

MARKET ANNOUNCEMENT

ASX Small and Mid-Cap Conference Presentation & Trading Update

SYDNEY, 13 September 2022 – HT&E Limited [ASX: HT1] attaches a copy of the presentation and trading update to be presented today at the ASX Small and Mid-Cap Conference.

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ASX Small and Mid-Cap Conference

September 2022



Agenda

- Compelling Investor proposition
- ARN a national network in a strong Australian commercial radio market
- Half Year Results
- Complimentary digital audio delivering new commercial opportunities
- Outlook Update





Compelling Investor Proposition

HT&E is well positioned to drive shareholders returns in FY22 and beyond.

Leaders in a strong Australian commercial radio and audio market

- Radio listening is at an all time high; nearly 12m weekly⁽¹⁾
- No. 1 network; 21 surveys in a row
- Group radio revenues +7%; EBITDA +11%
- Inflationary measures being actively managed; Full year people and opex costs, excluding digital investment, forecast to increase 5%; close to full year guidance provided in February

Regional integration gaining momentum

- Acquisition integration is ahead of schedule and delivering margin expansion
- Regional revenue up +11% driven by strong local revenues (2)
- Revenue growth delivering strong cut through to earnings; EBITDA up 21% (2)
- Integration post acquisition on track; Key milestones hit and delivering results
- Revenue synergies emerging (+\$2.7m); Confidence delivering \$6-8m target in 2022

Digital transformation driving new audiences and new revenue opportunities

- Complimentary new digital audio offerings; Digital audio is our future with Radio at the core
- iHeartRadio global platform with local control; enabling more targeted and personalised content
- Digital audio billings up 41% yoy⁽²⁾
- Leading podcast publisher; successfully implementing broadcast to podcast strategy
- Successful CADA launch reaching 3m+ audience after 4 months

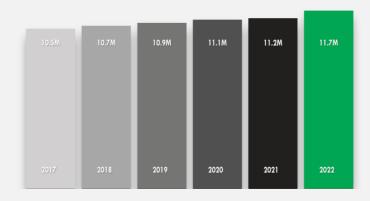
Strong shareholder Returns

- Robust balance sheet with net debt of \$78.4m; Leverage <1 x ⁽³⁾
- Group expected to generate cashflow before dividends of \sim \$35 45m in a normal year⁽⁴⁾
- 5.0cps fully franked interim dividend declared
- Reinstatement of buy-back
- Opportunity to realise further value from non-core assets
- Our commitment to ESG that prioritises the creation of a more sustainable future



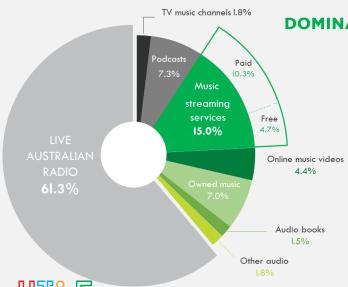
- Incorporating ARN Metro and ARN Regional radio results on a pro forma basis
- On a pro forma basis
- (3) Leverage on a LTM pro forma pre-AASB 16 hasis
- Subject to market conditions

Exceptionally engaged Australian commercial audio market



12M WEEKLY LISTENERS¹

Commercial radio audiences reach an all time high



DOMINANT PLATFORM IN AUDIO³

- Radio and podcasts account for nearly 70% of all listening on audio platforms
- 4.5x more listened to than music streaming

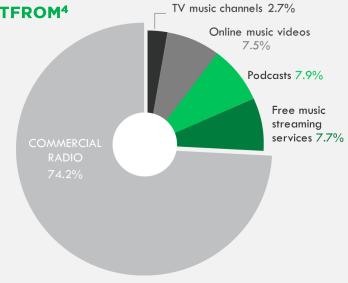
ENGAGE ALL AUDIENCES²

- 15 hours 21 minutes of listening every week
- Strong across all age demos

Cumulative Audience %	Time Spent Listening (T) (h:mm)	
86.1	10:06	
73.3	8:54	
76.9	9:21	
79.4	13:23	
80.3	16:25	
70.5	18:36	
77.4	12:36	
81.1	10:38	
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#1 COMMERCIAL AUDIO PLATFROM⁴

Live Australian commercial radio accounts for nearly three quarters of all listening on audio platforms that have advertising



Source:

- 1) GfK Radio Ratings, SMBAP, Commercial stations (simulcast and DAB+), Cume (000), S1-8 2016-2019, S1-2, 6-8 2020, S1-8 2021 & S1-4 2022 Mon-Sun I2mn-I2mn, All People I0+
- CRA Commercial Weekly Listening by age demographic
- 6) GfK Australian Share of Audio® 2019 Share of listening (%), Average time spent listening (h:mm), Mon-Sun 12mn-12mn, People 10+
- 4) GfK Australian Share of Audio® 2019 Share of commercial listening (%), Mon-Sun I2mn-I2mn, People 10+

Strategic acquisition fast-tracking future growth opportunities

- Combined network of 58AM/FM stations across 33markets
- Ability for advertisers to access more than a third of Australian consumers in one easy transaction
- Opportunity to drive increased national revenue synergies -
 - Increased metropolitan share for ARN
 - Increased national revenue written onto regional markets
 - Accelerating digital audio growth
- Targeting +\$6-8m in 2022 and up to +\$20m p.a.
 within 3 years





Half Year Results





HY22 Financial Highlights

\$48.5m +60%

\$38.1 m +61% \$26.4m +61%

7.9cps +51% \$34.4m
+71%

5.0cps
Fully franked
+43%

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Radio - Metro & Regional



Regional acquisition delivering margin expansion

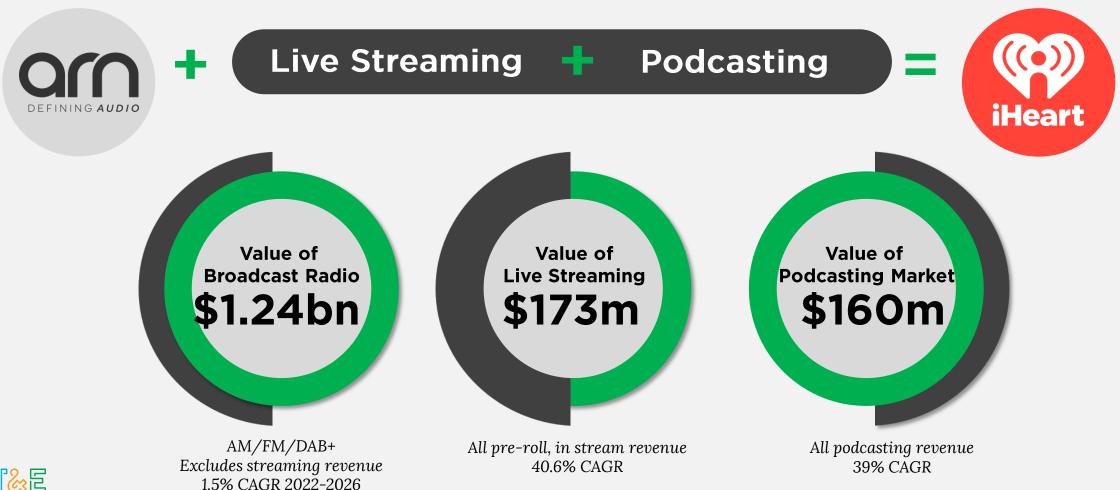
- Total pro forma revenues up 7%
- Metro revenue performance maintained across complex integration period
- Regional business performing very well; strong local revenues and national synergies delivering above market growth
 - Local revenues +10% yoy
 - ~\$2.7m synergies delivered to date; realigned Commercial structure effective 1 August
- Cost management principles maintained
 - Macro factors creating cost pressure
- Margin growth to 34%

A\$ million	2022	2021	% Change	2021 Pro forma	% Change Pro forma
Revenue					
Metro	97.2	93.0	5%	93.0	5%
Regional	54.2	_	100%	48.7	11%
Total Revenue	151.4	93.0	63%	141.7	7%
Costs					
Metro	(68.4)	(64.9)	5%	(64.9)	5%
Regional	(33.6)	_	100%	(31.7)	6%
Total Costs	(102.1)	(64.9)	57%	(96.6)	6%
Share of associates NPAT					
Metro	2.6	2.0	31%	2.0	31%
EBITDA					
Metro	31.4	30.1	4%	30.1	4%
Regional	20.6	-	100%	16.9	21%
Total EBITDA	52.0	30.1	73%	47.0	11%
EBITDA margin					
Metro	32%	32%		32%	
Regional	38%	-		35%	
Total	34%	32%		33%	



Material and complimentary digital audio growth opportunities

Expanding digital audio network is building a commercial bridge between linear and digital audiences





A global digital audio platform with complete local control

The heart of ARN's digital audio strategy

LIVE

Radio & Music streaming



















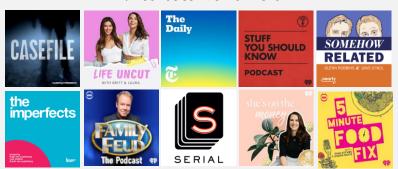
11.7m streaming hours +8.5% Growth YoY



The easiest way to reach Australian audio streamers at scale across an endless array of platforms.

ON DEMAND

Australia's #1 Podcast Network for 27 consecutive rankers.



23m downloads +43% Growth YoY

In June we served digital audio ads to 8 million unique users



Sources:

- .) ARN and iHeartRadio streaming logs and ad servers, Unique Users who have been served ARN/iHR advertising, June 2022
- 2) Adswizz June 2022 vs June 2021, Triton, Total Listening Hours, June 2022
- 1 Triton Australian Podcast Ranker, combines ARN/iHeartMedia with Audioboom, Monthly Australian downloads, June 2022

Outlook





Trading Update

ARN

We reiterate that total radio revenues for Q3 are pacing +6-8% on same time last year following a soft July advertising market. Growth continues to come from both metro and regional markets and weighted more toward metro.

Briefing activity remains solid into Q4.

Costs remain in line with previous guidance.

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We reiterate adjusted revenues² for Q3 continue to pace up 15% on same time last year. The business is expected to be cashflow positive for the year subject to market conditions holding.



Thank You





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Appendices





Statutory results

Acquisition delivers EPS growth, up 51%

- 2022 results include full 6 months of ARN Regional; pro forma comparatives through-out prepared as if acquisition owned in 2021
- Revenue up \$63.5m (58%); 8% on a pro forma basis
 - Strong Regional performance (+11%)
- Costs up \$47.3m (57%); 12% on a pro forma basis
 - Higher cost of sales on improved revenues
 - Incorporating incremental digital investment \$8-9m 2022
 - Timing of marketing investment vs 2021
- Underlying EBITDA up \$18.1m (60%); up 1% on a pro forma basis
- Exceptional items include uplift of \$5.3m on Luxury Escapes investment
 \$1.3m impairment (net of tax) on 4KQ sale (both disposed July)
- Underlying NPAT attributable to HT&E shareholders up \$10.1m (69%), and EPS grew 51% to 7.9 cps

A\$ million	2022 Reported	2021 Restated ²	% Change	% change Pro forma
Revenue before finance income	172.0	108.5	58%	8%
Other income	1.6	0.4	>100%	67%
Share of associate profits	5.2	4.4	17%	17%
Costs	(130.3)	(83.0)	57%	12%
Underlying EBITDA ¹	48.5	30.4	60%	1%
Depreciation and amortisation	(10.4)	(6.7)	55%	4%
Underlying EBIT ¹	38.1	23.7	61%	1%
Net interest expense	(2.3)	(1.8)	31%	12%
Net profit before tax1	35.8	21.9	63%	0%
Taxation on net profit	(9.4)	(5.6)	69%	(2%)
Net profit after tax (NPAT) ¹	26.4	16.3	61%	1%
Less non-controlling interest	(1.7)	(1.8)	(2%)	(2%)
NPAT attributable to HT&E shareholders ¹	24.6	14.5	69%	1%
Exceptional items net of tax	3.4	(4.4)	>100%	>100%
Impairment of intangible assets	(1.3)	-	_	_
NPAT attributable to HT&E shareholders	26.6	10.2	>100%	33%
Underlying EPS (cps) ¹	7.9	5.2	51%	_
Interim dividend per share (cps)	5.0	3.5	43%	_



Before exceptional items

Comparative information has been restated to reflect the change in the accounting policy detailed in the Interim Financial Statements for the half-year ended 30 June 2022

ARN Group



Cost base reflects digital investments

- Radio revenues up 7%, digital up 6%
 - Digital billings to customers up 41%
- Total costs up 10%
 - Costs of sales on higher revenues
 - People cost include investment in CADA and part year impact of roles added in H2 2021.
 - Opex costs, excluding incremental digital investment of \$3.1m for H1 grew 7%; with increased marketing investment weighted to H1.
- Full year people and opex costs, excluding digital investments forecast to increase 5%
 - Inflationary pressures being actively managed
- 29% EBITDA margin

A\$ million	2022	2021	% Change	2021 Pro forma	% change Pro forma
Radio	151.4	93.0	63%	141.7	7%
Digital	6.4	4.1	57%	6.0	6%
Total revenue	157.8	97.1	63%	147.7	7%
Cost of sales	(24.0)	(16.4)	47%	(22.6)	6%
People costs	(68.0)	(40.7)	67%	(62.9)	8%
Operating costs	(22.5)	(13.9)	62%	(18.7)	21%
Total costs	(114.6)	(71.0)	61%	(104.1)	10%
Share of associates NPAT	2.6	2.0	31%	2.0	31%
EBITDA	45.9	28.1	63%	45.6	1%
D&A	(6.7)	(3.1)	>100%	(6.4)	4%
EBIT	39.2	25.0	57%	39.2	0%
EBITDA margin	29%	29%		31%	



Digital audio



Digital audio billings growth +41%

- Digital audio billings up 41% yoy on pro forma basis
 - Strong yoy growth in Q2 after slow Jan / Feb market
 - Flow through to revenue was impacted by a higher percentage of $3^{\rm rd}$ party inventory as we continue to scale the business
 - Net contribution (ARN margin) booked on podcast publisher rep deals; owned content booked gross
- CADA launch April 2022 progressing well
 - Positive earnings contribution in 3YRs

A\$ million	2022	2021	% Change	2021 Pro forma	% change Pro forma
Billings	10.4	5.5	91%	7.4	41%
Revenue	6.4	4.1	57%	6.0	6%
Costs	(12.5)	(6.1)	>100%	(7.5)	67%
EBITDA	(6.1)	(2.0)	>100%	(1.5)	>100%



Digital Audio Billings to Customers (\$m)





