

Transforming biomass into bioproducts for
a more sustainable world

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Our Vision

Transforming
biomass into
bioproducts
for a more
sustainable
world

Our Strategic Pillars

Operational Excellence



Maintaining industry
leading core operations

Synergistic Diversification



Synergistic diversification
of operations

Circular Economy



Meaningful contributions
to the circular economy

Our Values

+ Be Safe & Healthy

By improving processes and promoting
awareness

+ Be Bold

By seizing innovative and unique ideas,
solutions, and opportunities

+ Be Respectful

By building a culture of diversity and
inclusion

+ Be Sustainable

By balancing social, environmental, and
economic values

Investment Highlights



Synergistic operational clusters, integrating across the forest product value chain to optimize fiber utilization



Strategic, purposeful diversification to reduce earnings cyclicality



Company wide focus on aggressive cost reduction and strong mill reliability

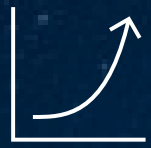


History of proactive capital investments to preserve asset quality and enable future growth



Environmental and social responsibility leader with ESG ingrained in our strategy to add value and competitive edge

Global Megatrends Driving Long-Term Demand



Population Growth



Increasing Urbanization



Climate Change

- + Growing middle class
- + Higher living standards
- + Increasing consumption
- + Housing demographics
- + Changing regulations
- + Fossil fuel replacement
- + Circular economy
- + Resource scarcity

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348 million

Tonnes of global plastic production

15%

2050 Global carbon emissions from plastic

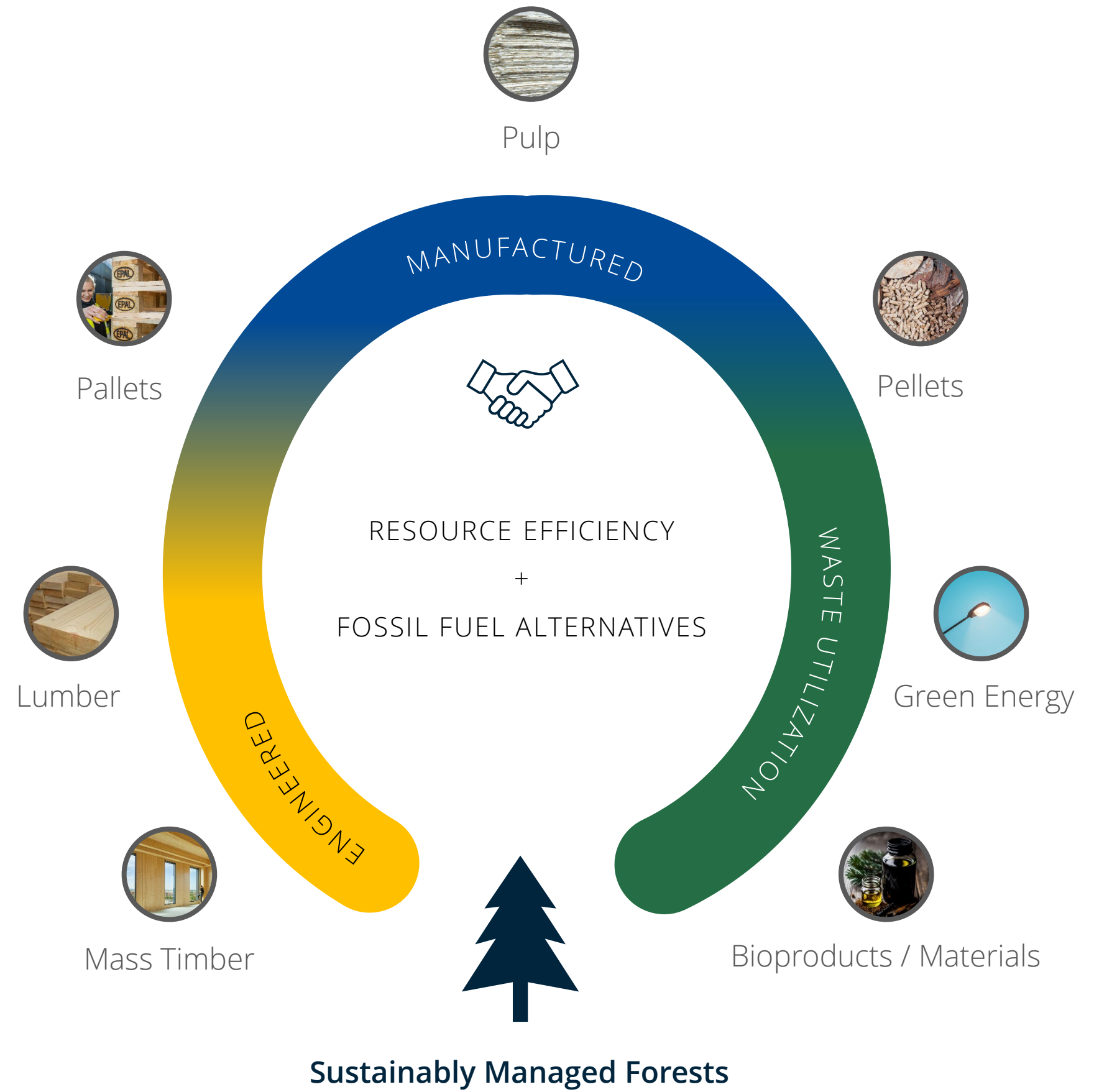
11%

Global carbon emissions from steel / concrete construction

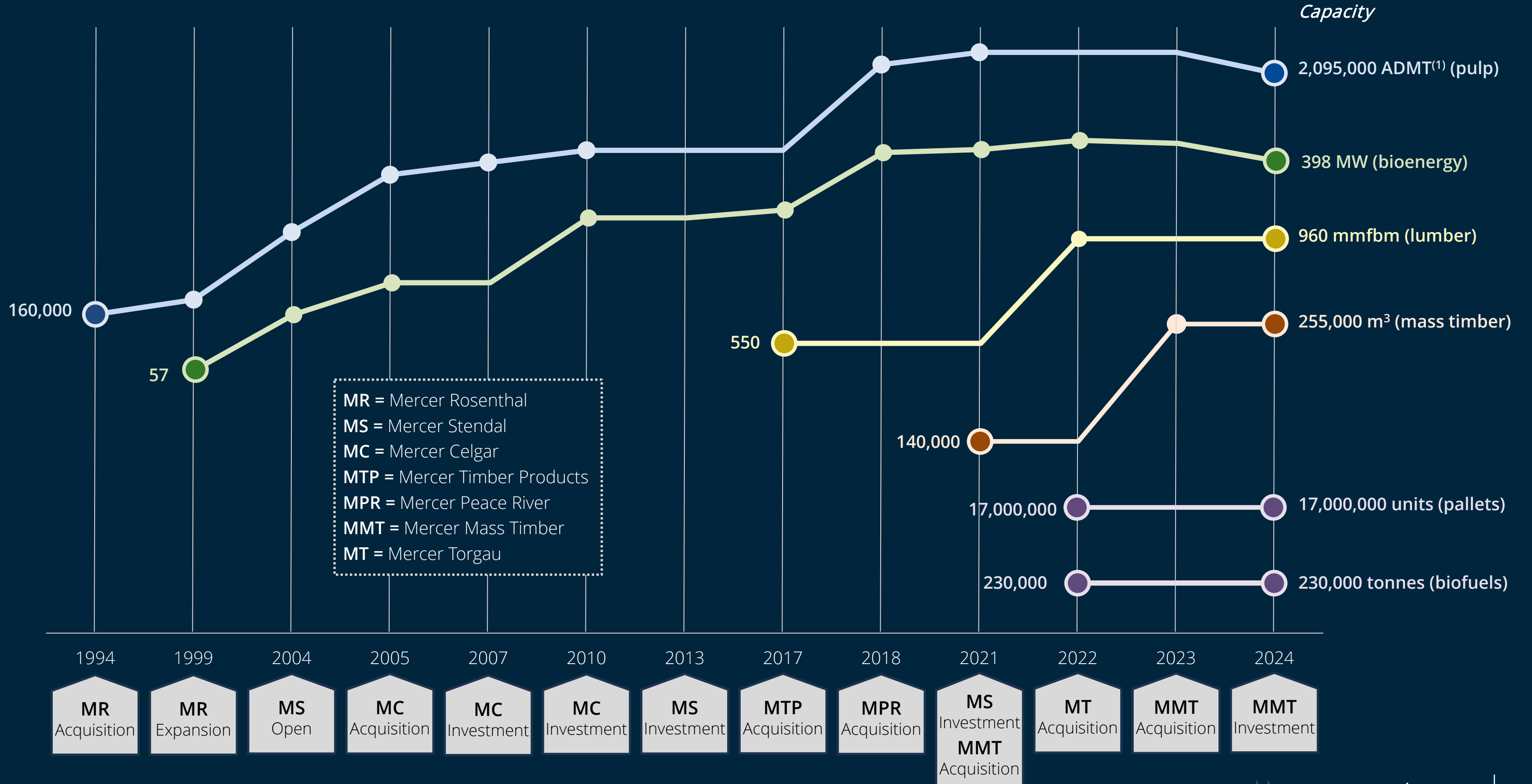


A 5% displacement of plastic and 1% displacement of traditional building materials could create **17 million tonnes of new pulp demand**, and a **\$10 billion market opportunity**.

Maximizing Value Through Purposeful Diversification



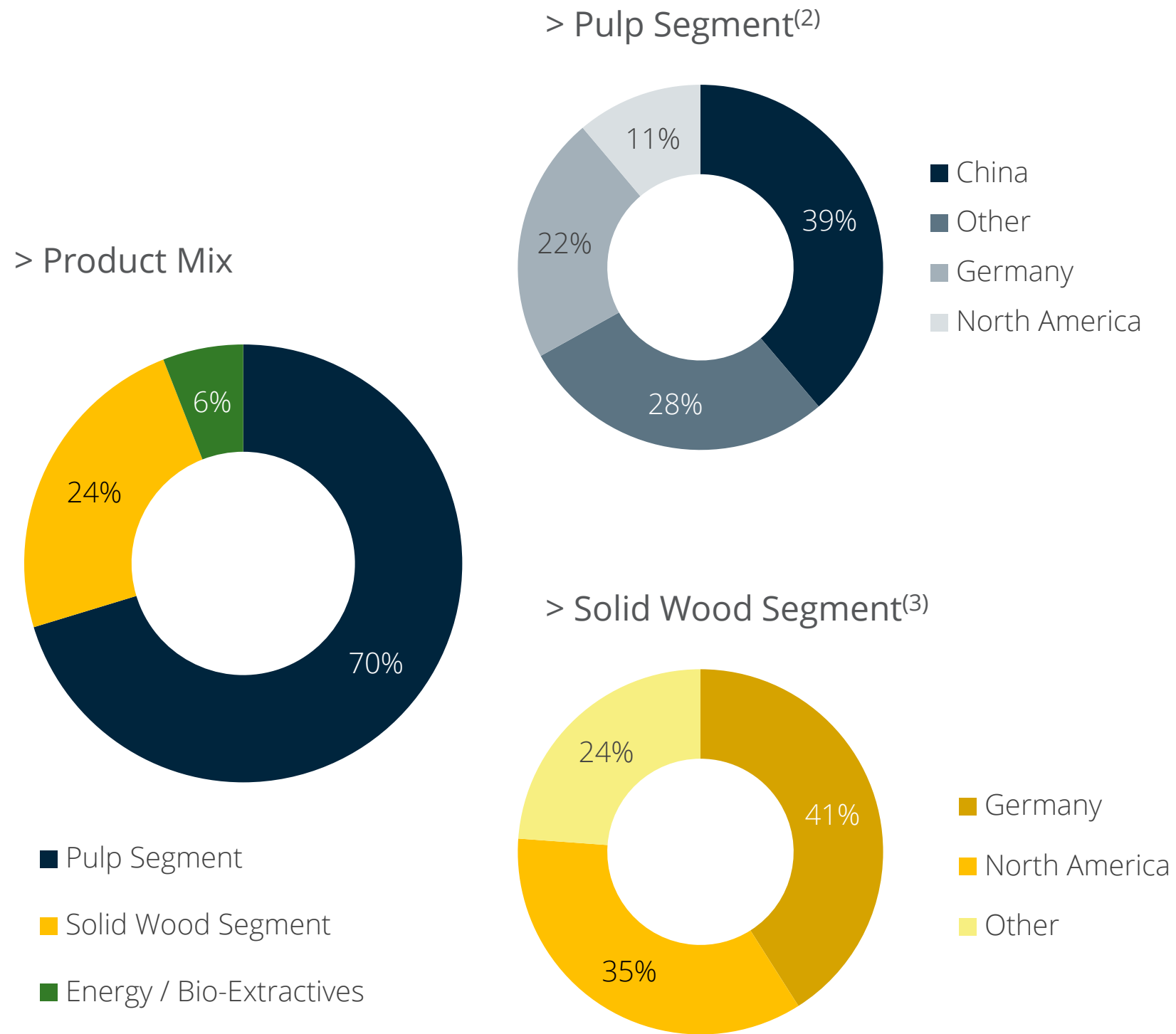
Sustained Growth and Diversification



(1) Capacity decreased by ~170,000 ADMT following the divestiture of Mercer's 50% stake in Cariboo Pulp & Paper in Q1 2024

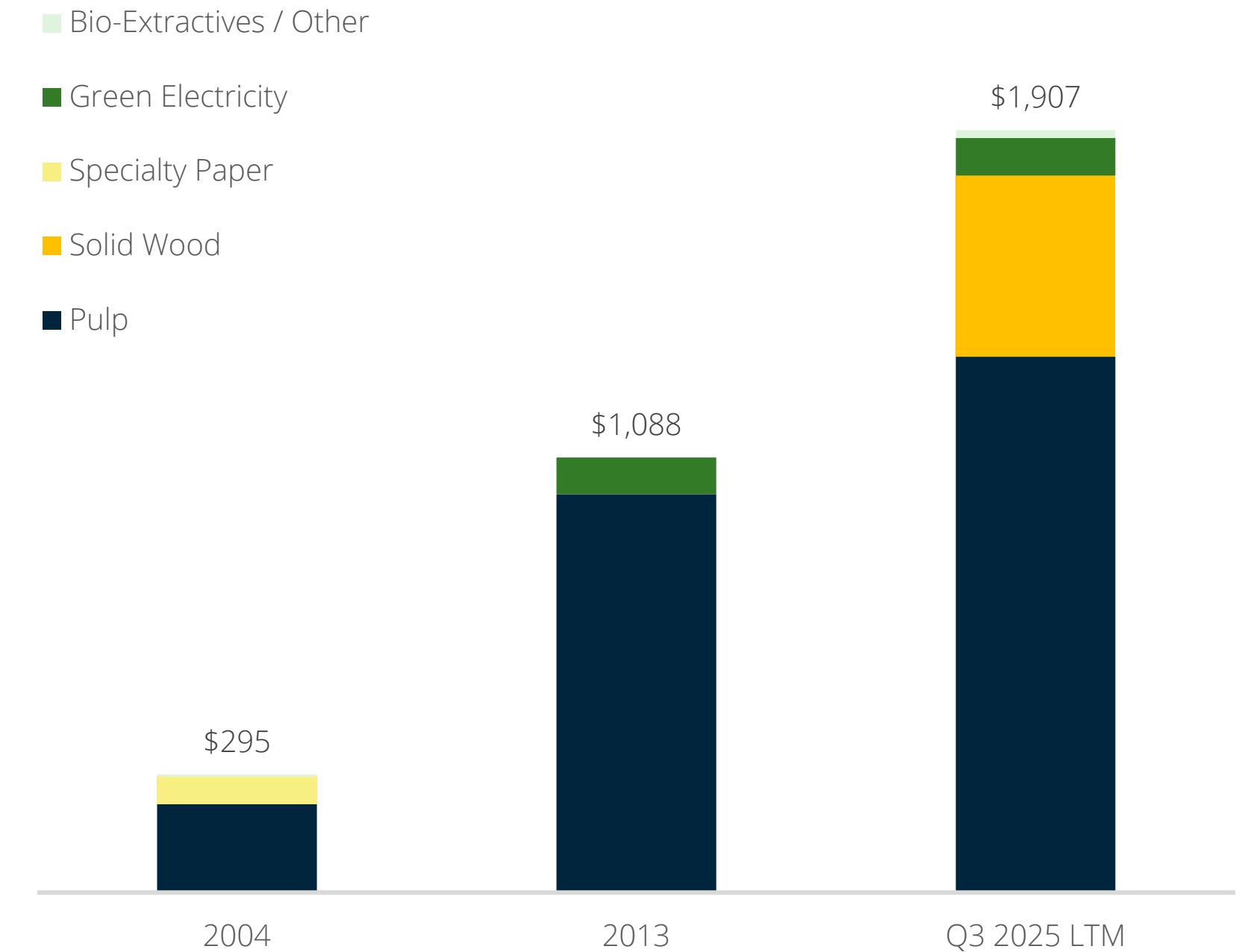
Evolving Sales Mix

Diversified Geographies and Products⁽¹⁾...



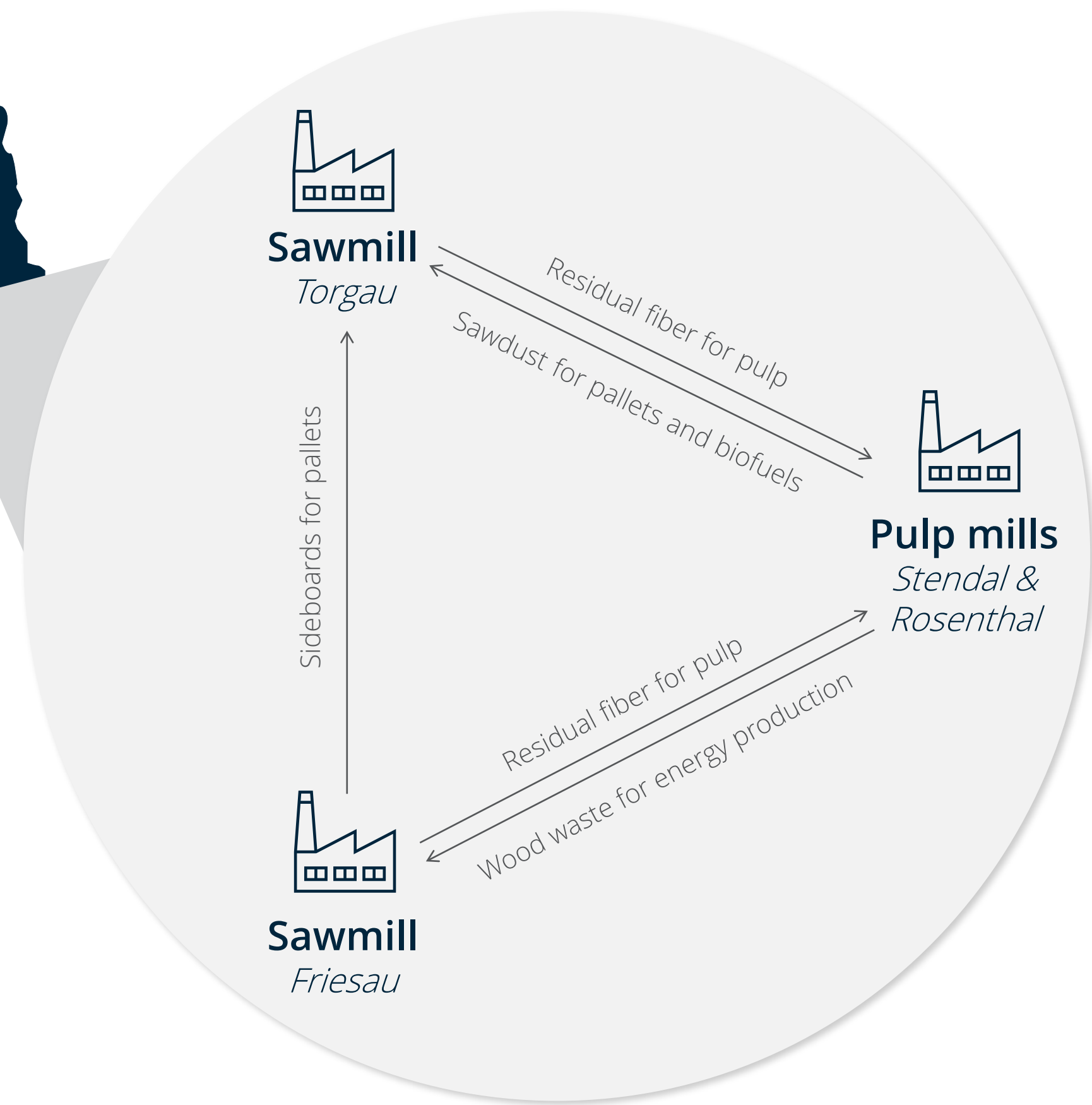
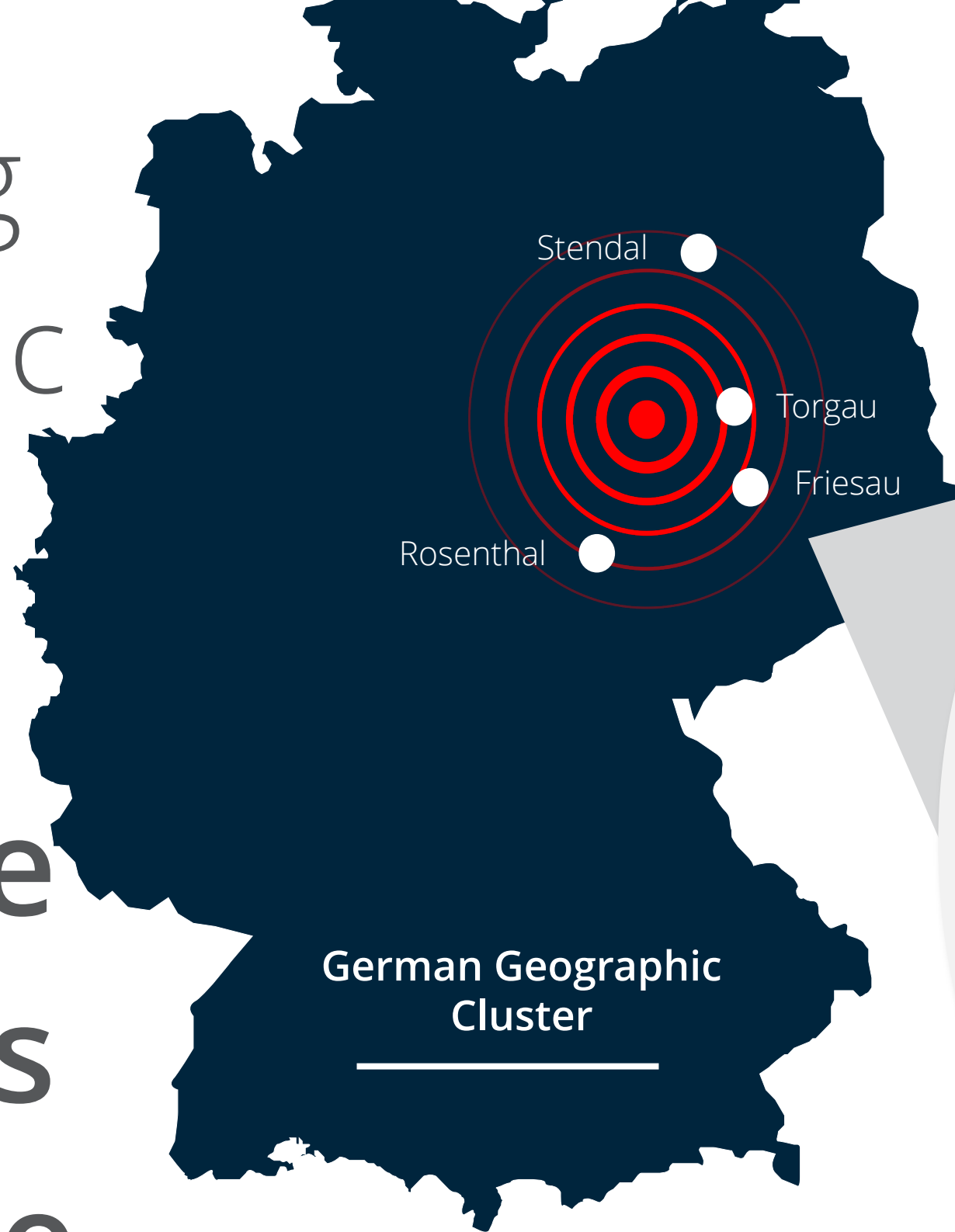
...Continued Commitment to Sustained Growth

Consolidated Revenue (US\$mm)



1) Q3 2025 LTM by revenue; (2) Includes energy / bio-extractives; (3) Includes lumber, mass timber, wood residuals, and pallets & biofuels

Leveraging Geographic Clusters to Maximize Synergies and Value



Strategic Focus



Targeting **\$100 million** in cost savings by 2026 compared to 2024,
achieved through two key avenues

① Maximizing the Operating Rates of Our Mills

- Increasing operating margins to provide more funds to allocate towards debt reduction
- Strong focus on mill reliability initiatives

② Direct Cost Savings

- Aggressive cost reduction programs across all assets including reduction of contractors, eliminating intermediary vendors and entering forward and fixed price contracts
- Prudent capital management
- Operational rationalization



Committed to increasing shareholder value
by **reducing leverage**

Pulp Segment



GERMANY



Mercer Rosenthal

- 📍 Rosenthal am Rennsteig
- 360,000 tonnes NBSK
- 57 MW green energy



Mercer Stendal

- 📍 Arneburg
- 740,000 tonnes NBSK
- 148 MW green energy



CANADA



Mercer Celgar

- 📍 Castlegar
- 520,000 tonnes NBSK
- 100 MW green energy



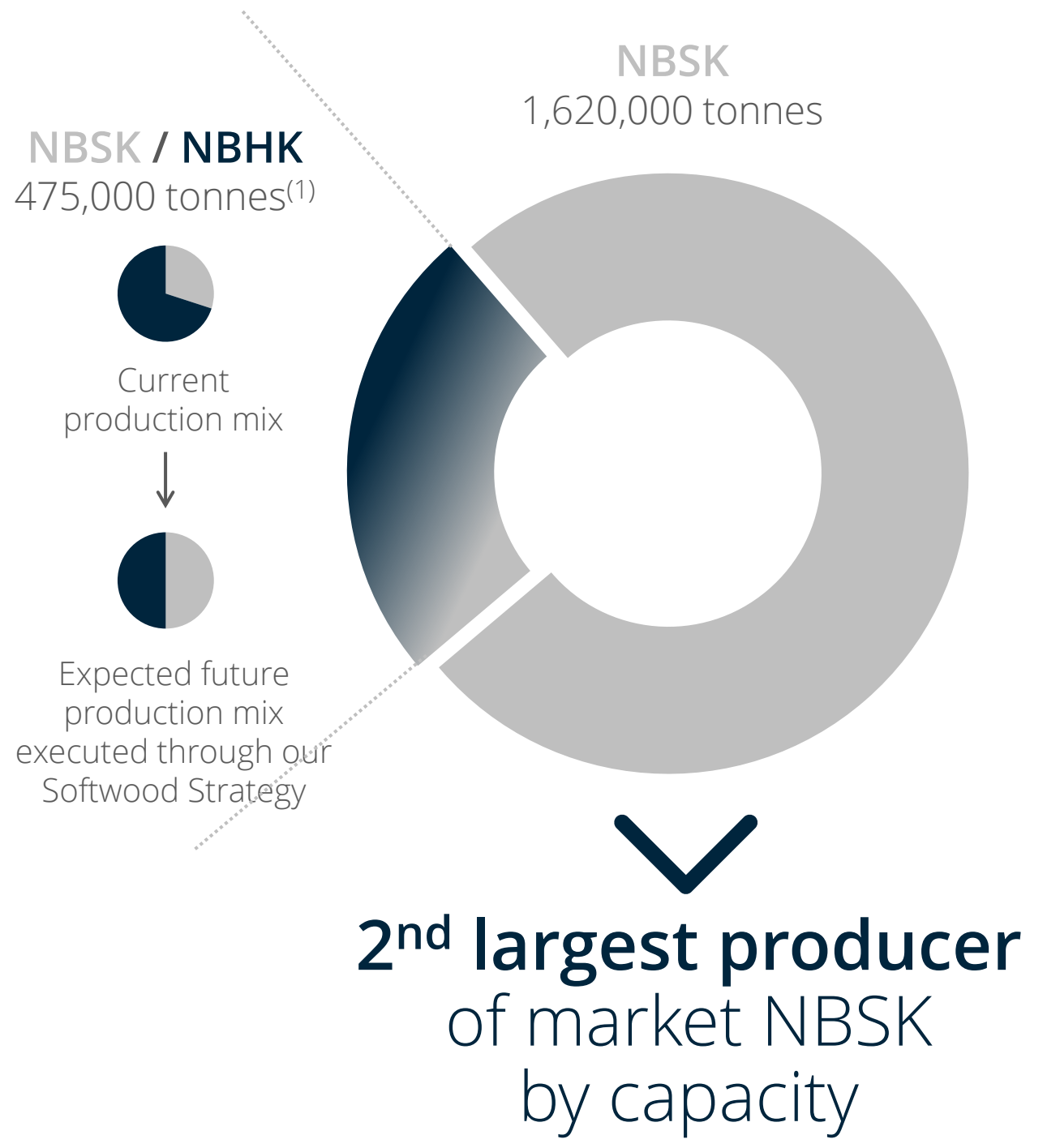
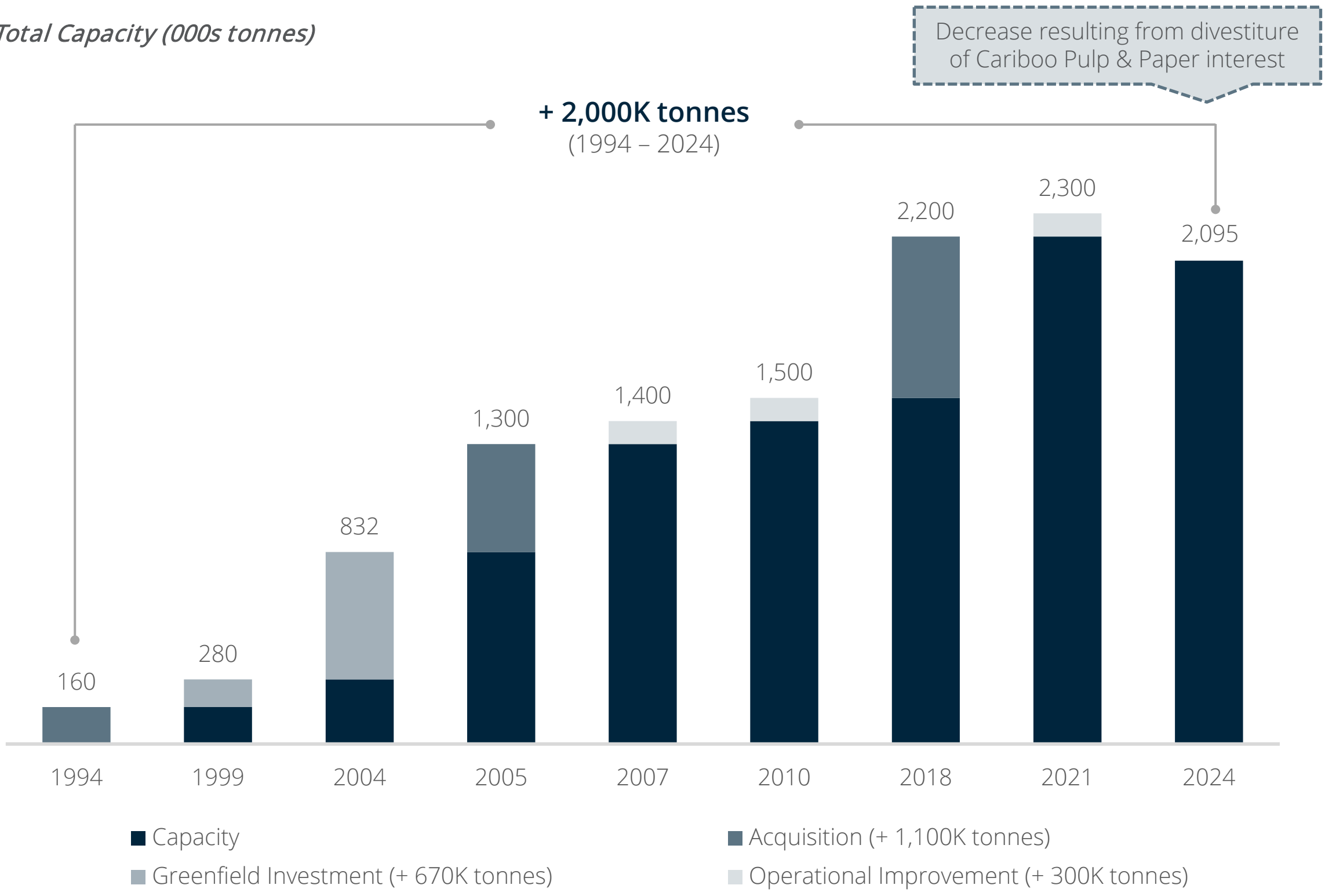
Mercer Peace River

- 📍 Peace River
- 475,000 tonnes NBSK / NBHK
- 65 MW green energy

A History of Optimization

Mercer's Pulp Capacity has Increased Over 10-Fold Since 1994

Total Capacity (000s tonnes)



Solid Wood Segment



GERMANY



Mercer Timber Products (Friesau)



Saalburg-Ebersdorf

- 550,000 mfbm sawn lumber
- 13 MW green energy



Mercer Torgau



Torgau

- 473,000 mfbm sawn lumber,
- 17 million pallets
- 80,000 tonnes briquettes
- 150,000 tonnes pellets
- 15 MW green energy



USA



Mercer Spokane



Spokane Valley

- 140,000 m³ CLT / glulam



Mercer Conway



Conway

- 74,000 m³ CLT / glulam



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Mercer Okanagan



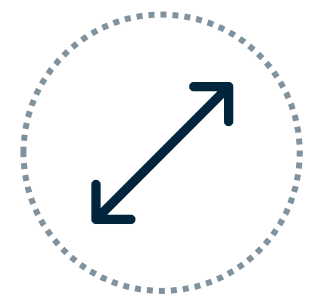
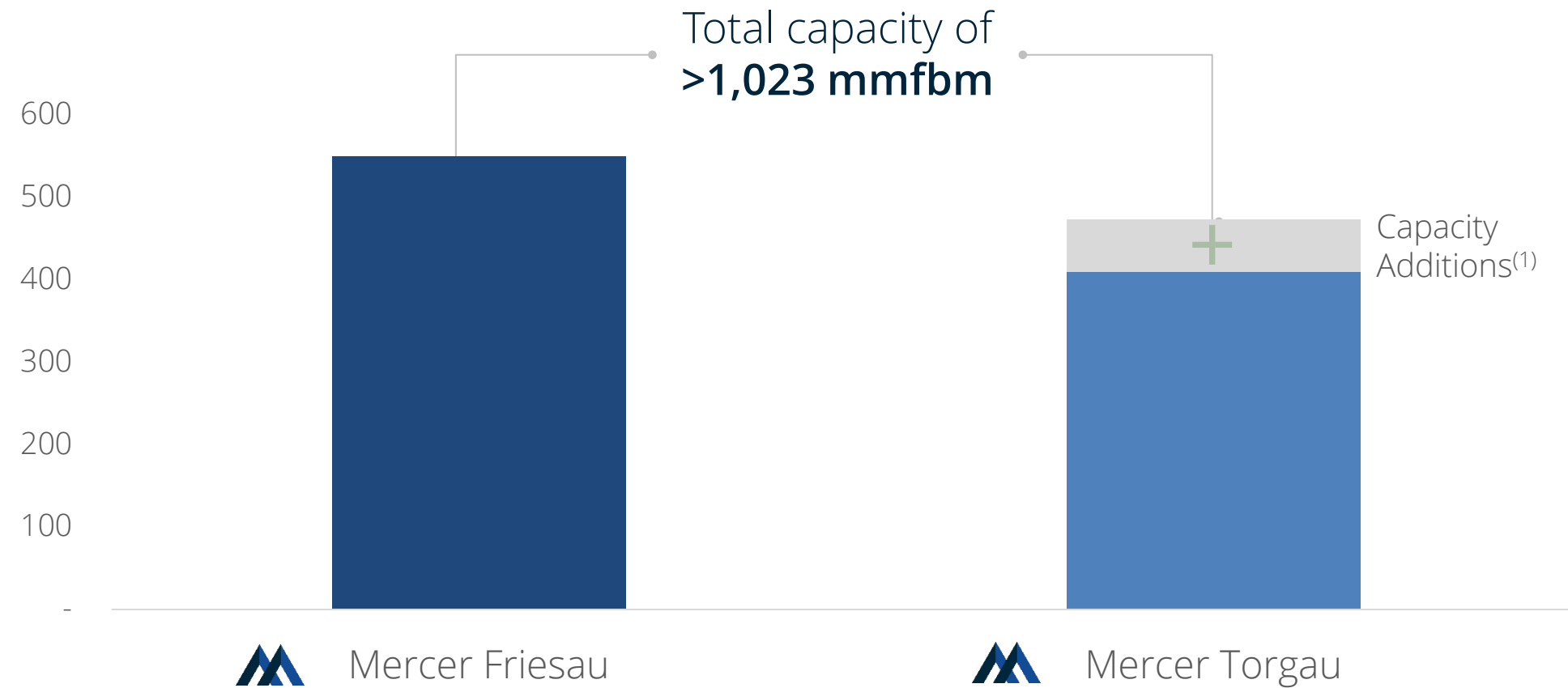
Okanagan Falls

- 41,000 m³ CLT / glulam

Continued Expansion to Capture Synergies

Mercer's two sawmills are amongst the largest globally....

Total Capacity (mmfbm)



Flexible, modern mills with a diversified product range serving **all major global markets**

...And is the Largest EPAL Pallet Producer



(1) Capital investment completed in Q2; currently being ramped up

Grounded in Wood Science. Driven by Innovation.

Mercer Mass Timber

Speed of Assembly

Mass timber construction is ~30% faster than traditional steel and concrete construction

Sustainability Impact

Sustainably sourced renewable wood sequesters carbon and has a lower intensity than steel and concrete

Jobsite Efficiency

Rapid assembly improved efficiency and occupation, and reduces demand for skilled workers

Biophilic Properties

Wooden environments can improve productivity, learning, and overall wellbeing

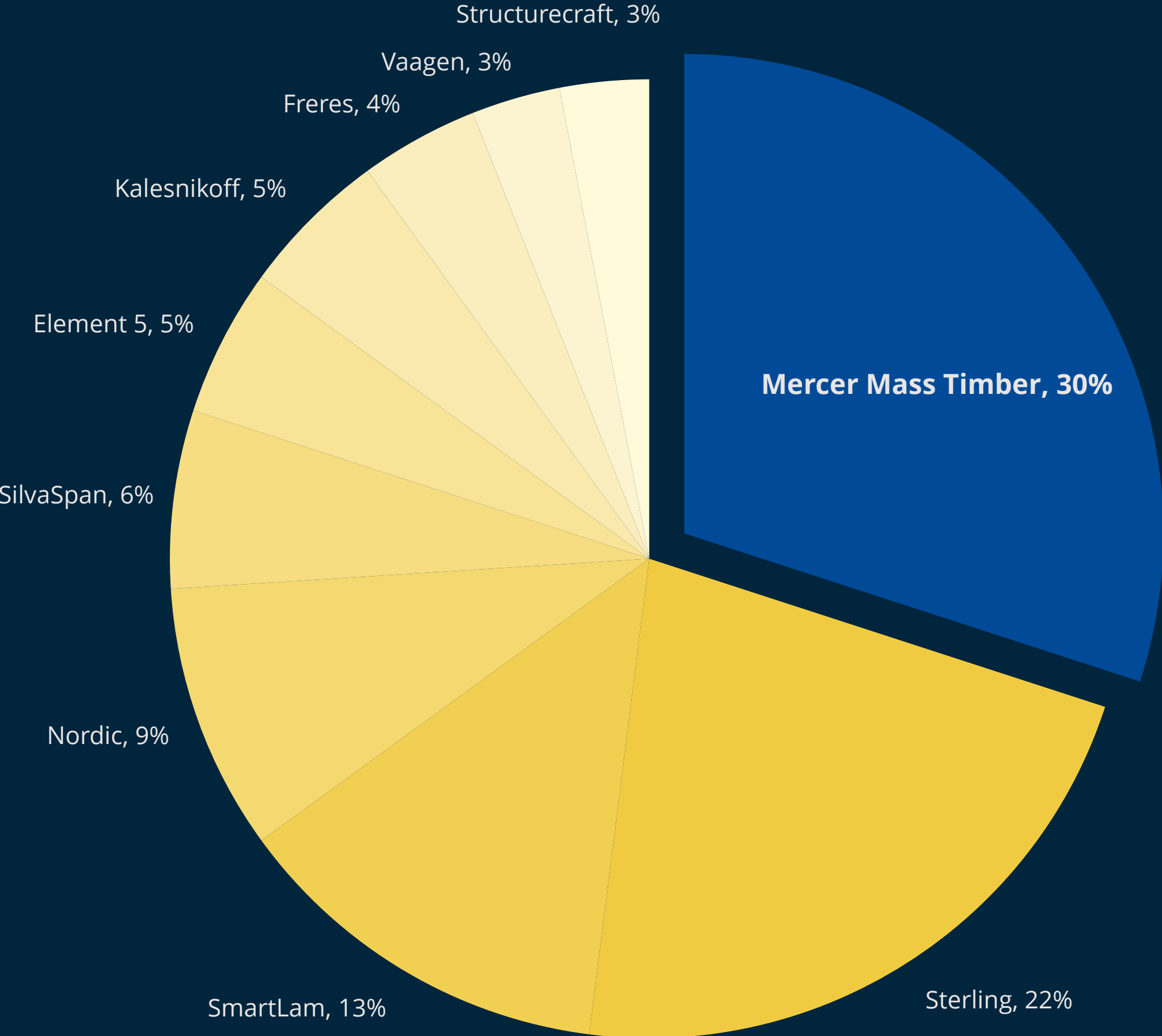
Design Precision

High-precision manufacturing for specific end-use applications with little or no job site waste

Cost Competitive

Lightness (compared to concrete) and rapid assembly results in lower capital costs

Largest Mass Timber Panel Manufacturer by Installed Capacity in North America



3 North American facilities with wide geographic reach

2 State-of-the-art facilities in Northwest and Southwest United States

45,000 m³
Total glulam capacity

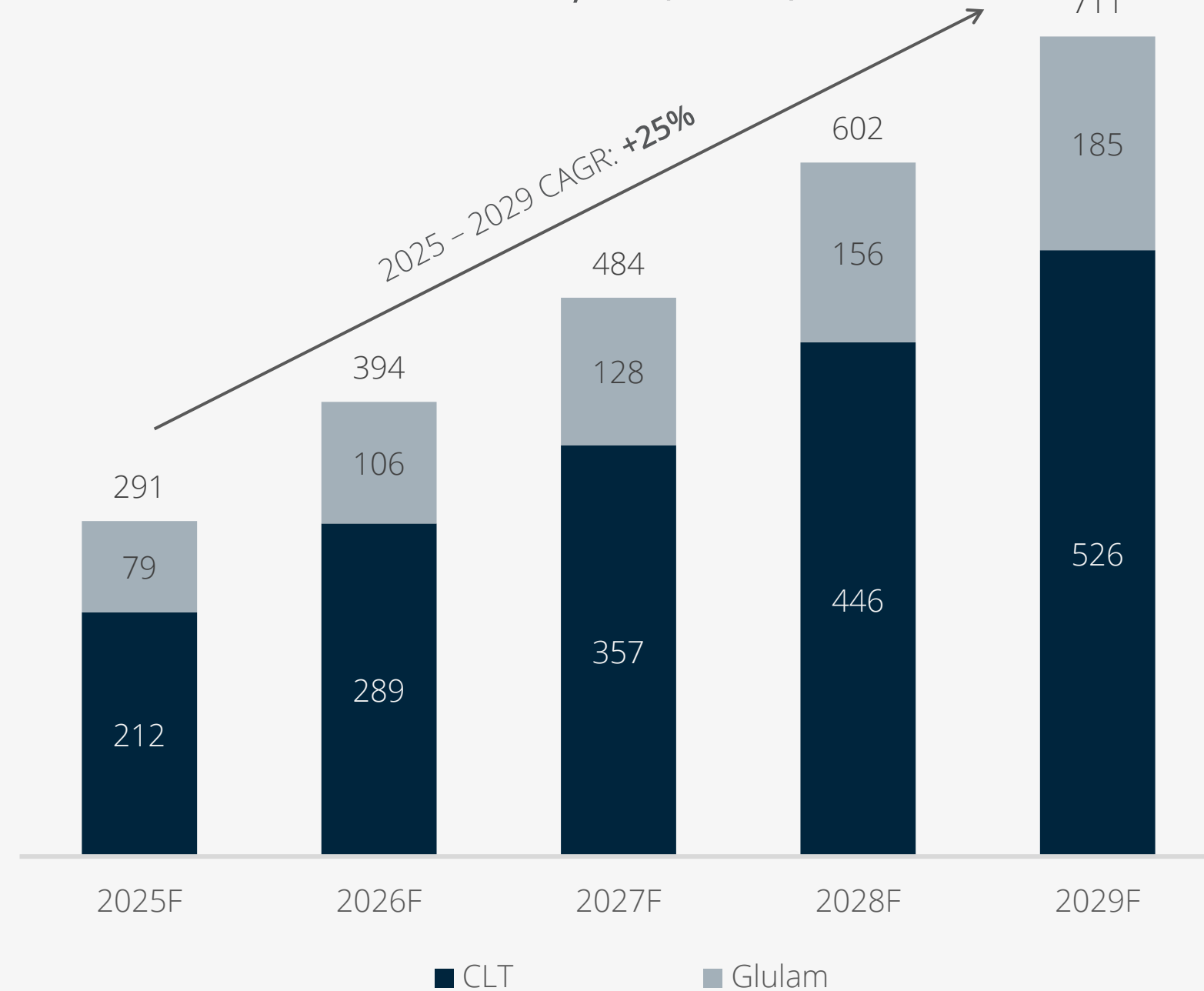
210,000 m³
Total CLT capacity

Source: FEA 2024 Mass Timber Annual Report

Mass Timber Market Overview

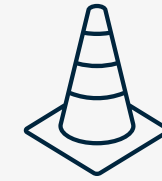
Unprecedented Projected Growth

North American Forecasted Consumption (000s m³) ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾



(1) Source: FEA 2024 Mass Timber Annual Report

(2) As of mid-2024



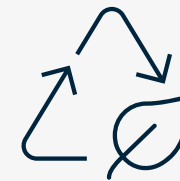
Mass Timber is on the Rise

From 2014 to 2024, the floor area of US Projects started or completed has grown from 0.2 million ft² to 7.4 million ft², with 75.3 million ft² currently in design. ⁽¹⁾



Evolving Building Codes

Government appetite for tall wood buildings continues to increase, with both Canada and the US now permitting up to 18 stories.



Intensifying ESG Efforts

Mass timber buildings emit anywhere from 14% to 52% less carbon than buildings made from steel and concrete. ⁽¹⁾



Increased Demand for Data Centers

Rapid growth in AI-driven data-centre construction is accelerating adoption of mass timber as a scalable, fast-to-install, and lower-carbon building solution.

Bioenergy and Biomaterials



Green Energy



- Over 900 GWh of surplus electricity from biomass every year, enough to power ~80,500 homes without fossil fuels.

Tall Oil



- A clean, renewable alternative to petrochemicals such as crude oil, produced at our Stendal and Rosenthal mills.

Turpentine



- A sustainable extractive of pulp mill processes, indispensable to producers of fragrances for scenting products like perfumes and deodorants.

Mercer Lignin Centre

Overview



Mercer Lignin Centre (Pilot Plant)

📍 Mercer Rosenthal

- 250 tonnes high quality lignin / year

Mercer Lignin Centre is a **state-of-the-art facility** located at the Rosenthal pulp mill for **full utilization** of wood resources

- Lignin is a traditionally underutilized natural polymer in plant cell walls and can be refined into valuable aromatic compounds and chemical building blocks

Industries



Chemicals



Energy Storage



Manufacturing



Environmental Remediation



End Uses

Phenolic Compounds for Epoxy Resins

Epoxy resins are key in applications such as adhesives, coatings, and composite matrices used in automotive, aerospace, and construction sectors

Graphitized Lignin for Battery Anodes

Graphitized lignin is an attractive candidate for anodes in lithium-ion batteries, offering a renewable and potentially lower-cost alternative for powering electric vehicles, portable electronics, and grid storage systems

Carbon Black Production

Lignin can be processed into carbon black, a reinforcing filler commonly used in the tire and rubber industry, additionally, carbon black is used in plastics, inks, and coatings

Activated Carbon for Filtration and Adsorption

Lignin can be processed into activated carbon, which is widely used for water and air purification

Shifting Strategy in Line with Economic Conditions

Past



Strategy: Inorganic growth through acquisitions, expansion of product offerings

Economy: *Economic tailwinds, lower interest rates and increasing commodity prices*



Present



Seeking to reduce debt / deleverage to lower weighted average coupon rate on debt:

- \$100 million company-wide cost savings by the end of 2026
- Strong mill reliability & operational rationalizations

Evolving economic conditions, elevated interest rates, moderated wood product prices, and dynamic trade landscapes

Maturity	Previous Debt	October '24 Refinancing	Current Debt	Coupon Rate
	(US\$mm)			(%)
2025	-	-	-	-
2026	\$300	(\$300)	-	-
2027	-	-	-	-
2028	\$200	+\$200	\$400	12.88%
2029	\$875	-	\$875	5.13%
Total	\$1,375	(\$100)	\$1,275	-

- Weighted average maturity of senior debt: 2029
- Weighted average coupon: 7.56%
- Current debt rating: B- (S&P); Caa1 (Moody's)
- Liquidity (as of Q3 2025):



Sustainability Framework

2030 Aspirations

Environment

Mitigate climate change

 **50%**

Reduction in scope 1 GHG emissions per tonne of pulp

 **35%**

Reduction in absolute Scope 2 & 3 GHG emissions

 **200%**

Growth in stored carbon in mass timber

 **90%**

Of energy from renewable sources

Champion Sustainable Forestry

 **75%**

Share of certified fibre, with 100% of fibre from responsible sources

 **35%**

Reduction in landfill waste

Improve Resource Efficiencies and the Circular Bioeconomy

 **10%**

Reduction in water withdrawal intensity

 **5%**

Improvement in resource efficiency

Social

Embrace Social Responsibility

 **60th**

Percentile inclusion index score

 **<1.7**

Total recordable injury rate

 **80%**

Employee engagement survey response rate

Governance

Sustainable Growth

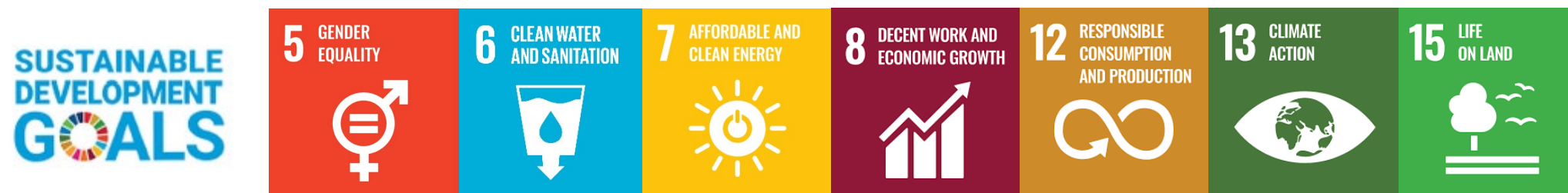


Balanced and resilient EBITDA



Be the preferred global supplier, delivering superior value proposition

Full details can be found in Mercer's annual sustainability report



In 2022, Mercer became a signatory to the UN Global Compact, committing our business to incorporating the Compact's Ten Principles in strategies, policies, and procedures.

Sustainability Framework ESG-Linked Loan

Mercer has an ESG-linked €370 million revolving credit facility with a five-year term

- The facility's borrowing cost is linked to three ESG-related metrics, including reduction in scope 1 GHG emissions intensity, increase in percentage of certified fiber sourced, and lowering of Sustainalytics ESG Risk Rating score.
- Mercer's 2024 Sustainalytics ESG Risk Rating has improved by 4.0 points since 2023.



2023 ESG Risk Rating

21.4

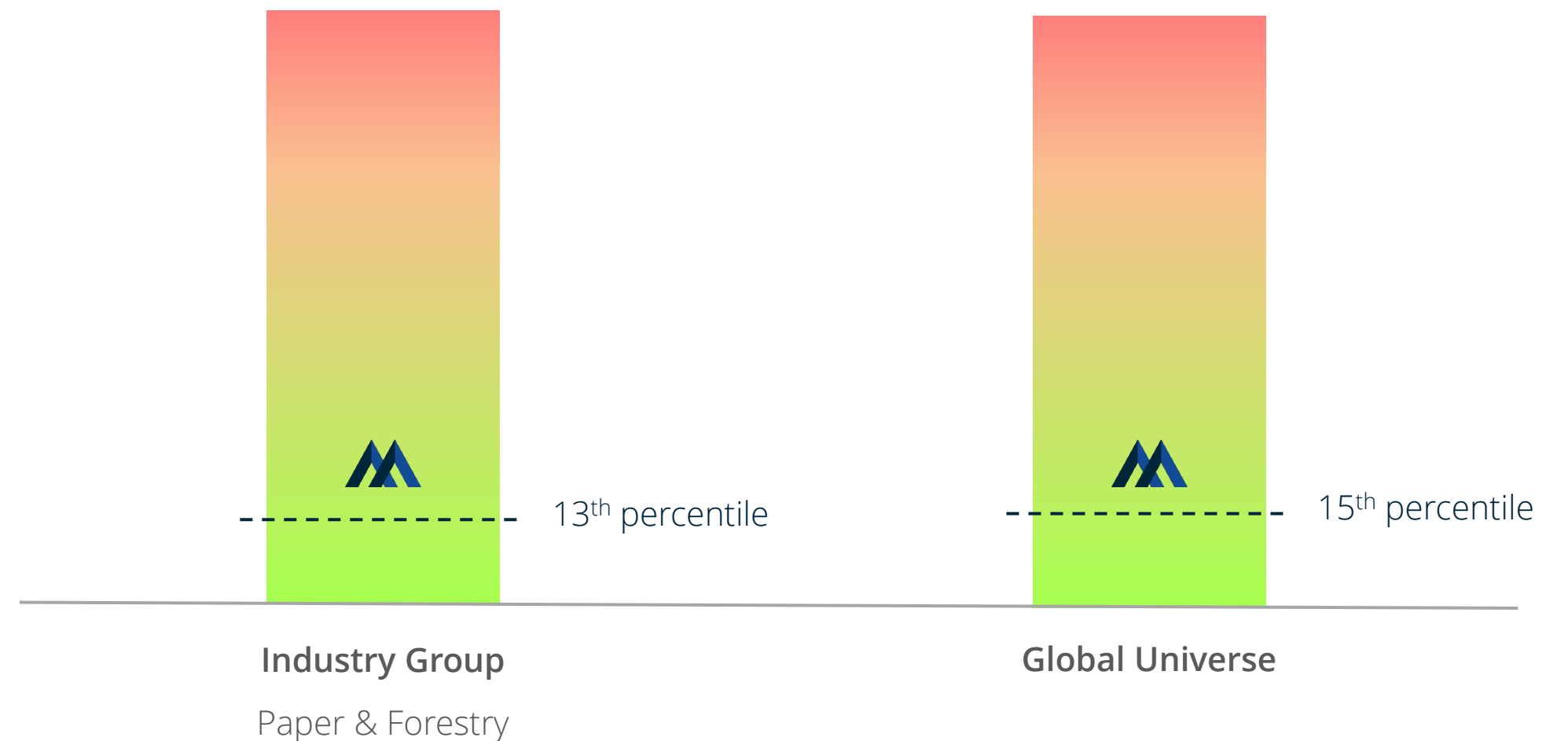


2025 ESG Risk Rating⁽¹⁾

16.5



Mercer is Among the Lowest Rated Risk In its Industry Group and Globally



(1) As of August 29, 2025; For the full report, consult the link [here](#)

Entering a New Frontier – Integrated Biorefineries

R&D driven through strategic financial partnerships

Operational pilot plant & exploring commercialization

Green Carbon Products



- Advanced to the Front-End Engineering and Design Phase 2 (FEL-2) to install a carbon capture plant at one of our pulp mills
- Exploring stable carbon products such as biochar to support climate mitigation strategies

Synthetic Aviation Fuel



- Enabling greener air travel, SAF is a key renewable fuel synthesized from biomass intermediates, serving as a direct substitute for traditional fossil jet fuel

Syngas



- A versatile gaseous fuel produced via wood fiber conversion, essential as a chemical building block for producing sustainable liquid fuels and to replace natural gas consumption

Lignin



- A sustainable polymer recovered from pulp mill processes, valuable as a renewable feedstock for creating bio-based chemicals, resins, and advanced materials



Managing Tariff Related Uncertainties



As it Stands Today

U.S. Section 232 review subjects both Canadian and European lumber to a 10% incremental tariff (average duty + tariff impact on Canadian lumber is now ~50%)



Considerations Moving Forward

- Anticipated Canadian lumber curtailments driven by these duties will reduce residual chip supply, creating upward pressure on fiber costs
- Pulp shipments from Canada to the U.S. are not impacted by tariffs as they are CUSMA compliant
- Celgar is strategically positioned to mitigate fiber cost pressure due to existing access to the U.S. fiber market and its capability to harvest and process whole logs
- Peace River's hardwood supply is not impacted by tariffs
- Primary U.S. import (wood chips for Celgar, representing ~45% of its fiber) is currently not subject to counter-tariffs



Conclusion

- We are closely monitoring the tariff situation and working closely with our industry associations
- We are taking proactive steps, including more dialogue with our customers, to mitigate potential risks to our business
- Our focus will be to largely leverage the strong relationships we have built with customers and suppliers and our geographic and market diversification to navigate this period of uncertainty and volatility

Current and Forward-Looking Market Conditions

● Softwood Pulp

- Lack of material greenfield NBSK capacity additions coupled with closures / curtailments (e.g. Metsa Fibre, Canfor Prince George, Paper Excellence Ashdown, Stora Enso, Crofton) is supporting favorable supply-demand fundamentals.
- Prices remained soft in the back half of 2025; improving market conditions are expected to be supply-driven leading to an expected gradual price recovery in H2 2026.

● Hardwood Pulp

- Elevated Chinese supply, supported by low-cost fibre inflows and weak domestic construction activity, has weighed on hardwood pulp pricing
- Pricing showed sequential improvement in Q4 2025 and are expected to continue to improve modestly in Q1 2026, supported as rising domestic fiber costs in China is putting pressure on Chinese pulp supply.

● Lumber

- Supply-demand rebalancing is underway due to production curtailments by major producers (Canfor, West Fraser, Weyerhaeuser and Interfor), with more curtailments likely in Canada due to higher anti-dumping and countervailing duties.
- Pricing has improved since early 2025 with further improvements expected in H2 2026 as tightening supply takes hold. Elevated interest rates and market uncertainty will continue to temper the pace of recovery, though seasonal demand should support modest spring pricing momentum.

● Mass Timber

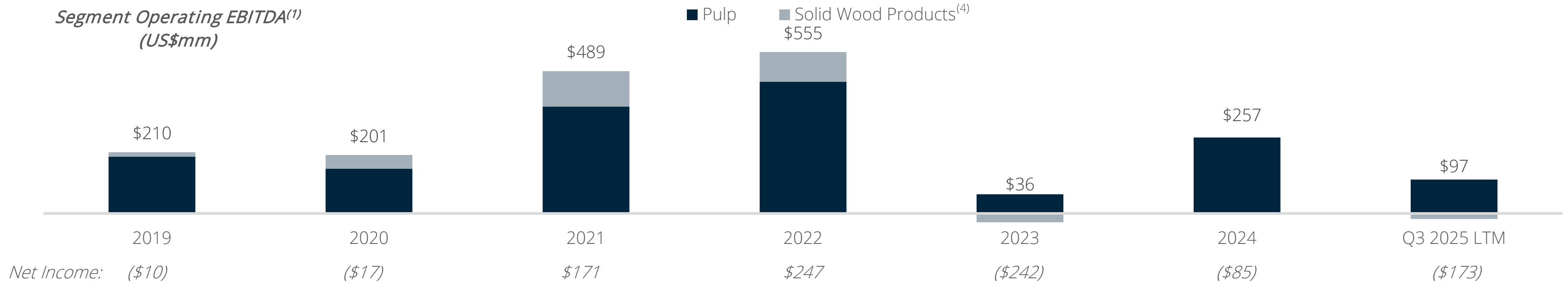
- Order book growing due to strong interest in mass timber projects and expected strong 2026 production and sales.
- North American construction CLT consumption more than doubled between 2019 and 2024; annual North American mass timber consumption forecasted to grow at a 25% CAGR between 2025 and 2029.
- Datacenters are increasingly incorporating mass timber into hybrid structural systems, fueling material incremental demand.

● Green Energy

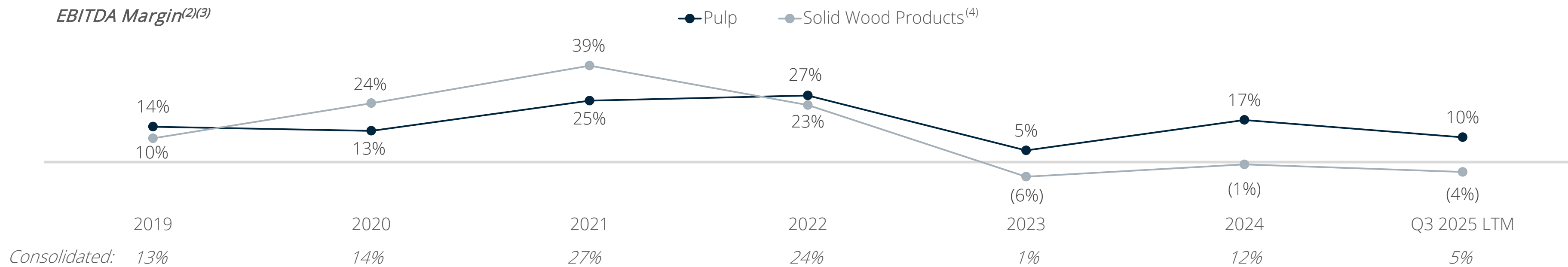
- Rising demand for renewable energy, along with increased electrification of economies and AI-driven energy needs are sustaining robust growth in electricity demand. This trend is expected to accelerate as economies transition to lower-carbon energy systems and integrate advanced technologies requiring substantial energy inputs.

Financial Performance

Cyclical Earnings through the Cycle, Strongly Influenced by Commodity Pricing (Pulp, Lumber)



History of Positive Margins; Despite Current Macroeconomic Headwinds, Continued Margin Recovery from 2023 Lows



(1) Segment Operating EBITDA is a measure of segment profit or loss presented in our financial statements under GAAP. (2) Segment Operating EBITDA Margin is a non-GAAP measure, calculated as Segment Operating EBITDA / segment revenues from external customers; (3) Excludes unrealized MPR synergies and energy sales from 50% owned Cariboo mill (divested in Q1 2024), recorded as an equity investment; (4) Includes Mercer Mass Timber



With a history of growth, and sustainability and synergistic diversification ingrained in its strategy, Mercer is well-positioned to drive its future growth engines.



Strong history of positive margin performance and continued recovery from 2023 low

Global megatrends such as fossil fuel replacement driving long-term demand

Synergies from continuous leveraging of geographic clusters

Economies of scale across pulp and solid wood segments

Innovation through further development of biomaterials, such as lignin

Strong ESG performance demonstrated through low-risk rating among industry group and globally





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Reconciling Net Income (Loss) to Operating EBITDA

<i>Consolidated (US\$mm)⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾</i>	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Q3 2025 LTM
Net Income (Loss)	(\$9.6)	(\$17.2)	\$171.0	\$247.0	(\$242.1)	(\$85.1)	(\$172.5)
Add: Income Tax Provision (Recovery)	\$19.2	\$6.1	\$89.6	\$98.3	(\$27.8)	(\$1.8)	(\$11.7)
Add: Interest Expense	\$75.8	\$80.7	\$70.0	\$71.5	\$89.1	\$109.2	\$113.4
Add: Loss on Extinguishment of Debt	\$4.8	–	\$30.4	–	–	\$0.9	\$0.9
Add: Other Income (Expense)	(\$6.1)	(\$5.9)	(\$14.4)	(\$24.4)	(\$8.0)	(\$8.2)	\$1.0
Operating Income (Loss)	\$84.0	\$63.7	\$346.6	\$392.4	(\$188.8)	\$15.0	(\$68.9)
Add: Depreciation and Amortization	\$126.4	\$128.9	\$132.2	\$144.2	\$172.5	\$170.8	\$165.9
Add: Impairment on Assets Held for Sale	–	–	–	–	\$33.7	–	–
Add: Impairment on Disposal of Joint Venture	–	–	–	–	–	\$23.6	–
Add: Impairment on Goodwill	–	–	–	–	–	\$34.3	–
Operating EBITDA	\$210.4	\$192.7	\$478.8	\$536.5	\$17.5	\$243.7	\$97.1

<i>Segmented (US\$mm)</i>	Pulp + Corporate		Solid Wood	
	Q2 2025	Q3 2025	Q2 2025	Q3 2025
Operating Income (Loss)	(\$40.9)	(44.7)	(\$17.5)	(\$22.9)
Add: Depreciation and Amortization	\$24.8	\$25.8	12.7	13.6
Operating EBITDA	(\$16.1)	(\$18.9)	(\$4.9)	(\$9.3)

Note: The above reconciles net income (loss) to EBITDA; some numbers may not add due to rounding; See next slide for additional disclosures

(1) Includes MPR results since acquisition on December 10, 2018; (2) Excludes unrealized MPR synergies and energy sales from 50% owned Cariboo mill (divested in Q1 2024), recorded as an equity investment; (3) Includes Mercer Torgau results since acquisition on September 30, 2022

Reconciling Net Income (Loss) to Operating EBITDA

Note: For other reconciliations of Net Income (Loss) to Operating EBITDA in periods not shown, please refer to that period's respective Form 10-Q or 10-K, which can be found on our website (www.mercerint.com)

Operating EBITDA is defined as operating loss plus depreciation and amortization and non-recurring capital asset impairment charges. We use Operating EBITDA as a benchmark measurement of our own operating results and as a benchmark relative to our competitors. We consider it to be a meaningful supplement to operating loss as a performance measure primarily because depreciation expense and non-recurring capital asset impairment charges are not actual cash costs, and depreciation expense varies widely from company to company in a manner that we consider largely independent of the underlying cost efficiency of our operating facilities. In addition, we believe Operating EBITDA is commonly used by securities analysts, investors and other interested parties to evaluate our financial performance.

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