

Constellation Energy Corporation (CEG)

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Key Metrics

| Current Price: | \$268 | 5 Year CAGR Estimate: | -2.7% | Market Cap: | \$84 Billion |
|-----------------------------|-------|-------------------------------------|-----------|---------------------------|--------------|
| Fair Value Price: | \$139 | 5 Year Growth Estimate: | 10.0% | Ex-Dividend Date: | 05/16/25 |
| % Fair Value: | 193% | 5 Year Valuation Multiple Estimate: | -12.3% | Dividend Payment Date: | 06/06/25 |
| Dividend Yield: | 0.6% | 5 Year Price Target | \$223 | Years Of Dividend Growth: | 3 |
| Dividend Risk Score: | Α | Sector: | Utilities | Rating: | Hold |

Constellation Energy Corporation was spun off from Exelon Corporation on February 1st, 2022. Constellation Energy provides clean and sustainable energy solutions to homes, commercial businesses, and wholesale customers such as municipalities and cooperatives. The company's energy products include electric, natural gas, and renewables and markets such products to companies of all sizes. Constellation Energy operates 13 nuclear plants with a combined 21 gigawatts of capacity. The company operates in the lower 48 U.S. states, Canada, and the United Kingdom.

On September 20th, 2024, Constellation Energy announced it has reached a 20-year fixed-price power purchase contract with Microsoft Corporation (MSFT) to supply that company with the electricity following the restart of previously shuttered Unit 1 of the Three Mile Island nuclear plant. Some estimates peg the revenue at around \$800 million per year for Constellation Energy. The plant is not expected to be operational until 2028.

On January 10th, 2025, the company announced that it had agreed to purchase Calpine Corp. using a mix of cash and stock. This transaction will make Constellation Energy the largest clean energy provider in the U.S.

On February 18th, 2025, Constellation Energy raised its quarterly dividend 10% to \$0.3878 per share. This marks the third dividend increase for the independent company.

On May 6th, 2025, Constellation Energy reported first quarter results for the period ending March 31st, 2025. For the quarter, revenue grew 8.6% to \$6.69 billion, which was \$1.35 billion above estimates. On an adjusted basis, earnings-per-share totaled \$2.14, which compared favorably to adjusted earnings-per-share of \$1.82 in the prior year, but was \$0.08 below expectations. Constellation Energy's nuclear fleet produced 45,582 gigawatt-hours in the first quarter, up from 45,391 gigawatt-hours in the prior year. Nuclear plants achieved a 94.1% capacity factor, compared to 93.3% in Q1 2024. The dispatch match rate for natural gas and pumped storage fleet was 99.2% versus 97.9% in the prior year. Renewable energy capture of 96.2% compared unfavorably to 96.3% in the prior year. Constellation Energy continues to expect adjusted earnings-per-share in a range of \$8.90 to \$9.60 for 2025.

Growth on a Per-Share Basis

| Year | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2030 |
|---------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|
| EPS | \$2.54 | \$1.80 | \$2.78 | \$2.07 | \$3.22 | \$3.22 | \$2.82 | \$4.17 | \$5.01 | \$8.67 | \$9.25 | \$14.90 |
| DPS | \$1.24 | \$1.26 | \$1.31 | \$1.38 | \$1.45 | \$1.53 | \$1.53 | \$0.56 | \$1.13 | \$1.41 | \$1.55 | \$2.50 |
| Shares ¹ | 920 | 924 | 963 | 968 | 972 | 976 | 980 | 328 | 321 | 314 | 314 | 310 |

Note that we have elected to show Exelon Corporation's history in the table above to illustrate the type of operating company from which Constellation Energy was spun off. This is an imperfect measure, but does offer some clues to the consistency of the new business. We continue to project 10% annual earnings growth through 2030 as the company had an impressive 2023 and 2024 and looks to further grow its business in the current year.

We believe Exelon Corporation's dividend history could serve as an indicator for Constellation Energy's future safety and growth. The parent company cut its dividend in both 2013 and 2014 in an effort to pay off debt associated with mergers and acquisitions. The dividend was cut once again in 2016. The company cut its dividend by 11.8% for the March 10th, 2022 payment following the spinoff. However, shareholders that continue to hold the Constellation Energy shares

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¹ In millions of shares



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following the spinoff will see a combined dividend for 2022 that was at least equal to the distribution prior to the spinoff. We now expect 10% dividend growth as the last three increases have been at least this level and the payout ratio is very low.

Valuation Analysis

| Year | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | Now | 2030 |
|-----------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Avg. P/E | 12.6 | 18.7 | 13.4 | 20.1 | 14.2 | 13.1 | 14.6 | 20.7 | 23.3 | 25.8 | 29.0 | 15.0 |
| Avg. Yld. | 3.9% | 3.7% | 3.5% | 3.3% | 3.2% | 3.6% | 3.7% | 0.6% | 0.1% | 0.6% | 0.6% | 1.1% |

Shares of Constellation Energy have increased \$64, or 31.4%, since our March 7th, 2025 report. We are again using Exelon Corporation's history to provide contextual clues to show how shares have traded in the past. During the last decade, Exelon Corporation traded with an average price-to-earnings ratio, or P/E, of ~18. Due to Constellation Energy only recent independence, along with the reluctance of some to embrace nuclear energy, we have assigned a target P/E of 15, which is up from 12 previously. With shares trading at 29 times estimates for the year, this implies a headwind from multiple compression. Valuation reversion could reduce annual returns by 12.3% through 2030.

The stock's dividend yield is 0.6%, well below what utility stocks typically offer, even after the aggressive increases.

Safety, Quality, Competitive Advantage, & Recession Resiliency

| Year | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2030 |
|--------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Payout | 49% | 70% | 47% | 67% | 45% | 48% | 54% | 13% | 23% | 16% | 17% | 17% |

Constellation Energy does have some interesting competitive advantages. For one, the company is a major provider of energy in the U.S. The company is also present in nearly every state and has international operations. This gives it a size and scale that is unmatched among utility companies. Constellation Energy is highly focused on renewable forms of energy and has a goal to have its own operations be 100% carbon-free by 2040. The emphasis being placed on such forms of energy positions Constellation Energy ahead of many of its peer groups. Lastly, utility companies are often more recession proof than those in other sectors as customers typically prioritize power even in economic downturns. This usually results in slow, but consistent growth leading to higher dividends over time. Parent company Exelon Corporation did reduce its dividend several times during the last decade, but this was because the company raised a large amount of debt to fund mergers and acquisitions that are performing well today. Constellation Energy has a very healthy projected payout ratio, especially for a utility company.

Final Thoughts & Recommendation

Constellation Energy is expected to lose 2.7% annually through 2030, compared to our prior estimated return of 2.8%. Our projection stems from a 10% earnings growth rate and a starting yield of 0.6% that are more than offset by multiple compression. Constellation Energy's quarter was mixed, but the stock's valuation still leaves something to be desired following the surge in share price since our last report. We now view shares as a hold due to a strong dividend risk score.

Total Return Breakdown by Year



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Income Statement Metrics

| Year | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 |
|------------------|------|------|--------|--------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Revenue | | | 20,437 | 18,924 | 17,603 | 19,649 | 24,440 | 24,918 | 23,568 |
| Gross Profit | | | 3,280 | 3,350 | 2,850 | 2,931 | 2,137 | 3,232 | 5,990 |
| Gross Margin | | | 16.0% | 17.7% | 16.2% | 14.9% | 8.7% | 13.0% | 25.4% |
| Operating Profit | | | 3,415 | 3,063 | 3,636 | 3,995 | 1,849 | 1,883 | 2,007 |
| Operating Margin | | | 927 | 1,296 | 425 | 362 | (408) | 2,386 | 4,848 |
| Net Profit | | | 4.5% | 6.8% | 2.4% | 1.8% | -1.7% | 9.6% | 20.6% |
| Net Margin | | | 370 | 1,125 | 589 | (205) | (160) | 1,623 | 3,749 |
| Free Cash Flow | | | 1.8% | 5.9% | 3.3% | -1.0% | -0.7% | 6.5% | 15.9% |
| Income Tax | | | 1,619 | 1,028 | (1,163) | (2,667) | (4,042) | (7,723) | (5,029) |

Balance Sheet Metrics

| Year | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 |
|----------------------|------|------|------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Total Assets | | | | 48,995 | 48,094 | 48,086 | 46,909 | 50,758 | 52,926 |
| Cash & Equivalents | | | | 303 | 226 | 504 | 422 | 368 | 3,022 |
| Accounts Receivable | | | | 2,893 | 1,298 | 1,669 | 2,585 | 1,934 | 3,116 |
| Inventories | | | | 1,262 | 1,211 | 1,288 | 1,505 | 1,500 | 1,600 |
| Goodwill & Int. Ass. | | | | 47 | | | 47 | 425 | 420 |
| Total Liabilities | | | | 33,165 | 33,418 | 36,472 | 35,537 | 39,472 | 39,387 |
| Long-Term Debt | | | | 8,294 | 7,212 | 8,196 | 5,768 | 9,261 | 8,412 |
| Shareholder's Equity | | | | 13,484 | 12,399 | 11,219 | 11,018 | 10,925 | 13,166 |
| LTD/E Ratio | | | | 0.62 | 0.58 | 0.73 | 0.52 | 0.85 | 0.64 |

Profitability & Per Share Metrics

| Year | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 |
|------------------|------|------|-------|-------|--------|--------|---------|---------|---------|
| Return on Assets | | | | | 1.2% | -0.4% | -0.3% | 3.3% | 7.2% |
| Return on Equity | | | | | 3.9% | -1.6% | -1.4% | 14.3% | 30.2% |
| ROIC | | | | | 2.6% | -1.0% | -0.9% | 8.6% | 17.6% |
| Shares Out. | 920 | 924 | 963 | 968 | 972 | 976 | 980 | 328 | 321 |
| Revenue/Share | | | 62.63 | 58.00 | 53.95 | 60.27 | 74.29 | 76.91 | 74.82 |
| FCF/Share | | | 4.96 | 3.15 | (3.56) | (8.18) | (12.29) | (23.84) | (15.97) |

Note: All figures in millions of U.S. Dollars unless per share or indicated otherwise.

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