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## VALERO ENERGY CORPORATION THRIFT PLAN

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## REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

Valero Energy Corporation Benefit Plans Administrative Committee:

We have audited the accompanying statements of net assets available for benefits of the Valero Energy Corporation Thrift Plan (the Plan) as of December 31, 2014 and 2013, and the related statements of changes in net assets available for benefits for the years then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Plan's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the net assets available for benefits of the Plan as of December 31, 2014 and 2013, and the changes in net assets available for benefits for the years then ended in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

Our audits were performed for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The supplemental Schedule H, Line 4i–Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year) as of December 31, 2014 is presented for the purpose of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information required by the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974. This supplemental schedule is the responsibility of the Plan's management. The supplemental schedule has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audits of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

/s/ KPMG LLP

San Antonio, Texas June 29, 2015

## VALERO ENERGY CORPORATION THRIFT PLAN STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS

	December 31,	2012
	2014	2013
Assets		
Investments:	<b>\$254.050.122</b>	¢ 40 4 01 5 500
Common stocks	\$354,058,132	\$424,915,509
Common/collective trusts	464,278,476	420,617,088
Mutual funds	614,854,821	537,864,652
Money market security	26,495,395	22,472,238
Self-directed investments	299,689,147	273,354,552
Total investments at fair value	1,759,375,971	1,679,224,039
Receivables:		
Participant loans	43,197,894	40,393,778
Employer contributions, net of forfeitures of	639,655	_
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Due from brokers for securities sold	97,703	1,167,523
Total receivables	43,935,252	41,561,301
Cash	619,570	850,027
Total assets reflecting all investments at fair value	1,803,930,793	1,721,635,367
Adjustment from fair value to contract value for fully benefit-responsive investment contracts	(443,153	) (417,216
Net assets available for benefits	\$1,803,487,640	\$1,721,218,151
See Notes to Financial Statements.		

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## VALERO ENERGY CORPORATION THRIFT PLAN STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS

	Years Ended December 31, 2014 2013		
Investment income:	2014	2013	
Interest income	\$1,790,180	\$1,777,085	
Dividend income	63,378,979	49,312,099	
Net appreciation in fair value of investments	18,471,342	329,822,656	
Total investment income	83,640,501	380,911,840	
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Contributions:			
Participant	81,005,653	73,811,863	
Employer	47,041,383	41,547,608	
Total contributions	128,047,036	115,359,471	
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Total additions	211,687,537	496,271,311	
Deductions:			
Withdrawals by participants	(172,374,080)	(144,354,483	)
Total deductions	(172,374,080)	(144,354,483	)
Net increase in net assets available for benefits	39,313,457	351,916,828	
before asset transfers	59,515,457	551,910,828	
Asset transfers in from other plans:			
Valero Energy Corporation Savings Plan	42,956,032	97,814	
CST Brands, Inc. Savings Plan	—	214,686	
Total asset transfers in from other plans	42,956,032	312,500	
Asset transfers out to other plans:			
CST Brands, Inc. Savings Plan	—	(69,481,662	)
Total asset transfers out to other plans	—	(69,481,662	)
Net increase in net assets available for benefits	82,269,489	282,747,666	
Net assets available for benefits:			
Beginning of year	1,721,218,151	1,438,470,485	
End of year	\$1,803,487,640	\$1,721,218,151	
See Notes to Financial Statements.			

## 1. DESCRIPTION OF THE PLAN

#### General

The Valero Energy Corporation Thrift Plan (Thrift Plan) is a qualified profit-sharing plan covering certain of Valero Energy Corporation's employees in the United States (U.S.). (See "Eligibility and Participation" below for a description of employees eligible for participation in the Thrift Plan.) The Thrift Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (ERISA). As used in this report, the term "Valero" may refer, depending upon the context, to Valero Energy Corporation, one or more of its consolidated subsidiaries, or all of them taken as a whole.

A portion of the Thrift Plan is designated as an employee stock ownership plan (ESOP), as defined in Section 4975(e)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the Code), and Department of Labor Regulation §2550.407d-6. The Thrift Plan is comprised of an ESOP portion and a non-ESOP portion. The ESOP portion consists only of investments in Valero common stock. A dividend payout feature allows participants to elect to receive dividends from Valero common stock in cash as taxable distributions or to continue to have such dividends reinvested in the Thrift Plan. The designation as an ESOP has no other effect on benefits under the Thrift Plan.

The description of the Thrift Plan included in these notes to financial statements provides only general information. Participants should refer to the plan document for a complete description of the Thrift Plan's provisions.

## Plan Administration

Valero is the plan sponsor. Valero is an international manufacturer and marketer of transportation fuels, other petrochemical products, and power. As of December 31, 2014, Valero employed approximately 10,000 employees and its assets included 15 refineries with a combined total throughput capacity of approximately 2.9 million barrels per day, 11 ethanol plants with a combined production capacity of 1.3 billion gallons per year, a 50-megawatt wind farm, and renewable diesel production from a joint venture. Through subsidiaries, Valero owns the general partner of Valero Energy Partners LP, a midstream master limited partnership. Approximately 7,400 outlets carry the Valero, Shamrock, and Beacon brands in the U.S. and the Caribbean; Ultramar in Canada; and Texaco in the United Kingdom and Ireland. Valero is a Fortune 500 company based in San Antonio, Texas. Through April 30, 2013, Valero also sold refined products through a network of company-owned and leased retail sites in the U.S. and Canada. As further described under "Separation of the Retail Business," Valero completed the separation of its retail business on May 1, 2013.

Valero's common stock trades on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "VLO."

The Valero Energy Corporation Benefit Plans Administrative Committee (Administrative Committee), consisting of persons selected by Valero, administers the Thrift Plan. The members of the Administrative Committee serve without compensation for services in that capacity. Bank of America, N.A. (BANA) is the trustee under the Thrift Plan and has custody of the securities and investments of the Thrift Plan through a trust. Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, an affiliate of BANA, is the record keeper for the Thrift Plan.

## Eligibility and Participation

Valero's U.S. employees are immediately eligible to participate in the Thrift Plan, except for renewables organization employees prior to June 2, 2014 and retail store employees and certain other retail employees prior to May 1, 2013. These excluded employees were eligible to participate in the Valero Energy Corporation Savings Plan (the Savings Plan), another plan sponsored by Valero. As further described under "Merger of the Savings Plan into the Thrift Plan," the Savings Plan was merged into the Thrift Plan on June 2, 2014. In addition, employees at the Port Arthur and Memphis Refineries represented by the United Steel, Paper and Forestry, Rubber, Manufacturing, Energy, Allied Industrial and Service Workers International Union and its Local 13-423 (Plant Group Only), and the United Steel, Paper and Forestry, Rubber, International Union and its Local 9-00631, respectively, are eligible to participate in the Premcor Retirement Savings Plan, another plan sponsored by Valero. Participation in the Thrift Plan is voluntary.

## Merger of the Savings Plan into the Thrift Plan

Effective June 2, 2014, the Savings Plan was merged into the Thrift Plan and as a result of this merger, the Savings Plan ceased to exist as a separate plan. All Savings Plan participants (renewables organization employees and terminated retail employees) at the time of the merger became eligible to participate in the Thrift Plan. As Thrift Plan participants, renewables organization employees receive the same benefits as other Thrift Plan participants. In addition, renewables organization employees are eligible to receive discretionary profit-sharing contributions based on annual eligible compensation, as further described under "Contributions." Assets transferred from the Savings Plan to the Thrift Plan on June 2, 2014 totaled \$42,956,032.

## Separation of the Retail Business

On May 1, 2013, Valero completed the separation of its retail business by creating an independent public company named CST Brands, Inc. (CST) and distributing 80 percent of the outstanding shares of CST common stock to Valero's stockholders. Each Valero stockholder received one share of CST common stock for every nine shares of Valero common stock held at the close of business on the record date of April 19, 2013. On November 14, 2013, Valero disposed of its 20 percent retained interest in CST.

The CST common stock held by the Thrift Plan as a result of this distribution was a frozen investment and no additional contributions or earnings could be made or allocated to acquire additional shares of CST common stock. Effective May 1, 2014, if a participant had an established self-directed investment account, then all whole CST shares were transferred in-kind to the participant's self-directed investment account; partial shares were liquidated and the cash proceeds were invested based on the participant's investment elections as of May 1, 2014. If a participant did not have a self-directed investment account, then all CST shares were liquidated and the cash proceeds were invested based on the participant's solvest were liquidated and the cash proceeds were invested based on the participant.

## Asset Transfers

Participants in the Thrift Plan who became employees of CST on May 1, 2013 were automatically transferred to the CST Brands, Inc. Savings Plan (CST Savings Plan) on May 1, 2013. In the case of a participant in the Thrift Plan who became an employee of CST after May 1, 2013 but before September 1, 2013, the participant's account in the Thrift Plan was transferred to the CST Savings Plan effective the date of the participant's transfer to CST. At the time of transfer to the CST Savings Plan, a participant became 100 percent

vested in their employer matching contributions in the Thrift Plan. Assets transferred from the Thrift Plan to the CST Savings Plan during the year ended December 31, 2013, totaled \$69,481,662.

Assets transferred from the CST Savings Plan to the Thrift Plan during the year ended December 31, 2013 totaled \$214,686, which related to former Thrift Plan participants who became employees of CST on or after May 1, 2013 that were subsequently reemployed by Valero during 2013.

In addition, asset transfers occurred between the Savings Plan and the Thrift Plan due to the transfer or reemployment of employees to or from retail store positions prior to May 1, 2013 and ethanol plant positions.

## Contributions

Participants may make contributions of not less than 1 percent or more than 50 percent of their annual total salary immediately upon commencement of participation. Participants may change their contributions at any time. Annual total salary represents a participant's annual base salary together with overtime pay, commissions, and other eligible forms of cash compensation other than annual performance bonus payments, bonus payments to employees represented by a collective bargaining agreement, and unused vacation pay.

Participants elect to make pre-tax, after-tax and/or designated Roth 401(k) contributions to the Thrift Plan. Any employee may make rollover contributions and eligible Roth 401(k) rollover contributions to the Thrift Plan. Former employees who retain an account balance under the Thrift Plan and who have received or who are eligible to receive a distribution from a defined benefit pension plan sponsored by Valero are also eligible to make a rollover contribution to the Thrift Plan. For the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013, rollover contributions totaled \$5,378,536 and \$3,876,243, respectively, and are included in participant contributions.

The Code establishes an annual limitation on the amount of individual pre-tax and/or Roth 401(k) salary deferral contributions. This limit was \$17,500 for each of the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013. Participants who attained age 50 before the end of the year were eligible to make catch-up contributions of up to \$5,500 for each of the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013. All or any portion of an eligible participant's catch-up contribution can be designated as a Roth 401(k) catch-up contribution.

Effective July 1, 2013, Valero makes an employer contribution equal to \$1.00 for every \$1.00 of a participant's contributions up to 7 percent of annual total salary. Prior to July 1, 2013, the employer contribution was equal to \$1.00 for every \$1.00 of a participant's contributions up to 6 percent of annual total salary. All employer contributions are made in cash and are invested according to the investment options elected for the participant contributions.

Effective June 2, 2014, Valero, at the discretion of the Valero Energy Corporation Board of Directors or such other party as designated by such Board, may make profit-sharing contributions to the Thrift Plan to be allocated to the accounts of all eligible renewables organization employees. For the year ended December 31, 2014, the Administrative Committee approved profit-sharing contributions totaling \$1,639,655, which was offset by available forfeitures. Employer profit-sharing contributions receivable as of December 31, 2014 was received by the Thrift Plan in February 2015.

#### Participant Accounts

Individual accounts are maintained for each participant. Each participant's account is adjusted to reflect participant contributions, employer contributions, withdrawals, income, expenses, gains, and losses attributable to the participant's account.

#### Vesting

Participants are vested 100 percent in their individual participant contribution accounts at all times. Participants vest in their employer matching contribution accounts at the rate of 20 percent per year and are 100 percent vested after five years of continuous service. Active participants vest 100 percent in any profit-sharing contributions after completion of three years of service.

Continuous service begins the first day for which an employee is paid and terminates on the date of the employee's retirement, death, or other termination from service. If an employee's employment is terminated and the employee is subsequently reemployed within 12 months, the period between the severance from service and the date of reemployment is generally included in continuous service for vesting purposes. If the employee is not reemployed within one year after a severance from service date, the employee is deemed to have incurred a break in service.

#### Forfeitures

The Thrift Plan provides that if a participant incurs a break in service prior to becoming vested in any part of his employer account, the participant's prior continuous service will not be disregarded for purposes of the Thrift Plan until the break in service equals or exceeds five successive years. Upon a participant's termination of employment for other than death, total and permanent disability, or retirement on or after age 65, the nonvested portion of the participant's employer account is forfeited upon distribution. In the event the participant is reemployed prior to incurring a break in service of five successive years, any amounts forfeited under this provision may be reinstated.

Valero's employer contributions are reduced by any forfeited nonvested accounts of terminated participants and increased by the value of prior forfeited nonvested accounts for participants who are rehired within five years from date of termination. Employer contributions for the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013 were reduced by \$2,400,000 and \$325,000, respectively, from forfeited nonvested accounts. As of December 31, 2014 and 2013, forfeited nonvested accounts available to reduce future employer contributions or plan administrative expenses were \$249,199 and \$70,410, respectively.

## **Investment Options**

Participants direct the investment of 100 percent of their participant contributions and may transfer existing account balances into any of the investment options offered. These investment options include Valero common stock, common/collective trusts, mutual funds, a money market security, and other self-directed investments.

Participants may not designate more than 20 percent of their contributions to be invested in Valero common stock. Transfers into Valero common stock will not be permitted to the extent a transfer would result in more than 50 percent of the aggregate value of the participant's account being invested in Valero common stock.

If a participant wishes to transfer assets from the Federated Capital Preservation Fund to the money market security or to any self-directed investment options, then the proceeds from the sale of the Federated Capital Preservation Fund will be transferred into another of the Thrift Plan's core investment options for 90 days before purchasing shares of the money market security or directing the proceeds into self-directed investment options.

## Withdrawals and Distributions

Participants may make the following types of withdrawals of all or part of their respective accounts:

one withdrawal during any six-month period from a participant's after-tax account and rollover contribution account with no suspension of future contributions;

upon completion of five years of participation in the Thrift Plan, one withdrawal from a participant's after-tax account and employer account, with a similar withdrawal allowed 36 months after the date of a previous withdrawal under this provision, with no suspension of future contributions;

upon reaching age 59<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>, one withdrawal during any six-month period from a participant's account and employer account; or

upon furnishing proof of financial necessity, one withdrawal during any six-month period from a participant's account and the vested portion of the employer account, but, for withdrawals of pre-tax amounts, not to exceed the aggregate amount of the participant's pre-tax contributions. Individuals who receive a withdrawal for financial necessity will be suspended from making contributions to the Thrift Plan for a period of at least six months.

Upon a participant's death, total and permanent disability, or retirement on or after age 65, the participant or the beneficiary of a deceased participant is entitled to a distribution of the entire value of the participant's account and employer account regardless of whether or not the accounts are fully vested. Upon a participant's termination for any other reason, the participant is entitled to a distribution of only the value of the participant's account and the vested portion of the participant's employer account. Distributions resulting from any of these occurrences may be received in a single sum in whole shares of Valero common stock and cash, or entirely in cash. Alternatively, a participant or beneficiary may elect to receive this distribution in the form of equal monthly installments over a period not exceeding the lesser of (i) five years or (ii) the participant's life expectancy or the joint life expectancy of the participant and the participant's designated beneficiary. In addition, when the value of a distribution to a participant exceeds \$1,000, the distribution may be made prior to the participant attaining age 65 only with the participant's consent.

Terminated participants may elect to have the Thrift Plan trustee hold their accounts for distribution to them at a date not later than April 1 of the calendar year after which they attain age 70½. In this event, terminated participants continue to share in the income, expenses, gains, and losses of the Thrift Plan until their accounts are distributed.

The Thrift Plan allows participants who are called to active duty military service and who are on military leave for a period of 179 days or more to make withdrawals of all or any portion of their account.

## Participant Loans

Participants may borrow a minimum of \$500. The maximum loan amount a participant may have outstanding is restricted to the lesser of:

\$50,000, reduced by the excess of (i) the highest outstanding balance of the participant's loans during a one-year (a)period over (ii) the participant's then currently outstanding loan balance of all participant loans on the day any new

#### loan is made, or

(b)one-half of the current value of the participant's vested interest in his Thrift Plan accounts.

The term of any loan may not exceed five years unless the loan is for the purchase of a participant's principal residence, in which case the term of the loan shall not exceed 15 years. The balance of the participant's account and vested portion of his employer account serve as security for the loan. Loans bear interest at a reasonable rate as established by the Administrative Committee, presently at prime plus 1 percent. As of December 31, 2014, interest rates on outstanding participant loans ranged from 4.25 percent to 10.5 percent and maturity dates ranged from January 2015 to January 2030. Loan repayments of principal and interest are made through payroll deductions or as otherwise determined. Participants may have two loans outstanding under the Thrift Plan at any time.

## Plan Expenses

Plan administrative expenses can be paid by Valero or through the application of forfeited nonvested accounts. Valero also provides certain other services at no cost to the Thrift Plan. Investment expenses relating to individual participant accounts, such as investment management expenses, have been deducted from interest income or dividend income. Individual participant transaction fees, such as overnight delivery fees and redemption fees, are deducted from the respective participant's account and are included in withdrawals by participants.

## 2. BASIS OF PRESENTATION AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

## **Basis of Presentation**

The financial statements of the Thrift Plan are prepared on the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP).

Investment contracts held by a defined contribution plan are required to be reported at fair value. However, contract value is the relevant measurement attribute for that portion of the net assets available for benefits of a defined contribution plan attributable to fully benefit-responsive investment contracts because contract value is the amount participants would receive if they were to initiate permitted transactions under the terms of the Thrift Plan. The statement of net assets available for benefits presents the fair value of the investment contracts as well as the adjustment of the fully benefit-responsive investment contracts from fair value to contract value. The statement of changes in net assets available for benefits is prepared on a contract value basis.

Management has evaluated events that occurred after December 31, 2014 through the date these financial statements were available to be issued on June 29, 2015. Any material subsequent events that occurred during this time have been properly recognized or disclosed in these financial statements.

Significant Accounting Policies

#### Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires management to make estimates that affect the amounts of assets and changes therein reported in the financial statements and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### Valuation of Investments

The Thrift Plan's investments are stated at fair value as described in Note 4.

#### Income Recognition

Purchases and sales of investments are recorded on a trade-date basis. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date.

Net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of investments consists of net realized gains and losses on the sale of investments and net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of investments.

## Participant Loans

Participant loans are measured at their unpaid principal balance plus any accrued but unpaid interest. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Related fees are expensed when they are incurred and are reflected in withdrawals by participants. No allowance for credit losses has been recorded as of December 31, 2014 or 2013. A participant loan that has been defaulted upon and not cured within a reasonable period of time may be deemed a distribution from the Thrift Plan. The participant loan balance is reduced and withdrawals to participants are increased after the participant makes final withdrawal from the Thrift Plan.

Withdrawals by Participants Withdrawals by participants are recorded when paid.

## **Risks and Uncertainties**

The Thrift Plan's investments, in general, are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, credit, and overall market volatility risk. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investments, it is reasonably possible that changes in the values of investments will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect participants' account balances and the amounts reported in the statement of net assets available for benefits.

## New Accounting Pronouncements

In May 2015, the Financial Accounting Standards Board amended the provisions of Accounting Standards Codification Topic 820, "Fair Value Measurements," to remove the requirement to categorize within the fair value hierarchy all investments for which fair value is measured using the net asset value per share practical expedient. The guidance also removes the requirement to make certain disclosures for all investments that are eligible to be measured using the net asset value per share practical expedient and limits those disclosures to investments for which the entity has elected to measure the fair value using that practical expedient. These provisions are to be applied retrospectively and are effective for annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2015, and interim periods within those annual periods, with early adoption permitted. The adoption of this guidance effective January 1, 2016 will not affect the Thrift Plan's net assets available for benefits or changes in net assets available for benefits, but will result in revised disclosures.

## **3.INVESTMENTS**

Investments that represent 5 percent or more of the Thrift Plan's net assets available for benefits are as follows:

	December 31,	
	2014	2013
Valero Energy Corporation common stock	\$354,058,132	\$395,207,713
Federated Capital Preservation Fund		
(contract value of \$136,750,034 and	137,193,187	144,951,302
\$144,534,086)		
American Funds Growth Fund of America	124,646,008	110,201,736
Vanguard PRIMECAP Fund Admiral Shares*	114,784,286	82,761,302
American Funds EuroPacific Growth Fund	108,653,749	110,895,913

\* As of December 31, 2013, this investment was less than 5 percent of the Thrift Plan's net assets available for benefits but is shown in this table for comparative purposes only.

The Thrift Plan's investment in shares of Valero common stock represents 20.1 percent and 23.5 percent of total investments at fair value as of December 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively. The closing price for Valero common stock was \$49.50 and \$50.40 on December 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively. As of June 19, 2015, the closing price for Valero common stock was \$60.33.

During the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013, the Thrift Plan's investments (including gains and losses on investments bought and sold, as well as held during the year) appreciated (depreciated) in value as follows:

	Years Ended December 31,		
	2014	2013	
Common stocks:			
CST Brands, Inc.	\$(8,028,641	\$17,490,359	
Valero Energy Corporation	(4,343,747	) 153,224,684	
Common/collective trusts	22,137,212	44,037,292	
Mutual funds	(1,672,217	79,455,496	
Self-directed investments:			
Common stock	10,325,180	30,865,694	
Corporate bonds	53,124	(51,413)	
Government bonds	7,674	(18,957))	
Mutual funds	(81,587	4,822,069	
Preferred stock	74,344	(2,568)	
Net appreciation in fair value of investments	\$18,471,342	\$329,822,656	

For the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013, dividend income included \$7,723,846 and \$7,135,001, respectively, of dividends paid on Valero common stock.

Certain events could limit the ability of the Thrift Plan to transact at contract value with the issuers of the contracts held by the Federated Capital Preservation Fund. These events include, but are not limited to, layoffs, bankruptcy, plant closings, plan termination, mergers, and early retirement incentives. These events may cause liquidation of all or a portion of a contract at a market value adjustment. As of December 31, 2014, the occurrence of any of these events, which could limit the Thrift Plan's ability to transact at contract value with participants, is not considered probable.

## 4. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

A fair value hierarchy (Level 1, Level 2, or Level 3) is used to categorize fair value amounts based on the quality of inputs used to measure fair value. Accordingly, fair values determined by Level 1 inputs utilize unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities. Fair values determined by Level 2 inputs are based on quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets, and inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability. Level 3 inputs are unobservable inputs for the asset or liability for which there is little, if any, market activity at the measurement date. The Thrift Plan uses appropriate valuation techniques based on the available inputs to measure the fair values of its applicable assets and liabilities. When available, the Thrift Plan measures fair value using Level 1 inputs because they generally provide the most reliable evidence of fair value.

The valuation methods used to measure the Thrift Plan's financial instruments at fair value are as follows: Common stocks, mutual funds, and self-directed investments are measured at fair value using a market approach based on quotations from national securities exchanges and are categorized in Level 1 of the fair value hierarchy. The money market security represents interest-bearing cash and is therefore categorized in Level 1 of the fair value hierarchy.

Common/collective trusts are stated at fair value as determined by the issuers of the funds based on the fair values of the underlying assets and are categorized in Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy. However, the fair value of the Federated Capital Preservation Fund, which primarily holds investments in fully benefit-responsive contracts, is ealculated by the issuer using a discounted cash flow model, which considers (i) recent fee bids as determined by recognized dealers, (ii) discount rate, and (iii) the duration of the underlying portfolio securities. The fair value of the Thrift Plan's investment in the Federated Capital Preservation Fund is based on its proportionate ownership of the underlying investments. There are no imposed restrictions as to the redemption of these investments.

The tables below present information about the Thrift Plan's assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis and indicate the fair value hierarchy of the inputs utilized to determine the fair values as of December 31, 2014 and 2013.

	Fair Value Measurements Using			Total as of
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	December 31, 2014
Common stock:				
Valero Energy Corporation	\$354,058,132	\$—	\$—	\$354,058,132
Common/collective trusts:				
Federated Capital Preservation		137,193,187		137,193,187
Fund				
LifePath Index Funds		229,491,698	—	229,491,698
SSgA S&P 500 Index Fund		81,938,227	—	81,938,227
Victory Small Cap Value		15,655,364		15,655,364
Collective Fund		10,000,001		10,000,001
Mutual funds:				
Bond funds	85,145,143	—		85,145,143
Foreign funds	108,653,749	—		108,653,749
Large-cap funds	324,623,173	—		324,623,173
Mid-cap funds	64,319,226	—		64,319,226
Small-cap funds	32,113,530	—		32,113,530
Money market security	26,495,395	—		26,495,395
Self-directed investments:				
Common stock:				
Domestic	148,131,277	—		148,131,277
Foreign American depositary	9,231,545			9,231,545
receipts (ADRs)				
Other common stock	50,070,939	—		50,070,939
Mutual funds:				
Debt	9,775,174	—	—	9,775,174
Equity	27,870,400	_		27,870,400
Money market securities	50,167,641	—	—	50,167,641
Other self-directed investments	4,442,171	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	4,442,171
Investments at fair value	\$1,295,097,495	\$464,278,476	\$—	\$1,759,375,971

	Fair Value Measurements Using		Total as of	
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	December 31, 2013
Common stocks:				
CST Brands, Inc.	\$29,707,796	\$—	\$—	\$29,707,796
Valero Energy Corporation	395,207,713			395,207,713
Common/collective trusts:				
Federated Capital Preservation		144,951,302		144,951,302
Fund				
LifePath Index Funds	—	190,447,688	—	190,447,688
SSgA S&P 500 Index Fund	—	71,171,690	—	71,171,690
Victory Small Cap Value	_	14,046,408		14,046,408
Collective Fund		14,040,400		14,040,400
Mutual funds:				
Bond funds	73,005,371	_		73,005,371
Foreign funds	110,895,913	_		110,895,913
Large-cap funds	266,185,079			266,185,079
Mid-cap funds	54,113,325	_		54,113,325
Small-cap funds	33,664,964			33,664,964
Money market security	22,472,238	_		22,472,238
Self-directed investments:				
Common stock:				
Domestic	129,322,943			129,322,943
Foreign ADRs	7,450,284			7,450,284
Other common stock	45,092,642			45,092,642
Mutual funds:				
Debt	9,641,149			9,641,149
Equity	25,042,752			25,042,752
Money market securities	54,772,816			54,772,816
Other self-directed investments	2,031,966	—	—	2,031,966
Investments at fair value	\$1,258,606,951	\$420,617,088	\$—	\$1,679,224,039

There were no transfers between Level 1 and Level 2 for assets held as of December 31, 2014 and 2013.

## 5. PARTY-IN-INTEREST TRANSACTIONS

Certain Thrift Plan investments are shares of common/collective trusts managed by an affiliate of BANA, the trustee of the Thrift Plan and a party-in-interest with respect to the Thrift Plan. In addition, the Thrift Plan allows for loans to participants and investment in Valero's common stock. Valero, the sponsor of the Thrift Plan and a party-in-interest with respect to the Thrift Plan, provides accounting and administrative services at no cost to the Thrift Plan. These transactions are covered by an exemption from the "prohibited transactions" provisions of ERISA and the Code.

## **6. PLAN TERMINATION**

Although it has not expressed any intent to do so, Valero has the right under the Thrift Plan to terminate the Thrift Plan at any time subject to the provisions of ERISA. In the event of any termination of the Thrift Plan or complete discontinuance of employer contributions, participants would become 100 percent vested in their employer accounts. If the Thrift Plan were terminated, the Administrative Committee would direct the trustee to distribute the remaining assets, after payment of all Thrift Plan expenses, to participants and beneficiaries in proportion to their respective balances.

## 7. TAX STATUS

The Internal Revenue Service has determined and informed the plan sponsor by a letter dated April 29, 2014, that the Thrift Plan is designed in accordance with applicable sections of the Code. Although the Thrift Plan has been amended since receiving the determination letter, the plan sponsor believes that the Thrift Plan is designed and is currently being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the Code, and therefore believes that the Thrift Plan is qualified and the related trust is tax-exempt. The plan sponsor believes the Thrift Plan is not subject to tax examinations for plan years prior to 2011.

## 8. RECONCILIATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO FORM 5500

Fully benefit-responsive investment contracts are recorded on the Form 5500 at fair value but are adjusted to contract value for financial statement presentation. Amounts allocated to withdrawing participants are recorded on the Form 5500 for benefit requests that have been processed and approved for payment prior to December 31, but not paid as of that date. Deemed distributions of participant loans are recorded on the Form 5500 upon default by participants; such amounts continue to be reported as participant loans in the financial statements until the participants' termination and actual distribution from the Thrift Plan.

The following is a reconciliation of net assets available for benefits per the financial statements to the Form 5500 Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan:

	December 31,		
	2014	2013	
Net assets available for benefits per the financial statements	\$1,803,487,640	\$1,721,218,151	
Adjustment from contract value to fair value for	443,153	417,216	
fully benefit-responsive investment contracts		417,210	
Amounts allocated to withdrawing participants	(619,337	) (849,917	)
Deemed distributions of participant loans	(1,415,240	) (1,274,265	)
Net assets available for benefits per the Form 5500	\$1,801,896,216	\$1,719,511,185	

The following is a reconciliation of withdrawals by participants per the financial statements to the Form 5500 Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan:

	Years Ended December 31,		
	2014	2013	
Withdrawals by participants per the financial statements	\$172,374,080	\$144,354,483	
Amounts allocated to withdrawing participants as of end of year	619,337	849,917	
Amounts allocated to withdrawing participants as of beginning of year	(849,917	(362,926	)
Benefits paid to participants per the Form 5500	\$172,143,500	\$144,841,474	

The following is a reconciliation of investment income per the financial statements to the Form 5500 Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan:

	Years Ended December 31,	
	2014	2013
Investment income per the financial statements	\$83,640,501	\$380,911,840
Adjustment from contract value to fair value for fully benefit-responsive investment contracts as of end of year	443,153	417,216
Adjustment from contract value to fair value for fully benefit-responsive investment contracts as of beginning of year	(417,216	) (2,772,542
Investment income per the Form 5500	\$83,666,438	\$378,556,514

The following is a reconciliation of deemed distributions of participant loans per the financial statements to the Form 5500 Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan:

	Years Ended December 31,		
	2014	2013	
Deemed distributions of participant loans per the financial statements	\$—	\$—	
Deemed distributions of participant loans as of end of year	1,415,240	1,274,265	
Deemed distributions of participant loans as of beginning of year Deemed distributions of participant loans par the Form 5500	(1,274,265	) (1,227,748	)
Deemed distributions of participant loans per the Form 5500	\$140,975	\$46,517	

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#### VALERO ENERGY CORPORATION THRIFT PLAN EIN: 74-1828067 Plan No. 002 Schedule H, Line 4i–Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year) As of December 31, 2014 Identity of Issue/Description of Investment Current Value Common stock: \* Valero Energy Corporation \$354,058,132 Common/collective trusts: Federated Capital Preservation Fund 137,193,187 LifePath Index 2020 Fund 32,034,015 LifePath Index 2025 Fund 43,800,999 LifePath Index 2030 Fund 40,337,258 LifePath Index 2035 Fund 31,865,623 LifePath Index 2040 Fund 25,840,403 LifePath Index 2045 Fund 18,364,760 LifePath Index 2050 Fund 12,493,913 LifePath Index 2055 Fund 5,167,501 LifePath Index Retirement Fund 19,587,226 SSgA S&P 500 Index Fund 81,938,227 Victory Small Cap Value Collective Fund 15,655,364 Total common/collective trusts 464,278,476 Mutual funds: American Funds EuroPacific Growth Fund 108,653,749 American Funds Growth Fund of America 124,646,008 BlackRock Basic Value Fund, Inc. 85,192,879 BlackRock Small Cap Growth Equity Fund 32,113,530 Pioneer Bond Fund 85,145,143 Vanguard Mid-Cap Index Fund Investor Shares 64,319,226 Vanguard PRIMECAP Fund Admiral Shares 114,784,286 Total mutual funds 614,854,821 Money market security: \* Retirement Bank Account 26,495,395 Self-directed investments 299,689,147 \* Participant loans (interest rates range from 4.25% to 10.5%; 43,197,894 maturity dates range from January 2015 to January 2030) \$1,802,573,865

\* Party-in-interest to the Thrift Plan.

See accompanying report of independent registered public accounting firm.

#### SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Valero Energy Corporation Benefit Plans Administrative Committee has duly caused this annual report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

#### VALERO ENERGY CORPORATION THRIFT PLAN

By /s/ Donna M. Titzman Donna M. Titzman Chairman of the Valero Energy Corporation Benefit Plans Administrative Committee Senior Vice President and Treasurer, Valero Energy Corporation

Date: June 29, 2015

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