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Why PCA



- **Right Product – Corrugated Containers (85% of EBITDA)**
 - **Corrugated has established its place in society – no real substitutes**
 - **Good industry dynamics – supply / demand balance, industry consolidation, no import threat**
 - **Prospect of better industry demand – onshoring**

Why PCA



- Right Product – Corrugated Containers (85% of EBITDA)
- **Best Performing Company Over an Extended Period of Time**
 - **Best volume growth and margins in the industry**
 - **Strongest customer base – 2/3 local accounts**
 - **Low cost virgin mills**
 - **Lowest OCC usage in the industry**
 - **High vertical integration**
 - **Strong management / track record**

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- **Proven and Unique Strategy**
 - **Focus on providing the best value and be easy to do business with**
 - **Boxes are not a commodity. PCA leverages revenue growth, not cost reduction, to drive profitability in our box plants**
 - **We have developed considerable capabilities and expertise in doing the hard-to-do things that provides our customers the best value**
 - **Our strategy is very difficult to replicate because of the know-how and resources required**

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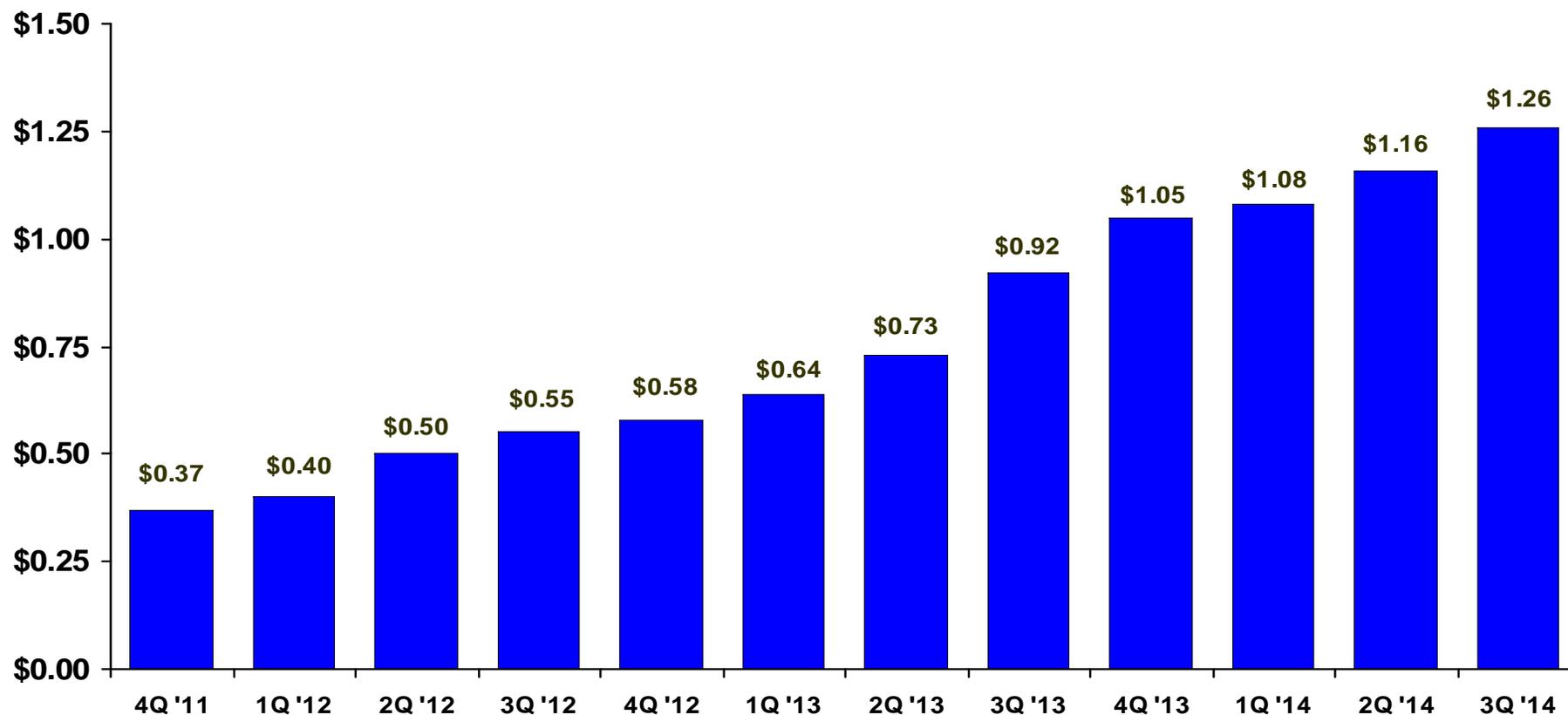
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- **Special Opportunity – Boise Acquisition**
 - **Highly accretive to earnings immediately**
 - **Quality assets that provide a platform for continued growth**
 - **Substantial synergies (\$175MM)**
 - **Excellent fit**
 - **DeRidder conversion project (30% DCF return)**

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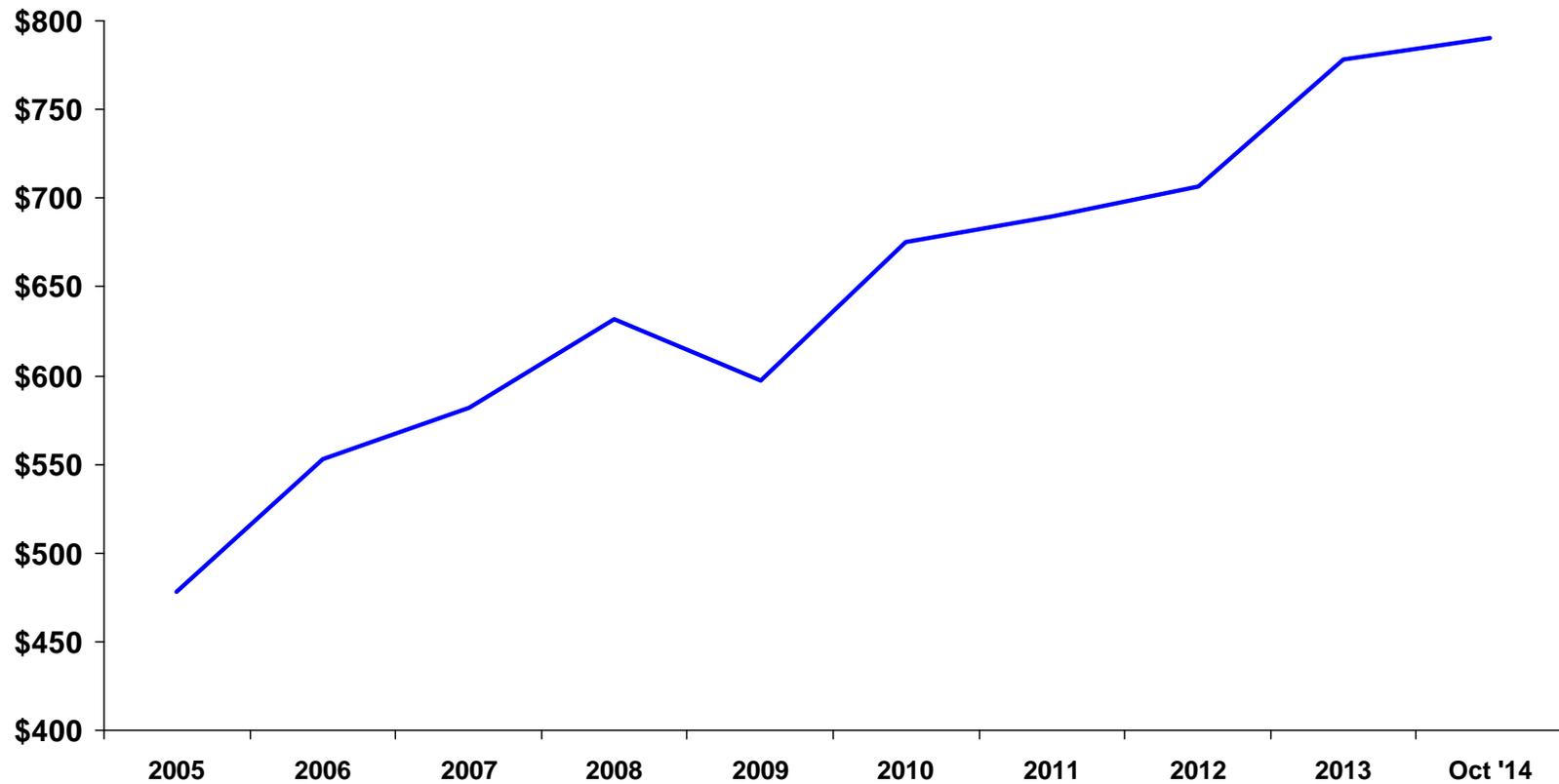
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- **Focus and History of Returning Value to Shareholders**
 - **Capital spending discipline**
 - **Dividends and share buybacks**
 - **Debt paydown**

Earnings Per Share (Excluding Special Items)⁽¹⁾



1) See Appendix for reconciliation of reported earnings per share to earnings per share shown above.

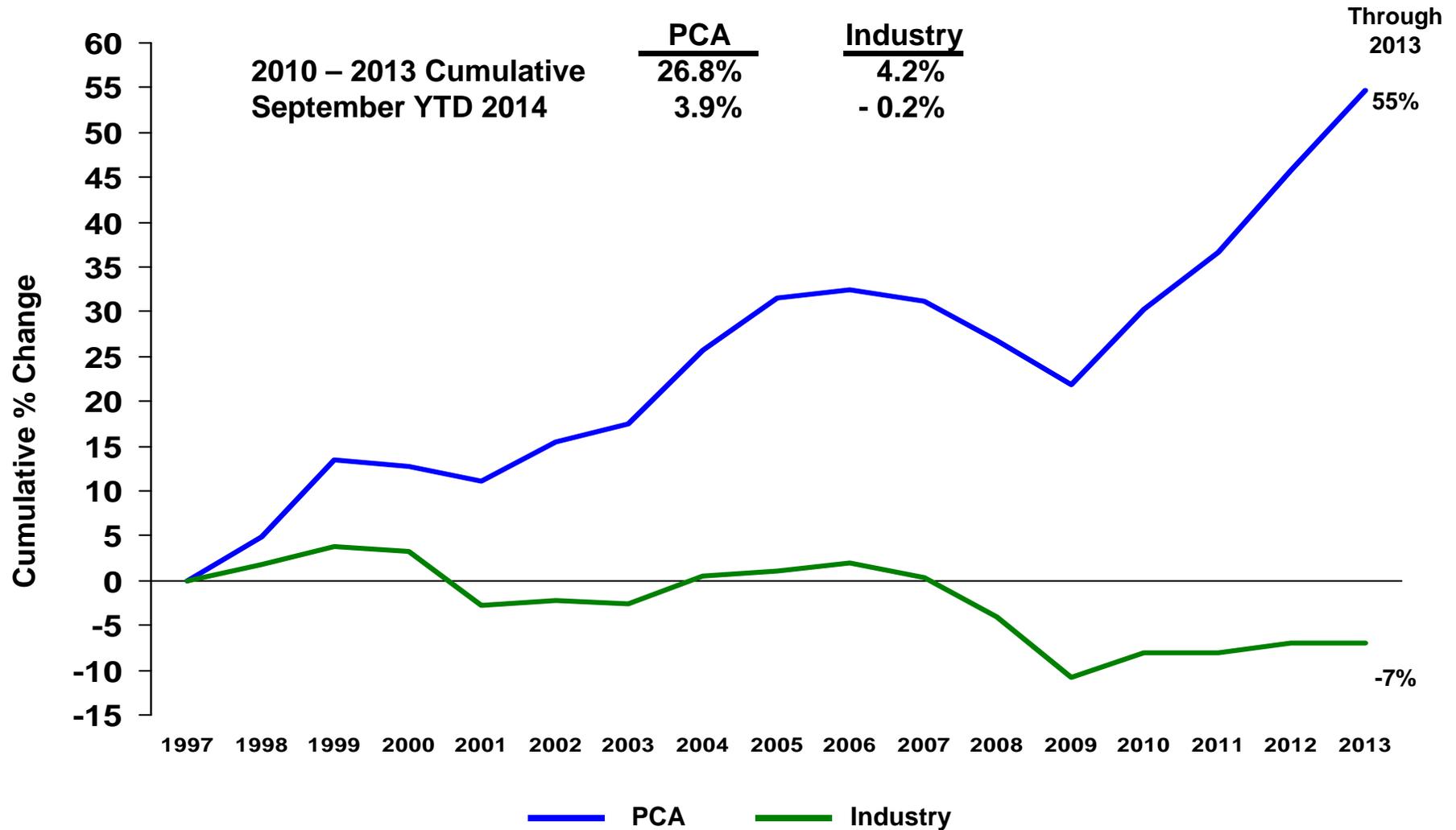
Historical Rollstock Pricing⁽¹⁾ 42# Linerboard



| Average Price/Year: | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | Oct '14 |
|---------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|
| | \$ 478 | \$ 553 | \$ 582 | \$ 632 | \$ 597 | \$ 675 | \$ 690 | \$ 707 | \$ 778 | \$ 790 |

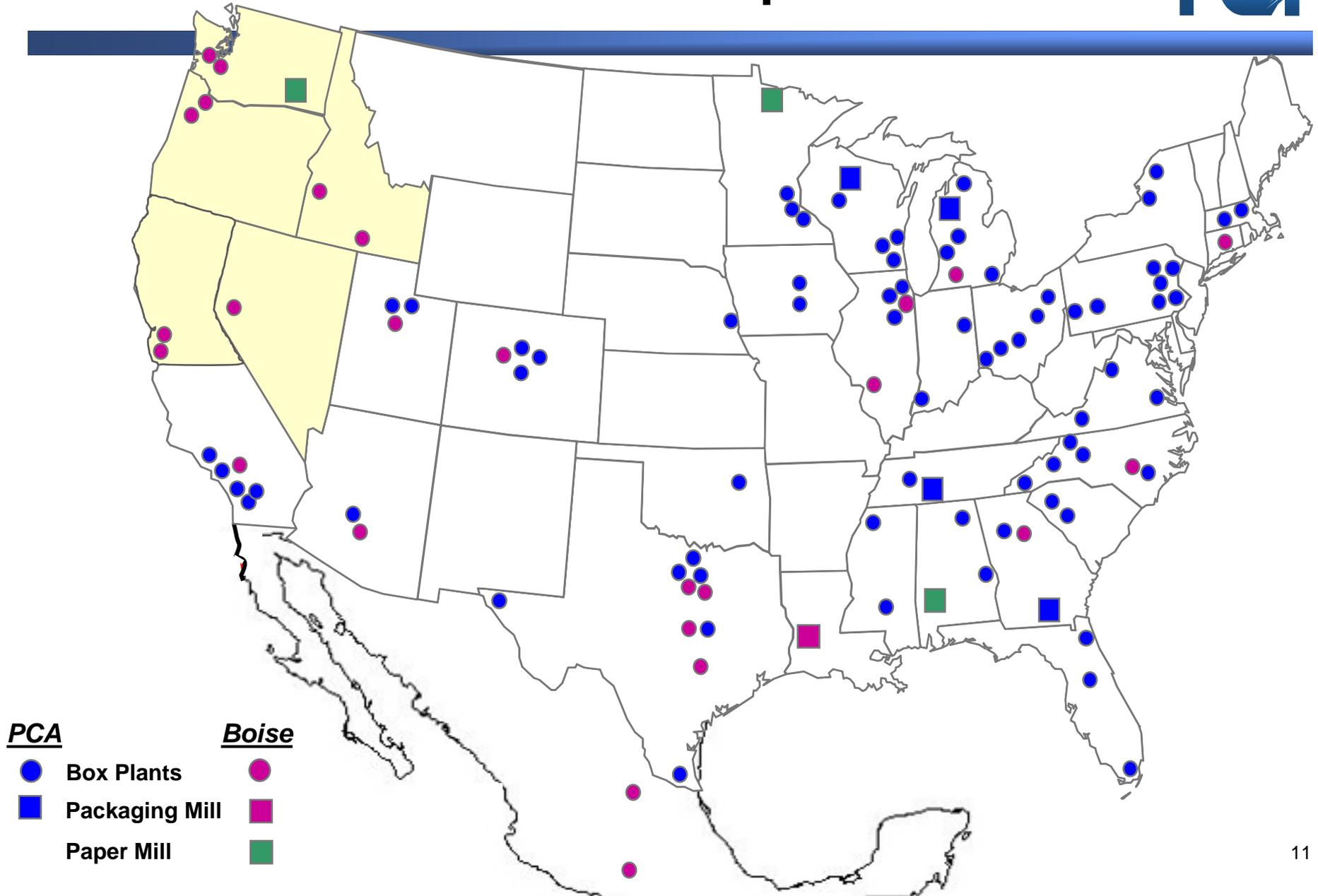
(1) Source: Pulp and Paper

PCA Corrugated Products Growth⁽¹⁾

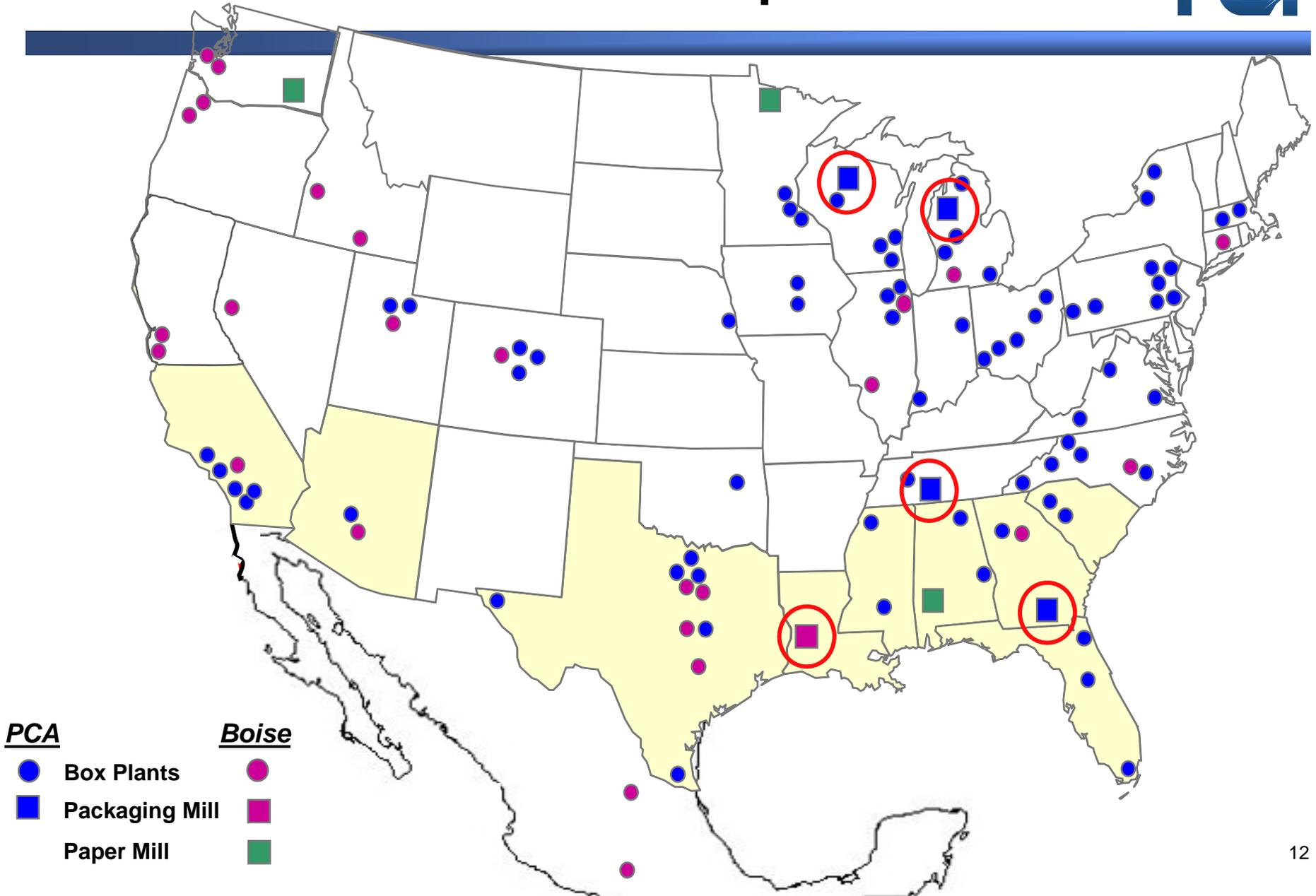


(1) Excludes volume from Boise acquisition.

PCA & Boise Combined Footprint



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DeRidder Machine Conversion



- **Converted DeRidder, D3 newsprint machine to produce lightweight linerboard and corrugating medium on October 17, 2014 with annual capacity of 355,000 tons**
- **Start-up proceeding as planned.**
- **Capital costs of \$120 million**
- **Financial benefits**
 - **30% after-tax discounted cash flow return**
 - **Projected increase of \$60MM in EBITDA, or \$0.36 per share, at full capacity**
- **System-wide containerboard capacity of 3,750,000 tons**

Financial Position at September 30, 2014



Debt & Liquidity

| <i>(\$ Millions)</i> | <u>Amount</u> |
|----------------------------------|-----------------|
| Initial Post-Acquisition Debt | \$ 2,657 |
| Debt Paydown to Date | <u>(\$ 300)</u> |
| Total Debt ⁽¹⁾ | \$ 2,357 |
| Cash at 9/30/14 | <u>(154)</u> |
| Net Debt | \$ 2,203 |
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| Variable Interest Rate Bank Debt | \$ 710 |
| Fixed Interest Rate Debt | 1,647 |
| Total Debt | \$ 2,357 |

Debt Covenants

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|--------------------------------------|-------|
| Interest Coverage Ratio (min. 3.75x) | 12.0x |
| Leverage Ratio (max. 3.75x) | 2.1x |

(1) Excludes capitalized leases of \$24MM.

Shareholder Value Creation (2015 – 2016)



- **Growth**
 - **Organic – Industry Leader**
 - **Box Plant Acquisitions**
 - **DeRidder #3 – 355,000 Tons**

- **Synergies** - **At Least \$175 Million**

- **Return Value to Shareholders**

Free Cash Flow Uses



- **Quarterly Dividends**
- **Share Repurchases**
- **Debt Paydown**
- **Strategic Investments**
 - **Internal High Return Projects**
 - **Acquisitions**

PCA

The logo consists of the letters 'PCA' in a bold, dark blue, sans-serif font. The letter 'A' is stylized with several parallel white diagonal lines extending from its top-right corner towards the bottom-right, creating a sense of motion or speed.

Appendix



| | Q4 '11 | Q1 '12 | Q2 '12 | Q3 '12 | Q4 '12 | Q1 '13 | Q2 '13 | Q3 '13 | Q4 '13 | Q1 '14 | Q2 '14 | Q3 '14 |
|--|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Earnings per Share | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Earnings per share, as reported ⁽¹⁾ | \$ 0.37 | \$ 0.16 | \$ 0.47 | \$ 0.41 | \$ 0.60 | \$ 0.64 | \$ 0.68 | \$ 0.87 | \$ 2.34 | \$ 0.92 | \$ 1.01 | \$ 1.06 |
| Class action lawsuit settlement ⁽²⁾ | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0.11 | - | - |
| DeRidder restructuring ⁽³⁾ | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0.02 | 0.12 | 0.17 |
| Alternative energy tax credits ⁽⁴⁾ | - | 0.24 | - | - | - | - | - | - | (1.70) | - | - | - |
| Acquisition-related costs ⁽⁵⁾ | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0.01 | 0.10 | - | - | - |
| Acquisition-related financing costs ⁽⁶⁾ | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0.02 | 0.06 | - | - | - |
| Acquisition inventory step-up ⁽⁷⁾ | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0.14 | - | - | - |
| Integration-related and other costs ⁽⁸⁾ | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0.11 | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.03 |
| Pension curtailment charges ⁽⁹⁾ | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0.05 | 0.02 | - | - | - | - |
| Plant closure charges ⁽¹⁰⁾ | - | - | - | - | 0.01 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Debt refinancing charges ⁽¹¹⁾ | - | - | 0.03 | 0.14 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| State income tax adjustments ⁽¹²⁾ | - | - | - | - | (0.03) | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Adjusted earnings per share | \$ 0.37 | \$ 0.40 | \$ 0.50 | \$ 0.55 | \$ 0.58 | \$ 0.64 | \$ 0.73 | \$ 0.92 | \$ 1.05 | \$ 1.08 | \$ 1.16 | \$ 1.26 |

- (1) Reported earnings per share for 2011 – 2013 have been adjusted to reflect the change in method of accounting for inventories that the Company elected on January 1, 2014. See the Company's current report on Form 8-K that was filed on May 9, 2014.
- (2) Represents costs accrued for the settlement of the *Kleen Products LLC vs. Packaging Corp of America et al* class action lawsuit.
- (3) Represents charges related to the restructuring of the DeRidder mill.
- (4) Represents earnings impact from the alternative fuel mixture and cellulosic biofuel tax credits.
- (5) Represents costs related to the acquisition of Boise in 2013.
- (6) Represents expenses related to the financing of the acquisition of Boise.
- (7) Represents expenses related to the step-up of Boise inventory that was charged as the inventory was sold.
- (8) Represents costs related primarily to the integration of Boise.
- (9) Represents non-cash pension curtailment charges related to changes in the Company's hourly defined benefit pension plan.
- (10) Represents charges from plant closures.
- (11) Represents charges from the Company's debt refinancing completed in 2012.
- (12) Represents income from state income tax adjustments.