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# **1. Investment Highlights**

## **Investment Highlights**



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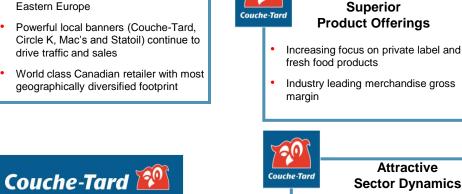


#### **Broad Geographic Footprint** with Leading Market Positions

- Leading C-store operator in North America, Scandinavia and Central and Eastern Europe
- Powerful local banners (Couche-Tard. Circle K, Mac's and Statoil) continue to drive traffic and sales
- World class Canadian retailer with most geographically diversified footprint

S&P: BBB- (Stable)

Moody's: Baa3 (Stable)



#### Attractive Sector Dynamics

- Steady industry performance throughout downturns with strong projected growth
- C-store sector well positioned to gain share from traditional food retail
- Industry-leading returns in recession proof industry

Attractive SFR Synergy Potential

- Proven ability to extract significant synergies from acquisitions
- Transferring best practices across entire platform



#### Track Record of Highly Disciplined Growth and Debt Reduction

- Proven ability to integrate acquisitions (~1,500 stores from 45 acquisitions since Circle K in 2003, excluding SFR)
- Well positioned to lead further consolidation in fragmented industry
- Committed to remain investment grade post SFR acquisition

#### Couche-Tard is a disciplined c-store operator and integrator



# 2. Couche-Tard Today

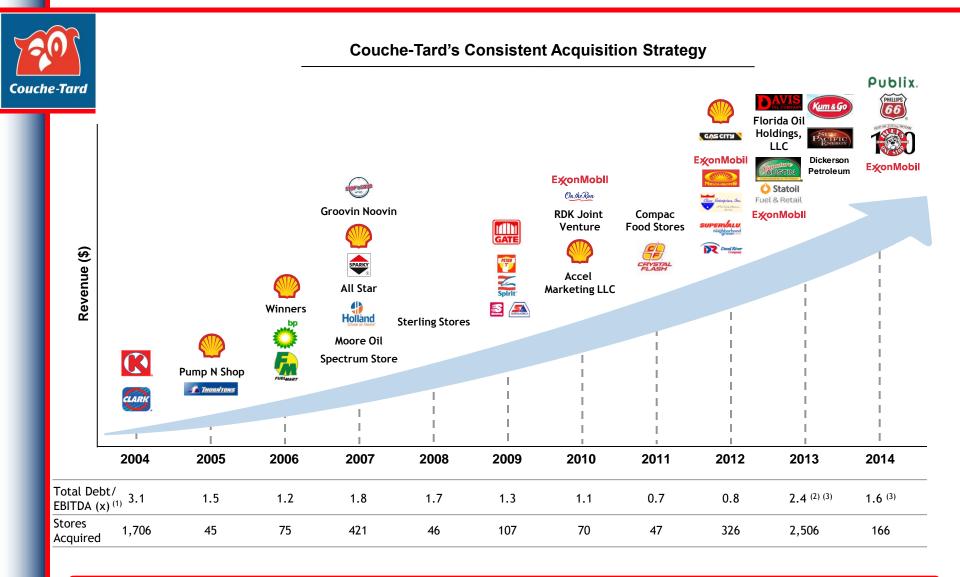
## **Key Highlights**



- Couche-Tard is a leading global convenience store operator
  - Largest operator in North America based on number of company-operated stores.
  - Leader in convenience store and road transportation fuel in Scandinavian countries and in the Baltic countries
  - Network of 6,236 corporate-operated stores, 604 CODO<sup>(1)</sup>, 534 DODO<sup>(2)</sup> and 1,125 affiliated stores
  - In addition to the stores above, under licensing agreements, 4,604 stores operated under the Circle K banner worldwide
- Well-recognized banners including Couche-Tard, Circle K, Statoil and Mac's
- Proven track record of disciplined growth and profitability
  - Revenue, EBITDA and EPS '08-'14 CAGR of 16.3%, 22.5% and 29.4%, respectively
  - LTM EBITDA of \$1.6B
- Disciplined management culture with proven integration track record
  - Decentralized operating model
  - Successfully integrated ~1,500 stores from 45 acquisitions since Circle K transaction (excluding Statoil Fuel & Retail)
  - Founders own ~23% of the Company
- Significant cash flow generator with historically strong credit metrics

Largest operator of company-operated stores and disciplined consolidator in resilient industry

## **History of Highly Disciplined M&A Approach**



#### Superb track record of integrating acquisitions

(1) Represents Total Debt/EBITDA at fiscal year end.

(2) Pro forma the acquisition of SFR.

(3) Adjusted for non-recurring restructuration provision, curtailment gain and negative goodwill.

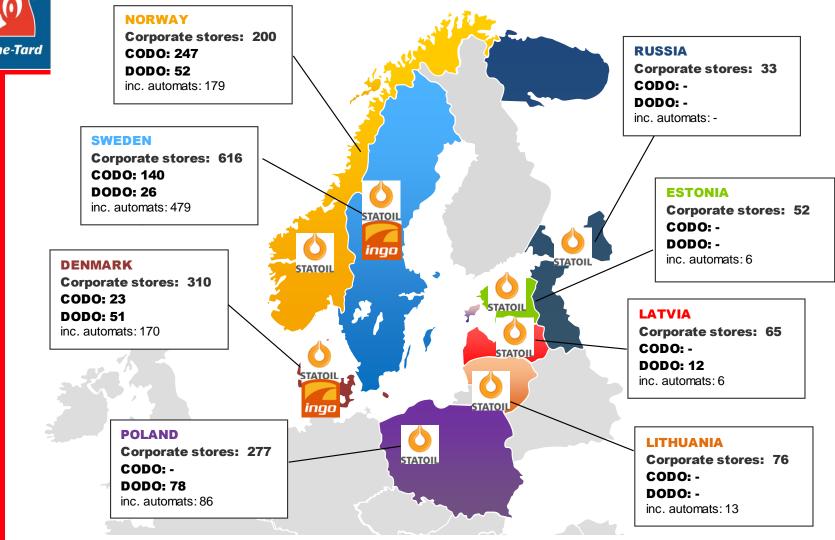
## **North American Footprint**



Total network of 5,732 stores in North America and supplies fuel to an additional 509 sites

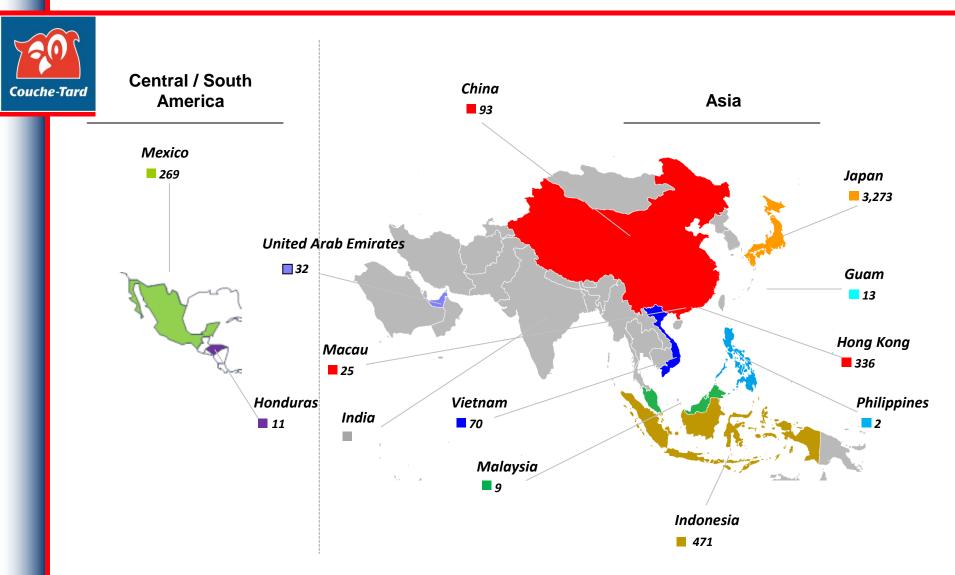
## **European Footprint**





#### 2,258 stores in 8 countries in Europe

## **International Presence**



4,604 licensed Circle K stores in Asia, Mexico, Honduras and U.A.E

## **Couche-Tard as a World Leader**



(\$ billions)	North America	Europe	LTM <sup>(1)</sup>
Revenue	\$25.3	\$12.7	\$38.0
Contribution	67%	33%	100%
Gross Profit	\$3.2	\$1.8	\$5.0
Gross Margin	12.8%	13.8%	13.2%
EBITDA <sup>(3)</sup>			\$1.6
EBITDA Margin			4.2%
Stores (#)	6,241 <sup>(2)</sup>	2,258	8,499

#### Couche-Tard is a leading global convenience store operator with EBITDA of \$1.6 billion

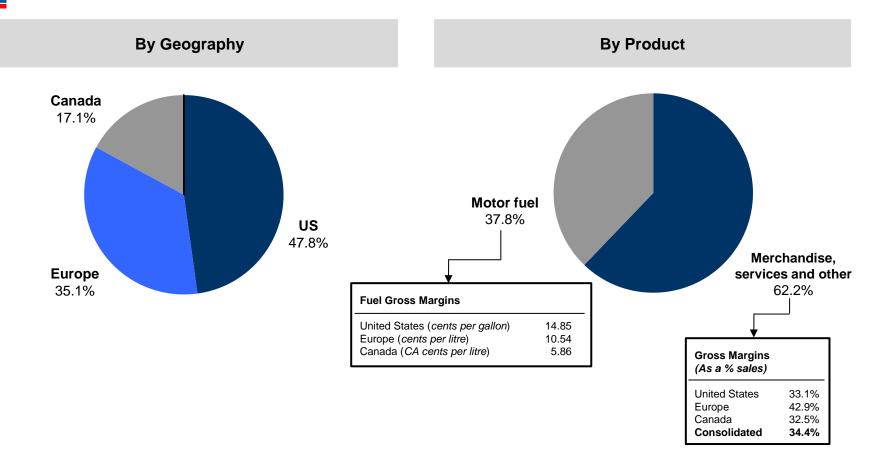
(1) LTM financial results as at April 27, 2014.

(2) Includes Couche-Tard's Company-Owned/Dealer-Operated and Dealer-Owned/Dealer-Operated sites.

(3) Adjusted for non-recurring restructuring provision, curtailment gain and negative goodwill.

## **Gross Margin Breakdown**

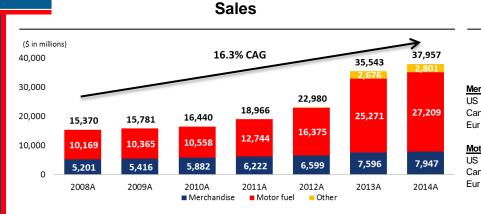




Entry into resilient Scandinavian market with high margin motor fuel business

## **Disciplined Growth and Significant Free Cash Flow**

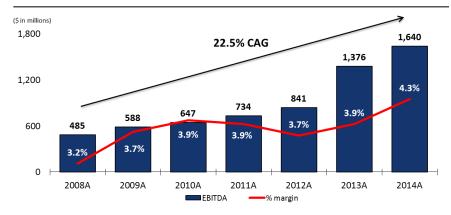




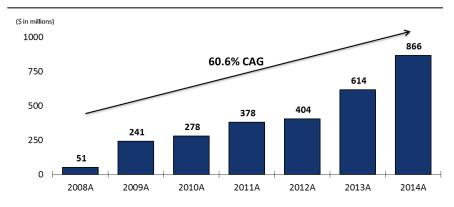
#### Same-store sales

	Q3 2012	Q4 2012	Q1 2013	Q2 2013	Q3 2013	Q4 2013	Q1 2014	Q2 2014	Q3 2014	Q4 2014
Mercha	ndise same	-store sale	es							
US	3.4%	3.4%	2.8%	0.4%	0.8%	0.1%	2.7%	4.5%	3.8%	4.4%
Can	3.1%	5.4%	5.0%	0.4%	1.7%	0.9%	0.7%	3.2%	2.2%	1.6%
Eur							1.9%	1.9%	0.9%	2.5%
Motor fu	uel same ste	ore volum	e							
US	1.1%	0.2%	1.1%	-0.5%	0.8%	1.1%	1.2%	1.7%	1.3%	2.8%
Can	0.0%	0.1%	2.2%	0.2%	-0.9%	-1.4%	-0.4%	1.5%	2.1%	1.7%
Eur							1.8%	2.2%	2.7%	3.2%

**EBITDA** 

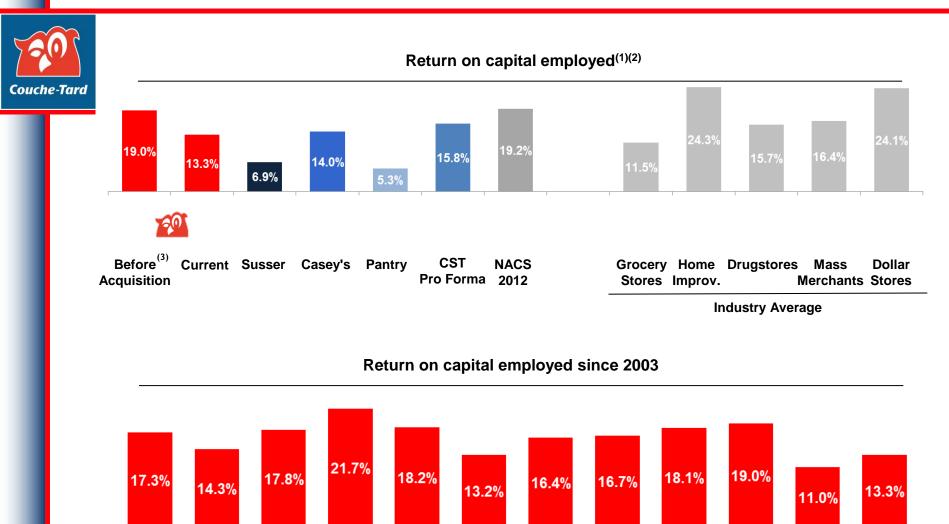


#### **Free Cash Flow**



History of strong operational performance and FCF generation

## **Industry Leading Returns**



#### Strong returns even in challenging economic conditions

(1) Based on most recent published last 12 months results as of June 15, 2014. Pantry financials adjusted for non-recurring asset write-off

(2) Couche-Tard's most recent published results are as of April 27, 2014 (Q4 2014)

(3) As of April 29, 2012

## **Operational Trademark**



- In-store sales
  - Innovation
  - Differentiation
  - Private and exclusive brands
  - Food
  - Store upgrades
  - Technology
  - Industry consolidation
- Gross margin improvement
  - Procurement
  - Price strategies
  - Product loss reductions
- Increase efficiency
  - Benchmarking
  - Best practices
- Growth of the store network
  - Acquisitions
  - Store development
- People
- Forecourt execution



**Best-in-class retail operator** 



## 3. SFR Update

## **SFR Snapshot**



- Broad network comprised of 2,258 stations
  - 72% are company-operated
- Revenues of \$12.7B and gross margin of \$1.8B for the period from May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2013 to April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2014
- ~8.5B fuel litres sold from May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2013 to April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2014
- Convenience offering focused on fresh food (24% of merchandise sales)
- Turn around of negative comparable sales trend that existed when SFR was acquired
  - Roll-out of Miles
  - Coin offer
- Finalization of the implementation of a new ERP system. Only Poland and stabilisation remain.
- Realized YTD synergies of approximately \$85.0M including cost reductions following the delisting of SFR, renegotiation of certain agreements with our suppliers, reduction of in-store costs and restructuring of certain departments.
- Couche-Tard maintains its goal of annual synergies ranging from \$150.0 million to \$200.0 million before the end of December 2015

Long history of >100 years in Scandinavia and >20 years in CEE

## **Market Leadership**



	Market	Store	Market Share			
	Position	Count <sup>(1)</sup>	Fuel <sup>(2)</sup>	C-stores <sup>(3)</sup>		
Norway	#1	499	37%	33%		
Sweden	#1	782	32%	33%		
Denmark	#1	384	28%	33%		
Latvia	#1	77	27%	37%		
Estonia	#1	52	20%	41%		
Lithuania	#2	76	23%	23%		
Poland	#5	355	5%	7%		





#### is the most recognized convenience brand across Scandinavia and the Baltics countries

Source: SFR estimates and AC Nielsen.

(1) As at April 30, 2014.

(2) As at March 31, 2012, based on internal and market data.

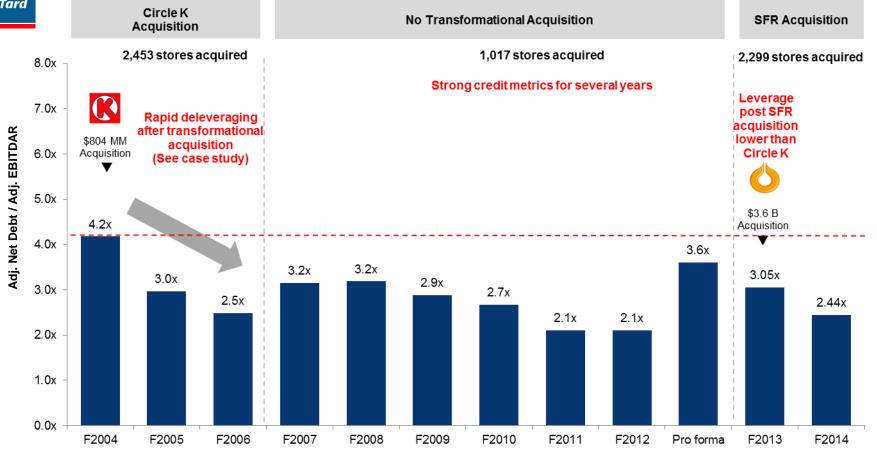
(3) Based on market data, as at various dates, ranging from December 2011 to March 2012.



# 4. Capital Structure & Debt Reduction Plan

## **Strong Credit Metrics Support Investment Grade Rating**

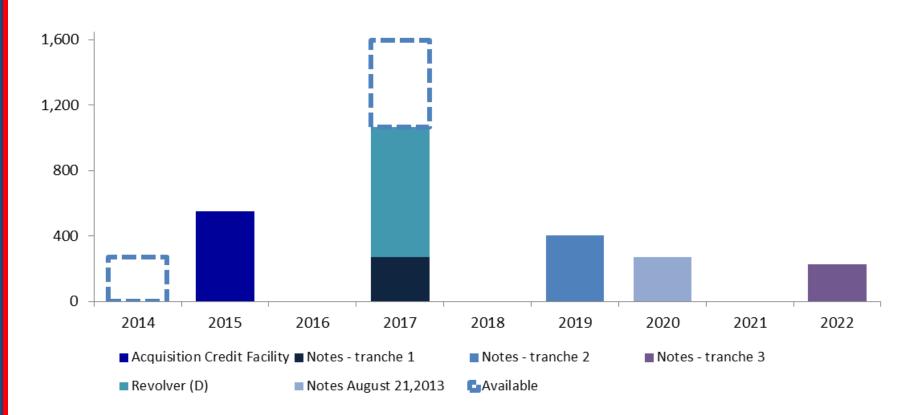
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Track record of deleveraging after acquisition

## **Current Liquidity and Credit Facilities**







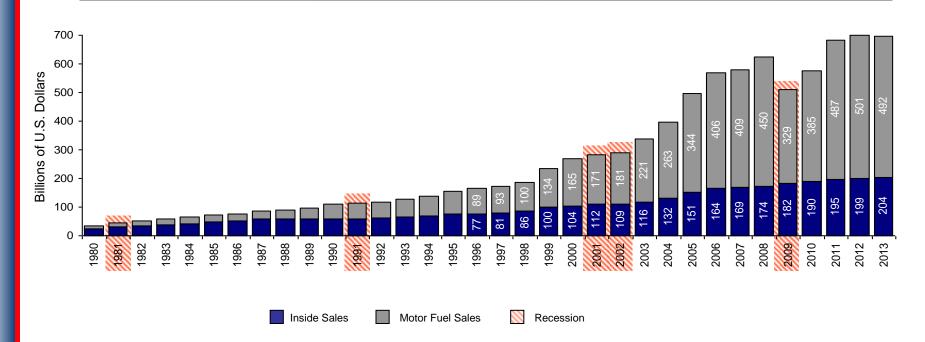
# Appendix 1 Historical Industry Sales

## **Resilient and Growing Industry**



Industry's inside sales grow each year, even during recessions

U.S. Convenience Stores Industry Sales

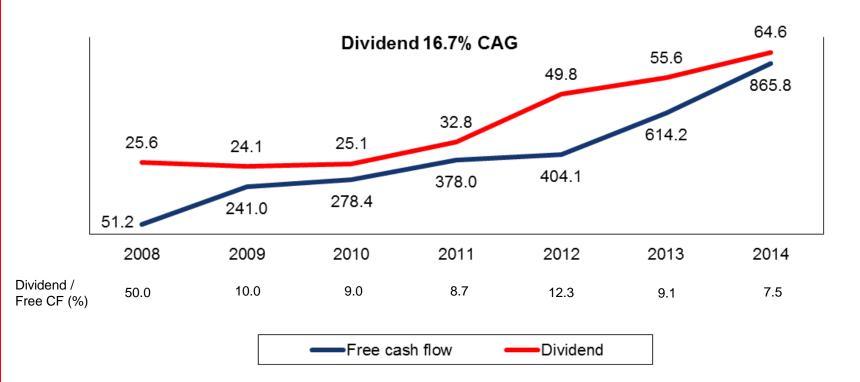


#### Consistent growth throughout economic cycles over the last 30 years

Source: Industry data is from the «NACS Sate of the Industry Annual Report - 2013 Data»

## **Dividend vs Free Cash Flow**





Consistent growth more than doubling within 5 years