

**ITEM 1: INVESTOR PRESENTATION
FEBRUARY 19, 2025**

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A U.S. Solution for U.S. Steel

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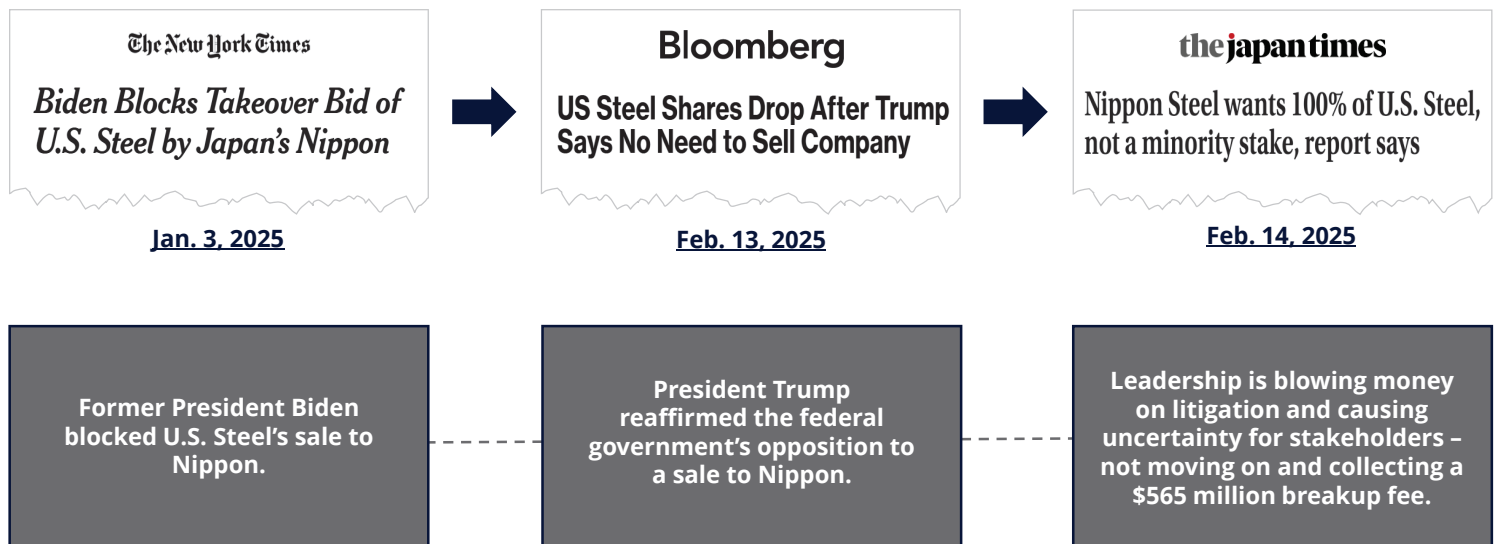
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What We'll Cover Today

- 1 What has gone wrong at U.S. Steel
- 2 Why shareholders can't trust the current leadership team
- 3 Why a U.S. solution is right for U.S. Steel
- 4 Q&A

CEO David Burritt and the Board Have Sent U.S. Steel Down a Dead End

Despite being able to terminate the deal and collect a \$565 million breakup fee, leadership continues pursuing its own failed agenda.



Leadership Lacks the Ability, Vision and Will to Oversee a Turnaround

The results speak for themselves: Mr. Burritt and the senior leadership team have failed at running the business.

- ✘ Mismanaged Big River expansion, resulting in cost overruns upwards of \$600 million
- ✘ Repeatedly missed financial projections over the past 18 months
- ✘ Lack of focus on operations, resulting in excessive capital spending, increasing debt burden and soft earnings
- ✘ Lagged peers in every relevant key performance metric, including Total Shareholder Return ("TSR")

U.S. Steel vs. Peers: Key Performance Metrics¹ Q1 2021 – Q4 2024

Revenue Growth	Adj. EBITDA Growth	CapEx Growth ²	FCF Growth
-32.4%	-53.5%	+205.3%	-201.6%

TSR Over Mr. Burritt's Tenure³

U.S. Steel	Peer Median	Relative Performance
13.5%	241.2%	-227.7%

U.S. Steel Has a Bleak Future Under Mr. Burritt

Mr. Burritt's contingency plan for the dead deal includes shutting down valuable mills and cutting jobs.

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CEO David Burritt said the nearly \$3 billion that Japan-based Nippon Steel has pledged to **invest in the Pittsburgh company's older mills is critical to keeping them competitive and maintaining workers' jobs.**

'We wouldn't do that if the deal falls through,' Burritt said in an interview. 'I don't have the money.'

[...]

The U.S. Steel CEO said the expanded Arkansas mill would allow the company to close Mon Valley, the company's last steelmaking operation in Pittsburgh.

'If that mill won't make it to the next decade, why would we stay there?' he said. With more of the company's production shifting to the South, he said U.S. Steel would likely look to move its headquarters to the region as well.

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CEO David Burritt

The Washington Post

Union opposition to U.S. Steel sale reflects years of bad relations

Mistrust between the United Steelworkers union chief and the CEO of U.S. Steel has overshadowed the troubled deal with Nippon Steel.

Sep. 21, 2024






US Steel CEO says company likely to close steel mills if proposed \$14B sale to Nippon Steel falls through

Sep. 4, 2024

What will happen to the iron ore mines if all of these plants are closed?

Why the Board Can't Be Trusted to Save U.S. Steel

-  Now facing opposition by President Trump, the deal has no chance of being resurrected
-  Rather than accept that the deal is dead and collect the breakup fee, the Board and management are pursuing costly litigation
-  U.S. Steel does not need a deal - it needs upgraded leadership that can effectively manage the Company's valuable assets

Ancora's slate and CEO candidate can turn around a standalone U.S. Steel in the public market

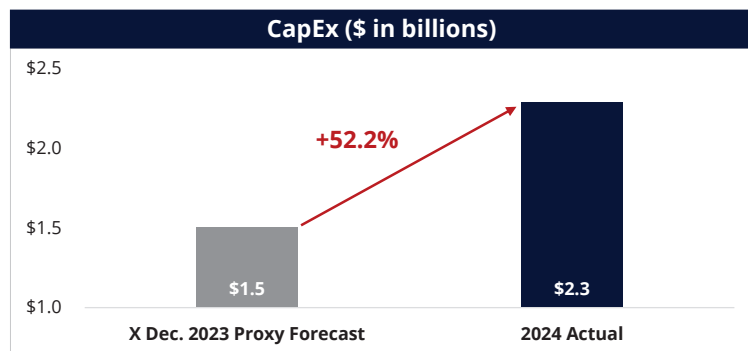
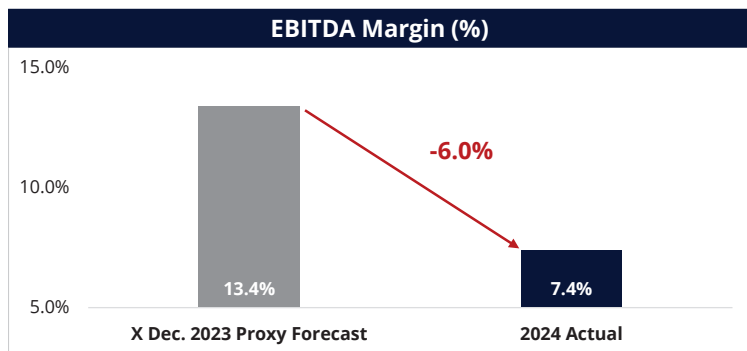
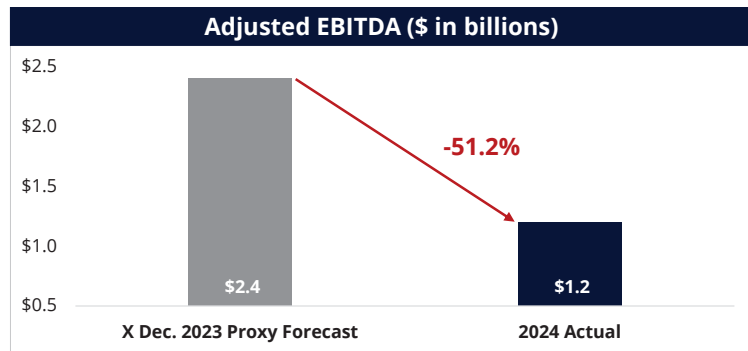
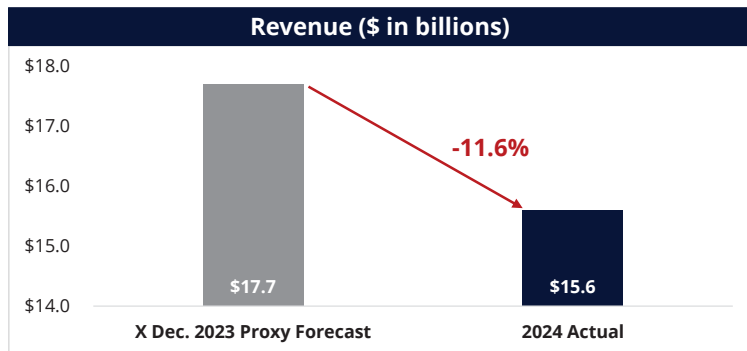


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Part I. Management's Projections Are Unreliable and Unrealistic

Management's Projections Are Unreliable

The Company has continually missed its own projections on key operational metrics by wide margins.

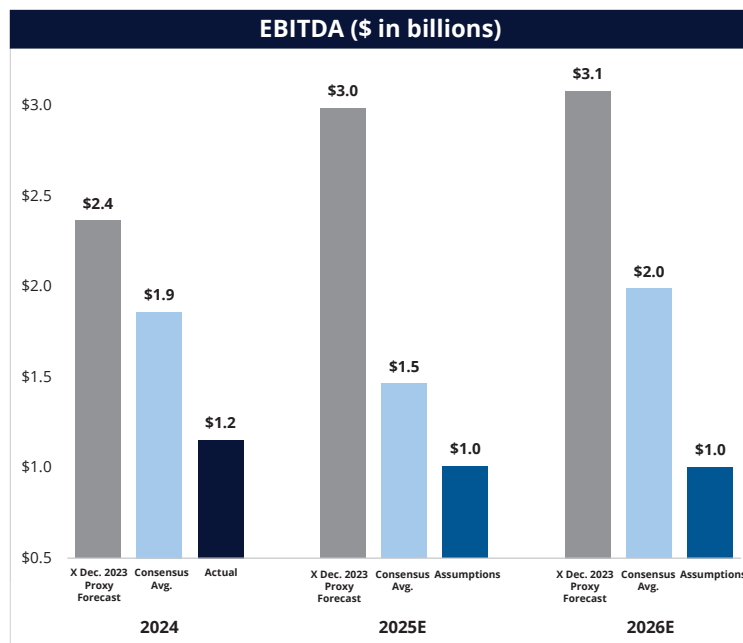
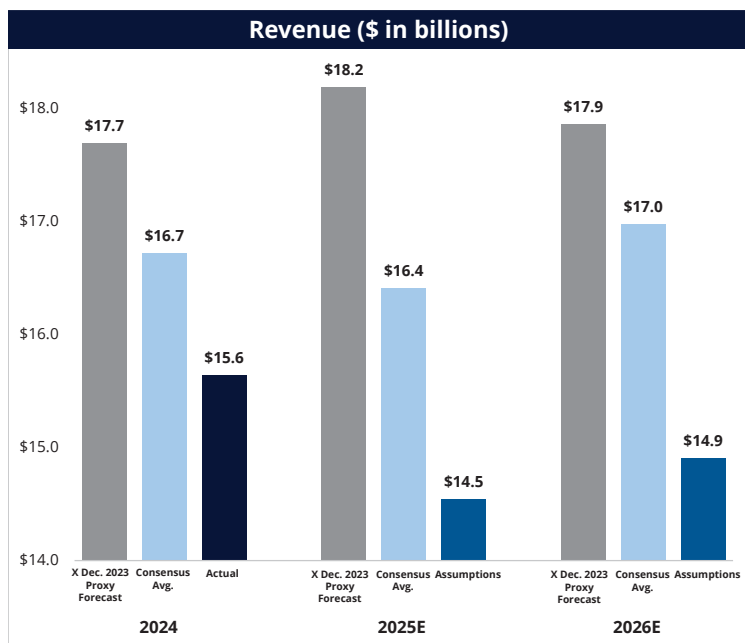


Management's Projections Appear to Ignore Key Assumptions

- If CapEx is implemented as forecast, maintenance will be underinvested, equipment age will rise and NAFR shipments will decline
- If production complexity increases, as called for by management, yield loss will become more significant and mitigate the impact of higher Big River Steel ("BRS") shipments
- Mini-mill scrap spread dynamics dictate that BRS' contribution to EBITDA will be nowhere near management's guidance
- When economic and regulatory headwinds in Europe are accounted for, U.S. Steel Europe ("USSE") will not have a positive EBITDA contribution
- Rising Tubular costs due to aging assets, coupled with an aggressive competitive environment, dictate that Tubular will not contribute EBITDA – barring a market development that raises prices for every participant's tubular products
- Company guidance appears to ignore rising working capital requirements for BRS as production ramps up
- Analysts' models ignore the impact of blast furnace underinvestment, which leads to impaired operations and higher mining costs

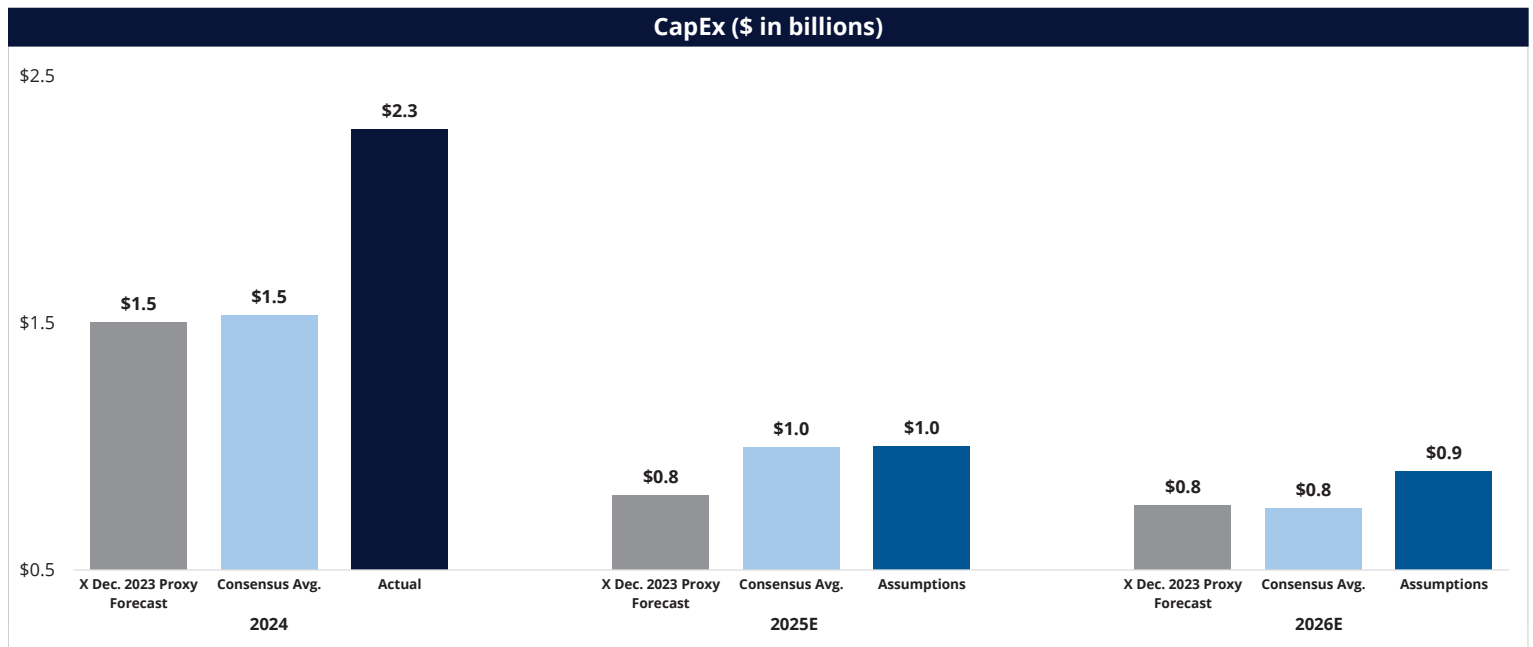
Management's Projections Are Unrealistic

Under realistic assumptions, the Company will miss its revenue and EBITDA forecasts.



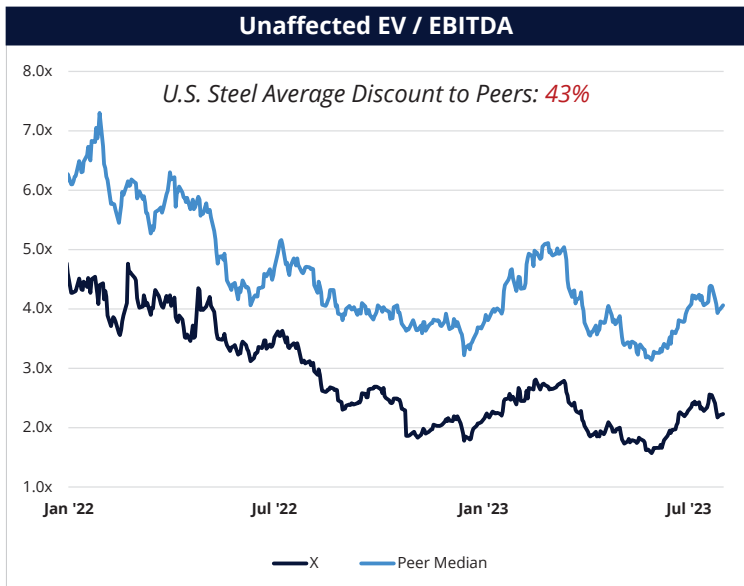
Management's Projections Are Unrealistic (Cont.)

Under realistic assumptions, the Company's spending will outpace its expectations.



The Board is Distorting U.S. Steel's Valuation by Clinging to a Dead Deal

Unfortunately, U.S. Steel's expected revenue growth and earnings power do not warrant a premium valuation to peers.



Historically, U.S. Steel was valued at a discount to peers

The **current** median of its peers' valuation is **7.8x** 2025 EBITDA

At \$39 per share, U.S. Steel's implied valuation is **11.2x** 2025 EBITDA¹

Currently, U.S. Steel is valued at a **43% premium to peers**

Sometimes premiums are justified... however, using realistic sales and EBITDA forecasts, it is clear that U.S. Steel is significantly overvalued vs. its peers.

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Part II. Our Solution is the Right One for U.S. Steel



The Stelco Turnaround is U.S. Steel's Best Blueprint for Success

Our slate's vision includes installing Alan Kestenbaum, a steel industry legend who executed a successful turnaround at Stelco, as a replacement for Mr. Burritt.

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From picked-over carcass to agile global player: How a 107-year-old Canadian steelmaker is stirring to life

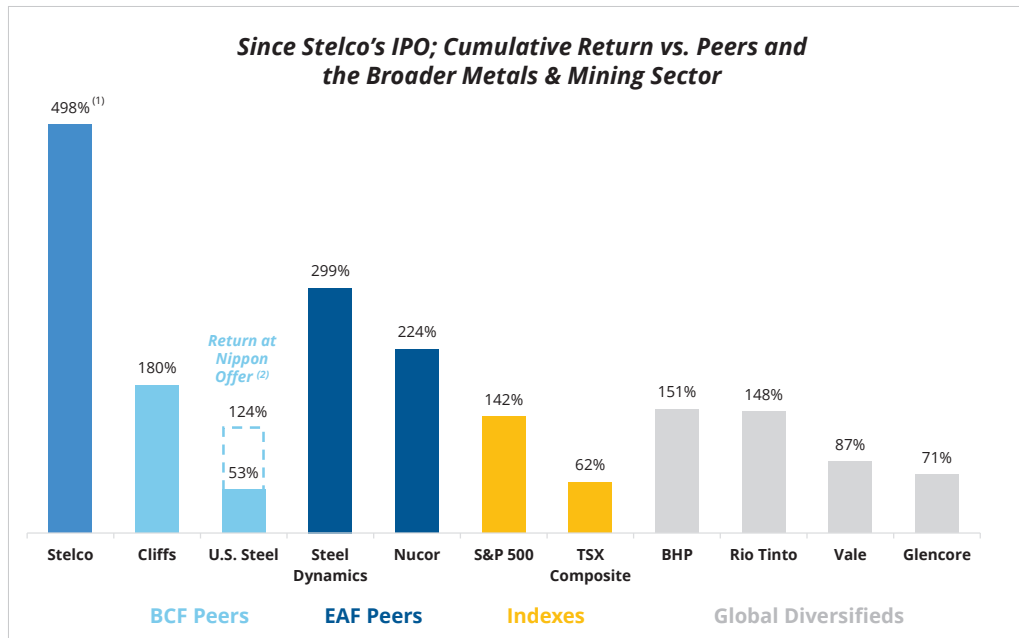
After decades of crisis, a renewed sense of purpose has settled over Stelco, which just completed an IPO under the leadership of a turnaround artist with a solid track record

THE GLOBE AND MAIL

Inside Stelco: The steel maker survived near death. What's next in its comeback plan?

An unlikely alliance of two Florida financiers and a local union leader say they've found a way forward

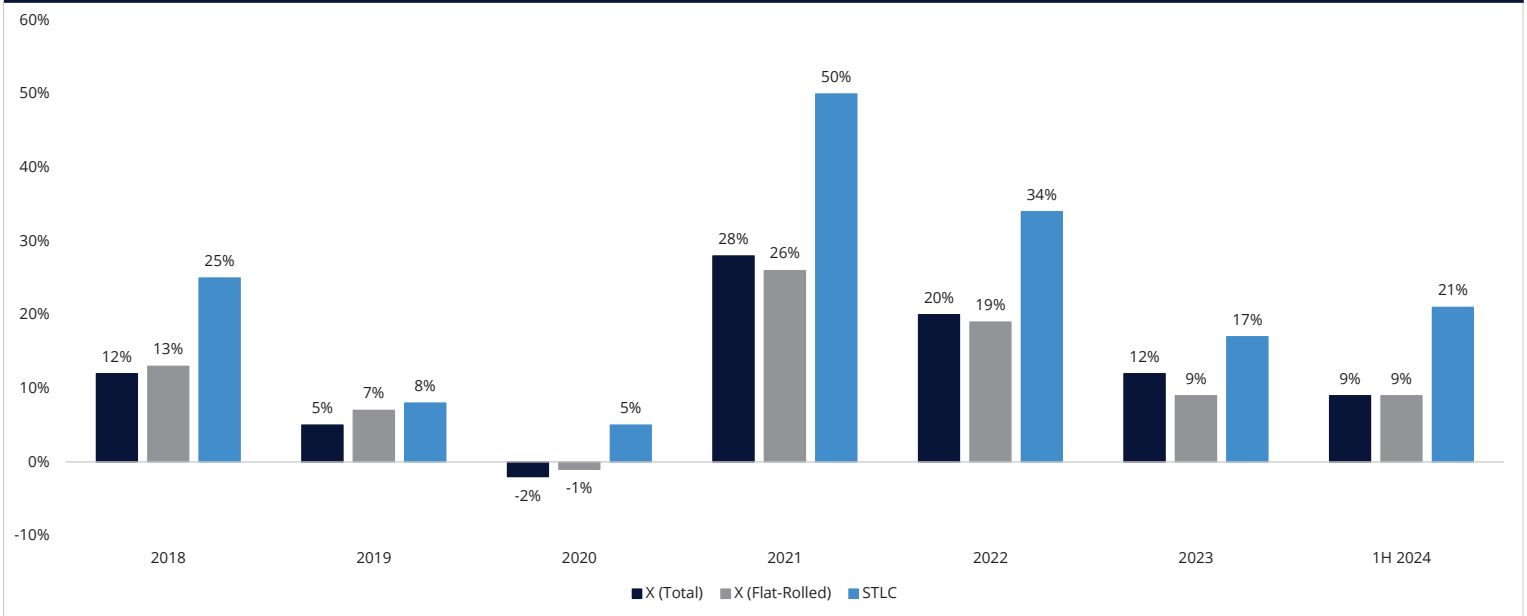
Since Stelco's IPO; Cumulative Return vs. Peers and the Broader Metals & Mining Sector



Stelco Outperformed U.S. Steel Despite Headwinds

Under Mr. Kestenbaum's leadership, Stelco continuously outperformed U.S. Steel despite facing tariff headwinds and taking on major CapEx projects.

U.S. Steel vs. Stelco EBITDA Margins (%)



A Realistic Path to Making U.S. Steel Great Again

The Ancora slate and Mr. Kestenbaum are prepared to take the following steps:

- ✓ Identify and implement asset optimization strategies and efficiencies
- ✓ Significantly reduce management and SG&A expenses, doing away with the Company's top-heavy structure characterized by slow and lax decision-making
- ✓ Lead multibillion-dollar capital investment program including (i.) upgrading blast furnaces at Gary Works and (ii.) upgrading the antiquated Mon Valley Works hot-strip mill
- ✓ Bring BRS to industry standards operationally – the newest sheet mini-mill in the world should produce world-class results
- ✓ Repair union relations, particularly with the United Steelworkers, building on the strength of Mr. Kestenbaum's existing relationships from Globe and Stelco
- ✓ Reinvigorate the workforce, ensuring employees are proud to work at U.S. Steel



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Part III. Questions & Answers

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Replay: A U.S. Solution for U.S. Steel

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Thank you to those of you that joined us for today's presentation. If you were unable to attend, a replay of the call and a link to our presentation are available below.

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Watch the Replay: A U.S. Solution for U.S. Steel ft. Alan Kestenbaum and Jim Chadwick →

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Ancora believes leadership has pursued a risky sale to Nippon at the expense of financial and operational performance, leaving U.S. Steel in a dire state.

We intend to install an independent slate and legendary CEO to abandon the blocked deal, collect the \$565 million breakup fee and Make U.S. Steel Great Again.

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Ancora Announces Investor Conference Call and Releases 220 Demand Letter Sent to the Board of Directors of U.S. Steel

FEBRUARY 18, 2025 / BUSINESS WIRE



Ancora Issues Letter to U.S. Steel's Board of Directors Following Failed Attempts to Resurrect the Dead Nippon Transaction

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Ancora Nominates Majority Slate of Director Candidates and Proposes Industry Legend Alan Kestenbaum as New CEO to Turn Around U.S. Steel

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