

**Investor Presentation** 

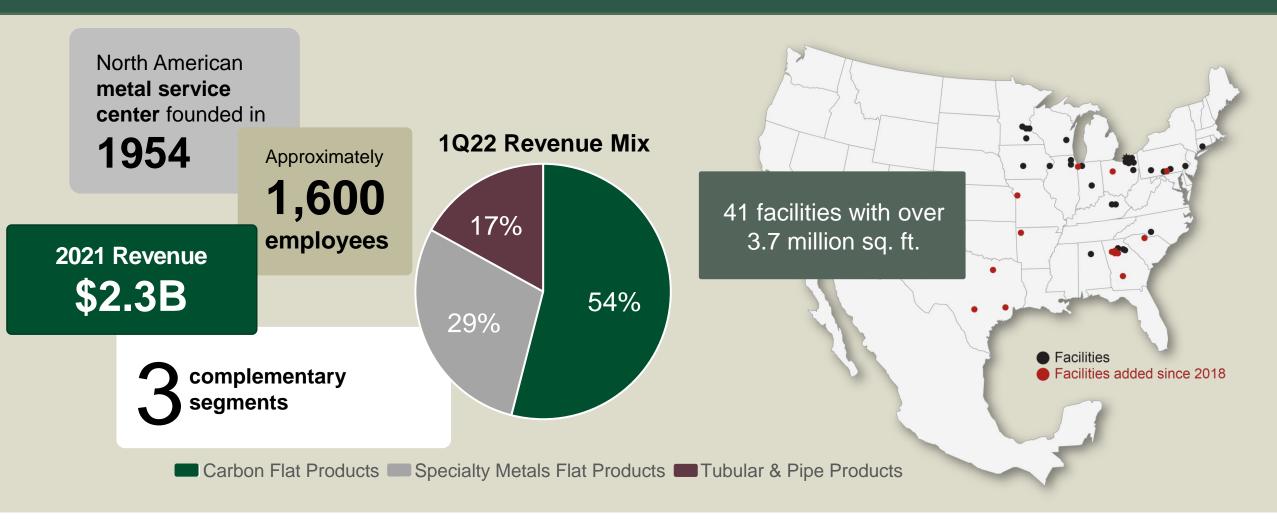
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# Forward-Looking Statements

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# Olympic Steel (NASDAQ: ZEUS) – At A Glance





## Why Invest in ZEUS?

## Strong since 1954 – with a growth mindset

- Differentiated product offering with full range of distinctive processing capabilities
- Strong alignment with customers, geographies and end markets
- Expanding EBITDA margins and reducing cyclicality through investment and M&A, with a focus on higher-margin and metal-intensive branded products
- Disciplined approach to operating expense and working capital management
- Strong balance sheet to fund growth initiatives
- Poised to benefit from **infrastructure or Build America** initiatives and reshaping of manufacturing supply chains (estimated 3-5% increase in annual U.S. steel demand)



## Why Invest in ZEUS?

### Disciplined capital allocation strategy, aligned with shareholders

- Capital allocation
  - Investing in higher-return growth opportunities
  - Returning cash to shareholders
  - Ability to produce free cash flow in counter-cyclical markets
- 17 consecutive years of quarterly cash dividends
  - Quarterly dividend increased from \$0.02 to \$0.09 per share
- Experienced leadership team and Board of Directors hold >17% of shares



## Three Complementary Segments

#### Differentiated product offering, distinctive value-added processing capabilities

#### **Specialty Metals Flat Products**

- Fastest-growing segment, serving growth markets
- Higher returns vs. carbon service centers
- Recent expansion of processing capabilities and M&A



# **Tubular & Pipe Products** (Chicago Tube & Iron)

- Less cyclical and higher returns due to niche markets
- Highly engineered value-added processing



#### **Carbon Flat Products**

- High-volume business
- Margin enhancement through valueadded processing and acquisition of metal-intensive branded products

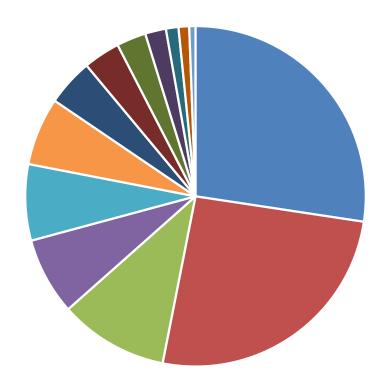




## **Diversified End Markets and Customer Base**

#### 1Q 2022 Net Sales by End Market

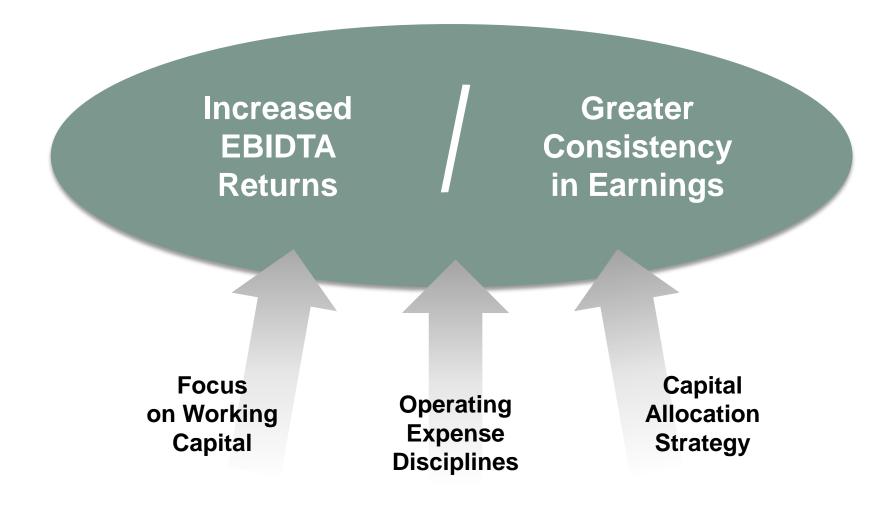
- Strategically located near customers to provide just-in-time delivery and reduce logistics costs through our own truck fleet
- Diversification of served markets mitigates risk



- Industrial Machinery & Equipment 27.4%
- Fabricators 25.7%
- Service Centers 10.3%
- Construction 7.4%
- Transportation Equipment 7.2%
- Other 6.5%
- Agr. & Farm Equipment 4.5%
- Furniture/Fixtures & Racks 3.5%
- Appliances/Electric Equipment 2.8%
- Auto 2.0%
- Energy/Environmental 1.2%
- Scrap 1.0%
- Military/Armored Vehicles 0.6%

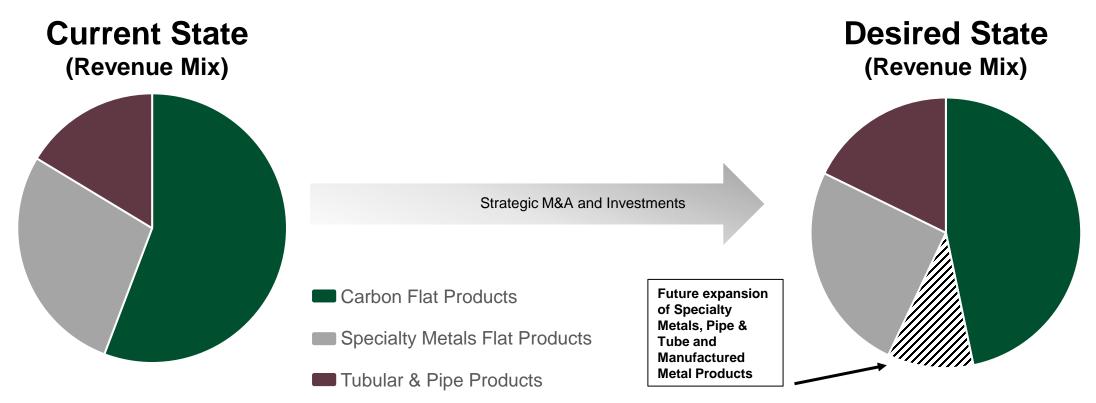


## The Path to Our Vision





## Our Vision – Deliver Higher Returns with Less Volatility



- Experienced service center business since 1954
- Extensive processing capabilities
- Strong balance sheet
- Expanding into metal-intensive branded products

- Diversified, growing businesses
- Applying service center expertise to acquired businesses
- Expanded EBITDA margins
- Less cyclical financial results



## **Capital Allocation Strategy**

#### Strategic M&A and higher-return investments driving results and more consistent earnings

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 Acquired Berlin Metals (Hammond, IN), expanding in tin and stainless steel



- Expanded Schaumburg, IL facility by 42,000 sq. ft.
- Added new white metals cut-to-length line at Schaumburg, IL facility
- Added second stainless steel slitter at Streetsboro, OH facility

Acquired Action Stainless & Alloys



Acquired Shaw Stainless & Alloy\*

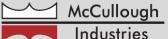


#### Pipe & Tube

- Installed new tube laser equipment at CTI Chicago facility
- · CTI expanded distribution in Southeast U.S.

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Acquired McCullough Industries\* (Kenton, OH)



Acquired EZ-Dumper\* (Waynesboro, PA)



- Opened Buford, GA fabrication facility
- Added Winder, GA automotive stamping capabilities
- Ordered 2nd automotive stamping line for Winder (automated)
- Divested of Detroit facility

2018

2019

2020

2021



<sup>\*</sup> Manufacturer of metal-intensive branded products (primarily carbon steel)

# The Results of our Capital Allocation Strategy

	2010-2019	2021	1Q 2022
Return on Assets	0.8%	13.9%	14.3%
EBITDA/Sales	3.0%	9.3%	8.3%



## **Access to Capital to Fund Future Growth**

## Effective management of working capital through economic cycles

- Low-cost \$475 million Asset Based Loan (ABL), with \$200M accordion feature, maturing in June 2026
- Real estate portfolio unencumbered by debt
- S-3 shelf filing access up to \$200 million through debt or stock offerings, including \$50M At-The-Market (ATM) program
- Access to significant liquidity to fund organic growth and M&A opportunities
- Strong, counter-cyclical cash flow generator



Doing Business the Right Way

#### Our culture drives results







#### **INVESTOR RELATIONS**

CORPORATE PROFILE

CORPORATE RESPONSIBILITY

NEWS RELEASES

PRESENTATIONS

ANALYST COVERAGE

ANNUAL REPORTS

PROXY STATEMENTS

MANAGEMENT PROFILE

DIRECTORS

BUSINESS ETHICS POLICY

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE GUIDELINES

#### **OUR COMMITMENT TO OPERATING RESPONSIBLY**



At Olympic Steel, our mission is to achieve profitable growth by safely providing quality business solutions for metal product users. Since opening in 1954, we have been committed to operating responsibly and in compliance with all federal, state and local requirements in all facets of our business. This commitment is reflected in our **Core Values** and the ways in which we support our customers and the communities where we operate.









Safety first. Always.



















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# Appendix



# About Olympic Steel: A Leading North American Metals Service Center

As a metals service center, we respond directly to customer needs and emphasize *value-added processing* of metals to meet specific customer demands. Utilizing specialized equipment, our processes produce metals to specified lengths, widths, shapes and surface characteristics.

Headquartered in Highland Hills, OH, the company trades on NASDAQ under the symbol: ZEUS.

1954 Founded

41 Facilities

~1,600 Employees

**\$2.3B** 2021 Revenue

#### **Three Complementary Segments**

#### **Specialty Metals Flat Products**

Direct sale and distribution of processed aluminum and stainless flat-rolled sheet and coil products, flat-bar products and fabricated parts

# Tubular & Pipe Products (Chicago Tube & Iron)

Distribution of metal tubing, pipe, bar, valve and fittings and fabrication of pressure parts supplied to various industrial markets

#### **Carbon Flat Products**

Direct sale and distribution of large volumes of processed carbon and coated flat-rolled sheet, coil and plate products and fabricated parts



## 3Q 2021 – Financial Highlights

## Three months ended March 31

(in thousands, except per-share data)

	 2022 2021		2021
Net sales	\$ 696,333	\$	463,124
Operating income	53,122		31,590
Net income (loss)	37,302		22,008
Adjusted EBITDA*	\$ 56,021	\$	37,825
Earnings per share:			
Net income (loss) per share - diluted	\$ 3.23	\$	1.91
Adjusted net income (loss) per share - diluted*	\$ 3.10	\$	1.97
Weighted average shares outstanding - diluted	11,563		11,496



<sup>\*</sup> See Company's earnings release dated May 5, 2022 for the reconciliation of this item to the most comparable GAAP financial measure

## Returning Cash to Shareholders

#### Dividends

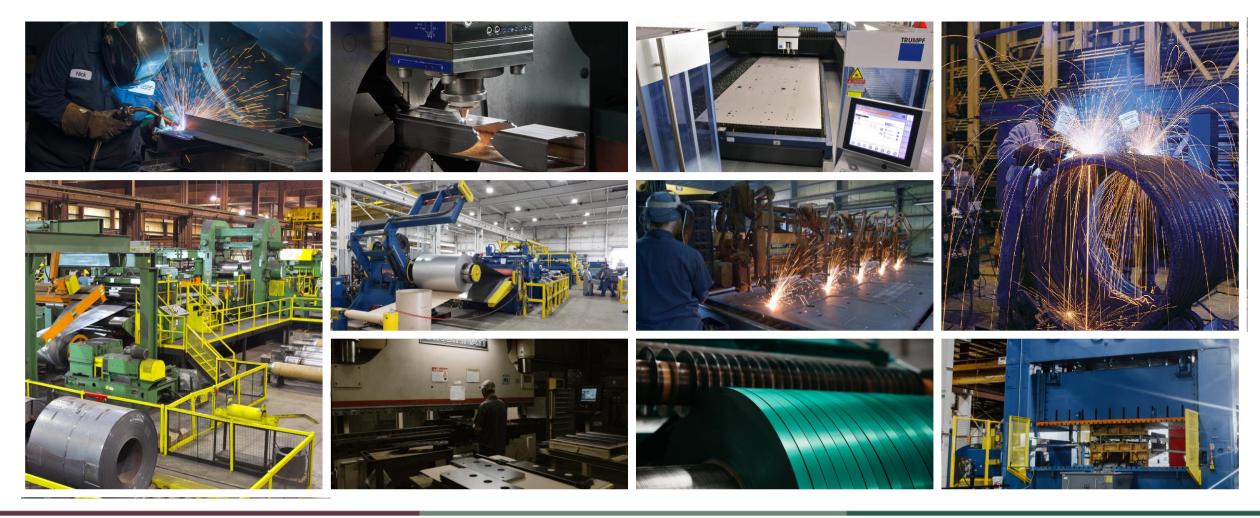
- 17 consecutive years of quarterly cash dividends
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## Share buybacks

- Repurchased shares in 2019 and 2020
- Authorization for approximately 350,000 more shares



# Our Processing





## **Our Products**





























Action Stainless & Alloys | Berlin Metals | Chicago Tube & Iron | EZ-Dumper®

Integrity Stainless | McCullough Industries | Shaw Stainless & Alloy