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ALPHA **α** **CHALLENGE**
Kenan-Flagler Business School
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Long: Badger Meter Inc (NYSE: BMI)

Current Price: \$221 (11/24/2024) | **2025 Price Target:** \$274 (24% Upside)

Badger Meter Overview

Revolutionizing Water Management with Smart Metering and Software Solutions

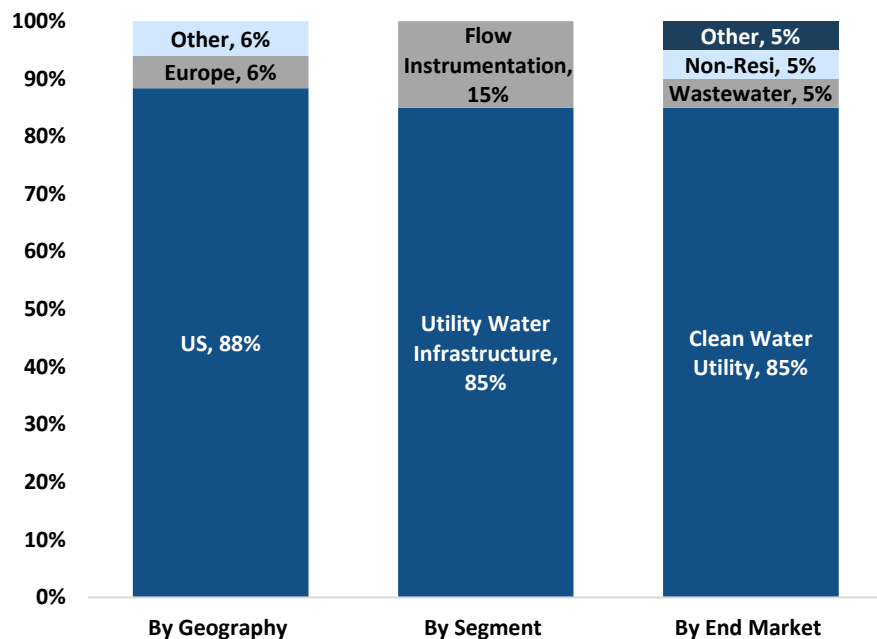
Company Description

- Pure-play provider of leading smart water management solutions
- Solutions encompass smart measurement hardware, reliable communications, and data analytics software

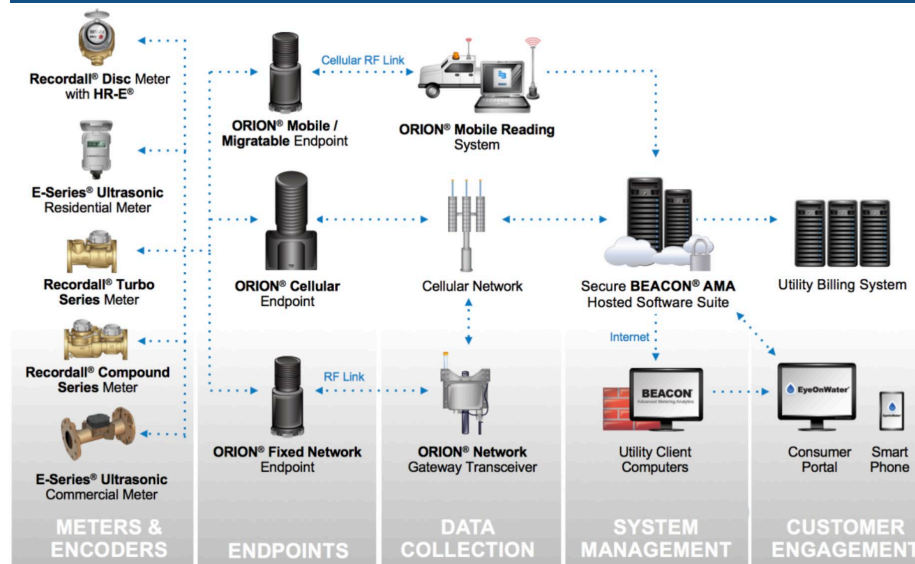
Trading and FY23 Financial Data

| | | | |
|---------------------|---------------|---------------|------|
| Current Price (\$) | 221.00 | Revenue (\$M) | 704 |
| Market Cap (\$M) | 6,554 | Gross Margin | 39% |
| EV (\$M) | 6,295 | EBITDA (\$M) | 146 |
| 52W Low / High (\$) | 139.50-230.76 | EPS (\$) | 3.14 |

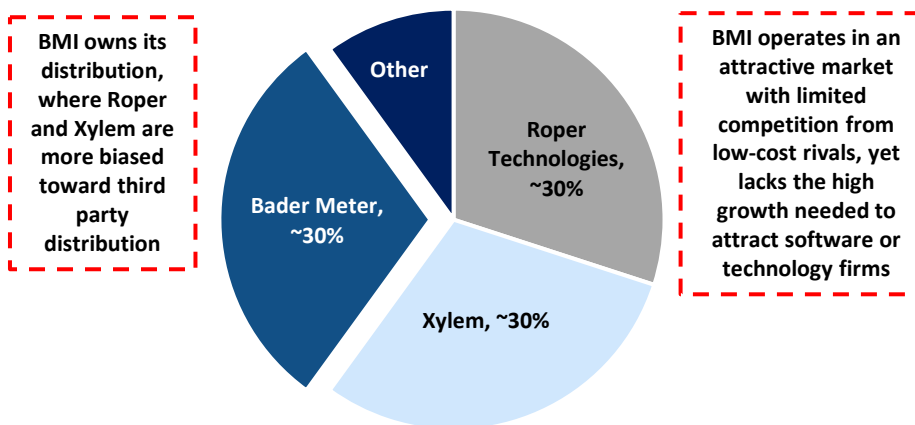
Revenue Breakdown



BMI Offers Integrated Water Solutions



BMI Operates in a Stable Oligopoly Market



Badger Meter: Flowing Towards The Future

We Have a Chance to Invest in an Industry Leader with Secular Growth Market Exposure and an Emerging SaaS Platform

Investment Thesis

1 BMI's Comprehensive Product Portfolio Positions the Company to Capitalize on the Secular Shift Toward Smart Water Metering Hardware

2 Accelerating Adoption of AMI Technology Drives Stronger Software Sales and Fuels the Development of a Scalable, Recurring Revenue SaaS Platform

3 Accretive Portfolio Mix Shift and Cost Optimization Drive Sustainable Margin Expansion and Propel Earnings Growth

Why is There an Opportunity?

Sell-side estimates underestimate the growth potential of metering hardware sales as utilities shift from legacy and Advanced Meter Reading (AMR) systems to Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI)

Consensus projections underestimate the growth of software as a share of total sales, overlooking the nearly 100% attachment rate between software and AMI meters, driving an increasing proportion of recurring revenue over time

The market has yet to fully appreciate the anticipated margin expansion driven by the growing share of SaaS in BMI's business, enhancing the overall gross margin profile and delivering attractive incremental margins

These Opportunities Underpin Our Divergence From Consensus

Team Estimates

Consensus Estimates

| | FY 2023-A | FY 2026-E | Growth | FY 2026-E | Growth |
|------------------|-----------|-----------|------------|-----------|------------|
| Revenue | \$704M | \$1,029M | 13.5% CAGR | \$958M | 10.8% CAGR |
| Gross Margin | 39.3% | 41.6% | 230bps | 40.0% | 70bps |
| Operating Margin | 16.8% | 22.0% | 520bps | 20.3% | 350bps |
| EPS | \$3.14 | \$6.03 | 24.3% CAGR | \$5.28 | 18.9% CAGR |

Investment Thesis #1 – Transition to Smart Metering

Utility-Driven AMI Transition Fuels Hardware Growth

U.S. Utilities Drive Demand for Smart Water Meters to Reduce Water Loss and Lower Costs

Present

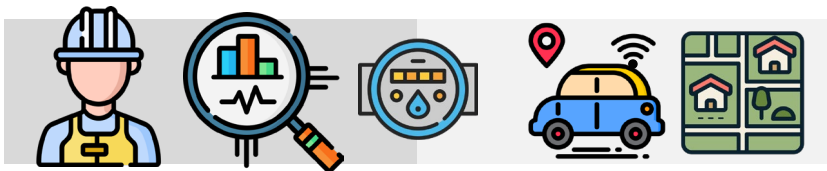


Every year, U.S. Utilities underbill 20% of water, known as non-revenue water

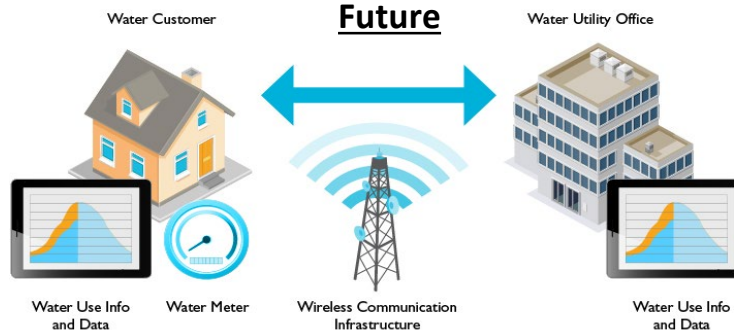


Utilities are facing a labor shortage with ~50% of employees retiring over the next 10 years

Today's meters require manual reading or drive-by radio capture

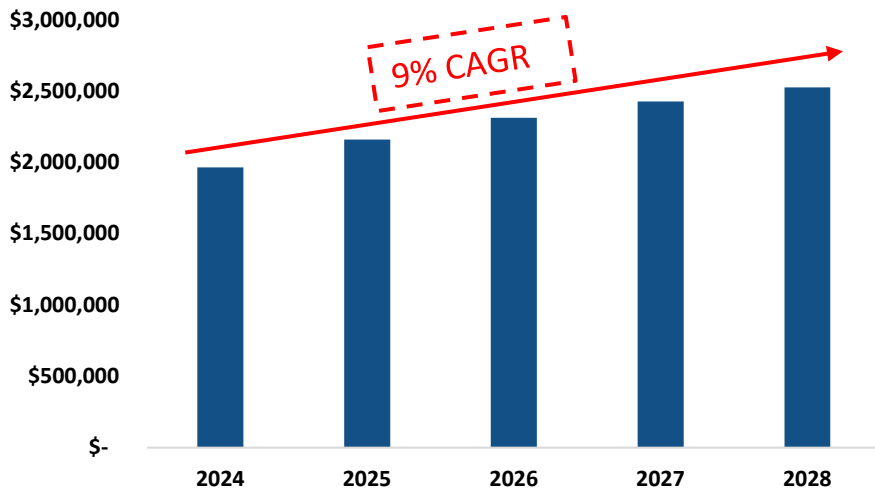


Future



- AMI enables remote, on-demand meter readings, eliminating the need for manual or drive-by readings
- Only 1/3 of U.S. utilities have adopted AMI

U.S. Smart Water Meter Market: ~\$2.5B by 2028



Market Undervalues Utilities' Transition to AMI

| WSSC Cost Benefit Analysis ('000) | |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|
| NPV of Life Cycle Cost | \$ (256,826) |
| NPV of Turnover Savings | \$ 35,663 |
| NPV of Labor Savings | \$ 17,992 |
| NPV of Efficiency Gains | \$ 371,096 |
| NPV of Other Costs/Benefits | \$ (30,946) |
| Total NPV | \$ 136,979 |
| Payback Period | 11 years |

BMI Wins Share by Reducing the NPV of Life Cycle Cost by Using a Pre-existing Cellular Network to Reduce Upfront Cost

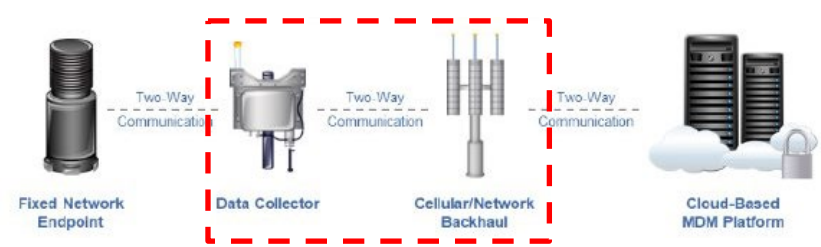
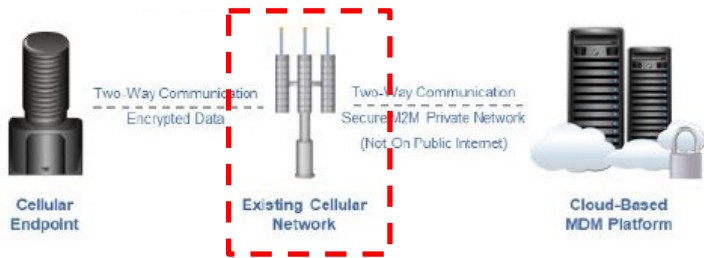
Investment Thesis #2 – Evolution Towards SaaS

AMI Hardware Upgrade Cycle Drives Software Growth

BMI – Cellular Network

vs

Competition – Fixed Network



BMI's approach reduces upfront costs and friction for utilities by partnering with pre-existing cellular networks, lowering initial expenses

Utilities incur higher upfront costs, including expenses for fixed network infrastructure, as well as ongoing, recurring fees for annual maintenance

Maximizing Recurring Revenue: 100% Software Attachment to AMI Meters

AMI meters include **BEACON** network and software services that have a ~100% attachment rate with the physical meter

Beacon SaaS Interface



The Growing Impact of Software

| Segment Revenues | | | | |
|------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Net Sales | FY24E | FY25E | FY26E | FY27E |
| Hardware | \$ 766,849 | \$ 856,278 | \$ 918,304 | \$ 956,327 |
| Software | 60,377 | 82,610 | 111,170 | 145,415 |
| Segment Revenue Contribution | | | | |
| % of Net Sales | FY24E | FY25E | FY26E | FY27E |
| Hardware | 92.7% | 91.2% | 89.2% | 86.8% |
| Software | 7.3% | 8.8% | 10.8% | 13.2% |
| Segment Growth Profiles | | | | |
| YoY Growth | FY24E | FY25E | FY26E | FY27E |
| Hardware | 16.3% | 11.7% | 7.2% | 4.1% |
| Software | 36.2% | 36.8% | 34.6% | 30.8% |

SaaS is Expected to Grow at >30% CAGR through FY27

Investment Thesis #3 – Margin Expansion

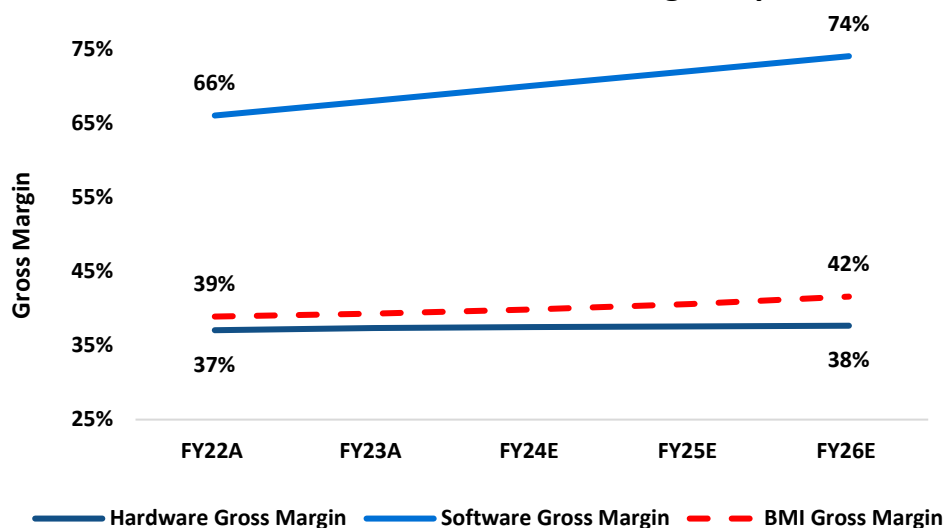
Software Growth Drives Sustainable Margin Expansion

Management Does Not Provide Guidance, and the Street Does Not Bifurcate Software and Hardware Segments in its Modeling...

- Consensus underestimates the magnitude of the structural improvement in BMI's forward margin profile, driven by its developing SaaS platform
- Software offers an increasing recurring revenue stream with a ~30%+ gross margin uplift, compared to Hardware, driving both incremental and structural gross margin expansion
- The transition from legacy mechanical to AMI meters enhances value-based pricing initiatives and drives hardware margin expansion
- We believe our build-up approach is directionally correct and underscores the underappreciated importance of Software

Software Segment Increasing in Revenue Mix From 6% to 11% by FY26

Software Growth Drives Gross Margin Expansion



...However, Implied Margins Can be Discovered Through Comparable Analysis

| Smart Meter Software - Comparable Margins | | | |
|---|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Ropper Technologies | FY21A | FY22A | FY23A |
| Software - Revenue | \$ 4,833,800 | \$ 5,371,800 | \$ 6,177,800 |
| Software - COGS | (1,426,200) | (1,619,000) | (1,870,600) |
| Software - Gross Margins | 70.5% | 69.9% | 69.7% |
| + Assumed BMI Software Margins | | 66.0% | 68.0% |

ROP operates a mature software platform across various verticals, including water metering. We applied a margin discount to BMI due to its platform's infancy, expecting incremental margins to improve as fixed costs are absorbed.

| Smart Meter Hardware - Comparable Margins | | | |
|---|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Xylem | FY21A | FY22A | FY23A |
| Hardware - Revenue | \$ 4,684,000 | \$ 4,978,000 | \$ 6,291,000 |
| Hardware - COGS | (2,831,000) | (3,002,000) | (3,817,000) |
| Hardware - Gross Margins | 39.6% | 39.7% | 39.3% |
| Itron | FY21A | FY22A | FY23A |
| Hardware - Revenue | \$ 1,609,634 | \$ 1,435,510 | \$ 1,784,264 |
| Hardware - COGS | (1,131,646) | (1,011,757) | (1,178,622) |
| Hardware - Gross Margins | 29.7% | 29.5% | 33.9% |
| = Implied BMI Hardware Margins | | 37.1% | 37.4% |

XYL targets AMI meters, while ITRI sells primarily mechanical and AMR. We are confident in BMI's implied margins, derived from consolidated and assumed software margins, due to its growing AMI-focused portfolio.

| Badger Meter - Margin Analysis | | | |
|--|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| BMI | FY24E | FY25E | FY26E |
| Hardware Gross Margin | 37.5% | 37.6% | 37.7% |
| Software Gross Margin | 70.0% | 72.0% | 74.0% |
| Consolidated Gross Margin | 39.8% | 40.6% | 41.6% |
| BMI Software Incremental Margin | 75.5% | 77.4% | 79.8% |

The increasing revenue mix and incremental margin from software drive a divergence from consensus estimates.

| Consensus v. Estimates | | | |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Gross Margin | FY24E | FY25E | FY26E |
| Estimate | 39.8% | 40.6% | 41.6% |
| Consensus | 39.6% | 39.4% | 40.0% |
| Delta | 0.2% | 1.2% | 1.5% |

Valuation Summary – Substantiating the Multiples

BMI's Strong Fundamentals and SaaS Evolution Justify Premium Valuation Multiples

BMI is primarily viewed as a hardware manufacturer; however, its true value lies in its emergence as a SaaS platform, poised for substantial earnings growth through high-margin recurring revenue. Its forward earnings profile significantly outpaces peers, including 2x that of core peer XYL, justifying its current multiple. We base our valuation on forward trading multiples of 45.2x P/E and 30.4x EV/EBITDA.

| Comparable Company Valuation Multiples | | | | | P/E | | EV/EBITDA | | EBITDA % | ROA | ROE | ROIC | Revenue | EPS |
|--|--------|-------------|---------------|----------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Company | Ticker | Stock Price | Mkt Cap (\$M) | EV (\$M) | 2025 | 2026 | 2025 | 2026 | 5YR Avg. | 5YR Avg. | 5YR Avg. | 5YR Avg. | FWD 3YR CAGR | FWD 3YR CAGR |
| Consolidated Badger Meter (Consensus) | BMI | \$ 221.00 | \$ 6,554 | \$ 6,295 | 45.2x | 41.8x | 30.4x | 27.6x | 20.7% | 12.1% | 16.0% | 15.8% | 10.8% | 18.9% |
| Consolidated Badger Meter (Team Estimates) | | | | | 42.9x | 36.6x | 28.2x | 24.4x | 20.7% | 12.1% | 16.0% | 15.8% | 13.5% | 24.3% |
| Smart Water Metering Comparables | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Roper Technologies | ROP | 560.14 | 61,115 | 68,343 | 28.0x | 25.7x | 22.0x | 20.1x | 38.0% | 5.6% | 10.9% | 6.6% | 10.2% | 9.3% |
| Xylem | XYL | 126.87 | 31,008 | 32,306 | 26.7x | 23.8x | 16.8x | 15.3x | 16.4% | 4.6% | 11.2% | 6.6% | 8.4% | 12.2% |
| Zurn Elkay Water Solutions Corporation | ZWS | 39.93 | 6,915 | 7,252 | 29.7x | 26.7x | 17.8x | 16.4x | 17.1% | 3.4% | 7.8% | 4.5% | 3.9% | 15.6% |
| Itron, Inc. | ITRI | 118.93 | 5,470 | 5,816 | 23.7x | 20.5x | 17.5x | 15.1x | 8.8% | 0.0% | (0.4%) | (0.0%) | 6.1% | 20.0% |
| Median | | | | | 27.4x | 24.7x | 17.6x | 15.8x | 16.8% | 4.0% | 9.4% | 5.5% | 7.2% | 13.9% |
| Fundamental Growth Comparables | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| ServiceNow, Inc | NOW | 1,060.60 | 225,600 | 221,400 | 63.9x | 52.4x | 46.8x | 38.5x | 10.3% | 6.1% | 17.1% | 11.6% | 21.1% | 23.3% |
| Amphenol | APH | 74.29 | 94,662 | 98,748 | 34.4x | 30.6x | 21.3x | 19.5x | 23.6% | 11.6% | 36.4% | 15.5% | 14.6% | 17.2% |
| Quanta Services | PWR | 341.92 | 51,344 | 54,968 | 38.3x | 32.6x | 24.1x | 21.3x | 8.3% | 4.8% | 10.7% | 7.1% | 11.6% | 17.9% |
| AAON | AAON | 137.42 | 11,504 | 11,583 | 46.7x | 38.5x | 29.1x | 24.8x | 20.6% | 15.4% | 21.2% | 19.8% | 14.0% | 17.5% |
| Median | | | | | 42.5x | 35.5x | 26.6x | 23.0x | 15.5% | 8.9% | 19.2% | 13.5% | 14.3% | 17.7% |

Multiple Substantiation:

1

Premium EBITDA Margins

Surpassing Peer Performance

2

Strong ROA, ROE, and ROIC

Superior to Smart Water Comparables

3

Robust Growth Profile

Aligned with Fundamental Growth Peers

Valuation Summary – Overview

2025 Base Case Price Target of \$274 Indicates 24% Upside

Valuation Methodology: Price Targets Derived from Averaged P/E and EV/EBITDA Multiple Results Across Downside, Base, and Upside Case Scenarios

P/E
Based on Current Forward Trading Multiple

EV/EBITDA
Based on Current Forward Trading Multiple

| Valuation Summary: 2025 Target Price | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|--|
| | Downside Case | Base Case | Upside Case | |
| 2026 EPS | \$ 4.79 | \$ 6.03 | \$ 6.97 | |
| Forward P/E Multiple | 34.9x | 45.2x | 47.2x | |
| Target Price | \$ 167 | \$ 273 | \$ 329 | |
| 2026 EBITDA (\$M) | \$ 210 | \$ 259 | \$ 295 | |
| Forward EV/EBITDA Multiple | 22.1x | 30.4x | 32.4x | |
| Total Enterprise Value (\$M) | \$ 4,640 | \$ 7,856 | \$ 9,564 | |
| (+) Net Cash (M) | 259 | 259 | 259 | |
| Total Equity Value (\$M) | \$ 4,899 | \$ 8,115 | \$ 9,823 | |
| (+) Shares Outstanding (M) | 30 | 30 | 30 | |
| Target Price | \$ 166 | \$ 275 | \$ 332 | |
| Average Target Price | \$ 167 | \$ 274 | \$ 331 | |
| Upside / (Downside) | -25% | 24% | 50% | |

| Forecast Assumptions | | | |
|---------------------------------|----------|-------|--------|
| | Downside | Base | Upside |
| FY23-FY28 Revenue CAGR | 7.9% | 10.7% | 13.3% |
| FY23-FY28 Average GM (%) | 39.7% | 41.4% | 42.3% |
| FY23-FY28 EPS CAGR | 14.3% | 20.4% | 25.1% |

| Base Case: Consensus v. Estimates | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|------------|---------|------------|-------------|
| | FY23A | FY24E | FY25E | FY26E |
| Revenue | | | | |
| Estimate | \$ 703,592 | 827,225 | \$ 938,887 | \$1,029,474 |
| Consensus | 703,592 | 822,850 | 895,963 | 958,145 |
| Delta (%) | | 0.5% | 4.8% | 7.4% |
| Implied Growth - Team | 24.4% | 17.6% | 13.5% | 9.6% |
| Implied Growth - Consensus | 24.4% | 16.9% | 8.9% | 6.9% |
| Gross Margin | | | | |
| Estimate | 39.3% | 39.8% | 40.6% | 41.6% |
| Consensus | 39.3% | 39.6% | 39.4% | 40.0% |
| Delta | | 0.2% | 1.2% | 1.5% |
| Implied Growth - Team | 1.0% | 1.4% | 1.9% | 2.4% |
| Implied Growth - Consensus | 1.0% | 0.8% | (0.4%) | 1.6% |
| EPS | | | | |
| Estimate | \$ 3.14 | \$ 4.29 | \$ 5.15 | \$ 6.03 |
| Consensus | 3.14 | 4.25 | 4.89 | 5.28 |
| Delta (%) | | 1.0% | 5.3% | 14.2% |
| Implied Growth - Team | 38.9% | 36.7% | 20.0% | 17.1% |
| Implied Growth - Consensus | 38.9% | 35.4% | 15.1% | 8.0% |

Risks to Valuation

While Key Valuation Risks Exist, BMI Is Strategically Positioned to Mitigate Them

Water Utilities Deployment Schedules

- **Risk:** Any shift in capital spending priorities away from ultrasonic technologies, or a deceleration in their deployment schedule, could pose a headwind to BMI.
- **Mitigant:** BMI's expanding SaaS platform generates stable, recurring revenue, progressively reducing dependency on new utility partnerships. Additionally, the Industrial Flow segment broadens the customer base.

Moderate

Supply Chain Bottlenecks and Input Cost Inflation

- **Risk:** BMI faces exposure to fluctuating raw material costs (e.g., brass, cast iron, plastic) and electronic components (e.g., microprocessors). These disruptions can increase input costs, pressure gross margins, and impact BMI's ability to meet demand.
- **Mitigant:** BMI mitigates this risk by dual sourcing components through strategic partnerships and passing on increased costs to consumers.

Moderate

Competitive Landscape and Innovation Requirements

- **Risk:** Larger, better-capitalized rivals could also pressure BMI with aggressive pricing, leading to potential market share loss.
- **Mitigant:** BMI's decades of market leadership and first-mover advantage provide unmatched customer data, enabling continuous innovation that aligns with customer demands. Strong relationships and value-added solutions help mitigate competitive pricing pressures.

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Questions?



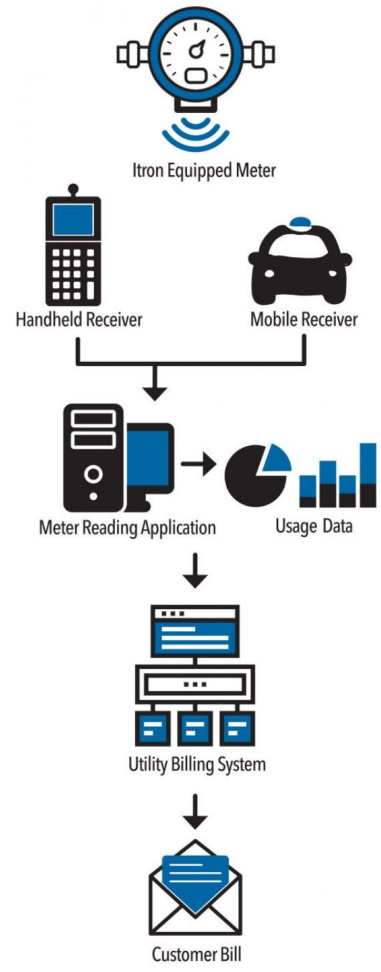
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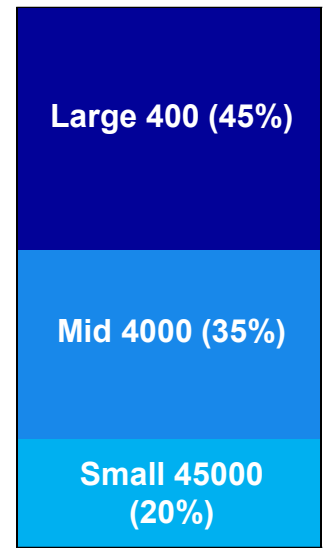
Appendix: Investment Thesis #1 – Conversion to AMI

The market is underestimating Utility Segment growth as more utilities upgrade to smart systems to reduce water losses

AMR reading process

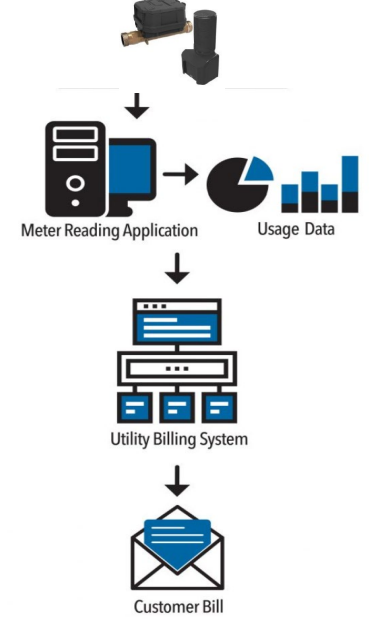


>50K US Utilities



- The meter replacement cycle is driven by utility capital expenditures and results of rate cases state by state
- If utilities can prove the long-term merits of upgraded metering through cost benefit analysis, state utility commissions may allow for rate increases in the short run to compensate for cost of implementation
- These rate cases, which are public record, also provide a window into how utilities evaluate the merits of AMR and AMI
- In one state we observed via utility affidavit that switching to smart metering reduced monthly metering hours from ~1,500 per month to ~300 per month and a 71% reduction in billing errors
- 65% of the national meter install base has converted to some form of smart meter (AMR or AMI) and only 1/3 of the >50K US utilities have begun the conversion process form AMR to AMI

AMI reading process



Aqua, a multi-state water utility, showed the benefits of smart meters in testimony to state water utility commissions

Utilities gradually upgrade their metering infrastructure through their CAPEX and rate case cycles. Utilities save labor costs and time by converting from AMR to AMI

| Aqua Case Study | | |
|-----------------------|-----------|----------|
| | Pre-Smart | Smart |
| Monthly Reading Hours | 1,476 | 296 |
| Corrected Billings | 2.63% | 0.75% |
| Leak/Tamper Detection | - | Improved |
| Uncollected Bills | - | Declined |

Appendix: Investment Thesis #1 – Aqua Rate Case

Switching to Smart Metering Benefits Utilities, but Some are Hesitant to pay for Fixed Network Costs of AMI

expected to reduce monthly meter reading hours from 1,476 per month to 296 per month, thereby resulting in a more efficient meter reading program. As the AMR technology is deployed in North Carolina, Company staff will be able to spend more time on service calls, customer inquiries, leak detection, and other work that can improve customers' service experience.

AMR technology also provides information to more quickly identify customer issues such as high use or zero use through indicators and tamper reports available with monthly meter reading. Currently, this information is used by Aqua NC as part of month-end reporting to create priority service orders. The information is used in coordination with field investigations to identify and investigate customer leaks, meter malfunctions, and theft of service. The

AMR technology has also reduced billing errors due to human error in manual reads. This is demonstrated by the decreased number of estimated bills for customers with AMR technology as compared to customers with conventional meters. On average, estimated bills result for approximately 0.75% of Aqua NC accounts read by AMR technology versus 2.63% of Company accounts read by the conventional method. Aqua expects this similar decrease in percent of estimates to be realized progressively as the exchange program continues through 2027.

In addition, Company witness Thompson testified that the Company is converting to AMR technology in a manner that will facilitate upgrades to Advanced Metrology Infrastructure (AMI) technology as that technology becomes more cost effective. Aqua NC has ensured that the meters and meter reading and data logging technology, ERTs that are being installed as part of this program can also be utilized if later evaluations should justify an upgrade to AMI technology. Aqua NC does not believe the additional cost of AMI (repeaters, cell towers, and security) are cost-justified, presently. Furthermore, the meters being currently installed are both AMR and AMI capable, as are the 100W ERTs that are currently being used to implement the AMR program. The 100W ERTs offer an advanced two-way meter data collection using handheld (AMR), mobile (AMR), fixed network (AMI), and combination hybrid solutions. The meter and the 100W

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Utilities like Aqua already see the benefits of switching to Smart Metering like AMR. AMI can further these benefits, but some Utilities are hesitant to pay the upfront cost of building out fixed infrastructure. This is why BMI is working to use pre-existing cellular networks

Appendix: Investment Thesis #1 – WSSC AMI Analysis

AMI Meters Provide Positive NPV Over a 20 Year Lifecycle

Table 3 – Comparison of AMI Acquisition Project Costs and Meter Populations
(WSSC Water estimate = \$423/meter)

| Water Utility | AMI Status | Acquisition Cost | Meter Population |
|-------------------|------------------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| City of Baltimore | Complete (2017) ³ | \$180M (\$439/mtr) | 410,000 |
| Detroit | Complete (2012) | \$150M (\$750/mtr) | 200,000 |
| Cleveland | Complete (2016) | \$86M (\$203/mtr) | 425,000 |
| Austin Water | In Progress | \$95M (\$358/mtr) | 265,000 |
| Columbia SC | In Progress | \$49M (\$350/mtr) | 140,000 |
| Akron | In Progress | \$35M (\$437/mtr) | 80,000 |

Table 6 - Summary of Tangible Benefits for Project, (20 Year Lifecycle)

| BENEFITS | NET PRESENT VALUE | CASH VALUE |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Savings on Normal Meter Turnover | \$ 35,663,289 | \$ 48,814,535 |
| Labor Savings | \$ 17,991,615 | \$ 30,036,274 |
| Carbon Footprint Reduction | \$ 1,607,438 | \$ 2,525,288 |
| Reduction in Workers' Comp. Claims | \$ 1,508,039 | \$ 2,365,932 |
| Domestic Leak Detection | \$ (34,601,136) | \$ (56,501,126) |
| Revenue Gain from Meter Accuracy | \$ 371,096,064 | \$ 588,407,479 |
| Total Benefits | \$ 393,265,309 | \$ 615,648,382 |

Table 4 - Summary of Estimated Lifecycle Costs for Project, (20 Year Lifecycle)

| COSTS | NET PRESENT VALUE | CASH VALUE |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Capital Project Cost | \$ 146,589,746 | \$ 165,285,507 |
| 10% Project Contingency | \$ 14,658,975 | \$ 16,528,551 |
| Total Plus 10% Contingency | \$ 161,248,721 | \$ 181,814,058 |
| Project Management | \$ 7,687,530 | \$ 8,667,982 |
| System Integration | \$ 8,529,684 | \$ 9,291,800 |
| Salvage Value of Meters | \$ (1,040,586) | \$ (1,173,300) |
| Opt-Out Related Costs | \$ 8,068,174 | \$ 9,816,168 |
| Total Acquisition Cost | \$ 184,493,524 | \$ 208,416,707 |
| Network Operating Costs | \$ 28,160,727 | \$ 46,896,273 |
| Meter/MIU Maintenance Costs | \$ 14,389,883 | \$ 24,049,392 |
| Integration Post-Production Support | \$ 4,327,952 | \$ 4,960,000 |
| Monthly Billing Operating Costs | \$ 25,453,600 | \$ 44,721,194 |
| 20-Year Lifecycle Cost | \$ 256,825,686 | \$ 329,043,566 |

Table 7 - Summary of AMI Project Economics

| Summary Statistic | Value |
|---|----------------|
| Simple Payback (Years) | 11 |
| Present Value Costs | \$ 256,825,686 |
| Present Value Benefits | \$ 393,265,309 |
| Net Present Value | \$ 136,439,623 |
| Internal Rate of Return ⁵ | 13.3% |
| Modified Internal Rate of Return ⁶ | 4.6% |
| Benefit/Cost Ratio | 1.53 |

Appendix: Investment Thesis #1 – Conversion to AMI

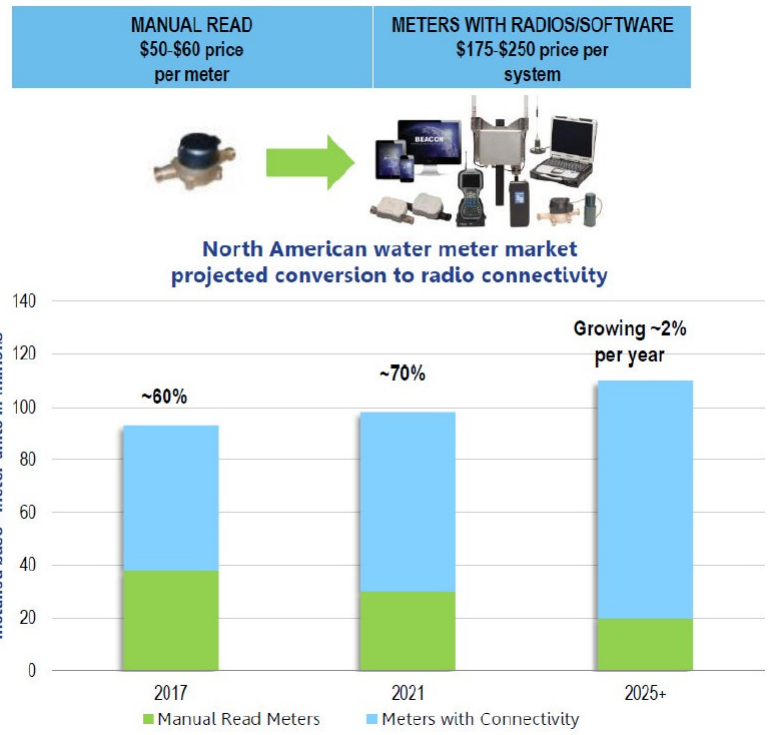
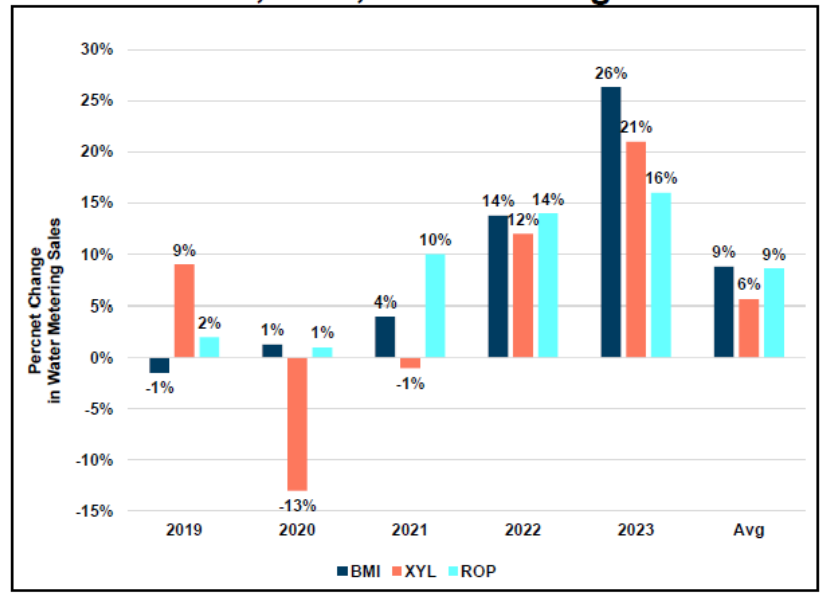


Exhibit 5: BMI, ROP, XYL Metering Growth



Source: Company data; SRP estimates.

Appendix: Investment Thesis #1 – Implied Hardware Share

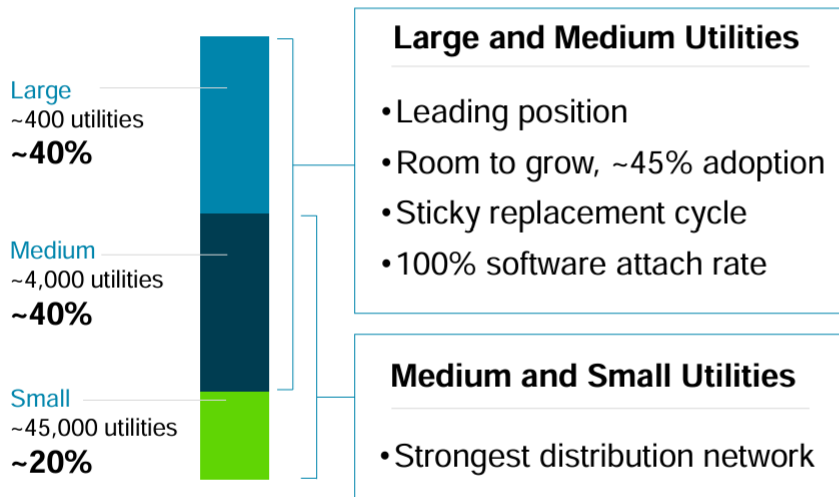
Consensus - Implied BMI Smart Water Meter Market Share

| | FY23 | FY24 | FY25 | FY26 |
|---|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| | Dec-23A | Dec-24E | Dec-25E | Dec-26E |
| North America Smart Water Metering Market | \$ 1,708,720 | \$ 1,965,028 | \$ 2,161,531 | \$ 2,312,838 |
| Consensus BMI Market Share in Smart Water Metering Market | 38.6% | 38.7% | 37.6% | 37.3% |
| Consensus Implied BMI Hardware Revenue | 659,275 | 761,078 | 813,121 | 862,517 |
| <u>Consensus Hardware Breakdown</u> | | | | |
| Utility Water | | \$ 719,867 | \$ 786,200 | \$ 856,300 |
| Flow Instrumentation | | 101,133 | 105,367 | 110,633 |
| Total Revenue | | 821,000 | 891,567 | 966,933 |
| Less: Implied Software Revenue | | (59,922) | (78,446) | (104,416) |
| Consensus Implied Hardware | | \$ 761,078 | \$ 813,121 | \$ 862,517 |
| <u>Implied Market Share</u> | | | | |
| Team - Implied BMI Smart Water Meter Market Share | 38.6% | 39.0% | 39.6% | 39.7% |
| Consensus - Implied BMI Smart Water Meter Market Share | 38.6% | 38.7% | 37.6% | 37.3% |
| Delta | | 0.3% | 2.0% | 2.4% |

Highly Differentiated in the Attractive AMI Market

US Water Utility Market

Share of Total Endpoints



Why Xylem Wins vs Cellular



30%
Lower Annual
Operating Cost



15-year
Full Warranty
Battery Life



99%
Network
coverage on
FlexNet



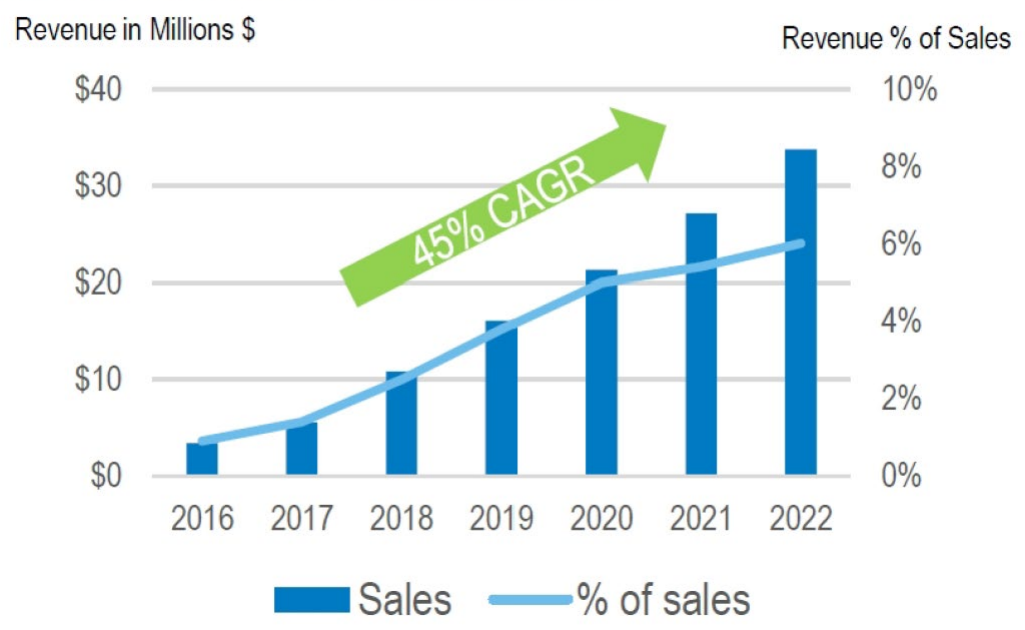
0%
Reliance on
third-party
network

Winning AMI offering positions us as a trusted partner to utilities

Competitors with Fixed Networks Claim that their Network is 30% cheaper to operate. However, this means Utilities bear additional costs upfront to build a new network from scratch. Utilities, who are cost sensitive and must justify investments to recoup costs in rates cases, may opt to pay less upfront for a cellular network.

Appendix: Investment Thesis #2 – BMI SaaS positioning

Figure 10: SaaS Growth (Linked to Cellular AMI)



Valuation Comparable - P/E FY1 Trading History

BMI Historically Trades at a Forward Premium to Peers



Comparables Description

| Comparable Company Descriptions | | |
|---|---------------|--|
| Smart Water Metering Comparables | Ticker | |
| Roper Technologies | ROP | ROP is a diversified technology company specializing in smart meter manufacturing and software solutions for utilities |
| Xylem | XYL | XYL produces smart meters, water pumps, filtration systems, treatment services, and software for utilities and industrial clients |
| Zurn Elkay Water Solutions Corporation | ZWS | ZWS provides water safety, control systems, flow solutions, and filtration products for utilities and industrial clients |
| Ittron Inc | ITRI | ITRI produces energy and water management solutions, including smart water meters for utilities |
| Fundamental Growth Comparables | Ticker | |
| ServiceNow, Inc | NOW | NOW provides cloud-based SaaS for workflow digitization and shares a similar 3-year EPS growth profile with BMI |
| Quanta Services | PWR | PWR supplies equipment for utilities and energy infrastructure companies, with a 3-year EPS growth similar to BMI |
| AAON | AAON | AAON manufactures HVAC equipment and data center cooling solutions, with a 3-year EPS and revenue growth similar to BMI |
| Amphenol | APH | APH produces electrical equipment for data centers and industrials, with a 3-year EPS growth and Return of Invested Capital similar to BMI |

Longstanding Capital Allocation Priorities with Ample Liquidity to Execute

- 1 **Internal Investment** to support organic growth and sustain core business
- 2 Grow the **dividend** annually in line with earnings
- 3 Accelerate **acquisitions** that align to strategy and return targets

- Strong free cash flow, working capital management
- No outstanding debt obligations and \$259M of cash at September 30, 2024; \$150M untapped revolver
- August 2024 dividend increase of 26% marked 32 consecutive years of dividend increases.



Key Management Overview

| Name/Title | Years at WMS/Industry | Experience |
|--|-----------------------|--|
| Kenneth C. Bockhorst / Chairman & CEO | 7 / 7 | Joined in 2017; Spent 20 years in operations roles at Actuant, IDEX, and Eaton |
| Robert A. Wrocklage / CFO | 6 / 6 | Joined in 2018; Previously served as Principal Accounting Officer at Actuant |
| Fred J. Begale / SVP - Engineering | 17 / 37 | Joined in 2007; Spent 20 years in Engineering Management role at Eaton before joining BMI |
| Richard Htwe / SVP - Global Operations | 1 / 30 | Joined in 2023; Previously spent 30 years in Operations roles at Emerson Electric |
| Matthew L. Stuyvenberg / SVP - SaaS | 17 / 17 | Joined in 2007; Mechanical Engineer whose last position was VP of Software and Water Quality |

Management Incentives

| | 2023 Annual Bonus Scale | | | 2023 Annual Bonus Achievement |
|------------------------------|-------------------------|----------|----------|-------------------------------|
| | Threshold | Target | Maximum | Actual |
| 2023 Adjusted EBITDA | \$ 113.9 | \$ 121.9 | \$ 131.0 | \$ 146.5 |
| Bonus Payout | 50% | 100% | 200% | 200% |
| 2023 Absolute Free Cash Flow | \$ 76.0 | \$ 82.0 | \$ 89.0 | \$ 98.1 |
| Bonus Payout | 50% | 100% | 200% | 200% |

| Performance Metric | 2021-2023 LTIP Incentive Plan Performance Awards | | | LTIP Incentive Result (Achievement) |
|---------------------------|--|---------------|----------------|-------------------------------------|
| | Threshold (50%) | Target (100%) | Maximum (200%) | Actual |
| Free Cash Flow Conversion | 100.0% | 115.0% | 125.0% | 116.1% (111%) |
| ROIC | 13.5% | 16.0% | 18.5% | 23.6% (200%) |

Management Incentives Continued

Summary Compensation Table for 2023 (all amounts in \$)

| Name & Principal Position | Year | Salary (1) | Bonus (2) | Stock Awards (3) | Non-Equity Incentive Plan Compensation | | Change in Pension and Non-Qualified Deferred Compensation (6) | All Other Compensation (7) | Total |
|---|------|---------------|--------------|------------------------|---|------------------|--|----------------------------------|-----------|
| | | | | | Annual Bonus (4) | LTIP Cash (5) | | | |
| Kenneth C. Bockhorst Chairman, President & CEO | 2023 | 750,000 | - | 1,962,621 | 1,650,000 | - | 97,362 | 84,305 | 4,544,288 |
| | 2022 | 675,000 | - | 1,380,249 | 968,220 | 804,752 | 34,012 | 78,611 | 3,940,844 |
| | 2021 | 640,000 | - | 1,199,221 | 1,408,000 | 276,024 | 72,945 | 78,129 | 3,674,319 |
| Robert A. Wrocklage Senior Vice President - Chief Financial Officer | 2023 | 405,000 | - | 464,756 | 526,500 | - | 22,452 | 50,737 | 1,469,445 |
| | 2022 | 368,000 | - | 359,925 | 263,930 | 197,392 | 7,748 | 47,970 | 1,244,965 |
| | 2021 | 350,000 | - | 326,002 | 385,000 | 59,360 | 19,885 | 44,430 | 1,184,677 |
| Richard Htwe ⁽⁸⁾ Vice President - Global Operations | 2023 | 300,000 | 50,000 | 154,836 | 240,000 | - | - | 36,366 | 781,202 |
| Kimberly K. Stoll Vice President - Sales and Marketing | 2023 | 290,000 | - | 180,704 | 232,000 | - | 8,123 | 49,370 | 760,197 |
| | 2022 | 275,000 | - | 147,894 | 143,440 | 102,492 | 6,433 | 43,475 | 718,734 |
| | 2021 | 263,000 | - | 134,395 | 210,400 | 37,100 | 6,005 | 42,418 | 693,318 |
| Sheryl L. Hopkins Vice President - Human Resources | 2023 | 285,000 | - | 154,836 | 228,000 | - | 5,219 | 42,333 | 715,388 |

Income Statement

Badger Meter - Income Statement

| (\$ in thousands) | FY19 | FY20 | FY21 | FY22 | FY23 | FY24 | FY25 | FY26 | FY27 | FY28 |
|---|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| | Dec-19A | Dec-20A | Dec-21A | Dec-22A | Dec-23A | Dec-24E | Dec-25E | Dec-26E | Dec-27E | Dec-28E |
| Net sales | \$ 424,625 | \$ 425,544 | \$ 505,198 | \$ 565,568 | \$ 703,592 | \$ 827,225 | \$ 938,887 | \$ 1,029,474 | \$ 1,101,743 | \$ 1,169,397 |
| Cost of goods sold | (261,097) | (257,295) | (299,714) | (345,598) | (427,154) | (497,703) | (557,794) | (601,379) | (630,122) | (652,040) |
| Gross profit | 163,528 | 168,249 | 205,484 | 219,970 | 276,438 | 329,522 | 381,093 | 428,095 | 471,621 | 517,357 |
| Selling, engineering and administration | (101,380) | (103,093) | (126,761) | (132,675) | (158,389) | (170,078) | (188,341) | (201,365) | (209,992) | (217,040) |
| Income from operations | 62,148 | 65,156 | 78,723 | 87,295 | 118,049 | 159,444 | 192,753 | 226,730 | 261,629 | 300,317 |
| Interest income / expense, net | (253) | (30) | 20 | 552 | 4,047 | 7,671 | 8,386 | 9,574 | 10,197 | 13,199 |
| Other pension and postretirement benefits / costs | (288) | (145) | (120) | (130) | (130) | (130) | (130) | (130) | (130) | (130) |
| Income before income taxes | 61,607 | 64,981 | 78,623 | 87,717 | 121,966 | 166,986 | 201,009 | 236,174 | 271,696 | 313,386 |
| Income tax expense | (14,430) | (15,638) | (17,739) | (21,221) | (29,368) | (40,077) | (48,242) | (56,682) | (65,207) | (75,213) |
| Net income | \$ 47,177 | \$ 49,343 | \$ 60,884 | \$ 66,496 | \$ 92,598 | \$ 126,909 | \$ 152,767 | \$ 179,492 | \$ 206,489 | \$ 238,173 |
| GAAP Basic Earnings per Share | \$ 1.63 | \$ 1.70 | \$ 2.09 | \$ 2.28 | \$ 3.16 | \$ 4.32 | \$ 5.18 | \$ 6.07 | \$ 6.96 | \$ 8.00 |
| Basic Weighted Average Shares | 29,028 | 29,052 | 29,144 | 29,218 | 29,284 | 29,384 | 29,484 | 29,584 | 29,684 | 29,784 |
| GAAP Diluted Earnings per Share | \$ 1.61 | \$ 1.69 | \$ 2.08 | \$ 2.26 | \$ 3.14 | \$ 4.29 | \$ 5.15 | \$ 6.03 | \$ 6.92 | \$ 7.95 |
| Diluted Weighted Average Shares | 29,220 | 29,230 | 29,338 | 29,376 | 29,456 | 29,556 | 29,656 | 29,756 | 29,856 | 29,956 |
| Dividend per Share | \$ 0.64 | \$ 0.70 | \$ 0.76 | \$ 0.85 | \$ 0.99 | \$ 1.35 | \$ 1.62 | \$ 1.90 | \$ 2.18 | \$ 2.51 |

Model Assumptions

| | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Sales Growth | (2.1%) | 0.2% | 18.7% | 11.9% | 24.4% | 17.6% | 13.5% | 9.6% | 7.0% | 6.1% |
| Selling, engineering and administration as a % of Sales | 23.9% | 24.2% | 25.1% | 23.5% | 22.5% | 20.6% | 20.1% | 19.6% | 19.1% | 18.6% |
| Depreciation Expense as a % of Sales | 2.7% | 2.9% | 2.2% | 2.0% | 1.6% | 1.2% | 1.1% | 1.0% | 1.0% | 0.9% |
| Amortization Expense as a % of Sales | 3.0% | 3.0% | 3.3% | 2.7% | 2.4% | 2.3% | 2.2% | 2.1% | 2.1% | 2.0% |
| Effective tax rate | 23.4% | 24.1% | 22.6% | 24.2% | 24.1% | 24.0% | 24.0% | 24.0% | 24.0% | 24.0% |
| Payout Ratio | 39.8% | 41.4% | 36.5% | 37.6% | 31.5% | 31.5% | 31.5% | 31.5% | 31.5% | 31.5% |

Key Performance Metrics

| | | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Gross Margin | 38.5% | 39.5% | 40.7% | 38.9% | 39.3% | 39.8% | 40.6% | 41.6% | 42.8% | 44.2% |
| EBITDA margin | 20.3% | 21.2% | 21.1% | 20.1% | 20.8% | 22.8% | 27.0% | 27.5% | 28.6% | 30.3% |
| EBIT margin | 14.6% | 15.3% | 15.6% | 15.4% | 16.8% | 19.3% | 23.3% | 24.1% | 25.4% | 27.2% |
| Pre-Tax Margin | 14.5% | 15.3% | 15.6% | 15.5% | 17.3% | 20.2% | 21.4% | 22.9% | 24.7% | 26.8% |
| Net Margin | 11.1% | 11.6% | 12.1% | 11.8% | 13.2% | 15.3% | 16.3% | 17.4% | 18.7% | 20.4% |
| ROIC | 14.7% | 14.0% | 15.7% | 15.6% | 19.2% | 22.7% | 23.3% | 23.3% | 22.9% | 22.6% |
| ROE | 14.9% | 14.3% | 15.9% | 15.7% | 19.3% | 22.7% | 23.3% | 23.3% | 22.9% | 22.6% |
| ROA | 11.6% | 11.0% | 12.2% | 11.7% | 14.0% | 16.7% | 17.7% | 18.2% | 18.4% | 18.6% |

Balance Sheet

Badger Meter - Balance Sheet

| | FY19 | FY20 | FY21 | FY22 | FY23 | FY24 | FY25 | FY26 | FY27 | FY28 |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| (\$ in thousands) | Dec-19A | Dec-20A | Dec-21A | Dec-22A | Dec-23A | Dec-24E | Dec-25E | Dec-26E | Dec-27E | Dec-28E |
| Assets | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ 48,871 | \$ 72,273 | \$ 87,174 | \$ 138,052 | \$ 191,782 | \$ 279,545 | \$ 382,955 | \$ 509,851 | \$ 659,926 | \$ 833,331 |
| Accounts receivable | 61,365 | 61,689 | 65,866 | 76,651 | 83,507 | 93,017 | 104,287 | 112,938 | 119,357 | 125,085 |
| Inventories | 81,948 | 81,586 | 99,611 | 119,856 | 153,674 | 158,672 | 177,065 | 190,076 | 198,298 | 204,302 |
| Other Current Assets | 7,910 | 8,140 | 8,709 | 13,273 | 13,214 | 13,214 | 13,214 | 13,214 | 13,214 | 13,214 |
| Total current assets | 200,094 | 223,688 | 261,360 | 347,832 | 442,177 | 544,448 | 677,521 | 826,080 | 990,796 | 1,175,932 |
| Net Property, Plant & Equipment | 85,761 | 89,570 | 83,927 | 80,075 | 79,400 | 83,973 | 86,146 | 89,351 | 93,384 | 98,360 |
| Intangible assets, net | 125,121 | 148,306 | 174,089 | 159,668 | 170,600 | 151,574 | 130,918 | 109,299 | 86,714 | 63,326 |
| Other Assets | 10,917 | 9,653 | 11,442 | 15,472 | 24,742 | 24,742 | 24,742 | 24,742 | 24,742 | 24,742 |
| Total Assets | \$ 421,893 | \$ 471,217 | \$ 530,818 | \$ 603,047 | \$ 716,919 | \$ 804,737 | \$ 919,327 | \$ 1,049,472 | \$ 1,195,635 | \$ 1,362,359 |
| Liabilities & Shareholders' Equity | | | | | | | | | | |
| Accounts payable | \$ 30,523 | \$ 34,923 | \$ 41,859 | \$ 71,440 | \$ 81,807 | 82,729 | 92,717 | 99,962 | 104,739 | 108,382 |
| Other Current Liabilities | 26,724 | 33,113 | 40,287 | 38,872 | 50,141 | 50,141 | 50,141 | 50,141 | 50,141 | 50,141 |
| Total current liabilities | 57,247 | 68,036 | 82,146 | 110,312 | 131,948 | 132,870 | 142,858 | 150,103 | 154,880 | 158,523 |
| Lease Obligations | 8,792 | 4,692 | 4,255 | 4,393 | 3,206 | 3,206 | 3,206 | 3,206 | 3,206 | 3,206 |
| Other long-term liabilities | 24,786 | 37,230 | 41,347 | 45,920 | 65,283 | 65,283 | 65,283 | 65,283 | 65,283 | 65,283 |
| Total Liabilities | 90,825 | 109,958 | 127,748 | 160,625 | 200,437 | 201,359 | 211,347 | 218,592 | 223,369 | 227,012 |
| Common stock | 37,200 | 37,221 | 37,221 | 37,221 | 37,221 | 37,221 | 37,221 | 37,221 | 37,221 | 37,221 |
| Treasury stock | (34,238) | (37,089) | (37,046) | (37,253) | (36,997) | (36,997) | (36,997) | (36,997) | (36,997) | (36,997) |
| Additional paid-in capital | 41,956 | 44,964 | 49,224 | 53,282 | 59,185 | 59,185 | 59,185 | 59,185 | 59,185 | 59,185 |
| Retained earnings | 285,879 | 314,850 | 353,535 | 395,155 | 458,719 | 545,615 | 650,217 | 773,118 | 914,503 | 1,077,584 |
| Other | 271 | 1,313 | 136 | (5,983) | (1,646) | (1,646) | (1,646) | (1,646) | (1,646) | (1,646) |
| Total Equity | 331,068 | 361,259 | 403,070 | 442,422 | 516,482 | 603,378 | 707,980 | 830,881 | 972,266 | 1,135,347 |
| Total Liabilities and Equity | \$ 421,893 | \$ 471,217 | \$ 530,818 | \$ 603,047 | \$ 716,919 | \$ 804,737 | \$ 919,327 | \$ 1,049,472 | \$ 1,195,635 | \$ 1,362,359 |
| <i>Check</i> | <i>Balances</i> | <i>Balances</i> | <i>Balances</i> | <i>Balances</i> | <i>Balances</i> | <i>Balances</i> | <i>Balances</i> | <i>Balances</i> | <i>Balances</i> | <i>Balances</i> |
| Model Assumptions | | | | | | | | | | |
| Days Sales Outstanding (DSO) | 55 Days | 53 Days | 46 Days | 46 Days | 42 Days | 41 Days | 41 Days | 40 Days | 40 Days | 39 Days |
| Days Inventory Outstanding (DIO) | 114 Days | 116 Days | 110 Days | 116 Days | 117 Days | 116 Days | 116 Days | 115 Days | 115 Days | 114 Days |
| Days Payable Outstanding (DPO) | 37 Days | 46 Days | 44 Days | 57 Days | 61 Days | 61 Days | 61 Days | 61 Days | 61 Days | 61 Days |
| Cash Conversion | 132 Days | 122 Days | 112 Days | 105 Days | 98 Days | 97 Days | 96 Days | 95 Days | 94 Days | 93 Days |
| Accounts receivable, net | 61,365 | 61,689 | 65,866 | 76,651 | 83,507 | 93,017 | 104,287 | 112,938 | 119,357 | 125,085 |
| Inventories, net | 81,948 | 81,586 | 99,611 | 119,856 | 153,674 | 158,672 | 177,065 | 190,076 | 198,298 | 204,302 |
| Accounts payable | (30,523) | (34,923) | (41,859) | (71,440) | (81,807) | (82,729) | (92,717) | (99,962) | (104,739) | (108,382) |
| Working Capital | 112,790 | 108,352 | 123,618 | 125,067 | 155,374 | 168,960 | 188,635 | 203,053 | 212,916 | 221,005 |
| Working Capital as a % of Sales | | | | | | | | | | |
| CAPEX as % of PY Sales | | 2.1% | 1.6% | 1.2% | 2.1% | 1.6% | 1.5% | 1.4% | 1.4% | 1.4% |
| CAPEX as % of PY PP&E, net | | 10.6% | 7.5% | 7.0% | 15.0% | 14.5% | 14.9% | 15.7% | 16.2% | 16.6% |
| Key Performance Metrics | | | | | | | | | | |
| Current ratio | 3.5x | 3.3x | 3.2x | 3.2x | 3.4x | 4.1x | 4.7x | 5.5x | 6.4x | 7.4x |
| Quick ratio | 2.1x | 2.1x | 2.0x | 2.1x | 2.2x | 2.8x | 3.4x | 4.1x | 5.0x | 6.0x |
| Cash ratio | 0.9x | 1.1x | 1.1x | 1.3x | 1.5x | 2.1x | 2.7x | 3.4x | 4.3x | 5.3x |

Statement of Cash Flows

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| | FY19 | FY20 | FY21 | FY22 | FY23 | FY24 | FY25 | FY26 | FY27 | FY28 |
|---|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| (\$ in thousands) | Dec-19A | Dec-20A | Dec-21A | Dec-22A | Dec-23A | Dec-24E | Dec-25E | Dec-26E | Dec-27E | Dec-28E |
| Operating Activities | | | | | | | | | | |
| Net income | \$ 47,177 | \$ 49,343 | \$ 60,884 | \$ 66,496 | \$ 92,598 | \$ 126,909 | \$ 152,767 | \$ 179,492 | \$ 206,489 | \$ 238,173 |
| Depreciation | 11,569 | 12,253 | 11,291 | 11,090 | 10,937 | 9,927 | 10,328 | 10,295 | 10,467 | 10,525 |
| Amortization | 12,577 | 12,963 | 16,571 | 15,151 | 17,173 | 19,026 | 20,656 | 21,619 | 22,586 | 23,388 |
| Other Non-Cash Charges | (350) | (1,461) | (959) | (3,119) | (4,800) | - | - | - | - | - |
| Changes in Working Capital | 9,741 | 16,480 | (277) | (7,167) | (5,791) | (13,586) | (19,675) | (14,419) | (9,863) | (8,089) |
| Cash Flow from Operating Activities | \$ 80,714 | \$ 89,578 | \$ 87,510 | \$ 82,451 | \$ 110,117 | \$ 142,276 | \$ 164,075 | \$ 196,987 | \$ 229,678 | \$ 263,997 |
| Investing Activities | | | | | | | | | | |
| Capital Expenditures | \$ (7,496) | \$ (9,059) | \$ (6,746) | \$ (5,891) | \$ (12,003) | \$ (11,500) | \$ (12,500) | \$ (13,500) | \$ (14,500) | \$ (15,500) |
| Acquisitions | - | (29,134) | (45,273) | - | (17,127) | (3,000) | - | - | - | - |
| Sale of Fixed Assets & Businesses | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Other | - | - | 596 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Cash Flow from Investing Activities | \$ (7,496) | \$ (38,193) | \$ (51,423) | \$ (5,891) | \$ (29,130) | \$ (14,500) | \$ (12,500) | \$ (13,500) | \$ (14,500) | \$ (15,500) |
| Free Cash Flow | \$ 73,218 | \$ 80,519 | \$ 80,764 | \$ 76,560 | \$ 98,114 | \$ 130,776 | \$ 151,575 | \$ 183,487 | \$ 215,178 | \$ 248,497 |
| Financing Activities | | | | | | | | | | |
| Common Dividends | \$ (18,595) | \$ (20,340) | \$ (22,155) | \$ (24,881) | \$ (29,052) | \$ (40,013) | \$ (48,165) | \$ (56,591) | \$ (65,103) | \$ (75,093) |
| Sale of Common & Preferred Stock | 2,148 | 1,238 | 2,108 | 703 | 967 | - | - | - | - | - |
| Repurchase of Common Stock | (5,207) | (3,116) | (460) | (427) | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Issuance/Reduction of Debt, Net | (13,500) | (4,600) | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Other | (2,555) | (1,001) | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Cash Flow from Financing Activities | \$ (37,709) | \$ (27,819) | \$ (20,507) | \$ (24,605) | \$ (28,085) | \$ (40,013) | \$ (48,165) | \$ (56,591) | \$ (65,103) | \$ (75,093) |
| Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash, beginning of period | 13,086 | 48,871 | 72,273 | 87,174 | 138,052 | 191,782 | 279,545 | 382,955 | 509,851 | 659,926 |
| Effect of foreign exchange rate changes on cash and equivalents | 276 | (164) | (679) | (1,077) | 828 | - | - | - | - | - |
| Net Change in Cash | 35,785 | 23,402 | 14,901 | 50,878 | 53,730 | 87,763 | 103,410 | 126,896 | 150,075 | 173,404 |
| Cash and cash equivalents, end of period | \$ 48,871 | \$ 72,273 | \$ 87,174 | \$ 138,052 | \$ 191,782 | \$ 279,545 | \$ 382,955 | \$ 509,851 | \$ 659,926 | \$ 833,331 |
| <i>Check</i> | <i>Reconciles</i> | <i>Reconciles</i> | <i>Reconciles</i> | <i>Reconciles</i> | <i>Reconciles</i> | <i>Reconciles</i> | <i>Reconciles</i> | <i>Reconciles</i> | <i>Reconciles</i> | <i>Reconciles</i> |
| Free Cash Flow Breakdown | | | | | | | | | | |
| EBIT | \$ 61,860 | \$ 65,011 | \$ 78,603 | \$ 87,165 | \$ 117,919 | \$ 159,314 | \$ 192,623 | \$ 226,600 | \$ 261,499 | \$ 300,187 |
| (+) Taxes | 14,489 | (15,645) | (17,734) | (21,087) | (28,394) | (38,235) | (46,229) | (54,384) | (62,760) | (72,045) |
| NOPAT | 76,349 | 49,366 | 60,869 | 66,078 | 89,525 | 121,079 | 146,393 | 172,216 | 198,739 | 228,142 |
| (+) Depreciation and Amortization | 24,146 | 25,216 | 27,862 | 26,241 | 28,110 | 28,953 | 30,983 | 31,914 | 33,052 | 33,913 |
| (+) Change in Working Capital | 9,741 | 16,480 | (277) | (7,167) | (5,791) | (13,586) | (19,675) | (14,419) | (9,863) | (8,089) |
| (+) Other Non-Cash Charges | (350) | (1,461) | (959) | (3,119) | (4,800) | - | - | - | - | - |
| (+) Capital Expenditures | (7,496) | (9,059) | (6,746) | (5,891) | (12,003) | (11,500) | (12,500) | (13,500) | (14,500) | (15,500) |
| Unlevered Free Cash Flow | \$ 102,390 | \$ 80,542 | \$ 80,749 | \$ 76,142 | \$ 95,041 | \$ 124,946 | \$ 145,202 | \$ 176,211 | \$ 207,429 | \$ 238,466 |
| (+) Net Borrowings | (13,500) | (4,600) | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Levered Free Cash Flow | \$ 88,890 | \$ 75,942 | \$ 80,749 | \$ 76,142 | \$ 95,041 | \$ 124,946 | \$ 145,202 | \$ 176,211 | \$ 207,429 | \$ 238,466 |
| FCFF / Sales | 24.1% | 18.9% | 16.0% | 13.5% | 13.5% | 15.1% | 15.5% | 17.1% | 18.8% | 20.4% |
| FCFE / Sales | 20.9% | 17.8% | 16.0% | 13.5% | 13.5% | 15.1% | 15.5% | 17.1% | 18.8% | 20.4% |

Revenue Build

Badger Meter - Revenue Build

| | FY19 | FY20 | FY21 | FY22 | FY23 | FY24 | FY25 | FY26 | FY27 | FY28 |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| (\$ in thousands) | Dec-19A | Dec-20A | Dec-21A | Dec-22A | Dec-23A | Dec-24E | Dec-25E | Dec-26E | Dec-27E | Dec-28E |
| Consolidated Segment Results | | | | | | | | | | |
| Utility Water | \$ 330,725 | \$ 344,344 | \$ 415,298 | \$ 471,768 | \$ 603,092 | \$ 723,710 | \$ 832,267 | \$ 919,655 | \$ 988,629 | \$ 1,052,890 |
| Flow Instrumentation | 93,900 | 81,200 | 89,900 | 93,800 | 100,500 | 103,515 | 106,620 | 109,819 | 113,114 | 116,507 |
| Total Consolidated Sales | \$ 424,625 | \$ 425,544 | \$ 505,198 | \$ 565,568 | \$ 703,592 | \$ 827,225 | \$ 938,887 | \$ 1,029,474 | \$ 1,101,743 | \$ 1,169,397 |
| % of Consolidated Net Sales | | | | | | | | | | |
| Utility Water | 77.9% | 80.9% | 82.2% | 83.4% | 85.7% | 87.5% | 88.6% | 89.3% | 89.7% | 90.0% |
| Flow Instrumentation | 22.1% | 19.1% | 17.8% | 16.6% | 14.3% | 12.5% | 11.4% | 10.7% | 10.3% | 10.0% |
| YoY Growth % | | | | | | | | | | |
| Utility Water | | 4.1% | 20.6% | 13.6% | 27.8% | 20.0% | 15.0% | 10.5% | 7.5% | 6.5% |
| Flow Instrumentation | | (13.5%) | 10.7% | 4.3% | 7.1% | 3.0% | 3.0% | 3.0% | 3.0% | 3.0% |
| Total Consolidated | | 0.2% | 18.7% | 11.9% | 24.4% | 17.6% | 13.5% | 9.6% | 7.0% | 6.1% |

Smart Water Meter Market

| | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| North America Smart Water Metering Market | | | | \$ 1,400,590 | \$ 1,708,720 | \$ 1,965,028 | \$ 2,161,531 | \$ 2,312,838 | \$ 2,428,480 | \$ 2,525,619 |
| BMI Market Share in Smart Water Metering Market | | | | 37.8% | 38.6% | 39.0% | 39.6% | 39.7% | 39.4% | 38.9% |
| BMI Water Meter Hardware Revenue | \$ 408,479 | \$ 404,065 | \$ 476,674 | \$ 529,603 | \$ 659,275 | \$ 766,849 | \$ 856,278 | \$ 918,304 | \$ 956,327 | \$ 983,478 |
| Hardware Sales | \$ 408,479 | \$ 404,065 | \$ 476,674 | \$ 529,603 | \$ 659,275 | \$ 766,849 | \$ 856,278 | \$ 918,304 | \$ 956,327 | \$ 983,478 |
| Software Sales | 16,146 | 21,479 | 28,524 | 35,965 | 44,317 | 60,377 | 82,610 | 111,170 | 145,415 | 185,919 |
| Total Consolidated Sales | \$ 424,625 | \$ 425,544 | \$ 505,198 | \$ 565,568 | \$ 703,592 | \$ 827,225 | \$ 938,887 | \$ 1,029,474 | \$ 1,101,743 | \$ 1,169,397 |
| % of Consolidated Net Sales | | | | | | | | | | |
| Hardware Sales | 96.2% | 95.0% | 94.4% | 93.6% | 93.7% | 92.7% | 91.2% | 89.2% | 86.8% | 84.1% |
| Software Sales | 3.8% | 5.0% | 5.6% | 6.4% | 6.3% | 7.3% | 8.8% | 10.8% | 13.2% | 15.9% |
| YoY Growth % | | | | | | | | | | |
| Hardware Sales | | (1.1%) | 18.0% | 11.1% | 24.5% | 16.3% | 11.7% | 7.2% | 4.1% | 2.8% |
| Software Sales | | 33.0% | 32.8% | 26.1% | 23.2% | 36.2% | 36.8% | 34.6% | 30.8% | 27.9% |
| Total Consolidated Sales | | 0.2% | 18.7% | 11.9% | 24.4% | 17.6% | 13.5% | 9.6% | 7.0% | 6.1% |

Margin Analysis

Badger Meter - Margin Analysis

| | FY19 | FY20 | FY21 | FY22 | FY23 | FY24 | FY25 | FY26 | FY27 | FY28 |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| (\$ in thousands) | Dec-19A | Dec-20A | Dec-21A | Dec-22A | Dec-23A | Dec-24E | Dec-25E | Dec-26E | Dec-27E | Dec-28E |
| Consolidated Gross Margin Build | | | | | | | | | | |
| Hardware Sales | \$ 408,479 | \$ 404,065 | \$ 476,674 | \$ 529,603 | \$ 659,275 | \$ 766,849 | \$ 856,278 | \$ 918,304 | \$ 956,327 | \$ 983,478 |
| Software Sales | 16,146 | 21,479 | 28,524 | 35,965 | 44,317 | 60,377 | 82,610 | 111,170 | 145,415 | 185,919 |
| Total Consolidated | \$ 424,625 | \$ 425,544 | \$ 505,198 | \$ 565,568 | \$ 703,592 | \$ 827,225 | \$ 938,887 | \$ 1,029,474 | \$ 1,101,743 | \$ 1,169,397 |
| % of Consolidated Net Sales | | | | | | | | | | |
| Hardware Sales | 96.2% | 95.0% | 94.4% | 93.6% | 93.7% | 92.7% | 91.2% | 89.2% | 86.8% | 84.1% |
| Software Sales | 3.8% | 5.0% | 5.6% | 6.4% | 6.3% | 7.3% | 8.8% | 10.8% | 13.2% | 15.9% |
| Hardware Gross Profit | | | | \$ 196,233 | \$ 246,302 | \$ 287,258 | \$ 321,614 | \$ 345,830 | \$ 361,105 | \$ 372,341 |
| Software Gross Profit | | | | 23,737 | 30,136 | 42,264 | 59,479 | 82,266 | 110,516 | 145,017 |
| Consolidated Gross Profit | | | | \$ 219,970 | \$ 276,438 | \$ 329,522 | \$ 381,093 | \$ 428,095 | \$ 471,621 | \$ 517,357 |
| Hardware Gross Margin | | | | 37.1% | 37.4% | 37.5% | 37.6% | 37.7% | 37.8% | 37.9% |
| Software Gross Margin | | | | 66.0% | 68.0% | 70.0% | 72.0% | 74.0% | 76.0% | 78.0% |
| Consolidated Gross Margin | | | | 38.9% | 39.3% | 39.8% | 40.6% | 41.6% | 42.8% | 44.2% |
| Software - Incremental Margin | | | | | | 75.5% | 77.4% | 79.8% | 82.5% | 85.2% |
| Consolidated EBITDA Build | | | | | | | | | | |
| Consolidated Net income | \$ 47,177 | \$ 49,343 | \$ 60,884 | \$ 66,496 | \$ 92,598 | \$ 126,909 | \$ 152,767 | \$ 179,492 | \$ 206,489 | \$ 238,173 |
| (+) Interest (income) / expense, net | 253 | 30 | (20) | (552) | (4,047) | (7,671) | (8,386) | (9,574) | (10,197) | (13,199) |
| (+) Income tax expense | 14,430 | 15,638 | 17,739 | 21,221 | 29,368 | 40,077 | 48,242 | 56,682 | 65,207 | 75,213 |
| EBIT | \$ 61,860 | \$ 65,011 | \$ 78,603 | \$ 87,165 | \$ 117,919 | \$ 159,314 | \$ 192,623 | \$ 226,600 | \$ 261,499 | \$ 300,187 |
| (+) Depreciation & Amortization Expense | 24,146 | 25,216 | 27,862 | 26,241 | 28,110 | 28,953 | 30,983 | 31,914 | 33,052 | 33,913 |
| EBITDA | \$ 86,006 | \$ 90,227 | \$ 106,465 | \$ 113,406 | \$ 146,029 | \$ 188,267 | \$ 223,606 | \$ 258,514 | \$ 294,551 | \$ 334,100 |
| EBIT Margin | 14.6% | 15.3% | 15.6% | 15.4% | 16.8% | 19.3% | 23.3% | 24.1% | 25.4% | 27.2% |
| EBITDA Margin | 20.3% | 21.2% | 21.1% | 20.1% | 20.8% | 22.8% | 27.0% | 27.5% | 28.6% | 30.3% |

Scenario Analysis: Base Case

Badger Meter - Scenario Analysis

Base Case

| (\$ in millions) | FY23 | FY24 | FY25 | FY26 | FY27 | FY28 |
|---|----------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | Dec-23A | Dec-24E | Dec-25E | Dec-26E | Dec-27E | Dec-28E |
| Hardware Sales | 659,275 | 766,849 | 856,278 | 918,304 | 956,327 | 983,478 |
| Growth | 24.5% | 16.3% | 11.7% | 7.2% | 4.1% | 2.8% |
| Software Sales | 44,317 | 60,377 | 82,610 | 111,170 | 145,415 | 185,919 |
| Growth | 23.2% | 36.2% | 36.8% | 34.6% | 30.8% | 27.9% |
| Net sales | 703,592 | 827,225 | 938,887 | 1,029,474 | 1,101,743 | 1,169,397 |
| Growth | 24.4% | 17.6% | 13.5% | 9.6% | 7.0% | 6.1% |
| Cost of goods sold | (427,154) | (497,703) | (557,794) | (601,379) | (630,122) | (652,040) |
| Gross profit | 276,438 | 329,522 | 381,093 | 428,095 | 471,621 | 517,357 |
| Margin | 39.3% | 39.8% | 40.6% | 41.6% | 42.8% | 44.2% |
| Selling, engineering and administration | (158,389) | (170,078) | (188,341) | (201,365) | (209,992) | (217,040) |
| % of Sales | 22.5% | 20.6% | 20.1% | 19.6% | 19.1% | 18.6% |
| Income from operations | 118,049 | 159,444 | 192,753 | 226,730 | 261,629 | 300,317 |
| Margin | 16.8% | 19.3% | 20.5% | 22.0% | 23.7% | 25.7% |
| Interest income / expense, net | 4,047 | 7,671 | 8,386 | 9,574 | 10,197 | 13,199 |
| Other pension and postretirement benefits / costs | (130) | (130) | (130) | (130) | (130) | (130) |
| Income before income taxes | 121,966 | 166,986 | 201,009 | 236,174 | 271,696 | 313,386 |
| Margin | 17.3% | 20.2% | 21.4% | 22.9% | 24.7% | 26.8% |
| Income Taxes | (29,368) | (40,077) | (48,242) | (56,682) | (65,207) | (75,213) |
| ETR | 24.1% | 24.0% | 24.0% | 24.0% | 24.0% | 24.0% |
| Net income | 92,598 | 126,909 | 152,767 | 179,492 | 206,489 | 238,173 |
| Diluted Earnings per Share | \$ 3.14 | \$ 4.29 | \$ 5.15 | \$ 6.03 | \$ 6.92 | \$ 7.95 |
| Diluted Weighted Average Shares | 29,456 | 29,556 | 29,656 | 29,756 | 29,856 | 29,956 |

Discounted Cash Flow Analysis: Base Case

Base Case: Badger Meter Discounted Cash Flow Analysis

| | Calendar Year Ending December 31, | | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| | 2024E | 2025E | 2026E | 2027E | 2028E | Terminal Value |
| NOPAT | 121,079 | 146,393 | 172,216 | 198,739 | 228,142 | |
| (+) Depreciation and Amortization | 28,953 | 30,983 | 31,914 | 33,052 | 33,913 | |
| (+) Change in Working Capital | (13,586) | (19,675) | (14,419) | (9,863) | (8,089) | |
| (+) Other Non-Cash Charges | - | - | - | - | - | |
| (+) Capital Expenditures | (11,500) | (12,500) | (13,500) | (14,500) | (15,500) | |
| Unlevered Free Cash Flow | \$ 124,946 | \$ 145,202 | \$ 176,211 | \$ 207,429 | \$ 238,466 | \$ 6,670,614 |
| Discount Factor | 0.93 | 0.87 | 0.81 | 0.76 | 0.71 | 0.71 |
| PV of Free Cash Flow | \$ 116,554 | \$ 126,352 | \$ 143,037 | \$ 157,069 | \$ 168,443 | \$ 4,711,854 |
| Enterprise Value | \$ 5,423,309 | | | | | |
| (+) Net Cash | 258,955 | | | | | |
| Equity Value | \$ 5,682,264 | | | | | |
| (÷) Shares Outstanding | 29,456 | | | | | |
| Price per Share | \$ 192.91 | | | | | |
| Assumptions | | | | | | |
| Weighted Average Cost of Capital | | | | 7.2% | | |
| Perpetual Growth Rate | | | | 3.5% | | |

Scenario Analysis: Upside Case

Badger Meter - Scenario Analysis

Upside Case

| (\$ in millions) | FY23 | FY24 | FY25 | FY26 | FY27 | FY28 |
|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | Dec-23A | Dec-24E | Dec-25E | Dec-26E | Dec-27E | Dec-28E |
| Hardware Sales | 659,275 | 770,145 | 875,361 | 965,031 | 1,033,940 | 1,094,313 |
| Growth | 24.5% | 16.8% | 13.7% | 10.2% | 7.1% | 5.8% |
| Software Sales | 44,317 | 60,598 | 85,943 | 119,952 | 162,901 | 216,420 |
| Growth | 23.2% | 36.7% | 41.8% | 39.6% | 35.8% | 32.9% |
| Net sales | 703,592 | 830,743 | 961,304 | 1,084,983 | 1,196,841 | 1,310,732 |
| Growth | 24.4% | 18.1% | 15.7% | 12.9% | 10.3% | 9.5% |
| Cost of goods sold | (427,154) | (498,158) | (559,096) | (620,243) | (669,551) | (714,462) |
| Gross profit | 276,438 | 332,585 | 402,209 | 464,740 | 527,290 | 596,270 |
| Margin | 39.3% | 40.0% | 41.8% | 42.8% | 44.1% | 45.5% |
| Selling, engineering and administration | (158,389) | (169,970) | (183,225) | (201,373) | (216,149) | (230,165) |
| % of Sales | 22.5% | 20.5% | 19.1% | 18.6% | 18.1% | 17.6% |
| Income from operations | 118,049 | 162,615 | 218,984 | 263,368 | 311,141 | 366,106 |
| Margin | 16.8% | 19.6% | 22.8% | 24.3% | 26.0% | 27.9% |
| Interest income / expense, net | 4,047 | 7,671 | 8,386 | 9,574 | 10,197 | 13,199 |
| Other pension and postretirement benefits / costs | (130) | (130) | (130) | (130) | (130) | (130) |
| Income before income taxes | 121,966 | 170,156 | 227,240 | 272,811 | 321,208 | 379,174 |
| Margin | 17.3% | 20.5% | 23.6% | 25.1% | 26.8% | 28.9% |
| Income Taxes | (29,368) | (40,837) | (54,538) | (65,475) | (77,090) | (91,002) |
| ETR | 24.1% | 24.0% | 24.0% | 24.0% | 24.0% | 24.0% |
| Net income | 92,598 | 129,319 | 172,703 | 207,337 | 244,118 | 288,172 |
| Diluted Earnings per Share | \$ 3.14 | \$ 4.38 | \$ 5.82 | \$ 6.97 | \$ 8.18 | \$ 9.62 |
| Diluted Weighted Average Shares | 29,456 | 29,556 | 29,656 | 29,756 | 29,856 | 29,956 |

Discounted Cash Flow Analysis: Upside Case

Upside Case: Badger Meter Discounted Cash Flow Analysis

| | Calendar Year Ending December 31, | | | | | Terminal Value |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| | 2024E | 2025E | 2026E | 2027E | 2028E | |
| NOPAT | \$ 123,587 | \$ 166,428 | \$ 200,159 | \$ 236,467 | \$ 278,240 | |
| (+) Depreciation and Amortization | 28,953 | 30,506 | 31,164 | 32,273 | 33,110 | |
| (+) Change in Working Capital | (13,489) | (16,532) | (12,584) | (9,935) | (8,519) | |
| (+) Other Non-Cash Charges | - | - | - | - | - | |
| (+) Capital Expenditures | (11,500) | (12,500) | (13,500) | (14,500) | (15,500) | |
| Unlevered Free Cash Flow | \$ 127,551 | \$ 167,901 | \$ 205,240 | \$ 244,304 | \$ 287,331 | \$ 8,037,515 |
| Discount Factor | 0.93 | 0.87 | 0.81 | 0.76 | 0.71 | 0.71 |
| PV of Free Cash Flow | \$ 118,984 | \$ 146,105 | \$ 166,601 | \$ 184,991 | \$ 202,959 | \$ 5,677,379 |
| Enterprise Value | \$ 6,497,020 | | | | | |
| (+) Net Cash | 258,955 | | | | | |
| Equity Value | \$ 6,755,975 | | | | | |
| (÷) Shares Outstanding | 29,456 | | | | | |
| Price per Share | \$ 229.36 | | | | | |
| Assumptions | | | | | | |
| Weighted Average Cost of Capital | | | | 7.2% | | |
| Perpetual Growth Rate | | | | 3.5% | | |

Scenario Analysis: Downside Case

Badger Meter - Scenario Analysis

Downside Case

| (\$ in millions) | FY23 | FY24 | FY25 | FY26 | FY27 | FY28 |
|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|
| | Dec-23A | Dec-24E | Dec-25E | Dec-26E | Dec-27E | Dec-28E |
| Hardware Sales | 659,275 | 763,552 | 822,055 | 856,941 | 866,715 | 865,320 |
| Growth | 24.5% | 15.8% | 7.7% | 4.2% | 1.1% | (0.2%) |
| Software Sales | 44,317 | 60,155 | 79,900 | 104,328 | 132,293 | 163,849 |
| Growth | 23.2% | 35.7% | 32.8% | 30.6% | 26.8% | 23.9% |
| Net sales | 703,592 | 823,707 | 901,955 | 961,268 | 999,007 | 1,029,169 |
| Growth | 24.4% | 17.1% | 9.5% | 6.6% | 3.9% | 3.0% |
| Cost of goods sold | (427,154) | (497,234) | (558,401) | (585,567) | (596,339) | (599,580) |
| Gross profit | 276,438 | 326,473 | 343,554 | 375,701 | 402,668 | 429,589 |
| Margin | 39.3% | 39.6% | 38.1% | 39.1% | 40.3% | 41.7% |
| Selling, engineering and administration | (158,389) | (171,002) | (189,952) | (197,637) | (200,401) | (201,305) |
| % of Sales | 22.5% | 20.8% | 21.1% | 20.6% | 20.1% | 19.6% |
| Income from operations | 118,049 | 155,472 | 153,602 | 178,064 | 202,267 | 228,284 |
| Margin | 16.8% | 18.9% | 17.0% | 18.5% | 20.2% | 22.2% |
| Interest income / expense, net | 4,047 | 7,671 | 8,386 | 9,574 | 10,197 | 13,199 |
| Other pension and postretirement benefits / costs | (130) | (130) | (130) | (130) | (130) | (130) |
| Income before income taxes | 121,966 | 163,013 | 161,858 | 187,508 | 212,334 | 241,352 |
| Margin | 17.3% | 19.8% | 17.9% | 19.5% | 21.3% | 23.5% |
| Income Taxes | (29,368) | (39,123) | (38,846) | (45,002) | (50,960) | (57,925) |
| ETR | 24.1% | 24.0% | 24.0% | 24.0% | 24.0% | 24.0% |
| Net income | 92,598 | 123,890 | 123,012 | 142,506 | 161,374 | 183,428 |
| Diluted Earnings per Share | \$ 3.14 | \$ 4.19 | \$ 4.15 | \$ 4.79 | \$ 5.41 | \$ 6.12 |
| Diluted Weighted Average Shares | 29,456 | 29,556 | 29,656 | 29,756 | 29,856 | 29,956 |

Discounted Cash Flow Analysis: Downside Case

Downside Case: Badger Meter Discounted Cash Flow Analysis

| | Calendar Year Ending December 31, | | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| | 2024E | 2025E | 2026E | 2027E | 2028E | Terminal Value |
| NOPAT | \$ 118,158 | \$ 116,737 | \$ 135,329 | \$ 153,723 | \$ 173,496 | |
| (+) Depreciation and Amortization | 28,953 | 30,506 | 31,164 | 32,273 | 33,110 | |
| (+) Change in Working Capital | (13,489) | (16,532) | (12,584) | (9,935) | (8,519) | |
| (+) Other Non-Cash Charges | - | - | - | - | - | |
| (+) Capital Expenditures | (11,500) | (12,500) | (13,500) | (14,500) | (15,500) | |
| Unlevered Free Cash Flow | \$ 122,122 | \$ 118,211 | \$ 140,409 | \$ 161,560 | \$ 182,587 | \$ 4,609,207 |
| Discount Factor | 0.93 | 0.86 | 0.80 | 0.75 | 0.69 | 0.69 |
| PV of Free Cash Flow | \$ 113,496 | \$ 102,102 | \$ 112,709 | \$ 120,527 | \$ 126,593 | \$ 3,195,691 |
| Enterprise Value | \$ 3,771,119 | | | | | |
| (+) Net Cash | 258,955 | | | | | |
| Equity Value | \$ 4,030,074 | | | | | |
| (÷) Shares Outstanding | 29,456 | | | | | |
| Price per Share | \$ 136.82 | | | | | |

Assumptions

| | |
|----------------------------------|------|
| Weighted Average Cost of Capital | 7.6% |
| Perpetual Growth Rate | 3.5% |

Supply Chain Analysis

Raw Materials and Components

Raw materials used in the manufacture of the Company's products **1** include purchased castings made of metal or alloys (such as brass, which uses copper as its main component, aluminum, stainless steel and cast iron), plastic resins, glass, microprocessors and other electronic subassemblies, and components. **3** There are multiple sources for these raw materials and components, but the Company relies on single suppliers for certain brass castings, resins and electronic subassemblies. The Company believes these items would be available from other sources, but that the loss of certain suppliers may result in a higher cost of materials, delivery delays, short-term increases in inventory and higher quality control costs. The Company carries business interruption insurance generally. The Company's purchases of raw materials are based on production schedules, and as a result, inventory on hand is generally not exposed to price fluctuations. World commodity markets and currency exchange rates may also affect the prices of material purchased in the future. The Company does not hold significant amounts of precious metals.

The inability to obtain adequate supplies of raw materials **2** and component parts for our products at reasonable prices could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition or results of operations by decreasing profit margins and by negatively impacting timely deliveries to customers. **3** In the past, we have been able to offset price increases in raw materials and component parts by increased sales prices, active materials management, product engineering programs and the diversity of materials used in the production processes. However, we cannot be certain that we will be able to accomplish this in the future. Since we do not control the actual production of these raw materials and component parts, there may be continued delays in the production or transportation of these materials for reasons that are beyond our control. World commodity markets and inflationary environments may affect raw material and component part prices. In addition, we rely on single suppliers for microprocessors, castings and components in several of our product lines and the loss of such suppliers could temporarily disrupt operations in the short term.

3 The Company relies on single suppliers for most brass castings and certain resin and electronic subassemblies in several of its product lines. The Company believes these items would be available from other sources, but that the loss of certain suppliers could result in a higher cost of materials, delivery delays, short-term increases in inventory and higher quality control costs in the short term. The Company attempts to mitigate these risks by working closely with key suppliers, purchasing minimal amounts from alternative suppliers and by purchasing business interruption insurance where appropriate.

1 **3** BMI depends on a single supplier for most of its brass castings and certain electronic subassemblies. Most of these inputs can be found at alternative suppliers but a loss of a single supplier could expose BMI to cost headwinds if it attempted to switch

2 BMI has been able to pass supply chain disruption costs to customers in the past

Site Visit / Correspondence

- Inspected Local Residential BMI Meters

Interviews/Sources

- Interview with Former Aqua America State Controller
- Interview with State President of Water Utility (Aqua America)
- Examined State Utility Commission Rate Cases and Testimonials
- Examined WSSC Cost Benefit Analysis

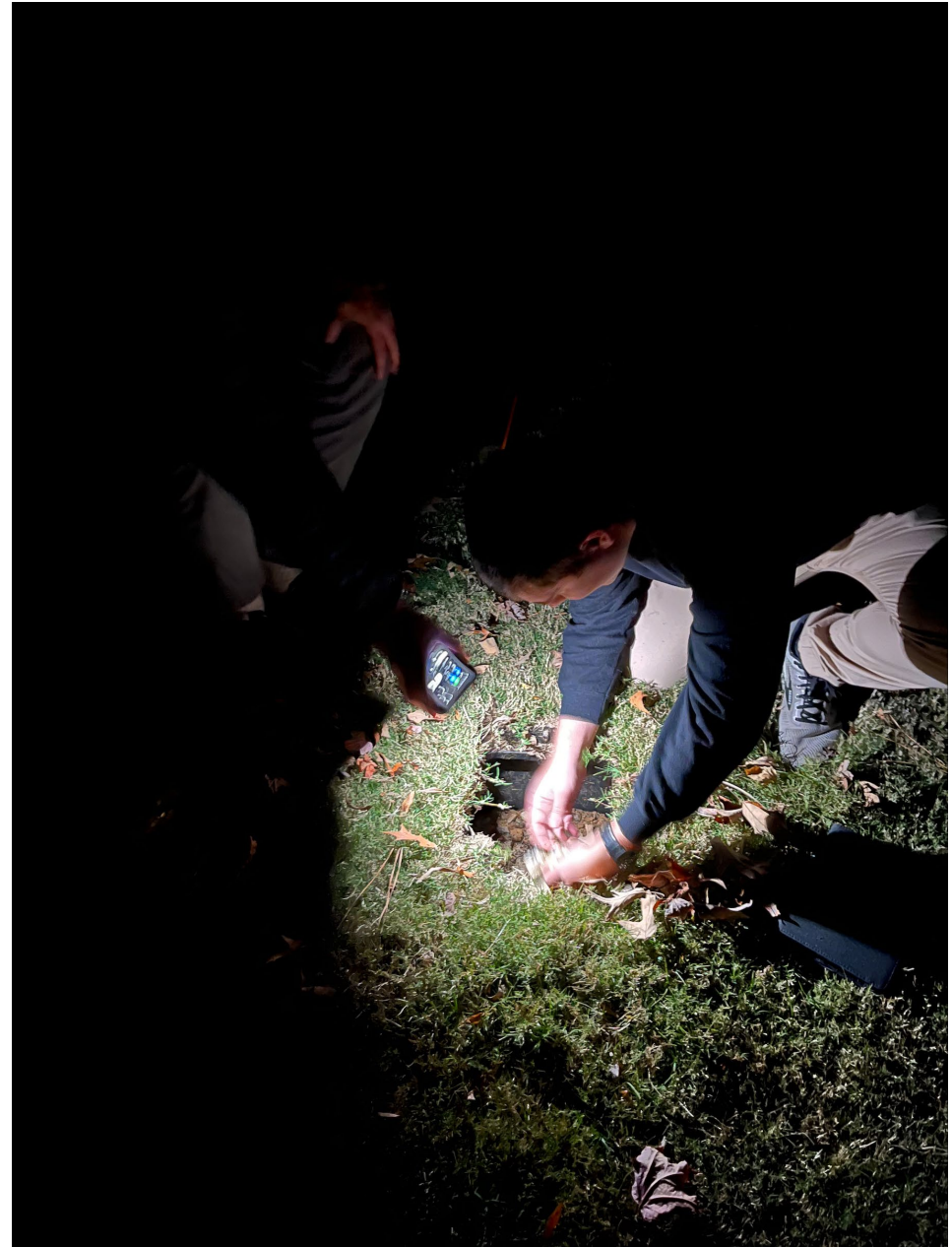
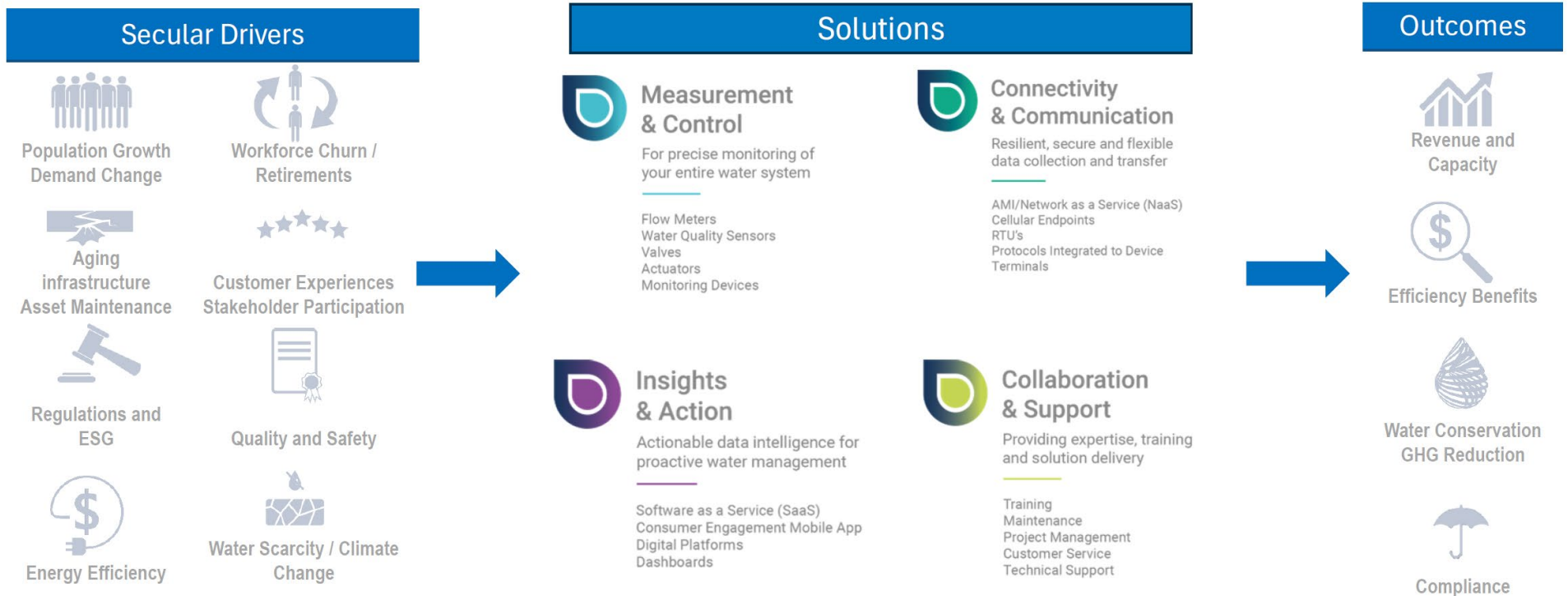
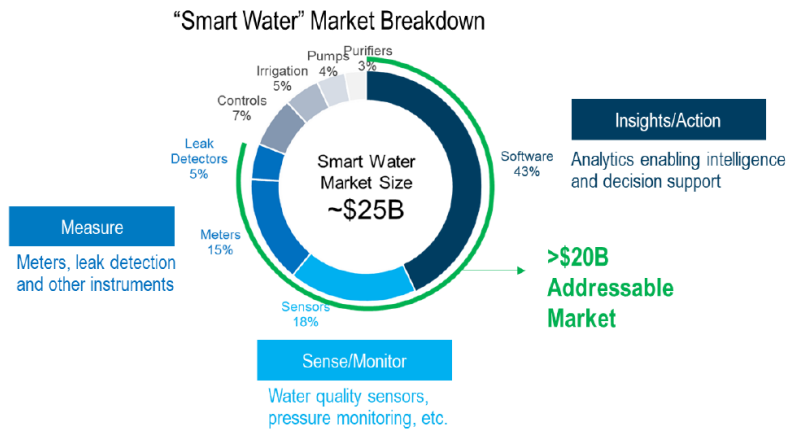


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“Choice Matters” Portfolio of Solutions to Solve Customer Challenges



Over the Past Five Years We've Evolved and Expanded Our Served Market Capitalizing On Macro Growth Tailwinds








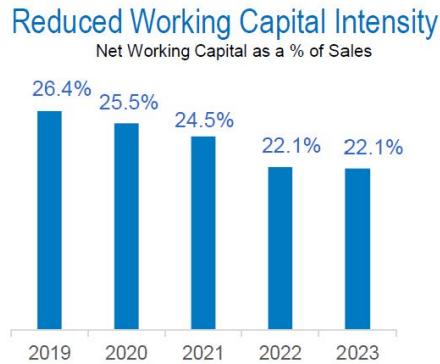
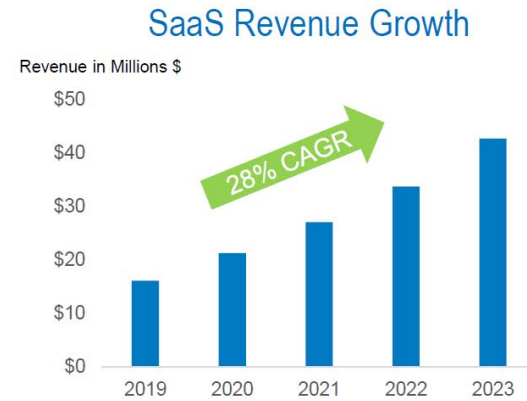
- Strategy evolution aligned with customer desire for comprehensive and tailorable solutions from trusted source
- Broad and expanding portfolio to meet each customer at their pace on the smart water journey
 - Smart measurement hardware – meters, pressure, water quality, network monitoring
 - Reliable, secure communication solutions
 - Integrated software – data and analytics that enable intelligence, decision support and consumer engagement
 - Training, project management, installation oversight, support
- Ample financial capacity for continued organic and M&A investments to further evolve solution offerings

Improving Metrics

We Have Fundamentally Improved Our Financial Profile Delivering Strong Sales Growth, Recurring Revenue, Improving Margins and Cash Generation

Q3 YTD 2024

- 
19% Sales Growth
- 
SaaS Growth +34%
- 
+260 bps Operating Margin
- 
Free Cash Flow +53%
- 
39% EPS Growth



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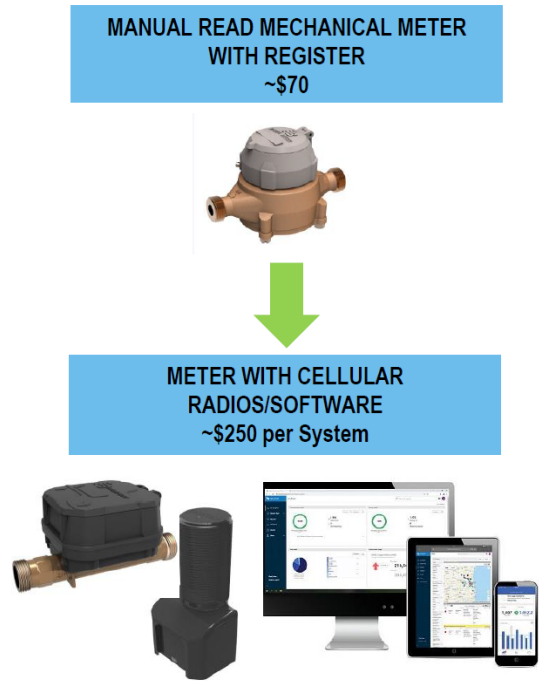
AMI Adoption Accelerating with Business Case for Utilities Well Understood; Timing Aligned to Meter Replacement Cycle Bringing Higher ASP Opportunity

The Business Case
 Why are utilities willing to pay more?

- Reduce non-revenue water (NRW)
 - Mechanical meters lose some accuracy over time
 - Continuous flow / leak detection – in network and homes
- Lower operating cost / improve efficiencies
 - Reduced truck rolls - move in/out reads and billings
 - Flow shut-off/restriction technology – labor to turn off and on water services
- Encourage conservation
 - Manage what you measure
 - Leak avoidance / fix

The Solutions
 How our leading technologies deliver

- Meters
 - Static (E-series ultrasonic) holds accuracy over life; residential and commercial sizes
- Radio Endpoints
 - Efficient and safe - remote reads
 - Data and analytics – more data, more often
 - Cellular – infrastructure-free for utilities; flexible and resilient
- Software
 - Leak identification / detection
 - EyeOnWater for consumer engagement



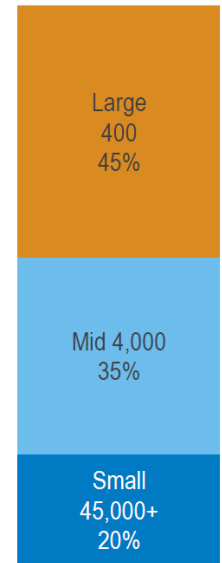
Badger Meter Enjoys a Strong Market Position in North American AMI Adoption; Customer Diversity with Tailorable and Differentiated Offerings

AMI “Choice Matters” Differentiation

| | |
|--|---|
| Broadest Range of Offerings – Choice Matters | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brass and polymer • Mechanical and static (ultrasonic) • Drive by, fixed and cellular radio technology |
| Technology Leadership | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ORION Cellular – leverages existing infrastructure, flexible, secure, broad coverage • SaaS with BEACON/EyeOnWater – actionable data for utility and homeowner |
| Innovation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ultrasonic expertise • Remote actuating flow restriction valve • Real-time water quality sensing – optical and electrochemical • Network monitoring – RTUs, high frequency pressure, acoustic leak detection |
| High Service Levels and Customer Support | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strong brand preference – long term relationships / loyalty • Channel coverage - regional service center and local distribution to cover smaller utilities • Highly trained Solution Architects, customer care and field technology support |
| Low Lifecycle Costs | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Highly accurate and quality products / low warranty • Exceptional battery life • Leverage existing cellular technology network |

>50K Water Utilities in US

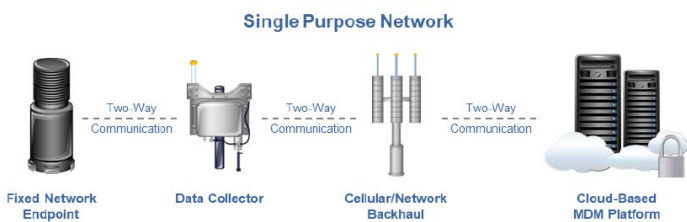
Utility Size and their Share of Meter connections



Fixed Network v. Cellular NaaS Network

Badger Meter Is the Undisputed Leader in Cellular Communication with Millions of Endpoints Deployed; Provides Myriad of Benefits to Utilities

Data Collector Fixed Network



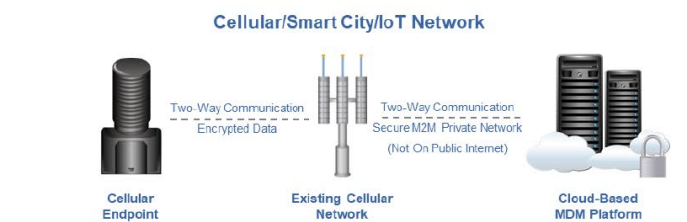
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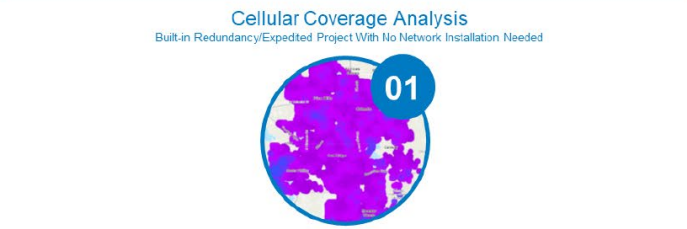
Ongoing System Maintenance/Fees



Cellular NaaS Network



System Engineering/Deployment



Ongoing System Maintenance/Fees



Cellular Network as a Service (NaaS)

- Easy
- Flexible
- Resilient
- Secure
- Sustainable

Key Growth Strategies for Utility Smart Water

- Maintain leading position in the North American smart water market through continued development of leading-edge offerings
 - AMI adoption rate only at one third of connections
 - Leverage natural meter replacement cycle to upgrade customers (no radio or AMR to AMI)
- Penetrate and grow select international markets (e.g. Middle East, UK) with fit-for-market solutions
- Leverage addition of real-time water quality monitoring, high frequency pressure & network monitoring and other system health parameters into actionable data to improve utility operations
- Augment software, including consumer engagement technology, for optimized customer solution



Strategic M&A is an Enabler to Expand Offerings and Accelerate Growth

- Technology solutions that can be leveraged across both utility and flow instrumentation markets
 - Water quality monitoring
 - Leak detection, conservation
- Software enhancements - SaaS
 - Utility operations
 - Network monitoring
 - Consumer portals
- International penetration

| Year | Company | Type | Location | Price |
|--|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------|-------|
| Utility Water Instrumentation and Connectivity: | | | | |
| 2024 | Telog / Unity | RTUs and software | US | \$3M |
| 2023 | Syrinx, Ltd. | Pressure monitoring | UK | \$18M |
| 2021 | Analytical Technology, Inc | Water quality monitoring | USA / UK | \$44M |
| 2020 | s::can | Water quality monitoring | Vienna, Austria | \$31M |
| 2018 | Innovative Metering Solutions | Distributor | Tampa, FL | \$8M |
| 2017 | Carolina Meter | Distributor | Wilmington, NC | \$6M |
| 2017 | D-Flow | Ultrasonic Technology/R&D | Lulea, Sweden | \$23M |
| 2015 | United Utilities | Distributor | Smyrna, TN | \$3M |
| 2014 | National Meter | Distributor | Denver, CO | \$23M |
| 2013 | Aquacue | Software/cellular technology/R&D | Los Gatos, CA | \$14M |
| Flow and Industrial Instrumentation: | | | | |
| 2012 | Racine Federated | Technology/Manufacturing | Racine, WI | \$57M |
| 2011 | Remag | Technology/Manufacturing | Bern, Switzerland | \$5M |
| 2010 | Cox Instruments | Technology/Manufacturing | Scottsdale, AZ | \$8M |

BMI AMI Transition Analysis (Sell-Side)

Figure 9: Deutsche Bank Connected Meter Transition Analysis

| | 2017 | ... | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 | 2030 | 2031 | 2032 | 2033 |
|--|------|-----|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|---------|--------|
| Installed Base - Meter Units (millions) | 92.5 | | 97.5 | 98.2 | 99.0 | 99.9 | 101.0 | 102.1 | 103.4 | 104.8 | 106.4 | 108.1 | 109.9 | 111.9 | 114.1 |
| Incremental Net Units Y/Y | | | | 0.7 | 0.8 | 0.9 | 1.0 | 1.2 | 1.3 | 1.4 | 1.6 | 1.7 | 1.8 | 2.0 | 2.2 |
| % Change Y/Y | | | | 0.7% | 0.8% | 0.9% | 1.0% | 1.1% | 1.3% | 1.4% | 1.5% | 1.6% | 1.7% | 1.8% | 1.9% |
| Manual Read Meters Units | 37.5 | | 30.0 | 28.0 | 26.0 | 24.0 | 22.0 | 20.0 | 18.0 | 16.0 | 14.0 | 12.0 | 10.0 | 8.0 | 6.0 |
| Incremental Net Units Y/Y | | | | -2.0 | -2.0 | -2.0 | -2.0 | -2.0 | -2.0 | -2.0 | -2.0 | -2.0 | -2.0 | -2.0 | -2.0 |
| % Change Y/Y | | | | -6.7% | -7.1% | -7.7% | -8.3% | -9.1% | -10.0% | -11.1% | -12.5% | -14.3% | -16.7% | -20.0% | -25.0% |
| % of Total Units | 41% | | 31% | 29% | 26% | 24% | 22% | 20% | 17% | 15% | 13% | 11% | 9% | 7% | 5% |
| Meters with Connectivity Units | 55.0 | | 67.5 | 70.2 | 73.0 | 75.9 | 79.0 | 82.1 | 85.4 | 88.8 | 92.4 | 96.1 | 99.9 | 103.9 | 108.1 |
| Incremental Net Units Y/Y | | | | 2.7 | 2.8 | 2.9 | 3.0 | 3.2 | 3.3 | 3.4 | 3.6 | 3.7 | 3.8 | 4.0 | 4.2 |
| % Change Y/Y | | | | 4.0% | 4.0% | 4.0% | 4.0% | 4.0% | 4.0% | 4.0% | 4.0% | 4.0% | 4.0% | 4.0% | 4.0% |
| % of Total Units | 59% | | 69% | 71% | 74% | 76% | 78% | 80% | 83% | 85% | 87% | 89% | 91% | 93% | 95% |
| % Total Units Sold Annually | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mechanical Meters | | | 80% | 78% | 76% | 74% | 72% | 70% | 68% | 66% | 64% | 62% | 60% | 58% | 56% |
| Static Meters | | | 20% | 22% | 24% | 26% | 28% | 30% | 32% | 34% | 36% | 38% | 40% | 42% | 44% |
| Mechanical with Connection (AMR) | | | 65% | 62% | 58% | 55% | 51% | 48% | 44% | 41% | 37% | 34% | 30% | 27% | 23% |
| Mechanical with Connection (AMI) | | | 15% | 17% | 18% | 20% | 21% | 23% | 24% | 26% | 27% | 29% | 30% | 32% | 33% |
| Static with Connection (AMI) | | | 20% | 22% | 24% | 26% | 28% | 30% | 32% | 34% | 36% | 38% | 40% | 42% | 44% |
| Mechanical with Connection (AMR) | | | \$160 | \$163 | \$166 | \$170 | \$173 | \$177 | \$180 | \$184 | \$187 | \$191 | \$195 | \$199 | \$203 |
| Mechanical with Connection (AMI) | | | \$190 | \$194 | \$198 | \$202 | \$206 | \$210 | \$214 | \$218 | \$223 | \$227 | \$232 | \$236 | \$241 |
| Static with Connection (AMI) | | | \$250 | \$255 | \$260 | \$265 | \$271 | \$276 | \$282 | \$287 | \$293 | \$299 | \$305 | \$311 | \$317 |
| Weighted Average Price Per Unit | | | \$183 | \$188 | \$195 | \$201 | \$207 | \$214 | \$221 | \$228 | \$235 | \$242 | \$250 | \$258 | \$266 |
| % Change Y/Y | | | | 3% | 3% | 3% | 3% | 3% | 3% | 3% | 3% | 3% | 3% | 3% | 3% |
| Estimated Sales (Units x Price) | | | \$509 | \$546 | \$586 | \$630 | \$676 | \$725 | \$778 | \$835 | \$895 | \$960 | \$1,030 | \$1,104 | |
| % Change Y/Y | | | | 7% | 7% | 7% | 7% | 7% | 7% | 7% | 7% | 7% | 7% | 7% | |

| | |
|-------|--------|
| -3.5% | Annual |
| 1.5% | Mix |
| 2.0% | Change |

| | |
|------|-----------|
| 2.0% | Annual |
| 2.0% | Price |
| 2.0% | Increases |

BMI SaaS Impact Analysis (Sell-Side)

Figure 11: Badger Meter SaaS Impact Analysis

| | 2022 | 2023e | 2024e | 2025e | 2026e | 2027e | 2028e |
|--------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Total Sales | 565.6 | 635.9 | 676.1 | 719.8 | 770.3 | 823.8 | 885.2 |
| Total Gross Profit | 220.0 | 253.1 | 273.6 | 296.2 | 323.2 | 352.1 | 386.1 |
| Total Gross Margin | 38.9% | 39.8% | 40.5% | 41.2% | 42.0% | 42.7% | 43.6% |
| Core Sales | 531.6 | 588.4 | 611.9 | 636.4 | 661.9 | 688.3 | 715.9 |
| % Growth Y/Y | | 10.7% | 4% | 4% | 4% | 4% | 4% |
| Core GM % | 36.9% | 37.4% | 37.4% | 37.4% | 37.4% | 37.4% | 37.4% |
| Core GP Dollars | 196.2 | 219.9 | 228.7 | 237.8 | 247.4 | 257.2 | 267.5 |
| SaaS Sales | 33.9 | 47.5 | 64.1 | 83.4 | 108.4 | 135.5 | 169.4 |
| % Sales | 6.0% | 7.5% | 9.5% | 11.6% | 14.1% | 16.4% | 19.1% |
| % Growth Y/Y | | 40% | 35% | 30% | 30% | 25% | 25% |
| SaaS GM % | 70% | 70% | 70% | 70% | 70% | 70% | 70% |
| SaaS GP Dollars | 23.8 | 33.3 | 44.9 | 58.4 | 75.9 | 94.8 | 118.6 |
| SaaS EBIT % | 30% | 30% | 30% | 30% | 30% | 30% | 30% |
| SaaS EBIT Dollars | 10.2 | 14.3 | 19.2 | 25.0 | 32.5 | 40.6 | 50.8 |
| Tax Rate | 24.2% | 24.4% | 24.4% | 24.4% | 24.4% | 24.4% | 24.4% |
| Share Count | 29.4 | 29.4 | 29.4 | 29.4 | 29.4 | 29.4 | 29.4 |
| SaaS EPS Impact | 0.26 | 0.37 | 0.49 | 0.64 | 0.84 | 1.04 | 1.30 |
| <i>Y/Y Change</i> | | 39% | 35% | 30% | 30% | 25% | 25% |
| <i>Incremental vs. 2023e</i> | | | 0.13 | 0.28 | 0.47 | 0.68 | 0.94 |
| <i>% vs. 2023e Current EPS</i> | | | 5% | 10% | 17% | 25% | 34% |
| Current Total EPS | 2.26 | 2.75 | | | | | |

