Fiscal 2020 Second Quarter Earnings Conference Call

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Strong Commitment to News









National, Local, TV, Radio and Digital



Diligent Focus on **Business Continuity**

Corus' Priorities in a COVID-19 Environment

- Top priority is employee health and safety
- Acted swiftly to implement measures recommended by public health authorities
- Business continuity plan in place to ensure minimal disruption for audiences and customers

Industry Impacts

- Total TV viewing up 10%¹
- Advertising demand and content production negatively impacted by COVID-19 situation

Corus Response to COVID-19

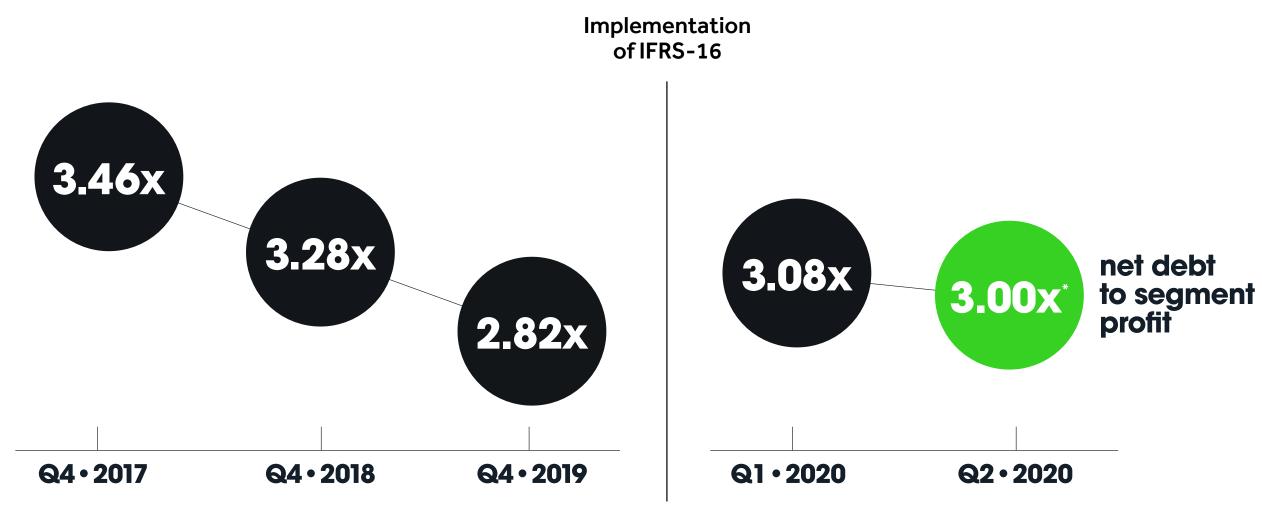
- Strong commitment to local and national news coverage
- Viewership up significantly across Corus portfolio, particularly for News content
- Free previews offered for many Corus networks to support viewers
- Actively engaging with advertising customers and partners
- Implementing new programming strategies

Solid Financial Position

- Increased financial flexibility as a result of de-leveraging efforts
- Immediate steps taken to reduce cost structure



Significant Progress on De-leveraging



* Equivalent to approximately 2.79 times net debt to segment profit on a pre-IFRS-16 basis

Leverage returning to long-term objective target of below 3.0 times net debt to segment profit



Q2 Fiscal 2020 Consolidated Results

- Consolidated revenue of \$376 million
- Consolidated segment profit^{1,2} of \$116 million
- Consolidated segment profit margin of 31%
- Net income attributable to shareholders of \$18.5 million (\$0.09 per share basic)
- Free cash flow of \$65.1 million^{1,2}



¹ Segment profit, segment profit margin and free cash flow do not have standardized meanings prescribed by International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS"). The Company believes these non-IFRS measures are frequently used as key measures to evaluate performance. For definitions, explanations and reconciliations see discussion under the Key Performance Indicators section of the Second Quarter 2020 Report to Shareholders.

² Segment profit for the three months ended February 29, 2020 was impacted by the adoption of the new accounting standard, IFRS 16 - Leases, effective September 1, 2019. This has resulted in an increase in segment profit for the quarter of approximately \$3.4 million and an increase in free cash flow of approximately \$4.2 million. Further discussion of this can be found in the Impact of New Accounting Policies section of the Second Quarter 2020 Report to Shareholders.

Q2 Fiscal 2020 Television Results

- Segment revenues were down 2%, or flat when adjusted for the disposition of TLN
- Advertising revenues were down 6%, or down 5% proforma TLN
- Subscriber revenues were down 2%, or up 1% proforma TLN
- Merchandising, distribution and other revenues were \$24.9 million, up 50%
- Segment profit¹ was up 2%, or up 3% proforma TLN
- Segment profit margin¹ of 33%, up compared to 32% in the prior year



 $^{1\,}Segment\ profit\ and\ segment\ profit\ margin\ do\ not\ have\ standardized\ meanings\ prescribed\ by\ International\ Financial\ Reporting\ Standards\ ("IFRS").\ The\ Company\ believes\ these\ non-IFRS\ measures\ are\ frequently\ the profit\ margin\ do\ not\ have\ standardized\ meanings\ prescribed\ by\ International\ Financial\ Reporting\ Standards\ ("IFRS").$ used as key measures to evaluate performance. For definitions, explanations and reconciliations see discussion under the Key Performance Indicators section of the Second Quarter 2020 Report to Shareholders.

Q2 Fiscal 2020 Radio Results

- Segment revenues of \$28.2 million
- Segment profit¹ of \$4.6 million
- Segment profit margin¹ of 16% was comparable with the prior year

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COVID-19: Managing in the New World

Key Near-Term Priorities

- Ensure the safety and well-being of our team
- Robust business continuity plan is in place
- Provide reliable news and information to communities across Canada
- Serve the needs of our audiences and customers
- Operate with strong financial discipline



Remembering JR Shaw



"To be successful, you need the vision of an eagle and the work ethic of a plow horse. These traits do not come easy; they require endless practice and constant learning."

JR Shaw (1934 - 2020) Founder, Corus Entertainment



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