# DELIVERY, DRIVE AND DISCIPLINE SSE.LN May 2024



# UK-listed integrated energy group focused on regulated electricity networks combined with renewable and flexible energy generation technologies



13 - 16% annual Adj. EPS growth expected across the plan, targeting 175 - 200p by FY271



Strong and stable balance sheet with >90% of debt book at fixed rates, and well within investment grade credit ratings



4.5GW Renewables operational capacity, with 2.8GW in construction plus a secured development pipeline of c.17GW



£9.6bn GB Transmission and Distribution networks RAV, with double digit annual RAV growth expected to enable net zero

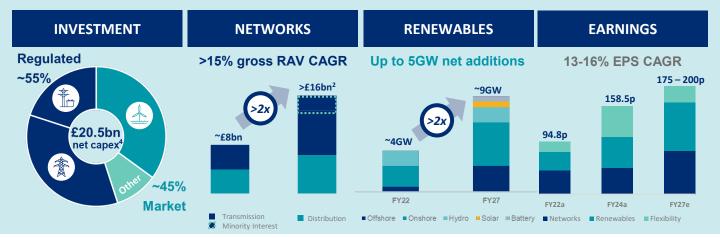


Commitment to 1.5-degree science-based carbon targets and leading Just Transition



Growth enabling dividend plan targeting between 5 - 10% growth p.a. out to FY273

### NET ZERO ACCELERATION PROGRAMME PLUS: 5 YEAR INVESTMENT PLAN TO 2027



### MAINTAINING ATTRACTIVE TARGET RETURNS5

Common capabilities across the Group drive favourable returns

### Offshore wind

Onshore wind



#### At least 11%

Equity returns on Joint Venture projects, excluding developer profits

### **Electricity networks**





7-9% Return on equity (RoE)6

#### **Future CCS/Hydrogen**



100-400 bps Spread to WACC on unlevered projects7



300-500 bps Spread to WACC on unlevered projects

# HIGH VISIBILITY OF EARNINGS



Significant index-linked revenue streams increasing over time



# STRONG BALANCE SHEET AND INVESTMENT GRADE CREDIT RATING

Adj. net debt/EBITDA Target: 3.5-4.0x<sup>10</sup> FY24: 3.0x

Ratings agency	Rating	Core metric	Threshold	Outlook
S&P	BBB+	FFO/Net debt	Around 18%	Positive
Moody's	Baa1	RCF/Net debt	Trending towards low teens	Stable

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Subject to market conditions, normal weather and plant availability

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Excludes short term Commercial Paper but includes revolving credit facility in SSEN Transmission

All capex presented on SSE Adjusted investment, capital and acquisitions expenditure basis, which is net of 25% SSEN

Transmission from 30 Nov 2022 following minority interest disposal <sup>5</sup> All return targets are on a post-tax nominal basis <sup>6</sup> Assumes CPIH inflation of 2% p.a. and target gearing ratio of 60%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Spreads to WACC reflect balance of merchant, technology and construction risk specific to each project, and are on

unlevered projects <sup>8</sup>Average over five-year plan to 26/27, excludes corporate unallocated and 25% Transmission from 30 Nov 2022 following minority interest disposa

As at 31 March 2024

Net Debt to EBITDA expected to generally fall within this range over the five years to 26/27, with headroom to go to 4.5x whilst retaining a strong, investment grade rating



#### WEALTH OF OPPORTUNITIES RIGHT ACROSS THE NET ZERO ELECTRICITY VALUE CHAIN



Offshore wind

Onshore wind

Solar and Battery

Flexible Hydro Flexible Thermal

Electricity Transmission Electricity Distribution

#### SSE RENEWABLES - TARGET VOLUMES

#### 30 25 20 15 10 5 0 FY22 FY23 FY24 FY25 FY26 FY27 Hydro Onshore Offshore Solar





4.5 GW Operational

HIGH-QUALITY ASSETS AND OPTIONS11



2.8 GW In Construction



~17 GW Under Development



~12 GW Future Prospects

#### SSE THERMAL - DELIVERING FLEXIBILITY

Portfolio of 6.2GW flexible thermal capacity including cleanest and most efficient CCGT in Europe

Locked in >£1bn capacity market revenues over the five years across GB and IRE with existing plant

SSE holds around 40% of the UK's conventional underground gas storage capacity

Value of flexibility increases as market tightens and transitions to intermittent renewables

#### **NETWORKS KEY METRICS<sup>12</sup>**

RIIO-2 Price Control	Transmission	Distribution
Period	FY21 – FY26	FY23 – FY28
Base totex	£2.1bn	£3.6bn
Potential U/M spend	£3.0bn	£0.7bn
Allowed return (real)	4.76%	5.49%
Notional Gearing	55%	60%

With a further >£20bn<sup>13</sup> investment approved through Uncertainty Mechanisms

#### **BUSINESS GOALS TO 2030**

#### Cut carbon intensity by 80%

Reduce Scope 1 carbon intensity by 80% by 2030, compared to 2017/18 levels, to 61gCO<sub>2</sub>e/kWh

Increase renewable energy output fivefold
Build a renewable energy portfolio that generates at least 50TWh of electricity a year by 2030

Enable low-carbon generation and demand
Enable at least 20GW renewable generation and facilitate c. 2m EVs and 1m heat pumps

## Champion a fair and just energy transition Re a global leader for the just transition to pet zero, with a

Be a global leader for the just transition to net zero, with a guarantee of fair work and commitment to paying fair tax and sharing economic value



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