

# TRANSALTA CORPORATION

# **Management's Discussion and Analysis**

# **Second Quarter Report for 2023**

This Management's Discussion and Analysis ("MD&A") contains forward-looking statements. These statements are based on certain estimates and assumptions and involve risks and uncertainties. Actual results may differ materially. Refer to the Forward-Looking Statements section of this MD&A for additional information.

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This MD&A should be read in conjunction with the unaudited interim condensed consolidated financial statements of TransAlta Corporation as at and for the three and six months ended June 30, 2023 and 2022, and should also be read in conjunction with the audited annual consolidated financial statements and MD&A ("2022 Annual MD&A") contained within our 2022 Annual Integrated Report. In this MD&A, unless the context otherwise requires, "we", "our", "us", the "Company" and "TransAlta" refers to TransAlta Corporation and its subsidiaries. Our unaudited interim condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") International Accounting Standards ("IAS") 34 Interim Financial Reporting for Canadian publicly accountable enterprises as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB") and in effect at June 30, 2023. All tabular amounts in the following discussion are in millions of Canadian dollars unless otherwise noted. This MD&A is dated Aug. 3, 2023. Additional information respecting TransAlta, including our Annual Information Form ("AIF") for the year ended Dec. 31, 2022, is available on SEDAR at www.sedarplus.ca, on EDGAR at www.sec.gov and on our website at www.transalta.com. Information on or connected to our website is not incorporated by reference herein.

# **Forward-Looking Statements**

This MD&A includes "forward-looking information" within the meaning of applicable Canadian securities laws and "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of applicable United States ("US") securities laws, including the United States Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 (collectively referred to herein as "forward-looking statements"). All forward-looking statements are based on our beliefs as well as assumptions based on information available at the time the assumptions were made and on management's experience and perception of historical trends, current conditions and expected future developments, as well as other factors deemed appropriate in the circumstances. Forward-looking statements are not facts, but only predictions and generally can be identified by the use of statements that include phrases such as "may", "will", "can", "could", "would", "shall", "believe", "expect", "estimate", "anticipate", "intend", "plan", "forecast", "foresee", "potential", "enable", "continue" or other comparable terminology. These statements are not guarantees of our future performance, events or results and are subject to risks, uncertainties and other important factors that could cause our actual performance, events or results to be materially different from that set out in or implied by the forward-looking statements.

In particular, this MD&A contains forward-looking statements including, but not limited to, statements relating to: the acquisition by the Company of all of the outstanding common shares of TransAlta Renewables Inc. ("TransAlta Renewables") not already owned by TransAlta pursuant to the definitive arrangement agreement dated July 10, 2023, including the benefits of such transaction and the timing and completion of such transaction; our Clean Electricity Growth Plan and ability to achieve the target of 2 gigawatts ("GW") of incremental clean electricity capacity with an estimated capital investment of \$3.6 billion and that is expected to deliver incremental average annual EBITDA of \$315 million; the expansion of the Company's early stage development pipeline to 5 GW; advancing 418 MW of advanced-stage projects; the Company's projects under construction, including the timing of commercial operations, expected annual EBITDA and associated costs, including in respect of the Horizon Hill wind project, the White Rock wind projects, the Northern Goldfields solar project, the Garden Plain wind project and the Mount Keith 132kV transmission expansion; the development of the early-stage Tent Mountain Renewable Energy Complex; the proportion of EBITDA to be generated from renewable sources by the end of 2025; the achievement of the 2023 Outlook (defined below), including adjusted EBITDA, free cash flow, annualized dividend per share and sustaining capital; expected power prices in Alberta, Ontario and the Pacific Northwest; forecasted AECO gas prices; the hedge assumptions for the remainder of 2023 as well as for 2024 and 2025, including in relation to production and price; the Company's ability to enhance shareholder value through its NCIB (as defined below); the reduction of carbon emissions by 75 per cent from 2015 emissions levels by 2026; the rehabilitation of the Kent Hills 1 and 2 wind facilities, including, the timing and cost of such rehabilitation; the expected impact and quantum of carbon compliance costs; regulatory developments and their expected impact on the Company, including the Canadian federal climate plan and the implementation of the major aspects thereof (including increased carbon pricing and increased funding for clean technology); the potential value of emission reduction credits; the cyclicality of the business, including as it relates to maintenance costs, production and loads; expectations regarding refinancing debt; and the Company continuing to maintain adequate liquidity.

The forward-looking statements contained in this MD&A are based on many assumptions including, but not limited to, the following: no significant changes to applicable laws and regulations beyond those that have already been announced; no significant changes to fuel and purchased power costs; no material adverse impacts to long-term investment and credit markets; no significant changes to power price and hedging assumptions, including Alberta spot prices of \$150 to \$170 per MWh in 2023, Mid-Columbia spot prices of US\$90 to US\$100 per MWh in 2023, and AECO gas prices of \$2.50 per GJ in 2023; hedged volumes and prices in 2023; sustaining capital of \$140 million - \$170 million in 2023; Energy Marketing gross margin of \$130 million - \$150 million in 2023; no significant changes to gas commodity prices and transport costs; no significant changes to the decommissioning and restoration costs of the retired Alberta assets; no significant changes to interest rates; no significant changes to the demand and growth of renewables generation; and no significant changes to the Company's debt and credit ratings.

Forward-looking statements are subject to a number of significant risks and uncertainties that could cause actual plans, performance, results or outcomes to differ materially from current expectations. Factors that may adversely impact what is expressed or implied by forward-looking statements contained in this MD&A include risks relating to: the completion and timing of the arrangement with TransAlta Renewables; the ability of the Company and TransAlta Renewables to receive, in a timely manner, the necessary regulatory, court, shareholder, stock exchange and other third-party approvals and to satisfy the other conditions to closing of the arrangement; fluctuations in power prices, including merchant pricing in Alberta, Ontario and Mid-Columbia; reductions in production; restricted access to capital and increased borrowing costs, including any difficulty raising debt, equity or tax equity, as applicable, on reasonable terms or at all; reduced labour availability and ability to continue to staff our operations and facilities; disruptions to our supply chains, including our ability to secure necessary equipment; force majeure claims; our ability to obtain regulatory and any other third-party approvals on the expected timelines or at all in respect of our growth projects; long term commitments on gas transportation capacity that may not be fully utilized over time; risks associated with development and construction projects, including as it pertains to increased capital costs, permitting, labour and engineering risks, disputes with contractors and potential delays in the construction or commissioning of such projects; significant fluctuations in the Canadian dollar against the US dollar and Australian dollar; changes in short-term and long-term electricity supply and demand; counterparty credit risk and any higher rate of losses on our accounts receivables; inability to achieve our environmental, social and governance ("ESG") targets: impairments and/or write-downs of assets: adverse impacts on our information technology systems and our internal control systems, including cybersecurity threats; commodity risk management and energy trading risks, including the effectiveness of the Company's risk management tools associated with hedging and trading procedures to protect against significant losses; our ability to contract our generation for prices that will provide expected returns and to replace contracts as they expire; changes to the legislative, regulatory and political environments in the jurisdictions in which we operate; environmental requirements and changes in, or liabilities under, these requirements; disruptions in the transmission and distribution of electricity; the effects of weather, including man-made or natural disasters and other climate-change related risks; increases in costs; reductions to our generating units' relative efficiency or capacity factors; disruptions in the source of fuels, including natural gas, coal, water, solar or wind resources required to operate our facilities; operational risks, unplanned outages and equipment failure and our ability to carry out or have completed any repairs in a cost-effective or timely manner or at all, including as it applies to the rehabilitation and replacement of turbine foundations of the Kent Hills 1 and 2 wind facilities; general economic risks, including deterioration of equity markets, increasing interest rates or rising inflation; failure to meet financial expectations; general domestic and international economic and political developments; armed hostilities, including the war in Ukraine and associated impacts; the threat of terrorism; adverse diplomatic developments or other similar events that could adversely affect our business; industry risk and competition; structural subordination of securities; public health crisis risks; inadequacy or unavailability of insurance coverage; our provision for income taxes and any risk of reassessment; legal, regulatory and contractual disputes and proceedings involving the Company; reliance on key personnel; and labour relations matters. The foregoing risk factors, among others, are described in further detail in the Governance and Risk Management section of our 2022 Annual MD&A and the Risk Factors section in our AIF for the year ended Dec. 31, 2022.

Readers are urged to consider these factors carefully in evaluating the forward-looking statements, which reflect the Company's expectations only as of the date hereof and are cautioned not to place undue reliance on them. The forward-looking statements included in this document are made only as of the date hereof and we do not undertake to publicly update these forward-looking statements to reflect new information, future events or otherwise, except as required by applicable laws. The purpose of the financial outlooks contained herein is to give the reader information about management's current expectations and plans and readers are cautioned that such information may not be appropriate for other purposes. In light of these risks, uncertainties and assumptions, the forward-looking statements might occur to a different extent or at a different time than we have described, or might not occur at all. We cannot assure that projected results or events will be achieved.

# **Description of the Business**

#### **Portfolio of Assets**

TransAlta is a Canadian corporation and one of Canada's largest publicly traded power generators with over 112 years of operating experience. We own, operate and manage a geographically diversified portfolio of assets utilizing a broad range of input resources that includes water, wind, solar, natural gas and thermal coal. We are one of the largest producers of wind power in Canada and the largest producer of hydro power in Alberta.

The following table provides our consolidated ownership of our facilities across the regions in which we operate as of June 30, 2023:

As at June	30, 2023	Hydro	Wind and Solar	Gas	Energy Transition	Total
	Gross installed capacity (MW) <sup>(1)</sup>	834	636	1,960	_	3,430
Alberta	Number of facilities	17	13	7	_	37
	Weighted average contract life (years) (2)(3)(4)	_	6	1	_	2
	Gross installed capacity (MW) <sup>(1)</sup>	88	751	645	_	1,484
Canada, Excluding	Number of facilities	7	9	3	_	19
Alberta	Weighted average contract life (years) <sup>(3)</sup>	11	11	9	_	10
	Gross installed capacity (MW)	_	519	29	671	1,219
US	Number of facilities	_	7	1	2	10
	Weighted average contract life (years) <sup>(3)</sup>	_	11	3	3	6
	Gross installed capacity (MW)	_	_	450	_	450
Australia	Number of facilities	_	_	6	_	6
7.404.4	Weighted average contract life (years) <sup>(3)</sup>	_	_	15	_	15
Total	Gross installed capacity (MW)	922	1,906	3,084	671	6,583
	Number of facilities	24	29	17	2	72
	Weighted average contract life (years) <sup>(3)</sup>	1	9	5	3	5

<sup>(1)</sup> Gross installed capacity for consolidated reporting represents 100 per cent output of a facility. Capacity figures for the Wind and Solar segment includes 100 per cent of the Kent Hills wind facilities; Gas includes 100 per cent of the Ottawa and Windsor facilities, 100 per cent of the Poplar Creek facility, 50 per cent of the Sheerness facility and 60 per cent of the Fort Saskatchewan facility. Gross installed capacity as at June 30, 2023, does not include the Garden Plain wind project.

<sup>(2)</sup> The weighted average contract life for Hydro and certain gas and wind assets in Alberta are nil as they are operating primarily on a merchant basis in the Alberta market. The Garden Plain wind project is fully contracted but will not be included in the weighted average contract life until fully commissioned. Refer to the Alberta Electricity Portfolio section of this MD&A for more information.

<sup>(3)</sup> For power generated under long-term power purchase agreements ("PPAs"), power hedge contracts and short-term and long-term industrial contracts, the PPAs have a weighted-average remaining contract life based on long-term average gross installed capacity.

<sup>(4)</sup> The weighted-average remaining contract life is related to the contract period for McBride Lake (38 MW), Windrise (206 MW), Poplar Creek (115 MW) and Fort Saskatchewan (71 MW), with the remaining wind and gas facilities operated on a merchant basis in the Alberta market.

# **Highlights**

#### **Consolidated Financial Highlights**

	3 months ended	3 months ended June 30		6 months ended June 30	
(in millions of Canadian dollars except where noted)	2023	2022	2023	2022	
Adjusted availability (%)	84.6	87.3	88.2	88.2	
Production (GWh)	4,596	4,461	10,568	9,820	
Revenues	625	458	1,714	1,193	
Fuel and purchased power	188	231	513	469	
Carbon compliance	25	9	57	28	
Operations, maintenance and administration	134	117	258	229	
Adjusted EBITDA <sup>(1)</sup>	387	279	890	538	
Earnings (loss) before income taxes	79	(22)	462	220	
Net earnings (loss) attributable to common shareholders	62	(80)	356	106	
Cash flow from (used in) operating activities	11	(129)	473	322	
Funds from operations <sup>(1)</sup>	391	220	765	399	
Free cash flow <sup>(1)</sup>	278	145	541	253	
Net earnings (loss) per share attributable to common shareholders, basic and diluted	0.23	(0.30)	1.34	0.39	
Dividends declared per common share (2)	0.0550	0.0500	0.0550	0.0500	
Dividends declared per preferred share (2)	0.3312	0.2557	0.3312	0.2557	
Funds from operations per share <sup>(1)(3)</sup>	1.48	0.81	2.88	1.47	
Free cash flow per share <sup>(1)(3)</sup>	1.05	0.54	2.03	0.93	

As at	June 30, 2023	Dec. 31, 2022
Total assets	9,582	10,741
Total consolidated net debt <sup>(1)(4)</sup>	2,981	2,854
Total long-term liabilities	5,759	5,864
Total liabilities	7,309	8,752

<sup>(1)</sup> These items are not defined and have no standardized meaning under IFRS. Presenting these items from period to period provides management and investors with the ability to evaluate earnings (loss) trends more readily in comparison with prior periods' results. Refer to the Segmented Financial Performance and Operating Results section of this MD&A for further discussion of these items, including, where applicable, reconciliations to measures calculated in accordance with IFRS. Also, refer to the Additional IFRS Measures and Non-IFRS Measures section of this MD&A.

<sup>(2)</sup> Weighted average of the Series A, B, C, E and G preferred share dividends declared. Dividends declared vary period over period due to timing of dividend declarations and quarterly floating rates.

<sup>(3)</sup> Funds from operations ("FFO") per share and free cash flow ("FCF") per share are calculated using the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period. The weighted average number of common shares outstanding for June 30, 2023, was 266 million shares (June 30, 2022 – 271 million). Refer to the Additional IFRS Measures and Non-IFRS Measures section of this MD&A for the purpose of these non-IFRS ratios.

<sup>(4)</sup> Total consolidated net debt includes long-term debt, including the current portion, amounts due under credit facilities, exchangeable securities, US tax equity financing and lease liabilities, net of available cash and cash equivalents, the principal portion of restricted cash on our subsidiary TransAlta OCP LP ("TransAlta OCP") and the fair value of economic hedging instruments on debt. Refer to the table in the Financial Capital section of this MD&A for more details on the composition of total consolidated net debt.

For the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, the Company demonstrated strong performance in the Alberta Electricity Portfolio led by the Alberta Gas and Hydro segments which benefited from the higher pricing environment, higher production in the Hydro segment from increased precipitation and snowpack melt, lower fuel commodity prices and favourable hedging impact resulting in higher gross margins. These factors contributed to the portfolio's overall performance and together demonstrate the value of our strategically diversified fleet in Alberta and its ability to generate cash flow under dynamic market conditions. The Energy Marketing segment has also exceeded expected results year-to-date due to short-term trading of both physical and financial power and gas products across North American markets. The Energy Marketing team has been able to capitalize on short-term volatility in the markets in which we trade without materially changing the risk profile of the business unit.

Adjusted availability for the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, was 84.6 per cent and 88.2 per cent, respectively, compared to 87.3 per cent and 88.2 per cent, respectively, for the same periods in 2022. For the three months ended June 30, 2023, the decrease in adjusted availability was due to higher planned outages in the Hydro and Gas segments, partially offset by lower planned outages in the Energy Transition segment and improved performance at the Windrise wind facility in the Wind and Solar segment. Adjusted availability for the six months ended June 30, 2023, was consistent with the same period in 2022.

**Production** for the three months ended June 30, 2023, was 4,596 gigawatt hours ("GWh") compared to 4,461 GWh for the same period in 2022. The increase in production was primarily due to higher market demand, improved availability in the Energy Transition segment and higher water resources at the Alberta Hydro Assets. Production for the six months ended June 30, 2023, was 10,568 GWh compared to 9,820 GWh for the same period in 2022. The increase in production was primarily due to stronger market conditions in Alberta and the Pacific Northwest in the Gas and Energy Transition segments, respectively, and higher adjusted availability in the Energy Transition segment. Production for the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, was partially offset by lower wind and solar resources in all regions.

**Revenues** for the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, increased by \$167 million and \$521 million, respectively, compared to the same periods in 2022, mainly as a result of higher realized energy prices within the Alberta electricity market and the Pacific Northwest, higher realized ancillary service prices within the Hydro segment and an increase in production within the Energy Transition segment and Hydro segment. This was partially offset by lower wind and solar production due to lower resource, lower environmental attribute sales and reduced ancillary volumes in the Hydro segment. For the six months ended, June 30, 2023, revenues were favourably impacted by stronger market conditions from our Alberta merchant gas assets. Energy Marketing revenues for the six months ended June 30, 2023, were higher mainly due to short-term trading of both physical and financial power and gas products across all North American deregulated markets.

**Fuel and purchased power costs** for the three months ended June 30, 2023, decreased by \$43 million compared to the same period in 2022, benefiting from lower natural gas commodity prices in the Gas segment, partially offset by higher fuel usage in the Energy Transition segment. Fuel and purchased power costs for the six months ended June 30, 2023, increased by \$44 million compared to the same period in 2022, primarily due to the higher purchased power costs incurred to meet contractual obligations during planned outages within the Energy Transition segment, higher fuel usage in the Energy Transition segment and the Gas segment, partially offset by lower natural gas commodity prices in the Gas segment.

**Carbon compliance costs** for the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, increased by \$16 million and \$29 million, respectively, compared to the same periods in 2022, primarily due an increase in the carbon price per tonne and the utilization of emission credits in the prior periods to settle a portion of our GHG obligation, which reduced the 2022 costs by \$12 million for both periods. In addition, carbon compliance costs during the six months ended June 30, 2023, further increased from higher production in the Gas segment.

**Operations, maintenance and administration ("OM&A") expenses** for the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, increased by \$17 million and \$29 million, respectively, compared to the same periods in 2022. OM&A expenses increased primarily due to higher spending on strategic and growth initiatives, increased costs due to inflationary pressures and higher performance-related incentive accruals.

**Adjusted EBITDA** for the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, increased by \$108 million and \$352 million, respectively, compared to the same periods in 2022. The increases were largely due to higher revenue from the Alberta Electricity Portfolio, as a result of higher merchant prices realized primarily by the gas and hydro facilities. The Hydro segment also benefited from higher ancillary service prices in the Alberta market. Adjusted EBITDA was further improved by higher revenue in the Energy Transition segment due to higher merchant pricing and higher production, and lower input costs in the Gas segment. These increases were partially offset by higher carbon compliance costs in the Gas segment, lower production in the Wind and Solar segment and higher OM&A in the Corporate segment. Changes in segmented adjusted EBITDA are discussed in the Segmented Financial Performance and Operating Results section of this MD&A.

Earnings (loss) before income taxes for the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, increased by \$101 million and \$242 million, respectively, compared to the same periods in 2022. Net earnings (loss) attributable to common shareholders for the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, were \$62 million and \$356 million compared to a net loss of \$80 million and net earnings of \$106 million in the same periods in 2022. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, the Company benefited from higher revenues, lower natural gas prices, higher income tax recoveries, largely due to realized current income tax benefits from an internal reorganization that occurred in the second quarter and higher asset impairment reversals. This was partially offset by higher depreciation due to the acceleration of useful lives on certain facilities in the third quarter of 2022, higher carbon compliance costs resulting from the previous years obligation being settled partially with emission credits, higher OM&A costs related to the Corporate and Energy Marketing segments and higher net earnings allocated to non-controlling interests. In the six months ended June 30, 2023, the Gas segment had higher production which resulted in higher fuel usage and higher carbon compliance costs and the Energy Transition segment had higher power purchases during planned outages.

Cash flow from operating activities for the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, increased by \$140 million and \$151 million, respectively, compared with the same periods in 2022, primarily due to higher revenues net of unrealized gains and losses from risk management activities. This was partially offset by higher unfavourable changes in working capital and higher fuel and purchased power, OM&A and carbon compliance costs.

**FCF**, one of the Company's key financial metrics, totaled \$278 million and \$541 million, respectively, for the three and six months ended June 30, 2023 compared to \$145 million and \$253 million, respectively, in the same periods in 2022. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, this represented an increase of \$133 million and \$288 million, respectively, primarily due to higher adjusted EBITDA, lower interest expense mainly driven by higher interest income due to higher interest rates, higher interest capitalized on construction capital expenditures and lower income tax expense due to a current income tax recovery in the second quarter of 2023. This was partially offset by higher distributions paid to subsidiaries' non-controlling interests, higher sustaining capital expenditures and higher realized foreign exchange losses compared to 2022.

## **Significant and Subsequent Events**

# TransAlta Corporation to Acquire TransAlta Renewables Inc. to Simplify Structure and Enhance Strategic Position

On July 10, 2023, the Company and TransAlta Renewables entered into a definitive arrangement agreement (the "Arrangement Agreement") under which the Company will acquire all of the outstanding common shares of TransAlta Renewables not already owned, directly or indirectly, by TransAlta and certain of its affiliates, subject to the approval of TransAlta Renewables shareholders.

The transaction will provide shareholders of the combined company with a single strategy and a clear and compelling opportunity for long-term growth, with greater clarity around the execution of the Clean Electricity Growth Plan. TransAlta Renewables shareholders will benefit from a fair offer reflecting an attractive premium, a clear and sustainable path going forward, ownership in an expanded pool of assets and exposure to the Alberta electricity market. For TransAlta shareholders, the transaction will provide an enhanced strategic position, sustainable and attractive transition metrics, and increased liquidity and synergies, while maintaining the Company's financial strength.

Under the terms of the Arrangement Agreement, each TransAlta Renewables share will be exchanged for, at the election of each holder of common shares of TransAlta Renewables, (i) 1.0337 common shares of TransAlta or (ii) \$13.00 in cash. The consideration payable to TransAlta Renewables shareholders is subject to pro-rationing based on a maximum aggregate number of TransAlta shares that may be issued to TransAlta Renewables shareholders of 46,441,779 and a maximum aggregate cash amount of \$800 million.

The consideration payable to TransAlta Renewables shareholders represents an 18.3 per cent premium based on the closing price of TransAlta Renewables shares on the Toronto Stock Exchange ("TSX") as of July 10, 2023, and a 13.6 per cent premium relative to TransAlta Renewables' 20-day volume-weighted average price per share as of July 10, 2023. The total consideration paid to TransAlta Renewables shareholders is valued at \$1.4 billion on July 10, 2023 of which \$800 million will be paid in cash, and the remaining balance in common shares of TransAlta. The combined company will operate as TransAlta and remain listed on the TSX and the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE"), under the symbols "TA" and "TAC", respectively.

A special meeting of TransAlta Renewables shareholders to consider the transaction will be held on or about Sept. 26, 2023. If all approvals are received and other closing conditions satisfied, the transaction is expected to be completed in early October 2023.

#### **Normal Course Issuer Bid**

On May 26, 2023, the TSX accepted the notice filed by the Company to implement a normal course issuer bid ("NCIB") for a portion of its common shares. Pursuant to the NCIB, TransAlta may repurchase up to a maximum of 14,000,000 common shares, representing approximately 7.29 per cent of its public float of common shares as at May 17, 2023. Purchases under the NCIB may be made through open market transactions on the TSX and any alternative Canadian trading platforms on which the common shares are traded, based on the prevailing market price. Any common shares purchased under the NCIB will be cancelled. The period during which TransAlta is authorized to make purchases under the NCIB commenced on May 31, 2023 and ends on May 30, 2024, or such earlier date on which the maximum number of common shares are purchased under the NCIB or the NCIB is terminated at the Company's election.

The NCIB provides the Company with a capital allocation alternative with a view to ensuring long-term shareholder value. TransAlta's Board of Directors and management believe that, from time to time, the market price of the common shares might not be reflective of the underlying value and purchases of common shares for cancellation under the NCIB may provide an opportunity to enhance shareholder value.

### **Annual Shareholder Meeting**

On April 28, 2023, the Company held its annual meeting of shareholders. All director nominees were elected to the Board, including Candace MacGibbon, a new member to the Board. The Company also received strong support on all other items of business, including say-on-pay and the proposed amendment to the Company's Share Unit Plan.

#### **Automatic Share Purchase Plan**

On March 27, 2023, the Company entered into an automatic share purchase plan ("ASPP") in order to facilitate repurchases of TransAlta's common shares under its previously announced NCIB.

Under the ASPP, the Company's broker purchased 2,943,600 common shares. The ASPP terminated on May 30, 2023. All common shares acquired pursuant to the ASPP were cancelled.

During the six months ended June 30, 2023, the Company purchased and cancelled a total of 6,112,900 common shares, including those purchased under the ASPP, at an average price of \$11.62 per common share, for a total cost of \$71 million.

#### **Tent Mountain Pumped Hydro Development Project**

On April 24, 2023, the Company acquired a 50 per cent interest in the Tent Mountain Renewable Energy Complex ("Tent Mountain"), an early-stage 320 MW pumped hydro energy storage development project, located in southwest Alberta, from Montem Resources Limited ("Montem"). The acquisition includes the land rights, fixed assets and intellectual property associated with the pumped hydro development project. The Company paid Montem approximately \$8 million on closing of the transaction and additional contingent payments of up to \$17 million (approximately \$25 million total) may become payable to Montem based on the achievement of specific development and commercial milestones. The Company and Montem own the Tent Mountain project within a special purpose partnership that is jointly managed, with the Company acting as project developer. The partnership is actively seeking an offtake agreement for the energy and environmental attributes generated by the facility.

Refer to the audited annual 2022 consolidated financial statements within our 2022 Annual Integrated Report and our unaudited interim condensed consolidated financial statements for the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, for significant events impacting both prior and current year results.

# **Segmented Financial Performance and Operating Results**

Segmented information is prepared on the same basis that the Company manages its business, evaluates financial results and makes key operating decisions.

The following table reflects the generation and summary financial information on a consolidated basis for each of our segments:

	LTA generation	(GWh) <sup>(1)</sup>	Actual productio	n (GWh) <sup>(2)</sup>	Adjusted EBI	TDA <sup>(3)</sup>
3 months ended June 30	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022
Hydro	593	596	616	533	147	88
Wind and Solar	1,097	1,121	859	1,072	50	88
Renewables	1,690	1,717	1,475	1,605	197	176
Gas			2,515	2,566	166	65
Energy Transition			606	290	13	11
Energy Marketing					43	50
Corporate					(32)	(23)
Total			4,596	4,461	387	279
Earnings (loss) before income taxes		·		·	79	(22)

	LTA generation	n (GWh) <sup>(1)</sup>	Actual production	on (GWh) <sup>(2)</sup>	Adjusted EBI	TDA <sup>(3)</sup>
6 months ended June 30	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022
Hydro	995	1,004	922	905	253	149
Wind and Solar	2,520	2,574	2,056	2,341	138	177
Renewables	3,515	3,578	2,978	3,246	391	326
Gas			5,687	5,231	406	170
Energy Transition			1,903	1,343	67	16
Energy Marketing					82	67
Corporate					(56)	(41)
Total			10,568	9,820	890	538
Earnings before income taxes		•	_		462	220

<sup>(1)</sup> Long-term average production ("LTA Generation (GWh)") is calculated based on our portfolio as at June 30, 2023, on an annualized basis from the average annual energy yield predicted from our simulation model based on historical resource data performed over a period of typically greater than 25 years. LTA Generation (GWh) for Energy Transition is not considered as we are currently transitioning these units with the expectation that they will retire by the end of 2025 and the LTA Generation (GWh) for Gas is not considered as it is largely dependent on market conditions and merchant demand. Wind and Solar LTA Generation (GWh) for the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, excluding the Kent Hills 1 and 2 wind facilities which are currently not in operation, is approximately 1,009 GWh and 2,326 GWh.

<sup>(2)</sup> Actual production levels are compared against the long-term average to highlight the impact of an important factor that affects the variability in our business results. In the short-term, for each of the Hydro and Wind and Solar segments, the conditions will vary from one period to the next and over time facilities will continue to produce in line with their long-term averages, which has proven to be a reliable indicator of performance.

<sup>(3)</sup> This item is not defined and has no standardized meaning under IFRS. Refer to the Additional IFRS Measures and Non-IFRS Measures section of this MD&A.

#### **Hydro**

	3 months ended June 30		6 months ended June 3	
	2023	2022	2023	2022
Gross installed capacity (MW) <sup>(1)</sup>	922	925	922	925
LTA (GWh) <sup>(2)</sup>	593	596	995	1,004
Availability (%)	94.8	95.5	94.4	96.1
Production				
Contract production (GWh)	119	127	142	163
Merchant production (GWh)	497	406	780	742
Total energy production (GWh)	616	533	922	905
Ancillary service volumes (GWh) <sup>(3)</sup>	570	785	1,213	1,527
Alberta Hydro Assets revenues <sup>(4)(5)</sup>	95	53	166	89
Other Hydro Assets and other revenues (4)(6)	18	15	24	22
Alberta Hydro ancillary services revenues <sup>(3)</sup>	53	37	92	70
Environmental attribute revenues	1	_	9	1
Revenues <sup>(7)</sup>	167	105	291	182
Fuel and purchased power	5	6	10	10
Gross margin <sup>(8)</sup>	162	99	281	172
OM&A	14	10	26	21
Taxes, other than income taxes	1	1	2	2
Adjusted EBITDA <sup>(8)</sup>	147	88	253	149
Supplemental Information:				
Gross revenues per MWh				
Alberta Hydro Assets energy (\$/MWh) <sup>(4)(5)</sup>	201	131	222	121
Alberta Hydro Assets ancillary (\$/MWh) <sup>(3)</sup>	94	47	76	46
Sustaining capital	8	6	14	12

- (1) In the fourth quarter of 2022, the Company closed the sale of two Hydro assets resulting in a reduction in capacity of 3 MW.
- (2) 2022 LTA revised for consistency with calculation methodology used in 2023.
- (3) Ancillary services as described in the AESO Consolidated Authoritative Document Glossary.
- (4) Alberta Hydro Assets include 13 hydro facilities on the Bow and North Saskatchewan river systems. Other Hydro assets includes our hydro facilities in BC and Ontario, hydro facilities in Alberta (other than the Alberta Hydro Assets) and transmission revenues.
- (5) The Company entered into forward hedges for the first quarter of 2023 that are included in the Alberta Hydro Asset revenues.
- (6) Other revenue includes revenues from our transmission business and other contractual arrangements, including the flood mitigation agreement with the Government of Alberta and black start services.
- (7) For details of the adjustments to revenues included in adjusted EBITDA refer to the Additional IFRS and Non-IFRS Measures section of this MD&A.
- (8) Adjusted EBITDA and gross margin are not defined and have no standardized meaning under IFRS. Refer to the Additional IFRS and Non-IFRS Measures section of this MD&A.

Availability for the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, decreased compared to the same periods in 2022, primarily due to planned outages at our Alberta Hydro Assets.

Production for the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, increased by 83 GWh and 17 GWh, respectively, compared to the same periods in 2022 from higher water resources partially offset by lower availability. In addition, in the six months ended June 30, 2023 production was negatively impacted by icing constraints at our Alberta Hydro Assets compared to the same period in 2022.

Ancillary services volumes for the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, decreased by 215 GWh and 314 GWh, respectively, compared to the same periods in 2022, due to the AESO procuring lower volumes of ancillary services given its decision to reduce the cumulative volume of imports into Alberta via the British Columbia and Montana transmission interconnections and the Company managing higher energy output due

to the timing of runoff and precipitation. Given the flexibility of our portfolio, we were able to partially offset this impact by shifting these ancillary volumes to the Gas segment.

Adjusted EBITDA for the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, increased by \$59 million and \$104 million, respectively, compared to the same periods in 2022, primarily due to higher realized energy and ancillary service prices in the Alberta market and higher production. The three months ended June 30, 2023, further benefited from higher energy production, partially offset by lower revenues from lower ancillary service volumes. The six months ended June 30, 2023, benefited from higher sales of environmental attributes and the Company captured revenue through forward hedging for the Alberta Hydro Assets and realized gains from the hedging strategy. OM&A in both periods increased primarily due to higher insurance costs, salary escalations and incentive accruals, and higher legal fees. For further discussion on the Alberta market conditions and pricing, refer to the Alberta Electricity Portfolio section of this MD&A.

Sustaining capital expenditures for the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, were higher by \$2 million compared to the same periods in 2022 due to higher planned dam safety costs.

#### Wind and Solar

	3 months ended	3 months ended June 30		June 30
	2023	2022	2023	2022
Gross installed capacity (MW) <sup>(1)</sup>	1,906	1,906	1,906	1,906
LTA (GWh)	1,097	1,121	2,520	2,574
Availability (%)	87.1	85.7	85.0	82.2
Contract production (GWh)	631	802	1,502	1,711
Merchant production (GWh)	228	270	554	630
Total production (GWh)	859	1,072	2,056	2,341
Wind and Solar revenues	71	88	173	189
Environmental attribute revenues	7	23	20	30
Revenues <sup>(2)</sup>	78	111	193	219
Fuel and purchased power	7	6	16	14
Carbon compliance	_	1	_	1
Gross margin <sup>(3)</sup>	71	104	177	204
OM&A	18	15	35	31
Taxes, other than income taxes	4	4	7	6
Net other operating income <sup>(2)</sup>	(1)	(3)	(3)	(10)
Adjusted EBITDA <sup>(3)</sup>	50	88	138	177
Supplemental information:				
Sustaining capital	3	3	6	7
Kent Hills wind rehabilitation expenditures (4)	21	10	42	10
Insurance proceeds - Kent Hills		(7)	(1)	(7)

<sup>(1)</sup> Gross installed capacity and availability as at June 30, 2023 do not include the 130 MW Garden Plain wind project.

Availability for the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, increased compared to the same periods in 2022, primarily as a result of improved performance at the Windrise wind facility. The six months ended June 30, 2023, was unfavourably impacted by an extended forced outage at the Windrise facility in the first quarter of 2023 caused by a manufacturing defect on a transformer bushing that has since been repaired under warranty and resolved. Availability for both the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, has been

<sup>(2)</sup> For details of the adjustments to revenues and net other operating income included in adjusted EBITDA refer to the Additional IFRS Measures and Non-IFRS Measures section of this MD&A.

<sup>(3)</sup> Adjusted EBITDA and gross margin are not defined and have no standardized meaning under IFRS. Refer to the Additional IFRS and Non-IFRS Measures section of this MD&A.

<sup>(4)</sup> The Kent Hills wind facilities rehabilitation capital expenditures are segregated from the sustaining capital expenditures due to the extraordinary nature of the expenditures and have been reflected separately.

impacted by the Kent Hills rehabilitation project which is expected to fully return to service in the second half of 2023. Availability adjusted for the Kent Hills extended outage for the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, was 98.4 per cent and 94.7 per cent, respectively, and 94.0 per cent and 93.3 per cent for the same periods in 2022.

Production for the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, decreased by 213 GWh and 285 GWh, respectively, compared to the same periods in 2022, primarily due to lower wind and solar resources in all regions, partially offset by pre-commissioning production from the Garden Plain wind project.

Adjusted EBITDA for the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, decreased by \$38 million and \$39 million, respectively, compared to the same periods in 2022, primarily due to lower production due to lower wind resource, lower environmental attribute revenue, lower realized merchant prices in Alberta in the second quarter, and lower liquidated damages recognized at the Windrise wind facility. During the six months ended June 30, 2023, lower adjusted EBITDA was partially offset by higher realized merchant prices in Alberta. OM&A in both periods increased due to salary escalations, higher insurance costs and long-term service agreement escalations.

Sustaining capital expenditures for the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, were consistent compared to the same periods in 2022.

Gas

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	3 months ended	June 30	6 months ende	d June 30
	2023	2022	2023	2022
Gross installed capacity (MW)	3,084	3,084	3,084	3,084
Availability (%)	85.8	93.9	91.1	93.9
Contract production (GWh)	905	831	1,908	1,771
Merchant production (GWh)	1,649	1,746	3,898	3,486
Purchased power (GWh)	(39)	(11)	(119)	(26)
Total production (GWh)	2,515	2,566	5,687	5,231
Revenues <sup>(1)</sup>	320	262	755	553
Fuel and purchased power <sup>(1)</sup>	84	146	213	276
Carbon compliance	25	12	57	30
Gross margin <sup>(2)</sup>	211	104	485	247
OM&A	50	45	91	89
Taxes, other than income taxes	4	4	8	8
Net other operating income	(9)	(10)	(20)	(20)
Adjusted EBITDA <sup>(2)</sup>	166	65	406	170
Supplemental information:				
Sustaining capital:	14	3	17	8

<sup>(1)</sup> For details of the adjustments to revenues and fuel and purchased power included in adjusted EBITDA, refer to the Additional IFRS Measures and Non-IFRS Measures section of this MD&A.

Availability for the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, decreased by 8.1 per cent and 2.8 per cent, respectively, compared to the same periods in 2022, primarily due to higher planned outages at Sheerness Unit 1 and Keephills Unit 3, and derates at Sundance Unit 6 in the second quarter. For the six months ended June 30, 2023, the Company experienced lower unplanned outages than the same period in the prior year.

Production for the three months ended June 30, 2023 decreased by 51 GWh compared to the same period in 2022, due to lower availability, partially offset by higher contract production in Ontario. Production for the six months ended June 30, 2023, increased by 456 GWh compared to the same period in 2022, mainly due to stronger market conditions for our Alberta merchant gas assets and higher contract production in Ontario, partially offset by lower merchant production in Ontario due to weaker market conditions.

<sup>(2)</sup> Adjusted EBITDA and gross margin are not defined and have no standardized meaning under IFRS. Refer to the Additional IFRS Measures and Non-IFRS Measures section of this MD&A.

Adjusted EBITDA for the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, increased by \$101 million and \$236 million, respectively, compared to the same periods in 2022, mainly due to higher realized energy prices for our Alberta gas merchant assets, net of hedging, and lower natural gas prices, partially offset by higher carbon compliance costs and higher OM&A from higher contract labour related to planned major maintenance in Australia. The six months ended June 30, 2023, benefited from higher production due to stronger market conditions in Alberta partially offset by higher carbon costs and fuel usage related to production.

Sustaining capital expenditures for the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, increased by \$11 million and \$9 million, respectively, compared to the same periods in 2022, mainly due to planned major maintenance costs at the gas facilities.

#### **Energy Transition**

	3 months ended June 30		6 months ende	d June 30
	2023	2022	2023	2022
Gross installed capacity (MW)	671	671	671	671
Availability (%)	58.8	45.2	76.6	68.4
Adjusted availability (%) <sup>(1)</sup>	58.8	52.7	76.6	71.9
Contract sales volume (GWh)	830	830	1,650	1,650
Merchant sales volume (GWh)	656	328	1,999	1,529
Purchased power (GWh)	(880)	(868)	(1,746)	(1,836)
Total production (GWh)	606	290	1,903	1,343
Revenues <sup>(2)</sup>	118	96	371	213
Fuel and purchased power	90	71	271	165
Carbon compliance	_	(4)	_	(3)
Gross margin <sup>(3)</sup>	28	29	100	51
OM&A	14	17	31	33
Taxes, other than income taxes	1	1	2	2
Adjusted EBITDA <sup>(3)</sup>	13	11	67	16
Supplemental information:				
Highvale mine reclamation spend	4	3	6	5
Centralia mine reclamation spend	4	3	7	7
Sustaining capital	11	16	11	16

<sup>(1)</sup> Adjusted for dispatch optimization.

Adjusted availability for the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, increased compared with the same periods in 2022 due to lower planned outages at Centralia Unit 2 in the second quarter of 2023 and lower unplanned outages in the six months ended June 30, 2023.

Production increased by 316 GWh and 560 GWh, respectively, for the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, compared to the same periods in 2022, primarily due to higher dispatch related to merchant pricing and higher availability at Centralia Unit 2.

Adjusted EBITDA increased by \$2 million and \$51 million, respectively, for the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, compared to the same periods in 2022, primarily due to higher merchant pricing and higher production, partially offset by higher fuel usage. During the six months ended June 30, 2023, adjusted EBITDA was negatively impacted by higher purchased power costs required to fulfill contractual obligations during planned outages. OM&A decreased due to the retirement of Sundance Unit 4 in the first quarter of 2022.

<sup>(2)</sup> For details of the adjustments to revenues included in adjusted EBITDA refer to the Additional IFRS Measures and Non-IFRS Measures section of this MD&A.

<sup>(3)</sup> Adjusted EBITDA and gross margin are not defined and have no standardized meaning under IFRS. Refer to the Additional IFRS Measures and Non-IFRS Measures section of this MD&A.

Mine reclamation spending for the Highvale and Centralia mines was consistent with 2022.

Sustaining capital expenditures for the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, decreased by \$5 million, respectively, compared to the same periods in 2022, due to a reduction in planned major maintenance.

#### **Energy Marketing**

	3 months en	3 months ended June 30		ded June 30
	2023	2022	2023	2022
Revenues <sup>(1)</sup>	49	57	102	81
OM&A	6	7	20	14
Adjusted EBITDA <sup>(2)</sup>	43	50	82	67

<sup>(1)</sup> For details of the adjustments to revenues included in adjusted EBITDA, refer to the Additional IFRS Measures and Non-IFRS Measures section of this MD&A. Adjusted EBITDA is not defined and has no standardized meaning under IFRS.

Adjusted EBITDA for the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, decreased by \$7 million and increased by \$15 million, respectively, compared to the same periods in 2022. Year-to-date results exceeded segment expectations from short-term trading of both physical and financial power and gas products across all North American deregulated markets. The Company was able to capitalize on short-term volatility in the trading markets while maintaining the overall risk profile of the business unit.

#### **Corporate**

	3 months end	3 months ended June 30		ed June 30
	2023	2022	2023	2022
OM&A	32	23	56	41
Adjusted EBITDA <sup>(1)</sup>	(32)	(23)	(56)	(41)
Supplemental information:				
Sustaining capital:	8	3	16	5

<sup>(1)</sup> Adjusted EBITDA is not defined and has no standardized meaning under IFRS. Refer to the Additional IFRS Measures and Non-IFRS Measures section of this MD&A.

Adjusted EBITDA for the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, decreased by \$9 million and \$15 million, respectively, compared to the same periods in 2022, primarily due to higher incentive accruals reflecting the Company's performance, increased spending to support strategic and growth initiatives and increased costs due to inflationary pressures.

For the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, sustaining capital expenditures increased by \$5 million and \$11 million, respectively, compared to the same periods in 2022, mainly due to higher spend on leasehold improvements and information technology associated with the relocation of the Company's head office.

<sup>(2)</sup> Adjusted EBITDA is not defined and has no standardized meaning under IFRS. Refer to the Additional IFRS Measures and Non-IFRS Measures section of this MD&A.

# **Performance by Segment with Supplemental Geographical Information**

The following table provides adjusted EBITDA performance of our facilities across the regions we operate in:

3 months ended June 30, 2023	Hydro	Wind and Solar	Gas	Energy Transition	Energy Marketing	Corporate	Total
Alberta	144	12	109	(2)	43	(32)	274
Canada, excluding Alberta	3	20	21	_	_	_	44
US	_	18	2	15	_	_	35
Australia	_	_	34	_	_	_	34
Adjusted EBITDA <sup>(1)</sup>	147	50	166	13	43	(32)	387
Earnings before income taxes							79

3 months ended June 30, 2022	Hydro	Wind and Solar	Gas	Energy Transition	Energy Marketing <sup>(3)</sup>	Corporate	Total
Alberta	82	41	8	(3)	50	(23)	155
Canada, excluding Alberta	6	22	21	_	_	_	49
US	_	25	2	14	_	_	41
Australia	_	_	34	_	_	_	34
Adjusted EBITDA <sup>(1)</sup>	88	88	65	11	50	(23)	279
Loss before income taxes							(22)

6 months ended June 30, 2023	Hydro	Wind and Solar	Gas	Energy Transition	Energy Marketing	Corporate	Total
Alberta	250	43	287	(4)	82	(56)	602
Canada, excluding Alberta	3	50	46	_	_	_	99
US	_	45	4	71	_	_	120
Australia	_	_	69	_	_	_	69
Adjusted EBITDA <sup>(1)</sup>	253	138	406	67	82	(56)	890
Earnings before income taxes							462

6 months ended June 30, 2022	Hydro	Wind and Solar	Gas	Energy Transition <sup>(2)</sup>	Energy Marketing <sup>(3)</sup>	Corporate	Total
Alberta	143	71	55	(6)	67	(41)	289
Canada, excluding Alberta	6	56	43	_	_	_	105
US	_	50	4	22	_	_	76
Australia	_	_	68	_	_	_	68
Adjusted EBITDA <sup>(1)</sup>	149	177	170	16	67	(41)	538
Earnings before income taxes							220

<sup>(1)</sup> Adjusted EBITDA is not defined and has no standardized meaning under IFRS. Presenting this from period to period provides management and investors with the ability to evaluate earnings (loss) trends more readily in comparison with prior periods' results. Refer to the Segmented Financial Performance and Operating Results section of this MD&A for further discussion of these items, including, where applicable, reconciliations to measures calculated in accordance with IFRS. Also, refer to the Additional IFRS Measures and Non-IFRS Measures section of this MD&A.

<sup>(2)</sup> The Sundance Unit 4 was retired March 31, 2022.(3) The adjusted EBITDA for the Energy Marketing segment was reclassified to the Alberta region to reflect where the operations reside.

# **Alberta Electricity Portfolio**

Generating capacity in Alberta is subject to market forces, rather than rate regulation. Power from commercial generation is cleared through a wholesale electricity market. Power is dispatched in accordance with an economic merit order administered by the Alberta Electric System Operator ("AESO"), based upon offers by generators to sell power in the real-time energy-only market. Our merchant Alberta fleet operates under this framework and we internally manage our offers to sell power.

Approximately 52 per cent of our gross installed capacity is located in Alberta. Our portfolio of merchant assets in Alberta consists of hydro facilities, wind facilities, a battery storage facility, cogeneration facilities and converted natural-gas-fired thermal facilities. Some of the wind and gas facilities within the Alberta electricity portfolio operate on long-term contracts. Optimization of portfolio performance is driven by the diversity of fuel types, which enables portfolio management and allows for maximization of operating margins. It also provides us with capacity that can be monetized as ancillary services or dispatched into the energy market during times of supply tightness. A portion of the installed generation capacity in the portfolio has been hedged to provide cash flow certainty.

Alberta power prices for the second quarter of 2023 were higher compared to same period in 2022 as a result of lower volumes of power imported from adjacent markets, and higher prices during periods of overlapping outages and low renewable generation. Due to higher industrial outages compared to the prior year, demand decreased approximately 0.6 per cent compared to the same period in 2022.

On balance, the average pool price increased as a result of these factors from \$122 per MWh in 2022 to \$160 per MWh in 2023.

# Quarterly Average Alberta Spot Electricity Prices \$160 \$122

	2023						2022				
3 months ended June 30	Hydro	Wind & Solar	Gas	Energy Transition	Total	Hydro	Wind & Solar	Gas	Energy Transition	Total	
Total production (GWh)	497	337	1,691	_	2,525	406	450	1,826	_	2,682	
Contract production (GWh)	_	110	137	_	247	_	180	125	_	305	
Merchant production (GWh)	497	227	1,554	_	2,278	406	270	1,701	_	2,377	
Revenues <sup>(1)</sup>	160	26	212	_	398	96	49	134	2	281	
Fuel and purchased power	5	4	65	_	74	4	4	99	1	108	
Carbon compliance	_	_	22	_	22	_	_	9	(4)	5	
Gross margin	155	22	125	_	302	92	45	26	5	168	

2023					2022					
6 months ended June 30	Hydro	Wind & Solar	Gas	Energy Transition	Total	Hydro	Wind & Solar	Gas	Energy Transition	Total
Total production (GWh)	780	840	4,060	_	5,680	742	953	3,544	19	5,258
Contract production (GWh)	_	286	287	_	573	_	322	258	_	580
Merchant production (GWh)	780	554	3,773	_	5,107	742	631	3,286	19	4,678
Revenues <sup>(1)</sup>	281	70	537	2	890	170	84	298	7	559
Fuel and purchased power	9	11	168	_	188	8	9	184	5	206
Carbon compliance	_	_	51	_	51	_	_	24	(3)	21
Gross margin	272	59	318	2	651	162	75	90	5	332

<sup>(1)</sup> Revenue has been adjusted to exclude the impact of unrealized mark-to-market gains or losses and realized gains and losses on closed exchange positions in order to depict revenue realized in the periods.

For the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, the Alberta electricity portfolio generated 2,525 GWh and 5,680 GWh of energy, respectively. This was a decrease of 157 GWh and an increase of 422 GWh, respectively, compared to the same periods in 2022. Lower production in the three months ended June 30, 2023, was primarily due to lower wind resources and slightly lower merchant production from the Gas assets due to lower availability, partially offset by strong generation from the Hydro assets due to precipitation and snowpack melt. For the six months ended June 30, 2023, generation was higher overall due to increased merchant production in the Gas segment driven by market opportunities as well as higher production from the Hydro segment in the second quarter of 2023.

Gross margin for the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, was \$302 million and \$651 million, respectively, an increase of \$134 million and \$319 million, respectively, compared to the same periods in 2022. Higher gross margin was the result of higher merchant prices for our Gas segment, strong production and realized prices from the Hydro assets, as well as hedging contributions. The six months ended June 30, 2023, benefited from increased merchant production from our Gas assets.

The following table provides information for the Company's Alberta electricity portfolio:

	3 months ended	June 30	6 months ended	June 30
	2023	2022	2023	2022
Spot power price average per MWh	\$160	\$122	\$151	\$106
Natural gas price (AECO) per GJ	\$2.39	\$6.86	\$2.74	\$5.69
Carbon compliance price per tonne	\$65	\$50	\$65	\$50
Realized merchant power price per MWh <sup>(1)</sup>	\$175	\$105	\$174	\$106
Hydro energy spot power price per MWh	\$199	\$131	\$189	\$121
Hydro ancillary spot price per MWh	\$94	\$47	\$76	\$46
Wind energy spot power price per MWh	\$75	\$96	\$83	\$75
Gas and Energy Transition spot power price per MWh	\$202	\$127	\$175	\$116
Hedged volume (GWh) <sup>(2)</sup>	1,667	1,901	3,713	3,639
Hedged power price average per MWh	\$91	\$73	\$116	\$78
Fuel and purchased power per MWh <sup>(3)</sup>	\$33	\$59	\$46	\$58
Carbon compliance cost per MWh <sup>(3)</sup>	\$10	\$3	\$13	\$6

<sup>(1)</sup> Realized merchant power price for the Alberta electricity portfolio is the average price realized as a result of the Company's merchant power sales (excluding assets under long-term contract and ancillary revenues) and portfolio optimization activities divided by total merchant GWh produced.

For the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, the realized merchant power price per MWh of production increased by \$70 per MWh and \$68 per MWh, respectively, compared with the same periods in 2022. Higher realized merchant power pricing for energy across the portfolio was due to higher market prices and optimization of our available capacity across all fuel types. The segment spot prices exclude gains and losses from hedging positions that are entered into in order to mitigate the impact of unfavourable market pricing.

For the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, the fuel and purchased power cost per MWh of production decreased by \$26 per MWh and \$12 per MWh, respectively, compared with the same periods in 2022 primarily due to lower natural gas prices.

For the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, carbon compliance costs per MWh of production increased by \$7 per MWh, compared with the same periods in 2022, due to an increase in carbon compliance prices from \$50 per tonne in 2022 to \$65 per tonne in 2023. In 2023, the 2022 carbon compliance obligation was settled with cash. In 2022, the Company utilized emission credits to settle a portion of the 2021 carbon compliance obligation resulting in a lower carbon cost per MWh.

<sup>(2)</sup> Hedge volumes are for production volumes primarily from the Gas segment.

<sup>(3)</sup> Fuel and purchased power per MWh and carbon compliance cost per MWh are calculated on production from carbon-emitting generation in the Gas and Energy Transition segments, and carbon compliance cost per MWh may include emission credits to settle a portion of our GHG carbon pricing obligations.

# **Selected Quarterly Information**

Our results are seasonal due to the nature of the electricity market and related fuel costs. Higher maintenance costs are often incurred in the spring and fall when electricity prices are expected to be lower; electricity prices generally increase in the peak winter and summer months in our main markets due to increased heating and cooling loads. Margins are also typically impacted in the second quarter due to the volume of hydro production resulting from spring runoff and rainfall in the Pacific Northwest, which impacts production at Centralia. Typically, hydroelectric facilities generate most of their electricity and revenues during the spring months when melting snow starts feeding watersheds and rivers. Inversely, wind speeds are historically greater during the cold winter months and lower in the warm summer months.

	Q3 2022	Q4 2022	Q1 2023	Q2 2023
Revenues	929	854	1,089	625
Earnings before income taxes	126	7	383	79
Cash flow from operating activities	204	351	462	11
Net earnings (loss) attributable to common shareholders	61	(163)	294	62
Net earnings (loss) per share attributable to common shareholders, basic and diluted <sup>(2)</sup>	0.23	(0.61)	1.10	0.23
	Q3 2021	Q4 2021	Q1 2022	Q2 2022
Revenues	0.50	010	705	450
Revenues	850	610	735	458
Earnings (loss) before income taxes	850 (441)	(32)	735 242	(22)
Earnings (loss) before income taxes	(441)	(32)	242	(22)

<sup>(1)</sup> The cash flow used in operating activities for the second quarter of 2022 was negative due to unfavourable changes in working capital mainly due to movements in our collateral accounts related to higher commodity prices and volatility in the markets.

<sup>(2)</sup> Basic and diluted earnings (loss) per share attributable to common shareholders is calculated in each period using the basic and diluted weighted average common shares outstanding during the period, respectively. As a result, the sum of the earnings (loss) per share for the four quarters making up the calendar year may sometimes differ from the annual earnings (loss) per share.

Net earnings (loss) attributable to common shareholders over the prior eight quarters has also been impacted by the following variations and events:

- Higher revenues arising from higher overall availability during periods of peak pricing and higher power prices in Alberta in 2022 and 2023;
- Lower natural gas pricing in 2023 and higher natural gas pricing in 2022;
- Increased natural gas consumption in 2022 and 2023 for the units that were converted to gas in 2021;
- Lower carbon costs in 2022 related to our transition off coal and the utilization of emission credits to settle a portion of our GHG obligation in the second quarter of 2022. Higher carbon costs in the first and second quarters of 2023 due to higher carbon costs per tonne and, in the first quarter of 2023, higher production;
- The continued extended outage of the Kent Hills 1 and 2 wind facilities from the fourth quarter of 2021 through to the second quarter of 2023. The extended outage is expected to continue into the second half of 2023;
- The effects of asset impairment reversals recognized in the first and second quarters of 2023 and the effects of asset impairment charges and reversals during all periods shown;
- The effects of changes in decommissioning provisions for retired assets from changes in discount rates in 2023;
- The effects of changes in decommissioning provisions for retired assets from changes in estimated cash flows and discount rates in all other periods shown;
- Accelerated timing of decommissioning cash flows and changes in useful lives recognized in the third quarter of 2022;
- Insurance proceeds for the single tower failure at Kent Hills wind facilities of \$7 million recognized in the second quarter of 2022;
- Liquidated damages recoverable from turbine availability being below the contractual target at the Windrise wind facility recorded in each quarter in 2022 and the first and second quarters of 2023;
- Keephills Unit 1 being retired in the fourth quarter of 2021 and Sundance Unit 4 being retired in the first quarter of 2022;
- The acquisition of North Carolina Solar facility in the fourth quarter of 2021;
- Commissioning of the Windrise wind facility in the fourth quarter of 2021;
- The suspension of the Sundance Unit 5 repowering project in the third quarter of 2021;
- The retirement of the Sundance Unit 5 in 2021;
- Gains relating to the sale of assets being recognized in the fourth quarter of 2022 and gains on the sale of Gas equipment in the third quarter of 2021;
- Accelerated plans to shut down the Highvale mine resulting in remaining future royalty payments being recognized as an onerous contract in the third quarter of 2021;
- Accelerated shutdown of the Highvale mine increasing mine depreciation included in the cost of coal.
   Coal inventory write-down incurred in the third quarter of 2021;
- Coal-related parts and materials inventory write-down incurred in the third quarter of 2021;
- Fluctuations in the Canadian dollar relative to the US dollar resulting in foreign exchange gains and losses on our US denominated long-term debt balances not designated as hedges; and
- Fluctuations in current and future tax expense with earnings before tax across the quarters. Future tax expense decreased from 2022 mainly due to an adjustment in the US to mitigate cash tax relating to the Base Erosion and Anti-Avoidance Tax ("BEAT").

# **Financial Position**

The following table highlights significant changes in the Consolidated Statements of Financial Position from Dec. 31, 2022, to June 30, 2023:

	June 30, 2023	Dec. 31, 2022	Increase/ (decrease)
Assets			
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	952	1,134	(182)
Trade and other receivables	1,098	1,589	(491)
Risk management assets	225	709	(484)
Inventory	200	157	43
Other current assets <sup>(1)</sup>	102	125	(23)
Total current assets	2,577	3,714	(1,137)
Non-current assets			
Risk management assets	77	161	(84)
Property, plant and equipment, net	5,669	5,556	113
Other non-current assets <sup>(2)</sup>	1,259	1,310	(51)
Total non-current assets	7,005	7,027	(22)
Total assets	9,582	10,741	(1,159)
Liabilities			
Current liabilities			
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	661	1,346	(685)
Risk management liabilities	627	1,129	(502)
Income taxes payable	17	73	(56)
Credit facilities, long-term debt and lease liabilities	132	178	(46)
Other current liabilities <sup>(3)</sup>	113	162	(49)
Total current liabilities	1,550	2,888	(1,338)
Non-current liabilities			
Credit facilities, long-term debt and lease liabilities	3,454	3,475	(21)
Risk management liabilities (long-term)	237	333	(96)
Other non-current liabilities (4)	2,068	2,056	12
Total non-current liabilities	5,759	5,864	(105)
Total liabilities	7,309	8,752	(1,443)
Equity			
Equity attributable to shareholders	1,475	1,110	365
Non-controlling interests	798	879	(81)
Total equity	2,273	1,989	284
Total liabilities and equity	9,582	10,741	(1,159)

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes restricted cash, prepaid expenses and assets held for sale.

<sup>(2)</sup> Includes investments, long-term portion of finance lease receivables, right-of-use assets, intangible assets, goodwill, deferred income tax assets and other assets.

<sup>(3)</sup> Includes bank overdraft, current portion of decommissioning and other provisions, current portion of contract liabilities and dividends payable.

<sup>(4)</sup> Includes exchangeable securities, long-term decommissioning and other provisions, deferred income tax liabilities, contract liabilities and defined benefit obligation and other long-term liabilities.

Significant changes in TransAlta's unaudited interim condensed consolidated statements of financial position were as follows:

#### **Working Capital**

Current assets decreased by \$1,137 million to \$2,577 million as at June 30, 2023, from \$3,714 million as at Dec. 31, 2022, primarily due to lower trade receivables related to collections from higher revenues recognized in the fourth quarter of 2022 and from lower receivables in the Energy Marketing segment. Risk management assets decreased due to lower market prices and contract settlements since year-end. Additionally, lower cash and cash equivalents resulted from higher spending on growth capital projects and the purchase of common shares under the NCIB. These decreases were partially offset by an increase in inventory due to the continued receipt of scheduled coal deliveries during a planned maintenance outage at Centralia Unit 2.

Current liabilities decreased by \$1,338 million from \$2,888 million as at Dec. 31, 2022, to \$1,550 million as at June 30, 2023, mainly due to the payment of year-end accounts payable and accrued liabilities including the settlement of the 2022 GHG obligation, lower accruals and payables in the Energy Marketing segment, and lower income taxes payable. Current liabilities also decreased as the \$46 million Pingston non-recourse bond matured and was paid out in May 2023. Additionally, collateral held and risk management liabilities decreased due to lower market prices as well as contract settlements since year-end. As at June 30, 2023, the Company held nil (Dec. 31, 2022 – \$260 million) of cash collateral received related to derivative instruments in a net asset position.

The excess of current assets over current liabilities, including the current portion of long-term debt and lease liabilities, was \$1,027 million as at June 30, 2023 (Dec. 31, 2022 – \$826 million). Our working capital increased mainly due to lower accounts payable of \$685 million and lower risk management liabilities of \$502 million primarily from lower market prices and contract settlements. This was partially offset by lower trade and other receivables of \$491 million due to collections from higher revenues recognized in the fourth quarter of 2022, lower receivables for the Energy Marketing segment, lower risk management assets of \$484 million primarily from lower market prices and contract settlements, and by lower cash and cash equivalents.

#### **Non-Current Assets**

Non-current assets as at June 30, 2023, were \$7,005 million, a decrease of \$22 million from \$7,027 million as at Dec. 31, 2022. Lower risk management assets resulted from changes in market pricing across multiple markets and contract settlements. This was partially offset by the increase in additions to property, plant and equipment ("PP&E") of \$476 million mainly related to the construction of the Garden Plain wind project, the White Rock wind projects, the Horizon Hill wind project, the Northern Goldfields solar project, the Mount Keith 132kv transmission expansion, the Kent Hills rehabilitation costs, and other planned major maintenance. The increase to PP&E also includes revisions and additions to decommissioning and restoration costs of \$11 million, and asset impairment reversals of \$20 million, offset by depreciation of \$339 million.

#### **Non-Current Liabilities**

Non-current liabilities as at June 30, 2023, were \$5,759 million, a decrease of \$105 million from \$5,864 million as at Dec. 31, 2022, mainly due to lower risk management liabilities of \$96 million due to contract settlements and pricing, a \$21 million decrease in long-term debt and lease liabilities related to scheduled debt repayments of \$64 million and a \$54 million unfavourable foreign exchange impact, partially offset by higher drawings on the credit facilities of \$87 million.

#### **Total Equity**

As at June 30, 2023, the increase in total equity of \$284 million was due to net earnings of \$431 million and gains on derivatives from cash flow hedges of \$84 million, partially offset by distributions to non-controlling interests of \$129 million, share repurchases under the NCIB of \$71 million and dividends declared on common and preferred shares of \$27 million.

# **Financial Capital**

The Company is focused on maintaining a strong balance sheet and financial position to ensure access to sufficient financial capital.

#### **Capital Structure**

Our capital structure consists of the following components as shown below:

	June 30, 2023		Dec. 31	, 2022
	\$	%	\$	%
TransAlta Corporation				
Net senior unsecured debt				
Recourse debt - CAD debentures	251	4	251	5
Recourse debt - US senior notes	914	16	934	18
Term Facility	396	7	396	8
Other	_	_	1	_
Less: cash and cash equivalents <sup>(1)</sup>	(800)	(14)	(884)	(17)
Less: other cash and liquid assets <sup>(2)</sup>	_	_	(20)	_
Net senior unsecured debt	761	13	678	14
Other debt liabilities				
Exchangeable debentures	342	6	339	6
Non-recourse debt				
TAPC Holdings LP bond	90	2	94	2
OCP Bond	229	4	241	4
Lease liabilities	109	2	112	2
Total net debt <sup>(3)</sup> - TransAlta Corporation	1,531	27	1,464	28
TransAlta Renewables	•		,	
Net TransAlta Renewables reported debt				
Committed credit facility	130	2	32	1
Pingston bond	_	_	45	1
Melancthon Wolfe Wind bond	185	3	202	4
New Richmond Wind bond	107	2	112	2
Kent Hills Wind bond	200	4	206	4
Windrise Wind bond	167	3	170	3
Lease liabilities	24	_	23	_
Less: cash and cash equivalents <sup>(4)</sup>	(147)	(3)	(234)	(4)
	(147)	(0)	(204)	(-)
<b>Debt on TransAlta Renewables Economic Investments</b> US tax equity financing <sup>(5)</sup>	114	2	123	2
South Hedland non-recourse debt <sup>(5)</sup>	670	12	711	14
Total net debt <sup>(3)</sup> - TransAlta Renewables				
Total consolidated net debt <sup>(3)(6)(7)</sup>	1,450	25	1,390	27
	2,981	52	2,854	55
Non-controlling interests	798	14	879	17 7
Exchangeable preferred securities <sup>(7)</sup>	400	7	400	7
Equity attributable to shareholders	0.000		0.000	<b>5</b> 4
Common shares	2,808	50	2,863	54
Preferred shares	942	17	942	18
Contributed surplus, deficit and accumulated other comprehensive income	(2,275)	(40)	(2,695)	(51)
Total capital	5,654	100	5,243	100

<sup>(1)</sup> Cash and cash equivalents is net of bank overdraft.

<sup>(2)</sup> Includes principal portion of the TransAlta OCP restricted cash related to the TransAlta OCP non-recourse bonds as this cash is restricted specifically to repay outstanding debt and also includes the fair value of economic and designated hedging instruments on debt, as the carrying value of the related debt is impacted by changes in foreign exchange rates.

<sup>(3)</sup> These items are not defined and have no standardized meaning under IFRS. Refer to the Additional IFRS Measures and Non-IFRS Measures section of this MD&A for further discussion, including, reconciliations to measures calculated in accordance with IFRS.

<sup>(4)</sup> Includes \$98 million (AU\$112 million) cash held within TransAlta Energy (Australia) Pty Ltd. reserved for future funding of Australia growth projects by TransAlta Renewables.

<sup>(5)</sup> TransAlta Renewables has an economic interest in the US entities, which includes the US tax equity financings of US\$90 million (Dec. 31, 2022 - US\$95 million) and an economic interest in the Australian entities, which includes the AU\$774 million (Dec. 31, 2022 - AU\$786 million) senior secured notes.

<sup>(6)</sup> The tax equity financing for the Skookumchuck wind facility, an equity accounted joint venture, is not represented in these amounts.

<sup>7)</sup> The total consolidated net debt excludes the exchangeable preferred securities as they are considered equity with dividend payments for credit purposes.

Between 2023 and 2025, we have \$724 million of debt maturing, including \$400 million of recourse debt relating to the Term Facility, with the balance mainly related to scheduled non-recourse debt repayments. The \$750 million exchangeable securities can be exchanged at the earliest on Jan. 1, 2025.

#### **Credit Facilities**

The Company's credit facilities are summarized in the table below:

As at June 30, 2023		Utili	zed		
Credit facilities	Facility size	Outstanding letters of credit <sup>(1)</sup>	Cash drawings	Available capacity	Maturity date
Committed					
TransAlta Corporation syndicated credit facility	1,250	264	_	986	Q2 2027
TransAlta Renewables syndicated credit facility	700	3	131	566	Q2 2027
TransAlta Corporation bilateral credit facilities	240	180	_	60	Q2 2025
TransAlta Corporation Term Facility	400		400		Q3 2024
Total Committed	2,590	447	531	1,612	
Non-Committed					
TransAlta Corporation demand facilities	250	151	_	99	N/A
TransAlta Renewables demand facility	150	98	_	52	N/A
Total Non-Committed	400	249	_	151	

<sup>(1)</sup> TransAlta has obligations to issue letters of credit and cash collateral to secure potential liabilities to certain parties, including those related to potential environmental obligations, commodity risk management and hedging activities, pension plan obligations, construction projects and purchase obligations. Letters of credit drawn against the non-committed facilities reduce available capacity under the committed syndicated credit facilities.

In June 2023, the TransAlta Corporation syndicated credit facility and TransAlta Renewables syndicated credit facility were amended and maturity dates were extended from June 30, 2026 to June 30, 2027. The TransAlta Corporation bilateral credit facilities were also amended and maturity dates were extended from June 30, 2024 to June 30, 2025.

#### **Non-Recourse Debt**

The Melancthon Wolfe Wind LP, TAPC Holdings LP, New Richmond Wind LP, Kent Hills Wind LP, TEC Hedland Pty Ltd, Windrise Wind LP and TransAlta OCP LP non-recourse bonds, are subject to customary financing conditions and covenants that may restrict the Company's ability to access funds generated by the facilities' operations. Upon meeting certain distribution tests, typically performed once per quarter, the funds are able to be distributed by the subsidiary entities to their respective parent entity. These conditions include meeting a debt service coverage ratio prior to distribution, which was met by these entities in the second quarter of 2023 with the exception of Kent Hills Wind LP and TAPC Holdings LP. Kent Hills Wind LP cannot make any distributions to its partners until the foundation replacement work has been completed and TAPC Holdings LP has been impacted by higher interest rates in 2023. The funds in these entities that have accumulated since the second quarter test will remain there until the next debt service coverage ratio can be calculated in the third quarter of 2023. At June 30, 2023, \$65 million (Dec. 31, 2022 – \$50 million) of cash was subject to these financial restrictions. Additionally, certain non-recourse bonds require that certain reserve accounts be established and funded through cash held on deposit and/or by providing letters of credit.

# **Returns to Providers of Capital**

#### **Net Interest Expense**

The components of net interest expense are shown below:

	3 months ended	June 30	6 months ended June 30	
	2023	2022	2023	2022
Interest on debt	51	40	101	81
Interest on exchangeable debentures	8	8	15	15
Interest on exchangeable preferred shares	7	7	14	14
Interest income	(16)	(4)	(31)	(7)
Capitalized interest	(13)	(3)	(26)	(4)
Interest on lease liabilities	2	2	4	3
Credit facility fees, bank charges and other interest	3	5	11	11
Tax shield on tax equity financing	1	(3)	_	(3)
Accretion of provisions	13	10	27	19
Net interest expense	56	62	115	129

Net interest expense for the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, was lower than the same periods in 2022 primarily due to higher capitalized interest resulting from higher capital expenditures on growth projects, and interest income due to higher cash balances and favourable interest rates. This is partially offset by interest on credit facility borrowings and higher accretion of provisions.

# **Share Capital**

The following tables outline the common and preferred shares issued and outstanding:

	Number of shares (millions)						
As at	Aug. 3, 2023	June 30, 2023	Dec. 31, 2022				
Common shares issued and outstanding, end of period	263.4	263.4	268.1				
Preferred shares							
Series A	9.6	9.6	9.6				
Series B	2.4	2.4	2.4				
Series C	10.0	10.0	10.0				
Series D	1.0	1.0	1.0				
Series E	9.0	9.0	9.0				
Series G	6.6	6.6	6.6				
Preferred shares issued and outstanding in equity	38.6	38.6	38.6				
Series I - Exchangeable Securities <sup>(1)</sup>	0.4	0.4	0.4				
Preferred shares issued and outstanding	39.0	39.0	39.0				

<sup>(1)</sup> Brookfield invested \$400 million in consideration for redeemable, retractable, first preferred shares. For accounting purposes, these preferred shares are considered debt and disclosed as such in the consolidated financial statements.

#### **Non-Controlling Interests**

As at June 30, 2023, the Company owns 60.1 per cent (June 30, 2022 – 60.1 per cent) of TransAlta Renewables. TransAlta Renewables is a publicly traded company whose common shares are listed on the TSX under the symbol "RNW." TransAlta Renewables holds a diversified, highly contracted portfolio of assets with comparatively lower carbon intensity.

We also own 50.01 per cent TransAlta Cogeneration, LP ("TA Cogen") (June 30, 2022 – 50.01 per cent), which owns, operates or has an interest in three natural-gas-fired cogeneration facilities (Ottawa, Windsor and Fort Saskatchewan) and one natural-gas-fired facility (Sheerness). Sheerness operated as a dual-fuel generating facility in 2021.

Since we own a controlling interest in TA Cogen and TransAlta Renewables, we consolidate the entire earnings, assets and liabilities in relation to those subsidiaries.

The reported net earnings attributable to non-controlling interests for the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, increased by \$12 million and \$32 million, respectively, compared to the same periods in 2022. TA Cogen net earnings attributable to non-controlling interests have increased by \$12 million and \$28 million, respectively, compared to the same periods in 2022, primarily due to higher merchant pricing in the Alberta market.

TransAlta Renewables net earnings attributable to non-controlling interests for the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, remained the same and increased by \$4 million, respectively, compared to the same periods in 2022. The increase for the six months ended June 30, 2023 was primarily due to asset impairment reversals and lower depreciation, partially offset by lower revenues, lower liquidated damages at the Windrise wind facility, lower insurance recoveries and higher OM&A expenses. Finance income related to subsidiaries of TransAlta was higher due to higher dividends from Australia in the first quarter of the year compared to the prior year. Refer to Note 8 of the unaudited interim condensed consolidated financial statements for further details.

On July 10, 2023, the Company entered into an agreement to acquire all of the outstanding common shares of TransAlta Renewables not already owned, directly or indirectly, by TransAlta and certain of its affiliates subject to the approval of TransAlta Renewables shareholders. See the Significant and Subsequent Events section of this MD&A for details.

# **Other Consolidated Analysis**

#### **Commitments**

In addition to the commitments disclosed elsewhere in the financial statements and those disclosed in the 2022 annual audited financial statements, during 2023 the Company has incurred the following additional contractual commitments, either directly or through its interests in joint operations for the six months ended, June 30, 2023. Approximate future payments under these agreements are as follows:

	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029 and thereafter	Total
Transmission	_	2	2	3	4	56	67
Total	_	2	2	3	4	56	67

#### **Transmission**

The Company has several agreements to purchase transmission network capacity in the Pacific Northwest. Provided certain conditions for delivering the service are met, the Company is committed to the transmission at the supplier's tariff rate whether it is awarded immediately or delivered in the future after additional facilities are constructed. The table above includes the incremental change in transmission agreements, as compared to the amounts disclosed in the 2022 audited annual consolidated financial statements.

#### **Contingencies**

For the current material outstanding contingencies, please refer to Note 37 of the 2022 audited annual consolidated financial statements. Material changes to the contingencies have been described below.

#### Hydro Power Purchase Arrangement ("Hydro PPA") Emissions Performance Credits

The Balancing Pool claimed entitlement to 1,750,000 Emission Performance Credits ("EPCs") earned by the Alberta Hydro facilities as a result of TransAlta opting those facilities into the Carbon Competitiveness Incentive Regulation and Technology Innovation and Emissions Reduction Regulation from 2018-2020 inclusive. The EPCs under dispute had no recorded book value as they were internally generated. The Balancing Pool claimed ownership of the EPCs because it believed the change-in-law provisions under the Hydro PPA required the EPCs to be passed through to the Balancing Pool. TransAlta disputed this claim. The parties have reached a confidential settlement and this matter is now resolved.

#### **Brazeau Facility - Well Licence Applications to Consider Hydraulic Fracturing Activities**

The Alberta Energy Regulator ("AER") issued a subsurface order on May 27, 2019, which does not permit any hydraulic fracturing within three kilometers of the Brazeau Facility but permits hydraulic fracturing in all formations (except the Duvernay) within three-to-five kilometers of the Brazeau Facility. Subsequently, two oil and gas operators submitted applications to the AER for 10 well licenses (which include hydraulic fracturing activities) within three-to-five kilometers of the Brazeau Facility. The regulatory hearing to consider these applications - Proceeding 379 - was scheduled to be heard from Feb. 27 to March 10, 2023, but was adjourned to permit the O'Chiese First Nation to intervene and make submissions. While we do not have a new hearing date, we anticipate it will be heard, at the earliest, in the fourth quarter of 2023.

The Company's position is that hydraulic fracturing activities within five kilometers of the Brazeau Facility pose an unacceptable risk and that the applications should be denied.

#### **Brazeau Facility - Claim against the Government of Alberta**

On Sept. 9, 2022, the Company filed a Statement of Claim against the Alberta Government in the Alberta Court of King's Bench seeking a declaration that: (i) granting mineral leases within 5 km of the Brazeau Facility is a breach of the 1960 agreement between the Company and the Alberta Government; and (ii) the Alberta Government is required to indemnify the Company for any costs or damages that result from the risks of hydraulic fracturing near the Brazeau Facility. On Sept. 29, 2022, the Alberta Government filed its Statement of Defence, which asserts, among other things, that the Company: (i) is trying to usurp the jurisdiction of the Alberta Energy Regulator, and (ii) is out of time under the Limitations Act (Alberta). The trial has been scheduled for two weeks starting Feb. 26, 2024.

#### **Garden Plain**

Garden Plain I LP, a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, retained an external supplier to construct the Garden Plain wind project near Hanna, Alberta. The supplier experienced scheduling delays, challenges with construction, and significant cost overruns, resulting in overdue deadlines and has asserted a claim for \$49 million in damages. The Company disputes this claim in its entirety and asserts a counterclaim. The parties have initiated the dispute resolution procedure.

#### **Cash Flows**

The following highlights significant changes in the Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows for the six months ended June 30, 2023 and June 30, 2022:

	6 months ended Ju		
	2023	2022	Increase/ (decrease)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	1,134	947	187
Provided by (used in):			
Operating activities	473	322	151
Investing activities	(367)	(166)	(201)
Financing activities	(280)	(201)	(79)
Translation of foreign currency cash	(8)	(4)	(4)
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	952	898	54

Cash from operating activities for the six months ended June 30, 2023, increased compared with the same period in 2022 primarily due to higher revenues net of unrealized gains and losses from risk management activities. This was partially offset by higher unfavourable changes in working capital and higher fuel and purchased power, OM&A and carbon compliance costs.

Cash used in investing activities for the six months ended June 30, 2023, decreased compared with the same period in 2022, largely due to:

- Higher cash spent on growth projects and Kent Hills rehabilitation construction activities in PP&E (\$275 million), partially offset by:
  - Favourable change in non-cash working capital mainly related to the timing of construction payables for the assets under construction (\$42 million);
  - Higher proceeds from the sale of property, plant and equipment (\$25 million); and
  - Lower additions to intangibles during the year (\$17 million).

Cash used in financing activities for the six months ended June 30, 2023, decreased compared with the same period in 2022, largely due to:

- Increased distributions paid to subsidiaries' non-controlling interests (\$57 million);
- Higher common share repurchases under the NCIB (\$55 million); and
- Higher repayments of long-term debt (\$50 million),

partially offset by higher net borrowings under the Company's credit facilities (\$87 million).

#### **Financial Instruments**

Refer to Note 14 of the notes to the audited annual 2022 consolidated financial statements, and Note 10 and 11 of our unaudited interim condensed consolidated financial statements as at and for the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, for details on Financial Instruments.

We may enter into commodity transactions involving non-standard features for which observable market data is not available. These are defined under IFRS as Level III financial instruments. Level III financial instruments are not traded in an active market and fair value is, therefore, developed using valuation models based upon internally developed assumptions or inputs. Our Level III fair values are determined using data such as unit availability, transmission congestion, or demand profiles. Fair values are validated every quarter by using reasonably possible alternative assumptions as inputs to valuation techniques and any material differences are disclosed in the notes to the financial statements.

At June 30, 2023, Level III instruments had a net liabilities carrying value of \$376 million (Dec. 31, 2022 – net liabilities of \$782 million). Our risk management profile and practices have not changed materially from Dec. 31, 2022.

#### Additional IFRS Measures and Non-IFRS Measures

An additional IFRS measure is a line item, heading or subtotal that is relevant to an understanding of the consolidated financial statements but is not a minimum line item mandated under IFRS, or the presentation of a financial measure that is relevant to an understanding of the consolidated financial statements but is not presented elsewhere in the consolidated financial statements. We have included line items entitled gross margin and operating income (loss) in our unaudited interim condensed consolidated statements of earnings (loss) for the three and six months ended June 30, 2023 and 2022. Presenting these line items provides management and investors with a measurement of ongoing operating performance that is readily comparable from period to period.

We use a number of financial measures to evaluate our performance and the performance of our business segments, including measures and ratios that are presented on a non-IFRS basis, as described below. Unless otherwise indicated, all amounts are in Canadian dollars and have been derived from our audited annual 2022 consolidated financial statements and the unaudited interim condensed consolidated statements of earnings (loss) for the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, prepared in accordance with IFRS. We believe that these non-IFRS amounts, measures and ratios, read together with our IFRS amounts, provide readers with a better understanding of how management assesses results.

Non-IFRS amounts, measures and ratios do not have standardized meanings under IFRS. They are unlikely to be comparable to similar measures presented by other companies and should not be viewed in isolation from, as an alternative to, or more meaningful than, our IFRS results.

#### **Non-IFRS Financial Measures**

Adjusted EBITDA, FFO, FCF, total net debt, total consolidated net debt and adjusted net debt are non-IFRS measures that are presented in this MD&A. Refer to the Segmented Financial Performance and Operating Results, Segmented Financial Performance and Operating Results for the Fourth Quarter, Selected Quarterly Information, Financial Capital and Key Non-IFRS Financial Ratios sections of this MD&A for additional information, including a reconciliation of such non-IFRS measures to the most comparable IFRS measure.

#### **Adjusted EBITDA**

Each business segment assumes responsibility for its operating results measured by adjusted EBITDA. Adjusted EBITDA is an important metric for management that represents our core business profitability. Interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization are not included, as differences in accounting treatments may distort our core business results. In addition, certain reclassifications and adjustments are made to better assess results, excluding those items that may not be reflective of ongoing business performance. This presentation may facilitate the readers' analysis of trends.

The following are descriptions of the adjustments made.

#### Adjustments to revenue

- Certain assets that we own in Canada and in Australia are fully contracted and recorded as finance leases under IFRS. We believe that it is more appropriate to reflect the payments we receive under the contracts as a capacity payment in our revenues instead of as finance lease income and a decrease in finance lease receivables.
- Adjusted EBITDA is adjusted to exclude the impact of unrealized mark-to-market gains or losses and unrealized foreign exchange gains or losses on commodity transactions.
- Adjustments made for gains and losses related to closed positions effectively settled by offsetting positions with exchanges that have been recorded in the period the positions are settled.

#### Adjustments to fuel and purchased power

• On the commissioning of the South Hedland facility in July 2017, we prepaid approximately \$74 million of electricity transmission and distribution costs. Interest income is recorded on the prepaid funds. We reclassify this interest income as a reduction in the transmission and distribution costs expensed each period to reflect the net cost to the business.

#### Adjustments to net other operating income

• Insurance recoveries related to the Kent Hills tower collapse are not included as these relate to investing activities and are not reflective of ongoing business performance.

#### Adjustments to earnings (loss) in addition to interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization

- Asset impairment charges and reversals are not included as these are accounting adjustments that impact depreciation and amortization and do not reflect ongoing business performance.
- Any gains or losses on asset sales or foreign exchange gains or losses are not included as these are not part of operating income.

#### Adjustments for equity accounted investments

• During the fourth quarter of 2020, we acquired a 49 per cent interest in the Skookumchuck wind facility, which is treated as an equity investment under IFRS and our proportionate share of the net earnings is reflected as equity income on the statement of earnings under IFRS. As this investment is part of our regular power-generating operations, we have included our proportionate share of the adjusted EBITDA of the Skookumchuck wind facility in our total adjusted EBITDA. In addition, in the Wind and Solar adjusted results, we have included our proportionate share of revenues and expenses to reflect the full operational results of this investment. We have not included EMG International, LLC's adjusted EBITDA in our total adjusted EBITDA as it does not represent our regular power-generating operations.

#### **Average Annual EBITDA**

Average annual EBITDA is a non-IFRS financial measure that is forward-looking, used to show the average annual EBITDA that the project currently under construction is expected to generate upon completion.

#### **Funds From Operations ("FFO")**

FFO is an important metric as it provides a proxy for cash generated from operating activities before changes in working capital and provides the ability to evaluate cash flow trends in comparison with results from prior periods. FFO is a non-IFRS measure.

#### Adjustments to cash flow from operations

- FFO related to the Skookumchuk wind facility, which is treated as an equity accounted investment under IFRS and equity income, net of distributions from joint ventures is included in cash flow from operations under IFRS. As this investment is part of our regular power generating operations, we have included our proportionate share of FFO.
- Payments received on finance lease receivables are reclassified to reflect cash from operations.
- We adjust for items included in cash from operations related to the decision in 2020 to accelerate being off-coal and the shutdown of the Highvale mine in 2021 ("Clean energy transition provisions and adjustments").
- Cash received/paid on closed positions are reflected in the period that the position is settled.
- Other adjustments include payments/receipts for production tax credits, which are reductions to tax equity debt and include distributions from equity accounted joint venture.

#### Free Cash Flow ("FCF")

FCF is an important metric as it represents the amount of cash that is available to invest in growth initiatives, make scheduled principal repayments on debt, repay maturing debt, pay common share dividends or repurchase common shares. Changes in working capital are excluded so FFO and FCF are not distorted by changes that we consider temporary in nature, reflecting, among other things, the impact of seasonal factors and timing of receipts and payments. FCF is a non-IFRS measure.

#### **Non-IFRS Ratios**

FFO per share, FCF per share and adjusted net debt to adjusted EBITDA are non-IFRS ratios that are presented in the MD&A. Refer to the Reconciliation of Cash Flow from Operations to FFO and FCF and Key Non-IFRS Financial Ratios sections of this MD&A for additional information.

#### FFO per Share and FCF per Share

FFO per share and FCF per share are calculated using the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period. FFO per share and FCF per share are non-IFRS ratios.

# **Supplementary Financial Measures**

Financial highlights presented on a proportional basis of TransAlta Renewables, deconsolidated adjusted EBITDA, deconsolidated FFO and deconsolidated adjusted EBITDA to deconsolidated FFO are supplementary financial measures that the Company uses to present adjusted EBITDA on a deconsolidated basis. Refer to the Financial Highlights on a Proportional Basis of TransAlta Renewables and Key Non-IFRS Financial Ratios sections of this MD&A for additional information.

The Alberta electricity portfolio metrics disclosed are also supplementary financial measures used to present the gross margin by segment for the Alberta market. Refer to the Alberta Electricity Portfolio section of this MD&A for additional information.

# Reconciliation of Non-IFRS Measures on a Consolidated Basis by Segment

The following table reflects adjusted EBITDA by segment and provides reconciliation to earnings before income taxes for the three months ended June 30, 2023:

	Hydro	Wind & Solar <sup>(1)</sup>	Gas	Energy Transition	Energy Marketing	Corporate	Total	Equity accounted investments <sup>(1)</sup>	Reclass adjustments	IFRS financials
Revenues	168	86	251	121	3	1	630	(5)	_	625
Reclassifications and adjustments:										
Unrealized mark-to-market (gain) loss	(1)	(8)	56	(3)	93	_	137	_	(137)	_
Realized loss on closed exchange positions	_	_	(4)	_	(48)	_	(52)	_	52	_
Decrease in finance lease receivable	_	_	13	_	_	_	13	_	(13)	_
Finance lease income	_	_	4	_	_	_	4	_	(4)	_
Unrealized foreign exchange loss on commodity	_	_	_	_	1	_	1	_	(1)	
Adjusted revenues	167	78	320	118	49	1	733	(5)	(103)	625
Fuel and purchased power	5	7	85	90	_	1	188	_	_	188
Reclassifications and adjustments:										
Australian interest income	_		(1)	_			(1)		1	
Adjusted fuel and purchased power	5	7	84	90	_	1	187	_	1	188
Carbon compliance	_	_	25	_	_	_	25	_	_	25
Gross margin	162	71	211	28	49	_	521	(5)	(104)	412
OM&A	14	18	50	14	6	32	134	_	_	134
Taxes, other than income taxes	1	4	4	1	_	_	10	(1)	_	9
Net other operating income	_	(1)	(9)	_			(10)			(10)
Adjusted EBITDA <sup>(2)</sup>	147	50	166	13	43	(32)	387			
Equity income										(1)
Finance lease income										4
Depreciation and amortization										(173)
Asset impairment reversals										13
Net interest expense										(56)
Foreign exchange loss										8
Gain on sale of assets and other										5
Earnings before income taxes										79

 <sup>(1)</sup> The Skookumchuck wind facility has been included on a proportionate basis in the Wind and Solar segment.
 (2) Adjusted EBITDA is not defined and has no standardized meaning under IFRS. Refer to the Additional IFRS Measures and Non-IFRS Measures section of this MD&A.

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

The following table reflects adjusted EBITDA by segment and provides reconciliation to loss before income taxes for the three months ended June 30, 2022:

		Wind &		Energy	Energy			Equity accounted	Reclass	IFRS
	Hydro	Wind & Solar <sup>(1)</sup>	Gas	Energy Transition	Energy Marketing	Corporate	Total	accounted investments <sup>(1)</sup>	adjustments	financials
Revenues	105	96	127	96	36	1	461	(3)	_	458
Reclassifications and adjustme	nts:									
Unrealized mark-to-market (gain) loss	_	15	128	_	(56)	_	87	_	(87)	_
Realized gain (loss) on closed exchange positions	_	_	(10)	_	75	_	65	_	(65)	_
Decrease in finance lease receivable	_	_	11	_	_	_	11	_	(11)	_
Finance lease income	_	_	6	_	_	_	6	_	(6)	_
Unrealized foreign exchange loss on commodity	_	_	_	_	2	_	2	_	(2)	_
Adjusted revenues	105	111	262	96	57	1	632	(3)	(171)	458
Fuel and purchased power	6	6	147	71	_	1	231	_	_	231
Reclassifications and adjustme	nts:									
Australian interest income	_	_	(1)	_	_	_	(1)	_	1	_
Adjusted fuel and purchased power	6	6	146	71	_	1	230	_	1	231
Carbon compliance	_	1	12	(4)	_	_	9	_	_	9
Gross margin	99	104	104	29	57	_	393	(3)	(172)	218
OM&A	10	15	45	17	7	23	117	_	_	117
Taxes, other than income taxes	1	4	4	1	_	_	10	(1)	_	9
Net other operating income	_	(10)	(10)	_	_	_	(20)	_	_	(20)
Reclassifications and adjustme	nts:									
Insurance recovery		7		_	_		7	_	(7)	
Adjusted net other operating income	_	(3)	(10)	_	_	_	(13)	_	(7)	(20)
Adjusted EBITDA <sup>(2)</sup>	88	88	65	11	50	(23)	279			
Equity income										2
Finance lease income										6
Depreciation and amortization										(115)
Asset impairment reversals										24
Net interest expense										(62)
Foreign exchange gain										9
Gain on sale of assets and other										2
Loss before income taxes										(22)

<sup>(1)</sup> The Skookumchuck wind facility has been included on a proportionate basis in the Wind and Solar segment.(2) Adjusted EBITDA is not defined and has no standardized meaning under IFRS. Refer to the Additional IFRS Measures and Non-IFRS Measures section of this MD&A.

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

The following table reflects adjusted EBITDA by segment and provides reconciliation to earnings before income taxes for the six months ended June 30, 2023:

	Hydro	Wind & Solar <sup>(1)</sup>	Gas	Energy Transition	Energy Marketing	Corporate	Total	Equity accounted investments <sup>(1)</sup>	Reclass adjustments	IFRS financials	
Revenues	293	201	746	388	95	1	1,724	(10)	_	1,714	
Reclassifications and adjustmen	nts:										
Unrealized mark-to-market (gain) loss	(2)	(8)	(8)	(17)	109	_	74	_	(74)	_	
Realized loss on closed exchange positions	_	_	(17)	_	(103)	_	(120)	_	120	_	
Decrease in finance lease receivable	_	_	26	_	_	_	26	_	(26)	_	
Finance lease income	_	_	8	_	_	_	8	_	(8)	_	
Unrealized foreign exchange loss on commodity	_	_	_	_	1	_	1	_	(1)		
Adjusted revenues	291	193	755	371	102	1	1,713	(10)	11	1,714	
Fuel and purchased power	10	16	215	271	_	1	513	_	_	513	
Reclassifications and adjustments:											
Australian interest income	_	_	(2)	_	_	_	(2)	_	2		
Adjusted fuel and purchased power	10	16	213	271	_	1	511	_	2	513	
Carbon compliance	_	_	57	_	_	_	57	_	_	57	
Gross margin	281	177	485	100	102	_	1,145	(10)	9	1,144	
OM&A	26	35	91	31	20	56	259	(1)	_	258	
Taxes, other than income taxes	2	7	8	2	_	_	19	(1)	_	18	
Net other operating income	_	(3)	(20)				(23)			(23)	
Adjusted EBITDA <sup>(2)</sup>	253	138	406	67	82	(56)	890				
Equity income										1	
Finance lease income										8	
Depreciation and amortization										(349)	
Asset impairment reversals										16	
Net interest expense										(115)	
Foreign exchange loss										5	
Gain on sale of assets and other										5	
Earnings before income taxes										462	

<sup>(1)</sup> The Skookumchuck wind facility has been included on a proportionate basis in the Wind and Solar segment.

<sup>(2)</sup> Adjusted EBITDA is not defined and has no standardized meaning under IFRS. Refer to the Additional IFRS Measures and Non-IFRS Measures section of this MD&A.

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

The following table reflects adjusted EBITDA by segment and provides reconciliation to earnings before income taxes for the six months ended June 30, 2022:

	Hydro	Wind & Solar <sup>(1)</sup>	Gas	Energy Transition	Energy Marketing	Corporate	Total	Equity accounted investments <sup>(1)</sup>	Reclass adjustments	IFRS financials
Revenues	182	191	561	202	62	2	1,200	(7)	aujustinients —	1,193
Reclassifications and adjustments	:						,	.,		•
Unrealized mark-to-market (gain) loss	_	28	(34)	11	(46)	_	(41)	_	41	_
Realized gain (loss) on closed exchange positions	_	_	(7)	_	65	_	58	_	(58)	_
Decrease in finance lease receivable	_	_	22	_	_	_	22	_	(22)	_
Finance lease income	_	_	11	_	_	_	11	_	(11)	_
Adjusted revenues	182	219	553	213	81	2	1,250	(7)	(50)	1,193
Fuel and purchased power	10	14	278	165	_	2	469	_	_	469
Reclassifications and adjustments	:									
Australian interest income	_		(2)		_		(2)		2	
Adjusted fuel and purchased power	10	14	276	165	_	2	467	_	2	469
Carbon compliance	_	1	30	(3)	_	_	28	_	_	28
Gross margin	172	204	247	51	81	_	755	(7)	(52)	696
OM&A	21	31	89	33	14	41	229	_	_	229
Taxes, other than income taxes	2	6	8	2	_	_	18	(1)	_	17
Net other operating income	_	(17)	(20)	_	_	_	(37)	_	_	(37)
Reclassifications and adjustments	:									
Insurance recovery	_	7	_	_	_	_	7	_	(7)	_
Adjusted net other operating income	_	(10)	(20)	_	_	_	(30)	_	(7)	(37)
Adjusted EBITDA <sup>(2)</sup>	149	177	170	16	67	(41)	538			
Equity income										4
Finance lease income										11
Depreciation and amortization										(232)
Asset impairment reversals										66
Net interest expense										(129)
Foreign exchange gain										11
Gain on sale of assets and other										2
Earnings before income taxes										220

<sup>(1)</sup> The Skookumchuck wind facility has been included on a proportionate basis in the Wind and Solar segment.(2) Adjusted EBITDA is not defined and has no standardized meaning under IFRS. Refer to the Additional IFRS Measures and Non-IFRS Measures section of this MD&A.

# **Reconciliation of Cash Flow from Operations to FFO and FCF**

The table below reconciles our cash flow from operating activities to our FFO and FCF:

	3 months ended	June 30	6 months ended	June 30
	2023	2022	2023	2022
Cash flow from (used in) operating activities <sup>(1)</sup>	11	(129)	473	322
Change in non-cash operating working capital balances	408	260	366	(24)
Cash flow from operations before changes in working capital	419	131	839	298
Adjustments				
Share of adjusted FFO from joint venture <sup>(1)</sup>	5	2	8	5
Decrease in finance lease receivable	13	11	26	22
Clean energy transition provisions and adjustments <sup>(2)</sup>	7	8	7	8
Realized gain (loss) on closed exchanged positions	(52)	65	(120)	58
Other <sup>(3)</sup>	(1)	3	5	8
FFO <sup>(4)</sup>	391	220	765	399
Deduct:				
Sustaining capital <sup>(1)</sup>	(44)	(31)	(64)	(48)
Productivity capital	(1)	(1)	(1)	(2)
Dividends paid on preferred shares	(12)	(10)	(25)	(20)
Distributions paid to subsidiaries' non-controlling interests	(53)	(30)	(129)	(72)
Principal payments on lease liabilities	(3)	(3)	(5)	(4)
FCF <sup>(4)</sup>	278	145	541	253
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding in the				
period	264	271	266	271
FFO per share <sup>(4)</sup>	1.48	0.81	2.88	1.47
FCF per share <sup>(4)</sup>	1.05	0.54	2.03	0.93

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes our share of amounts for Skookumchuck wind facility, an equity accounted joint venture.

<sup>(2)</sup> Includes amounts related to onerous contracts recognized in 2021.

<sup>(3)</sup> Other consists of production tax credits, which is a reduction to tax equity debt, less distributions from equity accounted joint venture.

<sup>(4)</sup> These items are not defined and have no standardized meaning under IFRS. Refer to the Additional IFRS Measures and Non-IFRS Measures section of this MD&A.

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

The table below provides a reconciliation of our adjusted EBITDA to our FFO and FCF:

	3 months ended	3 months ended June 30		June 30
	2023	2022	2023	2022
Adjusted EBITDA <sup>(1)(4)</sup>	387	279	890	538
Provisions	1	_	4	10
Interest expense	(38)	(50)	(83)	(104)
Current income tax recovery (expense) <sup>(2)</sup>	42	(13)	(18)	(25)
Realized foreign exchange gain (loss)	1	13	(6)	15
Decommissioning and restoration costs settled	(9)	(7)	(16)	(14)
Other non-cash items	7	(2)	(6)	(21)
FFO <sup>(3)(4)</sup>	391	220	765	399
Deduct:				
Sustaining capital <sup>(4)</sup>	(44)	(31)	(64)	(48)
Productivity capital	(1)	(1)	(1)	(2)
Dividends paid on preferred shares	(12)	(10)	(25)	(20)
Distributions paid to subsidiaries' non-controlling interests	(53)	(30)	(129)	(72)
Principal payments on lease liabilities	(3)	(3)	(5)	(4)
FCF <sup>(3)</sup>	278	145	541	253

<sup>(1)</sup> Adjusted EBITDA is defined in the Additional IFRS Measures and Non-IFRS Measures section of this MD&A and reconciled to earnings (loss) before income taxes above.

<sup>(2)</sup> The Company incurred lower current tax expense for 2023, due to the Company completing an internal reorganization during the second quarter of 2023, which allowed the Company to apply tax attributes, previously unavailable due to Canadian tax limitations, against taxable income in Canada.

<sup>(3)</sup> These items are not defined and have no standardized meaning under IFRS. FFO and FCF are defined in the Additional IFRS Measures and Non-IFRS Measures section of this MD&A and reconciled to cash flow from operating activities above.

(4) Includes our share of amounts for Skookumchuck wind facility, an equity accounted joint venture.

### Financial Highlights on a Proportional Basis of TransAlta Renewables

The proportionate financial information below reflects TransAlta's share of TransAlta Renewables relative to TransAlta's total consolidated figures. The financial highlights presented on a proportional basis of TransAlta Renewables are supplementary financial measures to reflect TransAlta Renewables' portion of the consolidated figures.

#### **Consolidated Results**

The following table reflects the generation and summary financial information on a consolidated basis for the period ended June 30:

	Actual generation (GWh)		Adjusted EBITDA <sup>(1)</sup>		Earnings (loss) before income taxes <sup>(2)</sup>	
3 months ended June 30	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022
TransAlta Renewables						
Hydro	144	159	5	7		
Wind and Solar <sup>(3)</sup>	812	1,072	43	68		
Gas <sup>(3)</sup>	816	734	58	56		
Corporate	_	_	(6)	(5)		
TransAlta Renewables before adjustments	1,772	1,965	100	126	18	36
Less: Proportion of TransAlta Renewables not owned by TransAlta Corporation	(707)	(784)	(40)	(50)	(7)	(14)
Portion of TransAlta Renewables owned by TransAlta Corporation	1,065	1,181	60	76	11	22
Add: TransAlta Corporation's owned assets excluding TransAlta Renewables						
Hydro	472	374	142	81		
Wind and Solar	47	_	7	20		
Gas	1,699	1,832	108	9		
Energy Transition	606	290	13	11		
Energy Marketing	_	_	43	50		
Corporate	_		(26)	(18)		
TransAlta Corporation with proportionate share of TransAlta Renewables	3,889	3,677	347	229	72	(36)
Non-controlling interests	707	784	40	50	7	14
TransAlta consolidated	4,596	4,461	387	279	79	(22)

<sup>(1)</sup> Adjusted EBITDA is defined in the Additional IFRS Measures and Non-IFRS Measures section of this MD&A and reconciled to earnings (loss) before income taxes above.

<sup>(2)</sup> TransAlta Renewables amounts are comprised of its reported earnings before income taxes plus the reported earnings before income taxes of the assets in which it holds an economic interest less finance income related to subsidiaries of TransAlta.

<sup>(3)</sup> Wind and Solar and Gas segments include those assets in which TransAlta Renewables holds an economic interest.

### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

	Actual generation (GWh)		Adjusted EBITDA <sup>(1)</sup>		Earnings before income taxes <sup>(2)</sup>	
6 months ended June 30	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022
TransAlta Renewables						
Hydro	171	200	4	8		
Wind and Solar <sup>(3)</sup>	2,006	2,341	120	156		
Gas <sup>(3)</sup>	1,618	1,669	116	112		
Corporate	_		(12)	(11)		
TransAlta Renewables before adjustments	3,795	4,210	228	265	91	69
Less: Proportion of TransAlta Renewables not owned by TransAlta Corporation	(1,514)	(1,680)	(91)	(106)	(36)	(28
Portion of TransAlta Renewables owned by TransAlta Corporation	2,281	2,530	137	159	55	41
Add: TransAlta Corporation's owned assets excluding TransAlta Renewables						
Hydro	751	705	249	141		
Wind and Solar	50	_	18	21		
Gas	4,069	3,562	290	58		
Energy Transition	1,903	1,343	67	16		
Energy Marketing	_	_	82	67		
Corporate	_		(44)	(30)		
TransAlta Corporation with proportionate share of TransAlta Renewables	9,054	8,140	799	432	426	192
Non-controlling interests	1,514	1,680	91	106	36	28
TransAlta consolidated	10,568	9,820	890	538	462	220

<sup>(1)</sup> Adjusted EBITDA is defined in the Additional IFRS Measures and Non-IFRS Measures section of this MD&A and reconciled to earnings (loss) before income taxes above.

<sup>(2)</sup> TransAlta Renewables amounts are comprised of its reported earnings before income taxes plus the reported earnings before income taxes of the assets in which it holds an economic interest less finance income related to subsidiaries of TransAlta.

<sup>(3)</sup> Wind and Solar and Gas segments include those assets in which TransAlta Renewables holds an economic interest.

### **Key Non-IFRS Financial Ratios**

The methodologies and ratios used by rating agencies to assess our credit rating are not publicly disclosed. We have developed our own definitions of ratios and targets to help evaluate the strength of our financial position. These metrics and ratios are not defined and have no standardized meaning under IFRS and may not be comparable to those used by other entities or by rating agencies.

### **Adjusted Net Debt to Adjusted EBITDA**

As at	June 30, 2023	Dec. 31, 2022
Period-end long-term debt <sup>(1)</sup>	3,586	3,653
Exchangeable securities	342	339
Less: Cash and cash equivalents <sup>(2)</sup>	(947)	(1,118)
Add: 50 per cent of issued preferred shares and exchangeable preferred shares <sup>(3)</sup>	671	671
Other <sup>(4)</sup>	_	(20)
Adjusted net debt <sup>(5)</sup>	3,652	3,525
Adjusted EBITDA <sup>(6)</sup>	1,986	1,634
Adjusted net debt to adjusted EBITDA(times)	1.8	2.2

- (1) Consists of current and long-term portion of debt, which includes lease liabilities and tax equity financing.
- (2) Cash and cash equivalents, net of bank overdraft.
- (3) Exchangeable preferred shares are considered equity with dividend payments for credit-rating purposes. For accounting purposes, they are accounted for as debt with interest expense in the consolidated financial statements. For purposes of this ratio, we consider 50 per cent of issued preferred shares, including those classified as debt.
- (4) Includes principal portion of TransAlta OCP restricted cash (nil for the period ended June 30, 2023) and fair value of hedging instruments on debt (included in risk management assets and/or liabilities on the Consolidated Statements of Financial Position).
- (5) The tax equity financing for the Skookumchuck wind facility, an equity accounted joint venture, is not represented in this amount. Adjusted net debt is not defined and has no standardized meaning under IFRS. Presenting this item from period to period provides management and investors with the ability to evaluate earnings trends more readily in comparison with prior periods' results. Refer to the Additional IFRS Measures and Non-IFRS Measures section of this MD&A.
- (6) Last 12 months.

The Company's capital is managed internally and evaluated by management using a net debt position. We use the adjusted net debt to adjusted EBITDA ratio as a measurement of financial leverage and to assess our ability to service debt. Our target for adjusted net debt to adjusted EBITDA is 3.0 to 3.5 times. Our adjusted net debt to adjusted EBITDA ratio for June 30, 2023 was lower compared to Dec. 31, 2022, as a result of higher adjusted EBITDA and debt repayments, partially offset by lower cash and cash equivalents.

### **Deconsolidated Adjusted EBITDA by Segment**

We invest in our assets directly as well as with joint venture partners. Deconsolidated financial information is a supplementary financial measure and is not intended to be presented in accordance with IFRS.

Adjusted EBITDA is a key metric for TransAlta and TransAlta Renewables and provides management and shareholders a representation of core business profitability. Deconsolidated adjusted EBITDA is used in key planning and credit metrics, and segment results highlight the operating performance of assets held directly at TransAlta that are comparable from period to period.

A reconciliation of adjusted EBITDA to deconsolidated adjusted EBITDA by segment results is set out below:

	3 months ended June 30, 2023			3 months ended June 30, 2022			
	TransAlta Consolidated	TransAlta Renewables	TransAlta Deconsolidated	TransAlta Consolidated	TransAlta Renewables	TransAlta Deconsolidated	
Hydro	147	5		88	7		
Wind and Solar	50	43		88	68		
Gas	166	58		65	56		
Energy Transition	13	_		11	_		
Energy Marketing	43	_		50	_		
Corporate	(32)	(6)		(23)	(5)		
Adjusted EBITDA	387	100	287	279	126	153	
Less: TA Cogen adjusted EBITDA			(47)			(15)	
Add: Dividend from TransAlta Renewables			37			37	
Add: Dividend from TA Cogen			18				
Deconsolidated TransAlta adjusted EBITDA			295			175	

	6 months	6 months ended June 30, 2023			6 months ended June 30, 2022		
	TransAlta Consolidated	TransAlta Renewables	TransAlta Deconsolidated	TransAlta Consolidated	TransAlta Renewables	TransAlta Deconsolidated	
Hydro	253	4		149	8		
Wind and Solar	138	120		177	156		
Gas	406	116		170	112		
Energy Transition	67	_		16	_		
Energy Marketing	82	_		67	_		
Corporate	(56)	(12)		(41)	(11)		
Adjusted EBITDA	890	228	662	538	265	273	
Less: TA Cogen adjusted EBITDA			(103)			(29)	
Add: Dividend from TransAlta Renewables			75			75	
Add: Dividend from TA Cogen			59			10	
Deconsolidated TransAlta adjusted EBITDA			693			329	

### **Deconsolidated FFO**

The Company has set capital allocation targets based on deconsolidated FFO available to shareholders. Deconsolidated financial information is a supplementary financial measure and is not defined, has no standardized meaning under IFRS and may not be comparable to those used by other entities or by rating agencies. See also the Additional IFRS Measures and Non-IFRS Measures section of this MD&A for further details. Deconsolidated FFO for the period ended June 30, 2023 and 2022 is detailed below:

	3 months ended June 30, 2023			3 months ended June 30, 20		
	TransAlta Consolidated	TransAlta Renewables	TransAlta Deconsolidated	TransAlta Consolidated	TransAlta Renewables	TransAlta Deconsolidated
Cash flow from (used in) operating activities	11	41		(129)	28	
Change in non-cash operating working capital balances	408	(4)		260	19	
Cash flow from operations before changes in working capital	419	37		131	47	
Adjustments:						
Decrease in finance lease receivable	13	_		11	_	
Clean energy transition provisions and adjustments	7	_		8	_	
Share of FFO from joint venture	5	_		2	_	
Realized gain (loss) on closed exchange positions	(52)	_		65	_	
Finance income - economic interests	_	(3)		_	(3)	
FFO - economic interests <sup>(1)</sup>	_	63		_	50	
Other <sup>(2)</sup>	(1)	_		3	_	
FFO	391	97	294	220	94	126
Dividend from TransAlta Renewables			37			37
Distributions to TA Cogen's Partner			(28)			(4)
Deconsolidated TransAlta FFO			303			159

<sup>(1)</sup> FFO - economic interests calculated as FCF economic interests plus sustaining capital expenditures economic interests.

<sup>(2)</sup> Other consists of production tax credits, which is a reduction to tax equity debt, less distributions from equity accounted joint venture.

	6 months ended June 30, 2023		6 month	s ended June 30	, 2022	
	TransAlta Consolidated	TransAlta Renewables	TransAlta Deconsolidated	TransAlta Consolidated	TransAlta Renewables	TransAlta Deconsolidated
Cash flow from operating activities	473	108		322	131	
Change in non-cash operating working capital balances	366	(2)		(24)	2	
Cash flow from operations before changes in working capital	839	106		298	133	
Adjustments:						
Decrease in finance lease receivable	26	_		22	_	
Clean energy transition provisions and adjustments	7	_		8	_	
Share of FFO from joint venture	8	_		5	_	
Realized gain (loss) on closed exchange positions	(120)	_		58	_	
Finance income - economic interests	_	(26)		_	(22)	
FFO - economic interests <sup>(1)</sup>	_	115		_	99	
Other <sup>(2)</sup>	5	_		8	_	
FFO	765	195	570	399	210	189
Dividend from TransAlta Renewables			75			75
Distributions to TA Cogen's Partner			(79)			(22)
Deconsolidated TransAlta FFO			566			242

- (1) FFO economic interests calculated as FCF economic interests plus sustaining capital expenditures economic interests.
- (2) Other consists of production tax credits, which is a reduction to tax equity debt, less distributions from equity accounted joint venture.

### **Deconsolidated Net Debt to Deconsolidated Adjusted EBITDA**

In addition to reviewing fully consolidated ratios and results, management reviews net debt to adjusted EBITDA on a deconsolidated basis to highlight TransAlta's financial flexibility, balance sheet strength and leverage. Deconsolidated financial information is a supplementary financial measure and is not defined under IFRS, and may not be comparable to measures used by other entities or by rating agencies. Also, refer to the Additional IFRS Measures and Non-IFRS Measures section of this MD&A for further details.

As at	June 30, 2023	Dec. 31, 2022
Adjusted net debt <sup>(1)</sup>	3,652	3,525
Add: TransAlta Renewables cash and cash equivalents <sup>(2)</sup>	147	234
Less: TransAlta Renewables long-term debt	(813)	(790)
Less: US tax equity financing and South Hedland debt <sup>(3)</sup>	(784)	(834)
Deconsolidated net debt	2,202	2,135
Deconsolidated adjusted EBITDA (4)(5)	1,517	1,153
Deconsolidated net debt to deconsolidated adjusted EBITDA <sup>(6)</sup> (times)	1.5	1.9

- (1) Adjusted net debt is a Non-IFRS measure. Refer to the Adjusted Net Debt to Adjusted EBITDA calculation under the Key Financial Non-IFRS Financial Ratios section of this MD&A for the reconciliation and composition of adjusted net debt.
- (2) Includes cash held within TransAlta Energy (Australia) Pty Ltd. reserved for future funding of Australian growth projects by TransAlta Renewables.
- (3) Relates to assets where TransAlta Renewables has economic interests.
- (4) Refer to the Deconsolidated Adjusted EBITDA by Segment section of this MD&A for the reconciliation and composition of deconsolidated adjusted EBITDA and the Additional IFRS Measures and Non-IFRS Measures section of this MD&A for the composition of adjusted EBITDA.
- (5) Last 12 months.
- (6) The non-IFRS ratio is not a standardized financial measure under IFRS and might not be comparable to similar financial measures disclosed by other issuers.

Our target for deconsolidated net debt to deconsolidated adjusted EBITDA is 2.5 to 3.0 times. Our deconsolidated net debt to deconsolidated adjusted EBITDA ratio for June 30, 2023 improved compared with Dec. 31, 2022, as higher deconsolidated adjusted EBITDA more than offset the increase in deconsolidated net debt.

### 2023 Outlook

Our annual outlook highlights continued strong cash flow expectations for 2023 and, as a result we have revised our 2023 full year financial guidance upwards for both adjusted EBITDA and free cash flow to reflect stronger market conditions and solid operational performance. Our fleet remains well positioned to capture the ongoing strength that we see in the Alberta merchant market. The Company is focused on redeploying these cash flows towards growing our contracted clean electricity asset base.

The Company does not expect changes in our expectations of key financial targets and assumptions for 2023 as a result of the recently announced agreement where the Company will acquire all of the outstanding common shares of TransAlta Renewables, not already owned directly or indirectly by TransAlta and certain of its affiliates. Refer to the Significant and Subsequent Events section for more details.

The following table outlines our updated expectations on key financial targets and related assumptions for 2023 and should be read in conjunction with the narrative discussion that follows and the Governance and Risk Management section of this MD&A:

Measure	Updated Target 2023	Original Target 2023	2022 Actuals
Adjusted EBITDA <sup>(1)(2)</sup>	\$1,700 million - \$1,800 million	\$1,200 million -\$1,320 million	\$1,634 million
FCF <sup>(1)(2)</sup>	\$850 million - \$950 million	\$560 million - \$660 million	\$961 million
Dividend	no change	\$0.22 per share annualized	\$0.20 per share annualized

<sup>(1)</sup> These items are not defined and have no standardized meaning under IFRS. Refer to the Reconciliation of Non-IFRS Measures section of this MD&A for further discussion of these items, including, where applicable, reconciliations to measures calculated in accordance with IFRS. See also the Additional IFRS Measures and Non-IFRS Measures section of this MD&A.

#### Range of key 2023 power and gas price assumptions

Market	Updated 2023 Assumptions	2023 Original Assumptions
Alberta Spot (\$/MWh)	\$150 to \$170	\$105 to \$135
Mid-C Spot (US\$/MWh)	US\$90 to US\$100	US\$75 to US\$85
AECO Gas Price (\$/GJ)	\$2.50	\$4.60

Alberta spot price sensitivity: a +/- \$1 per MWh change in spot price is expected to have a +/- \$4 million impact on adjusted EBITDA for 2023.

#### Other assumptions relevant to the 2023 outlook

	Updated 2023 Expectations	2023 Original Expectations
Sustaining capital	no change	\$140 million - \$170 million
Energy Marketing gross margin	\$130 million - \$150 million	\$90 million - \$110 million

#### **Alberta Hedging**

Range of hedging assumptions	Q3 2023	Q4 2023	Full year 2024	Full year 2025
Hedged production (GWh)	2,012	1,558	4,506	2,423
Hedge price (\$/MWh)	\$116	\$84	\$82	\$83
Hedged gas volumes (GJ)	18 million	15 million	44 million	22 million
Hedge gas prices (\$/GJ)	\$2.27	\$2.26	\$2.64	\$3.62

Refer to the 2023 Financial Outlook section in our 2022 Annual MD&A for further details relating to our Outlook and related assumptions.

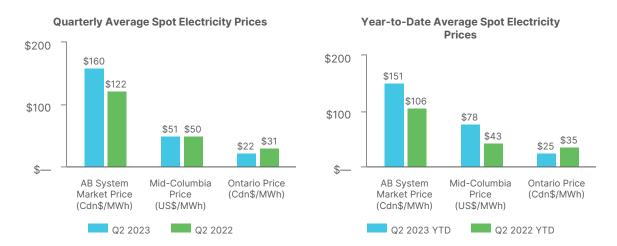
<sup>(2)</sup> During the second quarter of 2023, the Company revised and increased our 2023 guidance for adjusted EBITDA and FCF based on the strong financial performance attained to date and our expectations for the balance of the year.

### **Operations**

The following provides an update to our assumptions included in the 2023 Outlook.

### **Market Pricing**

The following graphs include 2023 pricing based on a range of assumptions and are subject to change:



For 2023, we are seeing stronger merchant pricing levels in Alberta and the Pacific Northwest relative to our guidance ranges. Higher pricing in Alberta is expected to be driven by tighter supply conditions resulting from outage extensions, delays in new asset entrants, transmission announcements limiting imports as well as supportive prices in adjacent power and natural gas markets driving export demand. Stronger pricing in the Pacific Northwest is being driven by lower than normal hydrology for the region. Ontario power prices for 2023 are expected to be lower than 2022 due to lower natural gas prices despite ongoing nuclear refurbishment outages.



AECO natural gas prices for the six months ended June 30, 2023, were lower than for the same periods in 2022 mainly due to improved production and storage levels in Alberta and North America.

The objective of our portfolio management strategy in Alberta is to balance opportunity and risk and to deliver optimization strategies that contribute to our total investment, which includes a return of and on invested capital. We can be more or less hedged in a given period, and we expect to realize our annual targets through a combination of forward hedging and selling generation into the spot market. The assets within the Alberta electricity portfolio are managed as a portfolio to maximize the overall value of generation and capacity from our hydro, wind, energy storage and thermal facilities. Financial hedging is a key component of cash flow certainty and the hedges are primarily tied to our portfolio of gas assets and opportunistically allocated to our portfolio of hydro facilities rather than a single facility.

#### **Sustaining Capital Expenditures**

Our estimate for total sustaining capital is as follows:

	Spend for 3 months ended June 30, 2023	Spend to date for 6 months ended June 30, 2023	Expected spend in 2023
Total sustaining capital	44	64	140-170

Total sustaining capital expenditures for the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, were \$13 million and \$16 million higher, respectively, compared to the same periods in 2022, mainly due to higher spending on leasehold improvements and information technology associated with the relocation of the Company's head office and planned major maintenance at the gas facilities.

The Kent Hills foundation rehabilitation capital expenditure has been segregated from our sustaining capital range due to the extraordinary and rare nature of this expenditure.

#### **Kent Hills Rehabilitation**

The Kent Hills 1 and 2 wind facilities were taken out of operation following the tower failure event that occurred in September 2021. This event resulted in approximately 150 MW of gross production being taken offline temporarily as the Company replaces all 50 turbine foundations. The extended outage is expected to result in foregone revenue of approximately \$3 million per month on an annualized basis (to the extent all 50 turbines at the Kent Hills 1 and 2 wind facilities are offline), based on average historical wind production, with revenue expected to be earned as the wind turbines are returned to service. Turbines have started to return to service and each of the remaining turbines at Kent Hills 1 and 2 wind facilities will return to service as soon as its foundation is replaced and the turbine is reassembled and tested.

Rehabilitation of the Kent Hills 1 and 2 wind facilities is well underway. All of the towers have been fully disassembled with foundation demolition and removal completed. All foundations have now been poured. 27 turbines have been fully reassembled. Turbines are being commissioned and returned to service as they are completed, to date 10 turbines have been placed back in operation and the remaining turbines are expected to return to service in the second half of 2023. The current estimate of the total capital expenditures is approximately \$140 million, inclusive of insurance proceeds. Capital expenditures include amounts for opportunistic blade repairs stemming from condition assessments enabled by the rehabilitation program.

During the first quarter of 2023, the Company filed and served a statement of claim in the New Brunswick Court of King's Bench against certain defendants who the Company believes are responsible for, or contributed to, the failure of the turbine foundations at the Kent Hills 1 and 2 wind facilities. The claim seeks damages for lost profits, replacement costs, and other related costs to perform the remediation of Kent Hills 1 and 2, net of any insurance recoveries. The ability to recover any amounts is uncertain at this time.

#### **Liquidity and Capital Resources**

We expect to maintain adequate available liquidity under our committed credit facilities. We currently have access to \$2.3 billion in liquidity, including \$0.9 billion in cash; well in excess of the funds required for committed growth, sustaining capital and productivity projects.

### **Strategy and Capability to Deliver Results**

Our goal is to be a leading customer-centred electricity company, committed to a sustainable future, focused on increasing shareholder value by growing our portfolio of high-quality generation facilities with stable and predictable cash flows. Our strategy includes meeting our customers' needs for clean, safe, low-cost, reliable electricity and providing operational excellence and continuous improvement in everything we do.

The Company's enhanced focus on renewable generation and storage solutions for customers is driven largely by global decarbonization policies and the increase in demand and growth projections in the renewable sector, namely by companies seeking to achieve their ESG ambitions. For additional information on regulatory developments, refer to the Regulatory Updates section of this MD&A.

On Sept. 28, 2021, TransAlta announced its strategic growth targets and a five-year Clean Electricity Growth Plan. Our 2023 priorities for the Clean Electricity Growth Plan include:

- Reaching final investment decision on 500 MW of additional clean energy projects across Canada, the US and Australia; and
- Adding at least 1,500 MW of new development sites to our pipeline.

We expect the Company's adjusted EBITDA generated from renewable sources, including hydro, wind and solar technologies, to increase to 70 per cent by the end of 2025. The Company has a long-term decarbonization goal of net-zero by 2045 target. The Clean Electricity Growth Plan will largely be funded from current cash balances, cash generated from operations and asset-level financing.

As of Aug. 3, 2023, we continue to make progress towards achieving the targets of the Clean Electricity Growth Plan.



Our progress towards achieving our strategic targets is summarized below:

## **Strategic Targets**

Goals	Target	Results	Comments
Accelerate Growth in Customer- centered Renewables and	Deliver 2 GW of renewable capacity with an estimated capital investment of \$3.6 billion by the end of 2025.	On track	Construction projects for 678 MW of renewable capacity and transmission is currently underway and expected to reach commercial operations in the second half of 2023 and the first half of 2024.
Storage			The Company is currently advancing an additional 418 MW of advanced-stage projects towards final investment decision.
			In July, the Company announced that it intends to acquire all of the outstanding common shares of TransAlta Renewables not already owned, direct or indirectly, by the Company. The transaction will provide economic contribution from an incremental 1,187 MW of generating capacity and increase the proportion of the Company's contractedness.
	Deliver incremental average annual EBITDA of \$315 million.	On track	The cumulative progress towards our incremental EBITDA target is approximately \$151 million. This comprises the acquisition of the North Carolina Solar project as well as the 678 MW of growth and transmission projects that are currently in the construction stage.
	Expand the Company's development pipeline to 5 GW by 2025 to enable a two-fold increase in its renewables fleet between 2025 and 2030.	On track	The Company is actively developing our pipeline. In the second quarter of 2023, the Company acquired an opportunity to develop 160 MW of hydro pumped storage and a combined 300 MW of wind prospects in the United States and Australia.
Take a Targeted Approach to Diversification	Grow our asset base in our core geographies of Canada, Australia and the US to realize diversification and value creation.	On track	The Company has successfully added new contracted renewable assets in each of its three core geographies. We have diversified within the US market through our North Carolina Solar facility acquisition in 2021 and the new Oklahoma investments, which added three new investment-grade customers in 2022 and 2021.
Maintain Our Financial Strength and Capital Allocation Discipline	Deliver strong cash flow from our existing portfolio to allocate towards our funding priorities including growth, dividends and share buybacks.	On track	The Company had liquidity of \$2.3 billion as at June 30, 2023.  The Company returned \$71 million to shareholders through share buybacks in 2023 under our NCIB.  The Company increased the annual common share dividend by 10 per cent to \$0.22 per year effective Jan. 1, 2023.
Define the Next Generation of Energy Solutions and Technologies	Meet the needs of our customers and communities through the implementation of innovative energy solutions and parallel investments in new complementary sectors by the end of 2025.	On track	The Company established an Energy Innovation team to progress our goals in this area. The team has completed an equity investment in Ekona Power Inc., an early-stage hydrogen production company, in order to pursue commercialization of low cost, net-zero aligned hydrogen. The Company also committed to invest US\$25 million over the next four years in the Energy Impact Partners Frontier Fund, which provides a portfolio approach to investing in emerging technologies focused on net-zero emissions. In total, the Company invested \$14 million to this fund as at June 30, 2023.
Lead in ESG Policy Development	Actively participate in policy development to ensure the electricity that we provide contributes to emissions reduction, grid reliability and competitive energy prices to enable the successful evolution of the markets in which we operate and compete.	On track	The Company is actively engaging the Government of Canada and Government of Alberta regarding the proposed federal Clean Electricity Regulations. TransAlta continues to provide input regarding how to achieve emissions reductions while maintaining reliability and affordability.  The Company continues to work with the Government of Canada on the design details of the investment tax credits and clean technology funding provided through the Government of Canada's 2023 budget.

#### Growth

We have established, and are continuing to expand, our pipeline of potential growth projects. Our pipeline includes 418 MW of advanced-stage development projects along with 4,191 MW to 5,291 MW of projects in earlier stages of development.

During the six months ended June 30, 2023, we expanded our pipeline of potential growth projects by 630 MW.

We are primarily evaluating greenfield opportunities in Alberta, Western Australia and the US along with acquisitions in markets in which we have existing operations.

### **Projects under Construction**

The following projects have been approved by the Board of Directors, have executed PPAs and are currently under construction. The projects under construction will be financed through existing liquidity in the near term. We will continue to explore project financing or tax equity as a long-term financing solution on an asset-by-asset basis.

				Total project (mi	llions)				
Project	Туре	Region	MW	Estimated spend	Spent to date	Target completion date <sup>(1)</sup>	PPA Term <sup>(2)</sup>	Average annual EBITDA <sup>(3)</sup>	Status
Canada									
Garden Plain	Wind	AB	130	\$190 — \$200	\$183	H2 2023	17	\$14-\$15	<ul><li>Fully contracted</li><li>Final commissioning is now underway</li></ul>
United Sta	tes								
White Rock	Wind	OK	300	US\$500 — US\$520	US\$391	H1 2024	_	US\$48- US\$52	<ul> <li>Long-term PPAs executed</li> <li>Wind turbine component deliveries in progress</li> <li>Construction activities are underway</li> </ul>
Horizon Hill	Wind	OK	200	US\$320 — US\$330	US\$258	H1 2024	_	US\$32- US\$34	Long-term PPA executed     Wind turbine component deliveries are complete     Construction activities are underway
Australia									
Northern Goldfields	Hybrid Solar	WA	48	AU\$69 — AU\$73	AU\$64	H2 2023	16	AU\$9 - AU\$10	Construction nearing completion     Commissioning is now underway     On track to be completed in the second half of 2023
Mount Keith 132kV Expansion	Transmission	WA	n/a	AU\$54 — AU\$57	AU\$34	H2 2023	15	AU\$6 - AU\$7	Transmission line and transformer installation complete Remaining construction activities are progressing On track to be completed in the second half of 2023
Total (4)			678	\$ 1,391 — \$ 1,447	1,137			\$134 - \$145	

<sup>(1)</sup> H1 is defined as the first half of the year. H2 is defined as the second half of the year.

<sup>(2)</sup> The PPA term is confidential for the White Rock wind projects and Horizon Hill wind project.

<sup>(3)</sup> This item is not defined and has no standardized meaning under IFRS and is forward-looking. Refer to the Additional IFRS Measures and Non-IFRS Measures section of this MD&A for further discussion.

<sup>(4)</sup> Total expected spending and average annual EBITDA was converted using a Canadian dollar forward exchange rate for 2023. Spend to date was converted using the period end closing rate.

### **Advanced-Stage Development**

These projects have detailed engineering, advanced position in the interconnection queue and are progressing offtake opportunities. The following table shows the pipeline of future growth projects currently under advanced-stage development:

Project <sup>(1)</sup>	Туре	Region	Target completion date	MW	Estimated spend	Average annual EBITDA <sup>(2)</sup>
Tempest	Wind	Alberta	2025	100	\$250-\$270	\$23-\$25
SCE Capacity Expansion	Gas	Western Australia	2025	94	AU\$180-AU\$200	AU\$24-AU\$28
WaterCharger	Battery Storage	Alberta	2024	180	\$195-\$215	\$17-\$20
Australia Transmission Expansion	Transmission	Western Australia	2024	n/a	AU\$70-AU\$75	AU\$7-AU\$8
Pinnacle 1 & 2	Gas	Alberta	2025	44	\$60-\$70	\$12-\$15
Total <sup>(3)</sup>		_		418	\$733 - \$805	\$80 - \$93

<sup>(1)</sup> Projects in advanced-stage development are progressing towards final investment decision and have not received final approval from the Board of Directors at time of reporting.

### **Early-Stage Development**

These projects are in the early stages and may or may not move ahead. Generally, these projects will have:

- Collected meteorological data;
- Begun securing land control;
- · Started environmental studies;
- Confirmed appropriate access to transmission; and
- Started preliminary permitting and other regulatory approval processes.

<sup>(2)</sup> This item is not defined, has no standardized meaning under IFRS and is forward-looking. Refer to the Additional IFRS Measures and Non-IFRS Measures section of this MD&A for further discussion.

<sup>(3)</sup> Total expected spending and average annual EBITDA was converted using a Canadian dollar forward exchange rate for 2023.

### **MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS**

The following table shows the pipeline of future growth projects currently under early-stage development:

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Alberta New Brunswick Various Alberta	2026 2025 2027+ 2028-2030	57 10 370
New Brunswick Various Alberta	2025 2027+ 2028-2030	10 370
Various Alberta	2027+ 2028-2030	370
Alberta	2028-2030	
Alberta		160
Albeita	2037	300-900
Alberta	TBD	250-500
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Illinois	2026	185
Wyoming	2028	225
Nebraska	2025	152
Oklahoma	2026	242
Illinois	2027	130
Pennsylvania	2027	50
Oklahoma	2026	100
Nebraska	2026	126
Various	2025+	659
Washington	TBD	250-500
	ıl	2,119 - 2,369
Tota		
Tota	2025+	220
<b>Tota</b> Western Australia		50
	2026	
Western Australia		270
		Western Australia 2025+

<sup>(1)</sup> Potential completion date is to be determined ("TBD").

### **Material Accounting Policies and Critical Accounting Estimates**

The preparation of unaudited interim condensed consolidated financial statements requires management to make judgments, estimates and assumptions that could affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues, expenses and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities during the period. These estimates are subject to uncertainty. Actual results could differ from these estimates due to factors such as fluctuations in interest rates, foreign exchange rates, inflation and commodity prices, and changes in economic conditions, legislation and regulations. The following were material changes in estimates in the quarter:

#### **Decommissioning and Restoration Provisions**

The Company recognizes provisions for decommissioning obligations. Initial decommissioning provisions and subsequent changes thereto, are determined using the Company's best estimate of the required cash expenditures, adjusted to reflect the risks and uncertainties inherent in the timing and amount of settlement.

During the six months ended June 30, 2023, the decommissioning and restoration provision increased by \$19 million from Dec. 31, 2022. Revisions in discount rates increased the decommissioning and restoration provision by \$16 million due to a decrease in discount rates, largely driven by decreases in long-term market benchmark rates. On average, discount rates decreased with rates ranging from 6.8 to 9.5 per cent as at June 30, 2023 from 7.0 to 9.7 per cent as at Dec. 31, 2022. This has resulted in a corresponding increase in PP&E of \$11 million on operating assets and recognition of a \$5 million impairment charge in net earnings related to retired assets.

### **Reversals of Impairment of PP&E**

An assessment is made at each reporting date as to whether there is any indication that an impairment loss may exist or that a previously recognized impairment loss may no longer exist or may have decreased. An impairment exists when the carrying amount of an asset exceeds its recoverable amount, which is the higher of its fair value less costs of disposal and its value in use. An impairment loss recognized in a prior period is reversed if there has been a change in the estimates used to determine the asset's recoverable amount.

During the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, the Company recognized asset impairment reversals, net of impairment charges, of \$13 million and \$16 million, respectively. Refer to Note 5 of the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements for the three and six months ended June 30, 2023.

### **Accounting Changes**

#### **Current Accounting Changes**

## Amendments to IAS 12 Deferred Tax Related to Assets and Liabilities Arising from a Single Transaction

On May 7, 2021, the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB") issued amendments to IAS 12 Deferred Tax Related to Assets and Liabilities Arising from a Single Transaction. The amendments clarify that the initial recognition exemption under IAS 12 does not apply to transactions such as leases and decommissioning obligations. These transactions give rise to equal and offsetting temporary differences in which deferred tax should be recognized.

The amendments are effective for annual periods beginning on or after Jan. 1, 2023, and were adopted by the Company on that date. The Company's accounting aligns with the amendment and no financial impact arose upon adoption.

### **Future Accounting Changes**

Please refer to Note 3 of the audited annual consolidated financial statements for the future accounting policies impacting the Company. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, no additional future accounting policy changes impacting the Company were identified.

### **Governance and Risk Management**

Our business activities expose us to a variety of risks and opportunities including, but not limited to, regulatory changes, rapidly changing market dynamics and increased volatility in our key commodity markets. Our goal is to manage these risks and opportunities so that we are in a position to develop our business and achieve our goals while remaining reasonably protected from an unacceptable level of risk or financial exposure. We use a multilevel risk management oversight structure to manage the risks and opportunities arising from our business activities, the markets in which we operate and the political environments and structures with which we interact.

Please refer to the Governance and Risk Management section of our 2022 Annual MD&A and Note 11 of our unaudited interim condensed consolidated financial statements for details on our risks and how we manage them. Our risk management profile and practices have not changed materially from Dec. 31, 2022.

### **Regulatory Updates**

Refer to the Policy and Legal Risks discussion in our 2022 Annual MD&A for further details that supplement the recent developments as discussed below:

#### Canada

#### **Federal Climate Plan**

In April 2021, the Government of Canada announced a revised national greenhouse gas ("GHG") emissions reduction target of 40 per cent to 45 per cent below 2005 levels by 2030.

In 2022, the Government of Canada's Department of Environment and Climate Change Canada ("ECCC") released the proposed framework for the Clean Electricity Regulation to achieve a net-zero electricity sector in Canada by 2035. ECCC continues to develop the proposed regulation with the publication of a draft regulation now expected late in the third quarter of 2023.

In the 2023 federal budget, the government announced additional investment tax credit ("ITC") categories and details aimed at supporting the net zero transition. The ITCs are expected to support investments in net zero technologies in the electricity sector. On June 6, 2023 the Department of Finance launched consultations seeking feedback on design details regarding the ITC components included in Budget 2023.

### **Federal Carbon Pricing on Greenhouse Gas Emissions**

On June 21, 2018, the Canadian federal Greenhouse Gas Pollution Pricing Act ("GGPPA") came into force. Under the GGPPA, the Canadian federal government implemented a national price on GHG emissions. Amendments to Schedule 4 of the GGPPA were completed in October 2022. These amendments aligned facility emission charges with the government's updated carbon price trajectory of \$65 per tonne of CO<sub>2</sub> in 2023 with increases of \$15 per year to \$170 per tonne by 2030.

On April 12, 2023, the federal government published Regulations Amending Schedule 2 to the GGPPA, Amending the Fuel Charge Regulations and Repealing the Part 1 of the Greenhouse Gas Pollution Pricing Act Regulations (Alberta) under sections 166 and 168 of the GGPPA. The amending regulations add a new table to Schedule 2 to the GGPPA that specifies the fuel charge rates out to 2030. These rates reflect the annual increase in the price on carbon pollution of \$15 per tonne from 2023 to 2030 (from \$65 per tonne in 2023-2024 to \$170 per tonne in 2030-2031). This amendment is not expected to impact TransAlta as the Company received exemption certificates from the fuel charge due to coverage under the Alberta TIER and Ontario Emissions Performance Standards regulations.

On April 19, 2023, the Government of Alberta released the Emissions Reduction and Energy Development Plan, which commits to an aspiration to achieve a carbon neutral economy by 2050. The plan frames Alberta's approach to enhance the province's position as a global leader in emissions reductions, clean technology and innovation, while maintaining Alberta's competitiveness from a sustainable resource development perspective. The plan is guided by eight strategic principles and outlines the actions, opportunities and new commitments that will reduce emissions and maintain energy security.

On Aug. 3, 2023, the Government of Alberta announced that the province will be pausing Alberta Utilities Commission approvals for new renewable energy development projects over one megawatt until Feb. 29, 2024. The Company will participate in the consultations that will be held by the Government of Alberta in relation to renewable project developments in the province and will continue to assess the impacts and opportunities as details become known.

#### **United States**

On March 21, 2022, the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") released proposed rules to enhance and standardize climate-related disclosure for investors. The proposed rules cover climate risk governance and risk management, disclosure of material impacts over all time horizons, impacts on business models, and the impact of climate-related events. The SEC invited comments on the proposed rules before finalization and we anticipate the final rules will face legal challenges. Both the Canadian Securities Administrators and the SEC have signalled that they are likely to release their climate disclosure rules in 2023. The Company is prepared to assess our disclosures to ensure compliance once the new rules are in force.

On Aug. 16, 2022, the Inflation Reduction Act ("IRA") of 2022 was signed into law by President Biden. This Act will invest approximately US\$369 billion in Energy Security and Climate Change programs over the next 10 years. The administration estimates this funding will help reduce national carbon emissions by approximately 40 per cent by 2030, lower energy costs and increase clean energy production. The Treasury Department released a roadmap on March 22, 2023, to provide additional certainty regarding the timing for remaining quidance on the various components of the renewables and hydrogen tax incentives in the IRA. Additional quidance on the IRA Energy Community Tax Credit Bonus (for ITC and PTC) for projects, facilities and technologies located in energy communities was released on April 4, 2023, that helps identify areas that may be eligible for the energy communities bonus. It includes areas that have significant employment or local tax revenues from fossil fuels and higher than average unemployment. On June 14, 2023, the Treasury Department released guidance relating to domestic content, direct pay and transferability of tax credits. Additional guidance is expected for clean hydrogen ITC and prevailing wages and apprenticeship standards.

On May 11, 2023, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") announced proposed new Carbon Dioxide ("CO<sub>2</sub>") emissions standards, under Section 111 of the Clean Air Act, for coal and gas-fired power plants by 2030. The EPA proposed CO<sub>2</sub> limits on various subsets of new and existing power plants including: (i) new gas-fired combustion turbines; (ii) existing coal-fired generation; (iii) oil and gas-fired steam generating units; and (iv) certain existing gas-fired combustion turbines. If implemented, the regulations will complement recent Congressional investments in the IRA and the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, along with other Clean Air Act regulations on ambient and toxic air emissions. The EPA extended the 60-day public comment period on the proposal to Aug. 8, 2023. At this time, the Company does not anticipate impacts to our operations.

#### Australia

Since the Labour Party formed the government on May 21, 2022, Australia has increased its Nationally Determined Contribution commitment to increase the country's 2030 emissions reduction goal to 43 per cent below 2005 levels and confirmed its intent to boost renewable electricity production to 82 per cent of the electricity supply by 2030.

Prime Minister Anthony Albanese has worked quickly to implement one of his government's key energy policies, the Powering Australia Plan, which includes; the Rewiring the Nation initiative that will provide AU\$20 billion to support the Australian Energy Market Operator's ("AEMO") integrated system plan to modernize the transmission system and enable additional renewable penetration; Powering the Regions Fund (AU\$1.9 billion) supporting industry to decarbonize, developing new clean energy industries and supporting workforce development; and a AU\$15 billion National Reconstruction Fund to diversify and transform Australia's economy and industry, including investments in green metals, clean energy component manufacturing and deployment of low-emissions technologies.

### **Disclosure Controls and Procedures**

Management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting ("ICFR") and disclosure controls and procedures ("DC&P"). During the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, the majority of our workforce supporting and executing our ICFR and DC&P continue to work remotely on a hybrid basis. The Company has implemented appropriate controls and oversight for both in-office and remote work. There has been minimal impact to the design and performance of our internal controls.

ICFR is a framework designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of the consolidated financial statements for external purposes in accordance with IFRS. Management has used the Internal Control - Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (2013 framework) in order to assess the effectiveness of the Company's ICFR.

DC&P refer to controls and other procedures designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed in the reports we file or submit under securities legislation is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time frame specified in applicable securities legislation. DC&P include, without limitation, controls and procedures designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by us in our reports that we file or submit under applicable securities legislation is accumulated and communicated to management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding our required disclosure.

Together, the ICFR and DC&P frameworks provide internal control over financial reporting and disclosure. In designing and evaluating our ICFR and DC&P, management recognizes that any controls and procedures, no matter how well designed and operated, can provide only reasonable assurance of achieving the desired control objectives and as such may not prevent or detect all misstatements and management is required to apply its judgment in evaluating and implementing possible controls and procedures. Further, the effectiveness of ICFR is subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or that the degree of compliance with policies or procedures may change.

Management has evaluated, with the participation of our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, the effectiveness of our ICFR and DC&P as of the end of the period covered by this MD&A. Based on the foregoing evaluation, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have concluded that, as at June 30, 2023, the end of the period covered by this MD&A, our ICFR and DC&P were effective.

### **CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

## **Condensed Consolidated Statements of Earnings (Loss)**

(in millions of Canadian dollars except where noted)

	3 months ended	June 30	6 months ended June 30		
Unaudited	2023	2022	2023	2022	
Revenues (Note 3)	625	458	1,714	1,193	
Fuel and purchased power (Note 4)	188	231	513	469	
Carbon compliance (Note 12)	25	9	57	28	
Gross margin	412	218	1,144	696	
Operations, maintenance and administration (Note 4)	134	117	258	229	
Depreciation and amortization	173	115	349	232	
Asset impairment reversals (Note 5)	(13)	(24)	(16)	(66)	
Taxes, other than income taxes	9	9	18	17	
Net other operating income	(10)	(20)	(23)	(37)	
Operating income	119	21	558	321	
Equity income	(1)	2	1	4	
Finance lease income	4	6	8	11	
Net interest expense (Note 6)	(56)	(62)	(115)	(129)	
Foreign exchange gain	8	9	5	11	
Gain on sale of assets and other	5	2	5	2	
Earnings (loss) before income taxes	79	(22)	462	220	
Income tax expense (recovery) (Note 7)	(18)	37	31	73	
Net earnings (loss)	97	(59)	431	147	
Net earnings (loss) attributable to:					
TransAlta shareholders	74	(70)	368	116	
Non-controlling interests (Note 8)	23	11	63	31	
3	97	(59)	431	147	
		(70)		440	
Net earnings (loss) attributable to TransAlta shareholders	74	(70)	368	116	
Preferred share dividends (Note 18)	12	10	12	10	
Net earnings (loss) attributable to common shareholders	62	(80)	356	106	
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding in the period (millions)	264	271	266	271	
Net earnings (loss) per share attributable to common shareholders, basic and diluted (Note 17)	0.23	(0.30)	1.34	0.39	

See accompanying notes.

### **Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income (Loss)**

(in millions of Canadian dollars)

	3 months ende	d June 30	6 months ende	d June 30
Unaudited	2023	2022	2023	2022
Net earnings (loss)	97	(59)	431	147
Other comprehensive income (loss)				
Net actuarial gains on defined benefit plans, net of tax <sup>(1)</sup>	3	18	3	36
Fair value gains on third-party investments, net of tax		1	_	
Total items that will not be reclassified subsequently to net earnings	3	19	3	36
Gains (losses) on translating net assets of foreign operations, net of tax	(13)	8	(13)	(6)
Gains (losses) on financial instruments designated as hedges of foreign operations, net of $\tan^{(2)}$	8	(13)	9	(3)
Gains (losses) on derivatives designated as cash flow hedges, net of $\mbox{tax}^{(3)}$	23	(69)	52	(151)
Reclassification of losses (gains) on derivatives designated as cash flow hedges to net earnings (loss), net of $\tan^{(4)}$	(8)	(3)	32	(18)
Total items that will be reclassified subsequently to net earnings (loss)	10	(77)	80	(178)
Other comprehensive income (loss)	13	(58)	83	(142)
Total comprehensive income (loss)	110	(117)	514	5
Total comprehensive income (loss) attributable to:				
TransAlta shareholders	106	(102)	466	44
Non-controlling interests (Note 8)	4	(15)	48	(39)
	110	(117)	514	5

<sup>(1)</sup> Net of income tax expense of nil for the three and six months ended June 30, 2023 (June 30, 2022 – \$5 million and \$11 million expense).

See accompanying notes.

<sup>(2)</sup> Net of income tax expense of \$1 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2023 (June 30, 2022 - nil).

<sup>(3)</sup> Net of income tax expense of \$7 million and \$15 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2023 (June 30, 2022 – \$22 million and \$44 million recovery).

<sup>(4)</sup> Net of reclassification of income tax recovery of \$1 million and expense of \$10 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2023 (June 30, 2022 – \$1 million and \$5 million expense).

### **Condensed Consolidated Statements of Financial Position**

(in millions of Canadian dollars)

Unaudited	June 30, 2023	Dec. 31, 2022
Current assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	952	1,134
Restricted cash (Note 16)	41	70
Trade and other receivables (Note 9)	1,098	1,589
Prepaid expenses	61	33
Risk management assets (Note 10 and 11)	225	709
Inventory (Note 12)	200	157
Assets held for sale	_	22
	2,577	3,714
Non-current assets		
Investments (Note 13)	138	129
Long-term portion of finance lease receivables	120	129
Risk management assets (Note 10 and 11)	77	161
Property, plant and equipment (Note 14)		
Cost	14,382	14,012
Accumulated depreciation	(8,713)	(8,456)
	5,669	5,556
Right-of-use assets	122	126
Intangible assets	235	252
Goodwill	464	464
Deferred income tax assets	19	50
Other assets	161	160
Total assets	9,582	10,741
Current liabilities	-	10
Bank overdraft	5	16
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities (Note 9)	661	1,346
Current portion of decommissioning and other provisions (Note 15)	63	70
Risk management liabilities (Note 10 and 11)	627	1,129
Current portion of contract liabilities	5	8
Income taxes payable	17	73
Dividends payable (Note 17 and 18)	40	68
Current portion of long-term debt and lease liabilities (Note 16)	132	178
Non-current liabilities	1,550	2,888
Credit facilities, long-term debt and lease liabilities (Note 16)	3,454	3,475
Exchangeable securities	742	739
Decommissioning and other provisions (Note 15)	679	659
Deferred income tax liabilities	358	352
Risk management liabilities (Note 10 and 11)	237	333
Contract liabilities	12	12
Defined benefit obligation and other long-term liabilities	277	294
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Equity  Common charge (Note 17)	2 909	2.062
Common shares (Note 17) Preferred shares (Note 18)	2,808	2,863
,	942	942
Contributed surplus	28	41
Deficit  Assumption of other community (loss)	(2,179)	(2,514)
Accumulated other comprehensive (loss)	(124)	(222)
Equity attributable to shareholders	1,475	1,110
Non-controlling interests (Note 8)	798	879
Total equity	2,273	1,989
Total liabilities and equity	9,582	10,741

Commitments and contingencies (Note 19) Subsequent events (Note 22) See accompanying notes.

## **Condensed Consolidated Statements of Changes in Equity**

(in millions of Canadian dollars)

Unaudited								
6 months ended June 30, 2023	Common shares	Preferred shares	Contributed surplus	Deficit	Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	Attributable to shareholders	Attributable to non- controlling interests	Total
Balance, Dec. 31, 2022	2,863	942	41	(2,514)	(222)	1,110	879	1,989
Net earnings	_	_	_	368	_	368	63	431
Other comprehensive income (loss):								
Net gains on translating net assets of foreign operations, net of hedges and tax	_	_	_	_	(4)	(4)	_	(4)
Net gains on derivatives designated as cash flow hedges, net of tax	_	_	_	_	84	84	_	84
Net actuarial gains on defined benefits plans, net of tax	_	_	_	_	3	3	_	3
Intercompany and third-party FVTOCI investments	_	_	_	_	15	15	(15)	
Total comprehensive income	_	_	_	368	98	466	48	514
Common share dividends (Note 17)	_	_	_	(15)	_	(15)	_	(15)
Preferred share dividends (Note 18)	_	_	_	(12)	_	(12)	_	(12)
Shares purchased under normal course issuer bid ("NCIB") (Note 17)	(65)	_	_	(6)	_	(71)	_	(71)
Effect of share-based payment plans	10	_	(13)	_	_	(3)	_	(3)
Distributions paid and payable, to non-controlling interests (Note 8)	_	_	_	_	_	_	(129)	(129)
Balance, June 30, 2023	2,808	942	28	(2,179)	(124)	1,475	798	2,273

6 months ended June 30, 2022	Common shares	Preferred shares	Contributed surplus	Deficit	Accumulated other comprehensive income	Attributable to shareholders	Attributable to non- controlling interests	Total
Balance, Dec. 31, 2021	2,901	942	46	(2,453)	146	1,582	1,011	2,593
Net earnings	_	_	_	116	_	116	31	147
Other comprehensive income (loss):  Net losses on translating net assets of foreign operations, net of hedges and of tax	_	_	_	_	(9)	(9)	_	(9)
Net losses on derivatives designated as cash flow hedges, net of tax	_	_	_	_	(169)	(169)	_	(169)
Net actuarial gains on defined benefits plans, net of tax	_	_	_	_	36	36	_	36
Intercompany FVTOCI investments	_	_	_	_	70	70	(70)	_
Total comprehensive income (loss)	_	_	_	116	(72)	44	(39)	5
Common share dividends paid	_	_	_	(13)	_	(13)	_	(13)
Preferred share dividends paid	_	_	_	(10)	_	(10)	_	(10)
Shares purchased under NCIB program (Note 17)	(15)	_	_	(3)	_	(18)	_	(18)
Effect of share-based payment plans	7	_	(18)	_	_	(11)	_	(11)
Distributions paid, and payable, to non- controlling interests (Note 8)	_	_		_	_	_	(72)	(72)
Balance, June 30, 2022	2,893	942	28	(2,363)	74	1,574	900	2,474

See accompanying notes.

### **Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows**

(in millions of Canadian dollars)

(in millions of Canadian dollars)	3 months ended .	June 30	6 months ended June 30		
Unaudited	2023	2022	2023	2022	
Operating activities					
Net earnings (loss)	97	(59)	431	147	
Depreciation and amortization	173	115	349	232	
Gain on sale of assets and other	(4)	(1)	(4)	(1)	
Accretion of provisions (Note 6 and 15)	13	10	27	19	
Decommissioning and restoration costs settled (Note 15)	(9)	(7)	(16)	(14)	
Deferred income tax expense (recovery) (Note 7)	24	24	13	48	
Unrealized loss (gain) from risk management activities	151	89	87	(40)	
Unrealized foreign exchange loss	_	3	2	1	
Provisions	_	(1)	_	4	
Asset impairment reversals (Note 5)	(13)	(24)	(16)	(66)	
Equity (income) loss, net of distributions from investments	3	(1)	2	(2)	
Other non-cash items	(16)	(17)	(36)	(30)	
Cash flow from operations before changes in working capital	419	131	839	298	
Change in non-cash operating working capital balances	(408)	(260)	(366)	24	
Cash flow from (used in) operating activities	11	(129)	473	322	
Investing activities					
Additions to property, plant and equipment (Note 14)	(192)	(129)	(476)	(201)	
Additions to intangible assets	(3)	(2)	(6)	(23)	
Restricted cash (Note 16)	4	3	27	25	
Repayment from loan receivable	1	10	5	10	
Investments (Note 13)	(10)	_	(10)	_	
Proceeds on sale of property, plant and equipment	4	2	27	2	
Realized gain (loss) on financial instruments	7	_	13	(1)	
Decrease in finance lease receivable	13	11	26	22	
Other	(3)	(4)	(8)	7	
Change in non-cash investing working capital balances	(6)	15	35	(7)	
Cash flow used in investing activities	(185)	(94)	(367)	(166)	
Financing activities	<b>,</b> , ,	(- ,		,	
Net increase in borrowings under credit facilities (Note 16)	87	_	87	_	
Repayment of long-term debt (Note 16)	(80)	(34)	(109)	(59)	
Dividends paid on common shares (Note 17)	(15)	(13)	(30)	(27)	
Dividends paid on preferred shares (Note 18)	(12)	(10)	(25)	(20)	
Repurchase of common shares under NCIB (Note 17)	(39)	(3)	(73)	(18)	
Proceeds on issuance of common shares	2	_	4	1	
Distributions paid to subsidiaries' non-controlling interests	(==)	(0.0)	(400)	(70)	
(Note 8)	(53)	(30)	(129)	(72)	
Decrease in lease liabilities	(3)	(3)	(5)	(4)	
Financing fees and other	(2)	(2)	(222)	(2)	
Cash flow used in financing activities	(115)	(95)	(280)	(201)	
Cash flow used in operating, investing and financing activities	(289)	(318)	(174)	(45)	
Effect of translation on foreign currency cash	(6)	(5)	(8)	(4)	
Decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(295)	(323)	(182)	(49)	
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	1,247	1,221	1,134	947	
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	952	898	952	898	
Cash taxes paid	33	26	70	44	
Cash interest paid	77	60	139	107	

See accompanying notes.

### **Notes to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements**

#### (Unaudited)

(Tabular amounts in millions of Canadian dollars, except as otherwise noted)

### 1. Corporate Information

### A. Description of the Business

TransAlta Corporation ("TransAlta" or the "Company") was incorporated under the Canada Business Corporations Act in March 1985. The Company became a public company in December 1992. The Company's head office is located in Calgary, Alberta.

### **B.** Basis of Preparation

These unaudited interim condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared in compliance with International Accounting Standard ("IAS") 34 Interim Financial Reporting using the same accounting policies as those used in the Company's most recent audited annual consolidated financial statements, except as outlined in Note 2. These unaudited interim condensed consolidated financial statements do not include all of the disclosures included in the Company's audited annual consolidated financial statements. Accordingly, they should be read in conjunction with the Company's most recent audited annual consolidated financial statements which are available on SEDAR at www.sedar.com and on EDGAR at www.sec.gov.

The unaudited interim condensed consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and the subsidiaries that it controls.

The unaudited interim condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared on a historical cost basis, except for certain financial instruments, which are stated at fair value.

These unaudited interim condensed consolidated financial statements reflect all adjustments which consist of normal recurring adjustments and accruals that are, in the opinion of management, necessary for a fair presentation of results. Interim results will fluctuate due to plant maintenance schedules, the seasonal demands for electricity and changes in energy prices. Consequently, interim condensed results are not necessarily indicative of annual results. TransAlta's results are partly seasonal due to the nature of the electricity market and related fuel costs.

These unaudited interim condensed consolidated financial statements were authorized for issue by the Audit, Finance and Risk Committee on behalf of TransAlta's Board of Directors (the "Board") on Aug. 3, 2023.

### C. Significant Accounting Judgements and Key Sources of Estimation Uncertainty

The preparation of these unaudited interim condensed consolidated financial statements in accordance with IAS 34 requires management to use judgment and make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses, and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities. These estimates are subject to uncertainty. Actual results could differ from these estimates due to factors such as fluctuations in interest rates, foreign exchange rates, inflation and commodity prices, and changes in economic conditions, legislation and regulations.

During the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, there were changes in estimates relating to asset impairment reversals (Note 5) and decommissioning and restoration provisions (Note 15).

Refer to Note 2(P) of the Company's 2022 audited annual consolidated financial statements for further details on the significant accounting judgments and key sources of estimation uncertainty.

### 2. Material Accounting Policies

The accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the unaudited interim condensed consolidated financial statements are consistent with those followed in the preparation of the Company's annual consolidated financial statements for the year ended Dec. 31, 2022, except for the adoption of new standards effective as of Jan. 1, 2023 and interpretations or amendments that have been issued but are not yet effective.

### A. Current Accounting Changes

# Amendments to IAS 12 Deferred Tax Related to Assets and Liabilities Arising from a Single Transaction

On May 7, 2021, the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB") issued amendments to IAS 12 Deferred Tax Related to Assets and Liabilities Arising from a Single Transaction. The amendments clarify that the initial recognition exemption under IAS 12 does not apply to transactions such as leases and decommissioning obligations. These transactions give rise to equal and offsetting temporary differences in which deferred tax should be recognized.

The amendments are effective for annual periods beginning on or after Jan. 1, 2023, and were adopted by the Company on that date. The Company's accounting aligns with the amendment and no financial impact arose upon adoption.

### **B. Future Accounting Changes**

Please refer to Note 3 of the audited annual consolidated financial statements for the future accounting policies impacting the Company. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, no additional future accounting policy changes impacting the Company were identified.

### 3. Revenue

### A. Disaggregation of Revenue

The majority of the Company's revenues are derived from the sale of power, capacity and environmental attributes, leasing of power facilities and from asset optimization activities, which the Company disaggregates into the following groups for the purpose of determining how economic factors affect the recognition of revenue.

3 months ended June 30, 2023	Hydro	Wind and Solar	Gas	Energy Transition	Energy Marketing	Corporate	Total
Revenues from contracts with customers							
Power and other	12	52	94	2	_	_	160
Environmental attributes <sup>(1)</sup>	1	7	_	_	_	_	8
Revenue from contracts with customers	13	59	94	2	_	_	168
Revenue from leases <sup>(2)</sup>	_	_	9	_	_	_	9
Revenue from derivatives and other trading activities <sup>(3)</sup>	_	1	(187)	52	3	1	(130)
Revenue from merchant sales	153	17	333	67	_	_	570
Other <sup>(4)</sup>	2	4	2	_	_	_	8
Total revenue	168	81	251	121	3	1	625
Revenues from contracts with customers							
Timing of revenue recognition							
At a point in time	1	7	_	2	_	_	10
Over time	12	52	94	_	_	_	158
Total revenue from contracts with customers	13	59	94	2	_	_	168

<sup>(1)</sup> The environmental attributes represent environmental attribute sales not bundled with power and other sales.

<sup>(2)</sup> Total lease income from long-term contracts that meet the criteria of operating leases.

<sup>(3)</sup> Represents realized and unrealized gains or losses from hedging and derivative positions. Volatility and pricing in commodity markets can vary significantly period to period and impact movements in derivative positions.

<sup>(4)</sup> Other revenue includes production tax credits related to US wind facilities and other miscellaneous revenues.

3 months ended June 30, 2022	Hydro	Wind and Solar	Gas	Energy Transition	Energy Marketing	Corporate	Total
Revenues from contracts with customers							
Power and other	13	55	112	2	_	_	182
Environmental attributes <sup>(1)</sup>	_	23	_	_	_	_	23
Revenue from contracts with customers	13	78	112	2	_	_	205
Revenue from leases <sup>(2)</sup>	_	_	4	_	_	_	4
Revenue from derivatives and other trading activities <sup>(3)</sup>	_	(15)	(223)	66	36	1	(135)
Revenue from merchant sales	89	29	232	28	_	_	378
Other <sup>(4)</sup>	3	1	2	_	_	_	6
Total revenue	105	93	127	96	36	1	458
Revenues from contracts with customers							
Timing of revenue recognition							
At a point in time	_	23	_	2	_	_	25
Over time	13	55	112	_	_	_	180
Total revenue from contracts with customers	13	78	112	2	_	_	205

<sup>(1)</sup> The environmental attributes represent environmental attribute sales not bundled with power and other sales.

<sup>(4)</sup> Other revenue includes production tax credits related to US wind facilities and other miscellaneous revenues.

6 months ended June 30, 2023	Hydro	Wind and Solar	Gas	Energy Transition	Energy Marketing	Corporate	Total
Revenues from contracts with customers							
Power and other	16	111	193	5	_	_	325
Environmental attributes <sup>(1)</sup>	9	20	_	_	_	_	29
Revenue from contracts with customers	25	131	193	5	_	_	354
Revenue from leases <sup>(2)</sup>	_	_	17	_	_	_	17
Revenue from derivatives and other trading activities (3)	25	_	(158)	130	95	1	93
Revenue from merchant sales	239	51	690	253	_	_	1,233
Other <sup>(4)</sup>	4	9	4	_	_	_	17
Total revenue	293	191	746	388	95	1	1,714
Revenues from contracts with customers							
Timing of revenue recognition							
At a point in time	9	20	_	5	_	_	34
Over time	16	111	193	_	_	_	320
Total revenue from contracts with customers	25	131	193	5			354

<sup>(1)</sup> The environmental attributes represent environmental attribute sales not bundled with power and other sales.

 <sup>(2)</sup> Total lease income from long-term contracts that meet the criteria of operating leases.
 (3) Represents realized and unrealized gains or losses from hedging and derivative positions. Volatility and pricing in commodity markets can vary significantly period to period and impact movements in derivative positions.

<sup>(2)</sup> Total lease income from long-term contracts that meet the criteria of operating leases.

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<sup>(4)</sup> Other revenue includes production tax credits related to US wind facilities and other miscellaneous revenues.

6 months ended June 30, 2022	Hydro	Wind and Solar	Gas	Energy Transition	Energy Marketing	Corporate	Total
Revenues from contracts with customers							
Power and other	18	118	216	6	_	_	358
Environmental attributes <sup>(1)</sup>	1	30	_	_	_	_	31
Revenue from contracts with customers	19	148	216	6	_	_	389
Revenue from leases <sup>(2)</sup>	_	_	8	_	_	_	8
Revenue from derivatives and other trading activities (3)	_	(22)	(73)	114	62	2	83
Revenue from merchant sales	159	57	407	82	_	_	705
Other <sup>(4)</sup>	4	1	3	_	_	_	8
Total revenue	182	184	561	202	62	2	1,193
Revenues from contracts with customers							
Timing of revenue recognition							
At a point in time	1	30	_	6	_	_	37
Over time	18	118	216	_		_	352
Total revenue from contracts with customers	19	148	216	6	_	_	389

<sup>(1)</sup> The environmental attributes represent environmental attribute sales not bundled with power and other sales.

### 4. Expenses by Nature

### Fuel, Purchased Power and Operations, Maintenance and Administration ("OM&A")

Fuel and purchased power and OM&A expenses classified by nature are as follows:

	3 m	3 months ended June 30				6 months ended June 30			
	2023	3	202:	2	202	2023		2022	
	Fuel and purchased power	OM&A	Fuel and purchased power	OM&A	Fuel and purchased power	OM&A	Fuel and purchased power	OM&A	
Gas fuel costs	71	_	135	_	181	_	257	_	
Coal fuel costs	25	_	9	_	79	_	48	_	
Royalty, land lease, other direct costs	6	_	5	_	14	_	12	_	
Purchased power	84	_	80	_	236	_	149	_	
Salaries and benefits	2	66	2	56	3	130	3	114	
Other operating expenses	_	68	_	61	_	128	_	115	
Total	188	134	231	117	513	258	469	229	

<sup>(2)</sup> Total lease income from long-term contracts that meet the criteria of operating leases.

<sup>(3)</sup> Represents realized and unrealized gains or losses from hedging and derivative positions. Volatility and pricing in commodity markets can vary significantly period to period and impact movements in derivative positions.

(4) Other revenue includes production tax credits related to US wind facilities and other miscellaneous revenues.

### **5. Asset Impairment Reversals**

The Company recognized the following asset impairment charges (reversals):

	3 months ended	June 30	6 months ended June 30		
	2023	2022	2023	2022	
Segments:					
Hydro	(10)	6	(10)	6	
Wind and Solar	_	21	(10)	21	
Changes in decommissioning and restoration provisions on retired assets $^{\!(1\!)}$	(3)	(51)	4	(93)	
Asset impairment reversals	(13)	(24)	(16)	(66)	

<sup>(1)</sup> Changes relate to revisions in discount rates and cash flow revisions on retired assets during 2023 and changes in discount rates net of cash flow revisions during 2022. Refer to Note 15 for further details.

### **Hydro**

During the second quarter of 2023, internal valuations indicated the fair value less costs of disposal of the assets exceeded the carrying value due to a contract extension and changes in power price assumptions for two hydro facilities, which favourably impacted estimated future cash flows and resulted in a full recoverability test. As a result of the recoverability test an impairment reversal of \$10 million was recognized. The recoverable amounts of \$70 million in total were estimated based on fair value less costs of disposal utilizing a discounted cash flow approach and are categorized as a Level III fair value measurement. The discount rate used in the fair value measurements was 6.32 per cent.

During the second quarter of 2022, the Company recorded an impairment charge of \$6 million on a hydro facility, primarily as a result of increases in discount rates. The recoverable amount of \$30 million was estimated based on fair value less cost of disposal utilizing a discounted cash flow approach and is categorized as a Level III fair value measurement.

#### Wind and Solar

During the first quarter of 2023, internal valuations indicated the fair value less costs of disposal of the assets exceeded the carrying value due to changes in power price assumptions for two wind facilities, which favourably impacted estimated future cash flows and resulted in a full recoverability test. As a result of the recoverability test an impairment reversal of \$10 million was recognized. The recoverable amounts of \$253 million in total were estimated based on fair value less costs of disposal utilizing a discounted cash flow approach and are categorized as a Level III fair value measurement. The discount rate used in the fair value measurements was 6.94 per cent.

During the second quarter of 2022, the Company recorded an impairment charge of \$21 million on three wind facilities, primarily as a result of increases in discount rates. The recoverable amount of \$289 million was estimated based on fair value less cost of disposal utilizing a discounted cash flow approach and is categorized as a Level III fair value measurement.

### 6. Net Interest Expense

The components of net interest expense are as follows:

	3 months ended	June 30	6 months ended	June 30
	2023	2022	2023	2022
Interest on debt	51	40	101	81
Interest on exchangeable debentures	8	8	15	15
Interest on exchangeable preferred shares <sup>(1)</sup>	7	7	14	14
Interest income	(16)	(4)	(31)	(7)
Capitalized interest (Note 14)	(13)	(3)	(26)	(4)
Interest on lease liabilities	2	2	4	3
Credit facility fees, bank charges and other interest	3	5	11	11
Tax shield on tax equity financing	1	(3)	_	(3)
Accretion of provisions (Note 15)	13	10	27	19
Net interest expense	56	62	115	129

<sup>(1)</sup> On Oct. 30, 2020, Brookfield invested \$400 million in exchange for redeemable, retractable first preferred shares (Series I). The Series I Preferred Shares are accounted for as long-term debt and the exchangeable preferred share dividends are reported as interest expense. On July 26, 2023, the Company declared a dividend of \$7 million in aggregate on the Series I Preferred Shares at the fixed rate of 1.745 per cent, per share, payable on Aug. 31, 2023.

### 7. Income Taxes

The components of income tax expense are as follows:

	3 months ended	June 30	6 months ended	June 30
	2023	2022	2023	2022
Current income tax expense (recovery) <sup>(1)</sup>	(42)	13	18	25
Deferred income tax expense (recovery) related to the origination and reversal of temporary differences	61	(10)	110	148
Deferred income tax expense (recovery) related to temporary difference on investment in subsidiary	2	(4)	1	(7)
Deferred income tax expense (recovery) arising from unrecognized deferred income tax assets <sup>(2)</sup>	(39)	38	(98)	(93)
Income tax expense (recovery)	(18)	37	31	73
Current income tax expense (recovery)	(42)	13	18	25
Deferred income tax expense	24	24	13	48
Income tax expense (recovery)	(18)	37	31	73

<sup>(1)</sup> During the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, the Company recognized a \$39 million current income tax recovery, recognized in the second quarter of 2023, and included as a reduction of current income tax expense. The Company completed an internal reorganization during the second quarter, which allowed the Company to apply tax attributes, previously unavailable due to Canadian tax limitations, against taxable income in Canada.

<sup>(2)</sup> The Company's deferred income tax assets mainly relate to the tax benefits of losses associated with the Company's directly owned Canadian and US operations and other deductible differences. The Company undertakes an analysis of the recoverability of its tax assets on an ongoing basis. Adjustments to recognize or write-off deferred income tax assets arise from the Company's assessment of whether it is probable, or not, that sufficient future taxable income will be available to utilize the underlying tax losses.

### **8. Non-Controlling Interests**

The Company's subsidiaries with significant non-controlling interests are TransAlta Renewables Inc. ("TransAlta Renewables") and TransAlta Cogeneration L.P. The net earnings, distributions and equity attributable to TransAlta Renewables' non-controlling interests include the 17 per cent non-controlling interest in Kent Hills Wind LP, which owns the 167 MW Kent Hills wind farm located in New Brunswick.

	3 months ended	June 30	6 months er	nded June 30	
	2023	2022	2023	2022	
Net earnings					
TransAlta Cogeneration L.P.	18	6	41	13	
TransAlta Renewables	5	5	22	18	
	23	11	63	31	
Total comprehensive income (loss)					
TransAlta Cogeneration L.P.	18	6	41	13	
TransAlta Renewables	(14)	(21)	7	(52)	
	4	(15)	48	(39)	
Distributions paid to non-controlling interests					
TransAlta Cogeneration L.P.	28	5	79	22	
TransAlta Renewables	25	25	50	50	
	53	30	129	72	
As at		June	30, 2023	Dec. 31, 2022	
Equity attributable to non-controlling interests					
TransAlta Cogeneration L.P.			109	147	
TransAlta Renewables			689	732	
			798	879	
Non-controlling interests (per cent)					
TransAlta Cogeneration L.P.			49.99	49.99	
TransAlta Renewables			39.9	39.9	

On July 10, 2023, the Company entered into an agreement to acquire all of the outstanding common shares of TransAlta Renewables not already owned, directly or indirectly, by TransAlta and certain of its affiliates subject to the approval of TransAlta Renewables shareholders. See Note 22 for details.

### 9. Trade and Other Receivables and Accounts Payable

As at	June 30, 2023	Dec. 31, 2022
Trade accounts receivable	699	1,165
Collateral provided (Note 11)	307	304
Current portion of finance lease receivables	33	52
Loan receivable	_	4
Income taxes receivable	59	64
Trade and other receivables	1,098	1,589

As at	June 30, 2023	Dec. 31, 2022
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	645	1,069
Interest payable	16	17
Collateral held (Note 11)	_	260
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	661	1,346

#### **10. Financial Instruments**

### A. Financial Assets and Liabilities — Classification and Measurement

Financial assets and financial liabilities are measured on an ongoing basis at cost, fair value or amortized cost.

#### **B. Fair Value of Financial Instruments**

### I. Level I, II and III Fair Value Measurements

The Level I, II and III classifications in the fair value hierarchy utilized by the Company are defined below. The fair value measurement of a financial instrument is included in only one of the three levels, the determination of which is based on the lowest level input that is significant to the derivation of the fair value. The Level III classification is the lowest level classification in the fair value hierarchy.

#### a. Level

Fair values are determined using inputs that are quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the Company has the ability to access at the measurement date.

#### b. Level II

Fair values are determined, directly or indirectly, using inputs that are observable for the asset or liability.

Fair values falling within the Level II category are determined through the use of quoted prices in active markets, which in some cases are adjusted for factors specific to the asset or liability, such as basis, credit valuation and location differentials.

The Company's commodity risk management Level II financial instruments include over-the-counter derivatives with values based on observable commodity futures curves and derivatives with inputs validated by broker quotes or other publicly available market data providers. Level II fair values are also determined using valuation techniques, such as option pricing models and interpolation formulas, where the inputs are readily observable.

In determining Level II fair values of other risk management assets and liabilities, the Company uses observable inputs other than unadjusted quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability, such as interest rate yield curves and currency rates. For certain financial instruments where insufficient trading volume or lack of recent trades exists, the Company relies on similar interest or currency rate inputs and other third-party information such as credit spreads.

#### c. Level III

Fair values are determined using inputs for the assets or liabilities that are not readily observable.

For assets and liabilities that are recognized at fair value on a recurring basis, the Company determines whether transfers have occurred between levels in the hierarchy by re-assessing categorization (based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement as a whole) at the end of each reporting period.

There were no changes in the Company's valuation processes, valuation techniques and types of inputs used in the fair value measurements during the period. For additional information, please refer to Note 14 of the 2022 audited annual consolidated financial statements.

### II. Commodity Risk Management Assets and Liabilities

Commodity risk management assets and liabilities include risk management assets and liabilities that are used in the energy marketing and generation segments in relation to trading activities and certain contracting activities. To the extent applicable, changes in net risk management assets and liabilities for non-hedge positions are reflected within earnings of these businesses.

Commodity risk management assets and liabilities classified by fair value levels as at June 30, 2023, are as follows: Level I - \$76 million net liability (Dec. 31, 2022 - \$23 million net asset), Level II - \$104 million net liability (Dec. 31, 2022 - \$173 million net asset) and Level III - \$376 million net liability (Dec. 31, 2022 - \$782 million net liability).

Significant changes in commodity net risk management assets (liabilities) during the six months ended June 30, 2023, are primarily attributable to contract settlements and volatility in market prices across multiple markets on both existing contracts and new contracts.

The following table summarizes the key factors impacting the fair value of the Level III commodity risk management assets and liabilities by classification during the six months ended June 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively:

	6 months er	nded June 3	0, 2023	6 months er	nded June 3	0, 2022
	Hedge	Non- hedge	Total	Hedge	Non- hedge	Total
Opening balance	(347)	(435)	(782)	285	(126)	159
Changes attributable to:						
Market price changes on existing contracts	(5)	146	141	(207)	(268)	(475)
Change resulting from amended contract and market price changes on new contracts	_	(35)	(35)	_	(96)	(96)
Contracts settled	116	172	288	(52)	56	4
Change in foreign exchange rates	8	4	12	2	(1)	1
Net risk management assets (liabilities) at end of period	(228)	(148)	(376)	28	(435)	(407)
Additional Level III information:						
Gains (losses) recognized in other comprehensive gain (loss)	3	_	3	(205)	_	(205)
Total gains (losses) included in earnings (loss) before income taxes	(116)	115	(1)	52	(365)	(313)
Unrealized gains (losses) included in earnings (loss) before income taxes relating to net assets (liabilities) held at period end		287	287		(309)	(309)

As at June 30, 2023, the total Level III risk management asset balance was \$90 million (Dec. 31, 2022 – \$31 million) and Level III risk management liability balance was \$466 million (Dec. 31, 2022 – \$813 million).

The information on risk management contracts or groups of risk management contracts that are included in Level III measurements and the related unobservable inputs and sensitivities are outlined in the following table. These include the effects on fair value of discounting, liquidity and credit value adjustments; however, the potential offsetting effects of Level II positions are not considered. Sensitivity ranges for the base fair values are determined using reasonably possible alternative assumptions for the key unobservable inputs, which may include forward commodity prices, volatility in commodity prices and correlations, delivery volumes, escalation rates and cost of supply.

As at			June 30, 2023	
Description	Sensitivity	Valuation technique	Unobservable input	Reasonably possible change
Long-term power sale – US	+7 -89	Long-term price forecast	Illiquid future power prices (per MWh)	Price decrease of US\$5 or price increase of US\$60
Coal transportation – US			Illiquid future power prices (per MWh)	Price decrease of US\$5 or price increase of US\$60
	+9	Numerical derivative	Volatility	80% to 120%
	-12	valuation	Rail rate escalation	zero to 10%
Full requirements – Eastern US	+4		Volume	96% to 104%
	-4	Scenario analysis	Cost of supply	Decrease of \$1.70 per MWh or increase of \$1.80 per MWh
Long-term wind energy sale – Eastern US	+21		Illiquid future power prices (per MWh)	Price decrease or increase of US\$6
Eustern 00		Long-term	Illiquid future REC prices (per unit)	Price decrease of US\$2 or increase of US\$4
	-26	price forecast	Wind discounts	0% decrease or 5% increase
Long-term wind energy sale – Canada	+36	Long-term price forecast	Illiquid future power prices (per MWh)	Price decrease of C\$80 or increase of C\$5
	-22		Wind discounts	31% decrease or 5% increase
Long-term wind energy sale - Central US	+96	Long-term	Illiquid future power prices (per MWh)	Price decrease or increase of US\$2
	-31	price forecast	Wind discounts	3% decrease or 2% increase
Others	+20			
	-21			

As at			Dec. 31, 2022	
Description	Sensitivity	Valuation technique	Unobservable input	Reasonably possible change
Long-term power sale – US	+15 -163	Long-term price forecast	Illiquid future power prices (per MWh)	Price decrease of US\$5 or a price increase of US\$55
Coal transportation – US			Illiquid future power prices (per MWh)	Price decrease of US\$5 or a price increase of US\$55
	+14	Numerical derivative	Volatility	80% to 120%
	-13	valuation	Rail rate escalation	zero to 10%
Full requirements - Eastern US	+3		Volume	96% to 104%
	-21	Scenario analysis	Cost of supply	Decrease of US\$0.50 per MWh or increase of US\$3.30 per MWh
Long-term wind energy sale – Eastern US	+22		Illiquid future power prices (per MWh)	Price increase or decrease of US\$6
24010111 00			Illiquid future REC prices (per unit)	Price decrease or increase of US\$2
	-18	Long-term price forecast	Wind discounts	0% decrease or 5% increase
Long-term wind energy sale – Canada	+47	Long-term	Illiquid future power prices (per MWh)	Price decrease of C\$85 or increase of C\$5
	-25	price forecast	Wind discounts	28% decrease or 5% increase
Long-term wind energy sale – Central US	+74		Illiquid future power prices (per MWh)	Price decrease or increase of US\$2
	-28	Long-term price forecast	Wind discounts	2% decrease or 5% increase
Others	+18 -19			

#### i. Long-Term Power Sale - US

The Company has a long-term fixed price power sale contract in the US for delivery of power at the following capacity levels: 380 MW through Dec. 31, 2024, and 300 MW through Dec. 31, 2025. The contract is designated as an all-in-one cash flow hedge.

The contract is denominated in US dollars. The US dollar relative to the Canadian dollar did not change significantly from Dec. 31, 2022 to June 30, 2023 and did not have a significant impact on the base fair value or sensitivity values.

### ii. Coal Transportation - US

The Company has a coal rail transport agreement that includes an upside sharing mechanism until Dec. 31, 2025. Option pricing techniques have been utilized to value the obligation associated with this component of the agreement.

### iii. Full Requirements – Eastern US

The Company has a portfolio of full requirement service contracts, whereby the Company agrees to supply specific utility customer needs for a range of products that may include electrical energy, capacity, transmission, ancillary services, renewable energy credits ("RECs") and independent system operator costs.

#### iv. Long-Term Wind Energy Sale - Eastern US

The Company is party to a long-term contract for differences ("CFD") for the offtake of 100 per cent of the generation from its 90 MW Big Level wind facility. The CFD, together with the sale of electricity generated into the PJM Interconnection at the prevailing real-time energy market price, achieve the fixed contract price per MWh on proxy generation. Under the CFD, if the market price is lower than the fixed contract price the customer pays the company the difference and if the market price is higher than the fixed contract price the Company refunds the difference to the customer. The customer is also entitled to the physical delivery of environmental attributes. The contract matures in December 2034. The contract is accounted for as a derivative. Changes in fair value are presented in revenue.

#### v. Long-Term Wind Energy Sale - Canada

The Company is party to two Virtual Power Purchase Agreements ("VPPAs") for the offtake of 100 per cent of the generation from its 130 MW Garden Plain wind project. The VPPAs, together with the sale of electricity generated into the Alberta power market at the pool price, achieve the fixed contract prices per MWh. Under the VPPAs, if the pool price is lower than the fixed contract price the customer pays the Company the difference and if the pool price is higher than the fixed contract price the Company refunds the difference to the customer. The customer is also entitled to the physical delivery of environmental attributes. Both VPPAs commence on commercial operation of the facility and extend for a weighted average of approximately 17 years.

In addition to the VPPAs, the Company has entered into a bridge contract, at one of the VPPAs price, that initially was for 16 months from Sept. 1, 2021, through Dec. 31, 2022, and will remain in effect until the commercial operation date is achieved. The customer is also entitled to the physical delivery of environmental attributes.

The energy component of these contracts is accounted for as derivatives. Changes in fair value are presented in revenue.

#### vi. Long-Term Wind Energy Sale - Central US

The Company is party to two long-term VPPAs for the offtake of 100 per cent of the generation from its 300 MW White Rock East and White Rock West wind power projects. The VPPAs, together with the sale of electricity generated into the US Southwest Power Pool ("SPP") market at the relevant price nodes, achieve the fixed contract prices per MWh. Under the VPPAs, if the SPP pricing is lower than the fixed contract price the customers pay the Company the difference and if the SPP pricing is higher than the fixed contract price the Company refunds the difference to the customers. The customers are also entitled to the physical delivery of environmental attributes. The VPPAs commence on commercial operation of the facilities, which is expected during the first half of 2024.

The Company is also party to a VPPA for the offtake of 100 per cent of the generation from its 200 MW Horizon Hill wind power project. The VPPA together with the sale of electricity generated into the US SPP market at the relevant price node, achieve the fixed contract price per MWh. Under the VPPA, if the SPP pricing is lower than the revised fixed contract price the customer pays the Company the difference and if the SPP pricing is higher than the revised fixed contract price the Company refunds the difference to the customer. The customer remains entitled to the physical delivery of environmental attributes. During the second quarter of 2023, the Company and the customer for the Horizon Hill wind project amended the associated VPPA. The VPPA commences on commercial operation of the facility, which is expected during the first half of 2024.

The energy component of these contracts is accounted for as derivatives. Changes in fair value are presented in revenue. The amendments to the Horizon Hill VPPA did not change the nature of the contract and the energy component continues to be accounted for as a derivative.

### **III. Other Risk Management Assets and Liabilities**

Other risk management assets and liabilities primarily include risk management assets and liabilities that are used in managing exposures on non-energy marketing transactions such as interest rates, the net investment in foreign operations and other foreign currency risks. Hedge accounting is not always applied.

Other risk management assets and liabilities with a total net liability fair value of \$6 million as at June 30, 2023 (Dec. 31, 2022 – \$6 million net liability) are classified as Level II fair value measurements.

## IV. Other Financial Assets and Liabilities

The fair value of financial assets and liabilities measured at other than fair value is as follows:

		Fair value <sup>(1)</sup>			Total carrying
	Level I	Level II	Level III	Total	value
Exchangeable securities — June 30, 2023	_	697	_	697	742
Long-term debt — June 30, 2023	_	3,156	_	3,156	3,453
Loan receivable — June 30, 2023	_	32	_	32	32
Exchangeable securities — Dec. 31, 2022	_	685	_	685	739
Long-term debt — Dec. 31, 2022	_	3,200	_	3,200	3,518
Loan receivable — Dec. 31, 2022	_	37	_	37	37

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes current portion.

The fair values of the Company's debentures, senior notes and exchangeable securities are determined using prices observed in secondary markets. Non-recourse and other long-term debt fair values are determined by calculating an implied price based on a current assessment of the yield to maturity.

The carrying amount of other short-term financial assets and liabilities (cash and cash equivalents, restricted cash, trade accounts receivable, collateral provided, bank overdraft, accounts payable and accrued liabilities, collateral held and dividends payable) approximates fair value due to the liquid nature of the asset or liability. The fair values of the finance lease receivables approximate the carrying amounts as the amounts receivable represent cash flows from repayments of principal and interest.

## C. Inception Gains and Losses

The majority of derivatives traded by the Company are based on adjusted quoted prices on an active exchange or extend beyond the time period for which exchange-based quotes are available. The fair values of these derivatives are determined using inputs that are not readily observable. Refer to section B of this Note 10 above for fair value Level III valuation techniques used. In some instances, a difference may arise between the fair value of a financial instrument at initial recognition (the "transaction price") and the amount calculated through a valuation model. This unrealized gain or loss at inception is recognized in net earnings (loss) only if the fair value of the instrument is evidenced by a quoted market price in an active market, observable current market transactions that are substantially the same, or a valuation technique that uses observable market inputs. Where these criteria are not met, the difference is deferred on the condensed consolidated statements of financial position in risk management assets or liabilities and is recognized in net earnings (loss) over the term of the related contract. The difference between the transaction price and the fair value determined using a valuation model, yet to be recognized in net earnings (loss) and a reconciliation of changes is as follows:

	6 months end	6 months ended June 30		
	2023	2022		
Unamortized net loss at beginning of period	(213)	(102)		
New inception gains (losses)	5	(29)		
Change resulting from amended contract	32	_		
Change in foreign exchange rates	5	(1)		
Amortization recorded in net earnings during the period	(12)	(12)		
Unamortized net loss at end of period	(183)	(144)		

# 11. Risk Management Activities

The Company is exposed to market risk from changes in commodity prices, foreign exchange rates, interest rates, credit risk and liquidity risk. These risks affect the Company's earnings and the value of associated financial instruments that the Company holds. In certain cases, the Company seeks to minimize the effects of these risks by using derivatives to hedge its risk exposures. The Company's risk management strategy, policies and controls are designed to ensure that the risks it assumes comply with the Company's internal objectives and its risk tolerance. For additional information on the Company's Risk Management Activities please refer to Note 15 of the 2022 audited annual consolidated financial statements.

# A. Net Risk Management Assets and Liabilities

Aggregate net risk management assets (liabilities) are as follows:

As at June 30, 2023			
	Cash flow hedges	Not designated as a hedge	Total
Commodity risk management			
Current	(144)	(247)	(391)
Long-term	(85)	(80)	(165)
Net commodity risk management liabilities	(229)	(327)	(556)
Other			
Current	_	(11)	(11)
Long-term	_	5	5
Net other risk management liabilities	_	(6)	(6)
Total net risk management liabilities	(229)	(333)	(562)

As at Dec. 31, 2022			
	Cash flow hedges	Not designated as a hedge	Total
Commodity risk management			
Current	(271)	(143)	(414)
Long-term	(76)	(96)	(172)
Net commodity risk management liabilities	(347)	(239)	(586)
Other			
Current	_	(6)	(6)
Long-term	_	_	
Net other risk management liabilities		(6)	(6)
Total net risk management liabilities	(347)	(245)	(592)

# B. Nature and Extent of Risks Arising from Financial Instruments

#### I. Market Risk

## i. Commodity Price Risk Management - Proprietary Trading

The Company's Energy Marketing segment conducts proprietary trading activities and uses a variety of instruments to manage risk, earn trading revenue and gain market information.

Value at Risk ("VaR") is used to determine the potential change in value of the Company's proprietary trading portfolio, over a three-day period within a 95 per cent confidence level, resulting from normal market fluctuations. Changes in market prices associated with proprietary trading activities affect net earnings in the period that the price changes occur. VaR at June 30, 2023, associated with the Company's proprietary trading activities was \$4 million (Dec. 31, 2022 – \$4 million).

## ii. Commodity Price Risk - Generation

The generation segments utilize various commodity contracts to manage the commodity price risk associated with electricity generation, fuel purchases, emissions and byproducts, as considered appropriate. A Commodity Exposure Management Policy is prepared and approved annually, which outlines the intended hedging strategies associated with the Company's generation assets and related commodity price risks. Controls also include restrictions on authorized instruments, management reviews on individual portfolios and approval of asset transactions that could add potential volatility to the Company's reported net earnings.

VaR at June 30, 2023, associated with the Company's commodity derivative instruments used in generation hedging activities was \$25 million (Dec. 31, 2022 – \$97 million). For positions and economic hedges that do not meet hedge accounting requirements or for short-term optimization transactions such as buybacks entered into to offset existing hedge positions, these transactions are marked to the market value with changes in market prices associated with these transactions affecting net earnings in the period in which the price change occurs. VaR at June 30, 2023, associated with these transactions was \$26 million (Dec. 31, 2022 – \$54 million), of which \$21 million related to VPPAs (Dec. 31, 2022 – \$26 million).

#### II. Credit Risk

The Company uses external credit ratings, as well as internal ratings in circumstances where external ratings are not available, to establish credit limits for customers and counterparties. The following table outlines the Company's maximum exposure to credit risk without taking into account collateral held, including the distribution of credit ratings, as at June 30, 2023:

	Investment grade (Per cent)	Non- investment grade (Per cent)	<b>Total</b> (Per cent)	Total amount
Trade and other receivables <sup>(1)</sup>	89	11	100	1,098
Long-term finance lease receivable	100	_	100	120
Risk management assets <sup>(1)</sup>	82	18	100	302
Loan receivable <sup>(2)</sup>	_	100	100	32
Total				1,552

- (1) Letters of credit and cash and cash equivalents are the primary types of collateral held as security related to these amounts.
- (2) Includes \$32 million loan receivable included within other assets with a counterparty that has no external credit rating.

The Company did not have significant expected credit losses as at June 30, 2023.

The Company's maximum exposure to credit risk at June 30, 2023, without taking into account collateral held or right of set-off, is represented by the current carrying amounts of receivables and risk management assets as per the condensed consolidated statements of financial position. Letters of credit and cash are the primary types of collateral held as security related to these amounts. The maximum credit exposure to any one customer for commodity trading operations and hedging, including the fair value of open trading, net of any collateral held, at June 30, 2023, was \$35 million (Dec. 31, 2022 – \$64 million).

#### **III. Liquidity Risk**

The Company has sufficient existing liquidity available to meet its upcoming debt maturities. The next major debt repayment is scheduled for September 2024. Our highly diversified asset portfolio, by both fuel type and operating region, and our long-term contracted asset base provide stability in our cash flows.

Liquidity risk relates to the Company's ability to access capital to be used for capital projects, debt refinancing, proprietary trading activities, commodity hedging and general corporate purposes. A maturity analysis of the Company's financial liabilities as well as financial assets that are expected to generate cash inflows to meet cash outflows on financial liabilities, is as follows:

	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028 and thereafter	Total
Bank overdraft	5	_	_	_	_	_	5
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	661	_	_	_	_	_	661
Long-term debt <sup>(1)</sup>	57	526	141	143	283	2,347	3,497
Exchangeable securities <sup>(2)</sup>	_	_	750	_	_	_	750
Commodity risk management liabilities	323	170	7	14	10	32	556
Other risk management (assets) liabilities	13	(5)	(1)	_	_	(1)	6
Lease liabilities <sup>(3)</sup>	(8)	3	3	4	4	127	133
Interest on long-term debt and lease liabilities <sup>(4)</sup>	105	198	172	164	152	818	1,609
Interest on exchangeable securities <sup>(2)(4)</sup>	26	60	_	_	_	_	86
Dividends payable	40	_	_	_	_	_	40
Total	1,222	952	1,072	325	449	3,323	7,343

- (1) Excludes impact of hedge accounting and derivatives.
- (2) The exchangeable securities can be exchanged, at the earliest, on Jan. 1, 2025.
- (3) Lease liabilities include a lease incentive of \$12 million expected to be received in 2023.
- (4) Not recognized as a financial liability on the condensed consolidated statements of financial position.

#### C. Collateral

## I. Financial Assets Provided as Collateral

At June 30, 2023, the Company provided \$307 million (Dec. 31, 2022 – \$304 million) in cash and cash equivalents as collateral to regulated clearing agents and certain utility customers as security for commodity trading activities. These funds are held in segregated accounts by the clearing agents. The utility customers are obligated to pay interest on the outstanding balances. Collateral provided is included within trade and other receivables in the condensed consolidated statements of Financial Position.

#### II. Financial Assets Held as Collateral

At June 30, 2023, the Company held nil (Dec. 31, 2022 – \$260 million) in cash collateral associated with counterparty obligations. Under the terms of the contracts, the Company may be obligated to pay interest on the outstanding balances and to return the principal when the counterparties have met their contractual obligations or when the amount of the obligation declines as a result of changes in market value. Interest payable to the counterparties on the collateral received is calculated in accordance with each contract. Collateral held is related to physical and financial derivative transactions in a net asset position and is included in accounts payable and accrued liabilities in the condensed consolidated statements of financial position.

#### **III. Contingent Features in Derivative Instruments**

Collateral is posted in the normal course of business based on the Company's senior unsecured credit rating as determined by certain major credit rating agencies. Certain of the Company's derivative instruments contain financial assurance provisions that require collateral to be posted only if a material adverse credit-related event occurs.

At June 30, 2023, the Company had posted collateral of \$343 million (Dec. 31, 2022 – \$820 million) in the form of letters of credit on physical and financial derivative transactions in a net liability position. Certain derivative agreements contain credit-risk-contingent features, which if triggered could result in the Company having to post an additional \$206 million (Dec. 31, 2022 – \$656 million) of collateral to its counterparties.

# 12. Inventory

The components of inventory are as follows:

As at	June 30, 2023	Dec. 31, 2022
Parts, materials and supplies	85	83
Coal	60	43
Emission credits	53	27
Natural gas	2	4
Total	200	157

No inventory is pledged as security for liabilities.

As at June 30, 2023, the Company holds 1,109,181 emission credits in inventory that were purchased externally with a recorded book value of \$53 million (Dec. 31, 2022 – 963,068 emission credits with a recorded book value of \$27 million). The Company also has 2,742,481 (Dec. 31, 2022 – 3,619,450) of internally generated eligible emission credits from the Company's Wind and Solar and Hydro segments which have no recorded book value. This includes the eligible emission performance credits earned by the Alberta Hydro facilities formerly under dispute and has now been resolved. Refer to Note 19 for details.

Emission credits can be sold externally or can be used to offset future emission obligations from our gas facilities located in Alberta, where the compliance price of carbon is expected to increase, resulting in a reduced cash cost for carbon compliance. In June 2023, the Company settled the 2022 carbon compliance obligation in cash. The compliance price of carbon for the 2022 obligation settled was \$50 per tonne and has increased to \$65 per tonne in the current year.

## 13. Investments

## **Tent Mountain Pumped Hydro Development Project**

On April 24, 2023, the Company acquired a 50 per cent interest in the Tent Mountain Renewable Energy Complex ("Tent Mountain"), an early-stage 320 MW pumped hydro energy storage development project, located in southwest Alberta, from Montem Resources Limited ("Montem"). The acquisition included land rights, fixed assets and intellectual property associated with the pumped hydro development project. The Company paid Montem approximately \$8 million on closing and additional contingent payments of up to \$17 million may become payable to Montem based on the achievement of specific development and commercial milestones. The Company and Montem jointly control Tent Mountain, with the result that the Company accounts for its interest in the joint venture as an investment using the equity method.

## 14. Property, Plant and Equipment

During the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, the Company had additions of \$171 million and \$434 million, respectively, mainly related to assets under construction for the Garden Plain wind project, the White Rock wind project, the Horizon Hill wind project, the Northern Goldfields solar project, the Mount Keith 132kv transmission expansion and other planned major maintenance. The Company also continued its rehabilitation plan for the Kent Hills wind facilities and capitalized additions of \$21 million and \$42 million, respectively, in the three and six months ended June 30, 2023.

There was an increase in the decommissioning provision resulting from a decrease in discount rates, largely driven by decreases in long-term market benchmark rates. This resulted in an increase in the related assets included in property, plant and equipment of \$11 million (June 30, 2022 — \$106 million decrease). Refer to Note 15 for further details.

During the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, the Company capitalized \$13 million and \$26 million, respectively (June 30, 2022 — \$3 million and \$4 million) of interest incurred during construction to property, plant and equipment ("PP&E") at a weighted average rate of 6.2 per cent (June 30, 2022 — 6.1 per cent).

# 15. Decommissioning and Other Provisions

The change in decommissioning and other provision balances is as follows:

	Decommissioning and restoration	Other provisions	Total
Balance, Dec. 31, 2022	688	41	729
Liabilities incurred	1	4	5
Liabilities settled	(16)	(10)	(26)
Accretion (Note 6)	26	1	27
Revisions in estimated cash flows	(2)	_	(2)
Revisions in discount rates	16	_	16
Reversals	_	(1)	(1)
Change in foreign exchange rates	(6)	_	(6)
Balance, June 30, 2023	707	35	742

Included in the condensed consolidated statements of financia	al position as:	
As at	June 30, 2023	Dec. 31, 2022
Current portion	63	70
Non-current portion	679	659
Total Decommissioning and other provisions	742	729

# A. Decommissioning and Restoration

During the six months ended June 30, 2023, the decommissioning and restoration provision increased by \$19 million from Dec. 31, 2022. Revisions in discount rates increased the decommissioning and restoration provision by \$16 million due to a decrease in discount rates, largely driven by decreases in long-term market benchmark rates. On average, discount rates decreased with rates ranging from 6.8 to 9.5 per cent as at June 30, 2023 from 7.0 to 9.7 per cent as at Dec. 31, 2022. This has resulted in a corresponding increase in PP&E of \$11 million on operating assets and recognition of a \$5 million impairment charge in net earnings related to retired assets.

## **B. Other Provisions**

Other provisions include provisions arising from ongoing business activities, amounts related to commercial disputes between the Company and customers or suppliers and onerous contract provisions. The onerous contract provisions occurred as a result of decisions to no longer operate on coal in Canada. Payments related to coal contracts for Sheerness are required until 2025. At June 30, 2023, the remaining balance of the provision for the onerous coal contract was \$8 million.

# 16. Credit Facilities, Long-Term Debt and Lease Liabilities

## A. Amounts Outstanding Related to Credit Facilities

The Company's credit facilities are summarized in the table below:

As at June 30, 2023	Utilized				
Credit Facilities	Facility size	Outstanding letters of credit <sup>(1)</sup>	Cash drawings	Available capacity	Maturity date
Committed					
TransAlta Corporation syndicated credit facility	1,250	264	_	986	Q2 2027
TransAlta Renewables syndicated credit facility	700	3	131	566	Q2 2027
TransAlta Corporation bilateral credit facilities	240	180	_	60	Q2 2025
TransAlta Corporation Term Facility	400	_	400	_	Q3 2024
Total Committed	2,590	447	531	1,612	
Non-Committed					
TransAlta Corporation demand facilities	250	151	_	99	N/A
TransAlta Renewables demand facility	150	98	_	52	N/A
Total Non-Committed	400	249	_	151	

<sup>(1)</sup> TransAlta has obligations to issue letters of credit and cash collateral to secure potential liabilities to certain parties, including those related to potential environmental obligations, commodity risk management and hedging activities, pension plan obligations, construction projects and purchase obligations. Letters of credit drawn against the non-committed facilities reduce the available capacity under the committed syndicated credit facilities. At June 30, 2023, TransAlta provided cash collateral of \$307 million.

These facilities are the primary source of short-term liquidity after the cash flow generated from the Company's business. In June 2023, the TransAlta Corporation syndicated credit facility and TransAlta Renewables syndicated credit facility were amended and maturity dates were extended from June 30, 2026 to June 30, 2027. The TransAlta Corporation bilateral credit facilities were also amended and maturity dates were extended from June 30, 2024 to June 30, 2025.

The Company is in compliance with the terms of the credit facilities and all undrawn amounts are fully available. In addition to the \$1.4 billion of committed capacity available under the credit facilities, the Company also has \$0.9 billion of available cash and cash equivalents, net of bank overdraft. TransAlta's debt has terms and conditions, including financial covenants, that are considered normal and customary. As at June 30, 2023, the Company was in compliance with all debt covenants.

## **B.** Repayments

On May 8, 2023, the Pingston Power Inc. non-recourse bond matured with a total aggregate repayment of \$46 million, consisting of accrued interest and principal repayment.

#### C. Restrictions Related to Non-Recourse Debt and Other Debt

The Melancthon Wolfe Wind LP, TAPC Holdings LP, New Richmond Wind LP, Kent Hills Wind LP, TEC Hedland Pty Ltd notes, Windrise Wind LP and TransAlta OCP LP non-recourse bonds are subject to customary financing conditions and covenants that may restrict the Company's ability to access funds generated by the facilities' operations. Upon meeting certain distribution tests, typically performed once per quarter, the funds are able to be distributed by the subsidiary entities to their respective parent entity. These conditions include meeting a debt service coverage ratio prior to distribution, which was met by these entities in the second quarter of 2023, with the exception of Kent Hills Wind LP and TAPC Holdings LP, which has been impacted by higher interest rates. The funds in these entities will remain there until the next debt service coverage ratio can be calculated in the third quarter of 2023. At June 30, 2023, \$65 million (Dec. 31, 2022 – \$50 million) of cash was subject to certain financial restrictions. In accordance with the supplemental indenture, Kent Hills Wind LP cannot make any distributions to its partners until the foundation replacement work has been completed. A foundation replacement reserve account has been set up in accordance with the supplemental indenture, with funds in the account being used to pay foundation replacement costs. The account is funded

quarterly with the last planned funding requirement received on March 31, 2023. The balance in the account is \$14 million as at June 30, 2023 (Dec. 31, 2022 – \$65 million).

As at June 30, 2023, the Company had \$41 million of restricted cash related to the TEC Hedland Pty Ltd bond. These cash reserves are required to be held under commercial arrangements and for debt service, which may be replaced by letters of credit in the future.

Additionally, certain non-recourse bonds require that certain reserve accounts be established and funded through cash held on deposit and/or by providing letters of credit.

## 17. Common Shares

## A. Issued and Outstanding

TransAlta is authorized to issue an unlimited number of voting common shares without nominal or par value.

	6 months ended June 30			
	202	3	2022	
	Common shares (millions)	Amount	Common shares (millions)	Amount
Issued and outstanding, beginning of period	268.1	2,863	271.0	2,901
Purchased and cancelled under the NCIB <sup>(1)</sup>	(6.1)	(65)	(1.4)	(15)
Effects of share-based payment plans	0.8	6	0.9	6
Stock options exercised	0.6	4	0.2	1
Issued and outstanding, end of period	263.4	2,808	270.7	2,893

<sup>(1)</sup> Shares purchased by the Corporation under the NCIB (as defined below) are recognized as a reduction to share capital equal to the average carrying value of the common shares. Any difference between the aggregate purchase price and the average carrying value of the common shares is recorded in retained earnings deficit.

# B. Normal Course Issuer Bid ("NCIB") Program

On March 27, 2023, the Company entered into an Automatic Share Purchase Plan which permitted an independent broker to repurchase shares under the NCIB during the first quarter blackout period through to the end of the current NCIB program, which expired on May 30, 2023. The number of shares repurchased during the blackout period was 2,943,600.

On May 26, 2023, the Toronto Stock Exchange ("TSX") accepted the notice filed by the Company to implement a NCIB for a portion of its common shares. Pursuant to the NCIB, TransAlta may repurchase up to a maximum of 14,000,000 Common Shares. Any common shares purchased under the NCIB will be cancelled. The period during which TransAlta is authorized to make purchases under the NCIB commenced on May 31, 2023 and ends on May 30, 2024.

The effects of the Company's purchase and cancellation of common shares during the period are as follows:

	June 30, 2023	Dec. 31, 2022
Total shares purchased <sup>(1)</sup>	6,112,900	4,342,300
Average purchase price per share	11.62	12.48
Total cost (millions)	71	54
Weighted average book value of shares cancelled	65	46
Amount recorded in deficit	(6)	(8)

<sup>(1)</sup> At Dec. 31, 2022, 164,300 shares were repurchased but were not cancelled due to timing differences between the transaction date and settlement date. The Company paid \$52 million in 2022 and the remaining amount was paid subsequent to the year end.

## C. Dividends

On April 27, 2023, the Company declared a quarterly dividend of \$0.055 per common share, payable on July 1, 2023.

On July 26, 2023, the Company declared a quarterly dividend of \$0.055 per common share, payable on Oct. 1, 2023.

There have been no other transactions involving common shares between the reporting date and the date of completion of these condensed consolidated financial statements.

## 18. Preferred Shares

## A. Issued and Outstanding

All preferred shares issued and outstanding are non-voting cumulative redeemable fixed or floating rate first preferred shares.

	June 30,	Dec. 31, 2022		
Series <sup>(1)</sup>	Number of shares (millions)	Amount	Number of shares (millions)	Amount
Series A	9.6	235	9.6	235
Series B	2.4	58	2.4	58
Series C	10.0	243	10.0	243
Series D	1.0	26	1.0	26
Series E	9.0	219	9.0	219
Series G	6.6	161	6.6	161
Issued and outstanding, end of period	38.6	942	38.6	942

<sup>(1)</sup> On Oct. 30, 2020, Brookfield invested \$400 million in exchange for redeemable, retractable first preferred shares (Series I). The Series I Preferred Shares are accounted for as long-term debt and the exchangeable preferred share dividends are reported as interest expense.

#### **B.** Dividends

On July 26, 2023, the Company declared a quarterly dividend of \$0.17981 per share on the Series A preferred shares, \$0.41545 per share on the Series B preferred shares, \$0.36588 per share on the Series C preferred shares, \$0.48287 per share on the Series D preferred shares, \$0.43088 per share on the Series E preferred shares and \$0.31175 per share on the Series G preferred shares, payable on Sept. 30, 2023.

# 19. Commitments and Contingencies

#### **Commitments**

In addition to the commitments disclosed elsewhere in the financial statements and those disclosed in Note 37 of the 2022 audited annual consolidated financial statements, the Company has incurred the following additional contractual commitments in the six months ended June 30, 2023, either directly or through its interests in joint operations and joint ventures.

Approximate future payments under these agreements are as follows:

	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029 and thereafter	Total
Transmission	_	2	2	3	4	56	67
Total	_	2	2	3	4	56	67

#### **Transmission**

The Company has several agreements to purchase transmission network capacity in the Pacific Northwest. Provided certain conditions for delivering the service are met, the Company is committed to the transmission at the supplier's tariff rate whether it is awarded immediately or delivered in the future after additional facilities are constructed. The table above includes the incremental change in transmission agreements, as compared to the amounts disclosed in the 2022 audited annual consolidated financial statements.

# **Contingencies**

TransAlta is occasionally named as a party in various claims and legal and regulatory proceedings that arise during the normal course of its business. TransAlta reviews each of these claims, including the nature of the claim, the amount in dispute or claimed and the availability of insurance coverage. There can be no assurance that any particular claim will be resolved in the Company's favour or that such claims may not have a material adverse effect on TransAlta. Inquiries from regulatory bodies may also arise in the normal course of business, to which the Company responds as required. For the current material outstanding contingencies, please refer to Note 37 of the 2022 audited annual consolidated financial statements. Material changes to the contingencies have been described below.

## Hydro Power Purchase Arrangement ("Hydro PPA") Emissions Performance Credits

The Balancing Pool claimed entitlement to 1,750,000 Emission Performance Credits ("EPCs") earned by the Alberta Hydro facilities as a result of TransAlta opting those facilities into the Carbon Competitiveness Incentive Regulation and Technology Innovation and Emissions Reduction Regulation from 2018-2020 inclusive. The EPCs under dispute had no recorded book value as they were internally generated. The Balancing Pool claimed ownership of the EPCs because it believed the change-in-law provisions under the Hydro PPA required the EPCs to be passed through to the Balancing Pool. TransAlta disputed this claim. The parties have reached a confidential settlement and this matter is now resolved.

## Brazeau Facility - Well License Applications to Consider Hydraulic Fracturing Activities

The Alberta Energy Regulator ("AER") issued a subsurface order on May 27, 2019, which does not permit any hydraulic fracturing within three kilometers of the Brazeau Facility but permits hydraulic fracturing in all formations (except the Duvernay) within three-to-five kilometers of the Brazeau Facility. Subsequently, two oil and gas operators submitted applications to the AER for 10 well licenses (which include hydraulic fracturing activities) within three-to-five kilometers of the Brazeau Facility. The regulatory hearing to consider these applications - Proceeding 379 - was scheduled to be heard from Feb. 27 to March 10, 2023, but was adjourned to permit the O'Chiese First Nation to intervene and make submissions. The hearing will be in the fourth quarter of 2023, at the earliest.

#### **Brazeau Facility - Claim against the Government of Alberta**

On Sept. 9, 2022, the Company filed a Statement of Claim against the Alberta Government in the Alberta Court of King's Bench seeking a declaration that: (i) granting mineral leases within 5 km of the Brazeau Facility is a breach of the 1960 agreement between the Company and the Alberta Government; and (ii) the Alberta Government is required to indemnify the Company for any costs or damages that result from the risks of hydraulic fracturing near the Brazeau Facility. On Sept. 29, 2022, the Alberta Government filed its Statement of Defence, which asserts, among other things, that the Company: (i) is trying to usurp the jurisdiction of the Alberta Energy Regulator, and (ii) is out of time under the Limitations Act (Alberta). The trial has been scheduled for two weeks starting Feb. 26, 2024.

#### **Garden Plain**

Garden Plain I LP, a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, retained an external supplier to construct the Garden Plain wind project near Hanna, Alberta. The supplier experienced scheduling delays, challenges with construction, and significant cost overruns, resulting in overdue deadlines and has asserted a claim for \$49 million in damages. The Company disputes this claim in its entirety and asserts a counterclaim. The parties have initiated the dispute resolution procedure.

# **20. Segment Disclosures**

# A. Description of Reportable Segments

The following tables provides each segment's results in the format that the TransAlta's President and Chief Executive Officer (the chief operating decision maker) ("CODM"), review the Company's segments to make operating decisions and assess performance. The tables below show the reconciliation of the total segmented results and adjusted EBITDA to the statement of earnings (loss) reported under IFRS.

For internal reporting purpose, the earnings information from the Company's investment in Skookumchuck has been presented in the Wind and Solar segment on a proportionate basis. Information on a proportionate basis reflects the Company's share of Skookumchuck's statement of earnings on a line-by-line basis. Proportionate financial information is not and is not intended to be, presented in accordance with IFRS. Under IFRS, the investment in Skookumchuck has been accounted for as a joint venture using the equity method.

# **B. Reported Adjusted Segment Earnings and Segment Assets**

# I. Reconciliation of Adjusted EBITDA to Earnings (Loss) before Income Tax

		_			-					
3 months ended June 30, 2023	Hydro	Wind & Solar <sup>(1)</sup>	Gas	Energy Transition	Energy Marketing	Corporate	Total	Equity accounted investments <sup>(1)</sup>	Reclass adjustments	IFRS financials
Revenues	168	86	251	121	3	1	630	(5)	_	625
Reclassifications and adjustments:										
Unrealized mark-to-market (gain) loss	(1)	(8)	56	(3)	93	_	137	_	(137)	_
Realized gain on closed exchange positions	_	_	(4)	_	(48)	_	(52)	_	52	_
Decrease in finance lease receivable	_	_	13	_	_	_	13	_	(13)	_
Finance lease income	_	_	4	_	_	_	4	_	(4)	_
Unrealized foreign exchange loss on commodity	_		_		1	_	1	_	(1)	
Adjusted revenues	167	78	320	118	49	1	733	(5)	(103)	625
Fuel and purchased power	5	7	85	90	_	1	188	_	_	188
Reclassifications and adjustments:										
Australian interest income	_	_	(1)	_	_	_	(1)	_	1	_
Adjusted fuel and purchased power	5	7	84	90	_	1	187	_	1	188
Carbon compliance	_	_	25				25	_	_	25
Gross margin	162	71	211	28	49	_	521	(5)	(104)	412
OM&A	14	18	50	14	6	32	134	_	_	134
Taxes, other than income taxes	1	4	4	1	_	_	10	(1)	_	9
Net other operating income	_	(1)	(9)	_	_	_	(10)	_	_	(10)
Adjusted EBITDA <sup>(2)</sup>	147	50	166	13	43	(32)	387			
Equity income										(1)
Finance lease income										4
Depreciation and amortization										(173)
Asset impairment reversals										13
Net interest expense										(56)
Foreign exchange gain										8
Gain on sale of assets and other										5
Earnings before income taxes										79

<sup>(1)</sup> The Skookumchuck wind facility has been included on a proportionate basis in the Wind and Solar segment. (2) Adjusted EBITDA is not defined and has no standardized meaning under IFRS.

								Equity		
3 months ended June 30, 2022	Hydro	Wind & Solar <sup>(1)</sup>	Gas	Energy Transition	Energy Marketing	Corporate	Total	accounted investments <sup>(1)</sup>	Reclass Adjustments	IFRS Financials
Revenues	105	96	127	96	36	1	461	(3)	_	458
Reclassifications and adjustm	nents:									
Unrealized mark-to- market (gain) loss	_	15	128	_	(56)	_	87	_	(87)	_
Realized gain (loss) on closed exchange positions	_	_	(10)	_	75	_	65	_	(65)	_
Decrease in finance lease receivable	_	_	11	_	_	_	11	_	(11)	_
Finance lease income	_	_	6	_	_	_	6	_	(6)	_
Unrealized foreign exchange loss on commodity	_	_	_	_	2	_	2	_	(2)	_
Adjusted revenues	105	111	262	96	57	1	632	(3)	(171)	458
Fuel and purchased power	6	6	147	71	_	1	231	_	_	231
Reclassifications and adjustm	nents:									
Australian interest income	_	_	(1)	_	_	_	(1)	_	1	_
Adjusted fuel and purchased power	6	6	146	71	_	1	230	_	1	231
Carbon compliance		1	12	(4)			9			9
Gross margin	99	104	104	29	57		393	(3)	(172)	218
OM&A	10	15	45	17	7	23	117	_	_	117
Taxes, other than income taxes	1	4	4	1	_	_	10	(1)	_	9
Net other operating income	_	(10)	(10)	_	_	_	(20)	_	_	(20)
Reclassifications and adjustm	nents:									
Insurance recovery		7		_			7		(7)	
Adjusted net other operating income	_	(3)	(10)	_	_	_	(13)	_	(7)	(20)
Adjusted EBITDA <sup>(2)</sup>	88	88	65	11	50	(23)	279			
Equity income										2
Finance lease income										6
Depreciation and amortization										(115)
Asset impairment reversals										24
Net interest expense										(62)
Foreign exchange gain										9
Gain on sale of assets and other										2
Loss before income taxes										(22)

<sup>(1)</sup> The Skookumchuck wind facility has been included on a proportionate basis in the Wind and Solar segment.(2) Adjusted EBITDA is not defined and have no standardized meaning under IFRS.

		W. 10						Equity		UEDO
6 months ended June 30, 2023	Hydro	Wind & Solar <sup>(1)</sup>	Gas	Energy Transition	Energy Marketing	Corporate	Total	accounted investments (1)	Reclass adjustments	IFRS financials
Revenues	293	201	746	388	95	1	1,724	(10)	_	1,714
Reclassifications and adjustments:										
Unrealized mark-to-market (gain) loss	(2)	(8)	(8)	(17)	109	_	74	_	(74)	_
Realized loss on closed exchange positions	_	_	(17)	_	(103)	_	(120)	_	120	_
Decrease in finance lease receivable	_	_	26	_	_	_	26	_	(26)	_
Finance lease income	_	_	8	_	_	_	8	_	(8)	_
Unrealized foreign exchange loss on commodity	_	_	_	_	1	_	1	_	(1)	
Adjusted revenues	291	193	755	371	102	1	1,713	(10)	11	1,714
Fuel and purchased power	10	16	215	271	_	1	513	_	_	513
Reclassifications and adjustments:										
Australian interest income	_	_	(2)	_	_	_	(2)	_	2	
Adjusted fuel and purchased power	10	16	213	271	_	1	511	_	2	513
Carbon compliance	_	_	57		_		57		_	57
Gross margin	281	177	485	100	102	_	1,145	(10)	9	1,144
OM&A	26	35	91	31	20	56	259	(1)	_	258
Taxes, other than income taxes	2	7	8	2	_	_	19	(1)	_	18
Net other operating income	_	(3)	(20)	_	_	_	(23)	_	_	(23)
Adjusted EBITDA <sup>(2)</sup>	253	138	406	67	82	(56)	890			
Equity income										1
Finance lease income										8
Depreciation and amortization										(349)
Asset impairment reversals										16
Net interest expense										(115)
Foreign exchange gain										5
Gain on sale of assets and other										5
Earnings before income taxes										462

The Skookumchuck wind facility has been included on a proportionate basis in the Wind and Solar segment.
 Adjusted EBITDA is not defined and has no standardized meaning under IFRS.

6 months ended June 30, 2022	Hydro	Wind & Solar <sup>(1)</sup>	Gas	Energy Transition	Energy Marketing	Corporate	Total	Equity accounted investments <sup>(1)</sup>	Reclass adjustments	IFRS financials
Revenues	182	191	561	202	62	2	1,200	(7)	_	1,193
Reclassifications and adjustments	3:									
Unrealized mark-to-market (gain) loss	_	28	(34)	11	(46)	_	(41)	_	41	_
Realized gain (loss) on closed exchange positions	_	_	(7)	_	65	_	58	_	(58)	_
Decrease in finance lease receivable	_	_	22	_	_	_	22	_	(22)	_
Finance lease income	_	_	11			_	11	_	(11)	
Adjusted revenues	182	219	553	213	81	2	1,250	(7)	(50)	1,193
Fuel and purchased power	10	14	278	165	_	2	469	_	_	469
Reclassifications and adjustments	s:									
Australian interest income	_	_	(2)	_	_	_	(2)	_	2	_
Adjusted fuel and purchased power	10	14	276	165	_	2	467	_	2	469
Carbon compliance	_	1	30	(3)	_	_	28	_	_	28
Gross margin	172	204	247	51	81	_	755	(7)	(52)	696
OM&A	21	31	89	33	14	41	229	_	_	229
Taxes, other than income taxes	2	6	8	2	_	_	18	(1)	_	17
Net other operating income	_	(17)	(20)	_	_	_	(37)	_	_	(37)
Reclassifications and adjustments	S:									
Insurance recovery	_	7	_			_	7	_	(7)	
Adjusted net other operating income	_	(10)	(20)	_	_		(30)		(7)	(37)
Adjusted EBITDA <sup>(2)</sup>	149	177	170	16	67	(41)	538			
Equity income										4
Finance lease income										11
Depreciation and amortization										(232)
Asset impairment reversals										66
Net interest expense										(129)
Foreign exchange gain										11
Gain on sale of assets and other										2
Earnings before income taxes										220

<sup>(1)</sup> The Skookumchuck wind facility has been included on a proportionate basis in the Wind and Solar segment.(2) Adjusted EBITDA is not defined and has no standardized meaning under IFRS.

# 21. Related-Party Transactions

## **Transactions with Associates**

In connection with the exchangeable securities issued to Brookfield, the investment agreement entitles Brookfield to nominate two directors to the TransAlta Board. As such, they are considered associates of the Company.

The Company may, in the normal course of operations, enter into transactions on market terms with related parties that have been measured at exchange value and recognized in the consolidated financial statements, including power purchase and sale agreements, derivative contracts and asset management fees. Transactions and balances between the Company and associates do not eliminate. Refer to Note 26 and 36 of the 2022 audited annual consolidated financial statements.

Transactions with Brookfield include the following:

	3 months ended J	lune 30	6 months ended June 30		
	2023	2022	2023	2022	
Power sales	30	20	72	40	

# **22. Subsequent Events**

## TransAlta Corporation to Acquire TransAlta Renewables Inc.

On July 10, 2023, the Company and TransAlta Renewables entered into a definitive arrangement agreement (the "Arrangement Agreement") under which the Company will acquire all of the outstanding common shares of TransAlta Renewables not already owned, directly or indirectly, by TransAlta and certain of its affiliates, subject to the approval of TransAlta Renewables shareholders.

Under the terms of the Arrangement Agreement, each TransAlta Renewables share will be exchanged for, at the election of each holder of common shares of TransAlta Renewables, (i) 1.0337 common shares of TransAlta or (ii) \$13.00 in cash. The consideration payable to TransAlta Renewables shareholders is subject to pro-rationing based on a maximum aggregate number of TransAlta shares that may be issued to TransAlta Renewables shareholders of 46,441,779 and a maximum aggregate cash amount of \$800 million.

The consideration payable to TransAlta Renewables shareholders represents an 18.3 per cent premium based on the closing price of TransAlta Renewables shares on the Toronto Stock Exchange ("TSX") as of July 10, 2023, and a 13.6 per cent premium relative to TransAlta Renewables' 20-day volume-weighted average price per share as of July 10, 2023. The total consideration paid to TransAlta Renewables shareholders is valued at \$1.4 billion on July 10, 2023 of which \$800 million will be paid in cash, and the remaining balance in common shares of TransAlta. The combined company will operate as TransAlta and remain listed on the TSX and the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE"), under the symbols "TA" and "TAC", respectively.

A special meeting of TransAlta Renewables shareholders to consider the transaction will be held on or about Sept. 26, 2023. If all approvals are received and other closing conditions satisfied, the transaction is expected to be completed in early October 2023.

# **Glossary of Key Terms**

## **Adjusted Availability**

Availability is adjusted when economic conditions exist, such that planned routine and major maintenance activities are scheduled to minimize expenditures. In high price environments, actual outage schedules would change to accelerate the generating unit's return to service.

## Alberta Electric System Operator (AESO)

The independent system operator and regulatory authority for the Alberta Interconnected Electric System. authority for the Alberta Interconnected Electric System.

## **Alberta Hydro Assets**

The Company's hydroelectric assets, owned through a wholly owned subsidiary, TransAlta Renewables Inc. These assets are located in Alberta consisting of the Barrier, Bearspaw, Cascade, Ghost, Horseshoe, Interlakes, Kananaskis, Pocaterra, Rundle, Spray, Three Sisters, Bighorn and Brazeau hydro facilities.

#### **Alberta Thermal**

The business segment previously disclosed as Canadian Coal has been renamed to reflect the ongoing conversion of the boilers to burn gas in place of coal. The segment includes the legacy and converted generating units at our Sundance and Keephills sites and includes the Highvale Mine.

## **Ancillary Services**

As defined by the Electric Utilities Act, Ancillary Services are those services required to ensure that the interconnected electric system is operated in a manner that provides a satisfactory level of service with acceptable levels of voltage and frequency.

## **Automatic Share Purchase Plan (ASPP)**

The ASPP is intended to facilitate repurchases of common shares under the NCIB, including at times when the Company would ordinarily not be permitted to make purchases due to regulatory restrictions or self-imposed blackout periods.

# **Availability**

A measure of time, expressed as a percentage of continuous operation 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, that a generating unit is capable of generating electricity, regardless of whether or not it is actually generating electricity.

## **Balancing Pool**

The Balancing Pool was established in 1999 by the Government of Alberta to help manage the transition to competition in Alberta's electric industry. Its current obligations and responsibilities are governed by the Electric Utilities Act (effective June 1, 2003) and the Balancing Pool Regulation. For more information go to www.balancingpool.ca.

## **Capacity**

The rated continuous load-carrying ability, expressed in megawatts, of generation equipment.

## Cogeneration

A generating facility that produces electricity and another form of useful thermal energy (such as heat or steam) used for industrial, commercial, heating or cooling purposes.

# Disclosure Controls and Procedures (DC&P)

Refers to controls and other procedures designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed in the reports filed by the Company or submitted under processed. securities legislation is recorded, summarized and reported within the time frame specified in applicable securities legislation. DC&P include, without limitation, controls and procedures designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by the Company in its reports that it files or submits under applicable securities legislation is accumulated and communicated to management, including the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

## **Dispatch optimization**

Purchasing power to fulfill contractual obligations, when economical

#### **Emissions Performance Standards (EPS)**

Under the Government of Ontario, emission performance standards establish greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions limits for covered facilities.

#### **EPCs**

**Emission Performance Credits.** 

# Force Majeure

Literally means "greater force." These clauses excuse a party from liability if some unforeseen event beyond the control of that party prevents it from performing its obligations under the contract.

## Free Cash Flow (FCF)

Represents the amount of cash that is available to invest in growth initiatives, make scheduled principal repayments on debt, repay maturing debt, pay common share dividends or repurchase common shares. Amount is calculated as cash generated by the Company through its operations (cash from operations) minus the funds used by the Company for the purchase improvement, or maintenance of the long-term assets to improve the efficiency or capacity of the Company (capital expenditures).

# **Funds from Operations (FFO)**

Represents a proxy for cash generated from operating activities before changes in working capital and provides the ability to evaluate cash flow trends in comparison with results from prior periods. Amount is calculated as cash flow from operating activities before changes in working capital and is adjusted for transactions and amounts that the Company believes are not representative of ongoing cash flows from operations.

# Gigajoule (GJ)

A metric unit of energy commonly used in the energy industry. One GJ equals 947,817 British Thermal Units ("Btu"). One GJ is also equal to 277.8 kilowatt hours ("kWh").

## **Gigawatt (GW)**

A measure of electric power equal to 1,000 megawatts.

# **Gigawatt hour (GWh)**

A measure of electricity consumption equivalent to the use of 1,000 megawatts of power over a period of one hour.

# **Greenhouse Gas (GHG)**

A gas that has the potential to retain heat in the atmosphere, including water vapour, carbon dioxide, methane, nitrous oxide, hydrofluorocarbons and perfluorocarbons.

## **ICFR**

Internal control over financial reporting.

#### **IFRS**

International Financial Reporting Standards.

#### ITC

The investment tax credit ("ITC") is a federal income tax credit for investments in certain types of qualifying clean electricity projects.

## Megawatt (MW)

A measure of electric power equal to 1,000,000 watts.

## **Megawatt Hour (MWh)**

A measure of electricity consumption equivalent to the use of 1,000,000 watts of power over a period of one hour.

## **Merchant**

A term used to describe assets that are not contracted and are exposed to market pricing.

#### **NCIB**

Normal Course Issuer Bid.

#### OM&A

Operations, maintenance and administration costs.

## **Other Hydro Assets**

The Company's hydroelectric assets located in British Columbia, Ontario and assets owned by TransAlta Renewables which include the Taylor, Belly River, Waterton, St. Mary, Upper Mamquam, Pingston, Bone Creek, Akolkolex, Ragged Chute, Misema, Galetta, and Moose Rapids facilities.

# **Planned outage**

Periodic planned shutdown of a generating unit for major maintenance and repairs. Duration is normally in weeks. The time is measured from unit shutdown to putting the unit back on line.

## **Power Purchase Agreement (PPA)**

A long-term commercial agreement for the sale of electric energy to PPA buyers.

#### **PP&E**

Property, plant and equipment.

#### **Turbine**

A machine for generating rotary mechanical power from the energy of a stream of fluid (such as water, steam or hot gas). Turbines convert the kinetic energy of fluids to mechanical energy through the principles of impulse and reaction or a mixture of the two.

## Unplanned outage

The shutdown of a generating unit due to an unanticipated breakdown.

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