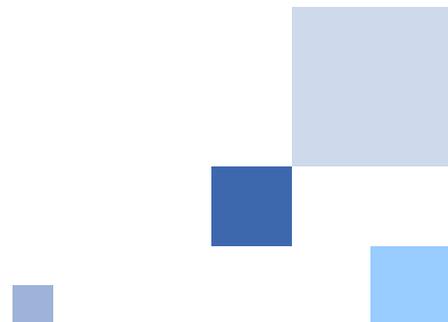


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# ***Focus on Organic Growth and Dividends***

**July 2007**



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# Key messages of Q1 2007

## Performance Q1 2007

- Operating result +35%
- Recurrent net income +28%
- New € 600 m efficiency enhancement programme started

## Financial Position

- Net debt reduced to € 6.2 bn
- Contractual Trust Arrangement (CTA) implemented

## German Regulation

- National Allocation Plan II: Tighter allocation expected
- 2nd round of grid fee reviews
- Special antitrust law for utility sector in preparation

## Outlook 2007

- Strong fundamentals persist
- Positive outlook for 2007 confirmed

# RWE Group results Q1 2007

January – March

€ million

	2007	2006*	change in %
EBITDA	3,216	2,500	+28.6
Operating result	2,816	2,092	+34.6
Non-operating result	23	-56	+141.1
Financial result	-307	-535	+42.6
Income from continuing operations before tax	2,532	1,501	+68.7
Taxes on income	-871	-487	-78.9
Income from continuing operations	1,661	1,014	+63.8
Income from discontinued operations	0	100	-100.0
Minority interest	91	66	+37.9
Net income	1,570	1,048	+49.8
Recurrent net income	1,381	1,083	+27.5
Average No. of shares (million)	562.4	562.4	–
EPS (€)	2.79	1.86	+50.0

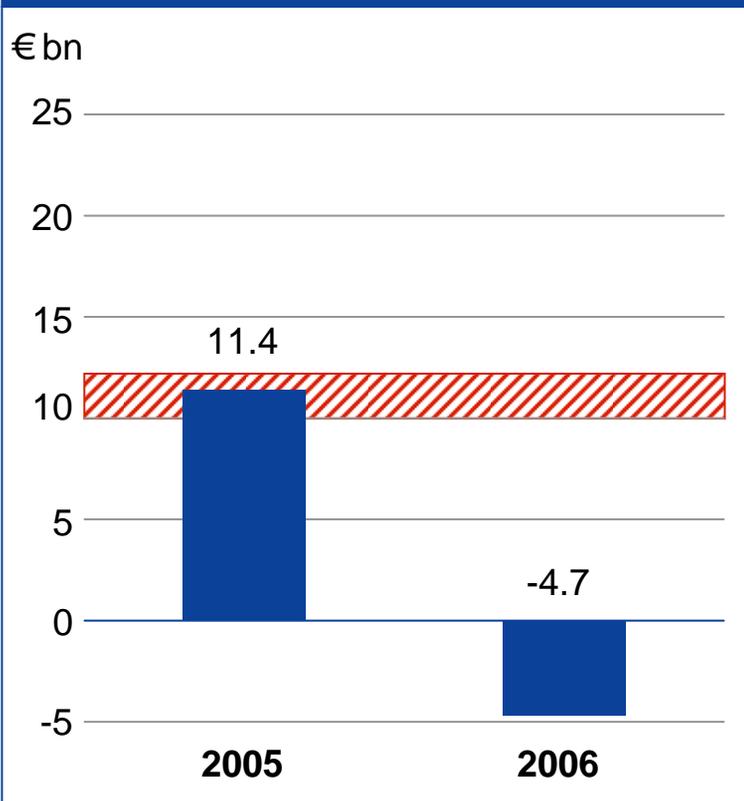
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# *In 2006 we have achieved or beaten our mid-term targets*

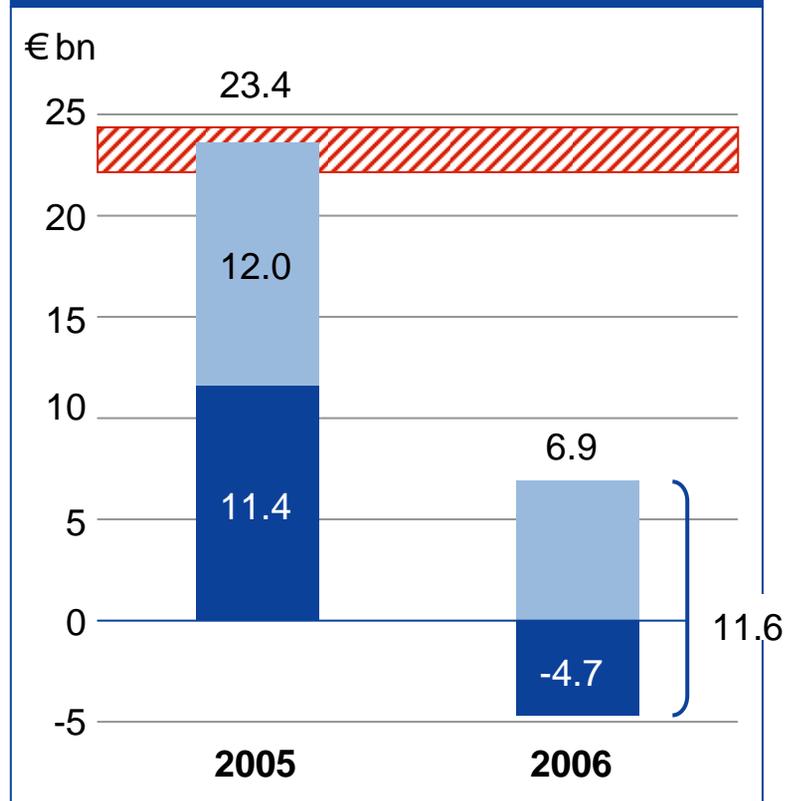
	Target	Achieved	
Operating result	5% organic CAGR	11.6% CAGR 2004 - 2006	
Dividend	>15% CAGR 2004 - 2006	41% CAGR 2004 -2006	
ROCE	14% by 2006	18.7%	
Cost reduction + synergies	€ 680 m by 2006	Fully achieved	

# New cap for net debt

Old cap of "net financial debt"  
at € 10 – 12 bn



New cap of "net debt" at  
€ 22 – 24 bn after CTA

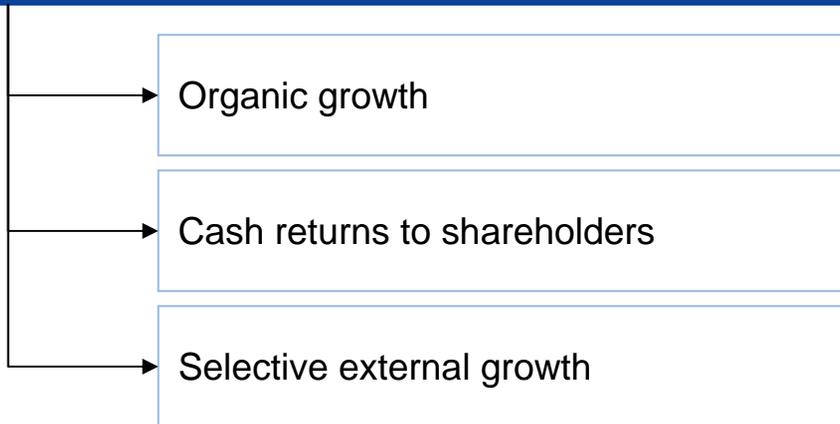


Net financial debt (+), assets (-)

Pension provisions

# Utilisation of financial flexibility

The disposal of the Water Division will further enhance the financial flexibility of the Group. We aim to utilise it by way of



# ***Strong levers for organic profit growth***

## **Price development**

- Strong wholesale electricity prices in our core markets
- Value oriented retail strategy

## **Growth & efficiency enhancing capex**

- Power generation in Germany, UK, NL and CEE
- Upstream exploration & production projects for RWE Dea
- Gas grids and storage facilities

## **Consumption growth**

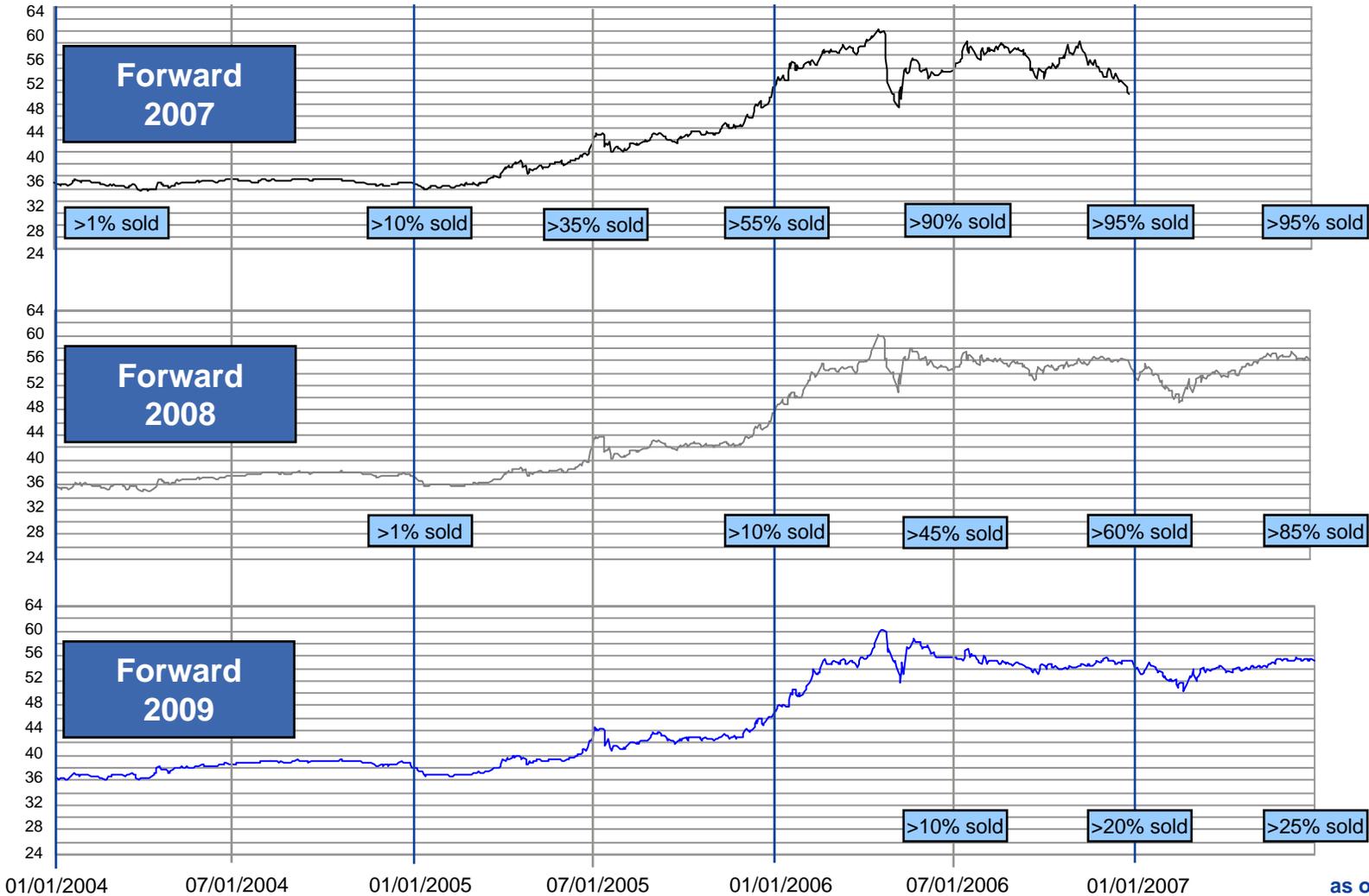
- Strong position in growing CEE markets plus catching up of wholesale prices with Western European levels

## **Efficiency enhancement**

- We have set up a new programme of €600 m p.a. by 2010
- 100% accretive to operating result

# RWE Power: Attractive spreads locked in

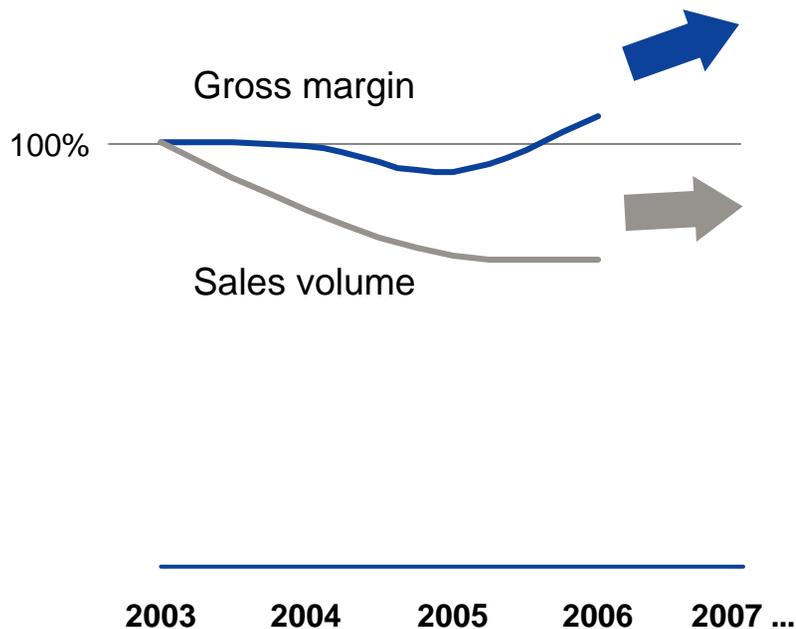
Forward selling of RWE Power in the German market (baseload forwards in €/MWh)



# RWE Energy has successfully implemented a value-oriented retail strategy

## Development of volume and gross margin\*

– RWE Energy Electricity Germany –



## Value-oriented retail strategy

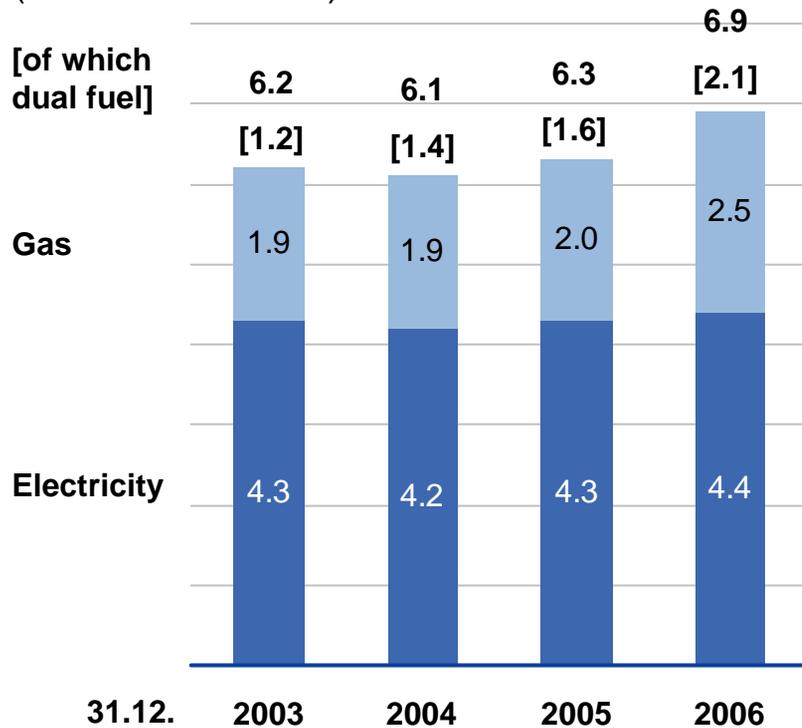
- Across all customer segments: value-orientation results in increasing total gross margin
- Stabilization of sales volumes achieved
- With the phasing out of tariff approval in July 2007, competition will increase - provided sufficient margins make customer acquisition more attractive
- The challenge for RWE Energy is to retain retail customers with attractive services/products at positive margins and in parallel to prepare the ground for acquiring new customers

\* Gross margin: Revenues – (governmental charges + energy procurement + grid fees)

# RWE npower: value oriented retail strategy with growing customer numbers

## Development of customer numbers

(in million accounts)

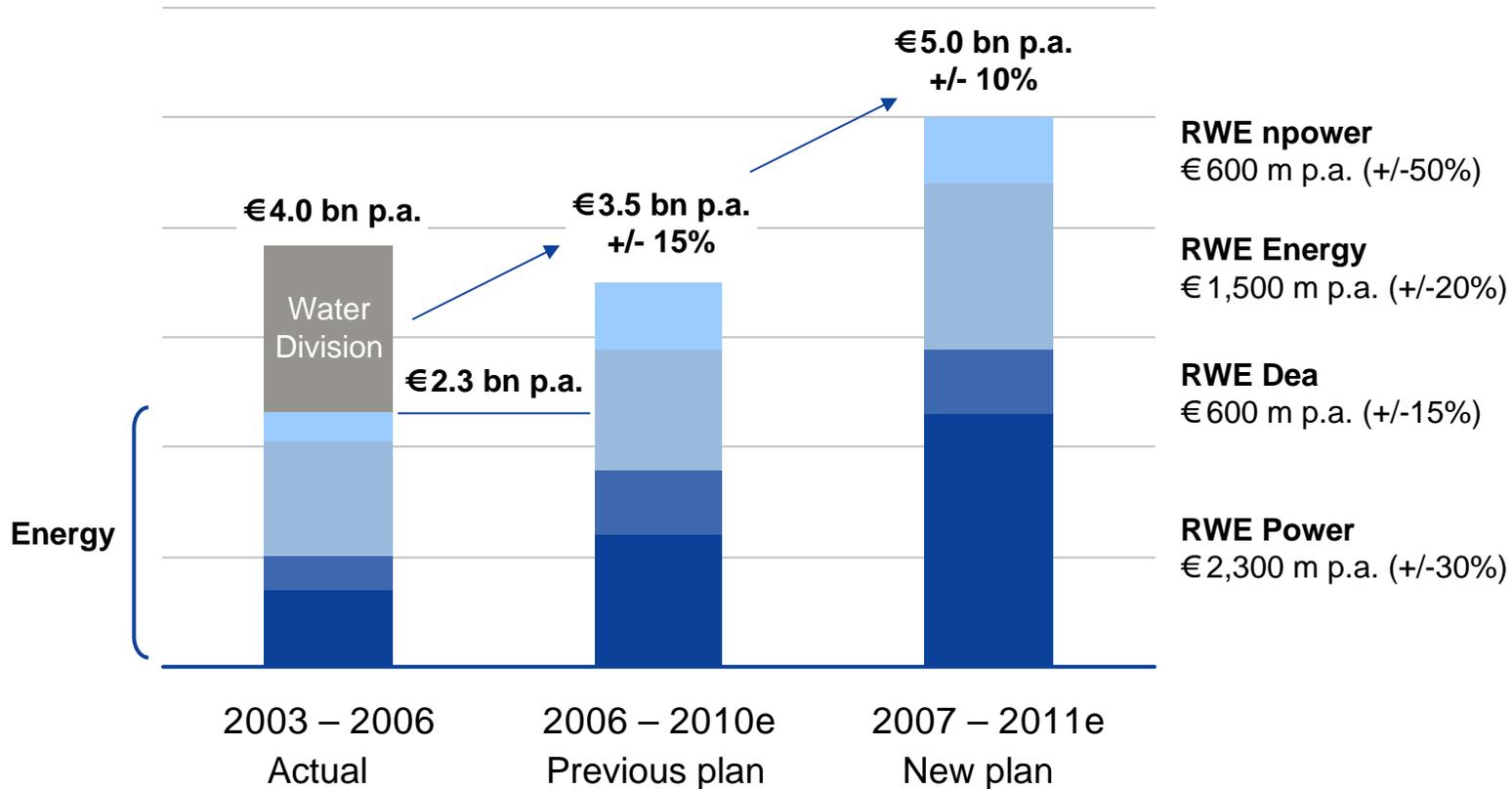


## Value-oriented retail strategy

- Price volatility in wholesale gas and power prices has continued
- Competition remains intense
- However, RWE npower has increased customer numbers by 700,000 since Dec. 2003
- The number of dual fuel customers increased by 75% since 2003
- Successful branding and price proposition

RWE npower is continuing to build a value oriented customer portfolio

# Mid-term capex programme significantly stepped up: Growth takes centre stage



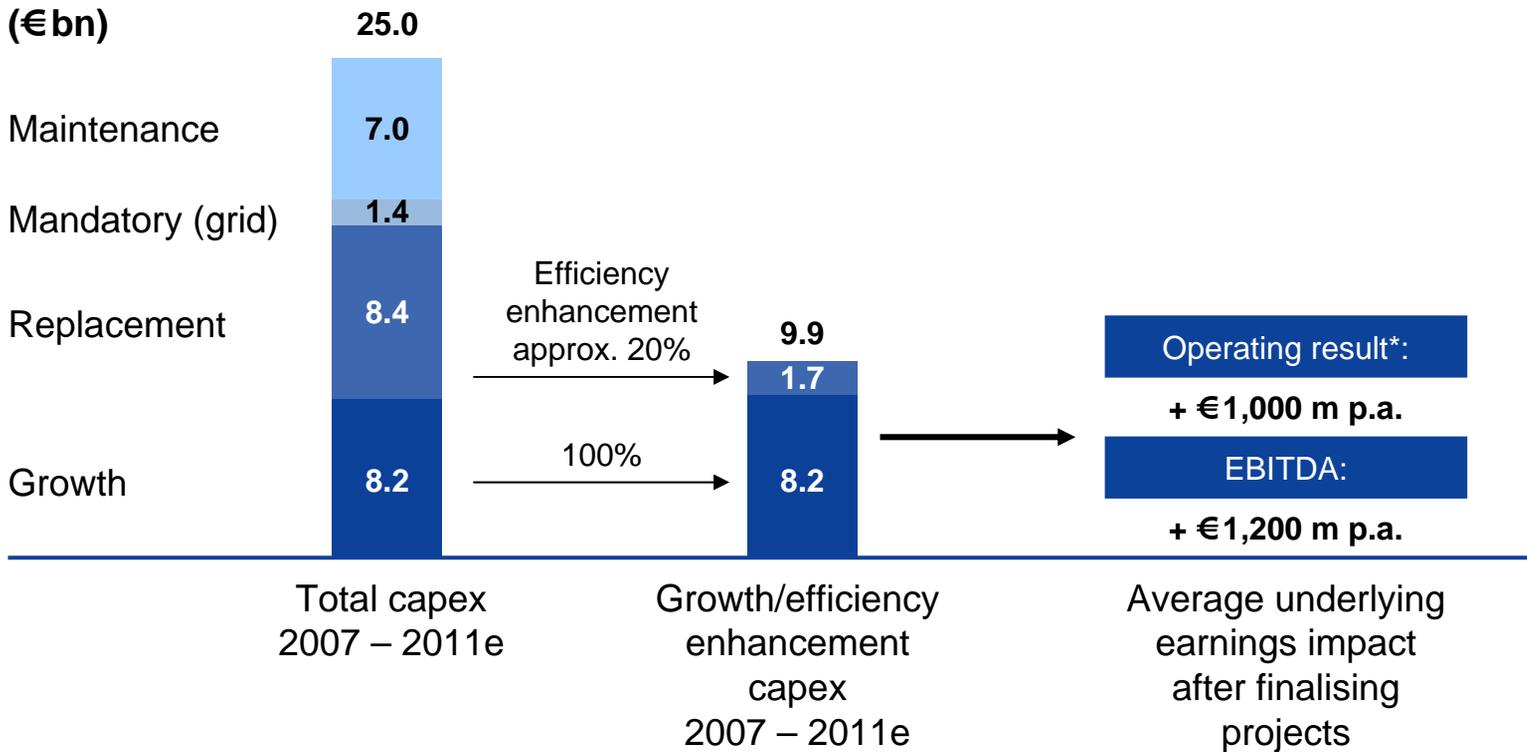
➤ Approximately 40% of the total programme is dedicated to growth and efficiency enhancement, thereby creating additional value.

# Major investment projects

Project (€ bn)	Horizon	Capex	of which	
			Growth	Efficiency <sup>1</sup>
<b>Germany</b>				
Power plant BoA 2/3 (lignite - 2,100 MW)	2006 – 2010	2.2		0.7
Power plant Hamm (hard-coal – 1,530 MW)	2008 – 2012	2.0		0.4
Power plant Ensdorf (hard-coal – 1,530 MW)	2008 – 2012	2.0		0.4
CCGT Lingen (peak gas – 875 MW)	2007 – 2009	0.5		0.2
CO <sub>2</sub> free power plant (450 MW)	2011 – 2014	1.0		0.2
		<b>7.7</b>		<b>1.9</b>
<b>UK</b>				
CCGT Staythorpe (gas – 1,650 MW)	2007 – 2010	0.9	0.9	
CCGT Pembroke (optional)				
Renewable energies <sup>2</sup>	2007 – 2011	0.7	0.7	
		<b>1.6</b>	<b>1.6</b>	
<b>Other international projects</b>				
Hard-coal fired power plant NL (1,560 MW)	2007 – 2012	2.2	2.2	
Dea exploration and production projects	2007 – 2011	2.2	0.6	
Gas grids and storage projects <sup>3</sup>	2007 – 2011	2.0	2.0	
		<b>6.4</b>	<b>4.8</b>	
<b>Total</b>		<b>15.7</b>	<b>6.4</b>	<b>1.9</b>

<sup>1</sup> Higher efficiency due to new technologies (simplified calculation)<sup>2</sup> Mainly UK but also including other international projects<sup>3</sup> Mainly international

# How growth and efficiency enhancement capex will impact our underlying earnings performance

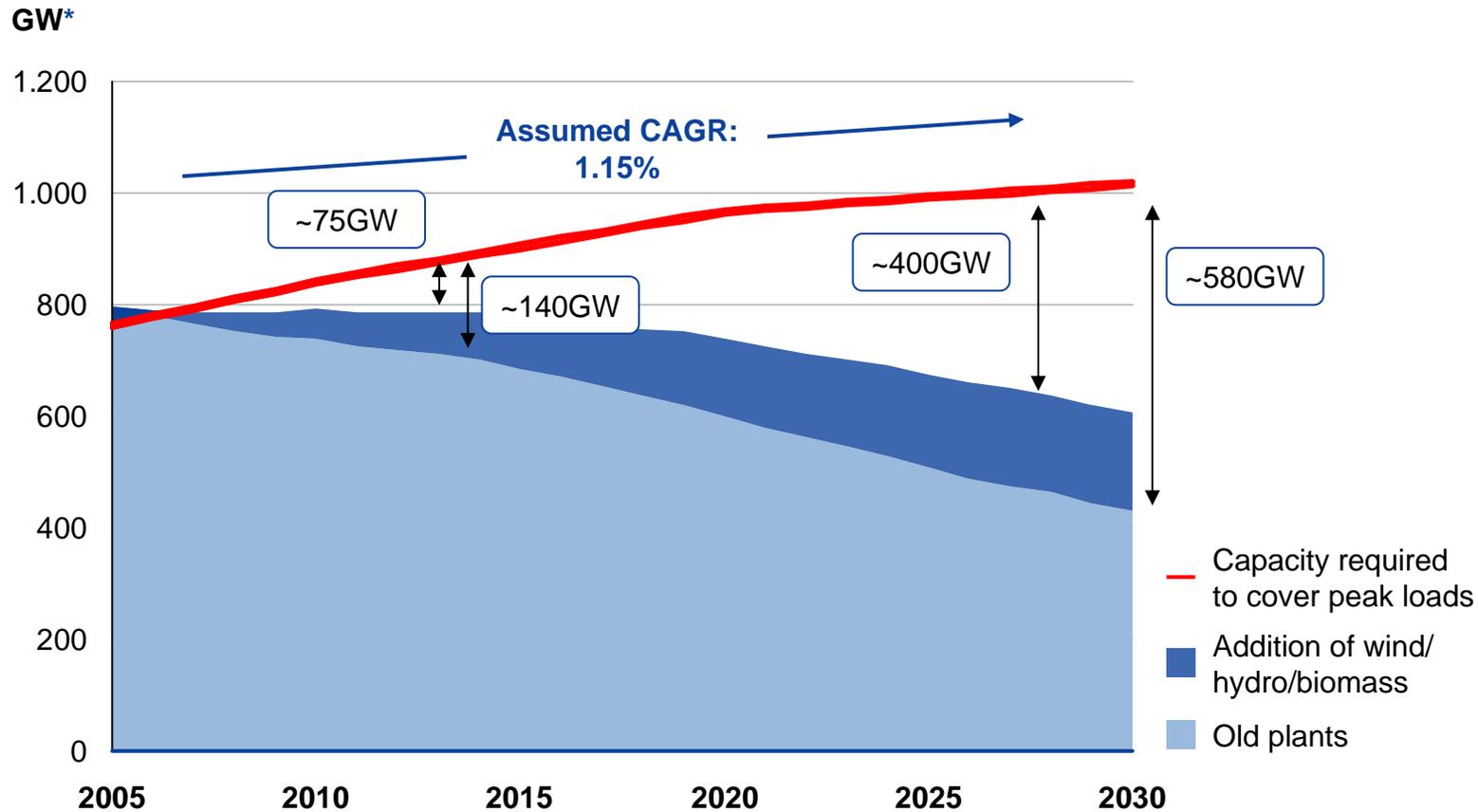


\* Average impact. Depending on depreciation period, operating result lower in early years and higher in later years

# ***Generation capacity in Europe will stay tight!***

- Different sources (Union for the Coordination of Transmission of Electricity (UCTE), Cambridge Energy Research Associates (CERA), IEA) expect capacity bottleneck
- Drivers for capacity bottlenecks
  - Overageing power plants
  - High gas prices (driven by high oil prices)
  - Supply constraints for power plant components
  - Lengthy approval procedures for interconnector extensions
  - Political risks threatening investment plans for power plants and networks
  - Special drivers:
    - Nuclear phase out in Germany
    - Large Combustion Plant Directive (LCPD) in UK
    - Increased peak-load demand in France
    - Volatile hydro reservoir levels in Spain, Scandinavia, Austria, Switzerland

# Old power plants throughout Europe result in a massive need for new build by 2030



\* EU 27, Norway, Switzerland  
Source: Boston Consulting Group, EURPROG, UCTE, RWE, 2006

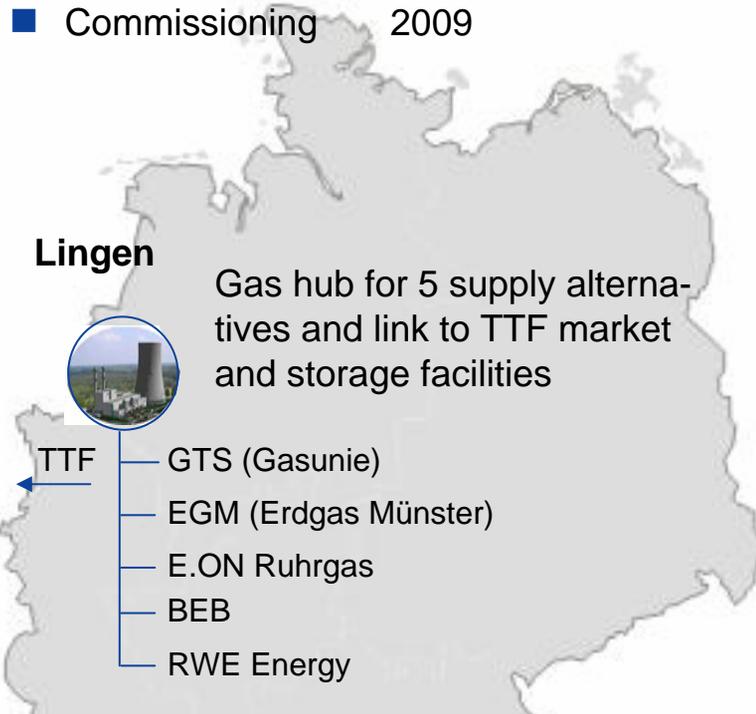
## ***Selective investment in hard coal plants attractive despite increasing carbon risks***

- If the current oil /gas and CO2 price levels prevail hard coal plants (HC) are likely to operate in base load. New CCGTs will only operate profitably in a mid merit / peak load position. Therefore new HC benefits from price setting, less efficient, older HC and gas plants. The impact of higher CO2 prices will be dampened by increasing power prices.
- Power prices will be supported by high demand for newly built capacity; renewables unable to replace conventional generation capacity reliably. Currently, HC is the best option for replacement in terms of availability, efficiency and cost.
- Balanced fuel mix: Coal prices are much less volatile than oil/gas prices, therefore HC supports a sustainable power price level. Furthermore, fuel cost for new HC accounts for a much smaller part of full production cost than for a CCGT.
- Free allocation of CO2 emission rights likely to decrease over time – early mover advantage for current HC projects likely.
- Site specific advantages (e.g. synergies with existing infrastructure, grid connection, coal logistics, cooling) also play a key role for HC new build – not all sites are economically feasible.

# Exploiting attractive market opportunities – Our new CCGT power plant project in Lingen

## Peak load CCGT project Lingen

- Net capacity            875 MW
- Efficiency                > 58%
- Investment               € 0.5 bn
- Commissioning        2009

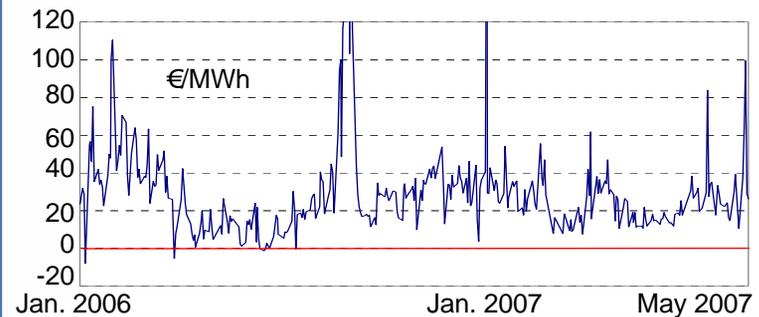


German clean spark spreads –  
Cal 07/08 power baseload vs. Cal 07/08 TTF gas in  
2006/07



Spreads not sufficient for base load CCGTs in Germany.

German clean spark spreads –  
Daily power peakload vs. daily TTF gas



Spot market volatility provides options for flexible peak load CCGTs in Germany.

# CEE markets show opportunities for attractive growth

CEE markets	Electricity		Gas	
	Volume <sup>1</sup> (TWh)	Growth <sup>2</sup> % p.a.	Volume <sup>1</sup> (bcm)	Growth <sup>2</sup> % p.a.
Poland 	145	2.8%	15	1.2%
Czech Rep. 	75	2.7%	10	1.6%
Romania	59	2.5%	18	1.4%
Bulgaria	42	2.7%	5	5.1%
Slovakia 	28	0.0%	7	3.7%
Hungary 	35	2.1%	15	1.6%
Slovenia	13	2.3%	1	2.6%
Croatia	16	2.0%	3	n/a
Serbia	35	3.0%	3	n/a
Other RWE core markets	Volume <sup>1</sup> (TWh)	Growth <sup>2</sup> % p.a.	Volume <sup>1</sup> (bcm)	Growth <sup>2</sup> % p.a.
Germany	562	0.4%	90	1.9%
UK	413	1.5%	100	0.5%
Benelux	209	2.0%	62	0.9%

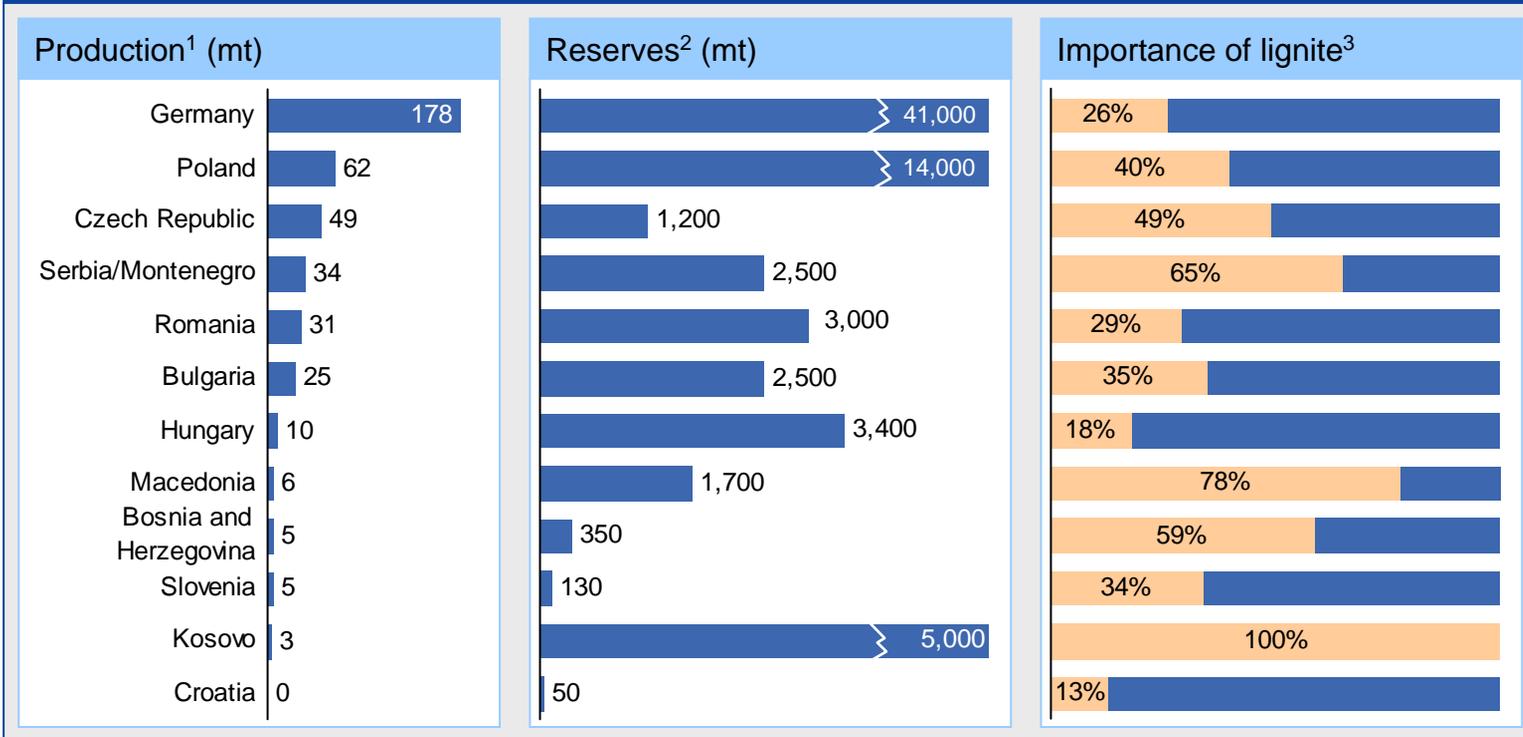
<sup>1</sup> Total sales to end customers

<sup>2</sup> Annual expected growth 2005 – 2010

Source: European Union/CARDS (Community Assistance for Reconstruction, Development and Stabilisation), RWE estimates, VDEW/VDN

# Lignite opportunities for RWE in CEE countries

## Lignite coal in selected CEE countries and Germany, 2005



➤ Our lignite position and experience gives us a competitive advantage for upcoming privatization projects in CEE countries.

<sup>1</sup> Source: "Energy Statistics of OECD and Non-OECD Countries", Edition 2006

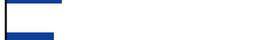
<sup>2</sup> Source: "Euracoal"; RWE

<sup>3</sup> Share of lignite in total power generation; Source: VDEW, RWE

# RWE's integrated gas position – strong platform for growth

## Europe's largest gas companies (2005)

(Gas sales volume in bcm)

ENI (ITA)	86	
E.ON (GER)	84	
Gasterra (NED)	81	
GdF (FRA)	68	
Centrica (GBR)	39	
RWE <sup>1</sup> (GER)	34	
Wintershall (GER)	33	
Gas Natural (ESP)	29	
Distrigaz (BEL)	18	
VNG (GER)	15	

## RWE's key gas figures (2006)

Gas sales volume (bcm)	33.5
External gas revenue (€ bn)	12.1
Customers <sup>2</sup> (million)	10.2
Gas and oil reserves / resources in m bbl oe	1,068
Gas and oil production in thousand bbl oe/day	125
Storage capacity (in bcm)	6.1
Pipelines (in km)	116,505

Equity gas/oil production at RWE Dea (upstream)

6.5 bcm



(17%)

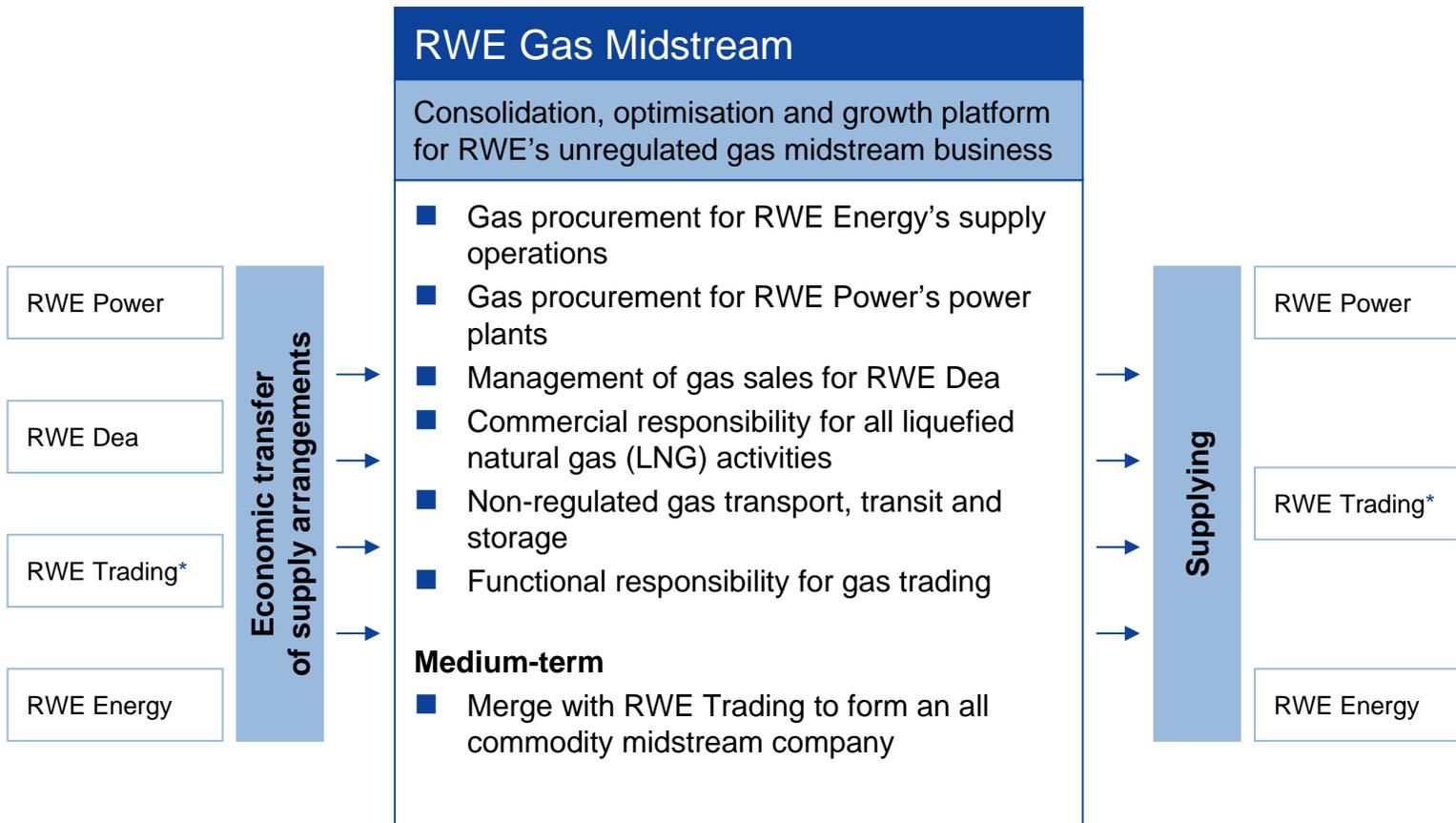
Gas fired power generation and gas sales (downstream)

39 bcm

<sup>1</sup> RWE: 2006

<sup>2</sup> Including participations  $\geq$  20%

# RWE Gas Midstream: full integration of the Group's midstream activities



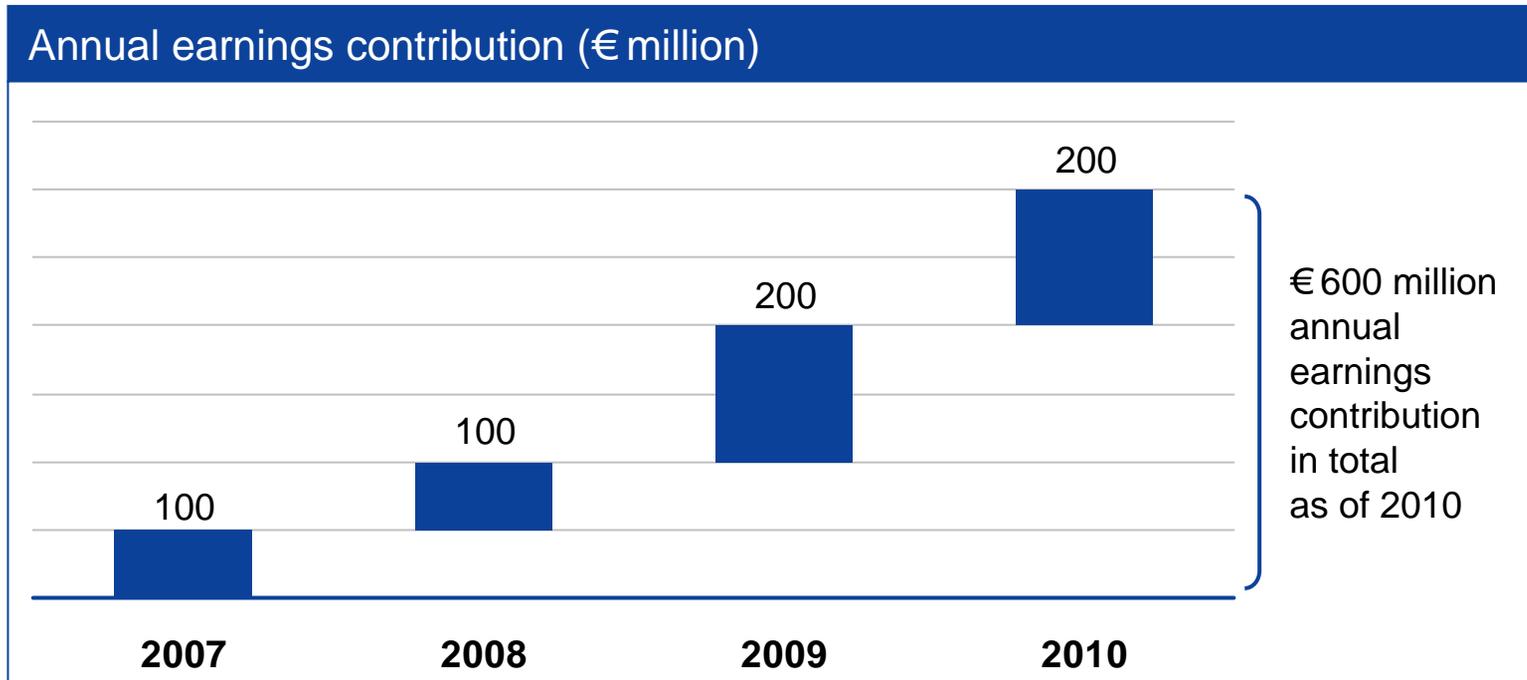
\* RWE Trading is the outlet for Gas Midstream into the traded wholesale markets and RWE Trading sources gas for RWE npower

# Strengthening our European gas position

## Current initiatives

- Renewal of gas contract with Gazprom (gas supply of 9 bcm p.a. and transit through 2035)
- Working on liquefaction in Egypt to export RWE Dea's equity gas
- Substantial gas find by our joint venture with BP in Egypt (> 26 bcm for 100%)
- LNG project "Gate" (10% stake in regasification terminal in Rotterdam)
- LNG project "Adria" in Croatia (11% stake in a regasification terminal at the Croatian Adriatic coast)
- Cooperation with Excelebrate Energy to exclusively market all their LNG landed in the UK
- Project to connect our German and Czech gas transportation systems

# New efficiency enhancement targets



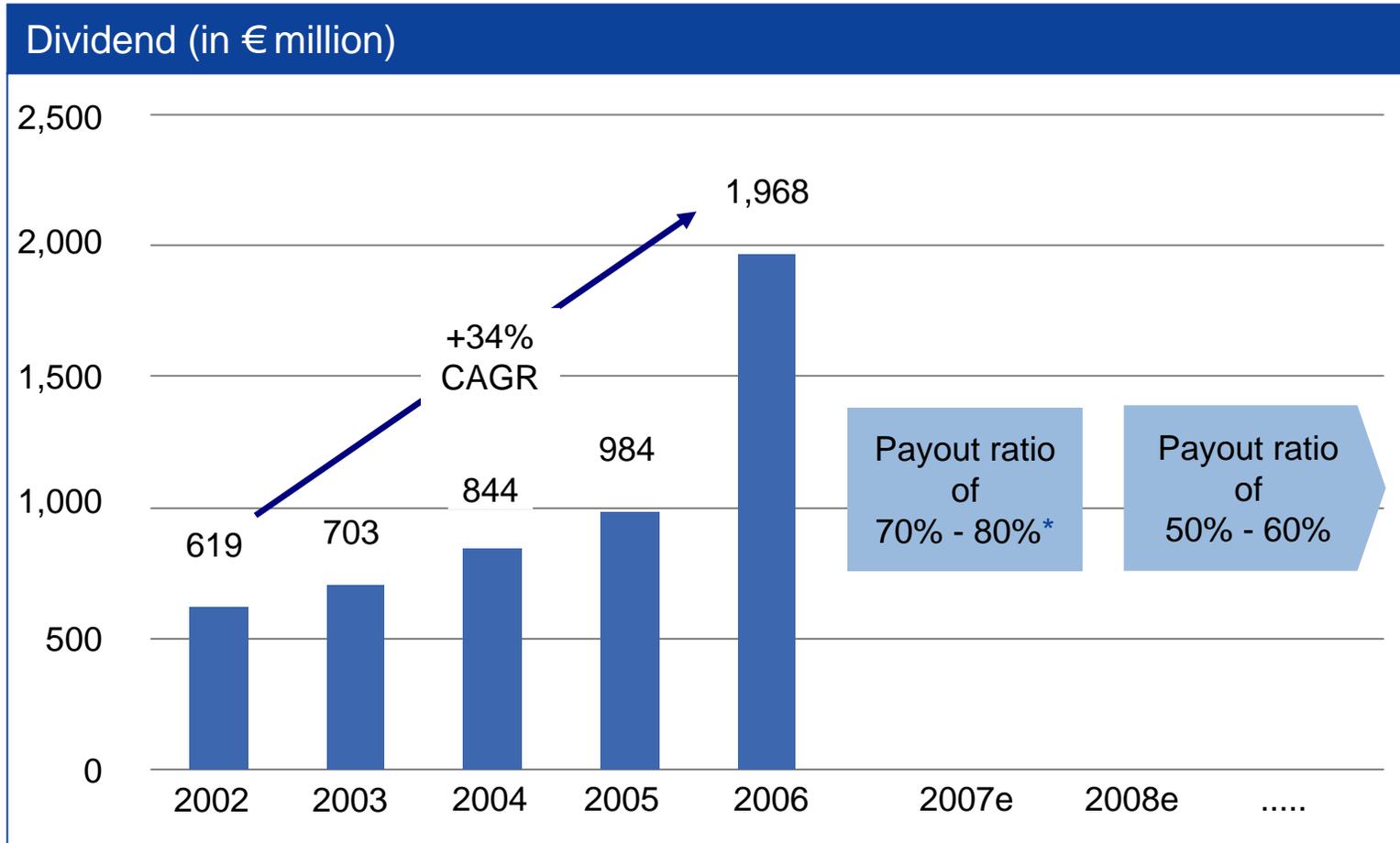
- Efforts will mainly focus on cost reductions from internal benchmarking processes and higher availability and increase in efficiency of our generation assets
- Efficiency gains will be fully accretive to operating result
- In addition, we aim to compensate for the cost inflation between 2007 and 2010

# External growth: Strategy and perspectives

- We will stick to our strategy:
  - Targets have to make strategic sense (markets, synergies)
  - Targets have to fulfil our strict financial criteria
- M&A market is currently a sellers' market with stretched valuations, therefore patience is required
- Cash deals or asset swaps resulting from larger M&A or takeovers may be of interest

**Size is not a strategy – value is!**

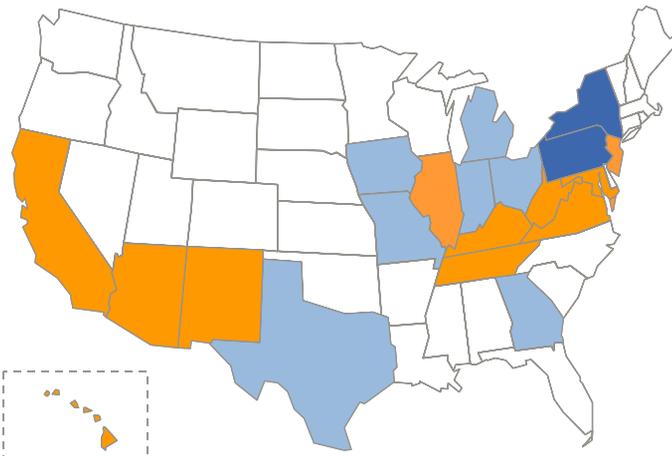
# Shareholder-friendly dividend policy to continue



\* The prerequisite is a successful IPO of the majority of American Water

# Update on water disposal

## States in which American Water has regulated operations



- Disposal approval granted
- Disposal approval pending
- No disposal approval necessary

## Update on planned disposal of American Water

- Petitions for regulatory approvals filed in 13 states – eleven approvals already received
- Necessary corporate functions (refinancing, risk management and internal control) established
- Successful private placement of \$ 900 million senior unsecured notes in December 2006
- We are striving to launch an IPO of American Water in 2007. However, the timing is subject to market conditions, the regulatory approval process, the implementation of Sarbanes Oxley Act requirements, and the SEC registration process

# ***German regulation: Antitrust legislation and network regulation***

## **Proposed amendment to the law against restraint of competition (GWB)**

- Enables cartel office to more strictly monitor energy prices for market abuse. Further key changes: reversal of burden of proof (utilities have to prove appropriateness of prices), immediate effect of interventions by the cartel office
- Draft amendment approved by German cabinet on April 25, 2007
- Decision by Parliament (Bundestag and Bundesrat) expected by summer/autumn 2007

## **Regulation of electricity and gas networks**

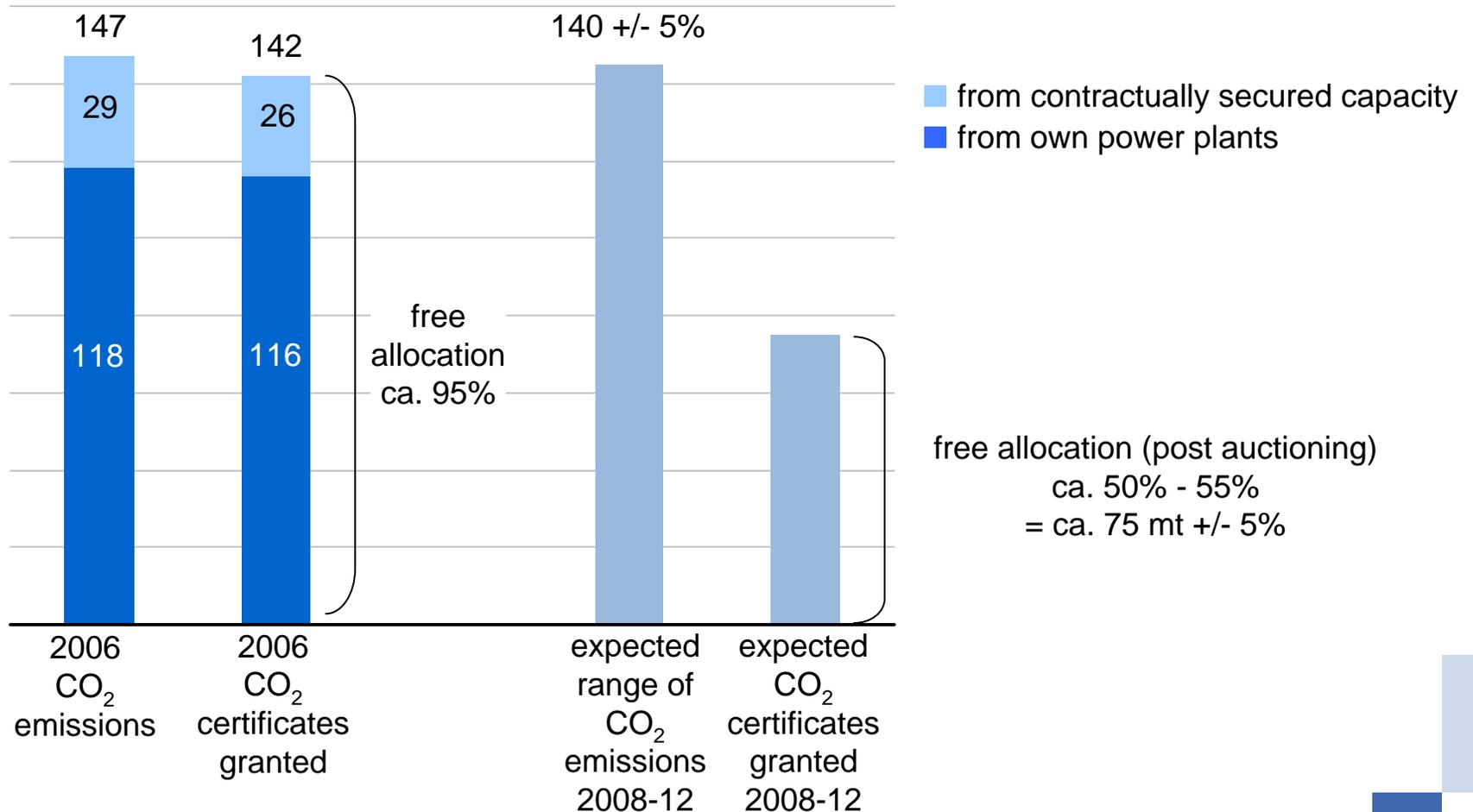
- Final tariff review before onset of incentive regulation: Utilities to submit filings for 2008 electricity tariffs by June 30 and gas tariffs by September 30
- Draft scheme for incentive regulation published by Federal Ministry of Economics in April, 2007
- Joint decision by Federal Government and Bundesrat (upper house of parliament) expected by autumn 2007

# ***Update on Emissions Trading (I): The new German National Allocation Plan (NAP II)***

- On 22 June 2007, The German Parliament approved the NAP II:
  - New proposed emissions cap: 453 million t p.a. + 3 million t for gas by-products
  - Transfer rule will be replaced by a benchmark system; two best available technology (BAT) benchmarks are envisaged: 750 g CO<sub>2</sub>/kWh for coal and 365 g CO<sub>2</sub>/kWh for gas
  - New plants built 2003 or later will get a utilization factor of 7,500 h, lignite plants a factor of 8,250 h; older plants get historic average utilization 2000 – 2005
  - Only general commitment to continue the benchmark system beyond 2012
  - CDM/JI cap increased to 22%
  - Introduction of a malus rule: Old plants with thermal efficiency below 41% (lignite), 45% (hard coal) and 55% (gas) are allocated significantly less certificates
  - Auctioning of 40 million tonnes (8.8%) taken from the allocation to the energy sector
- Possible end of legislation process: beginning of July 2007

# Update on Emissions Trading (II): Expected impact on RWE from German NAP II

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and free allocation of RWE in Germany (in million tons; annualized)



# ***Update on Emissions Trading (III): Current status of UK Governmental draft (NAP II)***

- The UK published a drafted NAP II in March 2006; following public consultation, the Government announced further details of the NAP at the end of June and submitted it to the EU Commission on August 21.
- On November 29 the EU Commission announced that it accepted the UK NAP II with only minor adjustments. A revised installation-level allocation list was published on December 18.
- Key elements:
  - Emission cap for CO<sub>2</sub> certificates: 237 mil t p.a. from 2008 – 2012 compared with 245 mil t p.a. in phase I
  - Auctioning is set at 7% of total allocation, all of which will be taken from the electricity sector
  - Allocations to individual sectors will be in line with business as usual except for the electricity sector which will bear the entire shortfall in the total allocation
  - 8% cap on utilisation of certificates derived from CDM/JI
  - The allocation to the electricity sector, including the new entrant reserve, is 107.4 mil t p.a. compared with 136.9 mil t p.a. in phase I
  - Allocation to RWE npower is 12.4 mil t p.a. compared with 15.8 mil t p.a. in phase I (excl. CHP)

# Outlook for 2007

	Reported 2006 <sup>1</sup> € million	Pro forma 2006 <sup>2</sup> € million	2007 forecast <sup>2</sup>
EBITDA	7,861	7,172	+5% - 10%
Operating result	6,106	5,681	ca. +10%
RWE Power	2,744	2,744	↗
RWE Energy	2,506	2,506	↘
RWE npower	512	512	↗
Water Division	425	DCO <sup>2</sup>	DCO <sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Exchange rates of (€ 1 =) USD 1.26; GBP 0.68

<sup>2</sup> Pro forma: Water Division discontinued operations (DCO)

# Outlook for 2007

	Reported 2006 <sup>1</sup> € million	Pro forma 2006 <sup>2</sup> € million	2007 forecast <sup>2, 3</sup>
External revenue	44,256	42,554	↗
Operating result	6,106	5,681	ca. +10%
Net income	3,847	3,847	↘
Recurrent net income	2,466	2,466	ca. +10%
Capex on fixed assets	4,494	2,910 <sup>4</sup>	ca. € 4 bn <sup>4</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Exchange rates of (€1 =) USD 1.26; GBP 0.68

<sup>2</sup> Pro forma: Water Division discontinued operations (DCO)

<sup>3</sup> Based on exchange rates of €/GBP = 0.70

<sup>4</sup> Adjusted for Water capex

# New mid-term targets



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