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## Black Stone Minerals at a Glance



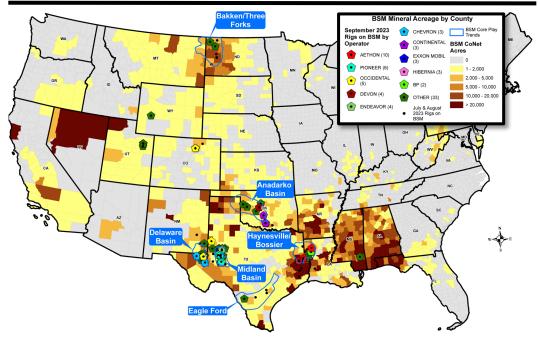


#### >7 Million net acre mineral and royalty asset base spanning all major basins with ~11% of US horizontal permits in Q4'23

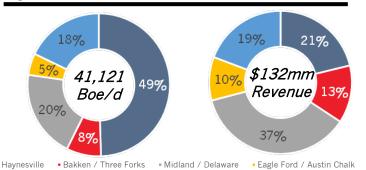
- Pure-play oil and gas mineral and royalty owner in the United States with over 20 million mineral and royalty acres (7.4 million net) with interests in 41 states
- Concentrated positions in the Permian, Haynesville, and Bakken
- Diversified asset base wellpositioned to benefit from increased activity
- Strategic focus on attracting development capital to existing acreage

Key Statistics	
(in millions, except per share metrics)	
Share Price (as of 12/31/23)	\$15.96
Total Common Units (as of 12/31/23) <sup>(1)</sup>	210.0
Market Cap (as of 12/31/23)	\$3,351
Net Debt / Liquidity <sup>(2)</sup>	\$(70) / \$445
Distribution Yield	11.90%
4Q'23 Net Income	\$147.6
4Q'23 Adjusted EBITDA	\$125.5
4Q'23 Distribution Per Unit	\$0.475

#### **BSM Footprint**



#### 4Q'23 Production and Oil and Gas Revenue



<sup>.</sup> Excludes 14.7 million Series B Preferred units

<sup>2.</sup> Liquidity based on \$375 million of committed capital under the current line of credit. The Full borrowing base of \$580 increases total liquidity to \$650 million. Cash as of December 31,2023

## Investment Thesis



Extensive inventory and balance sheet strength are the building blocks for long term organic growth with additional upside from expanding resource plays on high interest mineral acreage



Low-cost, high-margin mineral and royalty business model is sustainable across challenging industry cycles and insulated from inflationary cost pressures



Clean balance sheet with ample liquidity to deploy on accretive projects to supplement existing organic initiatives



Extensive available inventory in existing mineral portfolio presents opportunity for organic volume growth for decades



Well-positioned to benefit from sustained recovery in natural gas with core positions in the Haynesville and Gulf Coast plays close to industrial demand and LNG exports

## YE'23 Results vs. Guidance



BSM delivered strong results during 2023 through active management and conservative financial policies

	As Reported 4Q'23	As Reported <u>YE'23</u>	2023 <u>Guidance</u>
Total Daily Production (Mboe/d)	41.1	39.8	37.0 - 39.0
Lease Bonus (\$MM)	\$3.8	\$12.5	\$10.0 - \$12.0
Lease Operating Expenses (\$MM)	\$3.2	\$11.4	\$11.0 - \$12.0
Production Costs (as a % of Revenues) 1	11.3%	11.7%	10.0% - 12.0%
Cash G&A (\$MM)	\$10.1	\$40.6	\$42.0 - 44.0
Non-Cash G&A (\$MM)	\$2.4	\$10.9	\$11.0 - \$13.0

<sup>1)</sup> Production costs include production and ad valorem taxes; percentage reported represents costs as a percentage of pre-hedge oil and gas revenues.

## The Economic Benefit of Minerals



- Oil and gas exposure with no operating cost or capital spending requirements
- Direct benefit from technology advances to enhance recovery and well economics
- Represents perpetual call option on future oil & gas development activity
- Scale facilitates opportunities to partner with operators to initiate or accelerate drilling

### **Comparative Well Economics**

#### Illustrative Margin (Assuming \$70 Bbl)

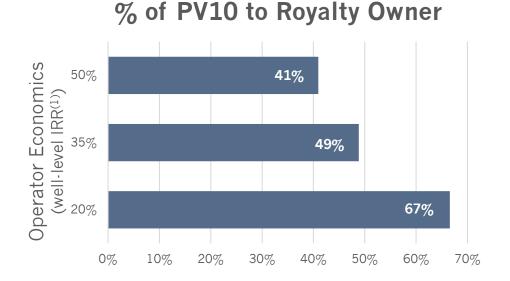
\$41.60 / 59%

**Operator** 

\$60.10/86%



Royalty/Mineral Owner



<sup>.)</sup> Illustrative well economics assuming 20% royalty; excluding royalty acquisition costs and operator leasing costs

## Current Environment



#### 2021

Capital spend remains limited due to uncertainty around demand recovery; Companies use higher commodity prices and cash flows to return capital to investors, reduce debt and/or buy back company equity



Demand recovery plus heightened geopolitical risks with Ukraine and Russia further shift the supply/demand imbalance, pushing WTI over \$100 for the first time since 2014



While capital expenditures increased by 47% year-over-year, operators remained focused on returning capital to shareholders



Building on strong capital expenditure growth in 2022, U.S. operators are expected to increase capex by another 19%, nearing pre-covid levels

Inflationary pressures continue to build, curbing growth expectations as operators continue to fund programs out of cash flows



#### 2024

- Operators are expected to ease on their growth of capital spending, increasing by 3% compared to 19% in 2024
- This indicates that shale output pace may slow down in the US after record level production in 2023
- Capital spending in 2024 is expected to lean more towards the international market as producers are expected to increase spending by 5% globally

### **U.S. E&P Capital Expenditures**

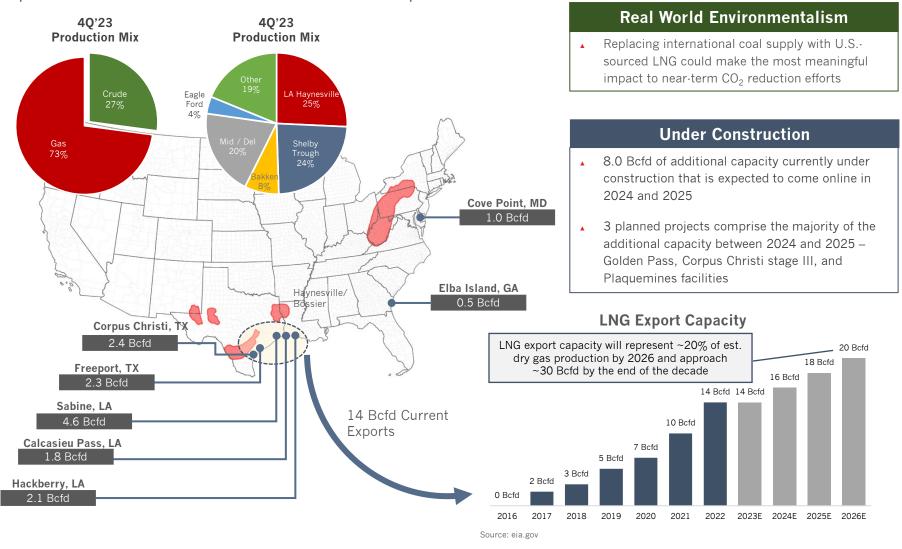


Source: Bloomberg

# Premier U.S. Natural Gas Exposure



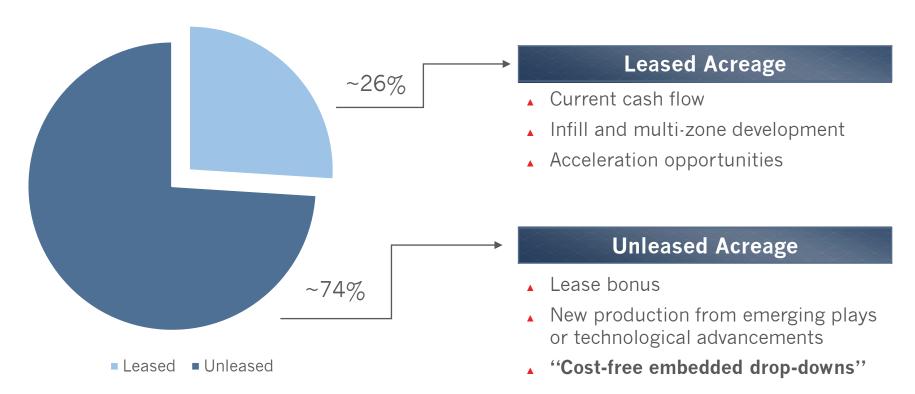
Black Stone Minerals, with its significant exposure to the Haynesville / Bossier play, is well-positioned to benefit from increased LNG exports



# Active Management



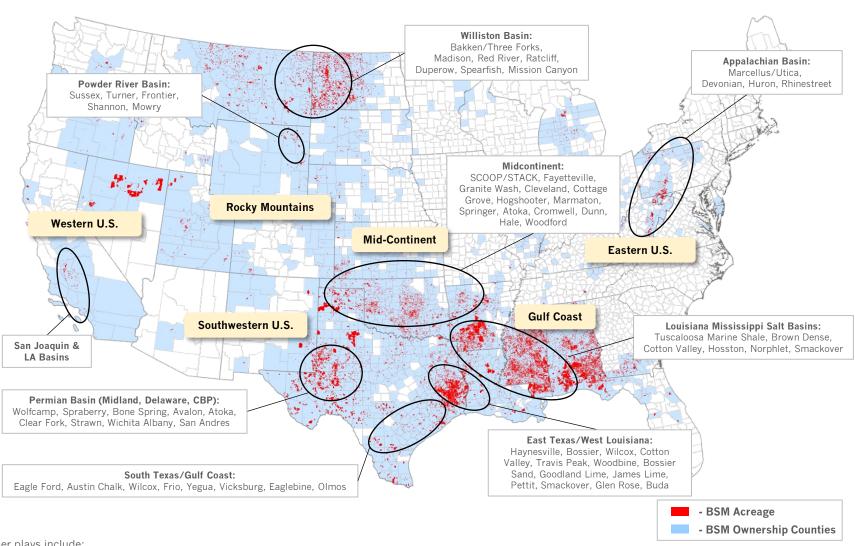
- ▲ 20 million gross acres<sup>(1)</sup> (7.4 million net) of opportunity leads to organic growth with <u>no</u> incremental capital requirements
  - A Black Stone's team of landmen, engineers and geologists actively promote its acreage to industry operators
  - Focus on active management with Aethon Energy has led to a notable increase in production from the Shelby Trough Haynesville/Bossier acreage in Angelina County and successful programs with multiple operators in the Austin Chalk



<sup>1)</sup> As of December 31, 2023; based on gross acres for all interest types

# Active Management - Opportunities





Other plays include:

DJ Basin: Niobrara and Codell

Southwestern Wyoming: Pinedale Anticline, Mesa Verde, Niobrara, and Wasatch Palo Duro: Canyon Lime, Brown Dolomite, Canyon Wash, Cisco Sand, and Strawn Wash

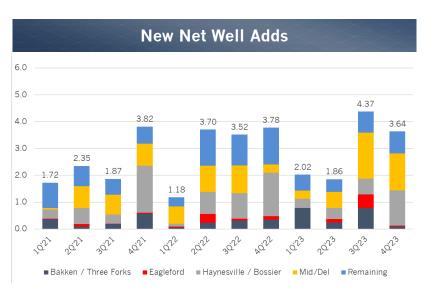
Bend Arch-Fort Worth Basin: Barnett Shale, Bend Conglomerate, Caddo, Marble Falls, and Mississippian Falls

# Operational Activity Remains Resolute

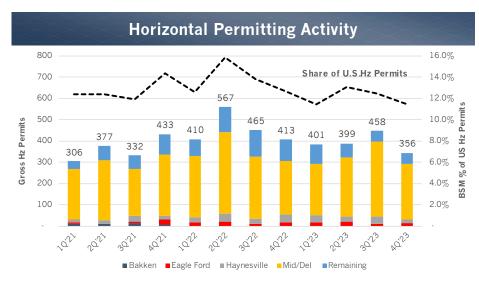


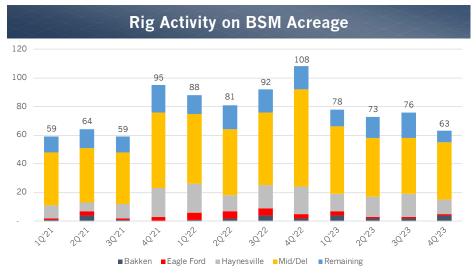
#### **Commentary**

- Black Stone's diverse asset footprint helps moderate volatility of industry activity
- Horizontal permitting has started to slow compared to 2022; however, net well additions remain strong in in Q3 and Q4'23
- BSM's share of horizontal US permits remained in line with historical averages
- Rig activity on BSM acreage has slowed in recent months in response to lower gas prices









# Shelby Trough Active Management



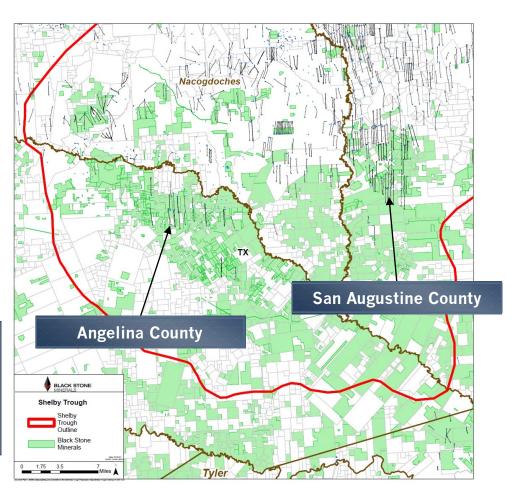
**2014:** The southern portion of the Texas Haynesville/Bossier (Shelby Trough area) was relatively undeveloped; BSM invested with XTO to initiate activity in San Augustine County and then structured development agreements with XTO and BP

**2019**: XTO and BP ceased development of the area, primarily due to low natural gas prices

**2020**: Black Stone remarketed the BP's former acreage and signed the first agreement with Aethon to restart the development program with 4 wells per year increasing to 15 wells per year

**2021:** Black Stone and XTO partitioned certain San Augustine working interest acreage, paving the way for a second development program with Aethon in San Augustine County for 5 wells per year increasing to 12 wells per year

**Current:** Due to the challenging natural gas market, Aethon elected to enact the "Time-Out" provision under the JEA. However, BSM expects Aethon to continue operations on ~30 wells in various development stages<sup>(1)</sup>

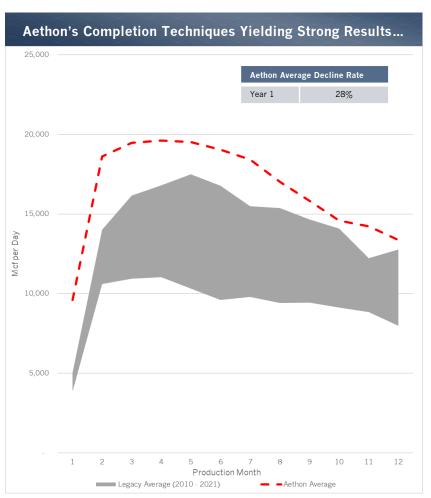


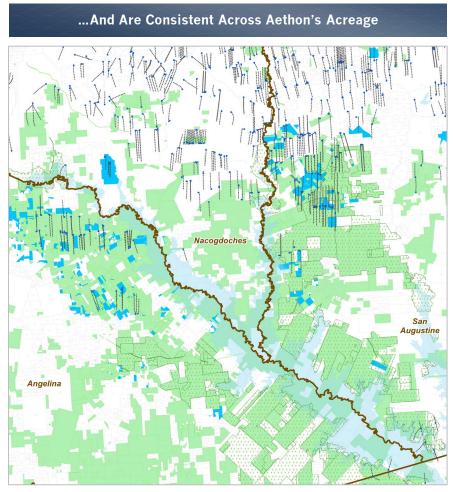
1) While the time-out provisions in our Joint Exploration Agreements (JEAs) with Aethon provide them with the ability to unilaterally and temporarily suspend certain obligations related to new drills when commodity prices hit specific targets for a defined period of time, Black Stone has neither waived any of its rights, nor any of Aethon's obligations, under the terms of the JEAs, including those relating to the drilling and completion of specified numbers of wells during the relevant program years.

## Aethon Shelby Trough Production Trends



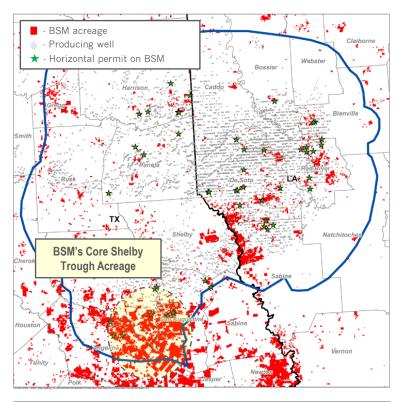
Aethon has found success drilling at both the Haynesville and Bossier wells in both the San Augustine and Angelina Shelby Trough with Initial production rate exceeding prior vintage wells. Average initial production rates nearing 20,000 Mcf/day and recent wells exceeding 30,000 mcf/day





# Haynesville/Bossier Position





Key Statistics		
Gross Mineral and Royalty Acres <sup>1</sup>	~457,000	
Permits on BSM last 12 mos <sup>2</sup>	107	
% Permits on BSM acreage last 12 mos <sup>2</sup>	30%	

- ▲ Black Stone's Shelby Trough position in East Texas has both Haynesville and Bossier potential with strong EURs in a deep setting
  - In March 2021, Exxon agreed to partition acreage in San Augustine
  - BSM entered into development agreements on Angelina and San Augustine areas of the Shelby Trough
- ▲ BSM is also significantly exposed to the Louisiana Haynesville/Bossier and continues to work large operators to develop its high-interest acreage

### **Active Operators**







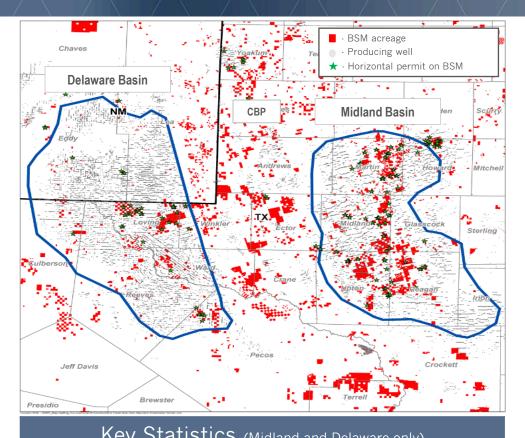


<sup>)</sup> As of 12/31/23, inclusive of mineral interests, NPRIs, and ORRIs

<sup>2)</sup> Permit data sourced from IHS and represents permits filed through 12/31/2023

## Permian Position





<b>A</b>	Black Stone has aggregated a
	significant position in these basins
	since the IPO to complement its
	legacy position

- Diverse operator and acreage position
- Continued strong rig activity and permits to date through 2023

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Gross Mineral and Royalty Acres <sup>1</sup>	~628,500
Permits on BSM last 12 mos <sup>2</sup>	1,135

% Permits on BSM acreage last 12 mos<sup>2</sup> 16%

### **Active Operators**













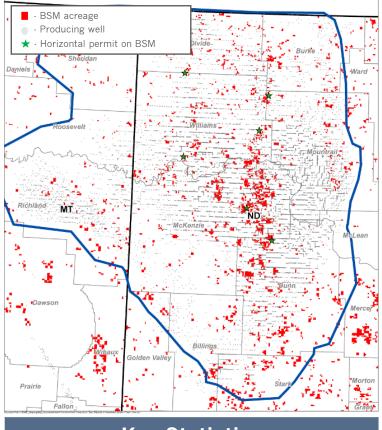


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## Bakken/Three Forks Position





Key Statistics

Gross Mineral and Royalty Acres¹ ~449,000

Permits on BSM last 12 mos² 49

% Permits on BSM acreage last 12 mos² 6%

- Black Stone's concentration in the core of the Bakken has historically been a high cash flow performing asset
- Activity across BSM's Bakken acreage remains strong, with 49 permits filed over the last 12 months representing 6% of all permits across the play
- Future development opportunities still exist in tier II and tier III acreage which has become attractive in the higher price environments

### **Active Operators**











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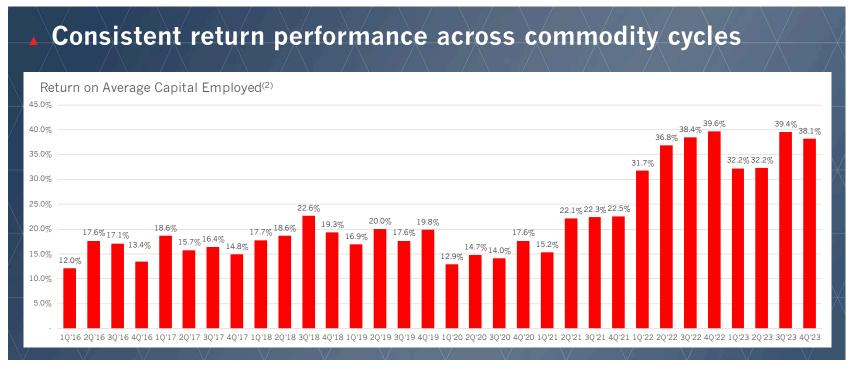
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# Generating Returns to Shareholders



### ▲ Long history of returning cash to equity holders

- Distribution yield supported by coverage
- $\sim$  \$4.7 billion returned to investors through distributions over the past 25 years
- ~3.4x return on invested capital to date<sup>(1)</sup>

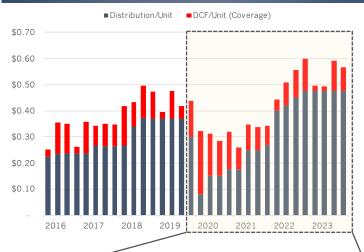


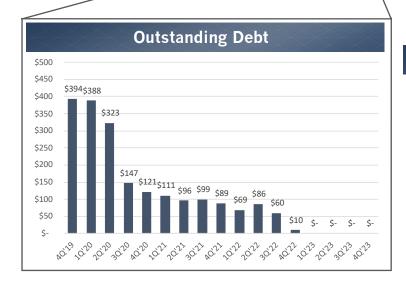
- 1) Return on Investment (ROI) calculated as (Cumulative Distributions + Adj. BSM Market Cap) / Capital Raised through December 31, 2021
- 2) ROACE calculated as the annualized quotient of quarterly EBIT (Adjusted EBITDA less DD&A) divided by average capital employed during the period; capital employed is defined as the sum of long-term debt, preferred equity, and equity as reported on consolidated quarterly balance sheets

## BSM Maintains a Strong Balance Sheet



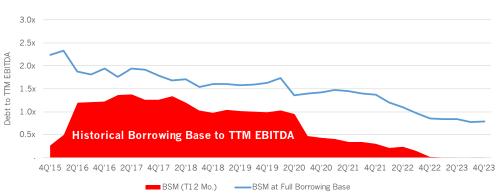






- Current Balance Sheet Position<sup>(1)</sup>
  - ▲ Credit Facility undrawn; no other debt in capital structure
  - ▲ BSM increased its RBL to \$580 million which is ~1.20x TTM EBITDA
  - \$300 million convertible preferred equity outstanding; no maturity date
- Operating model has low fixed cash costs
  - ~\$63 million of cash costs (cash G&A + lease operating expenses)
  - Production costs and taxes average ~11% of oil and gas revenues
- BSM employs a conservative hedge strategy primarily with swaps designed to lock-in pricing to support distributable cash flow and distributions over the next 12 to 24 months

#### BSM has maintained low leverage throughout the cycles



1) Balance sheet position as of December 31, 2023.

# Ample Liquidity at YE 2023



- ▲ BSM's current Borrowing Base is \$580 with the elected commitment amount at \$375 million
- As of December 31, BSM had approximately \$445 million of available liquidity, including approximately \$70.2 million of cash and cash equivalents

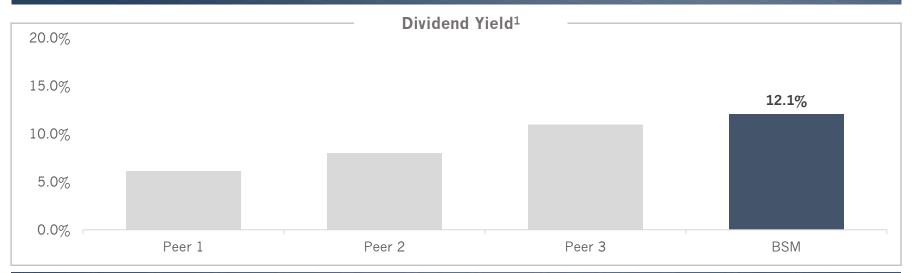
Key Leverage Metrics			
(\$ in millions)			At End of 4Q'23
Cash and Cash Equivalents			\$70.2
Total Debt			\$0
Net Debt			\$(70.2)
Borrowing Base <sup>1</sup>			\$375.0
Available Liquidity			\$445.2
4Q'23 Credit Facility Metrics	Net Income	LTM Adj. EBITDA	
Consolidated Debt Leverage Ratio (Covenant < 3.50x)	\$422.5	\$474.7	0.00x
Consolidated Net Debt / LTM Adjusted EBITDA			(0.15x)

<sup>1)</sup> BSM's current Borrowing Base is \$580 million; however, liquidity is determined using the elected commitment amount, which is \$375 million.

## BSM is an Attractive Investment



### BSM Provides an Appealing Dividend Yield Compared to its Peers...



#### ...and a Clean Balance Sheet with Ample Liquidity





Note: Peers include VNOM, STR, and KRP

<sup>)</sup> Dividend yield as of March 20th, 2024. Peer distributions per Q4 2023 earnings press releases.

<sup>2) 2023</sup> EBITDAX in Debt /EBITDAX per FactSet.

Liquidity calculated using availability on Revolving Credit Facility plus cash on hand. BSM liquidity includes cash on hand at February 16th, 2024. Peer estimates utilize reported year-end 2023 results.

# 2024 Financial Guidance



		FY 2023 <u>Actual</u>	FY 2024 Guidance
Mineral & Royalty Production	(Mboe/d)	37.4	39.0 - 40.0
Working Interest Production	(Mboe/d)	2.4	1.0 - 2.0
Total Production	(Mboe/d)	39.8	40.0 - 42.0
% Natural Gas	(%)	74.1%	76.0%
% Royalty Interest	(%)	94.0%	96.0%
Lease Bonus	(\$MM)	\$12.5	\$10.0 - \$15.0
Lease Operating Expenses	(\$MM)	\$11.4	\$10.0 - \$12.0
Production Costs <sup>1</sup>	(%)	11.7%	11.0% - 13.0%
Cash G&A	(\$MM)	\$40.6	\$44.0 - \$45.0
Non-Cash G&A	(\$MM)	\$10.9	\$10.0 - \$12.0
Total G&A	(\$MM)	\$51.5	\$54.0 - \$57.0
DD&A	(\$ / Boe)	\$3.14	\$3.00 - \$3.25

<sup>1)</sup> Production costs include production and ad valorem taxes; percentage reported represents costs as a percentage of pre-hedge revenues.



Appendix

# Non-GAAP Financial Measures



(\$ in thousands)	Three Months Ended December 31, 2023	Twelve Months Ended December 31, 2023
Net income (loss)	\$147,602	\$422,549
Adjustments to reconcile to Adjusted EBITDA:		
Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	11,748	45,683
Interest expense	674	2,754
Income tax expense (benefit)	143	320
Accretion of asset retirement obligations	293	1,042
Equity-based compensation	2,417	10,829
Unrealized (gain) loss on commodity derivative instruments	(37,400)	(8,394)
(Gain) loss on sale of assets, net	-	(73)
Adjusted EBITDA	\$125,522	\$474,710
Adjustments to reconcile to Distributable cash flow:		
Change in deferred revenue	(1)	(9)
Cash interest expense	(410)	(1,715)
Preferred unit distributions	(6,026)	(21,776)
Distributable cash flow	\$119,085	\$451,211
Total Units Outstanding <sup>(1)</sup>	210,313	
Distributable Cash Flow per Unit	\$0.566	

<sup>1)</sup> The distribution attributable to the quarter ended December 31, 2023 is calculated using 210,313,477 common units as of the record date of February 16, 2024.