimmed our 2019 earnings estimate for Portland General Electric by \$0.05 a share, to \$2.40. Second-quarter profits were much lower than usual due to higher expenses and lower tax credits. However, management did not adjust its earnings target of \$2.35-\$2.50 a share. In the electric utility industry, the timing of expenses can shift from one year to the next, and it appears this will be the case in the last six months of 2019. So, we raised our estimate for this period by \$0.10 a share, partly offsetting the fact that June-quarter profits were \$0.15 a share below our estimate. Note that the company's profits are benefiting from a modest rate increase that took effect at the start of the year.

We are sticking with our 2020 profit estimate of \$2.55 a share. PGE should continue benefiting from moderate customer and load growth. The utility hasn't decided whether it will file a general rate case next year, but even if this happens, new tariffs almost certainly won't be in place in time to benefit earnings until 2021.

PGE has increased its capital budget.

The company plans to spend \$200 million to build an integrated operations center. Management expects the new facility to improve seismic resilience, cyber and physical security, and monitoring, control, and optimization of the utility's distribution system. The project is expected to be completed in 2021. Despite the higher capital spending plans, PGE expects it will not need to issue common equity through 2023.

Another significant project is under development. The utility will pay \$160 million for a one-third stake in a 300-megawatt wind facility, which is scheduled for completion by yearend 2020. It's possible that PGE will build additional renewable-energy projects, depending on the outcome of a request for proposals that will follow a commission order on the integrated resource plan the utility filed in July.

This equity does not stand out among utilities for its dividend yield. This is a cut below the industry average. Total return potential isn't appealing, either for the 18-month or the 3- to 5-year period.

Cal-endar	QUARTERLY REVENUES (\$ mill.)				Full Year
	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	
2016	487	428	484	524	1923
2017	530	449	515	515	2009
2018	493	449	525	524	1991
2019	573	460	547	545	2125
2020	550	475	560	565	2150

Cal-endar	EARNINGS PER SHARE ^A				Full Year
	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	
2016	.68	.42	.38	.68	2.16
2017	.82	.36	.44	.67	2.29
2018	.72	.51	.59	.55	2.37
2019	.82	.28	.60	.70	2.40
2020	.85	.45	.52	.73	2.55

QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID ^B = †

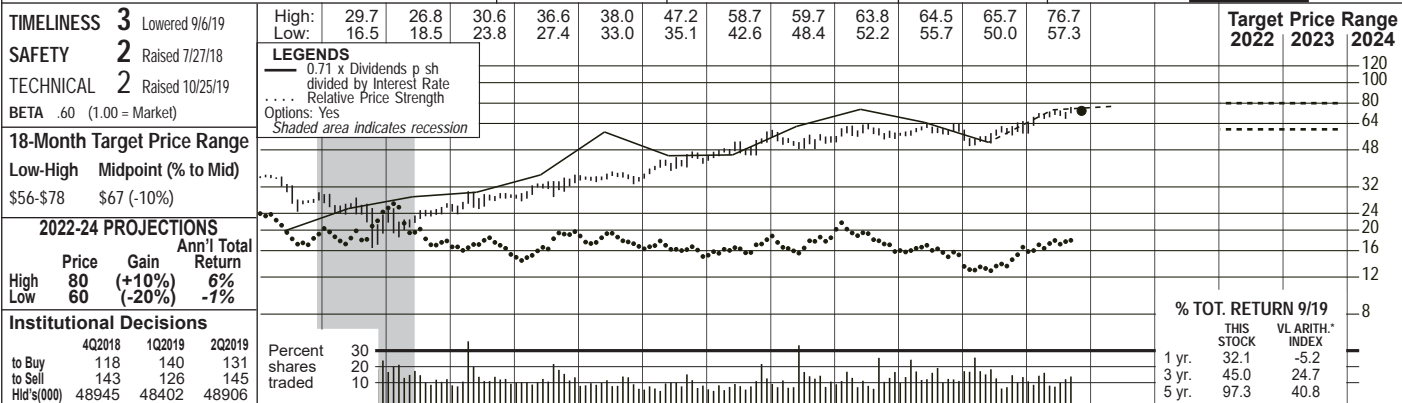
Cal-endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2015	.28	.28	.30	.30	1.16
2016	.30	.30	.32	.32	1.24
2017	.32	.32	.34	.34	1.32
2018	.34	.34	.3625	.3625	1.41
2019	.3625	.3625	.385	.385	

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(A) Diluted EPS. Excl. nonrecurring losses: '13, 42¢; '17, 19¢. Next earnings report due early November. (B) Div'ds paid mid-Jan., Apr., July, and Oct. = Div'd reinvestment plan avail. † Shareholder investment plan avail. (C) Incl. deferred charges. In '18: \$4.49/sh. (D) In mill. (E) Rate base: Net orig. cost. Rate allowed on com. eq. in '19: 9.5%; earned on avg. com. eq., '18: 8.6%. Regulatory Climate: Average. (F) '05 per-share data are pro forma, based on shs. outstanding when stock began trading in '06.	Company's Financial Strength	B++
	Stock's Price Stability	95
	Price Growth Persistence	75
	Earnings Predictability	85

NORTHWESTERN NYSE-NWE

RECENT PRICE **73.34** P/E RATIO **21.2** (Trailing: 20.7 Median: 16.0) RELATIVE P/E RATIO **1.25** DIV'D YLD **3.2%** VALUE LINE



Year	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Revenues per sh	29.18	32.57	31.49	30.79	35.09	31.72	30.66	30.80	28.76	29.80	25.68	25.21	26.01	26.45	23.81	25.25	25.65	25.65	28.50	28.50	28.50	28.50
"Cash Flow" per sh	3.20	4.00	3.62	3.70	4.40	4.62	4.76	5.42	5.18	5.45	5.39	5.92	6.74	6.76	6.96	7.20	7.30	7.30	8.25	8.25	8.25	8.25
Earnings per sh ^A	14.32	1.71	1.31	1.44	1.77	2.02	2.14	2.53	2.26	2.46	2.99	2.90	3.39	3.34	3.40	3.65	3.60	3.60	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00
Div'd Decl'd per sh ^B +	1.00	1.24	1.28	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	2.40	2.40	2.70	2.70	2.70	2.70
Cap'l Spending per sh	2.25	2.26	2.81	3.00	3.47	5.26	6.30	5.20	5.89	5.95	5.76	5.89	5.96	5.60	5.64	6.65	6.55	6.55	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00
Book Value per sh ^C	19.92	20.60	20.65	21.12	21.25	21.86	22.64	23.68	25.09	26.60	31.50	33.22	34.68	36.44	38.60	40.30	41.40	41.40	45.00	45.00	45.00	45.00
Common Shs Outst'g ^D	35.60	35.79	35.97	38.97	35.93	36.00	36.23	36.28	37.22	38.75	46.91	48.17	48.33	49.37	50.32	50.50	50.65	50.65	51.10	51.10	51.10	51.10
Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	17.1	26.0	21.7	13.9	11.5	12.9	12.6	15.7	16.9	16.2	18.4	17.2	17.8	16.8	16.8	16.8	16.8	16.8	18.0	18.0	18.0	18.0
Relative P/E Ratio	0.91	1.40	1.15	0.84	0.77	0.82	0.79	1.00	0.95	0.85	0.93	0.90	0.90	0.90	0.91	0.91	0.91	0.91	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	3.4%	3.6%	4.1%	5.4%	5.7%	4.9%	4.5%	4.2%	3.7%	3.3%	3.6%	3.4%	3.5%	3.9%	3.9%	3.9%	3.9%	3.9%	3.8%	3.8%	3.8%	3.8%

Year	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Revenues (\$mill)	1141.9	1110.7	1117.3	1070.3	1154.5	1204.9	1214.3	1257.2	1305.7	1198.1	1275	1300	1450	1450	1450	1450	1450	1450	1450	1450	1450	1450
Net Profit (\$mill)	73.4	77.4	92.6	83.7	94.0	120.7	138.4	164.2	162.7	171.1	185	185	210	210	210	210	210	210	210	210	210	210
Income Tax Rate	17.2%	25.0%	9.8%	9.6%	13.2%	13.7%	13.7%	13.7%	7.6%	7.6%	2.5%	5.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%
AFUDC % to Net Profit	4.4%	14.2%	3.3%	9.4%	8.7%	8.9%	9.8%	4.3%	5.2%	3.4%	4.0%	4.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%
Long-Term Debt Ratio	56.4%	57.2%	52.2%	53.8%	53.5%	53.4%	53.1%	52.0%	50.2%	52.2%	51.0%	50.0%	48.0%	48.0%	48.0%	48.0%	48.0%	48.0%	48.0%	48.0%	48.0%	48.0%
Common Equity Ratio	43.6%	42.8%	47.8%	46.2%	46.5%	46.6%	46.9%	48.0%	49.8%	47.8%	49.0%	50.0%	52.0%	52.0%	52.0%	52.0%	52.0%	52.0%	52.0%	52.0%	52.0%	52.0%
Total Capital (\$mill)	1803.9	1916.4	1797.1	2020.7	2215.7	3168.0	3408.6	3493.9	3614.5	4064.6	4155	4215	4400	4400	4400	4400	4400	4400	4400	4400	4400	4400
Net Plant (\$mill)	1964.1	2118.0	2213.3	2435.6	2690.1	3758.0	4059.5	4214.9	4358.3	4521.3	4680	4825	5150	5150	5150	5150	5150	5150	5150	5150	5150	5150
Return on Total Cap'l	6.0%	5.9%	7.0%	5.5%	5.5%	4.8%	5.2%	5.9%	5.6%	5.2%	5.5%	5.5%	5.5%	5.5%	5.5%	5.5%	5.5%	5.5%	5.5%	5.5%	5.5%	5.5%
Return on Shr. Equity	9.3%	9.4%	10.8%	9.0%	9.1%	8.2%	8.6%	9.8%	9.0%	8.8%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%
Return on Com Equity ^E	9.3%	9.4%	10.8%	9.0%	9.1%	8.2%	8.6%	9.8%	9.0%	8.8%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%
Retained to Com Eq	3.2%	3.5%	4.7%	3.2%	3.5%	3.8%	3.0%	4.1%	3.4%	3.2%	3.5%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%
All Div'ds to Net Prof	66%	63%	56%	65%	61%	61%	54%	65%	62%	64%	63%	66%	66%	66%	66%	66%	66%	66%	66%	66%	66%	66%

BUSINESS: NorthWestern Corporation (doing business as NorthWestern Energy) supplies electricity & gas in the Upper Midwest and Northwest, serving 438,000 electric customers in Montana and South Dakota and 289,000 gas customers in Montana (85% of gross margin), South Dakota (14%), and Nebraska (1%). Electric revenue breakdown: residential, 39%; commercial, 46%; industrial, 5%; other, 10%. Generating sources: hydro, 35%; coal, 29%; wind, 6%; other, 4%; purchased, 26%. Fuel costs: 24% of revenues. '18 reported deprec. rate: 3.0%. Has 1,500 employees. Chairman: Stephen P. Adik. President & CEO: Robert C. Rowe. Inc.: Delaware. Address: 3010 West 69th Street, Sioux Falls, South Dakota 57108. Tel.: 605-978-2900. Internet: www.northwesternenergy.com.

NorthWestern is awaiting an order in its electric rate case in Montana. The utility filed for a tariff hike of \$30.7 million (6.1%), based on a return of 10.65% on a common-equity ratio of 49.4%. The settlement, if approved by the state commission, will boost rates by \$6.5 million (1.3%), based on a return of 9.65% on a common-equity ratio of 49.4%. Also, annual depreciation expense will be lowered by \$9.3 million. Note that the settlement does not address matters of rate design, such as the subsidization of solar users by nonsolar customers. Also note that NorthWestern has been collecting an interim rate hike of \$10.5 million (subject to refund) since April 1st. A decision from the Montana regulators is expected within the next few weeks.

We trimmed our 2019 share-earnings estimate by a nickel, but NorthWestern should turn in a record tally anyway. June-quarter profits fell short of our estimate due to mild weather patterns. However, weather conditions were favorable in the first period. Accordingly, March-quarter earnings were much higher than usual. Rate relief and solid customer growth are positive factors. Note that NorthWestern isn't providing earnings guidance while the aforementioned rate case is pending.

We expect a slight earnings decline in 2020. This is based on our assumption of a return to normal winter weather. We also assume that the Montana rate settlement is approved along the lines mentioned above.

The utility filed an electricity supply resource plan in Montana. NorthWestern estimates it will need dispatchable peaking capacity (150 to 250 megawatts) by 2022. The company expects to issue a request for proposals by yearend 2019. The state commission will provide comments on NorthWestern's plan. Note that the company also has a plan in South Dakota, and will make a project selection in November.

NorthWestern stock has a dividend yield that is average for a utility. However, we expect total returns over the 18-month period will be negative. For the 3- to 5-year period, projected total returns are low.

Cal-endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2016	332.5	293.1	301.0	330.6	1257.2
2017	367.3	283.9	309.9	344.6	1305.7
2018	341.5	261.8	279.9	314.9	1198.1
2019	384.2	270.7	295.1	325	1275
2020	365	285	310	340	1300

(A) Diluted EPS. Excl. gain (loss) on disc. ops.: '05, (6¢); '06, 1¢; nonrec. gains: '12, 39¢ net; '15, 27¢; '18, 52¢; '19, 45¢. '18 EPS don't sum due to rounding. Next earnings report due late Oct. (B) Div'ds historically paid in late Mar., June, Sept. & Dec. ■ Div'd reinvestment plan avail. (C) Incl. def'd charges. In '18: \$15.80/sh. (D) In mill. (E) Rate base: Net orig. cost. Rate allowed on com. eq. in MT in '14 (elec.): 9.8%; in '17 (gas): 9.55%; in SD in '15: none specified; in NE in '07: 10.4%; earned on avg. com. eq., '18: 9.2%. Regul. Climate: Below Average.

Company's Financial Strength B++
Stock's Price Stability 95
Price Growth Persistence 75
Earnings Predictability 85

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