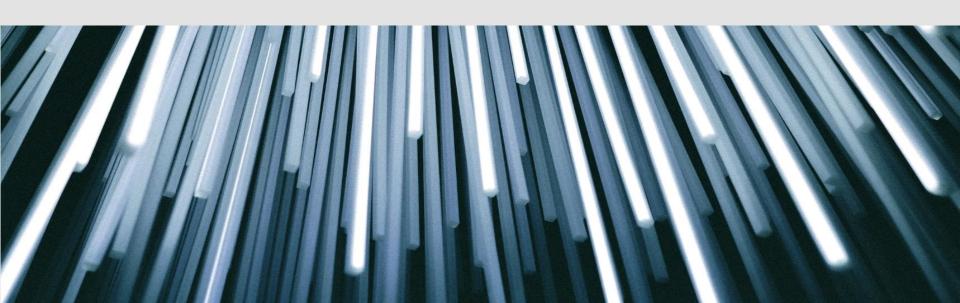


# **Second Quarter 2024 Earnings Results**

July 31, 2024

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# **Earnings Conference Call Agenda**

#### **2024 Second Quarter Highlights**

Scott R. Behrens, President & Chief Executive Officer

#### 2024 Second Quarter Financial Results

Luis E. Rojo, Vice President & Chief Financial Officer

#### **Strategic Outlook**

Scott R. Behrens, President & Chief Executive Officer

### Analysts Q&A Session

#### **Closing Remarks**

Scott R. Behrens, President & Chief Executive Officer



## **Second Quarter 2024 Highlights**

Net Income Down

Reported Net Income was \$9.5 million and Adjusted Net Income<sup>(1)</sup> was \$9.4 million, down 25% and 22% respectively year-over-year, mainly due to a higher effective tax rate.

# Special Items

Pre-Tax Earnings were negatively impacted by \$18.9 million due to higher operating costs at our Millsdale site, primarily related to a flood event (\$11.8 million), pre-commissioning expenses at our new Alkoxylation investment in Pasadena, Texas (\$3.6 million), and expenses related to a criminal fraud event at a subsidiary in Asia (\$3.5 million).

# EBITDA<sup>(2)</sup> Growth

EBITDA<sup>(2)</sup> was \$47.9 million and Adjusted EBITDA<sup>(2)</sup> was \$47.7 million, up 3% and 4% respectively, year-over-year.

#### Volume Growth

Volume grew 4% year-over-year. Surfactant and Polymer sales volume was up 5% and 2% respectively, year-over-year.

# Positive Cash From Operations

Generated Cash from Operations of \$29.5 million and Free Cash Flow (FCF<sup>(3)</sup>) of (\$0.2) million, down \$40.3 million versus Q2 2023 driven by higher operating costs at our Millsdale site, pre-commissioning expenses at our new Alkoxylation Pasadena, Texas, site, and expenses related to the criminal fraud event in Asia.

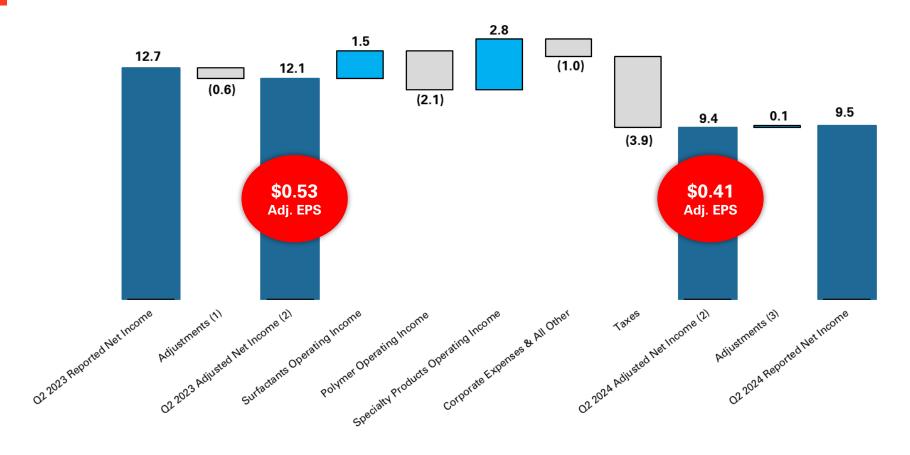
# Cost Out on Track

Company is on track to deliver the \$50 million cost reduction goal for 2024 through disciplined efforts in supply chain, and the benefit of the Q4 2023 workforce productivity actions. Delivered \$2.7 million in pre-tax savings (net of the higher operating costs at Millsdale) in Q2 2024.





## Net Income Bridge – Q2 2023 to Q2 2024



Note: All amounts are in millions of U.S. dollars and are reported after-tax.

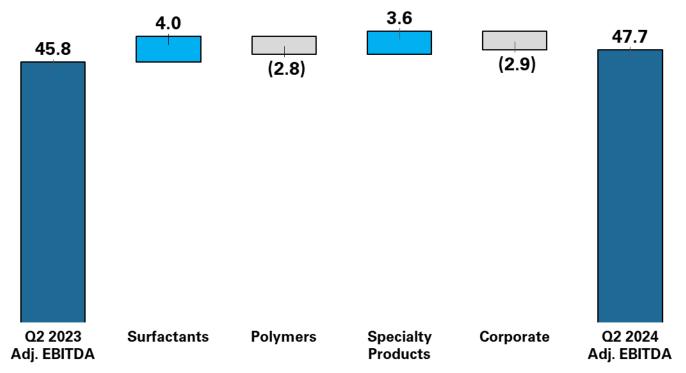
<sup>(3)</sup> The adjustments to Reported Net Income in Q2 2024 consisted of deferred compensation income of \$0.3 million and environmental remediation expense of \$0.2 million.



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<sup>(2)</sup> Adjusted Net Income and Adjusted EPS are Non-GAAP measures that exclude certain significant, non-recurring items. See Appendix II for GAAP reconciliations.

# Adjusted EBITDA<sup>(1)</sup> Bridge – Q2 2023 to Q2 2024



Note: All amounts are in millions of U.S. dollars.

(1) Adjusted EBITDA is a Non-GAAP measure. See Appendix III for GAAP reconciliations.

- Surfactants Adjusted EBITDA growth was driven by volume growth and margin improvement, partially offset by higher expenses associated with our Pasadena facility and expenses related to operational issues at the Millsdale site
- **Polymers** results decreased mainly as a result of expenses related to operational issues at our Millsdale site, which were partially offset by volume growth in our Rigid Polyol and Specialty Polyol businesses
- >>> Specialty Products results increased due to margin recovery and higher Medium-Chain Triglycerides (MCT) product line end market demand
- Corporate expenses up due to the Asia fraud event. Excluding this, Corporate expenses down versus prior year due to productivity efforts implemented at the end of 2023.



### **Global Surfactants**

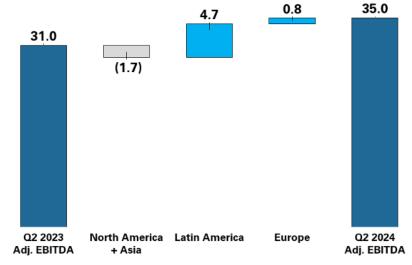
#### Q2 2023 to Q2 2024 Net Sales Bridge



#### Volume was driven by double-digit growth across our Laundry and Cleaning, Construction and Industrial Solutions and Oilfield end-markets and with our distribution partners. Continued destocking in Agricultural Chemicals partially offset this growth.

- **Price/Mix** was impacted by the pass-through of lower raw material cost, less favorable product and mix, and competitive pressure in Latin America.
- F/X adversely impact net sales by less than 1%.

#### Q2 2023 to Q2 2024 Adjusted EBITDA<sup>(1)</sup> Bridge



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- North America and Asia benefitted from improved margins, higher sales with our distribution partners, and stronger Oilfield end market demand. This was offset by incremental expenses related to operational disruptions at the Millsdale site (\$7.0 million), continued destocking in Agricultural Chemicals and higher expenses related to our Pasadena facility.
- Latin America results were driven by stronger Agricultural Chemicals demand in Brazil, business recovery in Mexico, and new contracted business for Amphoterics.
- **Europe** results benefitted from stronger end-market demand across our Laundry and Cleaning and Construction and Industrial Solutions end markets, and higher sales with our distribution partners.

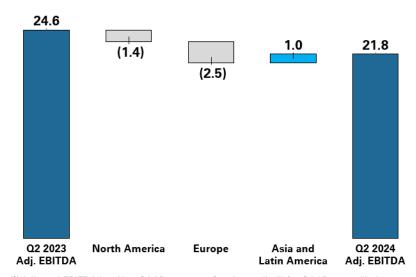


### **Global Polymers**

#### O2 2023 to O2 2024 Net Sales Bridge

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#### O2 2023 to O2 2024 Adjusted EBITDA<sup>(1)</sup> Bridge



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- **Volume** growth was driven by Global Rigid and Specialty Polyols, up 2% and 28% respectively.
- Price/Mix was impacted by the contracted pass-through of lower raw material costs and the impact of lower commodity PA volume.
- F/X positively impacted net sales by 1%.

- North America results were driven by higher volume and improved margins, which was more than offset by incremental expenses related to operational and infrastructure issues at the Millsdale site (\$4.8 million) and lower Phthalic Anhydride volume.
- **Europe** results decreased due to lower margins, partially offset by higher sales volume in the Rigid Polyol and Specialty Polyol businesses.
- **Asia** results benefitted from double-digit volume growth and margin expansion.



#### **Balance Sheet & Cash Flow**

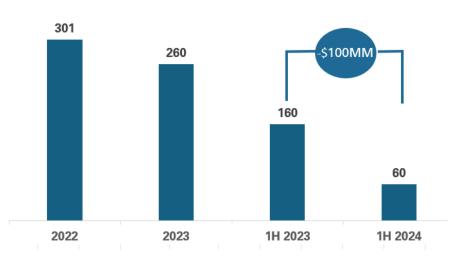
#### Net Debt<sup>(1)</sup> / TTM Adjusted EBITDA<sup>(2)</sup> (\$MM)

# 2.9 Net Debt/TTM Adj EBITDA Ratio<sup>(3)</sup>

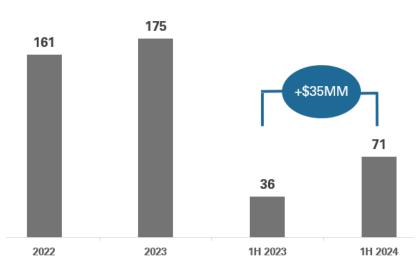
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Net Debt<sup>(1)</sup> TTM Adjusted EBITDA<sup>(2)</sup>

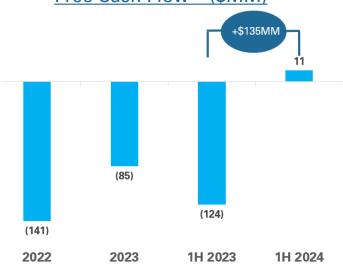
#### Capital Expenditures (\$MM)



#### Cash from Operations (\$MM)



#### Free Cash Flow<sup>(4)</sup> (\$MM)







(1) Net Debt is a Non-GAAP measure. See Appendix VI for a GAAP reconciliation. (2) TTM Adjusted EBITDA is a Non-GAAP measure. See Appendix IV for a GAAP reconciliation.

 $^{(3)}$ Net Debt / TTM Adjusted EBITDA Ratio is a Non-GAAP measure. See Appendix VI for a GAAP reconciliation.

(4) Free Cash Flow is a Non-GAAP measure. See Appendix V for a GAAP reconciliation

# **Stepan Strategic Priorities & Growth Strategy**

# **Creating and Delivering Shareholder Value**



- Focused Growth with Strategic Tier 1 Customers
- Grow Share of Wallet and expand Tier 2 & 3
   Customer Base

#### **Efficient Capital Allocation**

- Continue Investing for Long Term Growth
- Returning Cash to Shareholders
- Inorganic Growth (M&A)







#### **Priority Market Diversification**

- Agricultural Chemicals
- Oilfield Chemicals
- HI&I
- Specialty Alkoxylation
- Rigid Polyol including Spray Foam

#### **Cost & Operational Excellence**

- Safe and Efficient Manufacturing
- Asset Reliability
- Cost Reduction
- Productivity Gains





#### **Innovation & Sustainability**

- World Class R&D Capabilities
- Broad Portfolio of Sustainable Technologies & Products
- Strategic Development Programs with Customers



### **Strategic Capital Investments Update**

#### New Alkoxylation Capacity: Pasadena, Texas

## **\$265MM**Estimated CapEx

#### **75KTA**

Annual Alkoxylation Capacity

Startup expected in **Q4 2024** 

#### **Summary & Benefits**

- Alkoxylates are a core surfactant technology consumed across Stepan's key agricultural, oilfield, construction and household end use markets
- Business continued volume growth in 2023 across multiple end use markets and applications
- This will become Stepan's third alkoxylation site, providing strategically located capacity for growth in ethoxylates and propoxylates



#### **COMPLETED: Low 1,4-Dioxane Capabilities: Multiple US Locations**

#### Q4 2023

All Sites Completed

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Facilities with 1,4 Dx Removal Capabilities

#### Leader

Installed Production Capacity to NA Market

#### **Summary & Benefits**

- Legislation banning the sale of consumer products containing certain 1,4 dioxane levels is in effect in the State of New York. Customers have made longterm commitments to Low 1,4 Dioxane Ether Sulfates.
- Investment in 1,4 Dioxane removal enables us to maintain and grow our North American Sulfonation business
- New contracted business started during the second half of 2023 and will continue to ramp up in 2024. First Half 2024 volume grew double-digits yearover-year.







# **Thank You**

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# **APPENDIX**

Financials and GAAP Reconciliations



# **Appendix I**

### **Update on Certain Expectations**

(millions USD)	2021 Actual	2022 Actual	2023 Actual	2024 Forecast
Capital Expenditures	195	301	260	120 - 140
Debt Repayments	38	38	38	54
Interest Net	6	10	12	14-16
Depreciation & Amortization	91	95	105	118-122
Effective Tax Rate (%)	20%	22%	17%	36 - 38% <sup>(*)</sup>

<sup>(\*)</sup> Higher Effective Tax Rate due to the anticipated disallowance of the GILTI deduction and Foreign Tax Credits resulting from the expected election of Bonus Depreciation for our Pasadena capital investment. Projected cash payment for 2024 Federal U.S. Taxes is zero.



# **Appendix II**

#### Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Adjusted Net Income and Earnings Per Diluted Share

	Three Months Ended June 30,						Six Months Ended June 30,								
(\$ in thousands, except per share amounts)		2024		EPS	:	2023	EPS	2	024		EPS	2	2023		EPS
Net Income Reported	\$	9,521	\$	0.42	\$	12,684	\$ 0.55	\$ 2	3,414	\$	1.02	\$ 2	28,826	\$	1.25
Deferred Compensation															
(Income) Expense	\$	(305)	\$	(0.01)	\$	(653)	\$ (0.02)	\$	(693)	\$	(0.03)	\$	(757)	\$	(0.03)
Business Restructuring Expense	\$	· -	\$	-	\$	31	\$ · -	\$	-	\$	· -	\$	146	\$	0.01
Cash-Settled SARs (Income) Expense	\$	-	\$	-	\$	(44)	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	(84)	\$	-
Environmental Remediation															
Expense	\$	180	\$	-	\$	39	\$ -	\$	1,331	\$	0.06	\$	345	\$	0.01
Adjusted Net Income	\$	9,396	\$	0.41	\$	12,057	\$ 0.53	\$ 2	4,052	\$	1.05	\$ 2	28,476	\$	1.24

#### Reconciliation of Pre-Tax to After-Tax Adjustments

	Three Months Ended June 30,				Six Months Ended June 30,							
(\$ in thousands, except per share amounts)	-	2024	EPS	2	2023	EPS		2024	EPS	2	2023	EPS
Pre-Tax Adjustments												
Deferred Compensation												
(Income) Expense	\$	(407)		\$	(871)		\$	(924)		\$	(1,009)	
Business Restructuring Expense	\$	-		\$	42		\$	-		\$	199	
Cash-Settled SARs Income	\$	-		\$	(58)		\$	-		\$	(111)	
Environmental Remediation												
Expense	\$	240		\$	52		\$	1,774		\$	461	
Total Pre-Tax Adjustments	\$	(167)		\$	(835)		\$	850		\$	(460)	
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Cumulative Tax Effect												
on Adjustments	\$	42		\$	208		\$	(212)		\$	110	
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After-Tax Adjustments	\$	(125)	\$ -	\$	(627)	\$ (0.02)	\$	638	\$ 0.03	\$	(350)	\$ (0.01)



# **Appendix III**

#### Adjusted EBITDA and EBITDA Reconciliations Q2 2024 and Q2 2023

#### Three Months Ended June 30, 2024

(\$ in millions)	Surfa	actants	P	olymers	pecialty roducts	nallocated Corporate	С	onsolidated
Operating Income	\$	17.1	\$	13.6	\$ 7.3	\$ (19.3)	\$	18.7
Depreciation and Amortization	\$	17.9	\$	8.2	\$ 1.5	\$ 0.4	\$	28.0
Other, Net Income						\$ 1.2	\$	1.2
EBITDA	\$	35.0	\$	21.8	\$ 8.8	\$ (17.7)	\$	47.9
Deferred Compensation	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$ (0.4)	\$	(0.4)
Environmental Remediation	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$ 0.2	\$	0.2
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	35.0	\$	21.8	\$ 8.8	\$ (17.9)	\$	47.7

#### Three Months Ended June 30, 2023

(\$ in millions)	Surfa	actants	Po	olymers	pecialty roducts	Inallocated Corporate	C	onsolidated
Operating Income	\$	15.1	\$	16.3	\$ 3.8	\$ (17.4)	\$	17.8
Depreciation and Amortization	\$	16.0	\$	8.3	\$ 1.4	\$ 8.0	\$	26.5
Other, Net Income	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$ 2.4	\$	2.4
EBITDA	\$	31.1	\$	24.6	\$ 5.2	\$ (14.2)	\$	46.7
Deferred Compensation	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$ (0.9)	\$	(0.9)
Cash Settled SARs	\$	(0.1)	\$	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$	(0.1)
Business Restructuring	\$	· <u>-</u>	\$	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$	-
Environmental Remediation	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$ 0.1	\$	0.1
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	31.0	\$	24.6	\$ 5.2	\$ (15.0)	\$	45.8



# **Appendix IV**

#### Trailing Twelve Months Adjusted EBITDA Reconciliation

	6/30/2024 TTM – Adjusted EBITDA
Reported Operating Income	58.6
Depreciation & Amortization	108.9
Other Net Income (Expense)	1.4
EBITDA	168.9
Deferred Compensation	(0.7)
Cash Settled SARS	0.0
Goodwill and Other Intangibles Impairment Expense	2.0
Business Restructuring & Asset Impairment Expense	11.8
Environmental Remediation Expense	2.3
Adjusted EBITDA	184.4



# **Appendix V**

#### Free Cash Flow (FCF) Reconciliation

(million USD)	1H 2024	1H 2023
Cash Flow from Operations	71.1	35.8
Capital Expenditures	(59.9)	(159.9)
Free Cash Flow	11.2	(124.1)



# **Appendix VI**

### **Net Debt to Total Capitalization Ratio**

(millions USD)	June 30, 2024	June 30, 2023	June 30, 2022	June 30, 2021	June 30, 2020	June 30, 2019
Total Debt	657.1	682.6	526.0	238.9	207.9	232.6
Cash	124.7	133.9	194.6	127.1	272.9	275.3
Net Debt	532.4	548.7	331.4	111.8	(65.0)	(42.7)
Equity	1,192.4	1,215.1	1,125.7	1,048.8	897.4	857.7
Net Debt + Equity	1,724.8	1,763.8	1,457.1	1,160.6	832.4	815.0
Net Debt / (Net Debt + Equity)	31%	31%	23%	10%	(8%)	(5%)

Net Debt/TTM Adjusted EBITDA Ratio = 532/184 = 2.9

