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INVESTOR PRESENTATION

Half Year 2014 Results





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- 3. 2014 Outlook

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 - Colin Day

OPERATIONAL REVIEW

Colin Day Chief Executive

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HY 2014: HIGHLIGHTS

- Strong revenue growth, with accelerating momentum in Q2 ...
 - More sizeable business wins
 - Successful commercialisation of new product initiatives
- ... supported by further cost reduction and efficiency programmes
- Acquisition integration, synergy delivery and organisational transition ahead of expectations
- Continued improvement in tax rate
- Half year dividend per share increased by 19% to 5.7p
- Intend to deliver further balanced, profitable growth in 2014

Continued delivery of Vision 2015 objectives

STRONG REVENUE & PROFIT GROWTH



Notes:

Growth at constant exchange rates, unless otherwise stated

Operating profit is adjusted to exclude intangible amortisation and exceptional operating items

* After Eliminations of £(0.4)m



¹ At constant exchange rates, and adjusted for the acquisitions of Contego Healthcare Limited and Dakota Packaging Limited (from 30 April), Mesan Kilit A.S. and Kelvindale Products Pty Ltd

WINNING MORE BUSINESS WITH LARGER CUSTOMERS



Fewer, bigger, better ...

COMPONENT & PROTECTION SOLUTIONS



New Components DC in Louisville, US



Extension of the MaxX[™] range of PPT thread protectors, to include a liftable variant



- More encouraging market backdrop in both Components and PPT
- Improved marketing effectiveness and range consolidation opportunities behind Essentra branding
- Further site roll-out
 - Thailand, Romania and Mexico
 - New distribution centres in Louisville, US and Singapore
- Strong growth across all PPT locations
 - New business wins and product roll out
- Site footprint consolidation and further operating & process efficiencies
- Successful integration of Mesan and completion of Kelvindale acquisitions

POROUS TECHNOLOGIES





Investment in new nib development line at Richmond, US



Global roll-out of cleanroom wipes

- Growth led by H&PC ...
 - New business wins in air care with multinational customers
- ... supported by cleanroom wipes and healthcare
 - Success in globalising the product range
 - Further growth in wound care and porous plastics
- New sales of nibs to global writing instrument customers
- Printer systems impacted by destocking with a major global OEM
 - Anticipated recovery in revenue and profit in H2

PACKAGING & SECURING SOLUTIONS



Investment in new labels facility in Newport, UK



Launch of new resealable tape solution for branded consumer goods

- Packaging led by leaflets in healthcare ...
- ... supported by new business wins and successful product launches ...
 - eg, AquaSense™ labels and Re:Close tape
 - Value-added healthcare packaging, incorporating security technologies
- ... offset by weakness in tobacco tear tape sales
- Relocation of labels manufacturing to stateof-the-art facility in Newport
- Consolidation of Irish healthcare packaging to Dublin
 - Waterford site closed and sold
- Successful delivery of acquisition synergy savings and further cost initiatives
 - Offset by –ve mix impact of declining growth in tobacco packaging

FILTER PRODUCTS





Investment in second JV site in Bangalore, India with ITC



New product launches to meet the continued demand for innovative and more environmentally-friendly filters

- Underlying volumes > HY 2013
- Successful commercialisation of major recent contract wins
- Ongoing launches & development initiatives
 - Innovative multi-segment filter variant and unique dispersible plugwrap material
 - Further increase in joint development activity with multinational customers
 - 5 new patent & trademark filings

Continued expansion of Scientific Services, particularly e-cig testing

Geographic footprint enhanced

- Additional JV site opened in India
- Increased production in Hungary and capacity in Dubai
- Italy site closure \rightarrow significant savings in H2

EXTRUSION



Investment in profile line for slatted pool covers



- Strong revenue growth, particularly in Q2
- Growth in construction sector boosting demand for core applications
 - Esp. for scanning and greenhouse profiles
- Successful commercialisation of recent business wins
- Significant improvement in order book and encouraging prospects
 - Esp. Point of Sale
- Continued investment to support future growth opportunities

Introduction of new 3D printed mould manufacturing technique

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FINANCIAL REVIEW

Matthew Gregory Group Finance Director



INCOME STATEMENT - SUMMARY



	HY 14	HY 13	Growth	
	£m	£m	Actual FX	Constant FX
Revenue	431.1	384.6	+12%	+20%
Like-for-like ¹				+9%
Gross margin	34.0%	35.9%	-190bps	-230bps
Operating profit ²	69.0	65.2	+6%	+14%
Operating margin	16.0%	17.0%	-100bps	-80bps
Profit before tax ²	64.2	60.3	+6%	+16%
Adjusted earnings ²	47.5	43.3	+10%	+20%
Adjusted earnings per share ²	20.3p	19.4p	+5%	+15%

¹ At constant exchange rates, adjusted for the acquisitions of Contego Healthcare Limited and Dakota Packaging Limited (from 30 April), Mesan Kilit A.S. and Kelvindale Products Pty Ltd

² Adjusted to exclude intangible amortisation and exceptional operating items

REVENUE GROWTH – VOLUME / MIX / PRICE

	%
Volume / mix	+7
Price	+2
Like-for-like	+9
Acquisitions	+11
Constant FX growth	+20
Exchange	-8
	10
Reported growth	+12

High quality revenue growth, driven by volume

REVENUE GROWTH – BY DIVISION

	HY 14	HY growth	HY growth	Q2 growth
	£m	Constant FX	LFL	LFL
Component & Protection Solutions	123.8	+13.7%	+8%	+9%
Porous Technologies	44.4	-8.7%	-7%	-3%
Packaging & Securing Solutions	108.6	+47.0%	-1%	+2%
Filter Products	141.7	+22.1%	+22%	+21%
Extrusion	13.0	+10.5%	+11%	+18%
Eliminations	(0.4)			
Group	431.1	+20.3%	+9%	+10%
Group – at actual FX		+12.1%		

Strong momentum maintained in Filters & improving in all other divisions

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OPERATING PROFIT¹ BY DIVISION

Adjusted¹ operating profit **HY 14** Growth Margin Constant £m FX **Component & Protection Solutions** 32.5 +21% 26.3% **Porous Technologies** 6.7 -45% 15.1% 16.9% **Packaging & Securing Solutions** 18.3 +40% Includes £4.5m **Filter Products** 14.0% 19.8 +23% →closure cost for Italy site 6.9% Extrusion 0.9 +11% **Central Services** (9.2) Group 69.0 +14% 16.0 % Group – at actual FX +6%

¹ Adjusted to exclude intangible amortisation and exceptional operating items

INCOME STATEMENT – CONTINUED

	HY 14	Gro	owth	
	£m	Actual FX	Constant FX	
Operating profit ¹	69.0	+6%	+14%	-
Net finance charge	(4.8)	(2)%	(4)%	→ Reducing finance cost
Profit before tax ¹	64.2	+6%	+16%	-
Taxation	(16.3)			
- Underlying tax rate	25.4%			→ Tax rate down 200bps
Net income ¹	47.9	+9%	+20%	-
Adjusted earnings ¹	47.5	+10%	+20%	
EPS - adjusted ¹	20.3p	+5%	+15%	
EPS – diluted, adjusted ¹	19.9p	+6%	+16%	_

¹ Adjusted to exclude intangible amortisation of £8.7m and an exceptional pre-tax charge of £6.3m

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NET DEBT RECONCILIATION

	£m
As at 1 January 2014	217
FX	(5)
As at 30 June 2014	224
Change in net debt after FX	12
Of which:	
Free cash flow	(19)
Acquisitions	3
Dividends	25
Other	3
	12

Net debt / EBITDA ratio of 1.4x

Negative numbers denote a cash inflow, positive numbers a cash outflow

NOTE:

DIVIDEND



Progressive dividend

BANK FACILITIES

- Successful refinancing of main bank facilities on 1 July 2014
- Key features:
 - £390m facility
 - £ and €
 - 5-year tenure
- More competitive terms
 - Larger facility, but lower fees
 - Lower margin offset by fee amortisation
- Facilities are in addition to US\$160m USPP loan notes
- £70m additional headroom for M&A

Even greater flexibility to pursue potential strategic opportunities

2014 OUTLOOK

Colin Day Chief Executive



REGIONALISATION – PROGRESS TO DATE

HY 2014 revenue by region*



- Transition ahead of expectations
 - Regional structure up and running
 - All businesses integrated into new SBUs, excepting Filter Products (Q4)
 - Vast majority of roles successfully filled
- Incremental growth opportunities already being exploited
 - Eg, cleanroom wipes & speciality tapes through Distribution channel
 - Elevating dialogue with customers
- Greater insight into regional dynamics & requirements of targeted end-markets
 - No "one size fits all" mentality
- Better leverage of site footprint
 - Eg, expanded product range in Brazil, non-Filters manufacturing investment in Paraguay
- Gateway for geographic expansion
 - More meaningful targeting of new markets

Already facilitating broader thinking and better transfer of skills

2014: SUMMARY



- Accelerating revenue and profit momentum into H2
 - Return to growth in Porous Technologies post destocking
 - Improved performance in tobacco packaging
 - Continued leverage of new business wins
 - Savings benefit from:
 - Cost reduction and efficiency initiatives
 - Filters site closure in Italy
 - Refinancing of bank facilities
- Complete transition to new organisational structure, to support future growth opportunities
- Successful integration of recent acquisitions and further pipeline development
- Continued strong cash flow generation

Delivery of Vision 2015 objectives:

> mid single-digit LFL revenue growth and double-digit adj. EPS growth¹

APPENDICES

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INCOME STATEMENT – REPORTED BASIS

	HY 14 Growth		owth
	£m	Actual FX	Constant FX
Adjusted operating profit	69.0	+6%	+14%
Intangible amortisation	(8.7)		
Exceptional operating items	(6.3)		
Reported operating profit	54.0	+7%	+18%
Net finance charge	(4.8)		
Profit before tax	49.2	+8%	+21%
Taxation	(13.4)		
- Underlying tax rate	25.4%		
Net income	35.8	+13%	+28%
EPS	15.2p	+9%	+23%
EPS - diluted	14.8p	+10%	+23%

EXCEPTIONAL OPERATING ITEMS



	HY 14
	£m
Acquisition fees	0.2
Acquisition integration & restructuring costs	6.1
Total exceptional operating items	6.3

EXCHANGE RATES



Six months ending 30 June 2014	Average	Closing
US \$/£ Euro €/£	1.67 1.22	1.71 1.25
Impact of a one cent change per annum		Op. Profit (£m) 0.3
US \$/£ Euro €/£		0.3
Six months ending 30 June 2013	Average	Closing
US \$/£	1.55	1.52
Euro €/£	1.18	1.17



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