

SmarTone Telecommunications Holdings Limited

FY16 Interim Results Presentation

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Agenda

- Business & operation review
- Outlook
- Appendix – financial information

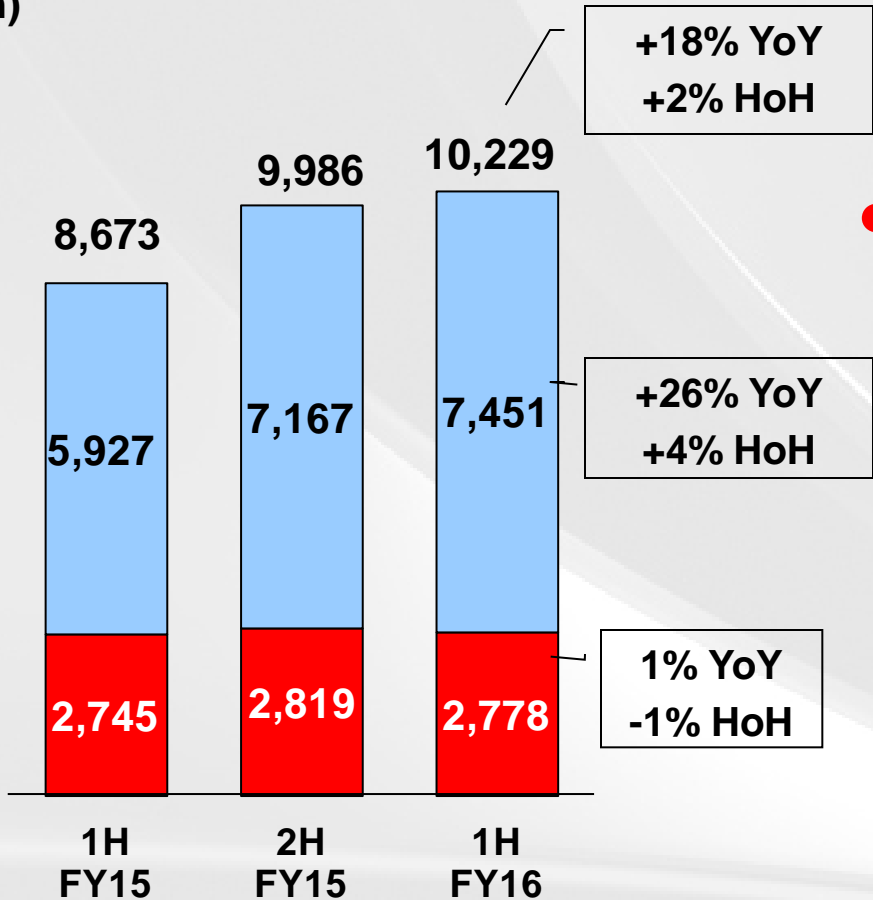
Business & operation review

Key highlights

- Total revenue of \$10,228 million
+18% over same period last year and 2% over previous half
- Service EBIT of \$540 million
+45% over same period last year and 11% over previous half
- Handset business EBIT of \$47 million
-81% over same period last year and -65% over previous half
- Net profit of \$403 million
-14% over same period last year and -14% over previous half
- Interim dividend of \$0.27 per share
Same as last year
- Barring unforeseen circumstances, the Board intends to keep FY16 absolute dividend per share same as FY15

Group revenue

(\$m)



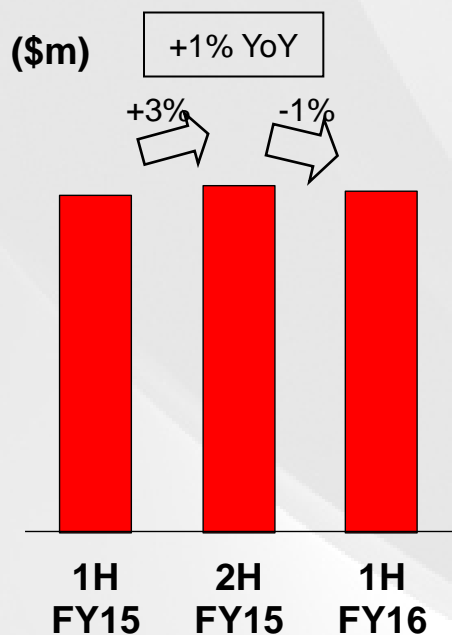
■ Service revenue

■ Handset & accessory sales

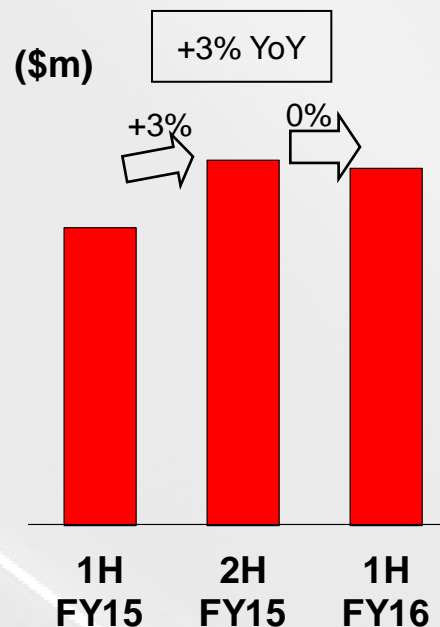
- Group revenue up 18% YoY
 - Service revenue largely stable
 - Handset & accessory sales increased

Group service revenue

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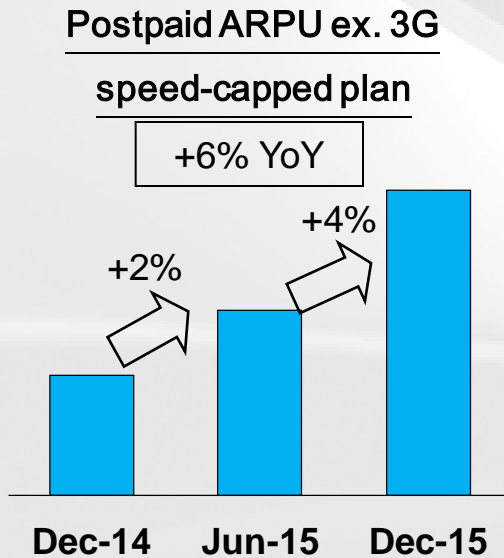
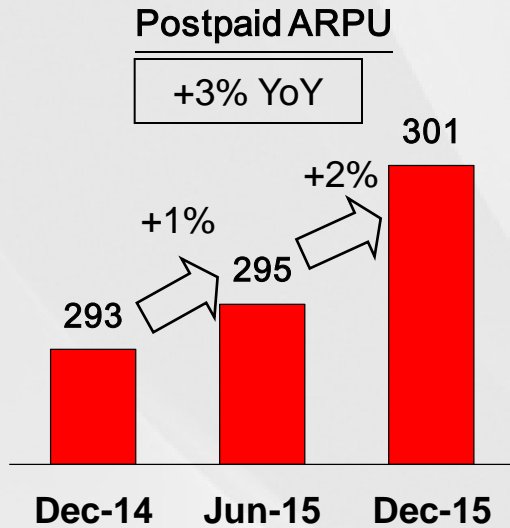


Group service revenue net of handset subsidy amortisation



- Group service revenue up 1% YoY
 - Local service revenue increased YoY
 - Decline in roaming revenue YoY
 - Migration to SIM-only plans continued to affect service revenue, with corresponding reduction in handset subsidy amortisation
- Group service revenue net of handset subsidy amortisation enjoyed better growth, up 3% YoY

Increasing postpaid ARPU

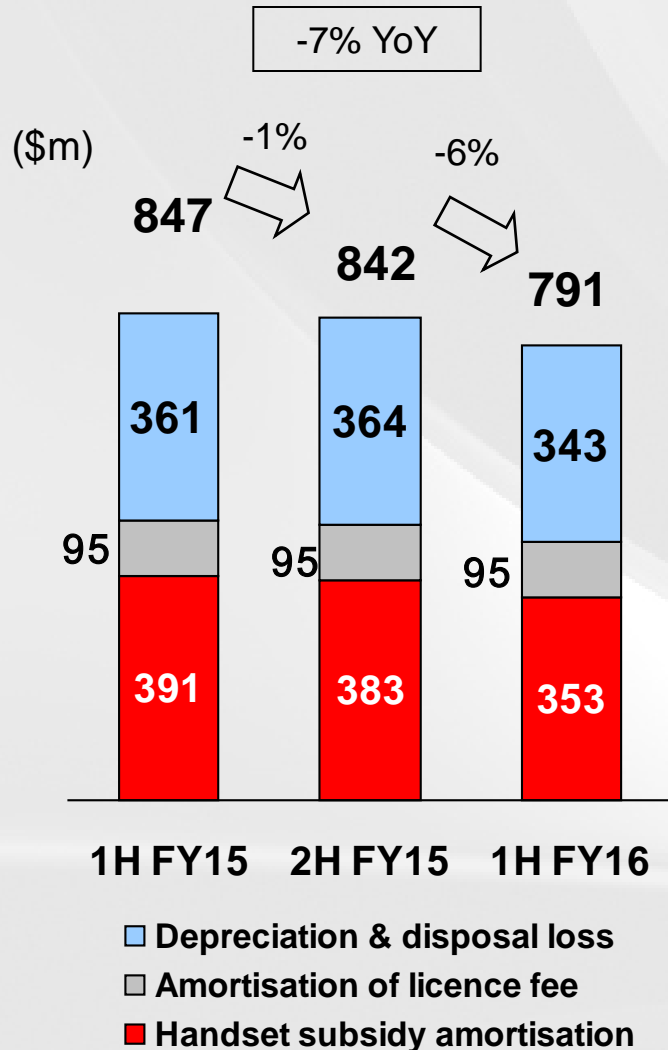


- Postpaid ARPU increased 3% YoY to \$301
- Postpaid ARPU ex. 3G speed-capped plan increased 6% YoY
- Average mobile postpaid churn rate improved YoY to 0.9%
- Customer no. at 1.97m, +1% YoY

Cost control

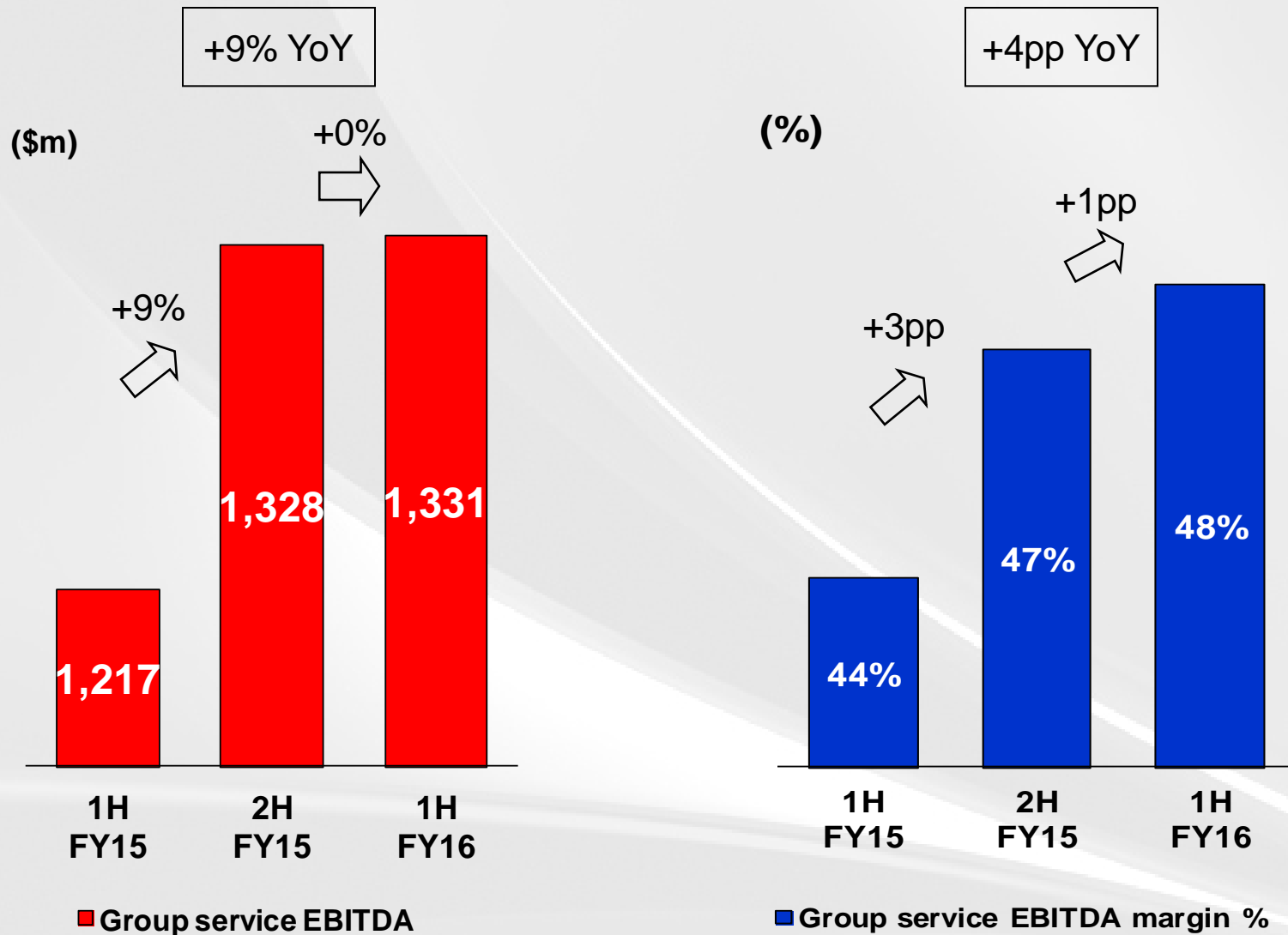
- Group operating expenses dropped 5% YoY
 - Staff costs fell 1% YoY
 - Other operating expenses decreased 7% YoY
 - Network costs stable despite capacity expansion
 - Lower cost of services provided, sales and marketing expenses and general administrative expenses

Decline in depreciation & amortisation

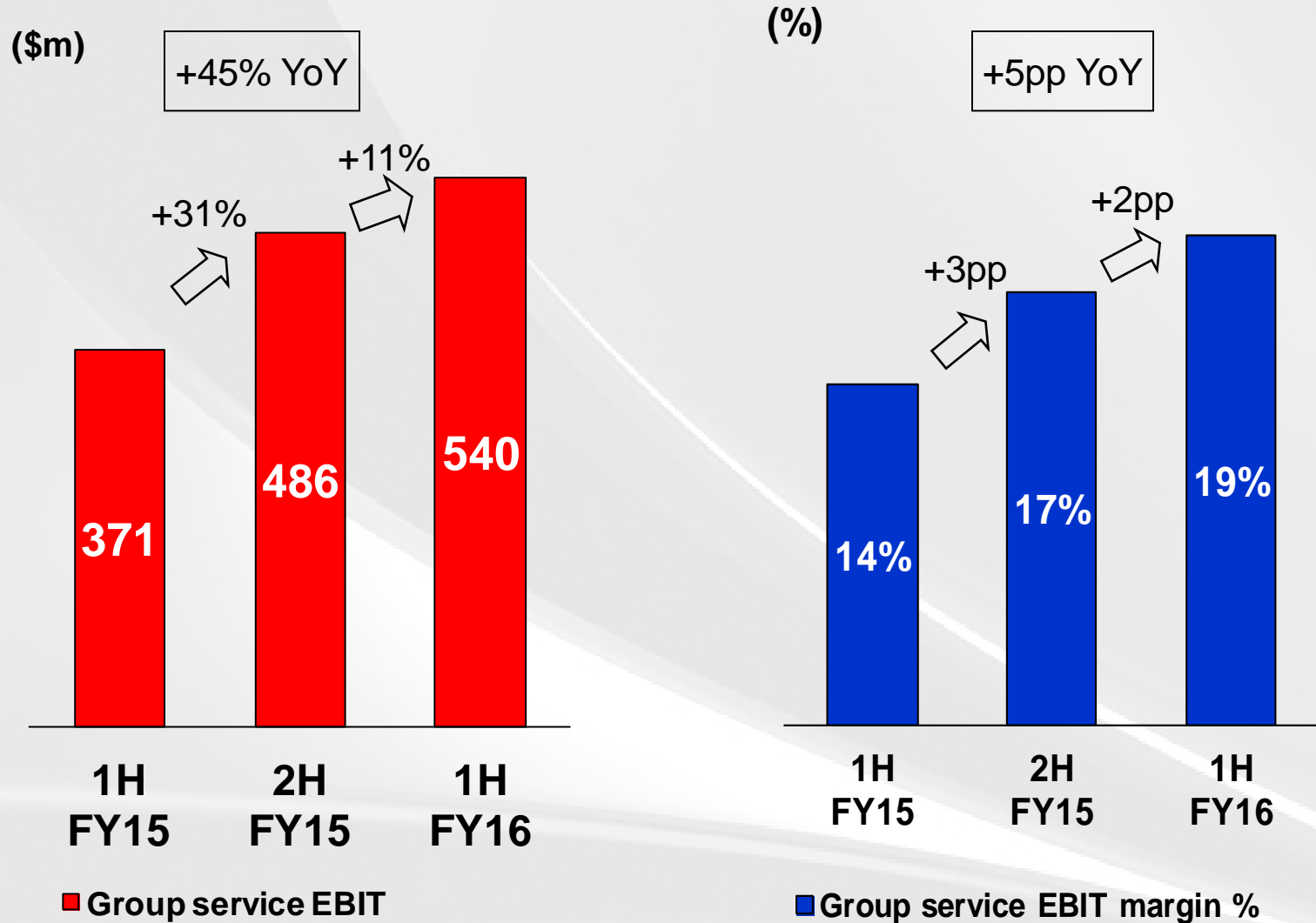


- Decreased 7% YoY
- Fixed asset depreciation decreased 5% YoY due to lower CAPEX
- Amortisation of licence fee stable
- Handset subsidy amortisation declined 10% YoY due to continuing customer migration to SIM-only plans upon expiry of contract

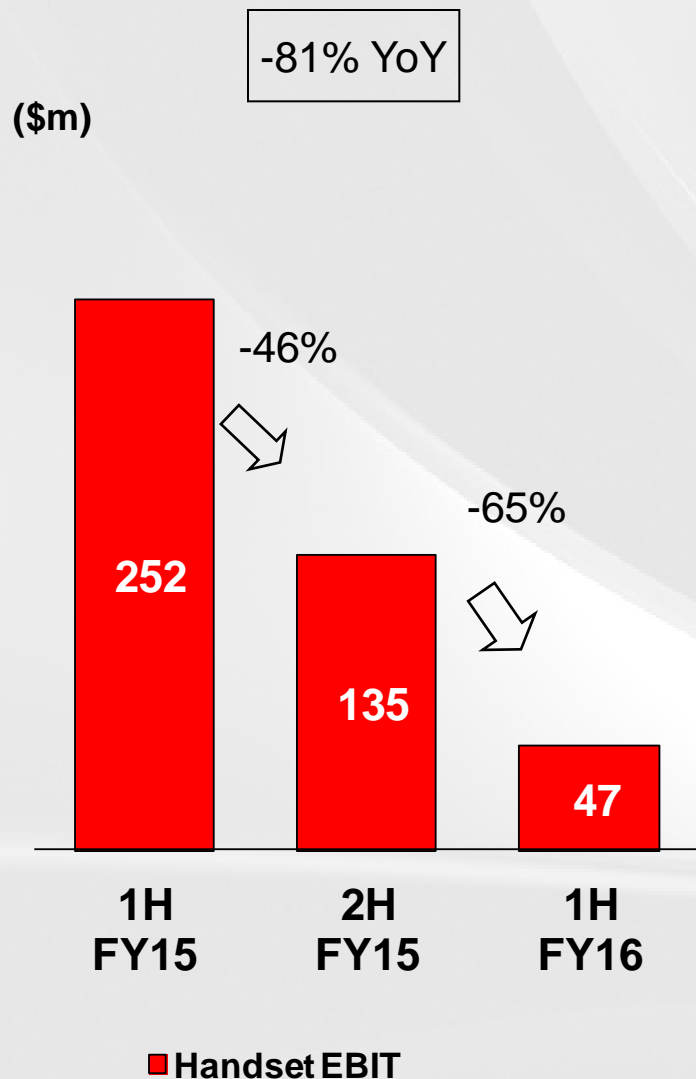
Improving service EBITDA margin



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Decline in handset EBIT

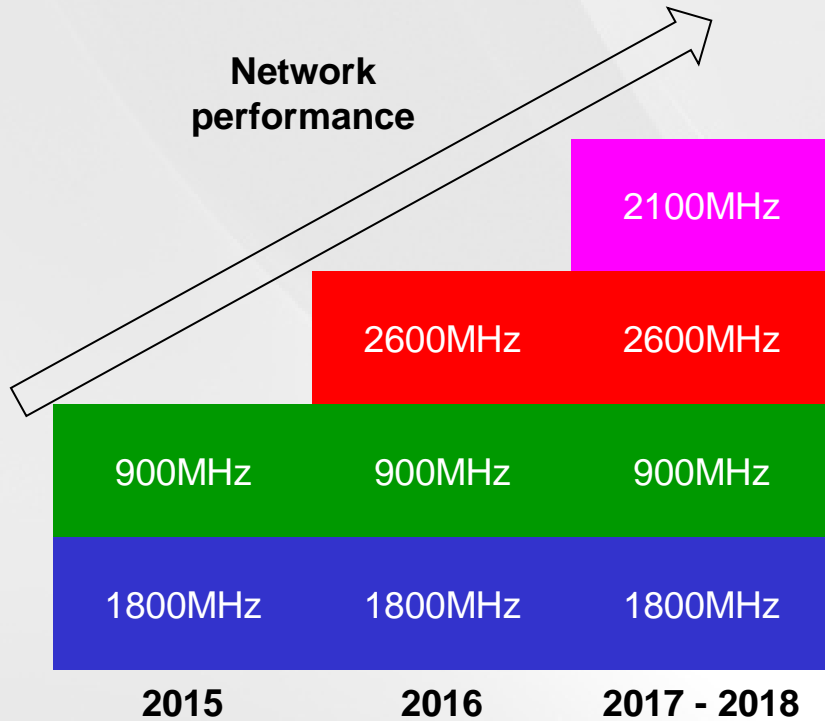


- Surge in FY15 handset EBIT and margin due to extremely popular smartphones
- EBIT and margin for FY16 back to historical levels

Strong balance sheet and favourable interest rate profile

- Long term funding in place for renewal and additional 2,100MHz spectrum
- Ample cash resources of over \$3.1b
- Cash and bonds, net of borrowings at \$1.1b
- Favourable interest rate profile
 - Interest rate profile: fixed - 81%; floating – 19%
 - Rising interest rate has little impact on funding costs

Continuous upgrade in network performance to deliver superior customer experience



- Implement multi-band carrier aggregation with latest LTE-A technologies
- Deploy small cells with LTE-U

***Substantially increase data capacity
and network speed***

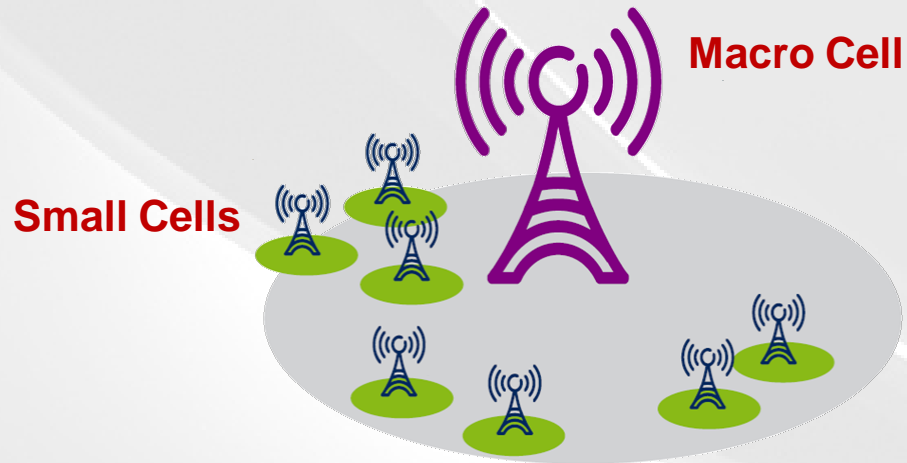
Implement multi-band carrier aggregation with latest LTE-A technologies

- Tri-band LTE-A carrier aggregation enabled since Oct 2015
- Quad-band carrier aggregation in 2017 with re-farming of 2,100MHz spectrum to LTE
- Upgrade 2X2 MIMO to 4X4 MIMO
- Employ advanced data coding (256QAM on downlink and 64QAM on uplink)

Greatly enhance network capacity and speed

Deploy small cells on LTE-U

- Already commenced deployment of small cells technology at traffic hotspots
- Trial of LTE-U with small cells in 2016



***Cost-effective way to
substantially increase capacity density***

Outlook

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- Increasing economic uncertainties
- Continuous increase in customer data usage offers opportunities for sustainable growth
- Absolute determination to enhance network excellence
- Wholehearted commitment to deliver superior customer care
- Cost discipline without compromising quality
- FY16 CAPEX guidance : \$600m - \$650m
- Barring unforeseen circumstances, the Board intends to keep FY16 absolute dividend per share same as FY15

Appendix – financial Information

Group Profit & Loss

(\$m)	1H FY15	2H FY15	1H FY16
Revenues	8,673	9,986	10,228
Cost of inventories sold	(5,675)	(7,032)	(7,404)
Staff costs	(356)	(385)	(351)
Other operating expenses	(1,172)	(1,106)	(1,096)
EBITDA	1,469	1,463	1,377
Depreciation, amortisation & disposal	(846)	(842)	(791)
EBIT	623	621	587
Net finance costs	(59)	(54)	(100)
Profit before income tax	564	567	486
Income tax expense	(96)	(99)	(87)
Profit after income tax	467	468	399
Non-controlling interests	(1)	1	4
Net profit	466	469	403
ROCE ⁽¹⁾	17%	17%	16%
ROE ⁽²⁾	28%	25%	21%

(1) ROCE = EBIT / Average capital employed (total assets less current liabilities)

(2) Net profit / Average shareholders' equity

Group Balance Sheet

(\$m)	Jun 15	Dec 15
Fixed assets	3,340	3,162
Held-to-maturity debt securities ⁽¹⁾	-	867
Intangible assets	2,319	2,100
Other non-current assets	120	120
Cash & bank balances ⁽¹⁾	4,145	3,128
Other current assets	891	1,462
Bank borrowings ⁽¹⁾	(1,443)	(1,381)
Notes payable ⁽¹⁾	(1,526)	(1,527)
Customer prepayments and deposits	(773)	(828)
Other current liabilities	(2,611)	(2,679)
Other non-current liabilities	(553)	(399)
Net assets	3,908	4,025
Share capital	106	106
Reserves	3,745	3,866
Total equity attributable to equity holders	3,851	3,972
Non-controlling interests	57	53
Total equity	3,908	4,025
⁽¹⁾ <i>Cash & bank balances</i>	4,145	3,128
<i>Held-to-maturity debt securities</i>	-	867
<i>Bank Borrowings</i>	(1,443)	(1,381)
<i>Notes payable</i>	(1,526)	(1,527)
<i>Net cash balance</i>	1,176	1,086
⁽²⁾ <i>Shares in issue at balance sheet date (million)</i>	1,057	1,062
⁽³⁾ <i>Net book value per share</i>	\$3.6	\$3.7

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