# **ANALYST DAY PRESENTATION**



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# **Presenters**



Thomas O. Might CEO – Cable ONE



Kevin Coyle CFO – Cable ONE

# **Agenda**

- **►** Transaction overview
- Investment highlights
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# **Summary of Cable ONE Spin-off**

# Overview

- On November 13, 2014, Graham Holdings Company ("GHC") announced plans for the complete legal and structural separation (the "Spin-off") of Cable One, Inc. ("Cable ONE") from GHC, which is scheduled to be completed on July 1st
  - The distribution will be 1 Cable ONE share per 1 GHC share or approximately 5.8mm basic shares outstanding
  - The Company will be listed on the NYSE under the ticker CABO
- ▶ In connection with the Spin-off, Cable ONE has raised \$550mm of debt
- Proceeds from the debt raise will be used to pay a special dividend to GHC of \$450mm along with \$100mm to Cable ONE balance sheet
- ► Cable ONE expects to initiate a regular quarterly cash dividend in the fourth quarter of 2015 at an initial annual rate of \$6.00 per share

### Rationale

- Provides strategic clarity and flexibility
- Tailors capital structure to align with individual business needs
- Enhances ability to finance acquisitions and capital expenditures
- ▶ More focused management with closely tied incentives to new Cable ONE shareholders
- Enables investors to make independent investment decisions with regards to GHC and Cable ONE and enables Cable ONE to align with a more natural stockholder base

# Illustrative timeline

| June 2015 |    |    |    |    |    |    |  |  |  |  |
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| 26     | 27  | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 |    |

### Transaction timeline

### Week of June 1st

- June 3rd: Priced Senior unsecured notes
- June 4th: Announced Record
   Date, Distribution Date and Share
   Distribution Ratio
- ► June 5th: SEC declared Form 10 effective

### Week of June 15th

- June 11th: Start of when-issued trading
- June 15th: Spin-off record date

### Week of June 30th

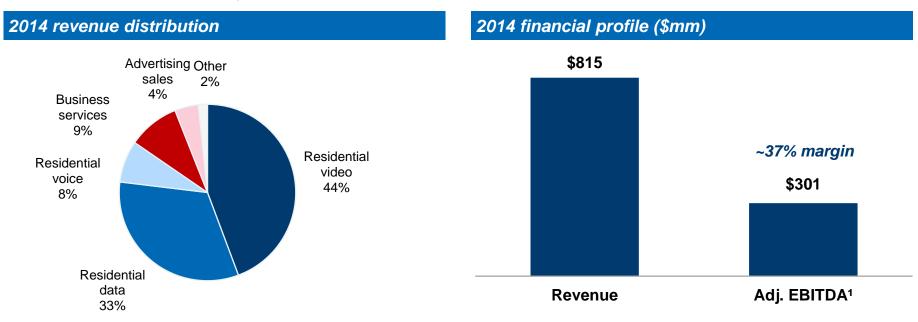
- June 30th: Term Loan A and Revolver expected to close
- July 1st: Start of regular-way trading; Spin-off closing

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# Cable ONE at a glance

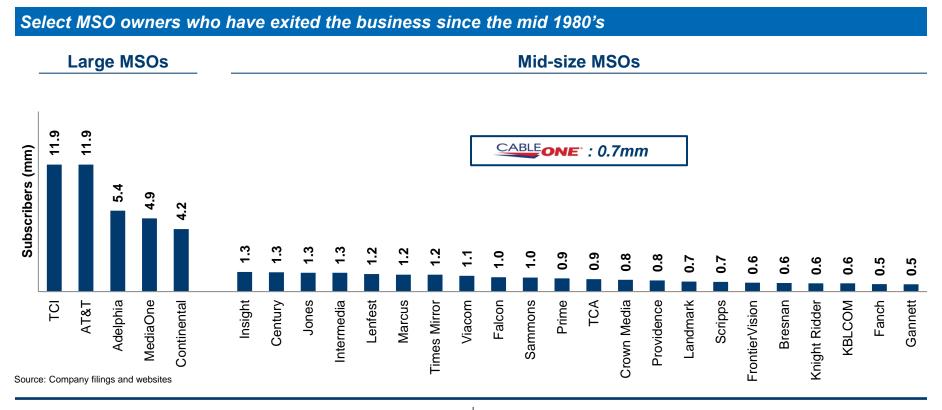
- ▶ 10<sup>th</sup> largest cable company in the United States
- Integrated provider of data, video & voice services in 19 Midwestern, Southern and Western states
- Multi-year broadband speed and reliability investment project (increasing capacity by over 1,000%)
- ▶ 75% of customers located in 5 states MS, ID, OK, TX and AZ
- Consistent track record of long-term financial and operating success
- Differentiated operating philosophy



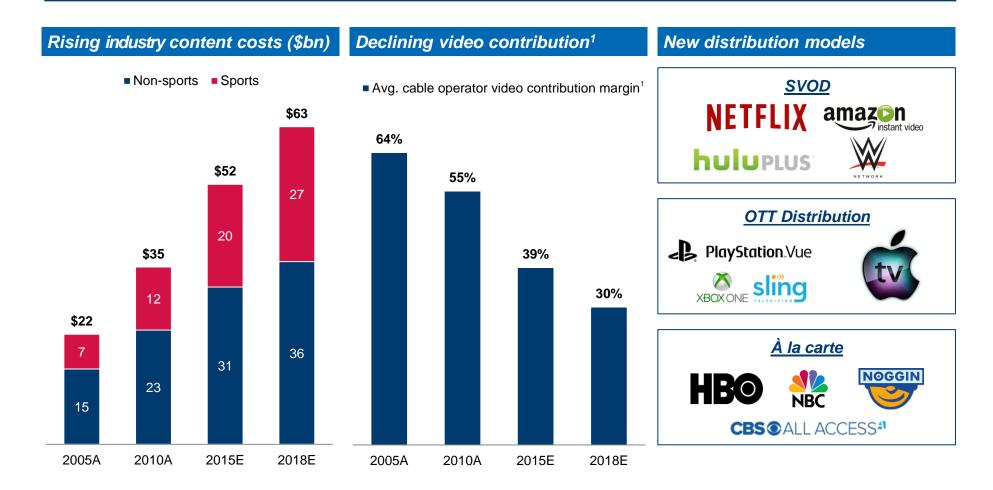
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# We are a contrarian success story

- ▶ Only "mid-size" MSO to remain independent (out of over 30) since the late 1980s
- Conscious decision in the late 1990s to trade urban systems for rural systems
- Higher customer satisfaction with significantly lower cost per PSU versus larger publicly-traded MSOs
- Pattern of careful adoption of new technologies



# Linear video model in decline



# Cable ONE has been planning for the video paradigm shift since 2012

Source: SNL Kagan

<sup>1</sup> Contribution margin defined as cable video ARPU less programming and retransmission costs; Margin does not include operating costs

# **Key Cable ONE strategy drivers since 2012**

- **✓** The video subscription model is broken and cannot be fixed
- **✓** The demise of the video-centric cable model is OK
- ✓ Trends point to an HSD-centric residential model
- **✓** Business Services will help drive future revenue/profit growth
- **✓** Margins should expand as revenue mix shifts away from video

# **Key investment highlights**

1 Differentiated, highly effective strategy

2 Attractive markets with favorable competition

Focus on maximizing free cash flow

4 Residential Internet leadership in our markets

5 Significant HSD and commercial opportunity

6 Culture of cost leadership

7 Attractive capital allocation strategy

8 Experienced management team and Board



# Differentiated, highly effective strategy



# Focus on larger, non-urban markets

- Attractive cost structure
- ► Favorable competitive dynamic

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# Long-term free cash flow based business model

- Actively addressing linear video disruption and land-line phone decline
- Seek to maximize overall free cash flow...not triple-play or video subscribers

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# Clear pivot to new free cash flow leaders

- Residential HSD High margin, low competition, steady growth
- Business Services High margin, low competition, rapid growth

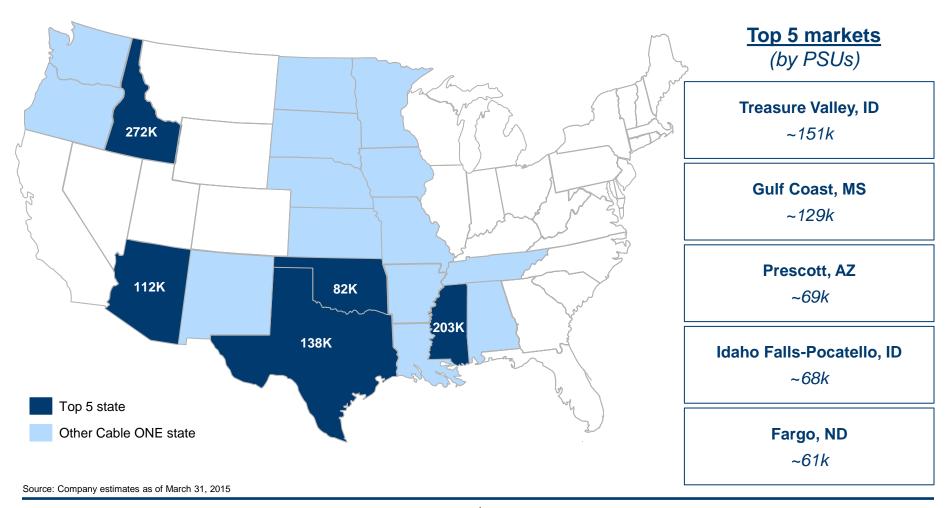
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# Metric-driven marketing and operations

- Detailed Lifetime Value (LTV) model allocates marketing, sales and support resources
- Sophisticated operations strategy reduces unnecessary customer contacts and headcount

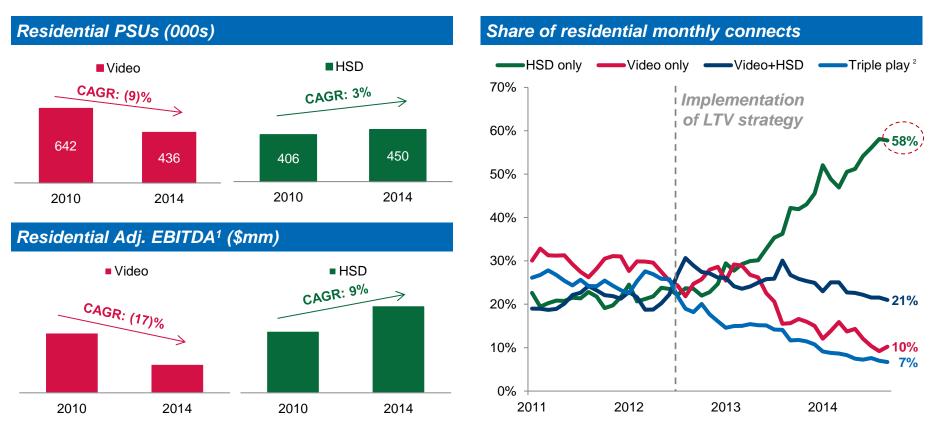
# Attractive footprint with favorable competitive dynamics

- Regionally diversified with less competition in rural markets
- < 1% of customers have access to fiber-to-the-home from competitors (no FiOS competition)
- Two largest markets, Treasure Valley (Idaho) and Gulf Coast (Mississippi), represent over 25% of PSUs



# Focus on maximizing free cash flow

- Rigorous analytics to determine lifetime value of customers implemented in 2012
- Target customers who generate highest free cash flow versus increasing customer count
- Focus on QUALITY not quantity of customers



Source: Company filings

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Triple play defined as HSD + Video + Phone

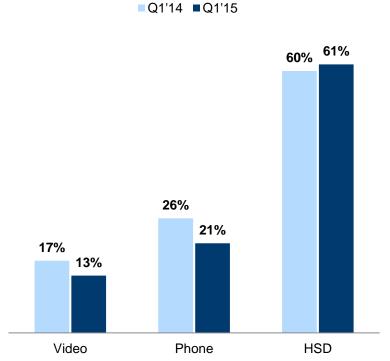
# Limited free cash flow in video

### Cable ONE thesis on video

- The benefits of economies of scale in the cable industry are overstated because there are limited fixed costs
- Focusing on product cash flows and not contributions clarifies the true value of the product
- There is little operating cash flow...and no free cash flow

### Average cable industry residential OCF by segment1

### Illustrative cable industry video cost accounting<sup>2</sup>



|   | Cable Operator Average |
|---|------------------------|
| Video Average Revenue Per Unit                | \$81.03                |
| Less: programming & retrans cost <sup>3</sup> | (45.86)                |
| Contribution per video sub <sup>3</sup>       | \$35.17                |
| % contribution margin <sup>3</sup>            | 43%                    |
| Less: indirect cost per PSU                   | (24.55)                |
| OCF per video sub                             | \$10.61                |
| % OCF margin                                  | 13%                    |
| Less: capex per PSU <sup>3</sup>              | (11.58)                |
| FCF per video sub                             | (\$0.96)               |
| % FCF margin                                  | (1%)                   |

Source: Company filings, SNL Kagan

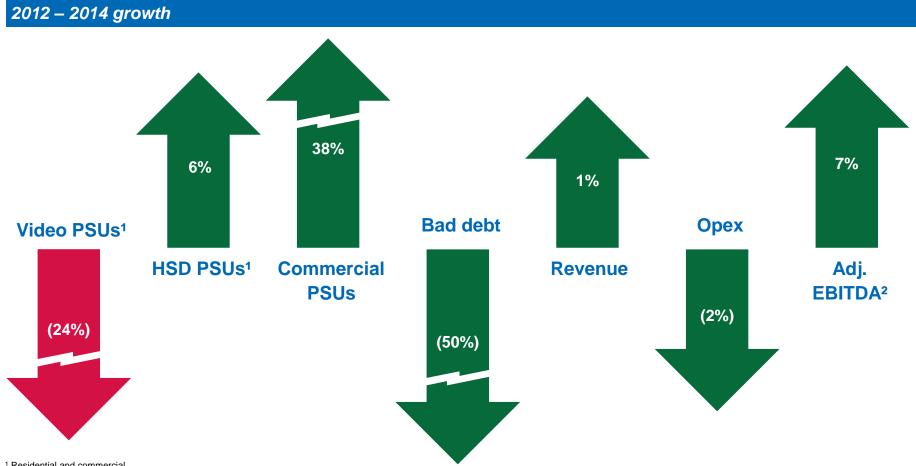
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Based on SNL Kagan industry data as of May 2015 for Charter, Comcast and Time Warner Cable, data is pro forma

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Based on SNL Kagan industry data for cable operators for 1Q 2015

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Based on SNL Kagan industry data for cable operators for 2014

# Redeploying harvested cash flow in higher growth areas

- Actively managing business away from less profitable video-only subscribers and PSUs
- Shift towards higher-value LTV customers driving expense reduction and margin expansion
- Long-term core focus on growing Residential HSD and Business Services



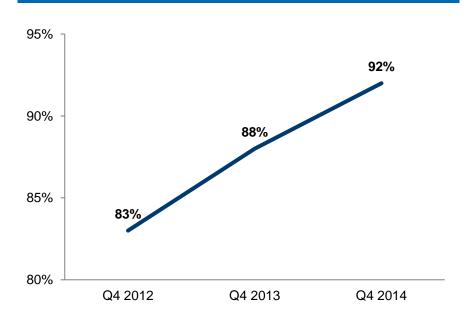
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Residential and commercial

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# Residential Internet leadership in our markets

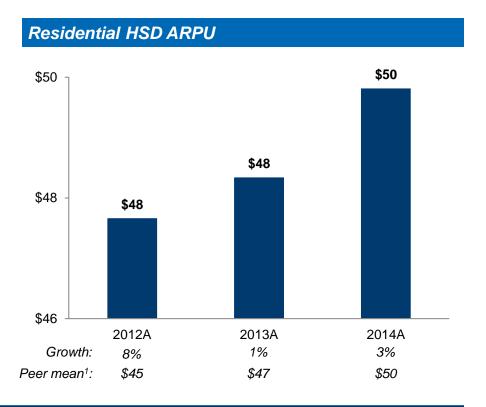
- Began transitioning to Internet-centric business in 2012
- Industry and market leader in speed
  - Introduced industry leading <u>standard</u> 50 Mbps speed in 2011
  - Planned to complete upgrade to <u>standard</u> 100 Mbps speed by January 2016
- Offer premium product at premium price point

### HSD renewal intentions (4th quarter averages)



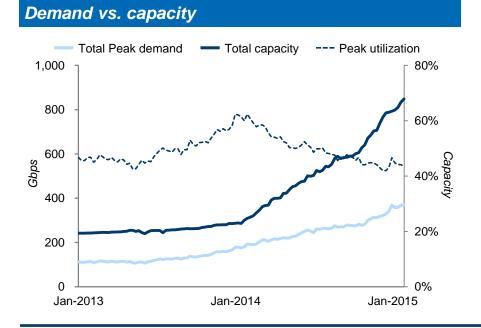
Source: Company filings, Significance Inc. (a market research firm for Fortune 500 companies) 

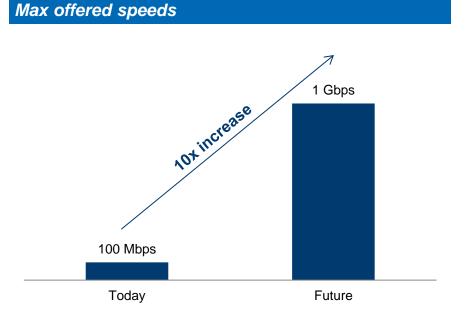
1 Peer mean includes Comcast and Time Warner Cable



# Superior network technology

- State-of-the-art hybrid fiber-coaxial (HFC) platform
- Fiber-to-the-node offering with ample unused capacity
- Multi-year investment project to enhance broadband speed and reliability
- Today
  - 600% increase in system capacity by moving from 4-channel to 24-channel bonding
  - Channel bonding plus near doubling of service areas nets >1,000% increase in system capacity
- Tomorrow
  - Unique MPEG4 All-Digital conversion frees up nearly 100 video channels for HSD
  - DOCSIS 3.1 offers cost effective evolution to 1 Gbps and beyond



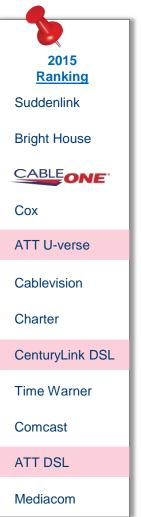


# **Attractive Cable ONE HSD value proposition**

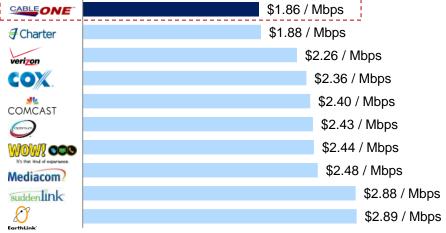
### Internet service customer satisfaction<sup>1</sup>



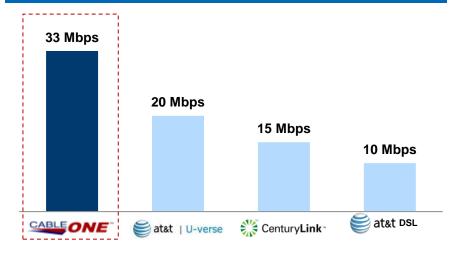




# Recognized as #1 in HSD value<sup>2</sup>



### Significantly higher speed than DSL



= Direct competitor

Source: Consumer Reports, Ookla, The Wall Street Journal <sup>1</sup> Select list of MSOs shown per Consumer Reports

Mediacom

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Ookla March 2015

# **Expanding commercial opportunity**

### Significant market opportunity

- 20-30% penetration among ~175k opportunities
- Substantial room for growth relative to peers

### Customer demand and compelling value

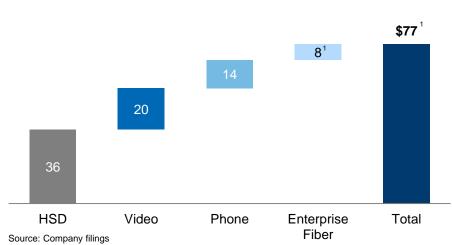
- Products of interest at competitive prices
- Targets underserved SMB & enterprise markets

# Customers (000s) Customers (000s) Market penetration 18% 72 62

2013

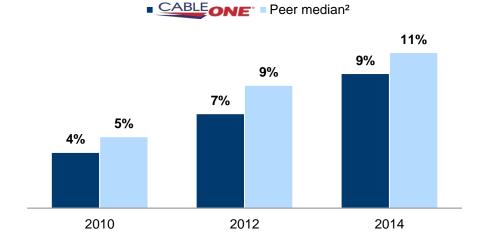
2014

### 2014 Cable ONE revenue contribution (\$mm)



### Commercial sales as % of total revenue

2012



<sup>1</sup> \$4.8mm of commercial revenue (fiber revenue) in Form 10 is classified as Other Income

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Commercial sales as a percent of total cable revenue; Information available for publicly traded companies only; Peers include Cablevision, Charter, Comcast, Mediacom and Time Warner Cable

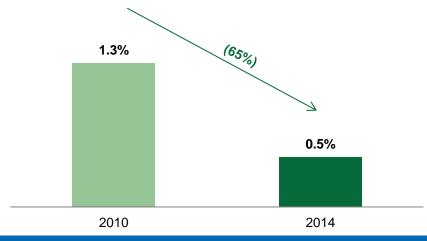
# **Culture of cost leadership**

- Industry leading cost structure
- Focus on customer contact productivity
- Standard programming across markets
- Align resources to most profitable opportunity
- Prudent adoption of new technology

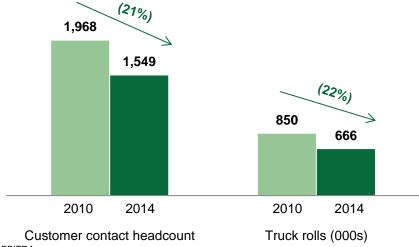
### Total cost<sup>1</sup> per PSU (average 2010 – 2014)



### Bad debt percent of revenue growth



### Customer productivity growth



Source: Company filings, SNL Kagan

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> For peer set only: Total cost defined as operating expenses plus capex. Operating expense defined as revenue less EBITDA

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Total cost defined as operating expenses plus capex. Operating expense defined as revenue less operating cash flow

# **Attractive capital allocation strategy**

# Capital structure

- Optimal sustained target leverage of 3.0x trailing EBITDA, plus or minus a half turn
- ▶ Comfortable periodically adding an additional 1.0x of leverage for strategic value creation
- ▶ Balanced approach to increase initial leverage from 1.8x towards target
- Strong liquidity position of \$300mm at closing (comprised of \$100mm cash & \$200mm in R/C capacity)

M&A

- ▶ Do not anticipate major bolt-on cable system acquisitions in near-term
- ▶ Will seek opportunities that fit well with focus on Residential HSD Services and Business Services

Dividend

Intends to pay a quarterly dividend initially of \$1.50 per share beginning in the fourth quarter of 2015

**Buyback** 

- Expects to receive authorization for stock buyback program following the spin-off
- Intends to use authorization to repurchase stock opportunistically

# **Experienced management team and Board**

### Management team



**Thomas O. Might** Chief Executive Officer and Director

- CEO of Cable ONE since 1994
- ▶ 22 years of broad cable industry experience



Julie M. Laulis President and Chief Operating Officer

- ► COO of Cable ONE since 2008: President since 2015
- ▶ 32 years of broad cable industry experience



Michael E. Bowker

SVP, Chief Sales and Marketing Officer

- SVP of Cable ONE since 2014
- 16 years of cable sales and marketing leadership



**Kevin P. Coyle** 

SVP, Chief Financial Officer

- Recently hired as CFO to support public spin-off
- ▶ 29 years of cable industry, M&A and start up experience



Stephen A. Fox

SVP, Chief Technology Officer

- ► CTO since 2008
- ▶ 27 years of cable technology experience



Alan H. Silverman

SVP, General Counsel, Director of Administration and Secretary

- Executive with Cable ONE since 1986
- Over 30 years of experience

### **Board of directors**

### Naomi M. Bergman

Director

- President of Bright House Networks since 2007
- Serves on the FCC Technical Advisory Committee

### Brad D. Brian

Director

- Trial lawyer at Munger, Tolles & Olson LLP
- Represented numerous Fortune 500 corporations

### Thomas S. Gayner

Director

- ▶ President & CIO of Markel Corporation since May 2010
- Serves on Graham Holdings and Colfax Corp Boards

### Alan G. Spoon

Director

- ► CEO of The Washington Post Company from 1993–2000
- Serves on Danaher Corp and IAC Boards

### Wallace R. Weitz

Director

- ► Founded Weitz Investment Management, Inc. in 1983
- Served as a Trustee of the Weitz Funds since 1986

### Katharine B. Weymouth

Director

- CEO of Washington Post Media from 2008 2014
- Serves on Graham Holdings Board

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# **Key financial highlights**

- **✓** Stable overall revenue with expanding margins
- ✓ Lifetime value strategy drives profitable growth
- ✓ Culture of cost leadership
- **✓** Strong and efficient balance sheet
- ✓ Balanced capital allocation

# Financial and operating strategy



# Prioritize product portfolio based on free cash flow potential

- Confront the technological disruption, programmer overreach and generational change
- Respond wisely and timely to these changes
- Employ multiple strategic analytic frameworks, such as Porters Five Forces, to maximize profitability



## Transition from video-centric model to residential HSD & Business Services-centric model

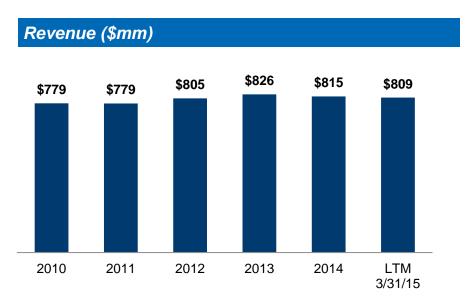
- ► High margins and good prospects for continued growth
- Non-video EBITDA share has expanded

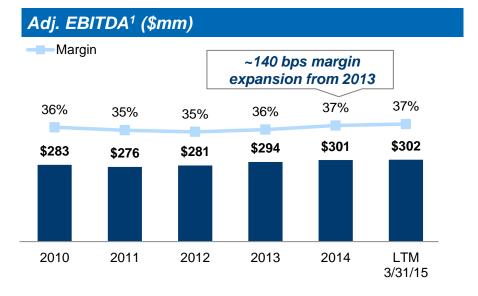


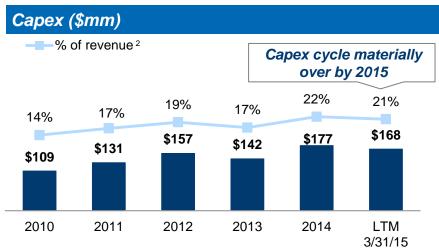
# Continue to stabilize and harvest residential video EBITDA

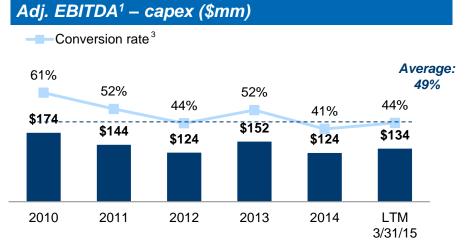
- Use LTV to proactively trade off quality over quantity
- Full programming cost pass through / raise video ARPU to avoid FCF cannibalization
- Manage video costs by selectively culling programming

# Steady, consistent financial performance









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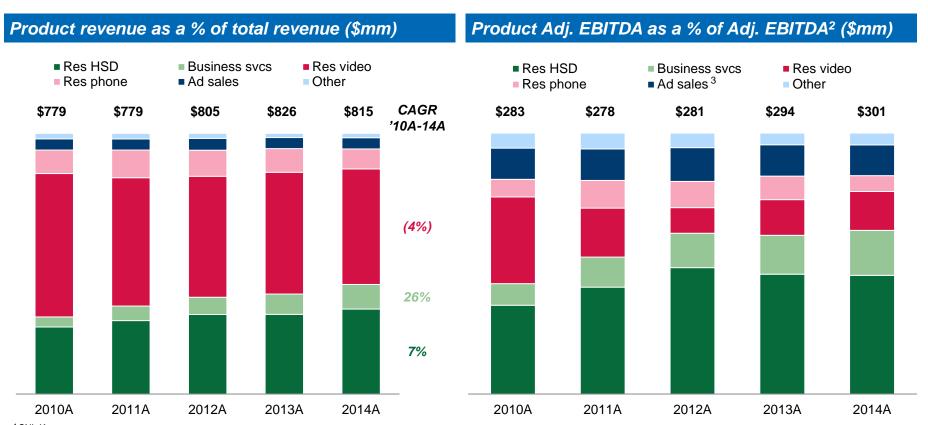
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Capex as a percentage of revenue

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Conversion rate defined as Adj. EBITDA less capex as a percentage of Adj. EBITDA

# **Performance by product**

### Industry forecast (based on SNL Kagan)

- Expectation of eroding margins and continued subscriber losses impact the long-term viability of the video business
- ► HSD market expected to grow at 5% revenue CAGR (2014E 2018E)¹
- Business service market expected to grow at 13% revenue CAGR (2014E 2018E)<sup>1</sup>



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> SNL Kagar

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Costs are not allocated to Advertising sales

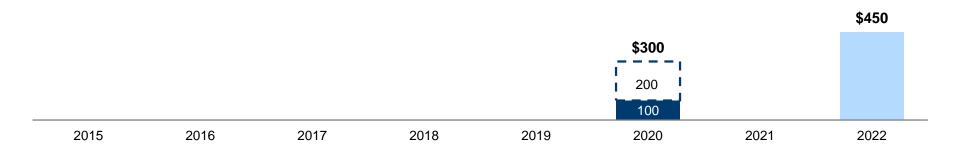
# **Attractive capital structure**

### Maturity stack (\$mm)

LTM¹ Leverage 1.8x
Liquidity (Cash + available R/C) \$300mm
Weighted average life 6.6 years
Weighted average cost of debt 5.0%

Revolving credit facility due 2020
Term loan facility due 2020

Unsecured senior notes due 2022



### Debt by tranche (\$mm)

|                                     | <u>Amount</u>  | Pricing     | <u>Maturity</u> | LTM Leverage <sup>1</sup> |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|-------------|-----------------|---------------------------|
| Cash                                | \$100          |             |                 |                           |
| Revolving credit facility (\$200mm) | 0              | L + 150 bps | Jun-2020        |                           |
| Senior secured term loan A          | 100            | L + 150 bps | Jun-2020        | 0.3x                      |
| Senior unsecured notes              | 450            | 5.75%       | Jun-2022        | 1.5x                      |
| Total debt<br>Net debt              | \$550<br>\$450 |             |                 | 1.8x<br>1.5x              |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Based on LTM 3/31/15 Adj. EBITDA of \$302mm; Adj. EBITDA defined as income from operations plus depreciation and amortization and certain non-recurring costs related to implementation of Cable ONE's billing system minus gains / (losses) on the disposition of fixed assets; Refer to page 31 in the Appendix

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# Reconciliation of income from operations to operating cash flow and Adj. EBITDA

| (\$mm)                                      |       |       |       |       |       |                |          |
|---|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|----------------|----------|
|   |       |       |       |       |       | I<br>I         |          |
|   | 2010  | 2011  | 2012  | 2013  | 2014  | ı 1Q15<br>ı    | LTM 1Q15 |
| Revenue                                     | \$779 | \$779 | \$805 | \$826 | \$815 | \$2 <b>03</b>  | \$809    |
| Less: Costs and expenses                    | 496   | 501   | 528   | 536   | 517   | 131            | 512      |
| Less: Depreciation and amortization         | 125   | 127   | 127   | 126   | 134   | 36             | 137      |
| Income from Operations                      | \$158 | \$151 | \$151 | \$164 | \$164 | <br>  \$36     | \$160    |
| Plus: Depreciation and amortization         | 125   | 127   | 127   | 126   | 134   | 36             | 137      |
| Operating cash flow 1                       | \$283 | \$278 | \$277 | \$290 | \$298 | \$72           | \$297    |
| Less: Gains/(losses) on disposals of assets | 0     | 2     | (4)   | (4)   | (1)   | (0)            | (1)      |
| Plus: System implementation costs           | 0     | 0     | 0     | 0     | 2     | 2              | 4        |
| Adj. EBITDA <sup>2</sup>                    | \$283 | \$276 | \$281 | \$294 | \$301 | 1<br>1<br>\$75 | \$302    |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Operating cash flow is a non-GAAP financial measure and means income from operations plus depreciation and amortization. We focus on operating cash flow because it allows us to assess operational performance on a basis unaffected by our capital investment activities. The reconciliation table reconciles operating cash flow to income from operations, the most directly comparable GAAP measure

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Adj. EBITDA is a non-GAAP metric defined as income from operations plus depreciation and amortization and certain non-recurring costs related to implementation of Cable ONE's billing system minus gains / (losses) on the disposition of fixed assets; We focus on Adj. EBITDA because we believe it is the measure that allows us to assess operational performance on a basis unaffected by our capital investment activities and one-time costs associated with discreet asset sales and systems implementations. The reconciliation table reconciles Adj. EBITDA to income from operations, the most directly comparable GAAP measure

# Historical residential performance by product

