

Sonic Healthcare

Financial and Operational Review

For the year ended 30 June 2014

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Headlines

- FY '14 earnings guidance achieved
- FY '14 total dividend up by 8.1%
- FY '15 guidance EBITDA growth of approximately 5%





Summary Financial and Operational Strength

	Growth		
	Statutory	Constant Currency	
Revenue	12.3%	4.8%	
EBITDA	13.3%	5.4%	
Net profit	14.9%	6.5%	
Earnings per share	13.3%	5.0%	

Financial strength

- Double-digit revenue and earnings growth
- EBITDA margin accretion of 17 bps
- Margin accretion in each of Pathology (ex-Labco Germany acquisition), Radiology and IPN

Operational strength

- Stable and expanding global business
- Strong positions in growing markets
- Medical Leadership culture at the heart of Sonic's ongoing strength as a company



Financial Summary

		Statutory		Constant Currency			
		FY '14	FY '13	Growth	FY '14	FY '13	Growth
Revenue	(A\$M)	3,913	3,484	12.3%	3,652	3,484	4.8%
EBITDA	(A\$M)	733	647	13.3%	681	647	5.4%
Interest expense	(A\$M)	57	63	(8.2)%	50	63	(19.3)%
Net profit	(A\$M)	385	335	14.9%	357	335	6.5%
Earnings per share	(cents)	95.5	84.3	13.3%	88.5	84.3	5.0%





A\$	FY '14	FY '13	Growth
Interim Dividend	\$0.27	\$0.25	8.0%
Final Dividend	\$0.40	\$0.37	8.1%
Total Dividends	\$0.67	\$0.62	8.1%

- Final dividend franked to 55% (previously 45%)
- Record Date 9 September 2014
- Payment Date 23 September 2014





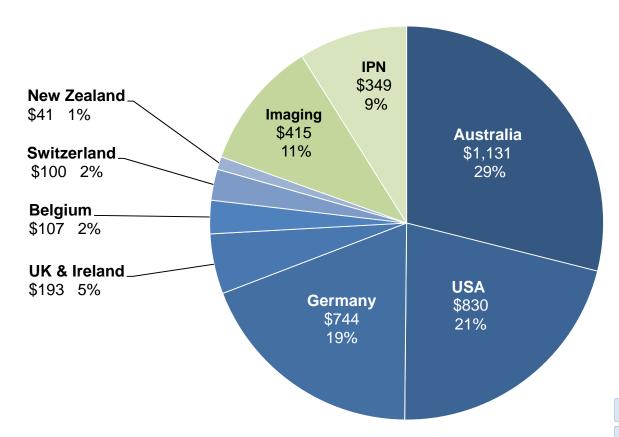
FY '15 Guidance

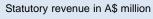
- EBITDA growth of approximately 5%
 - Guidance based on constant currency rates (FY '14 FX rates)
 - Based on FY '14 EBITDA of A\$733 million
 - Excludes future acquisitions
- Interest expense
 - Expected to decrease by ~10% (constant currency)
 - Current base rates assumed to prevail
- Tax rate
 - Expected at ~25%





Revenue Split FY '14



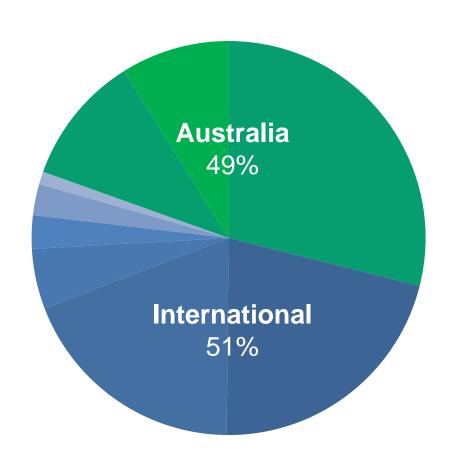


Blue wedges = Laboratory medicine / pathology

Green wedges = Imaging and IPN (medical centres and occupational health services) in Australia



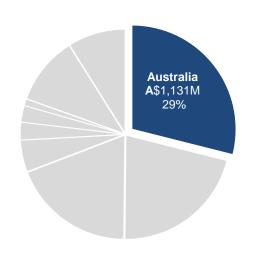
Revenue Split FY '14







Australian Pathology



Revenue

- ▶ 6% growth
- Volumes weaker in recent months, possibly due to government co-pay publicity
- Strength in specialist and hospital markets

Earnings

- Negative impact of escalating collection centre leases
- All other costs well controlled

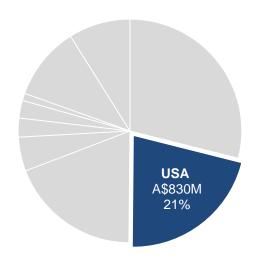
Investments in growth and technology

- New Perth lab commissioned seamlessly in H2 FY '14
- State-of-the-art hub lab in development for Brisbane (completion 2016)
- Total Lab Automation system in Sydney stage 1 installation complete
- Targeted investments in IT and E-Health innovations





USA



Revenue

- Volume growth 2.2%
- December, January and February volumes impacted by extreme weather
- Flat revenue growth, consistent with major competitors' organic growth
- Recent revenue initiatives and Obamacare enhancing volume growth

Earnings

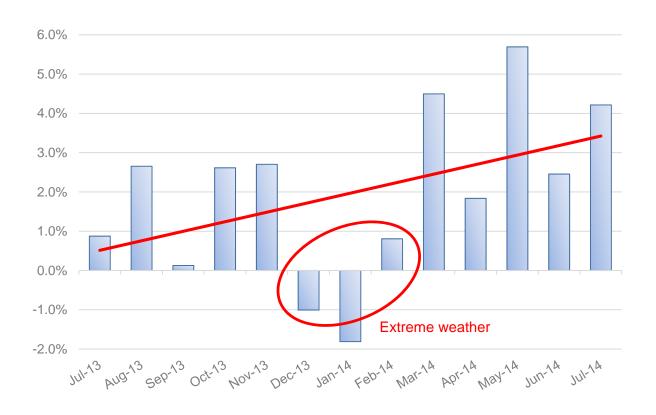
- Cost-out initiative largely complete, tail effect into FY '15
- Ongoing synergy drive procurement, Sonic Reference Lab, IT etc
- Strong EBITDA growth expected in FY '15

Operations

- Number of small contract wins in recent months
- Investment in IT initiatives to drive efficiencies and revenue growth
- New CEO recruitment in progress



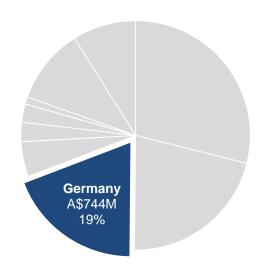
Sonic Healthcare USA Organic Volume Growth







Germany



Revenue

- 12% constant currency (includes Labco acquisition)
- 5% organic growth (H2 FY '14 very strong)
- Ongoing market share gains in all segments (GP, specialist, hospital, esoteric/genetics)

Labco Germany integration on track

- Physical merger completed recently
- Wide range of synergy programs well advanced

Regulatory environment stable

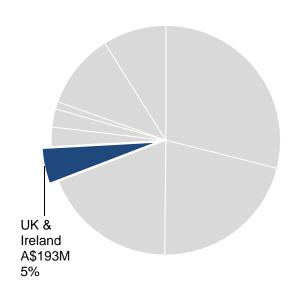
- EBM fee quota improved from 91.58% to 91.80% from 1 July '14
- Fee quota headwind over, no major changes expected

New Berlin central lab facility

- Total Lab Automation technology commissioned
- Incorporates new Sonic Healthcare Germany head office
- Long-term leasehold



UK



- Strong revenue and earnings growth in FY '14
- Revenue growth 12% constant currency
- JV with University College London Hospital/Royal Free
 - Contracts signed 30 July 2014, commencement late 2014
 - 51% Sonic ownership
 - Incremental revenue ~£50 million in first full year
 - Earnings accretive, margin dilutive
 - Chair of JV board: Lord Carter of Coles
 - 10 year contracts to provide pathology services to partners
 - Targeting further NHS outsourcing opportunities
 - Existing TDL (Sonic UK) revenue excluded from JV
- New state-of-the-art hub laboratory in central London
 - Replaces existing hub lab (Whitfield Street) and satellite properties
 - Relocation expected early 2016



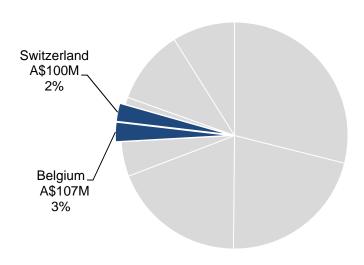


Halo Building

New central London hub lab facility



Belgium Switzerland



Belgium

- Revenues impacted by 1 November 2013 statutory fee cut (~7%)
- Partly offset by small indexation fee increase (~1%) 1 January 2014
- Stable operating performance

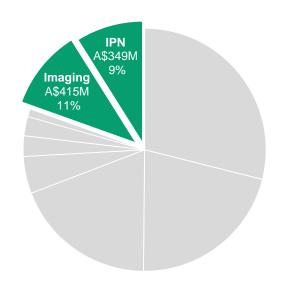
Switzerland

- Outstanding performance for the year
- Revenue growth 11% constant currency
- Stable regulatory environment





Sonic Imaging IPN



Sonic Imaging

- Australian Imaging: revenue growth 5%
- Total imaging revenue impacted by sale of NZ businesses
- Imaging division performing solidly

IPN – Medical Centres and Occupational Health

- Revenue growth 5%
- Medicare fee indexation increase reinstated from 1 July 2014
- Ongoing doctor recruitment and investment in medical centre growth
- Leveraging unique infrastructure for new growth opportunities





		30 June '14	30 Jun '13
Net interest-bearing debt	A\$M	1,739	1,739
Gearing ratio	%	35.9	37.3
Interest cover	X	10.7	8.6
Debt cover	X	2.4	2.4

- Available headroom at 30 June 2014 ~A\$500 million (before final dividend payment)
- Recently priced €110 million of notes in US private placement market 10 year tenor, coupon 2.82%
 - Gearing ratio = Net debt / Net debt + equity (bank covenant limit <55%)
 - Interest cover = EBITA / Net interest expense (bank covenant limit >3.25)
 - Debt cover = Net debt / EBITDA (bank covenant limit <3.5)
 - Formulas as per bank facility definitions





Growth Opportunities

 Sonic's Medical Leadership culture provides competitive advantage in major growth areas

Organic growth

- Market growth and market share gains
- Market growth long-term trend ~5%
- Market share gains driven by culture, high quality service and innovation

Acquisitions

- Track record of successful execution and integration of ~100 acquisitions
- Sonic's culture attracts like-minded, quality businesses
- Active pipeline of synergistic opportunities usual disciplined approach
- Significant funding capacity available

Contracts

- Increasing global trend for governments and others to outsource services
- Wide variety of models and current opportunities globally e.g. UK JV, Northern Alberta, public and private hospitals, government programs, corporate health, clinical trials etc





Thank you