

# Shauneen Bruder Chair of the Board





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Tracy Robinson

President and Chief Executive Officer



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### 2024 key assumptions

CN has made a number of economic and market assumptions in preparing its 2024 outlook. The Company assumes slightly positive North American industrial production in 2024. For the 2023/2024 crop year, the grain crop in Canada was below its three-year average (also below when excluding the significantly lower 2021/2022 crop year) and the U.S. grain crop was above its three-year average. The Company assumes that the 2024/2025 grain crop in Canada will be in line with its three-year average (excluding the significantly lower 2021/2022 crop year) and the U.S. grain crop will also be in line with its three-year average. CN assumes RTM growth in mid-single digit range. CN assumes continued pricing above rail inflation upon contract renewals. CN also assumes that in 2024, the value of the Canadian dollar in U.S. currency will be approximately \$0.75, and assumes that in 2024 the average price of crude oil (West Texas Intermediate) will be approximately in the US\$70 - US\$80 range per barrel.

### 2024-2026 key assumptions

CN has made a number of economic and market assumptions in preparing its three-year financial perspective. CN assumes North American industrial production growth of at least two percent CAGR for 2024-2026. CN assumes continued pricing above rail inflation. CN assumes that the value of the Canadian dollar in U.S. currency will be approximately \$0.75 and that the average price of crude oil (West Texas Intermediate) will be approximately US\$80 per barrel during this period.

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**Shauneen Bruder** 

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**David Freeman** 

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**Justin Howell** 

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**Robert Knight** 

**Michel Letellier** 

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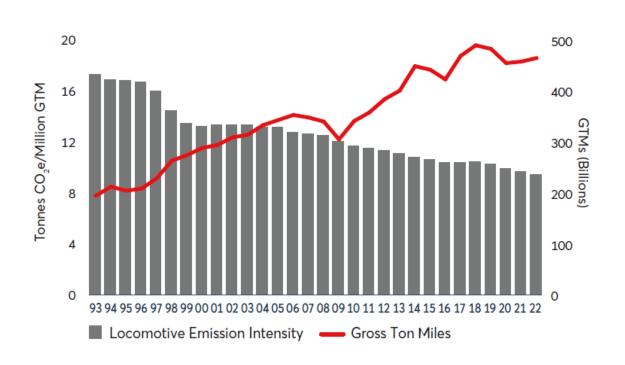


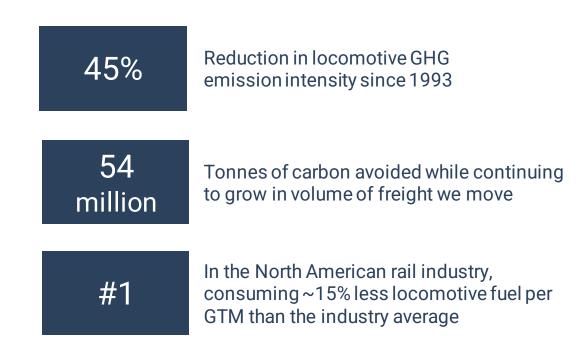


# Capitalizing on a Strong Track Record of Fuel/Carbon Efficiency

### GHG Emission Intensity vs. Gross Ton Miles (GTMs)

(Tonnes CO₂e/Million GTM vs. Traffic Billion GTMs)



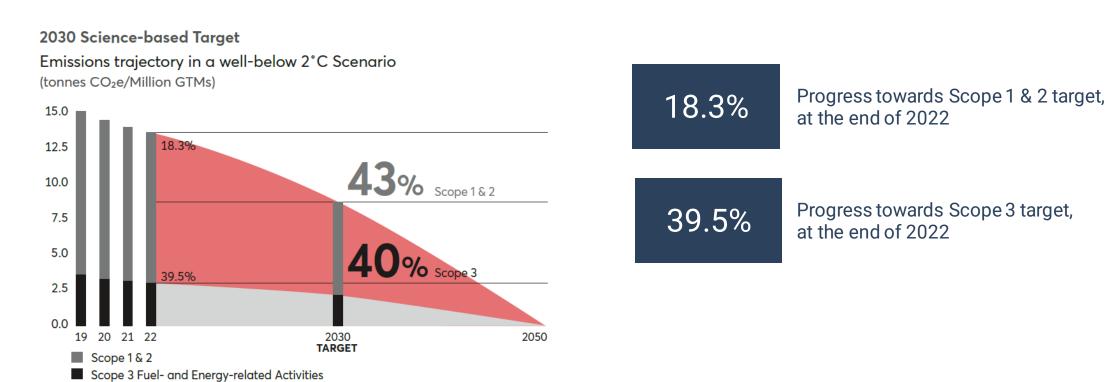


AS A MOVER OF THE ECONOMY, CN IS COMMITTED TO PLAYING A KEY ROLE IN THE TRANSITION TO A LOW-CARBON ECONOMY



### **Committed to Reduce Emissions**

Actively working with our customers to help them reduce their transportation supply chain GHG emissions



CN SUBMITTED TO SBTI FOR APPROVAL A NET-ZERO 2050 CARBON EMISSION TARGET ALIGNED TO A 1.5-DEGREE SCENARIO

SBTi: Science-Based Target initiative 31



# **Advancing our Carbon Reduction Initiatives**

With 87% of our Scope 1 GHG emissions coming from locomotives, we're focused on improving rail efficiency

Fleet renewal Innovative technology

Big data Operating practices

Cleaner fuels

WORKING WITH LOCOMOTIVE MANUFACTURERS, FUEL PRODUCERS AND GOVERNMENTS TO ADVANCE INITIATIVES













### INTRODUCTION OF DIRECTORS



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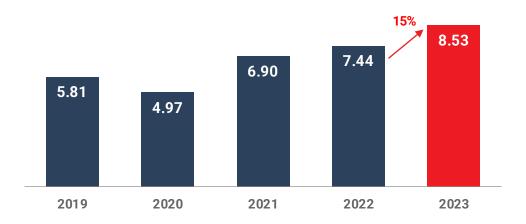
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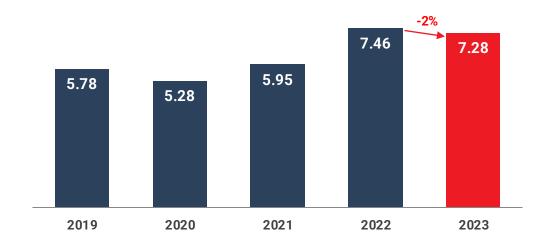
## **Earnings Per Share**

# PER SHARE (1) (\$ cdn) 10% CAGR



# ADJUSTED DILUTED EARNINGS PER SHARE (1)(2) (\$ cdn)

6% CAGR



<sup>(1)</sup> In the first quarter of 2022, the Company changed its method of calculating market-related values of pension assets for its defined benefit plans using a retrospective approach. Comparative figures have been adjusted to conform to the change in methodology.

#### RUNNING A SCHEDULED OPERATION IS OUR FOUNDATION FOR GROWTH

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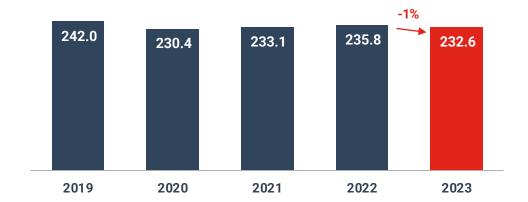
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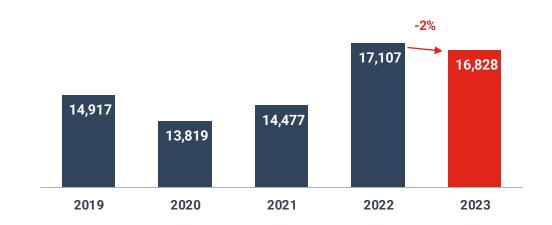


## **Top-Line Growth**

REVENUE
TON MILES (1) (Billions)

REVENUES (\$M Cdn)
3% CAGR





### REVENUES IMPACTED BY FREIGHT RECESSION AND LOWER ANCILLARY FEES

<sup>(1)</sup>The movement of a ton of freight over one mile for revenue.

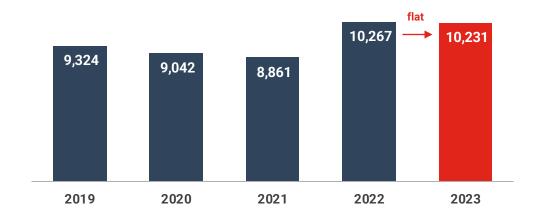


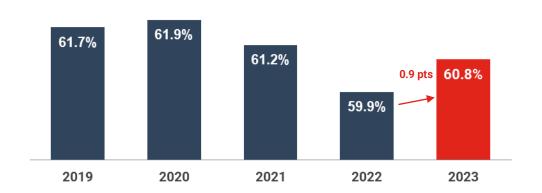
## **Operating Expenses**

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(\$M Cdn)

## ADJUSTED OPERATING RATIO





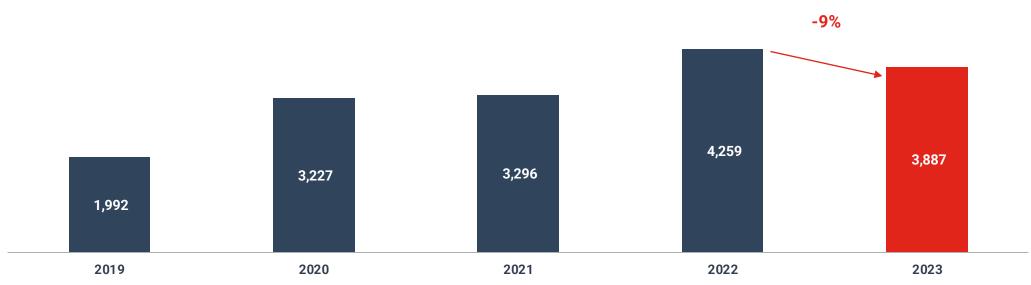
#### **INDUSTRY-LEADING OPERATING RATIO IN 2023**

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### **Free Cash Flow**

## FREE CASH FLOW (1) (\$M Cdn)



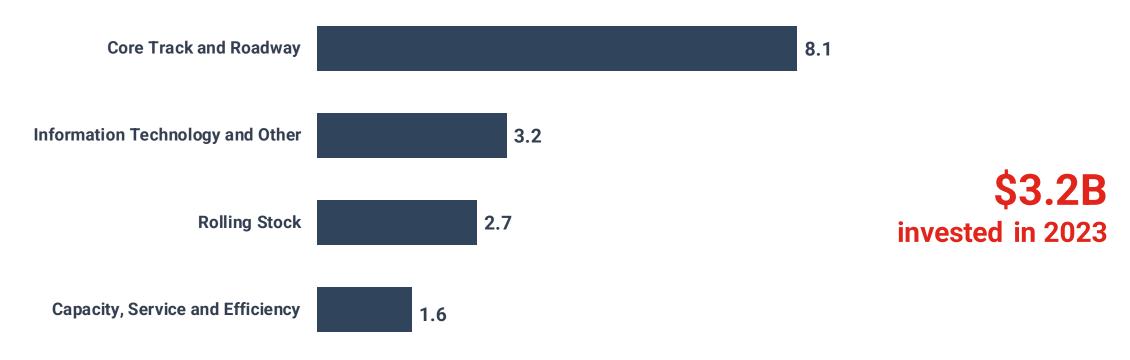
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# FREE CASH FLOW DECREASE MAINLY DRIVEN BY HIGHER CAPITAL INVESTMENTS AND PROCEEDS FROM SALE OF NON-CORE BRANCH LINES IN 2022



### **Capital Investment Overview**

## CAPITAL INVESTMENTS 2019-2023 (\$B Cdn)



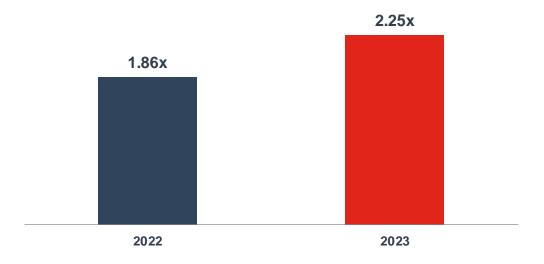
### CAPITAL INVESTMENTS IMPROVE NETWORK SAFETY, RESILIENCY AND FLUIDITY



## Prudent Financial Management

## ADJUSTED DEBT-TO-ADJUSTED EBITDA MULTIPLE (1)

(As at and for the year ended December 31)



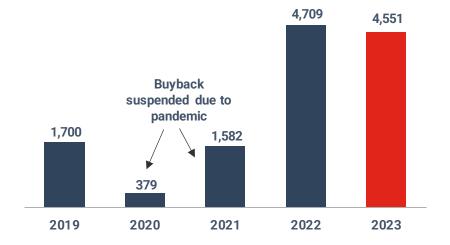
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# COMMITTED TO MAINTAINING A STRONG BALANCE SHEET AS WE GRADUALLY INCREASE TO OUR LEVERAGE TARGET OF 2.50x



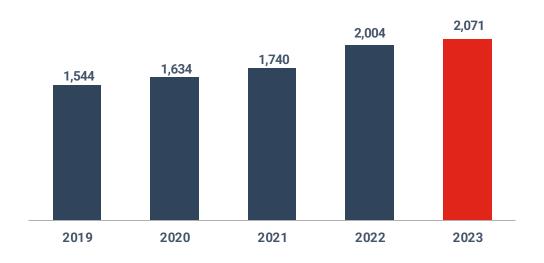
## **Rewarding Our Shareholders**

### SHARE BUYBACK (\$M Cdn)



• Current normal course issuer bid (February 1, 2024 through January 31, 2025) in the range of \$4B for up to 32M shares

#### DIVIDENDS (\$M Cdn)



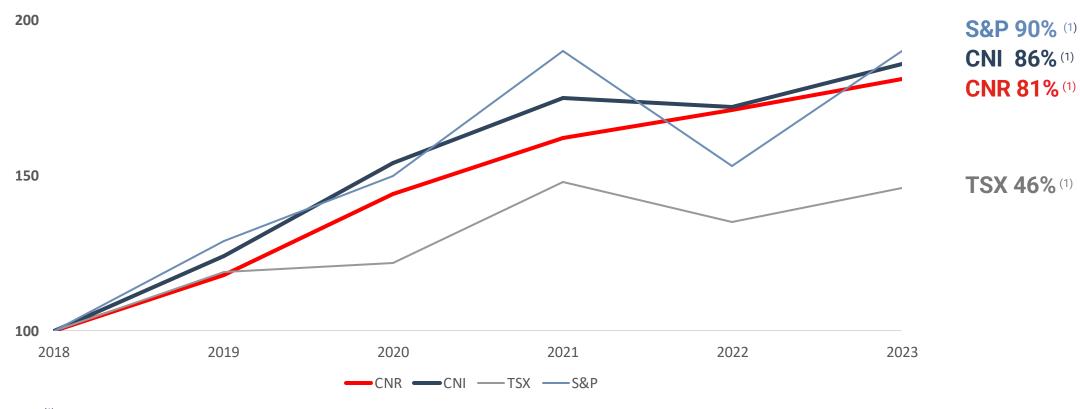
• 7% increase in dividend per share in 2024

# NEARLY \$22 BILLION RETURNED TO SHAREHOLDERS OVER THE LAST FIVE YEARS



### **Solid Shareholder Value Creation**





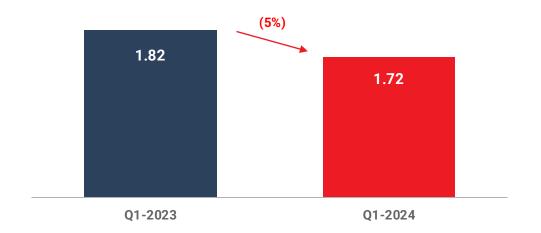
(1) Cumulative total return over the last five years.

#### **FIVE-YEAR SHAREHOLDER RETURN OF OVER 80%**



## **Q1-2024 Earnings Per Share**

## DILUTED EARNINGS PER SHARE (\$ Cdn)



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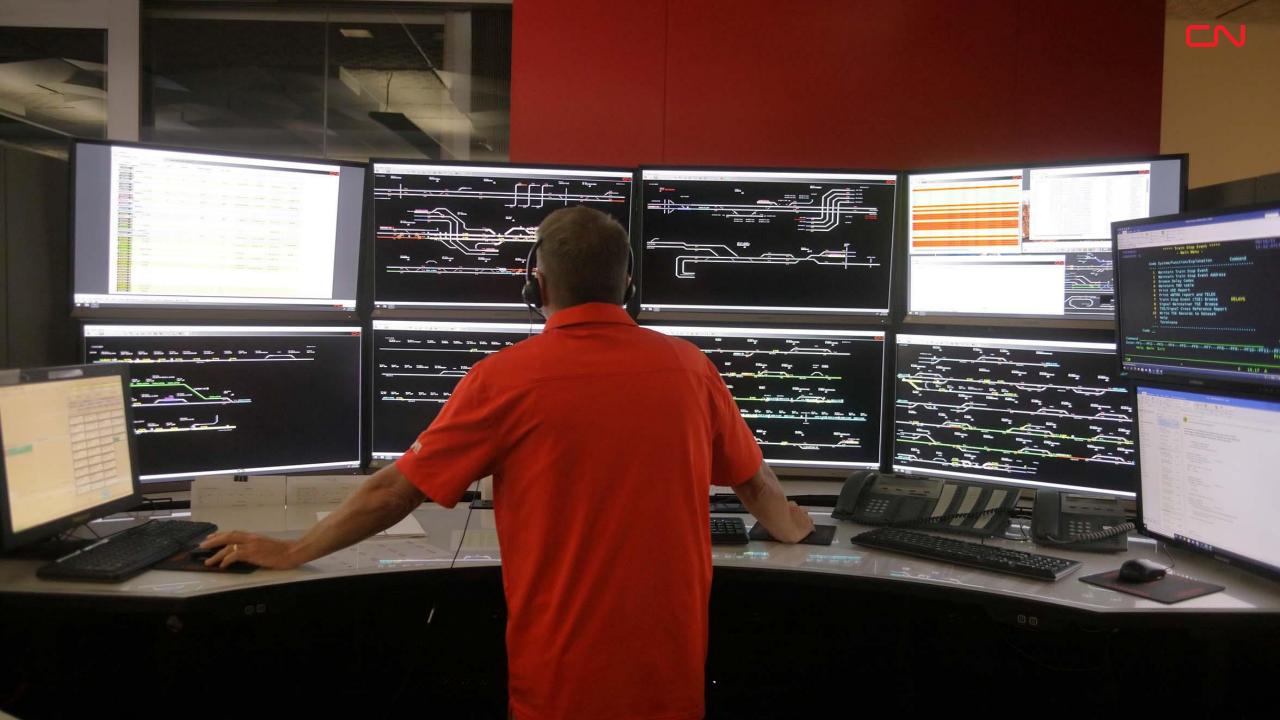


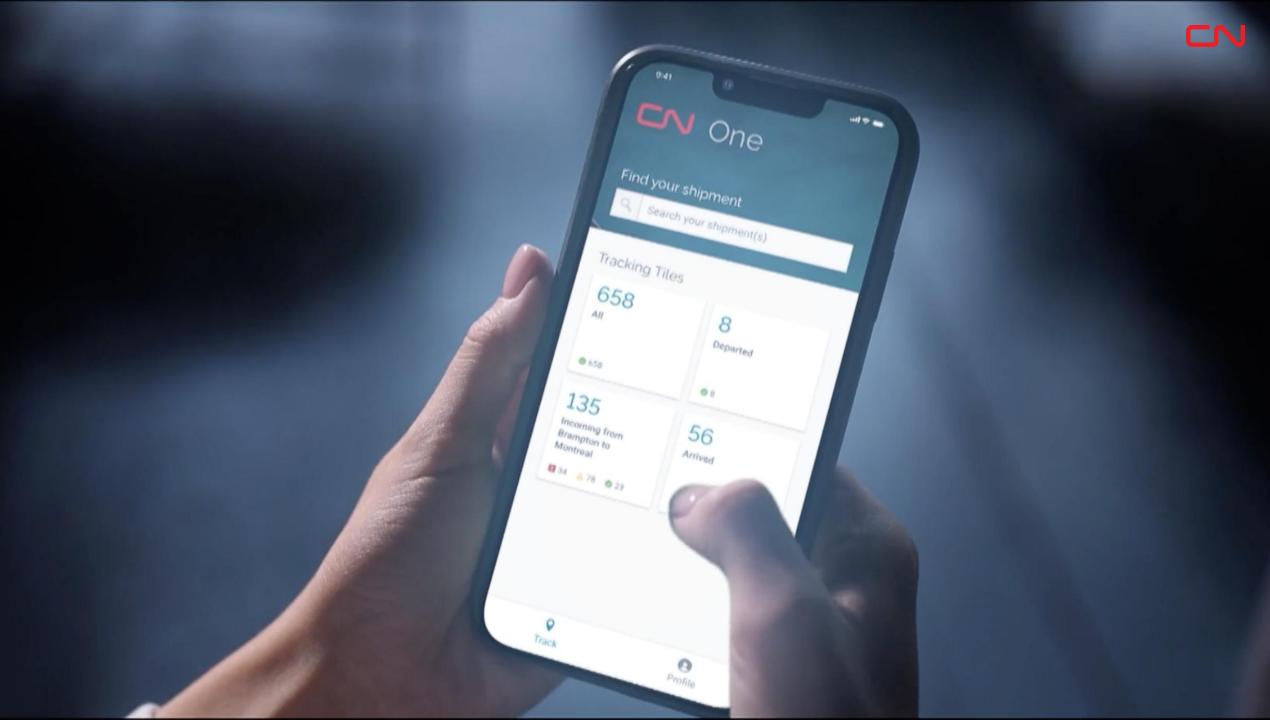


















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