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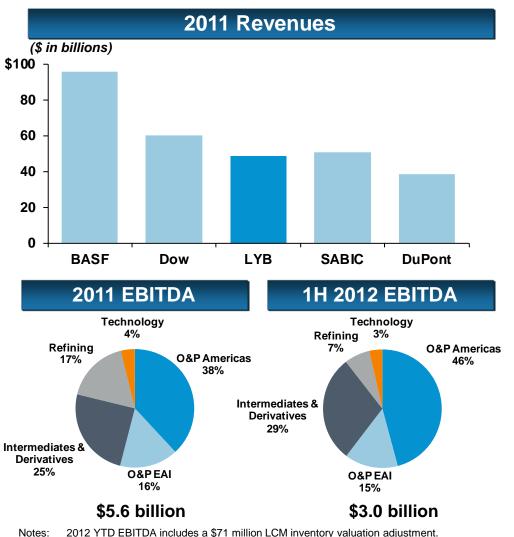


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## World-Class Scale With Leading Market Positions







2012 YTD EBITDA includes a \$71 million LCM inventory valuation adjustment.

Source: Capital IQ and LYB.

## Key Drivers Of Business Segment Performance



## Olefins & Polyolefins - Americas

- US natural gas/ "Ethane Advantage"
- Cyclical Upside

## Olefins & Polyolefins - EAI

- Differentiated products and JV's
- Restructuring
- Cyclical Upside

# Intermediates & Derivatives

- Proprietary Technology
- Global durable goods demand
- US Natural gas pricing; Gasoline price vs. natural gas cost

## Refining

- Maya 2-1-1 spread
- Cost improvements

## **Technology**

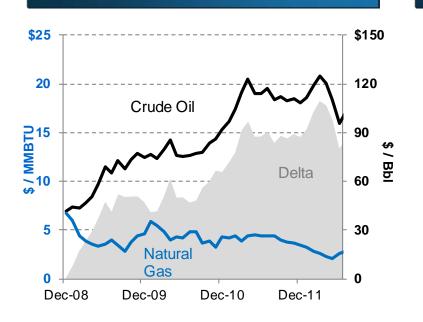
- Strong catalyst sales
- Excellent licensing position

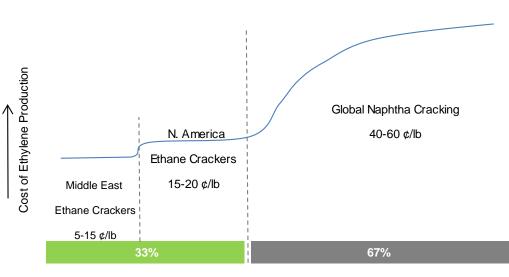
# O&P Americas: Natural Gas vs. Crude is Currently the Dominant Factor





#### **Global Capacity Cost Curve**





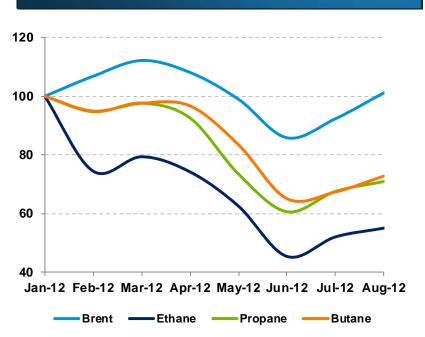
- Crude oil price increases have been as much a factor as have US natural gas price declines
- Raw material factors define regional competitiveness

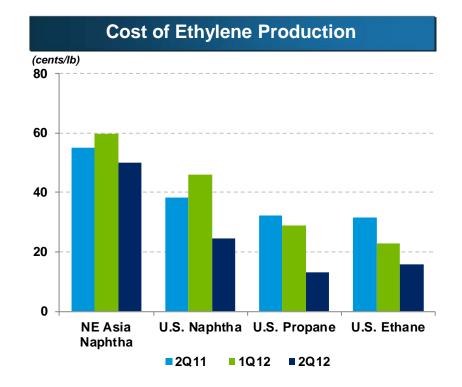
Source: IHS Chemical as of August 2012.

## US NGL Costs Have had a Downward Trend





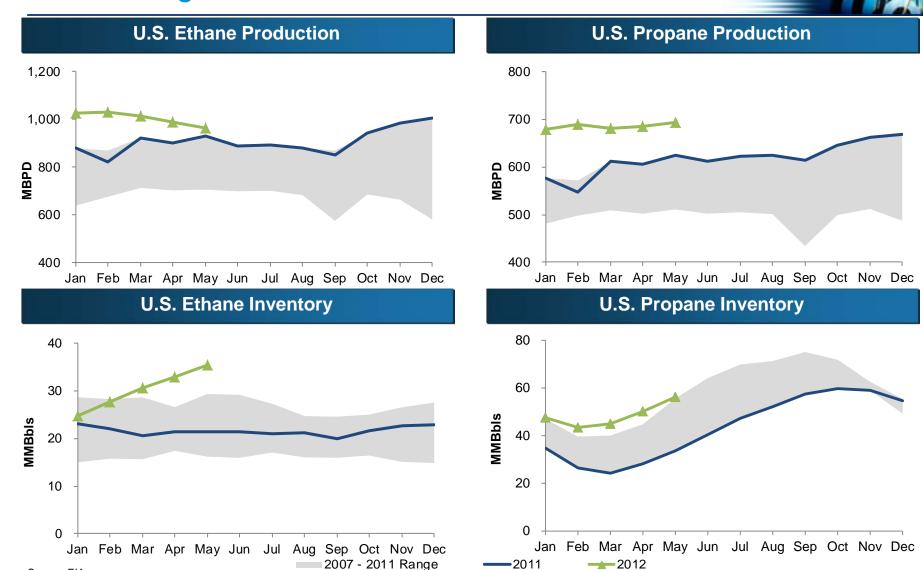




The US ethylene production cost advantage has expanded as NGL price declines have outpaced the recent crude oil price decline

Source: IHS Chemical.

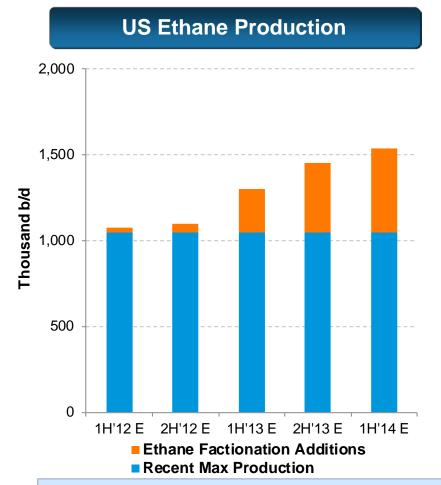
# Ethane and Propane Production and Inventories at Historic Highs

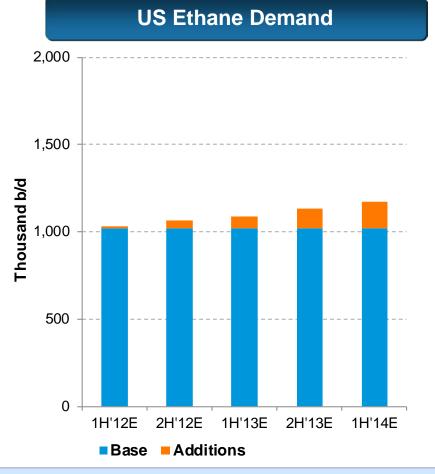


Source: EIA.

# Ethane Production Capacity is Forecast to Outpace Olefins Cracking Capacity Growth







Infrastructure projects should bring NGLs to the Gulf Coast and help ensure supply security for petrochemical growth projects

Source: EAI, Goldman Sachs, company announcements, LYB estimates.

## **Growth and Efficiency Projects**

	Scope	Investment (\$ million)	Timing (year)	Expected Value (\$ million / year)
Increase Ethane Capability	500 MM Lbs ethylene	~\$25	2012	\$100 -\$150
Expand La Porte Cracker	800+ MM Lbs ethylene	~\$350	2014	\$150 - \$250
Expand Flex Capacity	500 MM Lbs propylene	~\$125	2014	\$75 - \$125
Midwest Debottleneck	100 MM Lbs ethylene / polyethylene	~\$30	2013	\$20 - \$30

\$350 - \$550 million /  $yr^{(1)}$  of additional EBITDA for ~\$500 million of investment

<sup>(1)</sup> Based on historic average IHS Chemical pricing.

## La Porte Olefins Expansion Project

Size: 800+ million pound ethylene increase

**Timing:** 2014

Cost: ~\$350 million

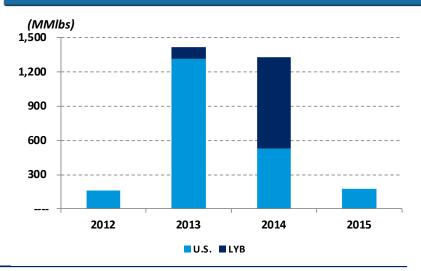
**Expected EBITDA Contribution:** ~ \$150 - \$250 million/yr



Source: LYB,IHS Chemical July 2012

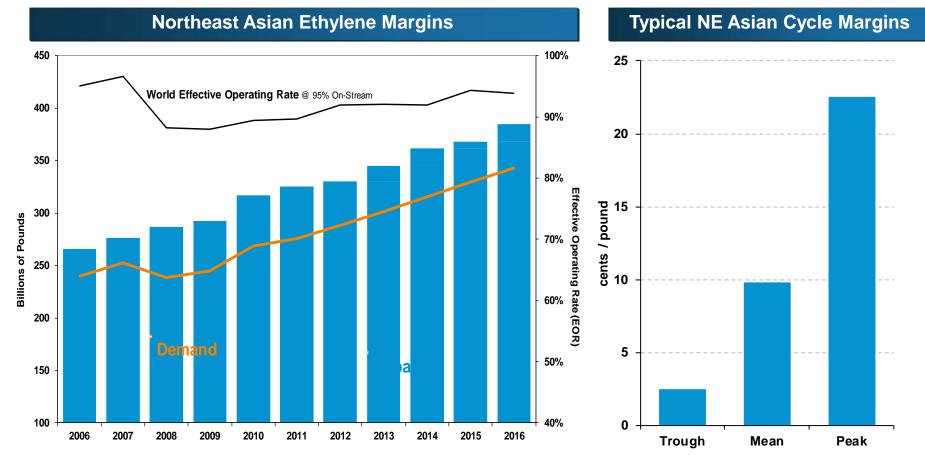
# 95% 90% 85% 75% Pre-Shale Post- Shale ■US ■EU

#### **U.S. Ethylene Capacity Additions**



# At 2010 / 2011 Operating Rates Global Naphtha Margins Have Been Near Trough Levels





- Asian margins have been weak, Asian prices set the global price
- Significant cyclical upside

Source: IHS Chemical

## O&P EAI: Earnings Drivers



#### **EU Olefins**

High cost on global basis

#### EU Polyethylene EU Polypropylene

- Large consuming market
- Cyclical profit

#### **EU Butadiene**

- Light cracking in US
- Europe, net exporter of C4's

#### **Joint Ventures**

- Feedstock advantage
- LYB technology deployment

### **PP Compounding**

- Automotive demand
- Technical competency critical

#### Catalloy & PB-1

- Specialty polyolefins
- High value in use



# EBITDA Indexed, Mid-Cycle = 1.0 - 0.5 - 0.

Mid-Cycle

Stable Base

Peak

Cyclical

2011

0.0

Trough

**O&P EAI EBITDA Scenarios** 

- Differentiated businesses provide stable profitability
- Commodities provide cyclical upside

## **O&P EAI Butadiene Expansion Project**

Size: 70KT Butadiene increase

**Timing:** 2013

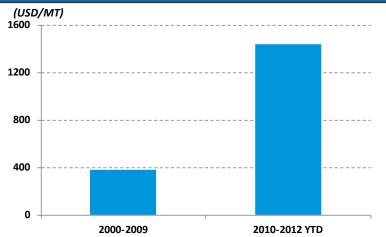
Cost: ~\$100 million

Expected EBITDA Contribution<sup>(1)</sup>: ~\$50 - \$75 million/yr

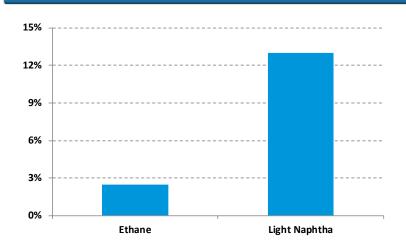


(1) Source: IHS. Data based on historic average IHS Chemical pricing.

## NWE Butadiene – Naphtha Spread



#### **Butadiene/Ethylene Production Yield**



# Intermediates & Derivatives A Robust and Diversified Portfolio



#### **Intermediates & Derivatives** 2012 LTM 6/30/12 Revenue \$ 9.4billion 2012 LTM 6/30/12 EBITDA \$ 1.5billion Propylene Ethylene Oxide Oxide & C4 Chemicals Acetyls Styrene Oxyfuels & Derivatives **Derivatives** Capacity<sup>(1)</sup>: Capacity: Capacity<sup>(1)</sup>: Capacity: Capacity Capacity: 2.6 billion lbs 3.6 billion lbs 1.4 billion lbs 75,000 bbls/day 190 million 0.8 billion lbs Propylene **ETBE & MTBE High Purity** gallons Ethylene Oxide Styrene Oxide Isobutylene Monomer Methanol 1.2 billion lbs Acetic Acid

(1) Includes pro-rata share of joint ventures.

Low

High

**Market & Technology Profitability** 

## Globally Diversified End Uses

## **Propylene Oxide & Derivatives** Home and auto cushioning Insulation foams Polyester composites Coatings Automotive parts Spandex Non-Durables **Durables** EU Asia U.S.





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**Co-Products: Oxyfuels, Isobutylene and Styrene** 





- Gasoline Blending
- Lube & fuel additives
- Tires
- Polyester composites
- Food packaging

Durables	Non-Durables					
U.S.	EU	Asia				

Note: LYB 2011 end-use (durable / non-durable) and revenues by region, %.

## **Drivers of Recent Profitability**





Asia Economic growth

PO & Derivatives

PO Coproducts

- Oil-Gas pricing spread
- Light feed cracking

 Natural Gas pricing

 N. America production base Acetyls

Ethylene
Oxide &
Derivatives

- Mono-ethylene Glycol cyclical recovery
- Differentiated products demand (Ethers)

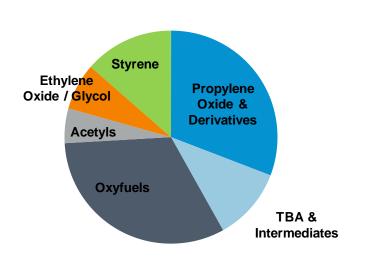


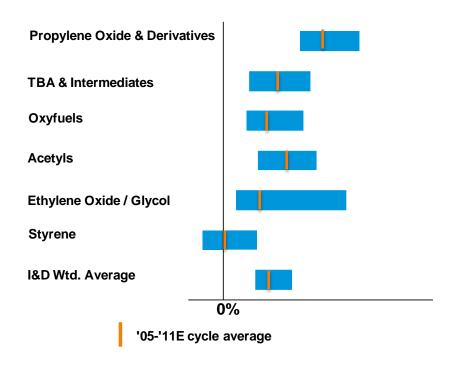
## Highly Profitable Balanced Portfolio



## Revenue Contribution by Product<sup>(1)</sup>

#### **Relative EBITDA Margin Range**





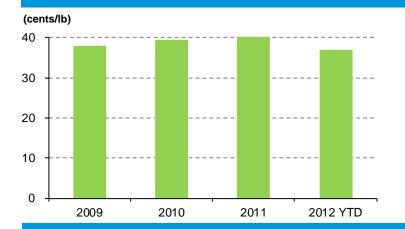
- Diverse product mix with average EBITDA profit margin of ~14%
- Propylene Oxide is a consistent segment leader in profitability

Based on 2011 revenues.

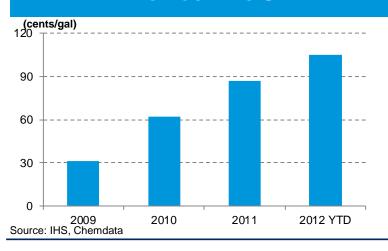
## Strong Performance across Diverse Portfolio



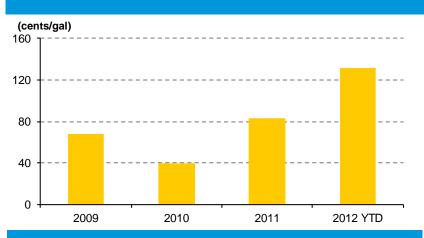




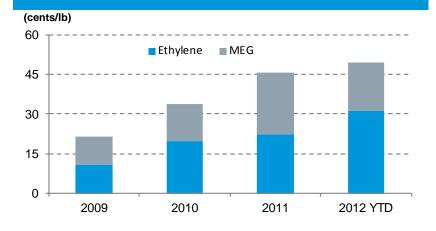
## N. America MeOH RMM



## MTBE RMM



## N. America MEG RMM



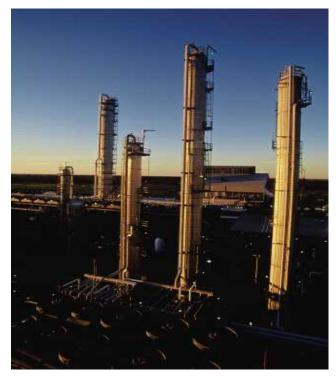
## **I&D Methanol Restart Project**

Size: 780KT Channelview Re-start

**Timing:** 2013

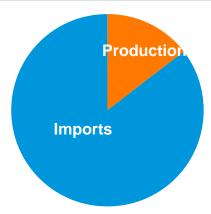
Cost: ~\$150 million

**Expected EBITDA Contribution:** ~ \$200 million/yr



Source: IHS. Supply reflects 2011 actual data.

#### N. America Methanol Supply



85% of N. America supply (~ 6000KT) - Imports

#### **Methanol Cost**



## Asia PO/TBA Project

Asia demand for durable goods

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Gasoline Demand & clean fuel need

+

Competitive PO/TBA economics

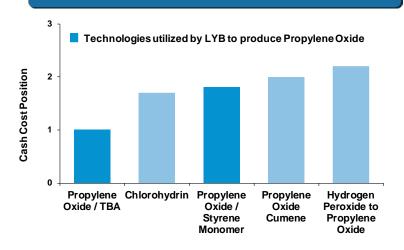


Joint feasibility study agreement with SINOPEC

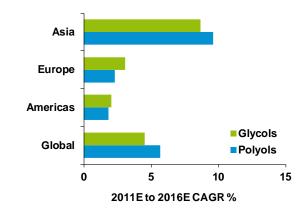


Source: IHS, LYB internal sources.

#### **Competitive Cost Position**



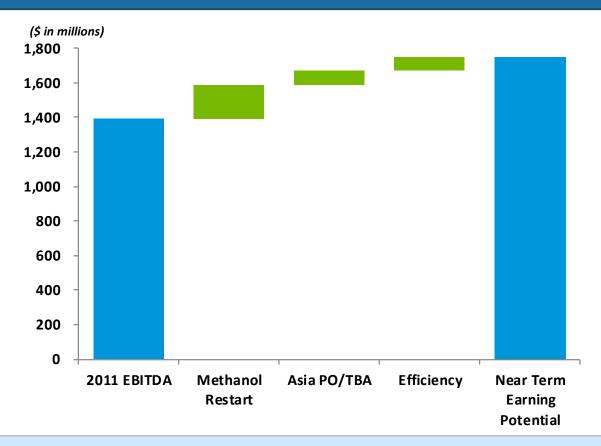
#### **PO& Derivatives Demand Growth**



# Intermediates and Derivatives: Highly Profitable Balanced Portfolio



#### **High Return Growth and Earnings Potential**

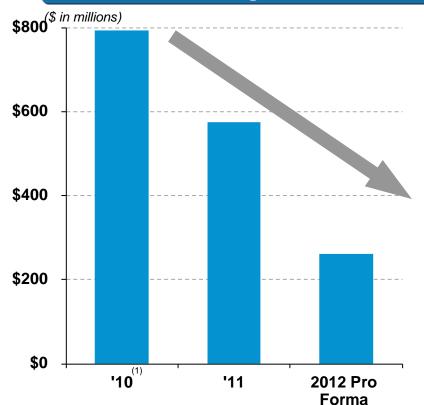


Future benefit of ~ \$300 - \$350 million from growth / efficiency

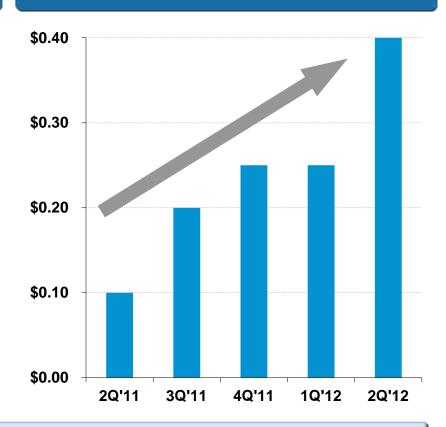
Source: Based on company estimates of propylene and propylene oxide prices. Methanol pricing based on IHS Chemical spread between oil and gas.

# Returning Cash to Shareholders Through Dividends

## **Net Interest Expense Excluding Refinancing Premiums**



#### **LYB Interim Dividend History**



Interim dividend provides a strong yield

Source: LYB estimates.

(1) 2010 interest is for successor period (5/1 – 12/31/2010) on an annualized basis.

## Operational and Financial Improvements





Minimal investment for high return

(1) Company estimate based on historic industry margins and costs.

## Significant High-Return Growth Opportunities



Olefins Feedstock Flexibility

Olefins Debottlenecks

Co-Product Flexibility

Propylene Oxide JV

PP Compounding Growth

**Methanol Restart** 

Other Quick-Return Projects

Projected Spending

\$1,300 - \$1,500 million Potential Pre-Tax Earnings

\$800 - \$1,000 million per year by 2016<sup>(1)</sup>

Average payback period less than 2 years

(1) Company estimate based on historic industry margins and costs.

## Industry Trends Provide Further Upside



Olefins Cycle

Ethane Supply / Demand

Refining Industry Rationalization & Feedstock Flexibility Potential Additional Pre-Tax Earnings
Through the Cycle

~\$2 - \$3 billion / year

# 2011 – 1H 2012 Reconciliation of EBITDA to Net Income



		2011						-		2012						
(Millions of U.S. dollars)		Q1		Q2		Q3		Q4		Total	Q1		Q2		YTD	
Segment EBITDA:												<u> </u>				
Olefins & Polyolefins - Americas Olefins & Polyolefins - Europe, Asia,	\$	484	\$	577	\$	672	\$	407	\$	2,140	\$	598	\$	776	\$	1,374
International		329		273		247		45		894		101		335		436
Intermediates & Derivatives		321		419		417		235		1,392		418		455		873
Refining		190		293		427		67		977		48		161		209
Technology		91		42		45		36		214		57		49		106
Other		5		(11)		(2)		(24)		(32)		6		(2)		4
Total EBITDA		1,420		1,593		1,806		766		5,585		1,228		1,774		3,002
Adjustments to EBITDA: Lower of cost or market inventory																
adjustment														71		71
Sale of precious metals				(41)						(41)						
Corporate restructurings				61		14		18		93						
Environmental accruals				16						16						
Settlement related to Houston refinery crane incident								(15)		(15)						
Insurance settlement		(34)								(34)				(100)		(100)
Total Adjusted EBITDA		1,386	-	1,629		1,820		769		5,604		1,228		1,745		2,973
Add:		.,		.,		.,				-,		.,		.,		_,
Income from equity investments		58		73		52		33		216		46		27		73
Deduct:						~-										
Adjustments to EBITDA		34		(36)		(14)		(3)		(19)				29		29
Depreciation and amortization		(215)		(224)		(237)		(255)		(931)		(237)		(244)		(481)
Impairment charges				(4)		(19)				(23)		(22)				(22)
Asset retirement obligation						(10)				(10)		`				`
Reorganization items		(2)		(28)				(15)		(45)		5		(1)		4
Interest expense, net		(155)		(164)		(145)		(542)		(1,006)		(95)		(409)		(504)
Joint venture dividends received		`(96)		`(11)		(55)		(44)		(206)		(14)		`(73)		(87)
Provision for income taxes		(263)		(388)		(506)		98		(1,059)		(301)		(306)		(607)
Non-controlling interests		` (3)		` (1)		`		(3)		(7)		` (1)		` (2)		` (3)
Fair value change in warrants		(59)		`6 <sup>°</sup>		22		(6)		(37)		(10)				(10)
Other		(3)		(1)		3		(5)		(6)		(5)		2		(3)
Income from continuing operations		682		851		911		27		2,471		594		768		1,362
Adjustments to EBITDA		(34)		36		14		3		19				(29)		(29)
Premiums and charges on early		` ,												. ,		` ,
repayment of debt				12				431		443				329		329
Reorganization items		2		28				15		45		(5)				(5)
Asset retirement obligation						10				10						
Fair value change in warrants		59		(6)		(22)		6		37		10				10
Impairment charges				4		19				23		22				22
Tax impact of net income (loss)																
adjustments		11		(21)		(5)		(154)		(169)		(5)		(109)		(114)
Adjusted income from continuing operations	\$	720	\$	904	\$	927	\$	328	\$	2,879	\$	616	\$	959	\$	1,575
Earnings (loss) per share:																
Diluted earnings per share –																
continuing operations	\$	1.19	\$	1.46	\$	1.54	\$	0.05	\$	4.32	\$	1.03	\$	1.33	\$	2.36
Adjustments to continuing operations	Ψ	0.07	Ψ	0.09	Ψ	0.03	Ψ	0.52	Ψ	0.69	Ψ	0.04	Ψ	0.32	Ψ	0.36
Adjusted diluted earnings per share	\$	1.26	\$	1.55	\$	1.57	\$	0.57	\$	5.01	\$	1.07	\$	1.65	\$	2.72
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Source: Second Quarter 2012 Earnings Release

## Back-up





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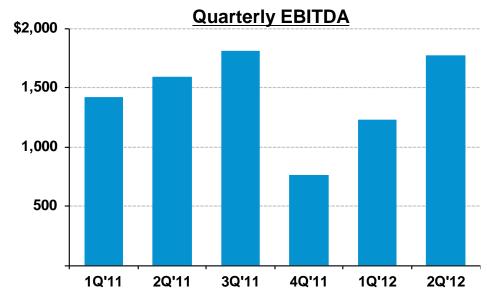
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## **Highlights**

(\$ in millions, except per share data) <sup>(1)</sup>	2Q'12	1Q'12	2Q'11
EBITDA	\$1,774	\$1,228	\$1,593
Income from Continuing Operations	\$768	\$594	\$851
Diluted Earnings (\$ / share) from Continuing Operations	\$1.33	\$1.03	\$1.46
Net Debt / LTM EBITDA	0.4x	0.4x	NA

### **Quarterly EBITDA increase of 44% from 1Q'12**

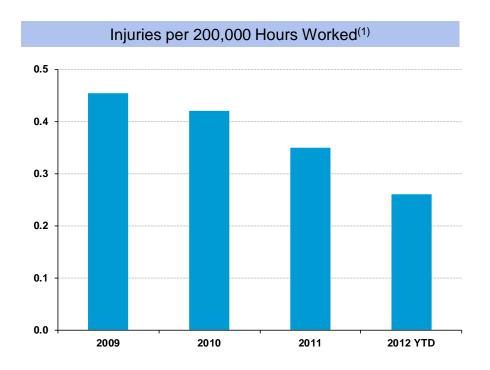
(\$ in millions)



<sup>(1)</sup> EBITDA, Income and EPS for the second quarter 2012 reflect a \$71million Lower of Cost or Market inventory valuation adjustment charge. Discontinued operations had no impact on the second quarter 2012 earnings.

## LyondellBasell Safety Performance





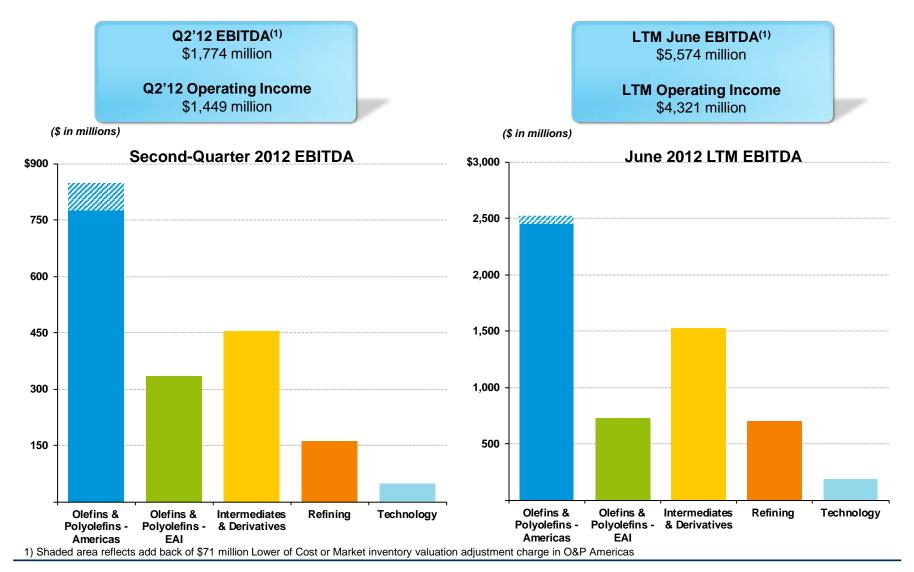
- Continued good safety results
- Significant first half 2012 contractor activity related to maintenance turnarounds



<sup>1)</sup> Includes employees and contractors. YTD as of June 2012.

# Second-Quarter 2012 and Last-Twelve-Months (LTM) Segment EBITDA

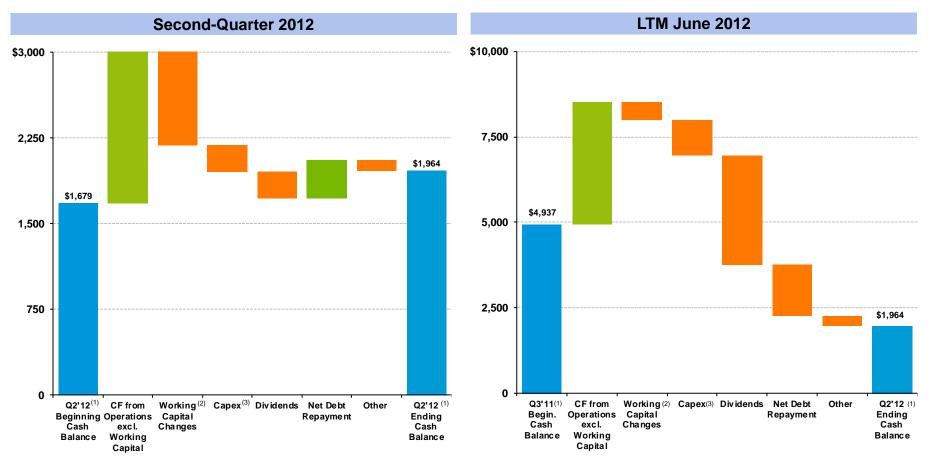




## Cash Flow



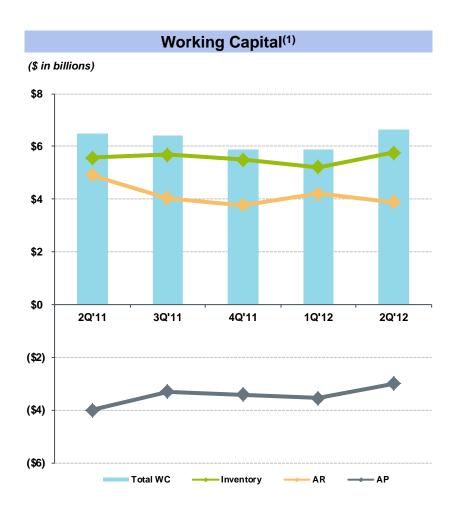
(\$ in millions)



- 1) Beginning and ending cash balance includes cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash.
- 2) Includes inventories, accounts payable and accounts receivable.
- 3) Includes capital and maintenance turnaround spending.

## Working Capital and Key Financials Statistics





#### **Key Statistics**

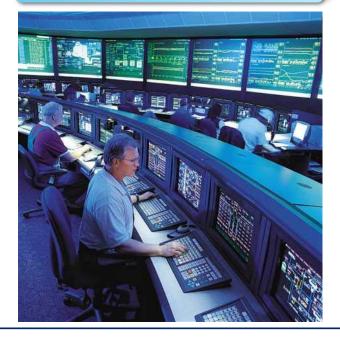
Snapshot at June 30, 2012

Liquidity: \$4.4 billion

Debt: \$4.4 billion

Cash: \$2.0 billion

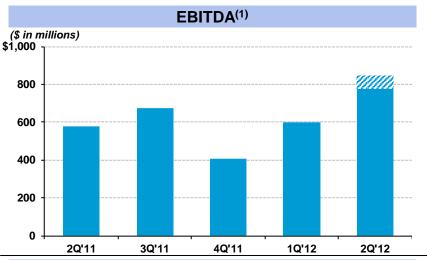
**Net Debt/LTM EBITDA: 0.4x** 



<sup>1)</sup> Figures depicted represent end of quarter balances.

## Olefins & Polyolefins - Americas Highlights and Business Drivers - 2Q'12







#### U.S. Olefins

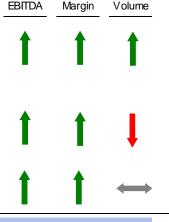
- Ethylene price down 6¢/lb
- Cost of Ethylene down 13¢/lb
- ~85% of ethylene from NGLs
- Hurricane Ike insurance settlement
- Channelview turnaround completed

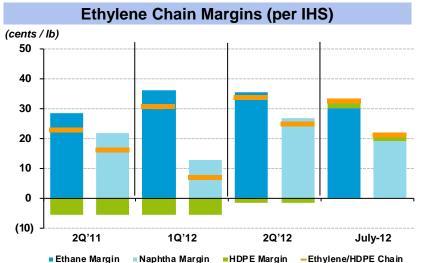
#### Polyethylene

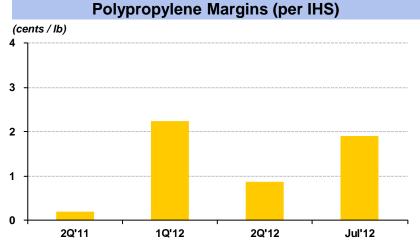
Spread up 3¢/lb

#### Polypropylene (includes Catalloy)

Modest margin improvement

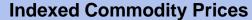


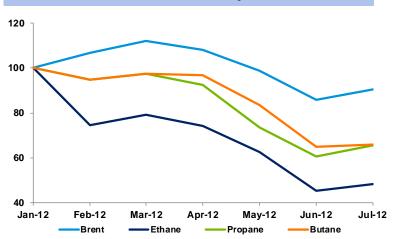




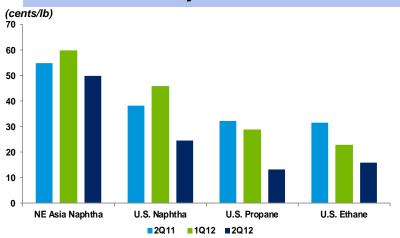
<sup>1)</sup> Shaded area refers to \$71million Lower of Cost or Market adjustment (LCM)

## Olefins Benchmark Margins





#### **Cost of Ethylene Production**



#### **U.S. Gulf Coast Ethylene Margin**

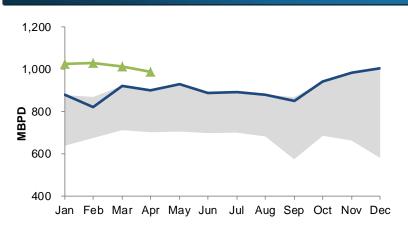


Source: IHS.

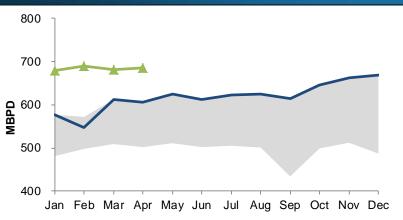
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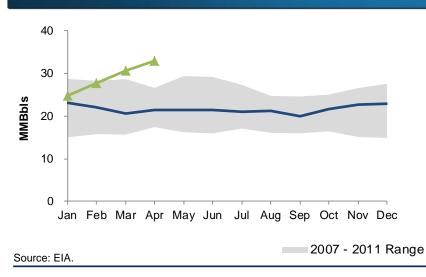




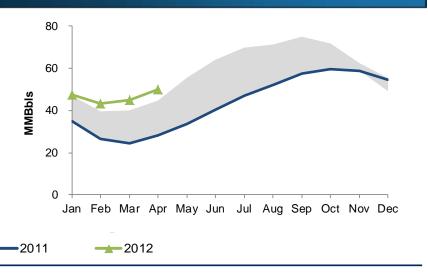
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#### **U.S. Ethane Inventory**

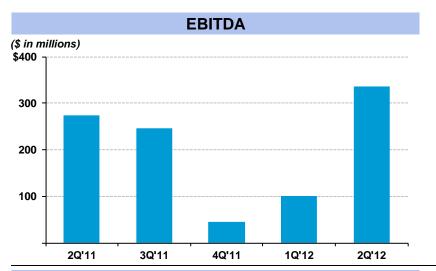


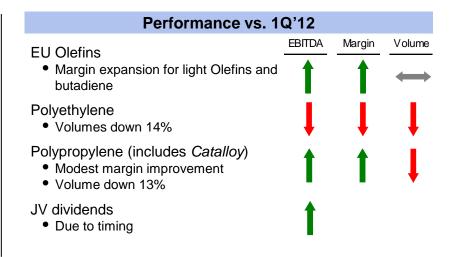
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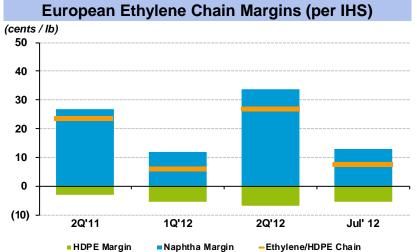


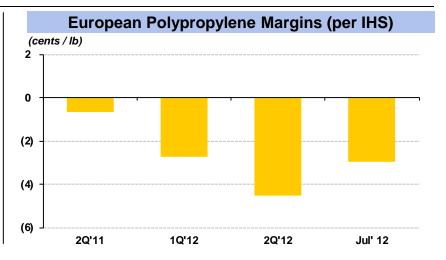
# Olefins & Polyolefins - Europe, Asia, International Highlights and Business Drivers - 2Q'12





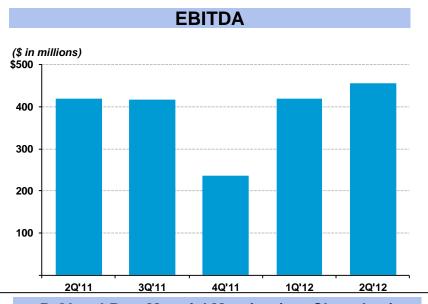






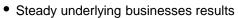
# Intermediates & Derivatives Highlights and Business Drivers - 2Q'12





#### Performance vs. 1Q'12

Propylene Oxide and Derivatives



First China JV dividend



#### Intermediates

• Improved PO co-products margins

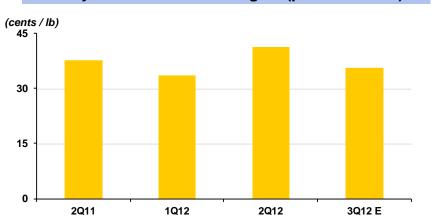


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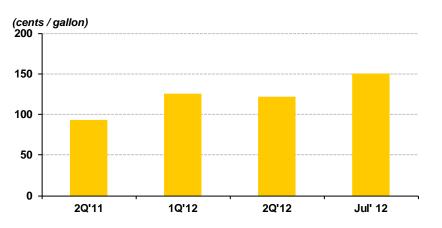


Hurricane Ike Insurance Setllement

#### P-Glycol Raw Material Margins (per Chemdata)

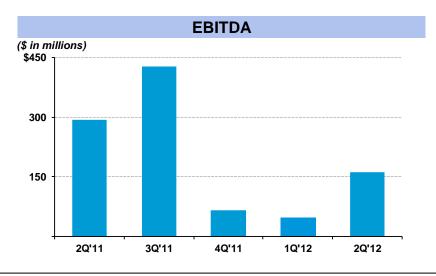


#### **EU MTBE Raw Material Margins (per Platts)**



## Refining Highlights and Business Drivers - 2Q'12





#### Performance vs. 1Q'12

#### **Houston Refinery**

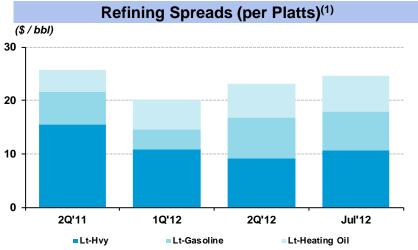
• Q2 crude throughput: 267 MBPD

• Maya 2-1-1: \$23.16/bbl

Hurricane Ike insurance settlement

EBITDA Margin Volume

Berre refinery discontinued operations





<sup>1)</sup> Light Louisiana Sweet (LLS) is the referenced light crude.

## Second-Quarter Summary and Outlook



## **Second-Quarter Summary**

- Strong Olefins results
  - Feedstock cost decline outpaced price declines
  - Continued U.S. NGL advantage
- Channelview turnaround complete
- Steady results in Intermediates and Derivatives, including Oxyfuels
- Closed debt refinancing
- Interim quarterly dividend increased to 40 cents per share

#### Near-Term Outlook

- O&P Americas chain margin remains advantaged
- European olefins/polyolefins weaken, consistent with EU economic uncertainties, while differentiated businesses continue to perform
- Intermediates & Derivatives remain steady
- Projects are progressing as scheduled