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#### **CURRENT REPORT**

#### PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15 (d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (date of earliest event reported) : February 18, 2004

Commission File No. 1-10403

## **TEPPCO Partners, L.P.**

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State of Incorporation or Organization) 76-0291058 (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

2929 Allen Parkway P.O. Box 2521 Houston, Texas 77252-2521 (Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(713) 759-3636 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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	February 2004.

#### Item 9. Regulation FD Disclosure

The Partnership is furnishing herewith certain data being presented at analysts and investors in February 2004. This information, which is incorporated by reference into this Item 9 from Exhibit 99.1 hereof, is being furnished solely for the purpose of complying with Regulation FD.

The matters discussed herein include "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of various provisions of the Securities Act of 1933 and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. These statements are based on certain assumptions and analyses made by the Partnership in light of its experience and its perception of historical trends, current conditions and expected future developments as well as other factors it believes are appropriate under the circumstances. However, whether actual results and developments will conform with the Partnership's expectations and predictions is subject to a number of risks and uncertainties, including general economic, market or business conditions, the opportunities (or lack thereof) that may be presented to and pursued by the Partnership, competitive actions by other pipeline companies, changes in laws or regulations, and other factors, many of which are beyond the control of the Partnership. Consequently, all of the forward-looking statements made in this document are qualified by these cautionary statements and there can be no assurance that actual results or developments anticipated by the Partnership will be realized or, even if substantially realized, that they will have the expected consequences to or effect on the Partnership or its business or operations.

#### SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

TEPPCO Partners, L.P. (Registrant)

By: Texas Eastern Products Pipeline Company, LLC General Partner

/s/ CHARLES H. LEONARD

Charles H. Leonard Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Date: February 18, 2004

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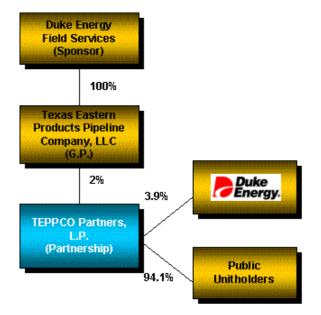
## **Forward-looking Statements**

The material and information furnished in this presentation contains forward-looking statements as such are described within various provisions of the Federal Securities Laws. Forward-looking statements include projections, estimates, forecasts, plans and objectives and as such are based on assumptions, uncertainties and risk analysis. No assurance can be given that future actual results and the value of TEPPCO Partners, L.P.'s securities will not differ materially from those contained in the forwardlooking statements expressed in this presentation and found in documents filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Although TEPPCO believes that all such statements contained in this presentation are based on reasonable assumptions, there are numerous variables either of an unpredictable nature or outside of TEPPCO's control that will impact and drive TEPPCO's future results and the value of its units. The receiver of this presentation must assess and bear the risk as to the value and importance he or she places on any forward-looking statements contained in this presentation. See TEPPCO Partners, L.P.'s filings with the SEC for additional discussion of risks and uncertainties that may affect such forward-looking statements.



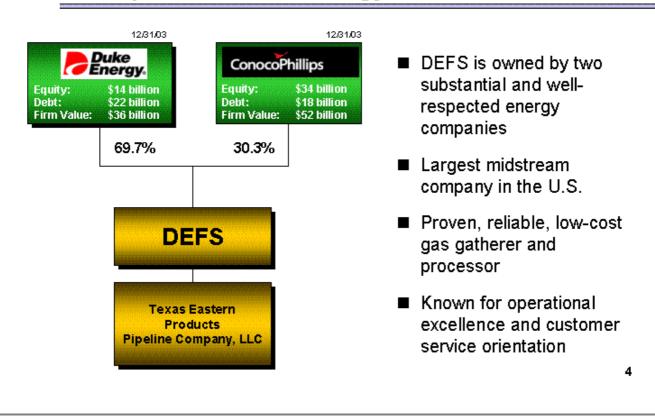
## **TEPPCO** Partners, L.P.

- One of the largest energy Master Limited Partnerships
- Formed in 1990 with headquarters in Houston, Texas
- General Partner owned by Duke Energy Field Services (DEFS), a premier North American midstream company
- Strong focus on corporate governance and serving interests of limited partners





## The Sponsor: Duke Energy Field Services

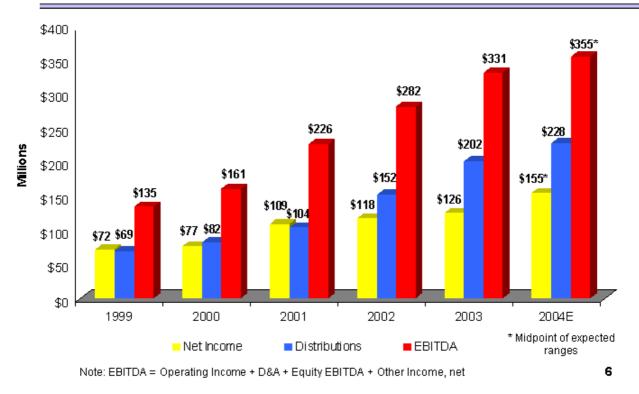




#### 2003 Achievements

- Excellent performance across all business segments
  - Record refined products and propane movements enabled by Centennial Pipeline capacity
  - Growth and optimization strategies continue to produce strong upstream gathering, marketing and transportation results
  - Increased Jonah volumes and impact of full year ownership of Val Verde system
- EBITDA growth to \$331 million, 17% above prior year
- Distribution growth to \$2.60/unit, 8.3% above year-end 2002
- Total unitholder return of 54%

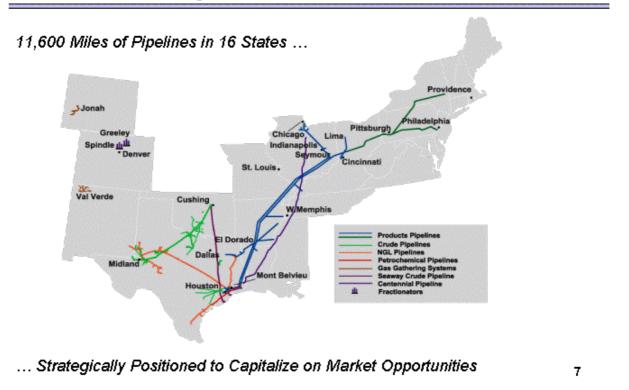




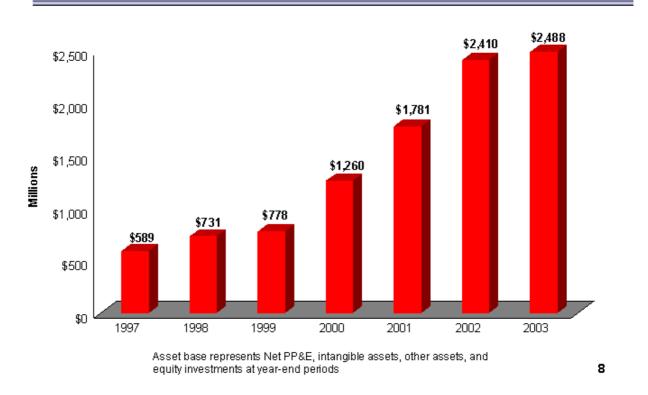
## **Record Income, EBITDA and Distributions**



# The TEPPCO Systems

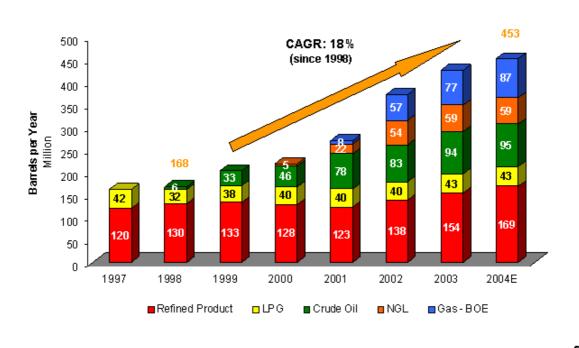






## **Substantial Asset Growth**





### **Volume Diversification and Growth**



# **TEPPCO's Three Business Segments**



<u>Upstream</u>

Crude oil gathering, transportation, storage and marketing



<u>Midstream</u>

Natural gas gathering and NGL transportation and fractionation



**Downstream** 

Refined products, LPG, and petrochemical transportation, storage and terminaling

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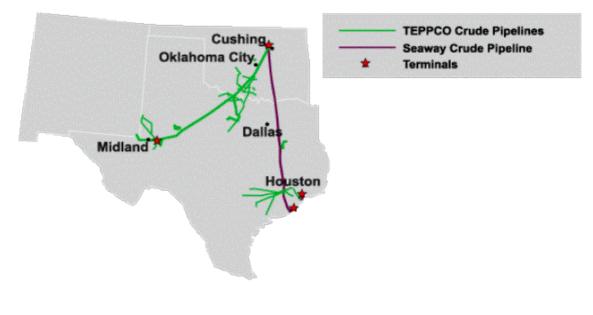
### **TEPPCO Corporate Strategy**

#### Our Goal: To grow cash flow and returns to our unitholders

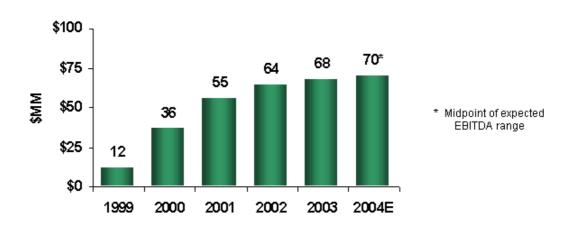
- Focus on internal growth prospects
  - Increase throughput on our pipeline systems
  - Expand / upgrade existing assets and construct new pipeline and gathering systems
- Target accretive acquisitions in our core businesses that provide growth potential
  - Utilize competitive strength from alignment with DEFS
- Operate in a safe, efficient and environmentally responsible manner
- Continue track record of steady, annual distribution growth



# **TEPPCO's Upstream Business**







## **Upstream EBITDA Contribution**

- Consistent gathering, marketing and transportation results from strong asset position, customer service, financial strength
- Seaway volumes and revenues increased with incentive tariff structure
- South Texas market position improved with assets acquired from Rancho Pipeline and Genesis Crude, LP

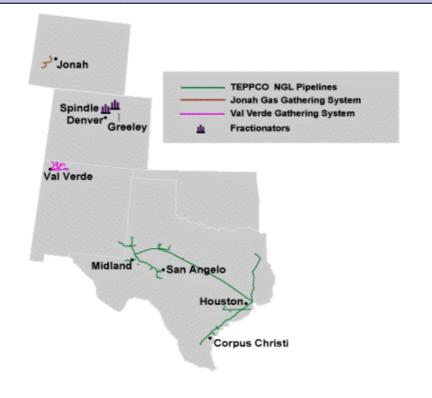


## **Upstream Strategy**

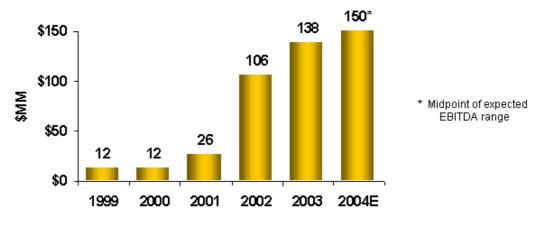
- Strengthen market position around existing asset base
  - Focus activity in West Texas, South Texas and Red River areas
  - Increase margins by improving/expanding services and reducing costs through asset optimization
- Pursue strategic acquisitions to complement existing assets
  - Leverage strength of existing assets
- Realize full potential of Seaway assets
  - Aggressively market Seaway mainline capacity, with focus on alignment with key refiners and suppliers
  - Maximize value of strong Texas City marine terminal position



## **TEPPCO's Midstream Business**







### **Midstream EBITDA Contribution**

- Jonah growth continues with increased volumes from Phase II and Phase III expansions
- Approval of infill drilling order paves way for Val Verde growth



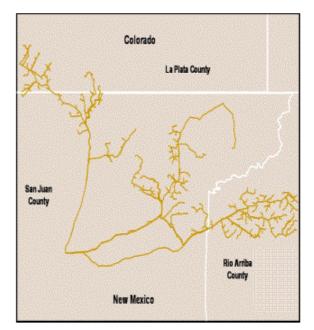
### **Midstream Strategy**

- Strong portfolio of high quality assets in prolific gas producing basins
  - Assets positioned in basins playing an increasingly vital role in the United States' domestic gas supply
- Realize full potential of existing assets
  - Increase throughput on Val Verde, Jonah and Chaparral systems
  - Prudently expand capacity to meet customers' needs
- Pursue acquisition opportunities arising from natural gas industry restructuring



## Val Verde Gas Gathering System

- Acquired from Burlington Resources for \$444 million on 6/30/02
- Gathers from San Juan Basin's Fruitland Coal Formation
- One of the largest Coal Bed Methane gas gathering and treating facilities, with 1 BCF/d pipeline capacity
- Attractive growth potential from infill CBM drilling and conventional gas production





#### Val Verde Growth Potential

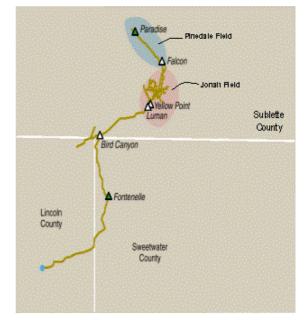
- Near-term volume growth from Coal Bed Methane infill drilling
  - New Mexico Oil Conservation Division issued order in July 2003 approving 160-acre spacing in all areas of the Fruitland Coal Formation
  - Volumes from infill wells dedicated to Val Verde and within footprint of existing gathering system
- Volume decline in 2004 expected to be offset by strong infill drilling and new connections to existing gas supply
- Longer-term growth and increased throughput from conventional gas gathering and enhanced services
  - Leverage high quality assets, existing system capacity and DEFS commercial presence and operating capability



## Jonah Gas Gathering System

#### One of most active onshore gas plays in North America

- Significant growth prospects in both Jonah and Pinedale fields
- Major producers, EnCana, Shell, BP, Ultra are committed to development
- Throughput doubled since TEPPCO purchase in Oct 2001
  - Expect mid-900's MMcfd average throughput in 2004





## **Phase III Expansion and Pioneer Plant**

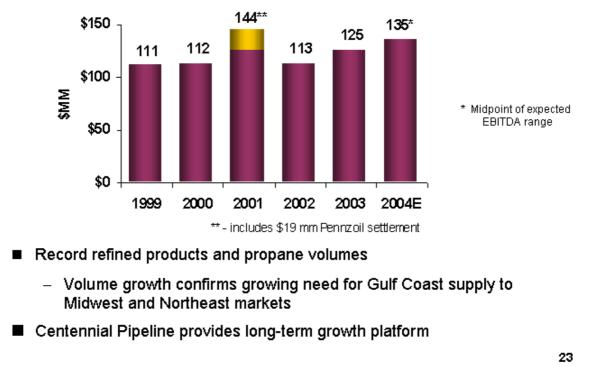
- Phase III Expansion has increased system capacity to 1.2 Bcfd
  - 90%+ of gas dedicated life of lease from wellhead to Bird Canyon
  - Obtained increased long haul dedications from major producers
- Improved system reliability with Pioneer Processing Plant and Opal Plant expansion
- Kern River expansion provides sufficient downstream capacity to transport increased Jonah and Pinedale volumes
- Likelihood of further infill drilling within Jonah and Pinedale fields



## **TEPPCO's Downstream Business**



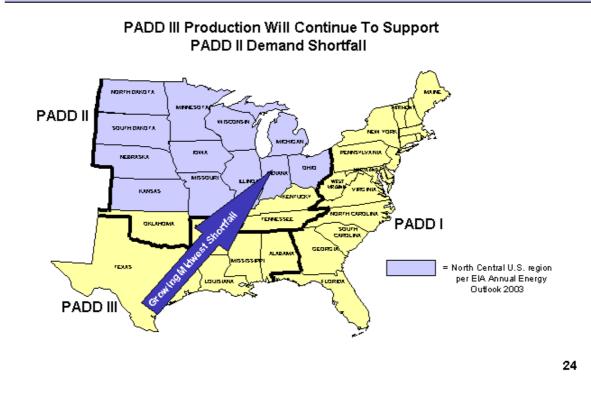




### **Downstream EBITDA Contribution**



# **Midwest Refined Products Supply**





#### **Downstream Strategy**

- Utilize TEPPCO and Centennial Pipeline systems to serve growing Midwest supply shortfall
  - Acquisition of capacity lease and increased ownership position improves ability to optimize operations and customer service
- Centennial is a key investment for TEPPCO, providing substantial growth capacity to satisfy growing demand in core market area
  - Centennial provided capacity to enable record refined products movements in 2003
  - Improved propane service levels to Midwest and Northeast markets and potential for market share growth
  - Potential to displace river movements with more efficient pipeline transportation
  - Potential to offset expected growing Midwest supply imbalance



### **Integrity Management Program**

- IMP regulation enacted December 2000
  - Requires assessment of pipelines traversing High Consequence Areas (HCA)
- Inspection priorities based on risk ranking established by the company
  - Risk matrix includes age of pipe, product, population density, other factors
- Key milestones
  - September 30, 2004 complete 50% of the HCA pipeline segment assessments (DOT regulated) *Completed*
  - September 30, 2004 complete 50% of all Texas Intrastate assessments (state regulated) On schedule
  - March 31, 2008 complete the remaining 50% of the pipeline assessments On schedule



### **Integrity Management Program**

- 2003 pipeline integrity costs exceeded expectations
  - \$23 MM expense vs. \$13 MM budget; \$6 MM capital
- A-1 pipeline project required extraordinary effort
  - Required pipe replacement to correct anomalies
- Other factors driving increased costs in 2003
  - Repair costs higher due to repair methodology (pipe replacement versus lower-cost sleeves and clocksprings)
  - More overtime due to required immediate response
  - Inspected more miles than original budget
- 2004 pipeline integrity budget: \$16 MM expense, \$5 MM capital
  - Improved cost management and more repair options on lowerrisk/less critical pipeline systems

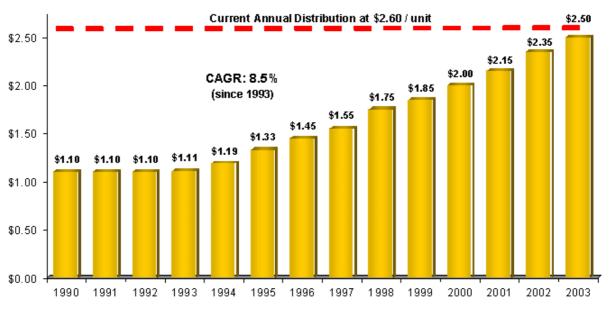


### **Balance Sheet and Distribution Coverage**

- Strengthened balance sheet in 2003
  - 3.9 million units sold April 2003 with proceeds used to retire all Class B units
  - 5.2 million units sold August 2003 with proceeds used primarily to fund internal growth projects
- Improved year-end financial position
  - Debt/capitalization = 54%
  - Debt/EBITDA = 3.9
- Increased annual distribution by \$.20/unit to \$2.60/unit
  - 8.5% annual distribution growth rate since 1993
  - Expected 2004 distribution coverage of 1.08 at \$2.60/unit



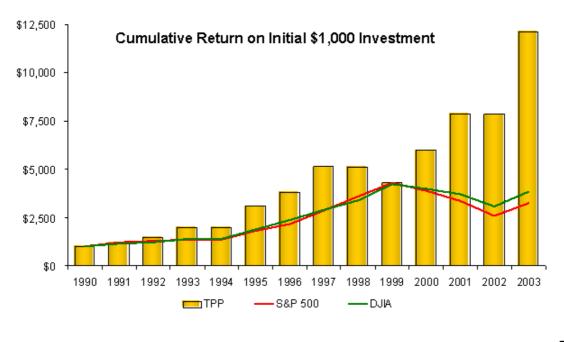
# **Consistent distribution growth since 1993**



Note: 1990 indicative of full year distribution.



# TEPPCO unitholders have realized a 20% average annual return since 1990 IPO





### 2004/2005 Growth Potential

- Existing assets and growth capital expenditures provide foundation for continued earnings and cash flow growth
  - Propane capacity expansion positions TEPPCO to increase Midwest and Northeast market share
  - Refined products volume growth from increased utilization of Centennial Pipeline
  - Utilization of Jonah Phase III capacity and infill drilling
  - Infill drilling of Val Verde Fruitland Coal formation
  - Continued execution of upstream system growth and optimization strategy
- Strong balance sheet provides financial flexibility to pursue acquisitions



#### **TEPPCO's Governance**

#### Strict governance ensures high degree of investor confidence

- Strong focus on protecting interests of limited partners and avoiding conflicts with general partner
  - TEPPCO general partner managed with high degree of independence
  - Management and employee incentives aligned with limited partners' interest
  - Special Committee of independent directors utilized whenever potential conflicts arise
  - Demonstrated record of "win-win" relationship with DEFS



#### Summary

#### TEPPCO is well positioned for continued growth

- Strong asset positions in diversified businesses
- Visible internal growth prospects
- Disciplined approach to acquisitions
- Financial strength to fund growth initiatives
- Experienced personnel with customer service orientation
- Track record of consistent distribution growth
- Strict governance to ensure continued stakeholder trust and confidence



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

#### (\$ in Millions)

2004E <sup>1</sup>	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999
157	126	118	109	77	72
75	84	66	62	45	30
103	101	86	46	36	33
20	20	12	9	3	-
355	331	282	226	161	135
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Note:

1 2/11/04 earnings release indicated a 2004E EBITDA range of \$340 - \$370 million



# **Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Measures**

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	Downstream	Midstream	Upstream	TOTAL
BITDA				
Operating Income	84	80	28	192
Depreciation & Amortization (D&A)	32	58	11	101
Other – Net	0	-	1	1
Equity Earnings	(4)	-	21	17
TEPPCO Pro-rata				
Percentage of Joint Venture				
Interest Expense and D&A	13	-	7	20
Total EBITDA	125	138	68	331
Percentage of Total	38%	41 <b>X</b>	21%	100%



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

(\$ in Milli	ons)
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2004E

	Downstream	Midstream	Upstream	TOTAL
BITDA				
Operating Income	89	90	32	211
Depreciation & Amortization (D&A)	31	60	12	103
Other – Net	-	-	-	-
Equity Earnings	2	-	19	21
TEPPCO Pro-rata				
Percentage of Joint Venture				
Interest Expense and D&A	13	-	7	20
Fotal EBITDA	135	150	70	355
Percentage of Total	38%	42%	20%	100%

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