# Investment in Aera Energy

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### About the investment

- CPP Investments to acquire 49% interest in California energy producer, Aera Energy, from IKAV
- CPP Investments, IKAV and Aera Energy will partner together to deliver innovative solutions to help meet California's climate goals
  - Partnership to help Aera Energy balance its energy transition efforts
  - Will invest in renewable energy portfolio that will power Aera Energy's existing operations
- Formed in 1997, Aera Energy is a leader in the energy industry
- Based in Hamburg, Germany, IKAV is a real assets fund with deep renewables expertise and a strong track record in managing U.S. conventional energy assets
- Investment supports CPP Investments' <u>net-zero strategy</u>



### About Aera Energy

- Assets consist of oil production and midstream projects in Kern County, north of Los Angeles
- Aera Energy is aiming to achieve net-neutral emissions by 2033 by:
  - replacing the use of natural gas with photovoltaic solar projects to generate steam needed for wells pumping heavier oil; and
  - using carbon capture and storage projects
- Aera Energy is based in Bakersfield, California



## Decarbonization investment approach in action

Our investment in Aera Energy is consistent with a number of investments we've made which will help California transition to secure, green energy supplies, while at the same time will deliver long-term risk-adjusted returns for the CPP Fund. CPP Investments believes that enabling emissions reduction and business transformation in the energy sector can drive strong returns for long-term investors as part of the whole economy transition, and partnering with a like-minded investor like IKAV presents an excellent opportunity to put that decarbonization investment approach into action.

Bruce Hogg, Managing Director, Head of Sustainable Energies, CPP Investments

#### Our journey to net zero

We committed our portfolio and operations to being net zero of greenhouse gas emissions across all scopes by 2050.

We seek to invest in companies across all industries that are driving carbon reduction that will lead to maximized returns.

Actions we are taking towards our net-zero commitment:



Invest and exert our influence in the whole economy transition as active investors, not through blanket divestment



Achieve carbon neutrality for our internal operations by fiscal 2023



Expect to increase our \$67 billion in green and transition assets to at least \$130 billion by 2030



Build our new decarbonization investment approach to help transform high-emitting sectors

### Renewables investments in California

Existing investments to help California transition to secure, green energy supplies



## Sustainable Energies at CPP Investments

#### DESCRIPTION

- Net assets totalling approximately C\$30.6 billion as of December 31, 2022
- Focuses on strategic opportunities with long-term investment horizons
- Pursues opportunities across the full spectrum of energy sources and the energy value chain, including conventional energy, renewable energy, carbon capture and emerging/ disruptive opportunities through our innovation, technology and services (ITS) team
- Advances key initiatives around renewable energy and fuels, industrial decarbonization and carbon markets
- Provides flexible capital across asset stage (greenfield/brownfield), risk profile and hold period

 Draws on expertise from other teams including Infrastructure, Sustainable Investing, Direct Private Equity and Active Equities

#### **SECTOR FOCUS**

- Power and Renewables
- Energy Midstream
- Commodities and Alternative Fuels
- Distributed Energy & Services
- Innovation, Technology & Services

#### **SELECT INVESTMENTS**



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