

# **2019 Annual General Meeting**

9<sup>th</sup> May 2019

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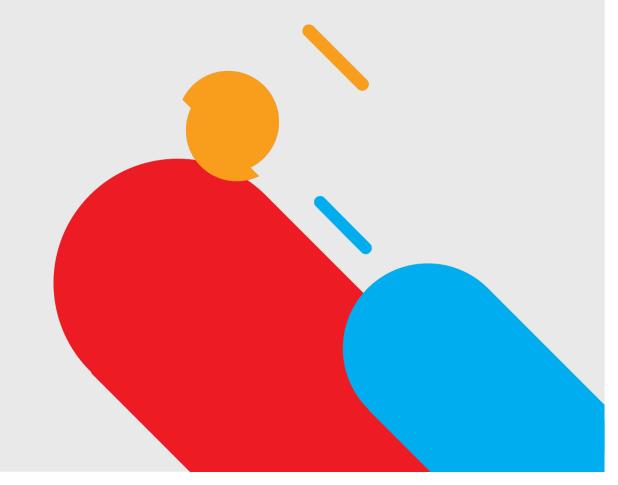
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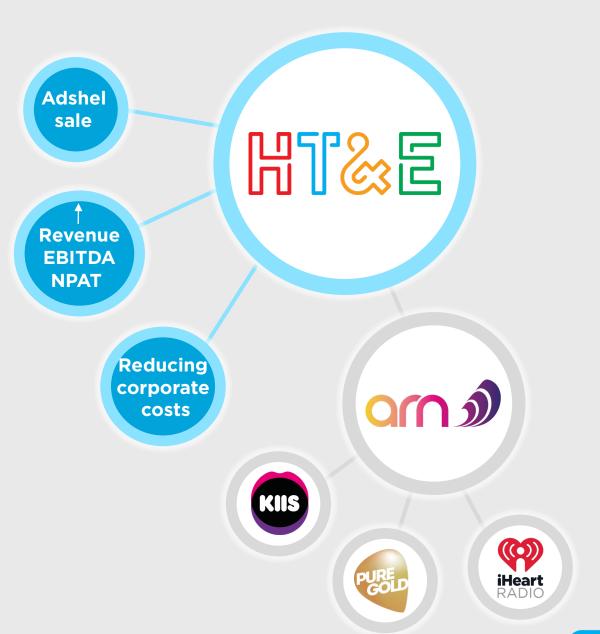






## **Executive Summary**

- Delivering value for shareholders
- Robust operating performance
- Revenue, EBITDA and NPAT growth
- Simplifying structures and reducing corporate costs
- ARN highly cash generative with exceptional margins
- Focused on the core radio and audio business





# **2018 Financial Results**



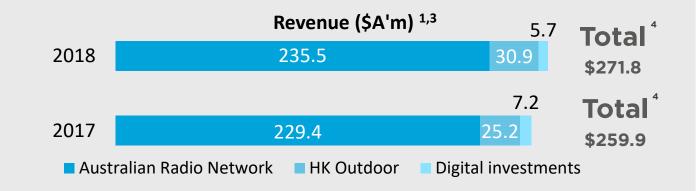


## **Statutory Results**

- Statutory results excludes Adshel
- Reported revenue up 5%
- EBITDA up 7%; EBIT up 10%
- NPAT up 23%
- Net cash of \$128.4m
- Ordinary fully franked dividends of 7 cents plus special fully franked dividend of 72 cents per share paid in 2018

#### HT&E Reported Result (excluding Adshel)

A\$ million	2018	2017 <sup>1</sup>	% change
Revenue from continuing operations <sup>1</sup>	271.8	259.9	5%
EBITDA <sup>2</sup>	71.8	66.9	7%
EBIT <sup>2</sup>	67.2	61.2	10%
NPAT attributable to HT&E shareholders <sup>2</sup>	36.7	29.7	23%





<sup>(1) 2017</sup> revenue and costs restated for impact of accounting policy changes

 <sup>(2)</sup> Before exceptional items and discontinued operations
 (3) Before group eliminations and discontinued operations

<sup>(4)</sup> After group eliminations



## ARN – 2018 Outcomes

- Radio market grew 3.5% in 2018
  - 5.9% in H1; 1.3% in H2
- ARN revenue \$235.5m (+3%)
- Agency revenue +6%
- Direct market challenging year
- EBITDA \$84.6m (+1%)
- EBITDA margin held steady at 36%

A\$ million	2018	2017	% change
Agency	154.3	145.2	6%
Direct	68.0	70.9	(4%)
Digital & Other	13.2	13.3	(1%)
Total revenue	235.5	229.4	3%
Cost of sales	(42.2)	(41.5)	2%
Staff and talent	(77.9)	(77.6)	0%
Operating costs	(30.8)	(27.0)	14%
Total costs	(150.9)	(146.1)	3%
EBITDA	84.6	83.4	1%
D&A	(4.1)	(5.0)	(17%)
EBIT	80.5	78.4	3%
EBITDA Margin	36%	36%	

2017 revenue and costs restated for impact of accounting policy change and integration of Conversant Media





## **Hong Kong Outdoor**

- Significant turnaround in performance, first profitable full year since 2015
- Revenue growth in all cross harbour tunnel and tram assets
- Costs down 6% (local currency) from strict cost management
- Final unprofitable contract exited in December 2018

A\$ million	2018	2017	% change	Local currency % change
Roadside	20.7	18.7	11%	9%
Transit *	10.1	5.3	91%	87%
Buzplay	-	1.1	(100%)	(100%)
Total Revenue	30.9	25.2	23%	20%
Total Costs	(29.6)	(30.9)	(4%)	(6%)
EBITDA pre provision release	1.2	(5.7)	n/a	n/a
Utilisation of Buzplay provision	-	4.0	(100%)	(100%)
EBITDA	1.2	(1.8)	n/a	n/a
D&A	(0.3)	(0.3)	(4%)	(6%)
EBIT	0.9	(2.1)	n/a	n/a
EBITDA Margin	4%	(7%)		

<sup>\*</sup> Includes full year effect of tram shelter contract: 12 months (2018) vs 8 months (2017)





## Net Debt / Cash

 Adshel proceeds of \$550m (net of costs and cash transferred with the business) used to repay drawn debt, fund \$222.4m special dividend and of just under \$40m share buyback (to date)

A\$ million	<b>Dec 2018</b>	Jun 2018	<b>Dec 2017</b>
Gross debt	-	190.0	133.6
Less: Cash	(128.4)	(13.5)	(18.8)
Net debt	(128.4)	176.5	114.8
Unamortised borrowing costs	(2.0)	-	(0.5)

Debt facilities refinanced, mostly to 2023;
 limits of \$260m





## **Strategic Priorities**

• Optimising performance of our core business

- Corporate structure
  - Simplify management structure
  - Reduce corporate costs
  - Aim by end 2019 to have run-rate of \$10m excluding costs of ATO dispute

• Digital investments under review





## **Digital Investments – Under Review**



- Provider of integrated esports and entertainment based video game solutions
- Launched first city-based esports league in the country
- Esports industry still in early stages of development



- Early investment in creative technology business in VR/AR
- Content driven strategy monetised through subscription, pay-per-view, advertising and sponsorship



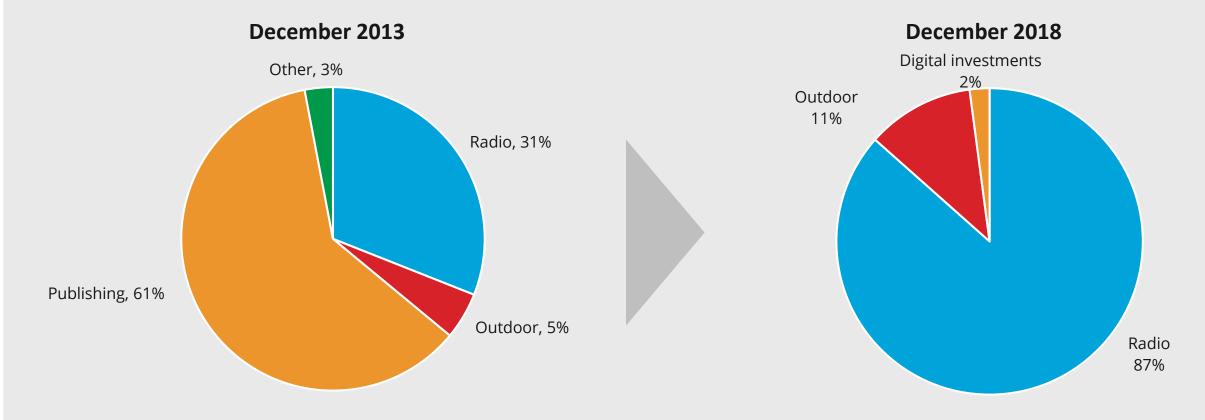
- HT&E has a 25% investment, continues its momentum through market, channel and customer acquisition and growth
- Manages > 3 billion trusted mobile interactions per annum, for some of the largest enterprises and governments in 14 countries



• Paid HT&E a dividend of \$1.25 million during 2018



## **Transformation of HT&E's Revenue Mix**



Net debt Dec '13 (\$437m)

Net cash Dec '18 \$128m





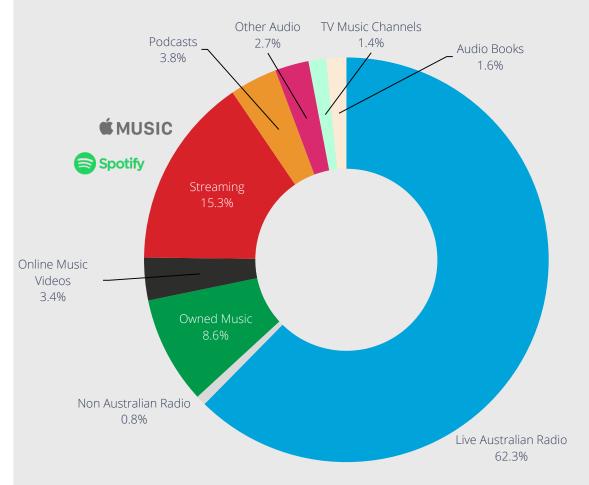
# ARN – A Digitally Enabled Audio Business





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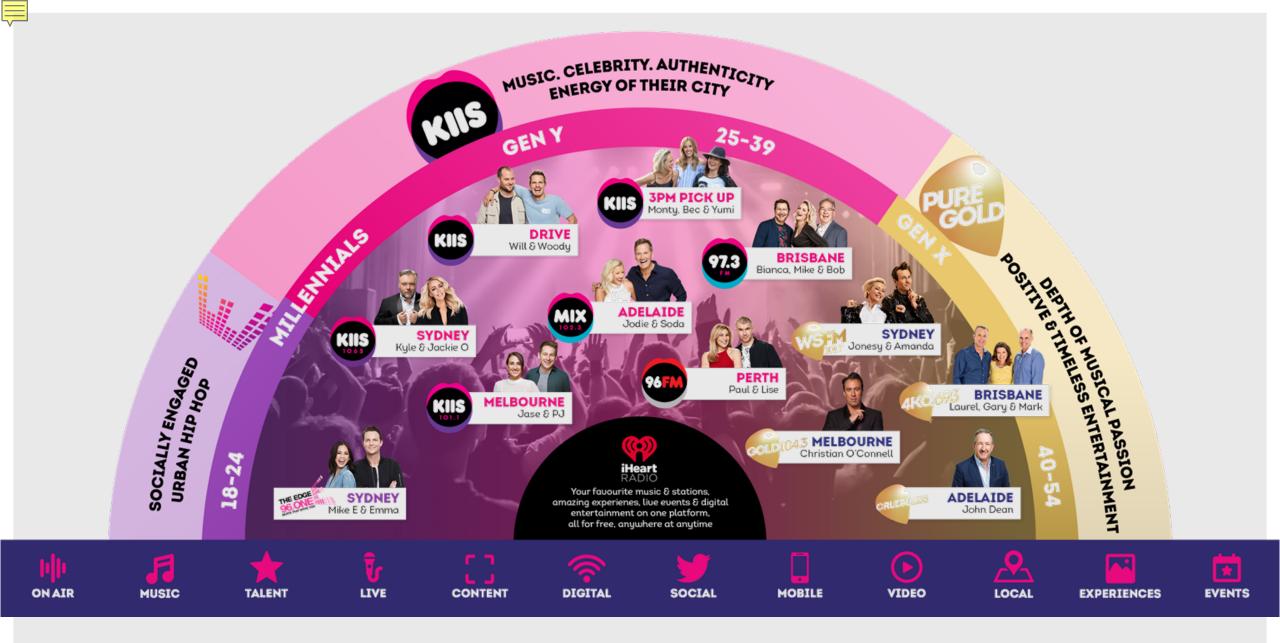
#### **SHARE OF AUDIO LISTENING**



## ... and ARN is building for audio

- Broadcast radio is #1 source for audio
- ARN successfully growing audiences
- Digital platforms extend audience reach
- iHeartRadio bringing broadcast radio and ondemand audio together
- Technology and data capability will enhance personalisation and targeted advertising
- Creating a unique audio experience in one place









## **Digital Platforms Extend Our Reach**



5m Listeners



#### **IHEARTRADIO**

+1.3m Registered Users

DAB+

+279,000 Listeners

DIGITAL PUBLISHING

+3.4m Unique Users **SOCIAL** 

+5.1m Unique Users





# iHeartRadio – Bringing Broadcast Radio and On-demand Audio Together



#### Live Radio

50% usage listening to ARN Stations



#### Unlimited Digital Only Stations

Niche Formats to small to broadcast



#### **Artist/Music Stations**

Created based on user tastes



#### **Podcast**

Largest library of podcasts in Australia







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3m episodes available across every category

**Business & Finance** 



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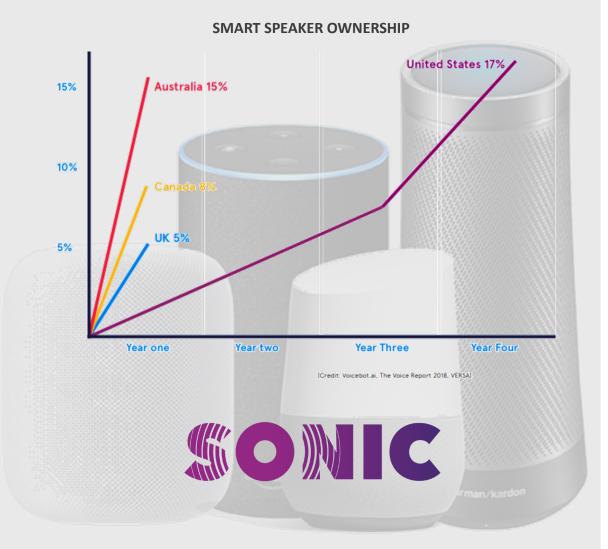






## **Smart Speakers - Bringing Radio Back into the Home**

- 5.7m Australians now own a smart speaker (23%) 1
- 30% penetration up from zero in 18 months<sup>1</sup>
- 1.8m smart speakers per user, 10m devices have been sold in Australia<sup>1</sup>
- Google Home has dominant market share v Amazon Alexa the reverse of US experience<sup>1</sup>
- 7 in 10 users says they listen to AM/FM radio on their smart speakers<sup>2</sup>
- Exciting innovations for the delivery of radio content for consumers, and audio branding and v-seo challenges for advertisers
- Only 17% of brands have audio brand guidelines
- ARN launched 'Sonic' in 2018 an audio branding division that combines sound, technology and science to build brand strength in an audio environment







## Creating a Complete Audio Experience in One Place

All forms of Broadcast and On-Demand Audio content in one place

Strengthens ARN and brands

Attracts new audiences with expanded audio content

Delivers unique behavioural and data insights into audio consumption Positions ARN as the only audio publisher to deliver integrated and audio first advertiser solutions

- Broadcast radio remains the driver of value
- Audio consumption is evolving
- Consumer uptake will accelerate and usage will take time to build
- Investing to build a truly digital enabled audio business



# **Trading Update**





## **Trading Update**

After a soft March, ARN's Q1 revenue was approximately 5% behind 2018's strong comps. April saw a year-on-year improvement, and based on forward bookings into May and June, we expect H1 revenue to be 2-3% behind prior year. First half cost savings of approximately 2% will mitigate the impact on EBITDA.

We continue to pursue cost savings in both radio and at the corporate office.



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