





COMPANY UPDATE

MARCH 2023

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DEFINITIONS:

Book Value per Share – Shareholders' equity divided by common shares outstanding

EBIT – Earnings before deduction of interest and provision for income taxes

EBITDA – Earnings before deduction of interest, provision for income taxes, depreciation and amortization

Adjusted EBIT – Earnings before deduction of long-lived asset impairment, interest and provision for income taxes

Adjusted EBITDA – Earnings before deduction of long-lived asset impairment, interest, provision for income taxes, depreciation and amortization

Free Cash Flow – Cash from operating activities before change in non-cash working capital less capital expenditures

Net Debt to Adjusted EBITDA – Net debt divided by Adjusted EBITDA

Invested Capital – Net debt plus shareholders' equity

Net Debt- Total interest-bearing debt, net of cash on hand

Return on Invested Capital – Adjusted EBIT divided by Invested Capital

Return on Equity – Adjusted EBIT divided by shareholders' equity

RONA – Return on Invested Capital is Adjusted EBIT divided by Invested Capital



BUSINESS HIGHLIGHTS

Compelling Market Position with Strong Supplier Relationships and Market Insight

- · One of the largest metals distribution and processing companies in North America
- Well-established relationships with North American steel producers and one of the largest independent steel importers in North America
- Global supplier reach provides timely access to market information and outlook to proactively manage inventory

Diversified Products and Customer Base

- Operates in three segments, each with a distinct customer base and business cycle
- Over 30,000 end customers across a wide variety of industries including machinery and equipment manufacturing, non-residential construction, shipbuilding and natural resources

Flexible Business Model Through Cycles to Minimize Risk

- Variable cost/compensation model and prudent inventory management drives counter cyclical cash flows in market downturns
- Russel Metals' metals service centers have consistently turned inventory at higher rates than the industry average

Repositioned Portfolio

- Monetized the OCTG/Line Pipe segment of the energy portfolio
 - Repatriated ~\$300 million of capital; Reduced volatility; Enhanced average returns and margins
- · Reinvested in value-added processing and commenced a facilities modernization initiative
- Completed three acquisitions over last several years

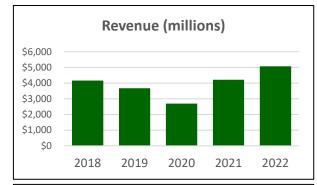
Strong Liquidity and Financial Position

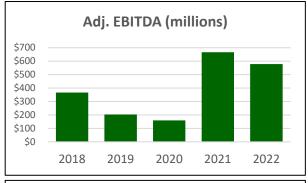
- As of December 31/22:
 - Net Debt/Invested Capital: <0%
 - Liquidity: \$743 million

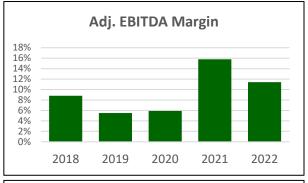


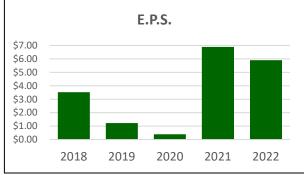
2022 AT A GLANCE

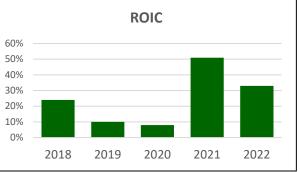
- Record revenues
- Very strong margins, earnings and returns close to the records set in 2021
- Contributions were broad based across regions and business segments
- Our capital structure is strong
- We made strides in community involvement and diversity
- Looking forward, we have a series of initiatives underway to grow the business

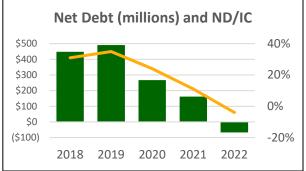














SUMMARY: STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

Increase capital deployment with a target of >15% return over a cycle

Value-Added Equipment Hub and spoke model for processing centers

Multiple new investment opportunities/year over multiple years

Planned ~\$30 mm/year of discretionary investments

Facility Modernizations Consolidate multi-site regions into modern operations with automated handling equipment

Repatriate the real estate value from certain existing locations

Planned \$50-75 mm of net investments over five years

Acquisitions

Completed three acquisitions over past several years

Focus on N. American operations that fit with existing business segments

Disciplined economic and operational criteria

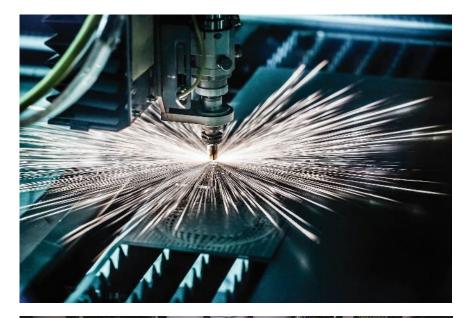
Dividends Dividends Dividends Dividend of \$0.38/share/quarter = \$24 mm/quarter Share Buy Backs Filed for up to 5% of shares outstanding (3.2 mm shares) in August 2022 Acquired 1 mm shares in 2022 = \$28 mm



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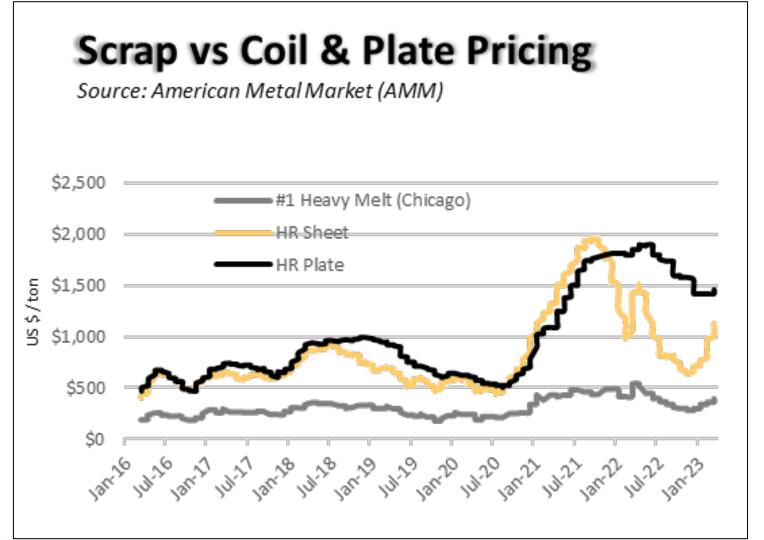






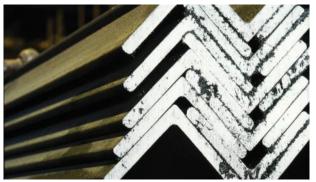
I. MARKET TRENDS

BUSINESS CONDITIONS – METAL PRICING TRENDS







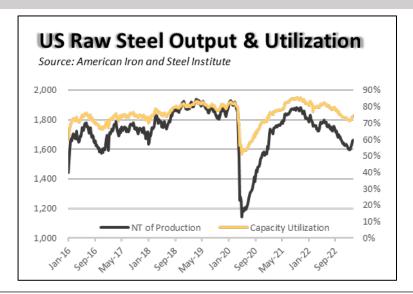


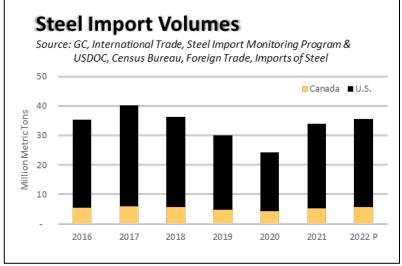


BUSINESS CONDITIONS: SUPPLY CHAIN DYNAMICS

Steel Mills/Imports:

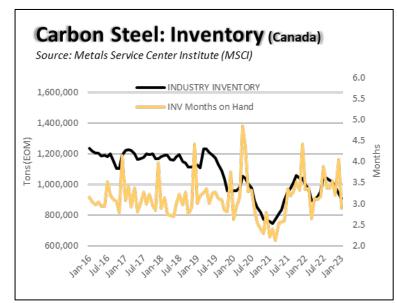
- Capacity
 utilization
 recently picked up
- Imports are consistent with 2021 and pre-Covid levels

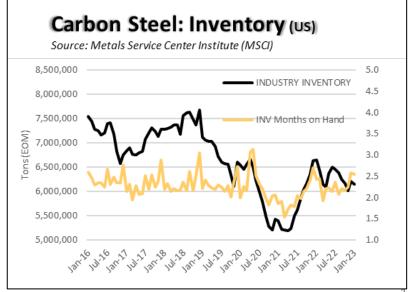




Service Centers:

 Supply chain tonnage decreased over past several months















II. COMPANY OVERVIEW

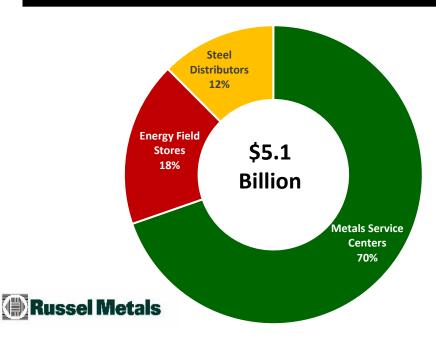


RUSSEL METALS AT-A-GLANCE

Overview

- · Distribution of steel and other metal products across North America
- Three segments: Metal Service Centers, Energy Field Stores and Steel Distributors
- Founded in 1916
- Headquartered in Mississauga, Ontario, Canada
- Ticker: RUS.TO; 62 mm shares outstanding

Revenue by Segment – 2022



Key Segments

Metals Service Centers



- Coast-to-coast in Canada
- Strong US presence in mid-west and south
- Extensive product line with valueadded focus

Energy Field Stores



- Distribute highly engineered energy products (eg. valves, fittings, etc.)
- In 2021, completed monetization of OCTG/Line Pipe businesses

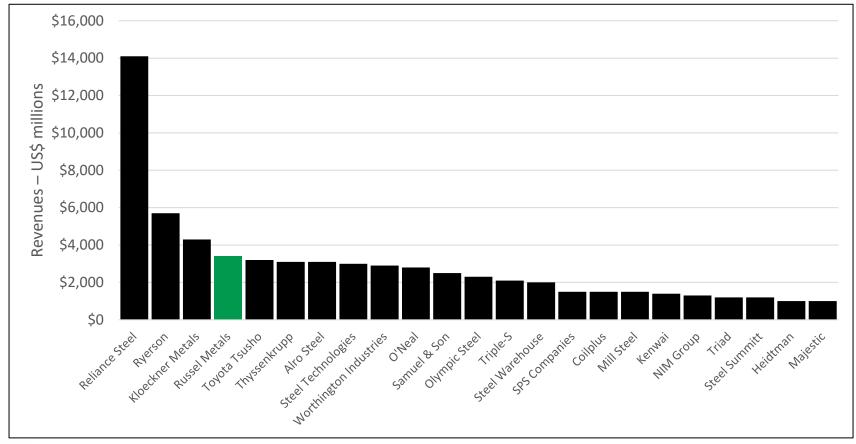
Steel Distributors



Sell steel in larger volumes to other steel service centers & large equipment manufacturers

STRONG MARKET POSITION

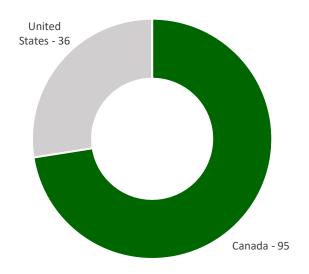
- Russel is one of the largest service center companies in North America
 - Leading market position in Canada
 - Strong market position in the US South and US Mid-West



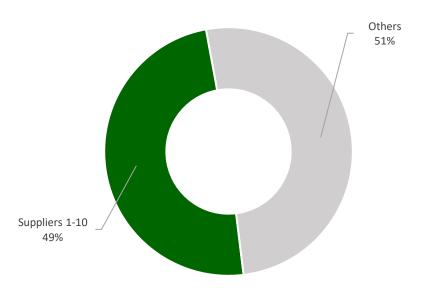


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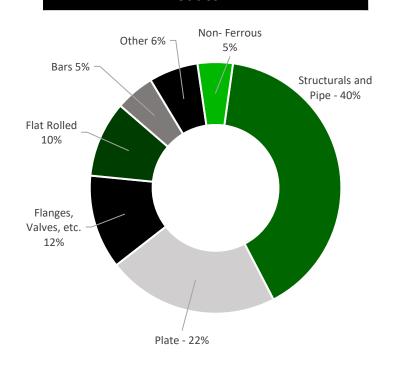
Geography - 131 Locations



Suppliers



Product Mix



Customers

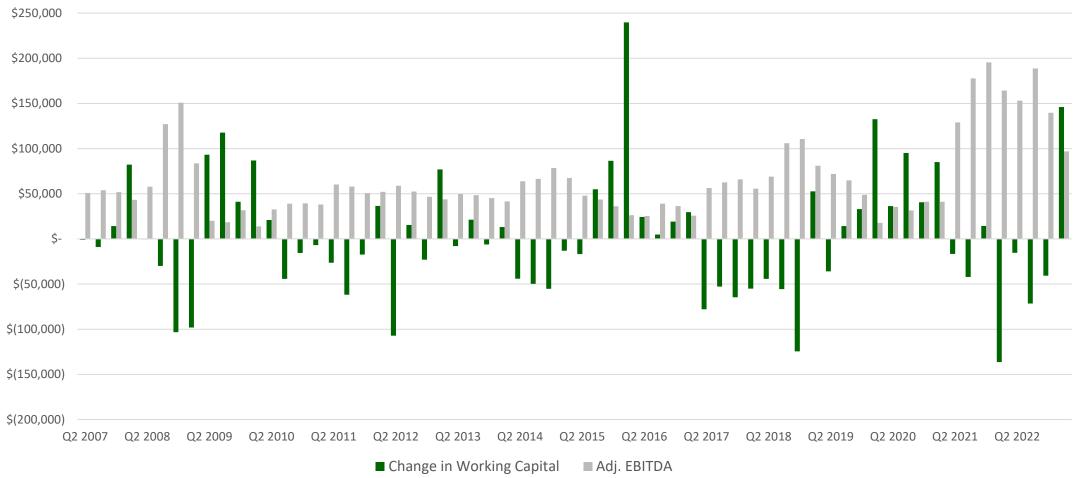
- >30,000 customers
- Average invoice < \$2,500
- Top 10 customers < 10% of revenues



COUNTERCYCLICAL CASH FLOWS

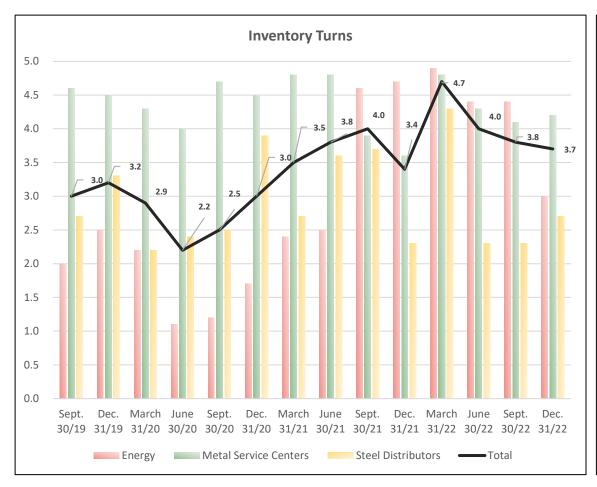
Strong EBITDA during upcycles; working capital repatriation during market downturns.

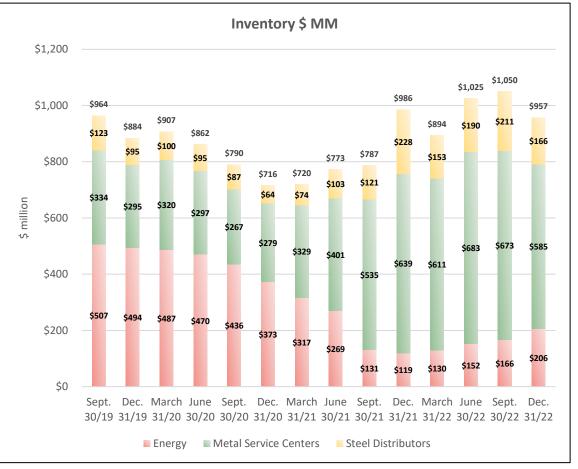






WORKING CAPITAL DISCIPLINE





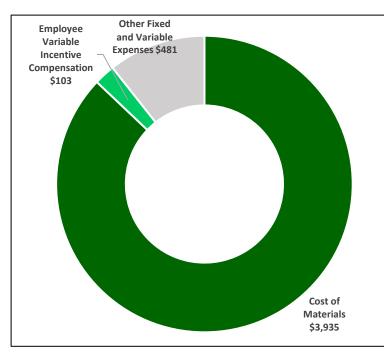


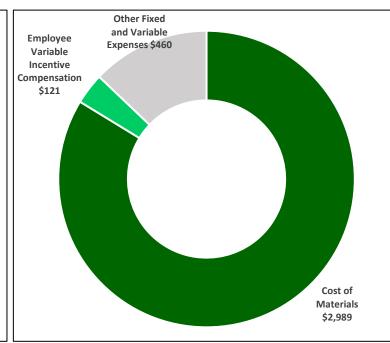
VARIABLE COST MODEL – BREAKDOWN OF CASH COSTS

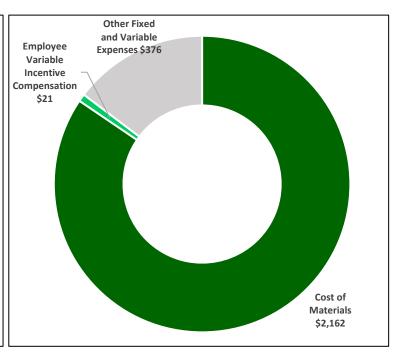
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020









INVESTING IN VALUE-ADDED PROCESSING

- Value-added processing investments over multi-years
- Typically have paybacks of <3 years





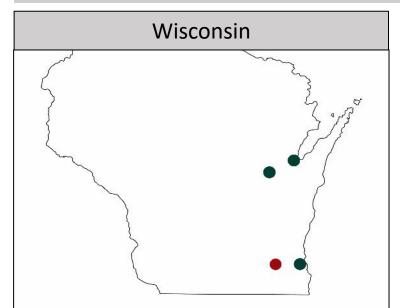


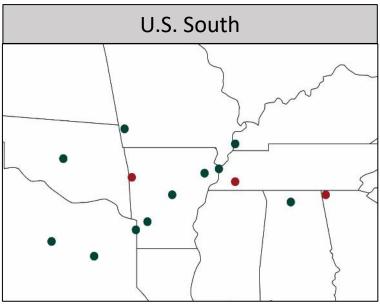


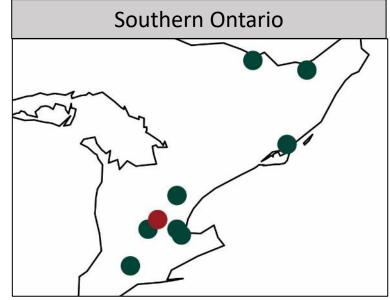


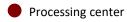


INVESTING IN VALUE-ADDED PROCESSING – HUB & SPOKE APPROACH

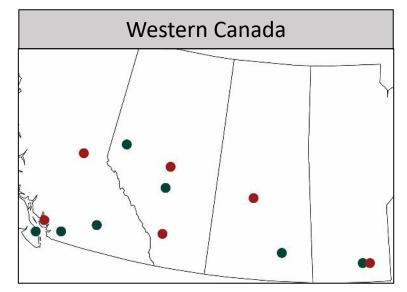


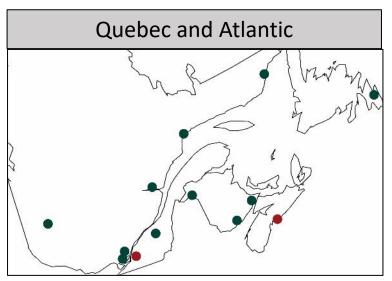






Distribution center







ESG FOCUSED

Environmental

- Divested OCTG/Line Pipe business
- Low carbon emissions from operations
 - GHG emissions in 2021 were 51,024 tonnes
 CO₂(e) down 4% vs. 2020
 - Equates to 0.00001 tonnes/dollar of revenue
- Environment Management System

Social

- Structured H&S Program "Mission Zero"
 - Dash cam roll out
 - Trailer fall prevention
 - Material handling/hand injury prevention
- Corporate charitable program, including matching of employee donations
- Scholarship fund for children of employees
- Ethical, Privacy and Social Policies

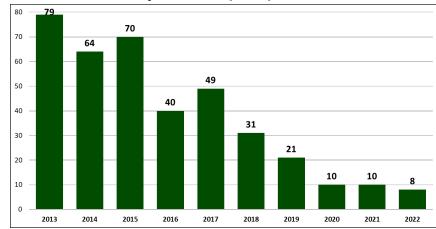
Governance

- Female/Visible Minority: 50% Board; 30% Corp. Mgt.
- · Independent Board and Audit Committee
- Majority Voting
- Code of Business Conduct
- Independent Whistleblower program





Health and Safety Metrics (LTI's):



* See Russel Metals Annual Information Form for definitions and additional information









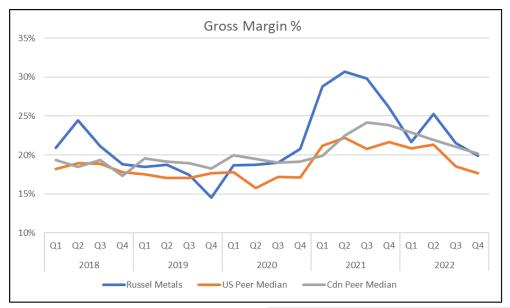


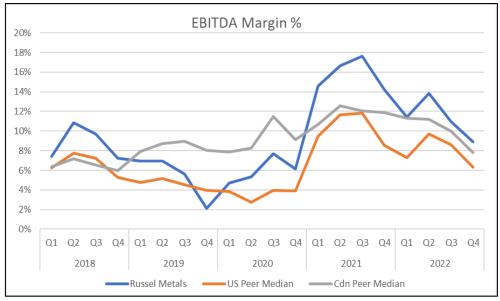


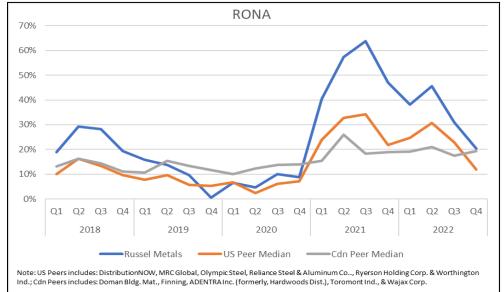
III. FINANCIAL OVERVIEW



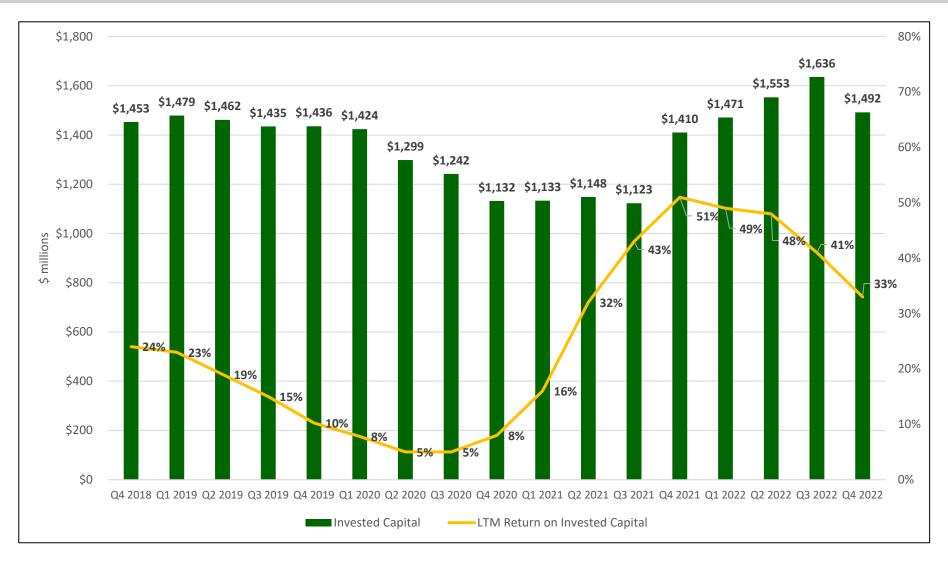
RELATIVE PERFORMANCE REMAINS STRONG







PORTFOLIO REALIGNMENT: RETURN ON CAPITAL





RETURN ON INVESTED CAPITAL: SENSITIVITY ANALYSIS

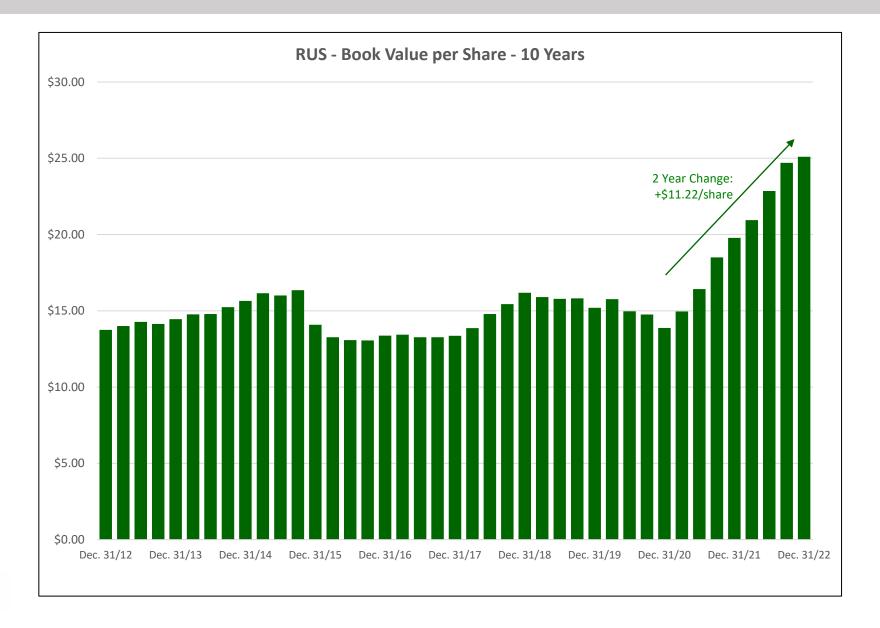
The following illustrates the implied annual EBITDA under a range of invested capital and return scenarios.

		Invested Capital (C\$ mm)					
		\$1,400	\$1,500	\$1,600	\$1,700	\$1,800	
ROIC	10%	\$204	\$214	\$224	\$234	\$244	
	15%	\$274	\$289	\$304	\$319	\$334	
	20%	\$344	\$364	\$384	\$404	\$424	
	25%	\$414	\$439	\$464	\$489	\$514	
	30%	\$484	\$514	\$544	\$574	\$604	

Note: Assumes DD&A of \$64 million/year.



GROWING EQUITY BASE



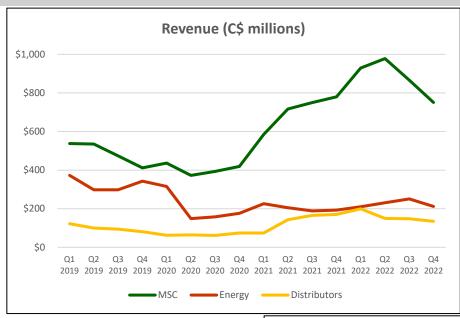


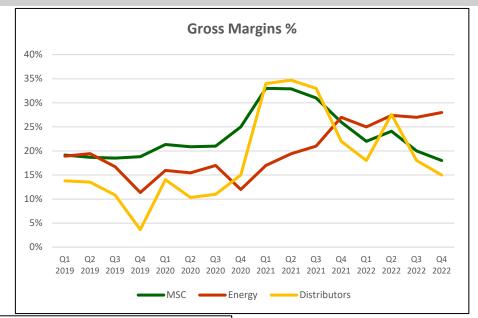
Q4 2022 FINANCIAL RESULTS

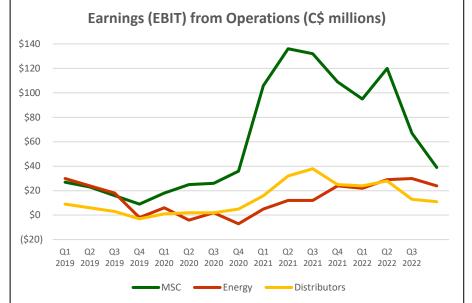
\$ mm, unless otherwise stated	Q4 2021	Q3 2022	Q4 2022	Q4 2022 Observations:		
Income Statement:						
Revenues	\$1,147	\$1,270	\$1,100	Revenues declined 13% from Q3 and 4% from Q4 2022		
Gross Margin (\$ mm/%)	\$299 / 26%	\$274 / 22%	\$218 / 20%	 Margins declined for service centers and distributors; improved for energy field stores 		
EBITDA (\$ mm/%)	\$162 / 14%	\$140 / 11%	\$97 / 9%	 Q4 results impacted by: P/L pick-up from TriMark (\$10 mm = \$9 mm of earnings + \$1 		
EBIT (\$ mm/%)	\$147 / 13%	\$123 / 10%	\$79 / 7%	mm of preferred dividends). Dividends of \$8 mm received in Q4 2022.		
Interest Expense	\$7	\$7	\$5	 Mark-to-market of stock-based comp \$2 vs. NIL in Q3 		
Net Income	\$104	\$91	\$58	 Inventory reserves increased by \$3 mm Pension annuitization expense of \$1 mm 		
EPS	\$1.65	\$1.45	\$0.93			
Cash Flow:						
Change in non-cash working capital	\$(136)	\$(41)	\$146	 Net decrease in working capital: Decrease in Inv (\$88 mm) and AR (\$167 mm) offset by decrease in AP (\$109 mm) 		
Capex	\$(8)	\$(10)	\$(15)	 Capex is moving up with discretionary projects. Expect \$75 mm/yr over next few years 		
Balance Sheet:				,		
Net Debt (Cash)	\$162	\$92	\$(67)	Total debt of \$296 mm offset by cash/investments of \$363 mm Liquidity continued to remain strong		
Shareholders' Equity	\$1,248	\$1,544	\$1,559	C\$ strengthened and had an impact on Other Comprehensive		
Available Liquidity	\$495	\$541	\$743	Income. Fx at 12/31/22 (1.3544) vs. 9/30/22 (\$1.3707) • Share buy backs of 417k shares in Q4 for a total of 1 mm shares		
Net Debt/Capitalization	11%	6%	<0%	since August (\$28 mm) • Book value of \$25.10/share		
				• Dividend of \$0.38/share		



SEGMENT BREAKDOWN: OPERATING RESULTS

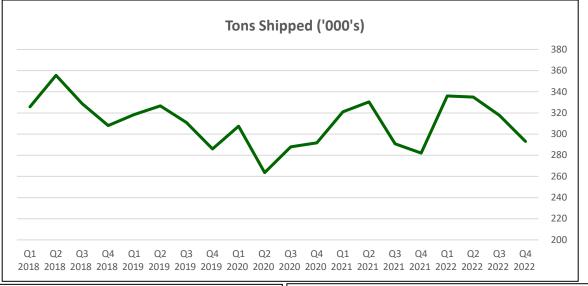


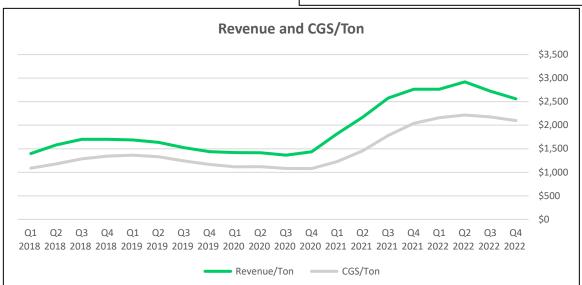


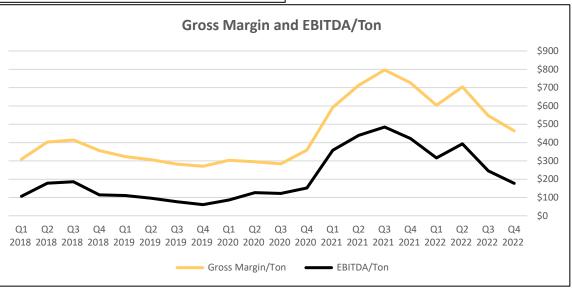




SERVICE CENTER RESULTS









LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL STRUCTURE SUMMARY

Russel has significant liquidity and no debt maturities for several years.

	12/31/21 (C\$ mm)	12/31/22 (C\$mm)	
Cash	\$133	\$363	+\$230 mm
Bank Lines - Maturity 2025			
5.75% Notes - Due 2025	\$147	\$148	
6% Notes - Due 2026	\$148	\$148	
Total Debt	\$295	\$296	
Shareholders Equity	\$1,248	\$1,559	+\$5.30/share
Net Debt/Invested Capital	11%	<0%	
Net Debt/LTM EBITDA	0.2x	<0.0x	
Liquidity	\$495	\$743	





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