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certain mandatory redemption provisions of the outstanding senior convertible notes, the conversion rights associated therewith, dilution caused by such conversions, and the Company's ability to comply with required covenants thereunder and pay amounts due under such senior notes, including interest and other amounts due thereunder; the ability of the Company to retain and hire key personnel; risks associated with the ability of Vertex to complete current plans for expansion and growth, and planned capital projects; the level of competition in our industry and our ability to compete; our ability to respond to changes in our industry; the loss of key personnel or failure to attract, integrate and retain additional personnel; our ability to protect our intellectual property and not infringe on others' intellectual property; our ability to scale our business; our ability to maintain supplier relationships and obtain adequate supplies of feedstocks; our ability to obtain and retain customers; our ability to produce our products at competitive rates; our ability to execute our business strategy in a very competitive environment; trends in, and the market for, the price of oil and gas and alternative energy sources; our ability to maintain our relationships with our partners; the impact of competitive services and products; our ability to integrate acquisitions; our ability to complete future acquisitions; our ability to maintain insurance; the outcome of pending and potential future litigation, judgments and settlements; rules and regulations making our operations more costly or restrictive; changes in environmental and other laws and regulations and risks associated with such laws and regulations; economic downturns both in the United States and globally, increases in inflation; risk of increased regulation of our operations and products; negative publicity and public opposition to our operations: disruptions in the infrastructure that we and our partners rely on: an inability to identify attractive acquisition opportunities and successfully negotiate acquisition terms; our ability to effectively integrate acquired assets, companies, employees or businesses; liabilities associated with acquired companies, assets or businesses; interruptions at our facilities; unexpected changes in our anticipated capital expenditures resulting from unforeseen required maintenance, repairs, or upgrades; our ability to acquire and construct new facilities; our ability to effectively manage our growth; decreases in global demand for, and the price of, oil, due to COVID-19, state, federal and foreign responses thereto, inflation, recessions or other reasons, including declines in economic activity or global conflicts; our ability to acquire sufficient amounts of used oil feedstock through our collection routes, to produce finished products, and in the absence of such internally collected feedstocks, and our ability to acquire third-party feedstocks on commercially reasonable terms; unexpected downtime at our facilities; risks associated with COVID-19, the global efforts to stop the spread of COVID-19, potential downturns in the U.S. and global economies due to COVID-19 and the efforts to stop the spread of the virus, and COVID-19 in general; the lack of capital available on acceptable terms to finance the Company's continued growth; anti-dilutive rights associated with our outstanding securities; the expected benefits, output, financial metrics and production of proposed transactions; unforeseen technical or operating difficulties and unplanned maintenance; the development and competitiveness of alternative energy and emission reduction technologies; our ability to pay our debt when due and comply with our debt covenants; our level of indebtedness, which could affect our ability to fulfill our obligations, impede the implementation of our strategy, and expose us to interest rate risk; risks related to obtaining required crude oil supplies, and the costs of such supplies; counterparty credit and performance risk; unanticipated problems at, or downtime effecting, our facilities and those operated by third parties; risks relating to our hedging activities; risks relating to planned divestitures and acquisitions; and the expected benefits, output, financial metrics and production of proposed transactions. Other important factors that may cause actual results and outcomes to differ materially from those contained in the forward-looking statements included in this communication are described in the Company's publicly filed reports, including, but not limited to, the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2021, and the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-O for the quarter ended March 31, 2022 and future Annual Reports on Form 10-K and Quarterly Reports on Form 10-O. These reports are available at www.sec.gov. The Company cautions that the foregoing list of important factors is not complete. All subsequent written and oral forward-looking statements attributable to the Company or any person acting on behalf of the Company are expressly qualified in their entirety by the cautionary statements referenced above. Other unknown or unpredictable factors also could have material adverse effects on Vertex's future results. 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Non-GAAP financial measures

In addition to our results calculated under generally accepted accounting principles in the United States ("GAAP"), in this presentation we also present Free Cash Flow, EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted net income. Free Cash Flow, EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted net income. Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted net income are "non-GAAP financial measures" presented as supplemental measures of the Company's performance. They are not presented in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States, or GAAP. Free Cash Flow represents net cash provided by (used in) operating activities, less capital expenditures for continued and discontinued discontinued operations. Adjusted EBITDA is defined as EBITDA before other income, impairment loss on assets, loss (gain) on change in value of derivative warrant liability, unrealized (gain) loss on derivative instruments. Shell transaction related expenses and stock-based compensation expense, for continued and discontinued operations. Adjusted net income is defined as net income (loss) before loss (gain) on change in value of derivative warrant liability, impairment loss on assets, and Shell refinery transaction related activities, for continued and discontinued operations. Free Cash Flow, EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA are presented because we believe they provide additional useful information to investors due to the various noncash items during the period. Adjusted net income is presented based on our management's belief that this non-GAAP financial measure enables a user of financial information to understand the impact of identified adjustments on reported results. Free Cash Flow, EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA are also frequently used by analysts, investors and other interested parties to evaluate companies in our industry. We use Free Cash Flow, EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted net income as supplements to GAAP measures of performance to evaluate the effectiveness of our business strategies, to make budgeting decisions, to allocate resources and to compare our performance relative to our peers. Additionally, these measures, when used in conjunction with related GAAP financial measures, provide investors with an additional financial analytical framework which management uses, in addition to historical operating results, as the basis for financial, operational and planning decisions and present measurements that third parties have indicated are useful in assessing the Company and its results of operations. Free Cash Flow, EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted net income have limitations as analytical tools, and you should not consider them in isolation, or as a substitute for analysis of our operating results as reported under GAAP. Some of these limitations are: Free Cash Flow, EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted net income do not reflect cash expenditures, or future requirements for capital expenditures, or contractual commitments; Free Cash Flow, EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted net income do not reflect changes in, or cash requirements for, working capital needs; Free Cash Flow, EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted net income do not reflect the significant interest expense, or the cash requirements necessary to service interest or principal payments, on debt or cash income tax payments; although depreciation and amortization are noncash charges, the assets being depreciated and amortized will often have to be replaced in the future, and Free Cash Flow, EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA and EBITDA net income differently than Vertex does, limiting its usefulness as a comparative measure. For example, adjusted Free Cash Flow does not reflect our future contractual commitments or the total increase or decrease in our cash balances for a given period. Free Cash Flow, EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted net income are not recognized in accordance with GAAP, are unaudited, and have limitations as analytical tools, and you should not consider them in isolation, or as substitutes for analysis of the Company's results as reported under GAAP. The Company's presentation of these measures should not be construed as an inference that future results will be unaffected by unusual or nonrecurring items. We compensate for these limitations by providing a reconciliation of each of these non-GAAP measures to the most comparable GAAP measure. We encourage investors and others to review our business, results of operations, and financial information in their entirety, not to rely on any single financial measure. and to view these non-GAAP measures in conjunction with the most directly comparable GAAP financial measure. For more information on these non-GAAP financial measures please see the sections titled "Consolidated Continued and Discontinued" Operations Reconciliations of Free Cash Flow and Net Loss attributable to Vertex Energy, Inc., to Earnings before Interest, Taxes, Depreciation and Amortization (EBITDA) and Adjusted EBITDA" and "Reconciliations of Net Loss to Adjusted Net Income (Loss)". each included on the Appendix.





ABOUT VERTEX

Corporate Overview

Multi-Year Business Transformation

Energy transition company founded by Chairman & CEO Ben Cowart in 2001 Focused on the production and distribution of conventional and alternative fuels

Acquisition of Mobile Refinery in 2Q22 sets the stage for transformational growth Complete major
balance sheet
recapitalization in
1Q22; well-capitalized
to support organic
growth

Plan to initiate renewable diesel production capabilities at Mobile refinery in 4Q22, following hydrocracker conversion project

Leading Portfolio of Specialized Energy Transition Assets

Mobile Refinery Mobile, Alabama

- Acquired April 2022
- Operable capacity of 75,000 barrels per day (BPD)
- Processes light sweet crude, mainly LLS and similar grades
- Product slate is ~70% distillate, gasoline and jet fuel, with the remainder being vacuum gas oil, LPG and other products

Marrero Refinery Marrero, Louisiana

- Acquired June 2014
- Nameplate capacity of ~70 million gallons annually
- Vertically integrated assets, with used motor oil as its primary feedstock
- Product slate consists mainly of VGO

Heartland Refinery Columbus, Ohio

- Acquired December 2014
- Nameplate capacity of ~20 million gallons annually
- Vertically integrated assets, with used motor oil as its primary feedstock
- Product slate consists mainly of Group II/II+ base oil

Other Assets Continental U.S.

- Used motor oil collections fleet
- 3.2 million barrels of product storage, inventory, logistics and distribution assets
- 860 acres of developed and undeveloped land
- Myrtle Grove site



OUR STRATEGIC FOCUS

Three-Year Strategic Plan

Capitalize on favorable refined product margin environment

- Mobile Refinery capitalizing on conventional distillate and gasoline economics
- Marrero capitalizing on strong VGO margins
- Heartland capitalizing on elevated Group II/II+ base oil prices

Mitigate refined product margin risk through conservative hedging of physical production

- Hedged 50% of Mobile refinery planned production between April 1 and September 30, 2022 at 3/1/2 crack spread 25% above 5-year trailing average
- Reduces potential downside risk in a volatile commodity market environment, while continuing to benefit from near-term strength in spot market crack

Invest organically in high-value, renewables fuels opportunities

- Complete conversion of Mobile refinery hydrocracker by year-end 2022, positioning the refinery to commence production of 8,000-10,000 bpd of RD by 1Q23, ramping to 14,000 bpd by 3Q23
- Invest in the production of other alternative fuels, such as sustainable aviation fuel

Direct significant anticipated free cash flow generation toward improved balance sheet optionality

- Opportunistically reduce net leverage
- Invest in the production of other alternative fuels, such as sustainable aviation fuel
- Vertical integration opportunities to enhance margin realization

Pursue balanced capital deployment program, shedding non-core assets, while acquiring higher-value core assets

- Opportunistically divest non-core assets
- Seek to acquire complementary assets in adjacent markets that leverage core energy transition / independent refining expertise



EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

First Quarter 2022

Key Performance Indicators

(\$ in millions unless otherwise noted)*

	1Q21	1Q22	TTM 1Q21	TTM 1Q22
Total Gross Profit	\$13.4	\$20.9	\$26.8	\$56.6
GAAP Net Income(Loss)	\$2.9	(\$0.8)	(\$10.8)	(\$11.4)
Adjusted Net Income (Loss) (a)	\$5.2	\$7.3	(\$8.5)	\$19.6
Adjusted EBITDA(a)	\$7.0	\$13.0	\$2.5	\$31.3
Free Cash Flow (a,b)	\$1.2	(\$10.8)	(\$8.2)	(\$9.2)
Cash & Liquidity as of 3/31	\$16.5	\$124.5	NM	NM
Net Debt (Cash) as of 3/31	(\$5.2)	\$21.2	NM	NM

1Q22 Results Summary

Executive Summary

- Performance driven by improved refining margins, continued growth in used motor oil (UMO) collections, strong operational reliability and safety-focused culture
- Refined product margins supported by elevated commodity price environment, together with strong end-market demand; margins on VGO and base oils at historic highs
- Marrero and Heartland refineries operated at elevated utilization in 1Q22, respectively; seeing strong availability of supply and product demand across both Marrero and Heartland
- More than \$124.5 million in cash and liquidity as of March 31, 2022, including restricted cash and escrowed funds

⁽b) Free cash flow is defined as cash flow from operations less total capital expenditures

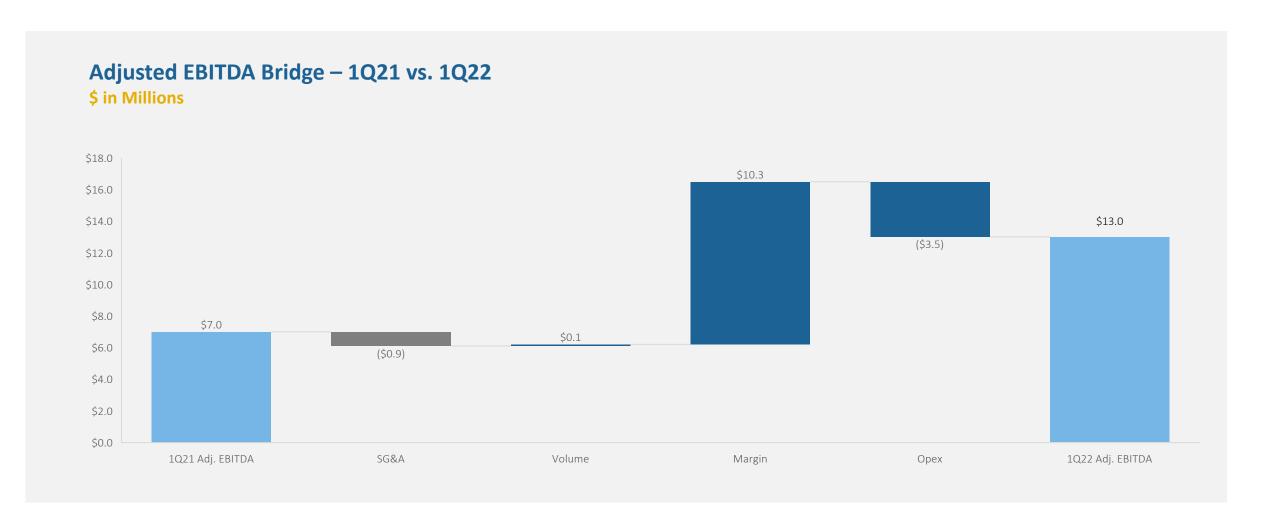


^{*}Includes discontinued operations; TTM refers to trailing twelve-month period as of 3/31

⁽a) A full-reconciliation of GAAP to Non-GAAP metrics is provided in the Appendix of this presentation

FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE BRIDGE

Increasing Volumes & Recovery in Refined Product Margins Supported Outperformance

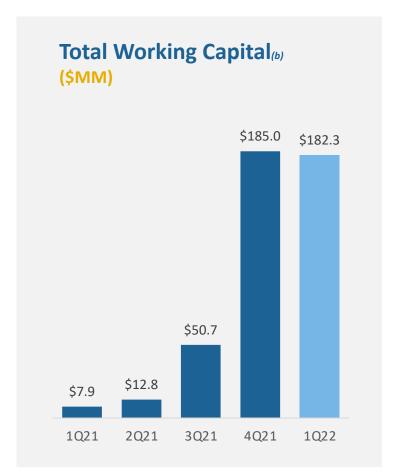


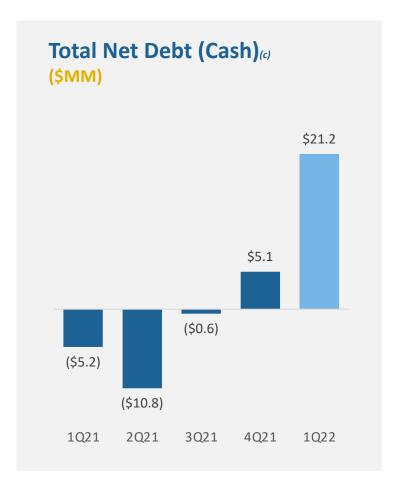


BALANCE SHEET UPDATE

More than \$124 Million of Cash and Liquidity as of 3/31/22







⁽a) As of March 31, 2022, the Company had total cash, including restricted cash, of \$124.5 million. Total liquidity at the end of the first quarter 2022 included \$17.2 million of cash limited to use by the two special purpose vehicles (SPVs). Vertex had total term or senior secured debt outstanding of \$145.7 million, net of OID, as of March 31, 2022.

c) Net debt defined as total debt, less total cash, including restricted cash



⁽b) Working capital increase beginning in the fourth quarter 2021 includes restricted cash related to \$155.0 convertible senior notes offering

MOBILE REFINERY OVERVIEW

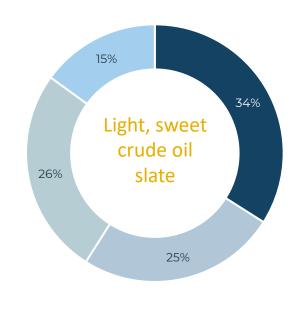
Strategically-located, Distillate-weighted Refining Asset with Significant Product Optionality

Mobile Refinery

Key operating metrics

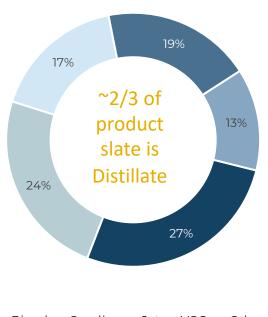
Operable Capacity	75,000 bpd
Nelson Complexity Factor	4.4
Total Storage Capacity	3.2 million barrels
Truck Rack Offtake	175 trucks per day
Total Acres / Undeveloped	864/720

Historical Crude Slate 98% delivered by marine or pipeline





Historical Product Slate Distillate-centric refinery





^{(1) &}quot;Other" includes vacuum tower bottoms, benzene concentrate, LPG and sulfur



MOBILE REFINERY HAS SUBSTANTIAL COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGES

Local market premium, niche market advantage

Speed to Market

- Brownfield conversion of operating hydrocracker using proven technology condenses timeline to produce renewable diesel
- Ability to source feedstock and long-term offtake partners

Low Capex per Barrel

- Existing hydrocracker ideally suited for conversion
- Mobile conversion project is expected to be one of the lowest cost renewable diesel projects on capex per barrel of capacity basis based on public historical data

Local Market Premium

- Niche market advantage primary supplier to local market
- No product pipelines in Mobile market
- Product prices at a premium to US Gulf Coast

Diverse Feedstock Supply

- Capitalize on management's track record of successfully sourcing a diverse slate of feedstocks; aggregation specialists
- Vertex is in advanced discussions with multiple industry leading soybean oil and other feedstock suppliers

Deep Logistics Capability

- Location on the Gulf Coast allows Vertex to source both domestic and international feedstock via vessel, truck and rail
- Cost-advantaged marine transport to the West Coast and other markets



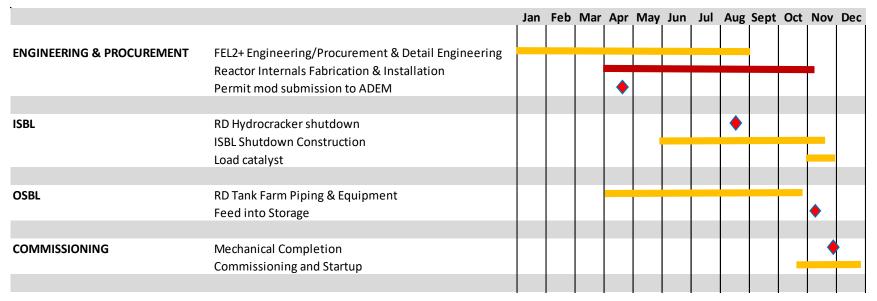


MOBILE REFINERY RENEWABLE DIESEL PROJECT

On Schedule to be on-stream with 8,000-10,000 bpd of Renewable Diesel by 1Q23

Renewable Diesel Hydrocracker Conversion Schedule

Full-Year 2022*



^{*&}quot;ISBL" connotes "inside the battery limits of the refinery, while "OSBL" connotes "outside the battery limits of the refinery

Expect project to be commissioned in 4Q22; RD production estimated on-stream in 1Q23

\$90-100 million, planned to be funded through operating cash flow and liquidity

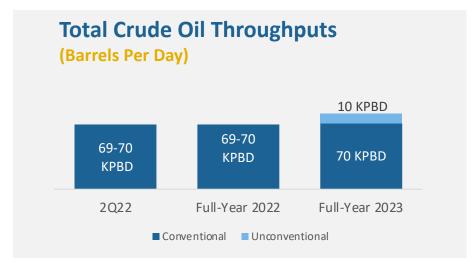
Engaged technology, engineering and construction partners 50% of engineering is completed; 95% of long-lead equipment has been ordered

Dedicated Mobile refinery team collaborating with EPC

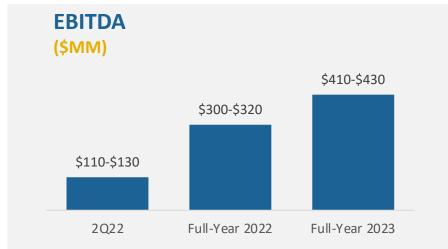


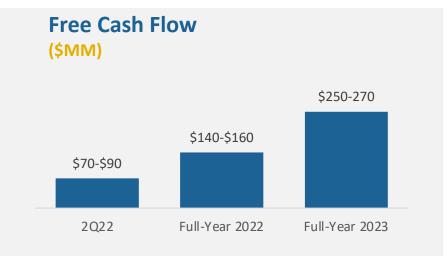
MOBILE REFINERY OUTLOOK

Financial Guidance for 2Q22, 2022 and 2023





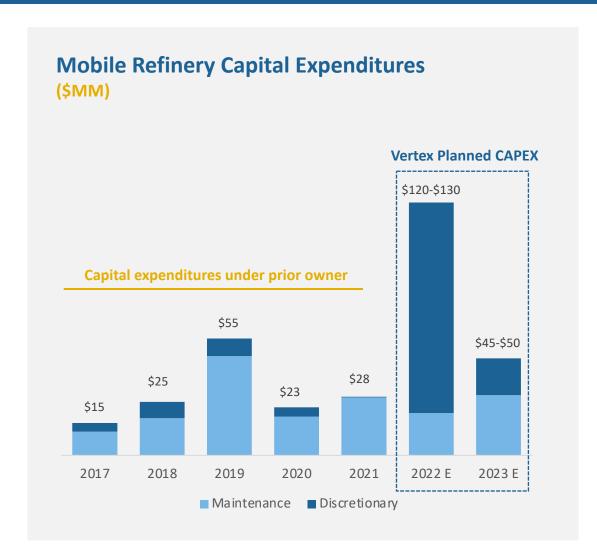


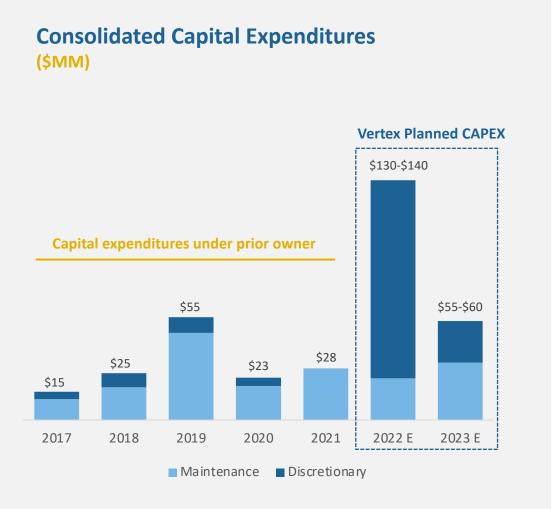




CONSOLIDATED CAPITAL SPENDING OUTLOOK

Historical and Forecasted Capital Spending





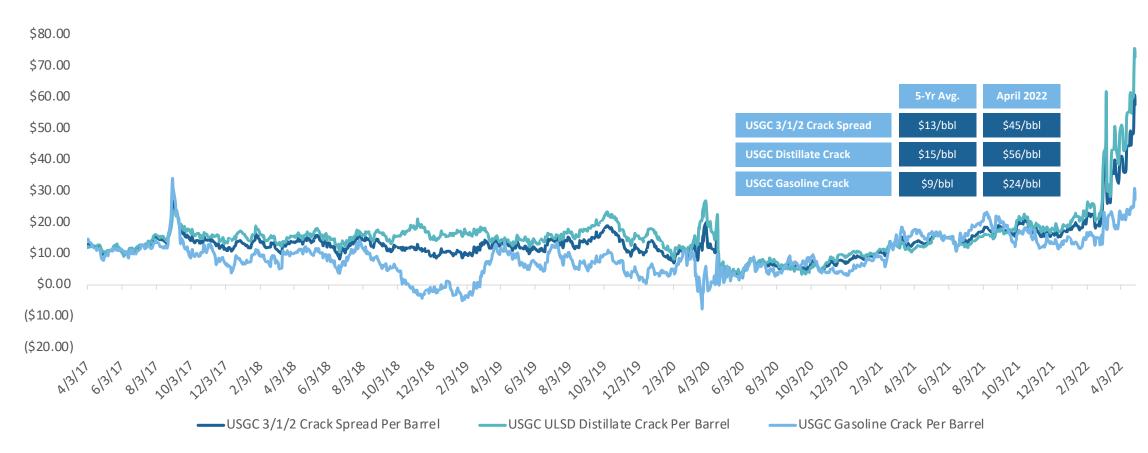


GULF COST CONVENTIONAL REFINING ECONOMICS AT MULTI-YEAR HIGHS

Gulf Coast Crack Spread at Multi-Year Highs, Supported By Strong Distillate Margins

Gulf Coast Refining Economics Per Barrel

3/1/2 Gulf Coast Crack Spread Correlates to Mobile Refinery Gross Profit Per Barrel



Source: Vertex market data

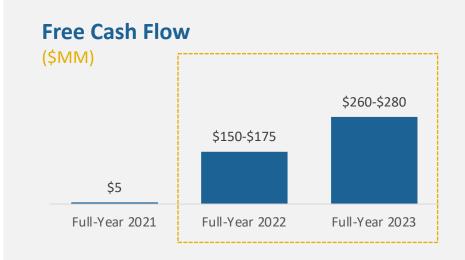


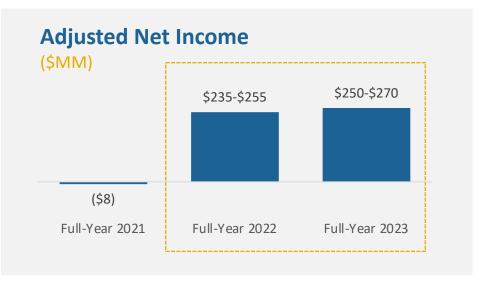
CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL OUTLOOK

Financial Guidance in 2022 and 2023





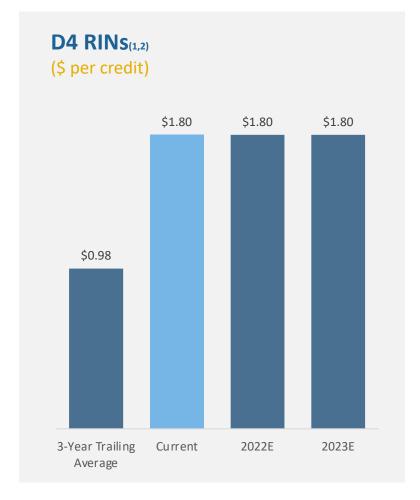




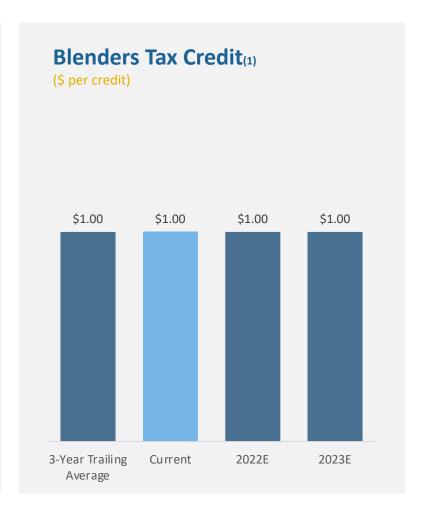


CREDIT VALUE ASSUMPTIONS

Full-year 2022, 2023 credit forecast supportive of favorable renewable diesel economics







²⁾ Does not include 1.7x RIN multiple value for renewable diesel



⁽¹⁾ Source: Vertex market data



GAAP to NON-GAAP RECONCILIATION

Reconciliations of Free Cash Flow and Net Income (Loss) to Earnings before Interest, Taxes, Depreciation and Amortization (EBITDA) and Adjusted EBITDA

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	For the Three Months Ended		For the Trailing Twelve Months Ended		
	March 31, 2022	March 31, 2021	March 31, 2022	March 31, 2021	
Net income (loss) Add (deduct):	\$ (808,867)	\$ 2,965,338	\$ (11,435,382)	\$ (10,821,088)	
Interest Income	-	-	-	(21)	
Interest Expense	4,235,746	236,333	7,890,640	1,076,601	
Depreciation and amortization	1,890,266	1,830,689	7,599,916	8,834,549	
EBITDA	5,317,145	5,032,360	4,055,174	(909,959)	
Add (deduct): Other income Impairment loss on assets Loss (gain) on change in value of derivative warrant liability	(414,972) - 3,578,947	- - 1,780,203	(4,636,972) 2,123,703 17,484,099	- - 1,840,146	
Unrealized (gain) loss on derivative instruments	(267,610)	(436,245)	(21,558)	463,765	
Shell transaction related expenses	4,559,543	471,797	11,383,043	471,797	
Stock-based compensation	249,940	150,514	961,991	643,357	
Adjusted EBITDA *	\$ 13,022,993	\$ 6,998,629	\$ 31,349,480	\$ 2,509,106	
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities Deduct: capital	\$ (3,989,799)	\$ 2,189,096	\$ 3,503,805	\$ (1,002,309)	
expenditures	(6,5823,116)	(1,018,979)	(12,760,730)	(7,213,254)	
Free cash flow	\$ (10,812,915)	\$ 1,170,117	\$ (9,286,925)	\$ (8,215,563)	



GAAP to NON-GAAP Reconciliation

Reconciliations of Unaudited Net Income (Loss) to Adjusted Net Income (Loss)

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Adjusted Net Income (loss)*	\$ 7,329,623	\$ 5,217,338	\$ 19,555,463	\$ (8,509,145)		



GAAP to NON-GAAP Reconciliation of Forecasts

Reconciliations of Free Cash Flow and Net Income (Loss) to Earnings before Interest, Taxes, Depreciation and Amortization (EBITDA) and Adjusted EBITDA

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		Full Year 2022		Full Year 2023				
		From		То		From		То
Projected Net Income Adjustments:	\$	230	\$	235	\$	260	\$	270
Depreciation Expense		20		25		35		40
Interest Expense		40		45		50		55
Net Taxes (NOL estimated)		43		45		80		85
Projected EBITDA*		333		350	-	425		450
Adjustments:								
Gain (loss) on change in derivative liability (non-cash)		3		5		-		-
Deal transaction related expenses	_	4		5		-		<u>-</u>
Projected Adjusted EBITDA*	\$	340	\$	360	\$	425	\$	450
		From		То		From		То
Projected Net Cash from Operations Adjustments:	\$	280	\$	315	\$	315	\$	340
Deduct: capital expenditures		(130)		(140)		(55)		(60)
Projected Free Cash flow*	\$	150	\$	175	\$	260	\$	280
		From		То		From		То
Projected Net Income Adjustments:	\$	230	\$	235	\$	250	\$	270
Gain (loss) on change in derivative liability (non-cash)		2		10		-		-
Deal transaction related expenses		3		10				
Projected Adjusted Net Income*	\$	235	\$	255	\$	250	\$	270



\$155.0 MILLION CONVERTIBLE SENIOR NOTES

Offering Summary – Completed November 1, 2021

Issuer	Vertex Energy, Inc. (NASDAQ: VTNR)
Ranking	Senior Unsecured
Principal Amount	\$155.0 million
Maturity Date	October 1, 2027
Issue Price	90.0% of par
Coupon Rate	6.25%
Conversion Premium / Price	37.5% / \$5.885
Underlying Shares	26.3 million
Issuer Call Right	Provisionally callable by Vertex on or after October 6, 2024 if Company's stock price exceeds 130% of the conversion price (\$7.66) for 20 out of 30 trading days
Settlement Upon Conversion	All cash, all common stock or any combination thereof



\$125.0 MILLION SENIOR SECURED TERM LOAN

Loan Summary – Completed April 1, 2022

Borrower	Vertex Refining Alabama LLC
Ranking	Senior Secured Term Loan
Principal Amount	\$125.0 million
Maturity Date	April 1, 2025
Interest Rate	Base Rate (1% floor), plus 9.25% per annum.
Guarantors	Vertex Energy, Inc., and its direct and indirect wholly-owned subsidiaries.
Collateral	All assets of the Borrower and each Guarantor, excluding certain intermediated hydrocarbon inventory of Borrower and certain other assets.
Warrants	Warrants to purchase 2.75 million shares of Vertex Energy, Inc. common stock \$4.50 per share exercise price 5-year period
Upfront Fee/OID	1.50% OID and 1.50% Upfront Fee



SENIOR SECURED INTERMEDIATION SUMMARY

Completed Agreement Summary

Counterparty	Vertex Refining Alabama LLC
Intermediator	Macquarie Energy North America Trading Inc.
Ranking	Title-Based Intermediation / Senior Secured
Volumetric Amount	~3,100,000 barrels (current maximum), with sub limits for Crude, Diesel, Gasoline, HOF, Intermediates and Jet
Term Ending	March 31, 2024
Early Termination Right	Either party may terminate the agreement at any time, for any reason, with no less than 180 days prior written notice
Initial Inventory Purchase Price	~\$154 million, subject to true up based upon market pricing for April
Collateral / Guarantees	Hydrocarbons of Vertex Refining Alabama LLC and variable cash margin Unsecured guarantee from Vertex Energy, Inc. (NASDAQ: VTNR)



STRATEGICALLY LOCATED SOUTHEASTERN U.S. REFINING ASSET

Significant Feedstock Optionality, Broad Distribution Footprint

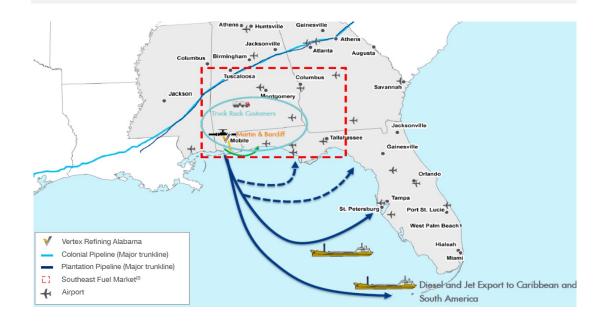
Diverse Feedstock Supply Capabilities

- Geographically and logistically positioned to receive domestic, costadvantaged feedstock
- Currently processing 10 15 crudes supplied via pipeline and barge
- Current feedstock supply is 56% via marine, 42% via pipeline, 2% via truck

TX Bakken WY SD AL Houston Lake Charles LIS, SLS New Orleans New Orleans Ability to receive international ships > 500kB

Broad Production Distribution Footprint

- Eastern most Gulf Coast refinery in an import region with limited pipeline accessibility
- Major supplier to the eastern Mississippi, Alabama, western Georgia and northwest Florida markets, loading 175 trucks per day off the rack
- Ability to export diesel and jet fuel to the Caribbean and South America





EVOLUTION OF VERTEX

Pathway Toward Renewable Diesel Production Roadmap

