# 2024 Financial Results Presentation

SJW Group

# On Today's Call



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# Delivering on Our Earnings Growth Strategy in 2024

### Regulatory Progress

- Constructive outcome in San Jose Water 2025 to 2027 general rate case and deferral of cost of capital filing until 2026
- Increase in infrastructure recovery mechanism in Maine and filed a petition to unify Maine's ten rate districts
- Record year of recovery through Connecticut's Water Infrastructure and Conservation Adjustment
- First system improvement charge (SIC) approved in Texas, second 'SIC' filed in the third quarter
- Capital Expenditure (CapEx)
  - \$353 million invested in 2024 in water and wastewater utility infrastructure
- A Force for Good
  - SJW Group named one of America's Most Responsible Companies 2025
- Creating Long-term Shareholder Value
  - \$2.87 per diluted share (GAAP) in 2024 or \$2.95 per adjusted diluted share (non-GAAP)<sup>1</sup>

# Work Smarter, Not Just Harder

- Challenges:
  - Aging pipe and other infrastructure
  - Evolving regulatory requirements
  - Climate change
  - Water system resiliency
- Our Approach:
  - Long-term investment strategy
  - · Financial discipline and steadfast commitment to affordability
  - · Leverage our scale, operational efficiencies, and technology



# **Financial Update**



Andrew Walters Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer **Financial Highlights** 

### 2024 EPS \$2.87 GAAP / \$2.95 Adjusted

### Adjusted Earnings Per Share



### \$2.0 billion<sup>1</sup> 5-year CapEx Plan ~25% Increase from prior CapEx plan

### Extending 5% - 7% Earnings Growth through 2029 Nonlinear and anchored off 2022 reported EPS of \$2.43

<sup>1</sup> Includes expenditures for cloud-based systems recorded as deferred assets

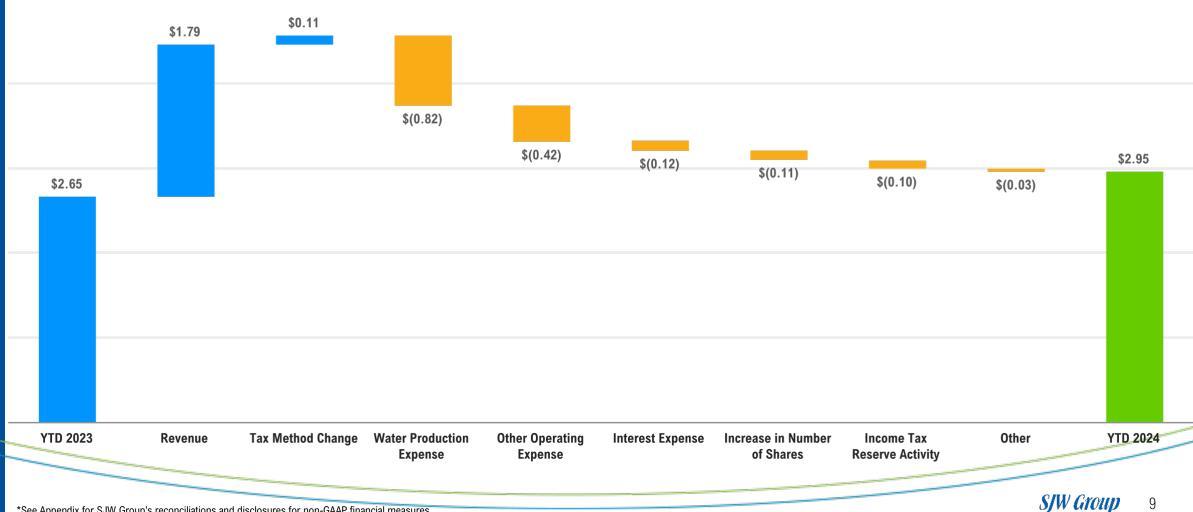
### **2024 Financial Results**

IN MILLIONS except for earnings per share (EPS)	2024	2023	CHANGE
Revenue	\$748.4	\$670.4	12% increase
GAAP Net Income	\$94.0	\$85.0	11% increase
Adjusted Net Income <sup>1</sup>	\$96.8	\$83.9	15% increase
Diluted EPS	\$2.87	\$2.68	7% increase
Adjusted Diluted EPS <sup>1</sup>	\$2.95	\$2.65	11% increase

<sup>1</sup> See Appendix for SJW Group's disclosures for non-GAAP financial measures.

### 2024 Adjusted Diluted EPS Bridge\*

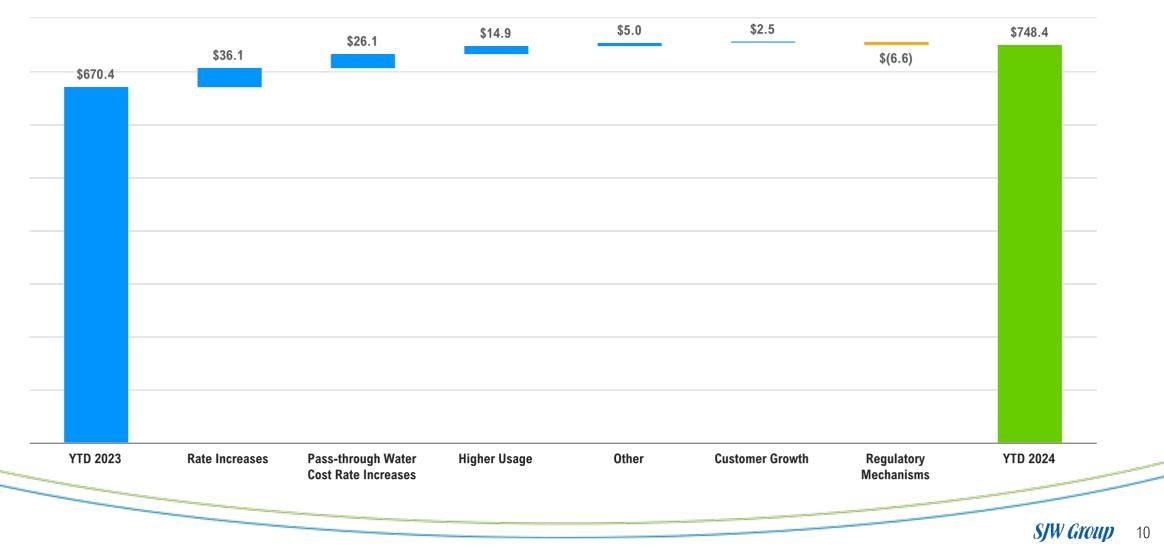
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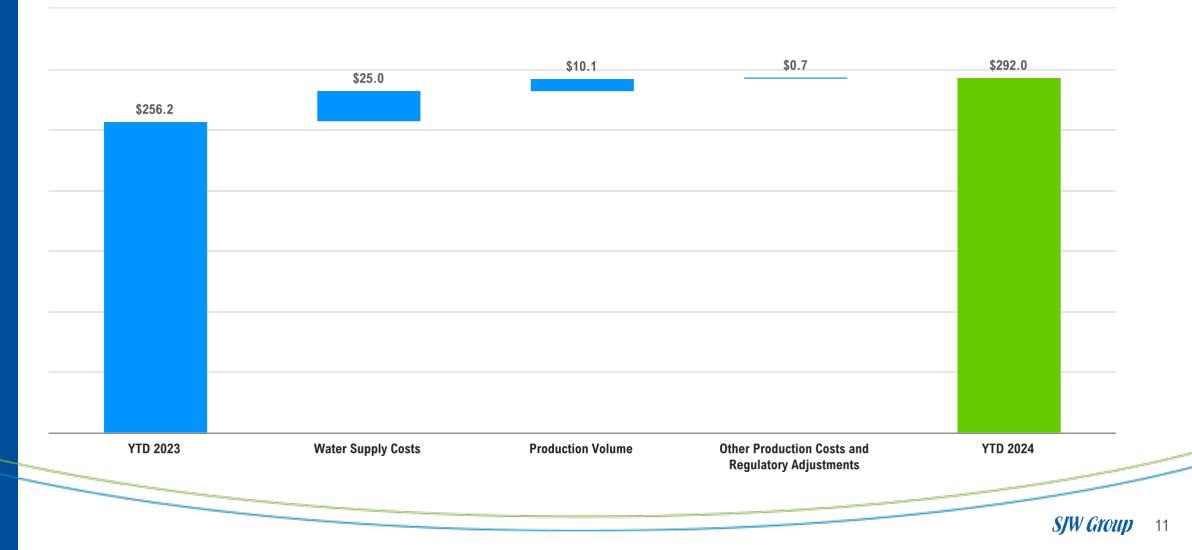
### 2024 Revenue Increased 12%

Change in Revenue (\$M): 2024 - 2023



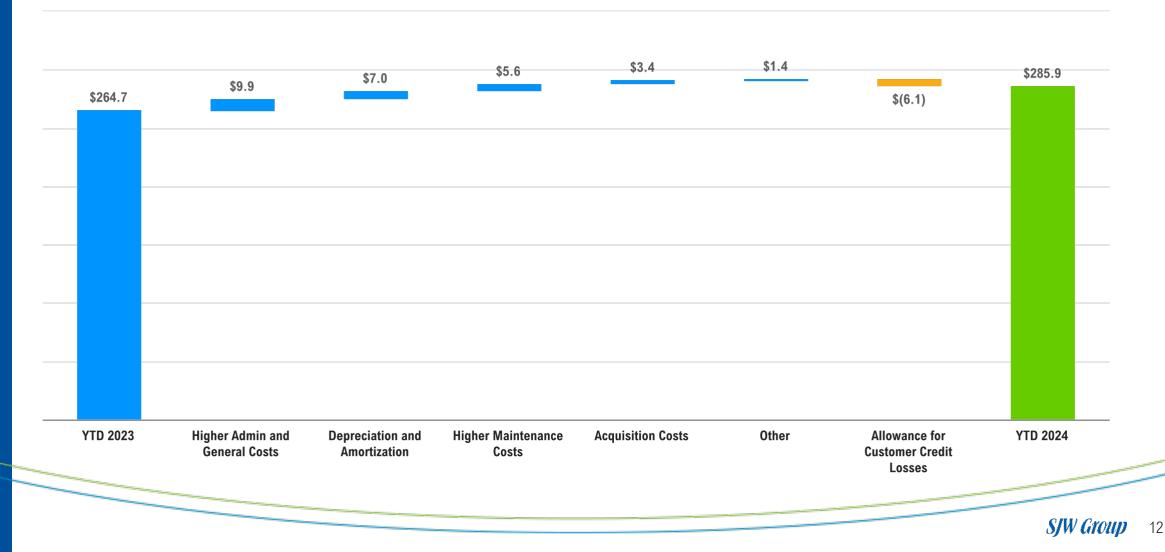
### 2024 Water Production Expenses Increased 14%

### Change in Water Production Expenses (\$M): 2024 - 2023



### 2024 Other Operating Expenses Increased 8%

Change in Other Operating Expenses (\$M): 2024 - 2023



### 2024 Financing Activity and Income Tax Rate

- Approximately \$87 million in gross equity proceeds raised at the market to fund growth and capital investment
- \$350 million bank lines of credit, \$119 million drawn, leaving \$231 million available
  - \$160 million raised in 2024 through long-term debt offerings to pay down line of credit
    - \$20 million in Texas and \$15 million in Maine issued in 4Q 2024
- 6.44% average borrowing rate on credit advances in 2024, 6.29% in 2023
- Effective income tax rate 9% in 2024, 7% in 2023



# 2025 Guidance

2025 Guidance <sup>1</sup>	
Adjusted Diluted EPS (non-GAAP)	\$2.90 to \$3.00
Equity Issuance, Excluding Acquisition Growth	\$120M - \$140M
2025 CapEx <sup>2</sup>	\$473M <sup>3</sup>

5-Year Capex Plan \$2.0 billion<sup>2</sup>

25% increase from prior plan

- Long-term Growth Rate: 5% 7%
  - Expect to be in the top half of the range
  - Nonlinear and anchored off of 2022 diluted EPS of \$2.43

### • Factors Underlying 2025 Guidance:

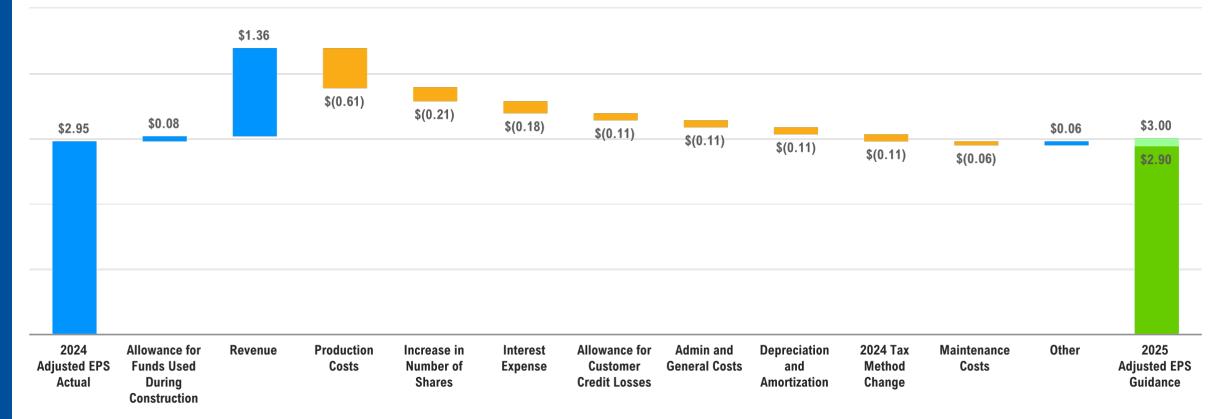
- Strategic investments in the business and timing of infrastructure riders and GRC recovery
- Potential for continued drought in Texas
- 2025 guidance is independent of real estate sales or M&A activities

<sup>2</sup> Five-year CapEx includes approximately \$300 million for PFAS treatment.

<sup>3</sup> Includes expenditures for cloud based systems recorded as deferred asset

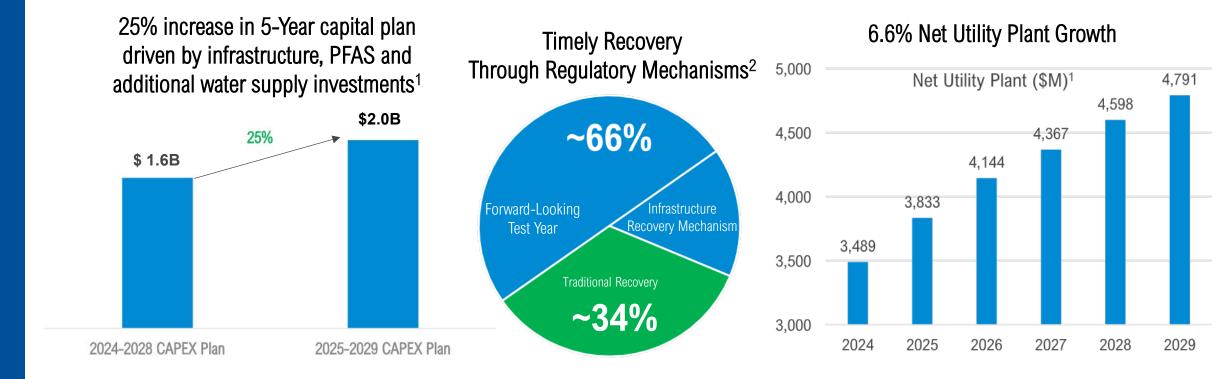
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# SJW Group EPS - 2024 Actual to 2025 Guidance<sup>1</sup>



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# Substantial Capital Plan Drives Earnings Growth



<sup>1</sup> Includes expenditures for cloud-based systems recorded as deferred assets
<sup>2</sup> Based on budgeted investments or filings that qualify for infrastructure recovery mechanisms

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# California Updates

2025 – 2027 San Jose Water General Rate Case (GRC)

- Approved on December 19, 2024 with new rates effective on January 1, 2025
  - Approves settlement agreement negotiated with Public Advocates Office that provides for continued delivery of high-quality water service and realistic opportunity to earn our authorized return of equity
    - \$450 million capital expenditure (CapEx) plan<sup>1</sup> over three years
    - Greater revenue recovery through the service charge, and further aligns authorized with actual usage through a lower sales forecast
    - \$53.1 million increase in revenue over three years



### 2025 to 2027 GRC

Authorizes \$53.1 million in revenue over three-years

2025 = 3.91% 2026 = 2.55% 2027 = 2.98%

\$450 million CapEx program

# California Updates

### 2025 Cost of Capital filing deferred

- One-year deferment granted, next filing due May 2026
- Maintains Water Cost of Capital Mechanism (WCCM) through 2026
  - Expected return on equity (ROE) of 9.81% for 2025, 10.01% prior to 20 bps reduction related to the Water Conservation Memorandum Account
  - Cost of debt of 5.28%
  - Authorized rate of return (ROR) of 7.75% reflects 9.81% ROE

### **Cupertino Agreement**

- New 12-year agreement with City of Cupertino to manage the City's water system effective on October 1, 2024
- Equity issued to pay upfront \$22.1 million concession fee



Cost of Capital filing deferred maintains 9.81% ROE through 2026 subject to any WCCM adjustment

> Concession agreement executed with City of Cupertino effective October 1, 2024

## **Connecticut Updates**

Water Infrastructure and Conservation Adjustment (WICA)

- Largest WICA spend to date in 2024, \$41.9 million
- WICA increase approved by the Connecticut Public Utilities Regulatory Authority (PURA) and effective October 1, 2024
  - Annualized revenue increase of \$4.3 million
- WICA application filed with PURA on January 28, 2025
  - Annual reconciliation and requested annualized revenue increase of \$1.6 million
    - Decision expected in 1Q 2025

### Water Quality and Treatment Adjustment

• WICA-like mechanism for water quality investments



# Maine Updates

### Rate Tariff Unification

- Petitioned the Maine Public Utilities Commission (MPUC) to unify the company's 10 rate districts on December 31, 2024
  - Improve administrative efficiency
  - Minimize regulatory lag
  - Addresses system needs across the company while maintaining customer affordability

### **General Rate Case**

- On October 25, 2024, GRC application filed for Camden/Rockland Division requesting a revenue increase of approximately \$1.1 million, or 15.9%
  - Decision expected in 2Q 2025



Rate unification application filed with MPUC

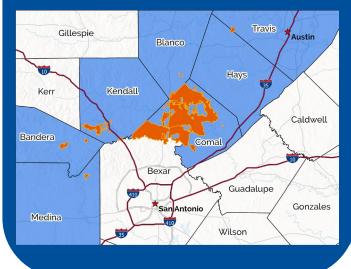
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# **Texas Updates**

- Drought conditions persisted in 2024
  - Conservation measures in place
  - Water usage down in 2024 compared to 2023
- 6,000 acre-feet of additional water supply expected to be online by the end of 2026
- Standby generators at nearly all critical facilities strengthening resilience



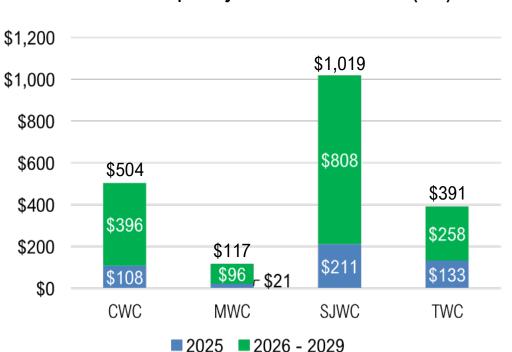
Texas had the highest population growth of any U.S. state in the 2020 Census. Texas Water serves the rapidly growing area in the Austin-San Antonio corridor



### Substantial Infrastructure Investment

\$473<sup>1</sup> million budgeted for infrastructure spending in 2025, ~34% increase over 2024 actual spend

- Distribution system investments in Texas to maximize available supply
- PFAS treatment in California and Connecticut
  - \$300 million (\$110M SJWC and \$190M CWC)
- Pipeline replacement 1% target all states
- Advanced Metering Infrastructure



### Planned CapEx by State $2025 - 2029^1$ (\$M)

<sup>1</sup> Includes both utility plant additions and capitalizable costs associated with cloud-computing arrangements

# **Force for Good**

Eric W. Thornburg Chair, President and Chief Executive Officer

# Force for Good

- Scope 1 and Scope 2 emissions reduced nearly one-third since 2019
  - On track to meet 50% reduction by 2030
- Connecticut Water Platinum recognition for construction safety
  - Recognized 21 years for safety consecutive years
- SJW Group named one of 'America's Most Responsible Companies 2025' by *Newsweek*
- Force for Good Foundation
  - Furthering community outreach and engagement



# **Execution Strategy and Strong Leadership**

Ann Kelly, Chief Accounting Officer

• Previously at American Electric Power

### **Douwe Busschops, Chief Information Officer**

• Previously at Veolia North America





# Questions

# Appendix

# **PFAS Update**

- Support U.S. EPA's standards for PFAS in drinking water
- Will comply with the new regulations within the time frame specified by the EPA
- \$300 million CapEx estimate for treatment at EPA's finalized maximum contaminant levels
- Party to class action settlements with PFAS manufacturers



### 2023-25 Regulatory Filings Pending and Approved

State	Docket #	Type*	Filing Date	Order Date	Status	Revenue Requested (annualized)	Revenue Approved (annualized)	Comments	
CA	Advice Letter 601	WCCM	10/13/23	11/14/23	Effective 01/01/24			WCCM trigger adjusting ROR for 2024	
CA	Advice Letter 603	Group Insurance Balancing Account	11/14/23	12/28/23	Effective 01/01/24				
CA	Advice Letter 605	Step Rate Increase	11/21/23	12/28/23	Effective 01/01/24	\$21.3M		2024 step rate increase for 2022 to 2024 GRC	
CA		Request for One-Year Deferment of COC Filing	12/15/23	02/02/24	Approved			Next COC filing due 05/1/25 Maintains WCCM for 2025	
CA	24-01-001	GRC	01/02/24	12/19/24	Alternate Proposed decision approved	\$103M	\$53.1M	Step increases 3.91% 2025, 2.55% in 2026 and 2.98% in 2027, and \$450M 3-year capital budget	
CA	Advice Letter 613	GRC Decision 24-12-077	12/20/24		Effective 01/01/25	\$23.3M	\$23.3M	2025 step rate increase	
CA	Advice Letter 610	AMI Rate Base Offset	05/23/24	06/21/24	Approved	\$768K	\$768K	Effective 07/01/24	
CA		Request for One-Year Deferment of COC Filing	12/18/24	01/14/25	Approved			Next COC filing due 05/1/26 Maintains WCCM for 2026	
СТ	23-08-32	GRC	10/03/23	06/28/24	Final Decision Issued	\$21.4M	\$6.5M	Additional \$1.1M in revenue if performance metrics met	
СТ	23-08-32WI01	WICA	07/26/25	09/18/24	Approved	\$4.3M	\$4.3M	Effective 10/01/24	
СТ	23-08-32WI02	WICA	01/28/25		Filed	\$1.6M			

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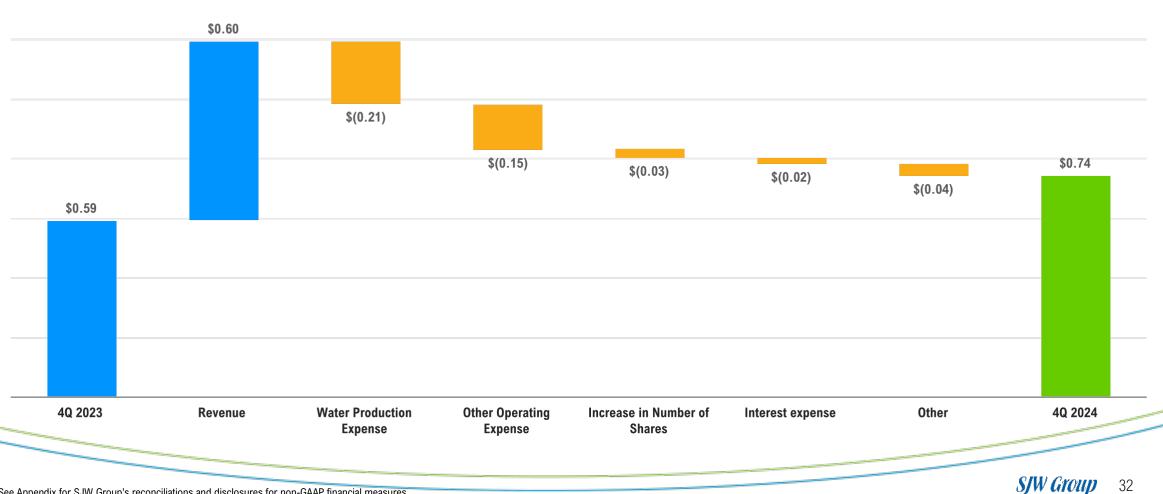
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ME	2023-00065	GRC Biddeford-Saco 3	03/31/23	01/05/24	Effective 01/01/24	\$2.9M	\$2.6M	Retroactive to 01/01/24	
ME	2023-00163	WISC Camden-Rockland	06/23/23	03/22/24	Effective 03/22/24	\$158K	\$158K		
ME	2024-00140	WISC Freeport	06/24/24	08/01/24	Effective 08/01/2024	\$27K	\$27K		
ME	2024-00141	WISC Oakland	06/24/24	08/01/24	Effective 08/01/24	\$25K	\$25K		
ME	2024-00276	WISC Millinocket	09/30/24	12/16/24	Effective 12/16/24	\$46K	\$46K		
ME	2024-00291	GRC Camden-Rockland	10/25/24		Filed	\$1.1M			
ME	2024-00378	Request Unified Rate Schedule	12/31/24		Filed			Requests consolidation of rate jurisdictions	
ТХ	54430	System Improvement Charge	12/30/22	03/21/24	Effective 03/21/24	\$1.6M	\$1.6M	Water revenues = \$1.57M Wastewater revenues = \$28K	
ТХ	56106	Acquisition - 3009	01/05/24		PUCT approval to close, not yet closed			~270 connections; filed rate doctrine and FMV	
ТХ	56974	System Improvement Charge	09/12/24		Filed	\$4.1M		Hearing scheduled in March 2025	

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### 4Q 2024 Adjusted Diluted EPS Bridge\*

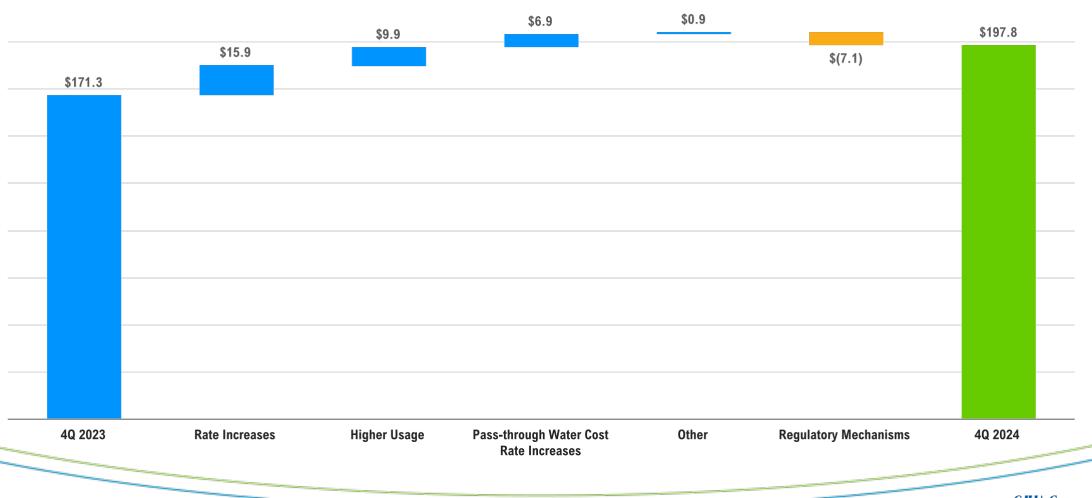
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### Revenue Increased by 15% Compared to 4Q 2023

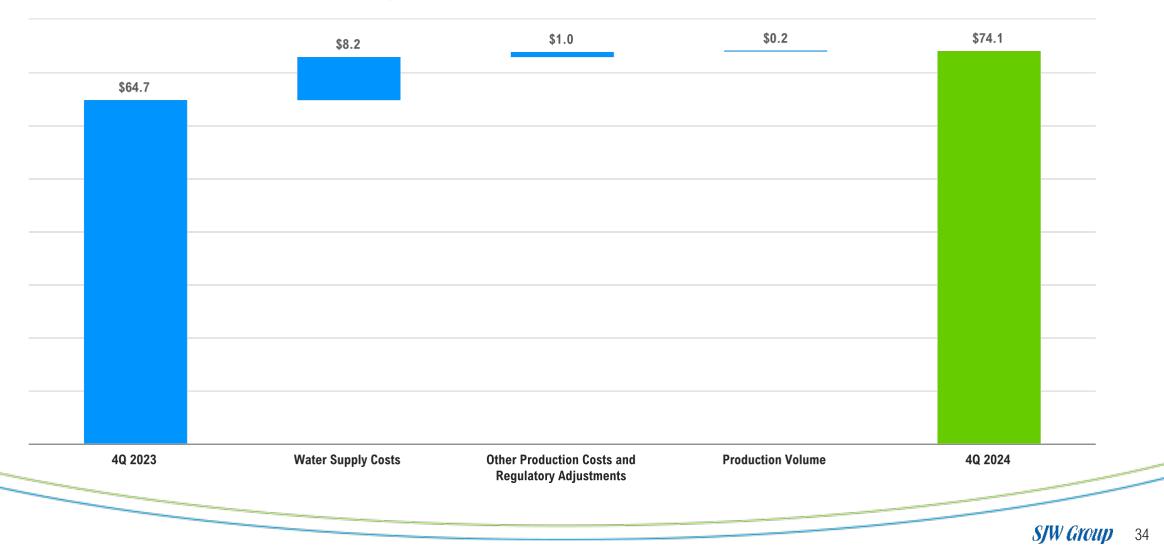
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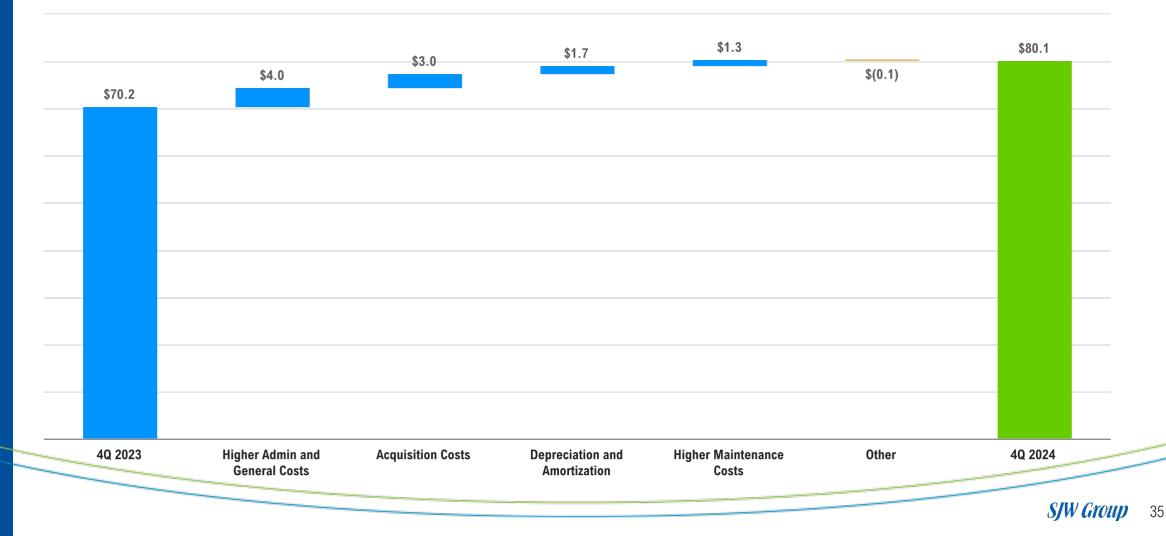
### Water Production Expenses Increased 15% From 4Q 2023

### Change in Water Production Expenses (\$M): 4Q 2024 - 4Q 2023



### Other Operating Expenses Increased 14% From 4Q 2023

Change in Other Operating Expenses (\$M): 4Q 2024 - 4Q 2023



### **Non-GAAP Financial Measures**

SJW Group's net income and diluted EPS are prepared in accordance with GAAP and represent the earnings as reported to the Securities and Exchange Commission. Adjusted net income and Adjusted diluted EPS are non-GAAP financial measures representing GAAP earnings adjusted to exclude the effects of non-utility real estate transactions and costs associated with mergers and acquisition activities, if any. These non-GAAP financial measures are provided as additional information for investors to evaluate the performance of SJW Group's business activities excluding these items. Management also believes these non-GAAP financial measures help investors and analysts better understand our actual results compared to our guidance on a non-GAAP basis. SJW Group uses adjusted net income and/or adjusted diluted EPS as the primary performance measurements when communicating with analysts and investors regarding our outlook and results. Adjusted net income and Adjusted diluted EPS are also used internally to measure performance. However, these non-GAAP financial measures may be different from non-GAAP financial measures used by other companies, even when the same or similarly titled terms are used to identify such measures, limiting their usefulness for comparative purposes. Further, these non-GAAP financial measures should be considered as a supplement to the financial information prepared on a GAAP basis rather than an alternative to the respective GAAP financial measures.

### **Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures**

	Three months ended December 31,			Twelve months ended December 31,			
	2024		2023	2024		2023	
Reported GAAP Net Income	\$	22,920	18,949	\$	93,967	84,987	
Adjustments:							
Gain (loss) on sale of real estate investments <sup>1</sup>		(397)	_		572	(1,473)	
Expense for merger and acquisition activities <sup>2</sup>		3,032	_		3,393	_	
Tax effect of above adjustments <sup>3</sup>		(737)	_		(1,148)	412	
Adjusted Net Income (non-GAAP)	\$	24,818	18,949	\$	96,784	83,926	
Reported GAAP Diluted Earnings Per Share Adjustments:	\$	0.68	0.59	\$	2.87	2.68	
(Gain) loss on sale of real estate investments, net of tax		(0.01)	_		0.01	(0.03)	
Expense for merger and acquisition activities, net of tax		0.07	—		0.07	_	
Adjusted Diluted Earnings Per Share (non-GAAP)	\$	0.74	0.59	\$	2.95	2.65	

<sup>1</sup> Included in the "Other, net" line on the condensed consolidated statements of comprehensive income.

<sup>2</sup> Included in the "Administrative and general" line on the condensed consolidated statements of comprehensive income.

<sup>3</sup> The tax effect on all adjustments is calculated at the applicable statutory rate.