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Agenda



Performance overview Financial review Operational review **Group strategy** Key takeaways





Strong operating performance in H1 2017,



Financial strength

- Strong H1 performance, on pro-forma basis:
 - Revenue up 7% at USD 315.1m
 - Enterprise up 13.1%
 - Retail up 12.7%

- Gross profit up 7% to USD 189.1m
- EBITDA up 13% to USD 82.2m

Operational progress

- Neotel gross margins stabilised
- Investing in our network:
 - NLD 7/8, Western Cape and North West Route, more FTTH across Zambia, Kenya, Rwanda and Zimbabwe.
- Data centre growth:
 - Invested in the third floor of the EADC estimated to be finished in Q1 2018/19
 - Jo'burg and Cape Town centre builds progressing well
- Digital Services expansion:
 - Co-operation with Econet media limited to meaningfully expand our content offering.

- After the period, we contributed USD25m of content rights and an additional \$35m into Econet Media Limited of which we now own almost 20%.(This includes a revenue share and content delivery network agreement)
- Partnership with Microsoft to deliver value-added services
- 70% of share capital of Zanlink acquired on 1 June 2017 for USD3.1m
- RBH agreement finalised, but not yet completed, to take a 10% holding the Group with voting rights remaining in the SA entity.

Promising outlook

- 2017-18 outlook
 - Building on the strong foundations, investing for future growth including content and digital services









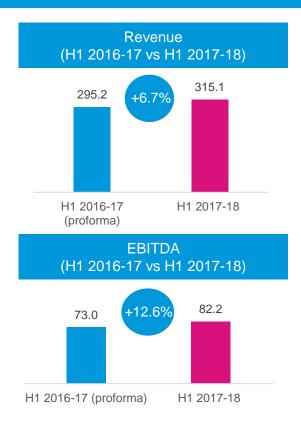


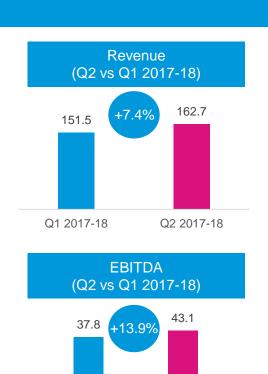




Strong performance in H1 results







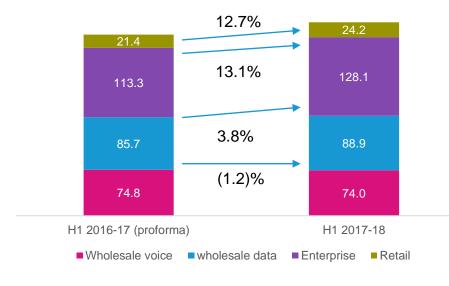
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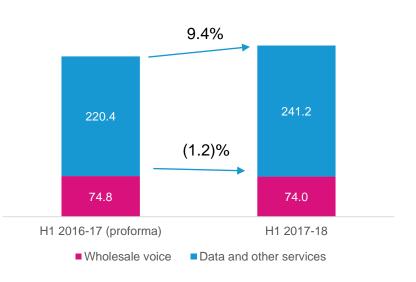
Q1 2017-18

Good progress on higher-margin enterprise and retail businesses



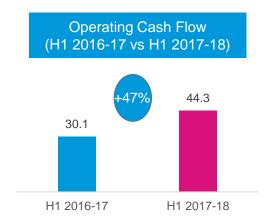
	H1 2016-17 (proforma)	H1 2017-18	H1 2017-18 vs H1 2016-17 (proforma)
Revenue	USDm	USDm	% change
Wholesale voice	74.8	74.0	-1.2
Wholesale data	85.7	89.0	3.8
Enterprise	113.3	128.1	13.1
Retail	21.4	24.2	12.7
Total	295.2	315.1	6.7



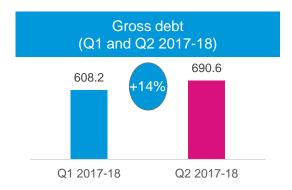


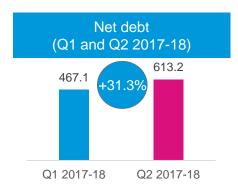
Robust balance sheet and cash flow





- H1 2017-18 movement in IRU's is USD14.1m (H1 2016-17: USD7.2m)
- H1 2017-18 capital expenditure of USD107.4m (H1 2016-17: USD49.0m)
 - Data centres: Jo'burg, Cape Town





Net debt and covenants



Adjusted net debt (post refinancing)	H1 2017-18
	USDm
Total gross debt:	690.6
Issuance of Eurobond	550.0
Drawdown of ZAR term loan	87.6
Drawdown of USD term loan	25.0
Other debt	20.3
Interest accrued	7.7
Less: unrestricted cash and cash equivalents	(77.4)
Adjusted net debt	613.2

Comments

 Restricted cash of USD12m is due to customer deposits held in SA.

Key takeaways



- Good growth: Revenues +7%, EBITDA +13%
- Margin improvement
- Neotel integration working well
 - Already realising ZAR45m of operating cost savings per annum with more to come
 - Specifically identified new opportunities of over ZAR100m and growing directly attributable to the acquisition
 - Positive signs of cultural integration
- Net debt (31 August 2017: USD613.2m) and gross debt (31 August 2017: USD690.6m) with plans to delever, as anticipated, from the next financial year





Wholesale voice



What we do

- Voice interconnect into and out of Africa
- National and international operators
- Fibre or satellite

Customer type

- International carriers
- Regional carriers
- African mobile network operators

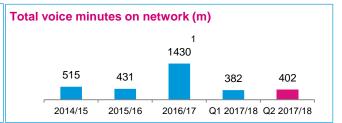
Key clients



Key trends

 Low margin voice traffic gradually and naturally being substituted by higher margin data

Key operating measures (as at 31 August 2017)



Competitor examples

Large carriers: Vodafone Carrier Services, Orange International Carrier Services (own network terminations only)

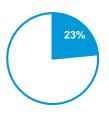
Neutral Carriers: PCCW Global / BICS

International wholesale carriers: Ibasis, Telkom Italia Sparkle and TATA

H1 2017 development

- Revenues: up 19.7% half-year on half-year, down 1% (proforma), total Q2 minutes up 293% versus Q2 2016-17, average revenue per minute down from 29 cents to 21 cents
 - · Management decided to reduce volumes of zero or negative margin destinations carried by Neotel
 - Increased volumes to destinations lying outside of Liquid Telecoms fibre footprint
- Gross margin: This declined 220 basis points (proforma) from 25.9% in Q2 16-17 to 23.7% in Q2 17-18 driven by increased traffic to new destinations such as Eritrea in Q1 and Ethiopia in Q2
- Key contract wins: Local MNOs including DRC and Ethiopia, and several framework agreements with multinational MNOs
 where we deliver traffic to and from their subsidiaries from other African countries and other destinations

H1 2017 revenue contribution¹



¹ This number includes Neotel

Wholesale data



What we do

- Global IP transit and international leased lines
- Extensive high capacity fibre network
- Fibre connectivity to 3G/4G LTE base stations

Customer type

- International carriers
- African mobile network operators / public telecom operators
- African internet service providers

Key clients



Key trends

- Consistent growth in higher margin data traffic
- Growth expected to be driven by increasing demand for 4G LTE and investments into new networks
- Significant demand for digital services supported by additional investments in data centres in sub-Saharan Africa

Key operating measures (as at 31 August 2017)



Competitor examples

Mobile operators: MTN, VDC Global Neutral Carriers: PCCW Global / CMC Networks, WIOOC

Fixed operators: Zesco / Zamtel

There is no pan-african competitor

H1 2017 development

- Revenues: up 75.4% year-on-year, up 4% (proforma) due to:
 - Rapid growth in IP transit and dark fibre sales in DRC, Kenya, Rwanda, IRUs in SA (North-West, NLD 7/8) and Zambia
 - · Acquisition of Zanlink, in Zanzibar, for \$3.1m
 - Long-term contracts are increasingly important to the Group

Contract wins:

- International MNOs where we are delivering several national leased lines for a total of 12Gbps of capacity in aggregate to a subsidiary of a multinational MNO to connect base stations in East Africa and 1.2Gbps of crossborder connectivity to another subsidiary, both for a 10-year period
- We contracted with a national MNO in a Central African landlocked country to provide over 1500Mbps of dedicated IP connectivity to our South Africa hub

• Capital expenditure: Continued to expand driven by connectivity to base stations, and increasing reliability of the network

H1 2017 revenue contribution



Enterprise



What we do

- High speed dedicated Internet access
- Cloud, data storage and hosting services
- Multi-site secure connectivity services (MPLS)
- Payment solutions
- Digital services: Office365, Backup, Voip

Customer type

- Enterprises
- Small-medium enterprises
- Governments
- Non-governmental organizations
- Financial institutions

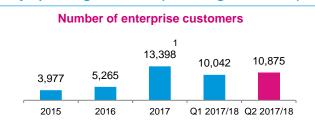
Key clients



Key trends

- Bespoke high margin services
- Strong growth in demand for value added services such as hosting, payment solutions and cloud services

Key operating measures (as of August 31 2017)



Competitor examples

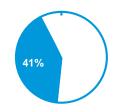
Large ISPs: Paratus, internet Solutions, SEACOM, MTN, CMC Network

System integrators: Dimension Data

H1 2017 development

- Revenues: up 309% year on year, up 13% on a proforma basis driven by:
 - Organic growth in South Africa (e.g. large financials, government contracts), Zambia and Kenya
 - Broadened our product offering into digital services through our partnership with Microsoft to deliver cloud products and services across Africa
 - · Growth in payment terminal contracts in South Africa and Zimbabwe
 - Inorganic growth through the acquisition of Raha
- Operational expenditure:
 - · Increased sales team and investment in campaigns to improve our visibility across our footprint
- Capital expenditure:
 - Following acquisition of Neotel we have invested in our own local access networks, to deliver additional services under the Western Cape contracts
 - We have also made additional investments in core and back-office infrastructure in South Africa to service the growth in connectivity and digital services across our footprint
 - · Driven by customer connections, e.g. to serve the UN and financial institutions

H1 2017 revenue contribution¹



Retail



What we do

- Fibre to the home (FTTH)
- Fixed wireless access broadband and LTE
- Wi-Fi hotspots
- Value added services (e.g. content, voice and security backup services)

Customer type

- Residential
- · Small offices, home offices
- Outlets



Key trends

- Growth expected to be driven by investments in LTE and fibre to the home
- Drive towards adding digital services on top of broadband connectivity e.g. content, entertainment, education, security and backup.

Key operating measures (as at August 31 2017)



Competitor examples

Fixed operators: KT Rwanda, Yo Africa (Zimbabwe), Telkom (SA)

Mobile operators: MTN, Vodacom, Airtel, Net One

H1 2017 development

- **Revenues:** Up 84% H1 2017-18 versus H1 2016-17, 13% on a pro forma basis:
 - Increased service penetration from 30.4% in Q1 2017-18 to 33.1% (of homes passed)
 - · With the exception of Kenya, we remain the largest FTTH network operator in our operations
 - · New FTTH customers in Kenya, Rwanda, Zambia and Zimbabwe have driven service penetration higher
 - Rapid customer acquisition in Zambia on fixed LTE network
 - · Slight decrease in number of customers on CDMA network in SA
- Capital expenditure:
 - FTTH roll-out continues with 1000 new premises per week across our FTTH footprint (Kenya, Rwanda, Zambia and Zimbabwe)
 - Extending fixed-wireless access networks through LTE: In Zambia we cover 50,000 premises with 48 LTE base stations
 - Investing in new products, in particular content, to drive customer acquisition across our footprint

H1 2017 revenue contribution





Nic Rudnick Group strategy

Liquid Telecom's Group strategy



We are a digital services provider that gives customers high-speed and reliable internet access

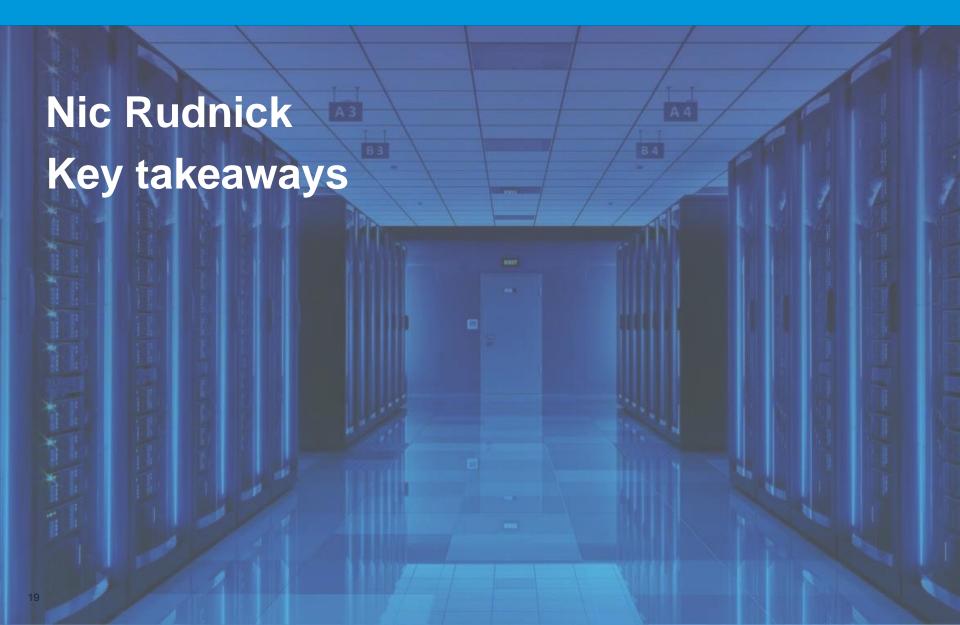
Focus on higher margin segments while continuing to grow wholesale voice	Wholesale data	 Leverage our metro, regional, cross-border fibre networks and interconnection with submarine cables Maintain core and national network reliability close to 100% while expanding network Continue exploring new partnership opportunities, including with content providers
	Enterprise	 Target large scale consumers of bandwidth, with complex connectivity and digital services requirements Continue to expand metro and "Fibre to the Building" networks Target multinational enterprise customers operating within our fibre footprint Expand our one-stop shop offering of value added services (Cloud, VoIP and payment solutions)
	Wholesale voice	 Open new destinations from and into Africa Attract new carrier accounts based on differentiating quality of service Stabilise gross profit by adding volume to African destinations
	Retail	 Extend our "Fibre to the Home" (GPON) and LTE 4G offering Roll-out new retail products and services to these customers, including content
Broaden our digita	al services	 Partnering with Cloud services providers (e.g. Microsoft to provide Microsoft Office 365, Dynamic365 Azure, ExpressRoute)

offering

Continue geographic expansion

- ice 365, Dynamic365,
- Acquisition of rights and investment into Econet Media Limited to supply 100 channels such as Netflix, Kwese, NBA and TED across 19 countries by April 2018.
- · Continue to pursue organic and acquisitive growth in-line with our geographical focus and product specialisation
- Crystallise synergies in SA by reducing duplicative cost structures and leveraging a combined international network and investing in local access networks to improve gross profit margins





Key Takeaways



Financial strength:

- Good first half performance (vs H1 2016-17) with revenues up 7% and EBITDA up 13%
- Cash Flow from operations up 44% to USD44.3m
- Adjusted net debt USD613.2m (Q1 2017: USD536.2m)

Operational progress:

- RBH flip-up will provide us with USD22m of new equity and substantial additional free cash flow (above loan commitments) in excess of 30% of approximately R1.5bn over the next 5 years
- Digital Services expansion
 - Increased investment in cloud including Microsoft Azure and Azure stack
 - Investment in content offerings, resulting in increased revenues revenue share is estimated to contribute USD25 million in additional EBITDA over the next 5 years
- Neotel gross margins stabilised
- Ketraco agreement finalised
- Data centre growth continuing
- 70% of share capital of Zanlink acquired on 1 June 2017 for USD3.1m

2017-18 outlook:

- Building on the strong foundations, investing for future growth including content and digital services
- Working capital: 25-30% of sales, trade payables to normalise following the Neotel acquisition

Questions



