



# Full Year & Fourth Quarter 2024 Results

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### **Full Year Messages**



Sales of \$3.8B and adjusted EPS of \$3.73



North America sales growth muted by lower water heater volumes



China sales decreased 6% in local currency driven by weak consumer demand



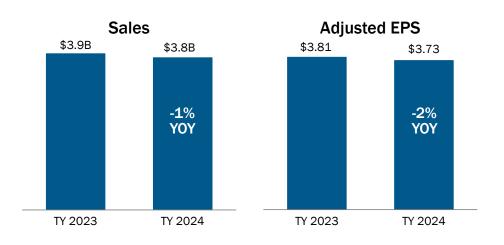
India sales grew 13% in local currency and Pureit acquisition closed in the fourth quarter

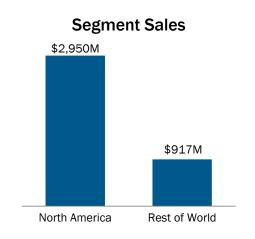


Returned \$496 million of capital to shareholders through share repurchases and dividends in 2024



### **Full Year Performance and Highlights**







#### **Highlights**

- Net sales down 1 percent to \$3.8B
- Adjusted EPS down 2 percent to \$3.73

#### **North America**

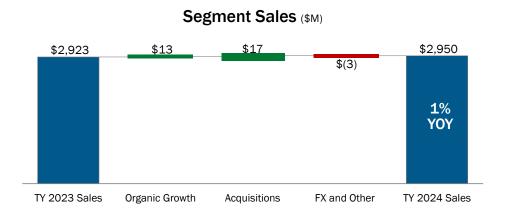
- · Sales grew slightly as pricing actions were more than offset by lower water heater volumes
- · Boiler sales grew 8 percent
- Water treatment sales grew 10 percent

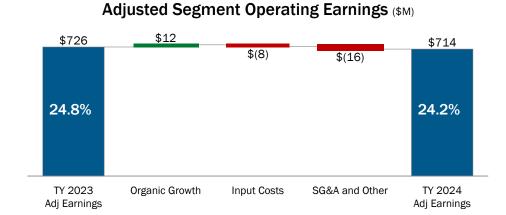
#### **Rest of World**

- China sales decreased 6 percent in local currency due to weak consumer demand
- India sales grew 13 percent in local currency



### **Full Year North America Segment**

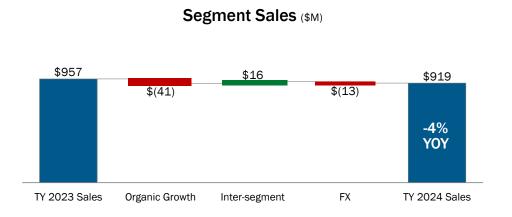




- 1% sales increase primarily due to pricing and higher boiler and water treatment sales offset by lower water heater volumes
- Impact Water and WaterTec acquisitions contributed \$18 million in sales
- Income decrease driven by lower water heater volumes and higher costs
- · Input costs include \$6 million of FX losses
- SG&A expenses higher as strategic investments continue
- Year-over-year adjusted segment margin decrease of 60 bps



### **Full Year Rest of World Segment**





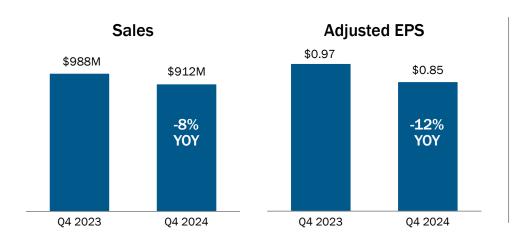


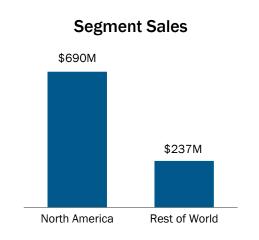
- · China sales declined 6% in local currency driven by higher sales of kitchen products that were more than offset by lower sales of core products
- Currency translation impacted segment sales by \$13 million, primarily due to China sales
- India sales increased 13% in local currency, growing faster than the market

- Adjusted earnings decrease driven by lower volumes in China
- Lower SG&A costs partially offset lower volumes



### **Fourth Quarter Performance and Highlights**







#### Highlights

- Net sales decreased 8 percent to \$912M
- Adjusted EPS down 12 percent to \$0.85

#### North America

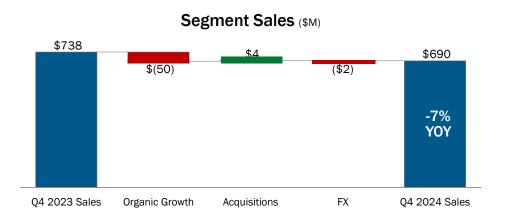
- Sales down 7 percent due to lower water heater volumes
- Adjusted segment margin decreased to 22.4 percent

#### **Rest of World**

- 9 percent sales decrease due to lower sales in China
- India sales increased 11 percent in local currency



### **Fourth Quarter North America Segment**



#### **Adjusted Segment Operating Earnings (\$M)**

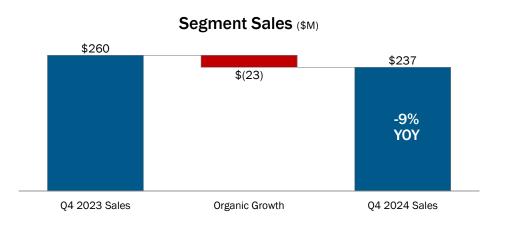


- Sales decreased primarily due to lower water heater volumes
- · Boilers sales increased 7 percent

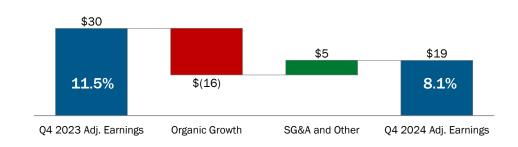
- Earnings decline driven lower water heater volumes partially offset by lower input expenses
- Adjusted segment margin decrease of 110 bps



### **Fourth Quarter Rest of World Segment**







- · Lower sales in China due to weak consumer demand
- India sales increased 11% in local currency due to robust demand
- Operating earnings impacted by lower sales of core products in China, partially offset by lower SG&A costs
- Pureit closed in the quarter



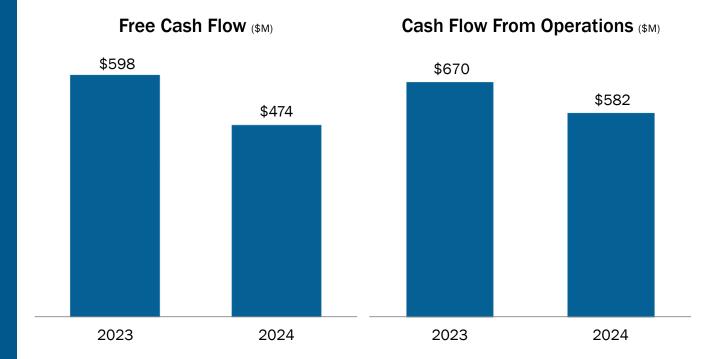
## Cash Flow and Liquidity<sup>1</sup>

\$276M Cash balance<sup>2</sup>

9.3%
Debt to capital ratio

**\$83M**Net cash position

**~3.8M**Shares repurchased in 2024 totaling ~\$306M





### **Capital Allocation Priorities**

**Organic Growth** 



- Opportunities for organic growth in all our businesses and geographies
- Invested \$108 million in capital expenditures in 2024 versus \$73 million in 2023
- R&D totaled \$102 million versus \$98 million 2023

**Acquisitions** 



- Disciplined focus on transactions that expand/grow the core, enable geographic growth, and establish adjacencies
- Recent transactions include Pureit and Impact Water
- · Cultivating active pipeline

**Dividends** 

Philosophy: growing, competitive sustainable dividend



- Increased 6 percent in October
- Five-year CAGR of 8 percent
- Over 30 consecutive years of dividend increases

**Share Repurchases** 



\$306 million in 2024



# 2025 Outlook and Assumptions<sup>1</sup>

	2025 Guidance	2024
Diluted EPS (GAAP)	\$3.60 - \$3.90	\$3.63
Restructuring and impairment expense	-	\$0.10 <sup>1</sup>
Adjusted EPS (non-GAAP)	\$3.60 - \$3.90	\$3.73

<sup>1</sup>Includes pre-tax restructuring and impairment expenses of \$6.3 million and \$11.3 million, within the North America segment and the Rest of World segment, respectively.

Revenue Increase	~Flat to 2%
U.S. Residential Water Heater Industry	~Flat
Commercial Water Heater Industry	~Flat
China Sales Decrease (Local Currency)	~-5% to -8%
North American Boiler Sales Growth	~3% to 5%
North American Water Treatment Decrease	~-5%
North America Segment Margin	~24% to 24.5%
Rest of World Segment Margin	~8% to 9%
Free Cash Flow	\$500M to \$550M
Capital Expenditures	~\$90M to \$100M
Depreciation & Amortization	~\$80M
Interest Expense	~\$15M to \$20M
Corporate/Other Expense	~\$75M
Effective Tax Rate	~24% to 24.5%
Share Repurchase	~\$400
Share Count - Diluted	~142M



### **Powerful Investment Thesis**

1

Leading with innovative products that drive technology and meet sustainability needs

2

Capitalizing
on global
megatrends in a
large and growing
market supported
by regulatory
changes

3

Leading
North American
water heater and
boiler producer
with stable and
consistent
replacement
demand

4

Compelling brand awareness in emerging markets with attractive growth and margin expansion opportunities 5

Leveraging strong balance sheet for organic and inorganic growth while returning capital to shareholders





### **Adjusted Earnings and Adjusted EPS**

(\$ in Millions, except per share data)

The following is a reconciliation of net earnings and diluted earnings per share to adjusted earnings (non-GAAP) and adjusted earnings per share (non-GAAP):

	Three Months Ended December 31,			Twelve Months Ended December 31,				
		2024		2023		2024		2023
Net Earnings (GAAP)	\$	109.7	S	137.3	S	533.6	\$	556.6
Restructuring and impairment expenses, before tax		17.6		3.2		17.6		18.8
Pension settlement expense (income), before tax		_		5.1		_		(0.9)
Tax effect on above items		(3.2)		(1.2)		(3.2)		0.3
Adjusted Earnings (non-GAAP)	\$	124.1	\$	144.4	\$	548.0	\$	574.8
Diluted Earnings Per Share (GAAP) <sup>(1)</sup>	\$	0.75	S	0.92	\$	3.63	\$	3.69
Restructuring and impairment expenses, per diluted share, before tax		0.12		0.02		0.12		0.12
Pension settlement expense (income) per diluted share, before tax		_		0.04		_		_
Tax effect on above items per diluted share		(0.02)		(0.01)		(0.02)		_
Adjusted Earnings Per Share (non-GAAP) <sup>(1)</sup>	\$	0.85	\$	0.97	\$	3.73	\$	3.81

<sup>(1)</sup> Earnings per share amounts are calculated discretely and, therefore, may not add up to the total due to rounding.



### **Adjusted Segment Earnings**

(\$ in Millions)

The following is a reconciliation of reported earnings before provision for income taxes to total segment earnings (non-GAAP) and adjusted segment earnings (non-GAAP):

		Three Months Ended December 31,			Twelve Months Ended December 31,			
		2024		2023	_	2024		2023
Earnings Before Provision for Income Taxes (GAAP)	s	145.1	s	176.9	s	701.0	s	733.5
Add: Corporate expense <sup>(1)</sup>	•	8.2		17.1		63.9		64.1
Add: Interest expense		2.4		1.1		6.7		12.0
Total Segment Earnings (non-GAAP)	\$	155.7	\$	195.1	\$	771.6	\$	809.6
North America <sup>(2)</sup>	s	147.9	s	169.0	S	707.5	S	726.7
Rest of World <sup>(3)</sup>		7.8		26.6		64.5		83.4
Inter-segment earnings elimination		_		(0.5)		(0.4)		(0.5)
Total Segment Earnings (non-GAAP)	\$	155.7	\$	195.1	\$	771.6	\$	809.6
Additional Information								
(1)Corporate expense	s	(8.2)	s	(17.1)	s	(63.9)	s	(64.1)
Pension settlement expense (income), before tax		_		0.8		_		(0.2)
Impairment expense, before tax		_		_		_		3.1
Adjusted Corporate expense (non-GAAP)	\$	(8.2)	\$	(16.3)	\$	(63.9)	\$	(61.2)
(2) North America	S	147.9	S	169.0	S	707.5	9	726.7
Restructuring and impairment expenses, before tax	•	6.3	•	_	•	6.3	•	-
Pension settlement expense (income), before tax		_		4.3		_		(0.7)
Adjusted North America (non-GAAP)	s	154.2	S		S	713.8	S	726.0
(3)Rest of World	s	7.0		26.6	•	61.5	•	02.4
Restructuring and impairment expenses, before tax	2	7.8	S	26.6	S	64.5	\$	83.4
Adjusted Rest of World (non-GAAP)	S	11.3	s	29.8	•	11.3 75.8	•	15.7
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### **Free Cash Flow**

(\$ in Millions)

The following is a reconciliation of reported cash flow from operating activities to free cash flow (non-GAAP):

		Twelve Months Ended December 31,				
		2024		2023		
Cash provided by operating activities (GAAP)	\$	581.8	\$	670.3		
Less: Capital expenditures		(108.0)		(72.6)		
Free cash flow (non-GAAP)	\$	473.8	\$	597.7		

