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• Chris Davies, CEO: Continued delivery of profitable growth and expansion

- Steve Trowbridge, CFO: Financial performance
- Chris Davies, CEO: Strategic and operational overview
- Q&A



# Financial performance

Strategic and operational review

#### **Continued delivery of profitable growth and expansion**

- 25.5% revenue growth and 26.7% Adj. EBITDA<sup>1</sup> growth in 2014
- Accelerated rollout of proven local branch format through Q4 23 branches opened in 2014
- Focus on 'maintain' and 'operate' segments delivering growth and development of key accounts
- £71.9m investment in hire fleet<sup>2</sup> driven by customer demand, generating industry-leading ROA of 26.6%
- Acquisition and integration of Apex Generators and trade and assets of MTS UK
- Trading in FY15 started in line with management expectations

<sup>1</sup> EBITDA stated before exceptional costs relating to restructuring and acquisition costs. See appendix C <sup>2</sup> Fixed asset additions to materials and equipment held for hire



#### **Income statement**

#### Year ended 27 December / 28 December

| £m                         | 2014  | 2013  | Growth<br>(%) | Organic<br>(%) |
|----------------------------|-------|-------|---------------|----------------|
| Revenue                    | 284.6 | 226.7 | 25.5%         | 18.7%          |
| EBITDA                     | 67.4  | 52.3  | 28.9%         | 23.4%          |
| Exceptionals (non-finance) | 3.7   | 3.9   | _             |                |
| Adj. EBITDA <sup>1</sup>   | 71.1  | 56.2  | 26.7%         | 21.6%          |
| Adj. EBITDA margin         | 25.0% | 24.8% |               |                |

- Continued expansion of local branch network alongside focused fleet investment and sales initiatives
- Further economies of scale driving improvement in Adj. EBITDA margin

<sup>1</sup> Adjusted earnings stated before exceptional costs relating to restructuring and acquisition costs. See appendix C

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#### **Segmental analysis**

#### Year ended 27 December / 28 December

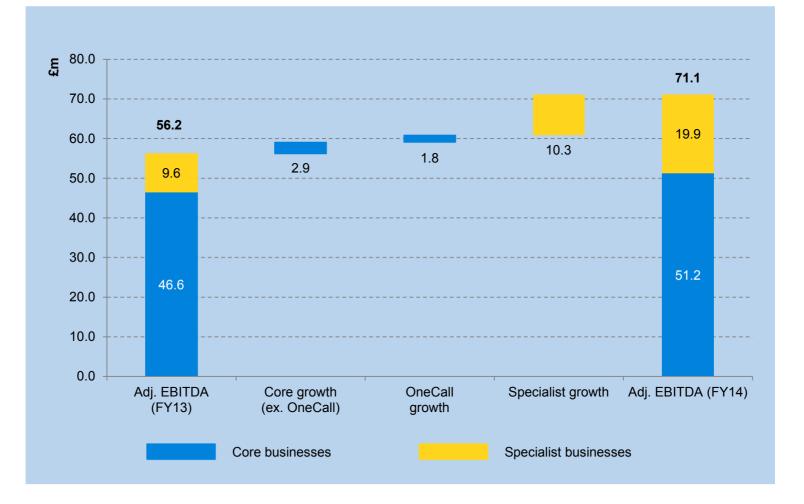
| £m                    | 2014  | 2013  | Growth<br>(%) |
|-----------------------|-------|-------|---------------|
| Core businesses       |       |       |               |
| Revenue               | 247.4 | 208.0 | 18.9%         |
| Adj. EBITDA           | 51.2  | 46.6  | 10.1%         |
| Adj. EBITDA margin    | 20.7% | 22.4% |               |
| Specialist businesses |       |       |               |
| Revenue               | 37.1  | 18.6  | 99.1%         |
| Adj. EBITDA           | 19.9  | 9.6   | 107.1%        |
| Adj. EBITDA margin    | 53.6% | 51.5% |               |

- Core performance driven by growth in all geographies, investment in local branches and performance of OneCall and Training businesses
- Specialist growth through geographic expansion and successful targeting of customer demand supplemented with Apex acquisition

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# **Adjusted PBT, reported PBT and reported PAT**

#### Year ended 27 December / 28 December

| £m   | 2014   | 2013   | Growth<br>(%) |
|--|--------|--------|---------------|
| Adj. EBITDA                                      | 71.1   | 56.2   | 26.7%         |
| Depreciation                                     | (39.9) | (27.7) | 44.3%         |
| Amortisation                                     | (3.9)  | (3.3)  | 18.6%         |
| Adj. Operating profit                            | 27.3   | 25.2   | 8.3%          |
| Net finance cost (pre exceptionals) <sup>1</sup> | (24.3) | (20.3) |               |
| Adj. PBT   | 3.0    | 4.9    | (39.3)%       |
| Exceptionals (all)                               | (11.5) | (2.3)  |               |
| Reported PBT                                     | (8.5)  | 2.6    |               |
| Тах  | 3.0    | (2.2)  |               |
| Reported PAT                                     | (5.5)  | 0.4    |               |

- Depreciation increase reflects acquisitions and increased hire fleet investment
- Net finance cost impacted by changes in capital structure
- Tax planning delivered credit in year

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<sup>1</sup> Pre exceptional finance costs which principally relate to costs related to the restructure of the group's debt during the year

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#### **Cash flow**

| Year ended 27 December / 28 December    |        |        |
|---|--------|--------|
| £m                                      | 2014   | 2013   |
| Operating cashflow ("OCF") <sup>1</sup> | 55.6   | 42.1   |
| Less: Capex <sup>2</sup>                | (60.6) | (55.1) |
| OCF less Capex                          | (5.0)  | (13.0) |
| Less: Tax                               | (0.2)  | (1.5)  |
| Net cash flow before financing          | (5.3)  | (14.5) |
| Less: Debt issue costs                  | (7.3)  | (1.7)  |
| Less: Net interest payable              | (10.8) | (8.2)  |
| Add: Net proceeds from borrowing        | 26.3   | 29.8   |
| Net increase in cash                    | 3.0    | 5.4    |

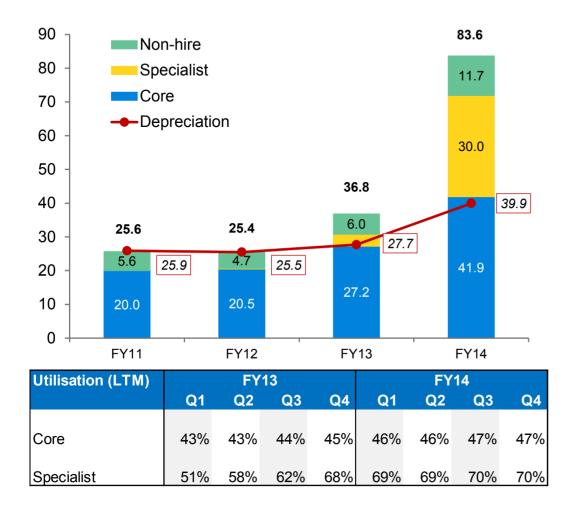
- Strong growth in operating cashflow
- 90% of trade receivables under 30 days aged
- Significant investment in hire and non hire fleet and small acquisitions to support growth

<sup>1</sup> Operating profit before depreciation and amortisation but after exceptionals and the net movement in working capital. See appendix E <sup>2</sup> Capex includes purchase of hire equipment, non hire property, plant and equipment and software and acquisitions of subsidiaries

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### **Capital expenditure and utilisation**



<sup>1</sup> Fixed asset additions to materials and equipment held for hire

 Well invested hire fleet: Hire fleet additions of c. 2.1x hire fleet depreciation in FY14

- Growing utilisation <u>and</u> capex reflects ability to match investment to demand
- Small portion of FY15 capex brought forward to support FY15 branch openings and rapid growth in ABird
- 26.6% ROA with significant hire fleet expansion during year

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#### **Balance sheet**

#### Year ended 27 December / 28 December

| £m                               | 2014    | 2013    |
|----------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Intangible assets                | 170.4   | 166.2   |
| Tangible assets                  | 147.2   | 99.9    |
| Deferred tax asset               | 2.5     | -       |
| Derivative financial instruments |         | 1.2     |
| Working capital <sup>1</sup>     | 3.4     | 21.0    |
| Other net liabilities            | (17.9)  | (17.4)  |
| Net debt <sup>2</sup>            | (317.0) | (276.3) |
| Net liabilities                  | (11.5)  | (5.5)   |

- Growth in intangible assets principally due to Apex acquisition (March 2014)
- Larger net liabilities position reflects investment in tangible assets offset by increased gearing and trade payables relating to preferable capex payment terms
- IPO post year end has subsequently degeared the business. Proforma net debt at IPO of c. £155m

<sup>1</sup> Current assets less current liabilities. Current assets / liabilities captured within net debt e.g. the current portion of finance leases are not reflected in Working capital <sup>2</sup> Comprises cash and all debt principal and accrued interest balances, including those which would ordinarily be shown within current assets, current liabilities or non current liabilities. See appendix D



#### FY15 guidance

- Targeting Adj. EBITDA margins > 25.0% for existing Group (full year) with margin growth in both Core and Specialist businesses
- Capex investment expected to be slightly below FY14 capex
- Pace of local branch openings faster in H1 FY15 than in H1 FY14
- Targeting ROA > 25% across existing portfolio
- Targeting leverage of c. 2.0x Adj. EBITDA at end of FY15
- First dividend expected to be interim payment in respect of FY15







Appendix

#### **Our strategy**

- Local branch rollout to take share from the c. 48% of market held by independents
- Gaining greater share of customer wallet through our one-stop-shop solution
- Further complementary and value accretive bolt-on acquisitions

#### Achieved by:

- Driving availability and utilisation through "one fleet" approach and retail-like logistics network
- Being customer-driven, delivering against four foundations (safety, value, availability and support)
- Targeting customer segments which provide higher asset returns



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#### **Local branch rollout**





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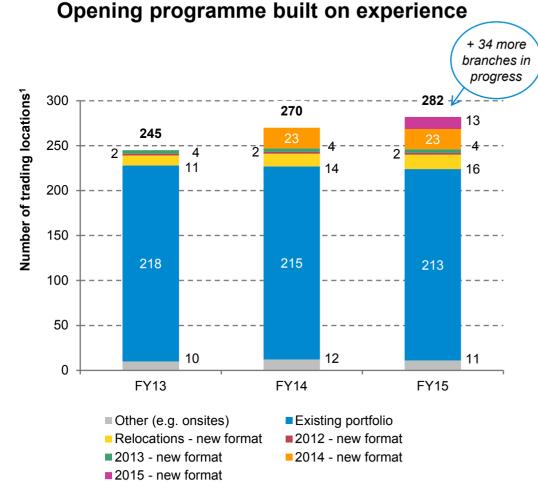
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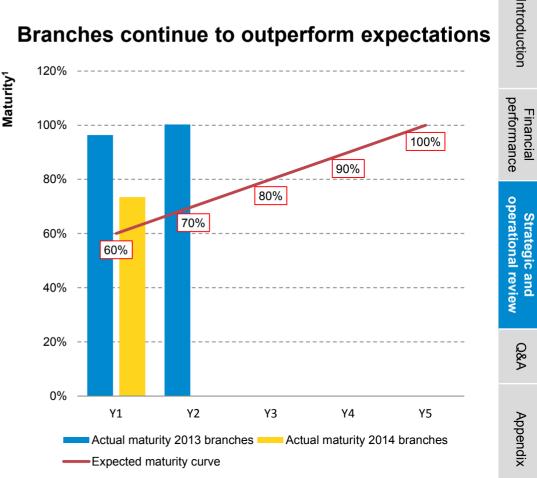
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# Local branch rollout (cont



#### Branches continue to outperform expectations



<sup>1</sup> Maturity measured against mature revenue of £450k per branch (grown at 2% p.a.)

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#### **Key accounts**

- Focused effort to increase share of wallet of large key accounts through:
  - Cross-selling group services
  - Targeted M&A activity
- Growth in our Total Equipment Management offer reflecting ongoing drive to outsource
- Consolidated position in key markets including airports, facilities management, infrastructure and retail
- Expanded Group onsite offer across major London build projects

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#### **Continued growth in Core business**

23 new local branches opened Easier to do business with Opened new customer service centre in Manchester Continued strong growth in HSS OneCall and HSS Training **Trusted business** partner Reinforces the one-stop solution we provide customers and their employees Acquired MTS UK rental fleet and integrated into HSS Scotland Enhanced product / service offering Core hire fleet investment of £41.9m<sup>2</sup> supported 18.9% revenue growth

<sup>1</sup> Fixed asset additions to materials and equipment held for hire



## **Continued investment in our Specialist businesses**

- Specialist hire fleet investment of £30.0m<sup>1</sup> supported revenue growth of 99.1%
- Extended power generation and powered access businesses into Ireland
- Apex Generators acquisition (in Scotland) created a truly national temporary power solutions business and UK Platforms opened in Scotland
- Strong organic growth in Reintec



<sup>1</sup> Fixed asset additions to materials and equipment held for hire



#### **Investing in our colleagues**

- 378 new colleagues graduated from Academy Induction Programme
- 86% first year retention rate
- 76 new apprentices joined HSS in 2014





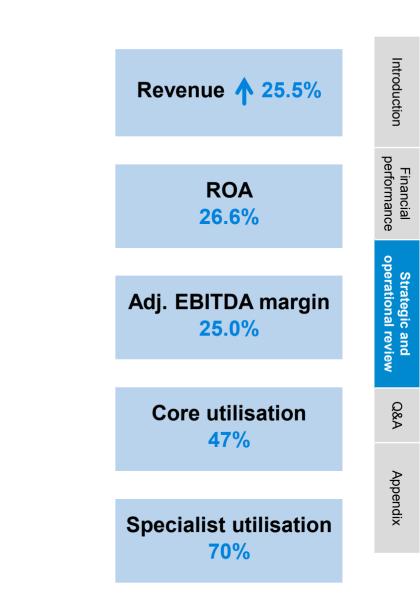
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# **Summary and outlook**

- Good progress against plans through FY14
- Trading in FY15 started in line with plan
- Element of short term uncertainty amongst customers due to UK general election
- 13 local branch openings, 34 more in progress





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# Appendix A Group structure

- This appendix provides the reader with an overview of the group structure between:
  - HSS Hire Group plc, the new holding company admitted to the London Stock Exchange (LSE) on 9 February 2015;
  - Hampshire Topco Limited, the previous top company in the group whose FY14 numbers we report on today; and
  - Hero Acquisitions Limited, the consolidated level at which we have also reported today to meet the reporting obligations attached to our Senior Secured Notes





## **Appendix B** Hampshire Topco Ltd vs Hero Acquisitions Ltd

- Under the reporting obligations of our Senior Secured Notes issued in February 2014 we report Hero Acquisitions Limited group consolidated accounts on a quarterly basis
- This appendix provides a reconciliation and summary explanation for differences between the FY14 accounts for Hampshire Topco Limited and Hero Acquisitions Limited
- The main differences between the two reporting levels are:
  - IPO and other advisory fees charged above the Hero Acquisitions group;
  - Higher intangibles and higher amortisation costs in the Hampshire Topco group, principally related to intangibles relating to the acquisition of the Hero Acquisitions group in 2012;
  - Higher net debt in Hampshire Topco including shareholder loan notes instead of lower group payables balance; and
  - Differences in tax and interest resulting from the above differences





# Appendix B (cont ) Hampshire Topco Ltd vs Hero Acquisitions Ltd – P&L

| Income Statement                      | Hampshire Topco | Hero Acquisitions | Difference | Explanation  |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|------------|--|
|                                       | £m              | £m                | £m         |  |
| _                                     |                 |                   |            |  |
| Revenue                               | 284.6           | 284.6             | -          |  |
| Cost of sales                         | (103.0)         | (103.0)           | -          |  |
| Gross profit                          | 181.5           | 181.5             | -          |  |
| Distribution costs                    | (37.2)          | (37.2)            | _          |  |
| Administrative expenses               | (121.9)         | (117.1)           |            | IPO fees and higher amortisation in Hampshire Topco          |
| Other operating income                | 1.1             | 1.1               | -          |  |
| Operating profit                      | 23.6            | 28.4              | (4.8)      |  |
| Adjusted EBITDA(1)                    | 71.1            | 71.1              | 0.0        |  |
| Less: Exceptional items (non-finance) | (3.7)           | (1.4)             | (2.4)      | IPO fees in Hampshire Topco                                  |
| Less: D&A                             | (43.8)          | (41.4)            | (2.5)      | Higher amortisation in Hampshire Topco on larger intangibles |
| Operating profit                      | 23.6            | 28.4              | (4.8)      |  |
| Net finance expense                   | (32.1)          | (30.4)            | (1.7)      | Interest on loan notes, rather than group payables           |
| (Loss)/profit before tax              | (8.5)           | · · ·             |            |  |
| Income tax credit/(expense)           | 3.0             | 3.4               | (0.4)      |  |
| (Loss)/profit for the financial year  | (5.5)           |                   | (6.8)      |  |

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# Appendix B (cont) Hampshire Topco Ltd vs Hero Acquisitions Ltd – BS

| Statement of financial position | Hampshire Topco | Hero Acquisitions | Difference | Explanation  | Introduction             |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|------------|--|--------------------------|
|                                 | £m              | £m                | £m         |  | on                       |
| Non-current assets              |                 |                   |            |  |                          |
| Intangible assets               | 170.4           | 141.9             | 28.4       | Higher acquired intangible assets in Hampshire Topco     | per F                    |
| Property, plant and equipment   | 147.2           | 147.2             | -          |  | Financial<br>performance |
| Deferred tax assets             | 2.5             | 2.5               | -          |  | ncia                     |
|                                 | 320.1           | 291.6             | 28.4       |  | acter                    |
| Current assets                  |                 |                   |            |  |                          |
| Inventories                     | 6.8             | 6.8               | -          |  | 9                        |
| Trade and other receivables     | 84.9            | 87.1              | (2.2)      | Hampshire Topco net of group receivables above Hero Aqns | Strategic<br>operational |
| Cash                            | 5.9             | 5.9               | -          | -  | ate                      |
|                                 | 97.6            | 99.8              | (2.2)      |  | gic<br>nal i             |
| Total assets                    | 417.7           | 391.4             | 26.3       |  | review                   |
| Current liabilities             |                 |                   |            |  | ex                       |
| Trade and other payables        | (102.8)         | (96.6)            | (6.2)      | Loan notes rather than group payables in Hampshire Topco |                          |
| Borrowings                      | (19.5)          | (22.3)            | 2.8        | Hero Aqns includes short term element of group payables  | 0                        |
| Current tax liabilities         | (0.6)           | (0.6)             | -          |  | Q&A                      |
|                                 | (122.8)         | (119.5)           | (3.3)      |  |                          |
| Non-current liabilities         |                 |                   |            |  |                          |
| Trade and other payables        | (7.0)           | (7.0)             | -          |  | Ap                       |
| Borrowings                      | (275.0)         | (264.0)           | (11.1)     | Loan notes rather than group payables in Hampshire Topco | Appendix                 |
| Provisions                      | (14.9)          | (14.9)            | -          |  | dix                      |
| Deferred tax liabilities        | (9.4)           | (1.2)             | (8.2)      | Higher acquired intangible assets in Hampshire Topco     |                          |
|                                 | (306.3)         | (287.0)           | (19.3)     |  |                          |
| Total liabilities               | (429.2)         | (406.5)           | (22.6)     |  |                          |
| Net liabilities                 | (11.5)          | (15.1)            | 3.6        |  |                          |

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# Appendix B (cont ) Hampshire Topco Ltd vs Hero Acquisitions Ltd – CFS

| Statement of cash flows                          | Hampshire Topco | Hero Acquisitions | Difference | Expl   |
|--|-----------------|-------------------|------------|--------|
|  | £m              | £m                | £m         |        |
|  |                 |                   |            |        |
| (Loss)/profit before income tax                  | (8.5)           | (2.1)             | (6.5)      | IPO    |
| - Amortisation                                   | 3.9             | 1.4               | 2.5        | Highe  |
| - Depreciation                                   | 31.8            | 31.8              | -          |        |
| <ul> <li>Loss on hire stock disposals</li> </ul> | 8.0             | 8.0               | -          |        |
| <ul> <li>Loss on disposal of PPE</li> </ul>      | 0.2             | 0.2               | -          |        |
| - Loss on financial instruments at fair value    | 1.2             | 1.2               | -          |        |
| - finance expense                                | 31.0            | 29.3              | 1.7        | Intere |
| Changes in working capital                       | (11.8)          | (14.2)            | 2.3        | Repa   |
| Purchase of hire equipment                       | (39.2)          | (39.2)            | -          |        |
| Cash generated from operations                   | 16.4            | 16.4              | -          |        |
| Net interest paid                                | (18.1)          | (18.1)            | -          |        |
| Income tax paid                                  | (0.2)           | (0.2)             | -          |        |
| Net cash utilised in operating activities        | (1.9)           | (1.9)             | -          |        |
| Net cash used in investing activities            | (21.4)          | (21.4)            | -          |        |
| Net cash used in financing activities            | 26.3            | 26.3              | -          |        |
| Net increase in cash                             | 3.0             | 3.0               | -          |        |

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Interest on loan notes, rather than group payables Repayment of portion of group payables through SSN issue

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# **Appendix C** Adjusted earnings calculations

#### Year ended 27 December / 28 December 2014 2013 £m 21 4 **Operating profit** 23.6 438 310 Add: Depreciation & amortisation 3.7 Add: Non finance exceptionals 3.9 56.2 **Adjusted EBITDA** 71.1 Less: Depreciation (39.9)(27.7)31.2 28.5 **Adjusted EBITA** Less: Amortisation (3.9)(3.3)Less: Net finance cost<sup>1</sup> (24.3)(20.3)**Adjusted PBT** 3.0 4.9

<sup>1</sup> Pre exceptional finance costs which principally relate to costs related to the restructure of the group's debt during the year.



#### **Appendix D** Net debt calculations

#### Year ended 27 December / 28 December

| £m                                | 2014    | 2013    |
|-----------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Cash                              | 5.9     | 2.9     |
| Term Loans <sup>1</sup>           | -       | (159.6) |
| Senior Secured Notes <sup>1</sup> | (200.0) | -       |
| RCF                               | (19.5)  | (3.0)   |
| Investor Loan Notes               | (81.4)  | (101.1) |
| Finance leases                    | (12.4)  | (8.4)   |
| Accrued Interest                  | (9.6)   | (7.0)   |
| (Net debt) / Cash                 | (317.0) | (276.3) |
| Leverage <sup>2</sup>             | 4.5x    | 4.9x    |

 Reflects borrowings from all third parties, including the investor loan notes which were held by related parties in the reported period

<sup>1</sup> Shown gross of issue costs

<sup>2</sup> Calculated as Net debt / Adj. EBITDA

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#### Appendix D (cont ) Net third party debt calculations

#### Year ended 27 December / 28 December

| £m                                       | 2014    | 2013    |
|--|---------|---------|
| Cash                                     | 5.9     | 2.9     |
| Term Loans <sup>1</sup>                  |         | (159.6) |
| Senior Secured Notes <sup>1</sup>        | (200.0) | -       |
| RCF                                      | (19.5)  | (3.0)   |
| Finance leases                           | (12.4)  | (8.4)   |
| Accrued Interest (Term Loans / SSN only) | (5.6)   | (2.0)   |
| (Net third party debt) / Cash            | (231.6) | (170.2) |
| Third party leverage <sup>2</sup>        | 3.3x    | 3.0x    |

- Reflects net debt owed to unrelated third parties
- Net third party debt therefore excludes the investor loan notes and accrued interest on those loan notes

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<sup>1</sup> Shown gross of issue costs

<sup>2</sup> Calculated as Net third party debt / Adj. EBITDA





## **Appendix E** Operating cash flow

#### Year ended 27 December / 28 December

| £m                                      | 2014   | 2013   |
|---|--------|--------|
| Operating profit                        | 23.6   | 21.4   |
| Depreciation & amortisation             | 43.8   | 31.0   |
| Increase in Inventories                 | (0.9)  | (1.7)  |
| Increase in Trade and other receivables | (16.4) | (10.2) |
| Increase in Trade and other payables    | 6.3    | 2.0    |
| Decrease in Provisions                  | (0.8)  | (0.4)  |
| Operating cash flow                     | 55.6   | 42.1   |

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