# WOLFE RESEARCH METALS & MINING WEBCAST NUCOR RAW MATERIALS DISCUSSION

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## NUCOR RAW MATERIALS – ASSET OVERVIEW

- Nucor is the largest recycler of any material in North America
- Nucor steel produced from nearly 80% recycled content, with some products containing close to 100% recycled content



### SCRAP RECYCLING & FERROUS BROKERAGE

70 full-service scrap recycling facilities strategically located to offer regional advantages in sourcing a wide range of ferrous and nonferrous metals

#### DIRECT REDUCED IRON (DRI)

2 facilities producing up to 4Mtpa of high-quality DRI, a key raw material for Nucor's steelmaking operations

#### UNIVERSAL INDUSTRIAL GASES (UIG)

5 industrial gas plants currently in operation, with more in various stages of development

#### LOGISTICS TEAM

30 teammates with expertise in barge, rail and truck – all geared to deliver raw materials to Nucor mills in most efficient manner



## **TYPES OF RAW MATERIALS**



## NUCOR'S RAW MATERIALS STRATEGY

Nucor leverages its market intelligence and flexible supply chain to provide lower-cost, more sustainable inputs that create a competitive advantage

<b>4 &amp; 4</b> Market Intelligence	<ul> <li>Largest scrap broker in the United States, with extensive international trade networks</li> <li>Advantaged access to market intelligence and high-quality metallics around the globe</li> <li>Our nationwide network allows us to pivot sourcing strategies and quickly respond to competitive dynamics</li> <li>Logistics team expertise in barge, rail and truck – provides scrap delivery to mills, and outbound shipment of finished product to our customers in the most efficient manner</li> </ul>
Flexible EAF	<ul> <li>Flexible supply chain, and ownership of scrap processing &amp; DRI assets, allows Nucor to minimize cost of raw material inputs, while meeting customer requirements</li> <li>EAF flexibility in melt mix allows Raw Materials and Steelmaking groups to optimize costs</li> <li>DRI operations provide significant flexibility in supplying sheet mills</li> </ul>
Cover-Cost Inputs	<ul> <li>Advanced, web-based transportation network includes 80,000 + real-time freight rates for rail, trucks, barge</li> <li>One of the largest independent railcar fleets in North America and growing ownership of freight logical ferrous scrap assets</li> <li>Raw material market supply forecasting to optimize costs and availability</li> </ul>
Sustainable Inputs	<ul> <li>Cutting edge sustainability and technology from internal development and market intelligence</li> <li>Nucor steel products made from nearly 80% recycled content</li> <li>Carbon Capture &amp; Storage at Louisiana DRI facility will net DRI with 80% less GHG emissions than traditional blast furnace iron production</li> <li>Investigating emerging technologies to keep Nucor on the leading-edge of sustainable steelmaking</li> </ul>



## FLEXIBLE RAW MATERIALS MIX, ALIGNED WITH **SCOPE 3 EMISSION REDUCTION STRATEGY**

### Nearly 80% of Nucor's Raw Material Mix Comprised of Recycled Content



## METAL MARGINS HAVE HISTORICALLY TRENDED HIGHER IN RISING SCRAP PRICE ENVIRONMENTS





## LOUISIANA DRI CARBON CAPTURE & STORAGE (CCS) PROJECT



- Nucor's Louisiana facility currently produces DRI with ~50% the carbon footprint compared to iron produced in blast furnaces at integrated steel mills
- In June 2023, Nucor Louisiana announced a CCS agreement with ExxonMobil
- Transformative project will result in Nucor DRI having ~80% lower carbon footprint compared to blast furnaces
- As lead developer, ExxonMobil assumes construction risk and responsibility for financing and pipeline transportation requirements
- ExxonMobil expects to capture 600 to 800 kt/yr of CO<sub>2</sub> from Nucor DRI in St. James Parish and transport it ~100 miles west to Pecan Island for permanent storage
- Expected start-up in 2026



### NUCOR®

## ADVANCED SEPARATION TECHNOLOGIES YIELDING HIGHER GRADE OBSOLETE SCRAP

- Quickly advancing technology in order to increase utilization of obsolete scrap
- Capable of significant reductions in copper content (~30%)
- Able to produce higher quality metallics for our EAF mills, especially sheet mills
- Reduces pig iron need, driving down Scope 3 GHG intensity





## OUR RAW MATERIALS STRATEGY SUPPORTS OUR CORPORATE SUSTAINABILITY STRATEGY

BioCarbon	Green Pig Iron	Carbon Capture & Storage ("CCS")	Emissions Free Power	Zero Emission Iron
Biocarbon can be produced from sawmill residuals or sustainable forestry products	Green pig iron can be produced from sustainable charcoal instead of coal	Announced CCS project with Exxon at Louisiana DRI facility Piloting early- stage air capturing of GHGs	Renewable energy via wind and solar power purchase agreements Exploring Behind the Meter power generation and storage NuScale investment and SMR co-location MOU	Evaluating novel iron making processes that could result in near zero emissions iron production • Electra investment

