

# **Investor Presentation**



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# **Company Overview**

## U.S. Concrete Overview

#### **Business Overview**

- U.S. Concrete is one of the largest non-integrated concrete producers in the U.S.
  - National producer of ready-mixed concrete
- Headquartered in Euless, TX
- Trades on NASDAQ under ticker "USCR"
  - Market capitalization of \$420.2 million<sup>1</sup>
  - Total Enterprise Value of \$546.2 million<sup>2</sup>



#### **Financial Overview**

- LTM 9/30/14 Revenue: \$672.3 million (90.6% ready-mixed; 4.3% aggregates)<sup>3</sup>
- LTM 9/30/14 Adjusted EBITDA: \$66.7 million<sup>4</sup>
  - <sup>1</sup> Based on USCR stock price of \$29.11 as of 01/08/15 and diluted shares outstanding of 14.436 million as of 01/08/15
  - <sup>2</sup> Enterprise value is defined as market capitalization plus debt less cash and cash equivalents
  - <sup>3</sup> Excludes \$19.4 million of internal aggregates sales that are eliminated in consolidation
  - <sup>4</sup> Adjusted EBITDA is a non-GAAP financial measure, see page 26 for more information

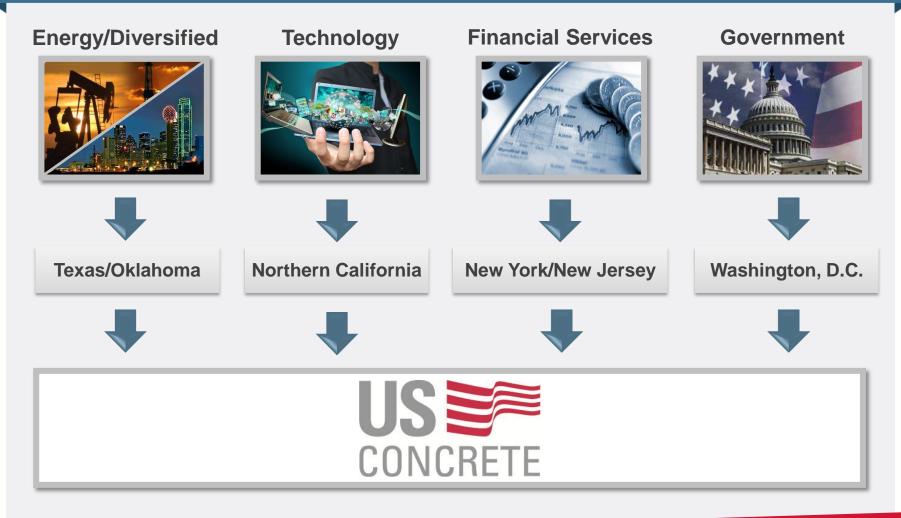




## Strong Positions in Attractive Markets



## Growth Driven by Key Sectors





## Significant Quality Asset Base

#### Ready-Mixed Concrete

136 standard and volumetric ready-mixed concrete plants

5.6 million cubic yards of concrete sold LTM 9/30/14

1,000+ ready-mixed concrete trucks

Leading market position in four regions with attractive fundamentals

#### Aggregates - primary focus is supply of USCR ready-mixed operations

10 aggregate production facilities and 1 aggregate recycle operation

3 aggregate import docks

4.0 million tons of aggregates produced LTM 9/30/14

Over 80 million tons of owned and leased reserves







## Strong Historical Performance Trend



#### Average Selling Price



#### Revenue (\$mm)



#### Adjusted EBITDA (\$mm)





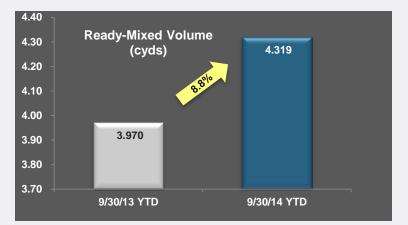
### Improved Year-over-Year Performance

(in millions, except ASP)



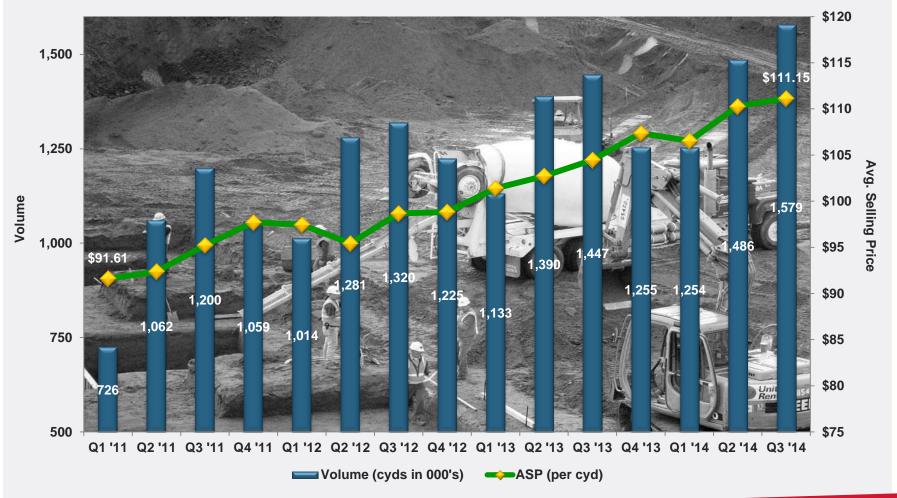








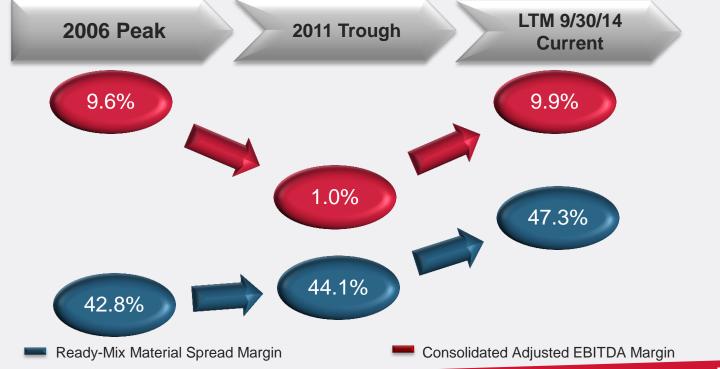
## **Ready-Mixed Top Line Drivers**





## Better Pricing Power Driving Margin Improvement

- Adjusted EBITDA margin is now above previous peak level
- Material margin remained stable through the last cycle, and has improved steadily since 2011 under current operating model
- Company now better positioned for higher sustained performance through the cycle





# Solid Capital Structure

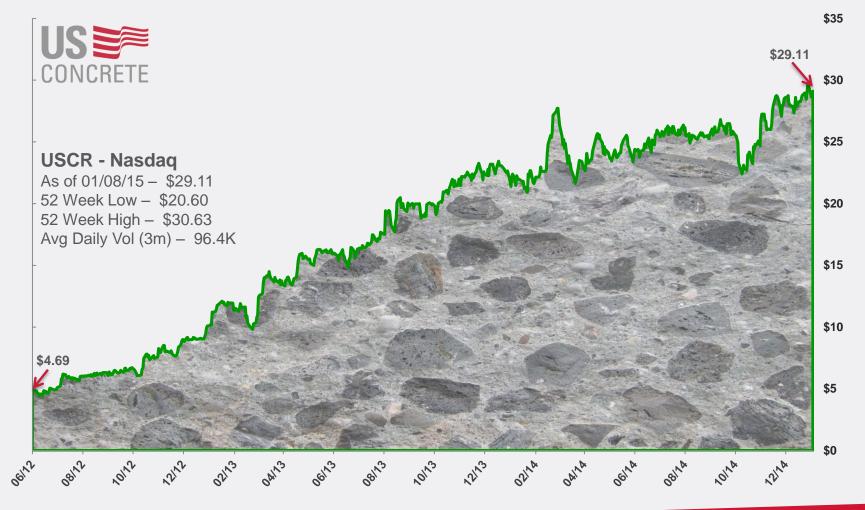
(\$ millions)

As of September 30, 2014			
8.5% Senior Secured Notes due December 1, 2018	\$ 200.0	Cash	\$ 94.2
\$175mm ABL Revolver expiring October 2, 2018	0.0	Net Debt	125.9
Other Debt	20.1		100.0
Total Debt	220.1	Equity Value <sup>1</sup>	420.2
	Enterprise Value	546.2	
LTM Adjusted EBITDA		\$ 66.7	
Total Debt/LTM Adjusted	I EBITDA	3.3x	
Net Debt/LTM Adjusted I	EBITDA	1.9x	

<sup>1</sup> Based on USCR stock price of \$29.11 as of 01/08/15 and diluted shares outstanding of 14.436 million as of 01/08/15



## **Historical Stock Price**







# Industry Overview

## Large, Fragmented Market

### Ready-Mixed Concrete Market Size



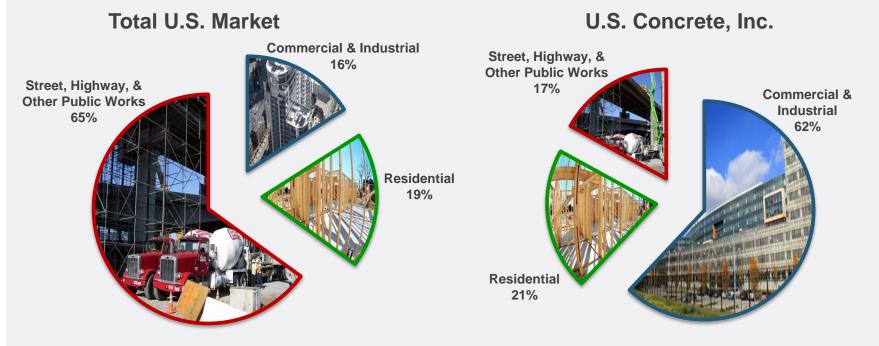
Source: National Ready-Mixed Concrete Association



## Focused on Key End Use Markets

- Commercial and industrial sectors generate higher margins
- Streets and highways often self-performed by construction companies

### 2013 Ready-Mixed Concrete Volume



Source: McGraw-Hill Construction market outlook for 2013 as of Q4 2013

Source: U.S. Concrete, Inc.



## Evidence of Strength in our Regional Markets

Housing starts in U.S. Concrete served regional markets 2-Year Compound Annual Growth Rate, 2011-2013



Source: United States Census Bureau – Building Permits Survey





# Company Focus and Strategy

## **Continued Focus on Improved Performance**

Pursue strategic development opportunities Focus on ready-mixed concrete and aggregates

Continue to aggressively manage cost structure



Grow company while maintaining strong balance sheet and liquidity



## **Acquisition Strategy**

Continue to expand within existing regional markets through concrete bolt-ons and vertical integration into aggregates

Expand concentrically around existing regions

Also considering selected larger-scale opportunities in new geographies

- Strong, stable markets with promising growth profile
- Appealing market structures
- Defensible positions of scale with barrier to entry



# **Recent Acquisitions**

Diamond Concrete Staten Island, NY (December 2014)	• Three plants – 24 mixer trucks     • Expands New York presence on Staten Island
Mobile-Crete Central and S. Texas (December 2014)	<ul> <li>Five volumetric ready-mixed concrete facilities and 47 volumetric concrete trucks</li> <li>Expands volumetric ready-mixed concrete business in Austin, San Antonio and South Texas</li> </ul>
New York Sand and Stone New York Metro area (October 2014)	Assumed leases for 2 waterside aggregate distribution facilities     Eases distribution to eastern metro New York market
Custom-Crete Dallas, Houston, Austin, San Antonio (October 2014)	<ul> <li>•11 volumetric ready-mixed concrete facilities and 61 volumetric concrete trucks</li> <li>•Expands presence to all four major metropolitan areas in Texas</li> </ul>
City Concrete & Pitts Ready Mix Wichita Falls, TX area (August 2014)	Three plants – 24 mixer trucks     Grows footprint in West Texas
Choice Ready Mix Tye, TX (March 2014)	Single plant facility     Strengthens position in greater Abilene market of West Texas
Red River Sand & Gravel Thackerville, OK (March 2014)	Greenfield, single facility     Addresses DFW's sand shortage
Young Ready-Mix Brady, TX (February 2014)	Single plant facility     Expands footprint in West Texas



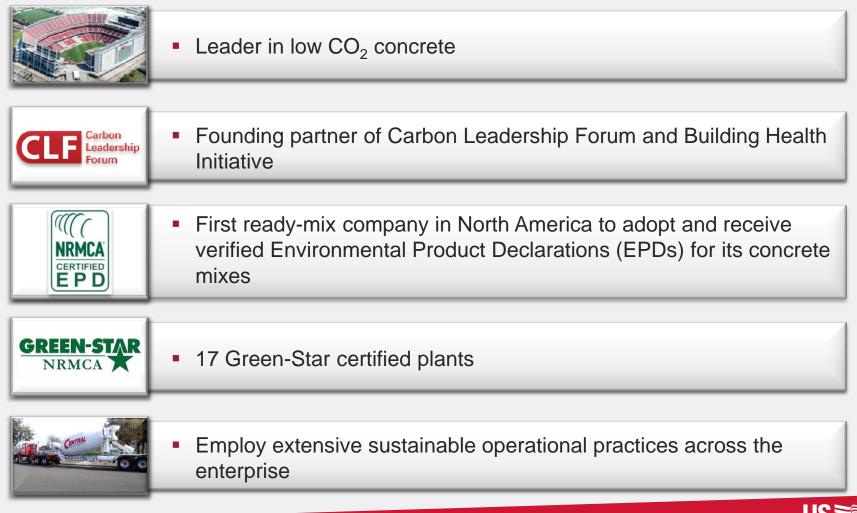
## USCR Competitive Advantage



Large company resources – local company entrepreneurship



## Sustainability Leadership





# Benefits of Our Sustainable Strategy



Increase product demand	Sustainable demand growing; expected share by 2015: 55% of all commercial & institutional construction (USGBC, 2012)
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Competitive advantage and clear differentiation

USCR's technology/innovations drive the development of engineered mixes that reduce carbon footprint, while delivering higher performing concrete, compared to traditional concrete



Reduced material cost/yd; greater margin potential

Low-CO<sub>2</sub> mixes utilize lower cost, cement replacement materials, while offering equal to or higher performance compared to traditional concrete



Greater business flexibility

Cement companies remain focused on core: cement production and utilization



### **Investment Highlights**

- 1 Favorable exposure to commercial projects with higher margins and barriers to entry
- 2 High quality asset base in attractive markets
- 3 Well positioned to benefit from rebound in construction market
- 4 Long-term diversified customer base
- 5 Focus on sustainable leadership and strategy
- 6 Strong financial performance and conservative balance sheet
- 7 Experienced management team



## **Disclosure of Non-GAAP Financial Measures**

#### U.S. CONCRETE, INC. ADDITIONAL STATISTICS (In thousands, unless otherwise noted; unaudited)

We report our financial results in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States ("GAAP"). However, our management believes that certain non-GAAP performance measures and ratios, which our management uses in managing our business, may provide users of this financial information additional meaningful comparisons between current results and results in prior operating periods. See the following table for presentations of our adjusted EBITDA and adjusted EBITDA margin for the years 2012 and 2013 and the first nine months of 2013 and 2014.

We define adjusted EBITDA as our net income (loss) from continuing operations plus the provision (benefit) for income taxes, net interest expense, depreciation, depletion and amortization, reorganization costs, noncash impairments, derivative (income) loss, expenses related to the departure of our former CEO, expenses related to the relocation of our corporate headquarters, gain (loss) on extinguishment of debt and non-cash stock compensation expense. We define adjusted EBITDA margin as the amount determined by dividing adjusted EBITDA by total revenue. We have included adjusted EBITDA and adjusted EBITDA margin in the accompanying tables because they are often used by investors for valuation and for comparing our financial performance with the performance of other building material companies. We also use adjusted EBITDA to monitor and compare the financial performance of our operations. Adjusted EBITDA does not give effect to the cash we must use to service our debt or pay our income taxes and thus does not reflect the funds actually available for capital expenditures. In addition, our presentation of adjusted EBITDA may not be comparable to similarly titled measures other companies report.

Non-GAAP financial measures should be viewed in addition to, and not as an alternative for, our reported operating results or cash flow from operations or any other measure of performance prepared in accordance with GAAP.



## **Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures**

	Year Ended December 31,			Nine Months Ended September 30,		
(in thousands, except per share amounts)		2012	2013		2013	2014
Adjusted EBITDA <sup>1</sup> reconciliation:						
Net Loss from Continuing Operations	\$	(25,749) \$	(18,390)	\$	(12,970) \$	19,760
Income tax (benefit) expense		(3,760)	1,155		1,710	1,540
Interest expense, net		11,344	11,332		7,837	15,145
Derivative loss		19,725	29,964		25,829	2,306
Depreciation, depletion and amortization		15,676	18,984		14,090	16,392
Loss (gain) on extinguishment of debt		2,630	(985)		(2,631)	-
Expenses related to corporate headquarters relocation		2,484	550		512	-
Officer severance		275	245		245	-
Non-cash stock compensation expense		2,512	5,429		4,721	2,647
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	25,137 \$	48,284	\$	39,343 \$	57,790
Adjusted EBITDA margin		4.7%	7.9%		8.7%	11.0%

<sup>1</sup> Adjusted EBITDA is defined as income (loss) from continuing operations, plus income tax provision (benefit), net interest expense, derivative loss related to our Convertible Notes and Warrants, depreciation, depletion and amortization, loss on early extinguishment of debt, expenses related to our corporate headquarters relocation, officer severance, and non-cash stock compensation expense.





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