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### Company Overview



Innovation

Proven record of successfully introducing new technologies that drive completion and life-of-well optimization

**Technology** 

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Focused on completions and field development optimization

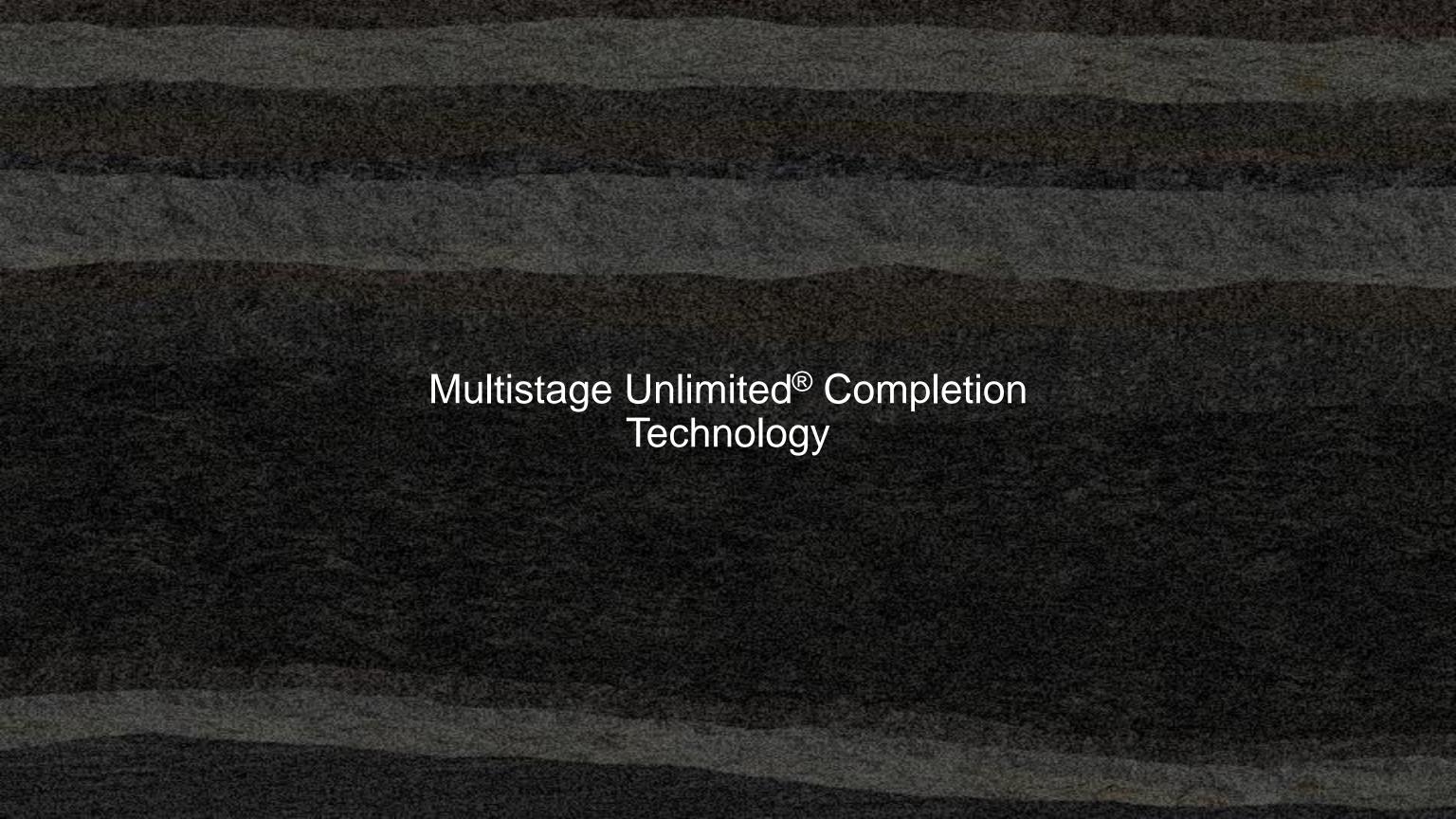
Trusted Advisor to Customers

Over 240 global customers

**Profitable Growth** 

- Revenue growth from completions activity, completions intensity and market share gains
- Capital-light, enabling attractive margins and consistent free cash flow generation

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### Why Pinpoint Stimulation Matters



Pinpoint stimulation enables more predictable, repeatable, and verifiable completions that maximize reservoir connectivity, as compared to other completion methods

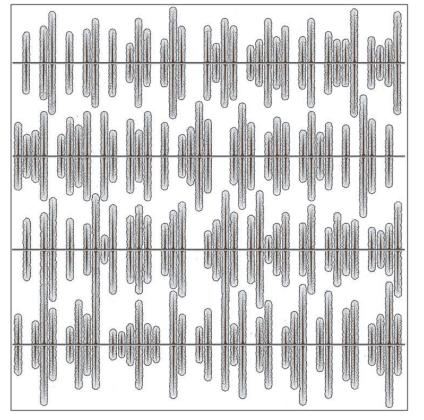
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Well 2

Well 3

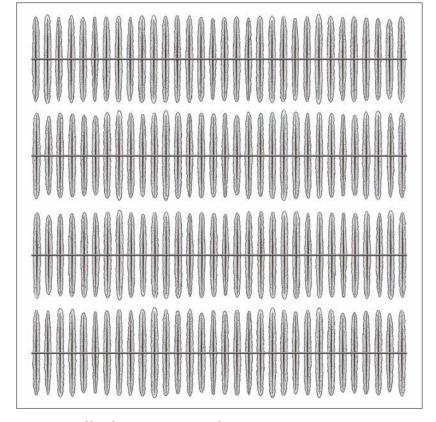
Well 4

#### Other Completion Methods



Unpredictable frac size and location

#### **Pinpoint Stimulation**



Controlled proppant placement

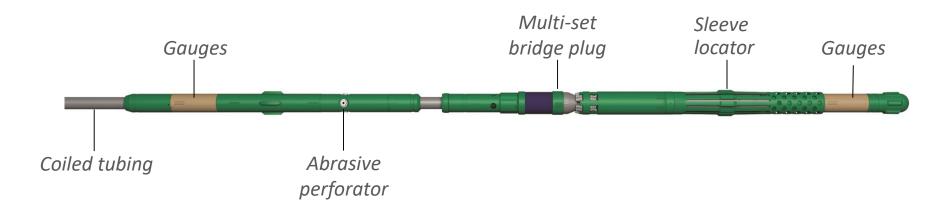
## The Multistage Unlimited System



#### Casing-Installed Frac Sleeve (open)



#### Downhole Frac-Isolation Assembly on Coiled Tubing



### Trusted Advisor for Pinpoint Completions



NCS serves as a trusted advisor and a proven leader in pinpoint stimulation, working with customers around the world to help optimize completions

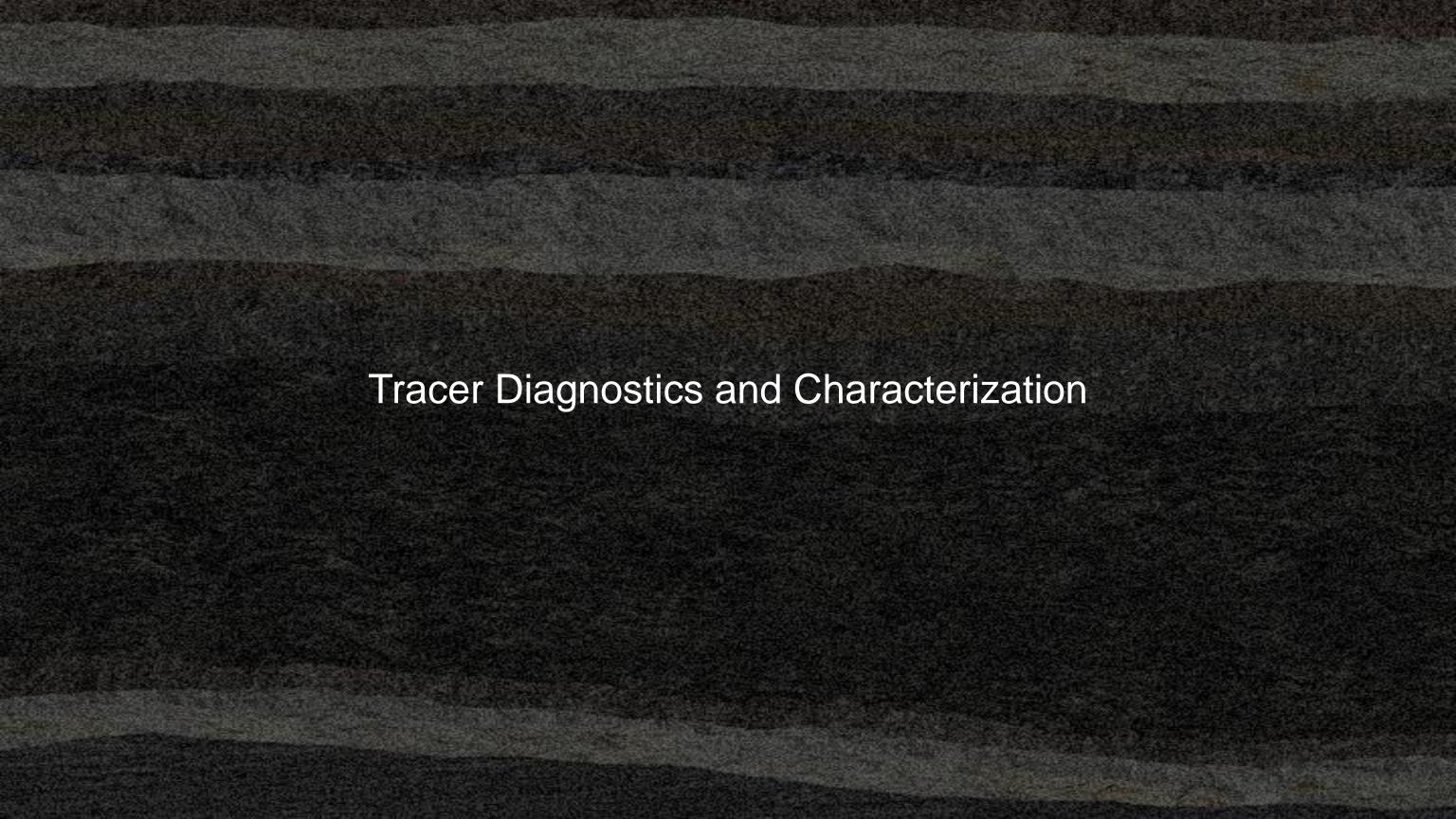
#### Trusted Advisor Relationship

- Leverage NCS's breadth of capabilities, including technology, data and engineering expertise
- Partner with customers to ensure objectives are achieved and identify optimization opportunities
- Well planning and frac design
- Post-job analysis, including Rate Transient Analysis
- Customer-driven new technology development

#### NCS Cumulative Experience\*

8,500+	wells completed
185,000+	frac stages placed
140,000+	sleeves placed
40,000+	MultiCycle sleeves placed
7.2 billion	lb. proppant placed

<sup>\*</sup> Cumulative experience through the end of September 2017.







## Leading provider of chemical and radioactive tracers for well diagnostics and reservoir characterization

- Cost-effective and reliable service utilized by E&P companies to optimize completion designs and field development
  - Growing portfolio of chemical tracers, including
    - FFIs® (fracture fluid identifiers, or water tracers)
    - OSTs® (oil soluble tracers, with patented particulate formulation)
    - NANOs® (natural gas tracers)
  - Radioactive tracer logging services (RA) including real-time and memory tools
  - Diverse customer base across the U.S. (~85% of revenue) and Canada

### How Customers Utilize Tracers



#### Our customers utilize our services to:

- Provide long-term qualitative stage-by-stage production information
- Evaluate well spacing projects, including horizontal spacing and vertical spacing in formations with stacked pay characteristics
- Evaluate the distribution of proppant along the wellbore cluster efficiency and diverter effectiveness
- Assess frac fluid performance to improve completion designs
- Determine if all stages in the lateral are producing, indicating flowback is complete
- Assess performance of waterfloods and other EOR strategies



### Q4 2017 and Full Year 2017 Update



### Preliminary Q4 2017 Performance:

- Total revenue of \$49.5 \$50.5 mm
  - Canadian revenue of \$29.1 \$29.6 mm; U.S. revenue of \$19.8 \$20.3 mm; International revenue of \$0.6 \$0.7 mm
- Cost of sales, excluding D&A, of \$24.3 \$24.8 mm
- S,G&A, including share-based compensation and non-recurring items, of \$18.0 \$18.5 mm

### Preliminary Full Year 2017 Performance

- Year-end cash of over \$33.5 mm, full-year 2017 CapEx of \$6.5 mm
- Over 1,375 wells completed utilizing Multistage Unlimited technology for over 100 customers, including over 20 in the U.S. in 2017
  - Over 46,750 sliding sleeves sold for the year, a record for the Company

### Preliminary 2018E Revenue Guidance



NCS expects consolidated revenue growth of 35% - 45% in 2018E as compared to 2017

- Primarily driven by increases in U.S. revenue
- Expectation for sequential revenue growth in the U.S. in Q1 2018E
- Typical seasonality expected in Canada

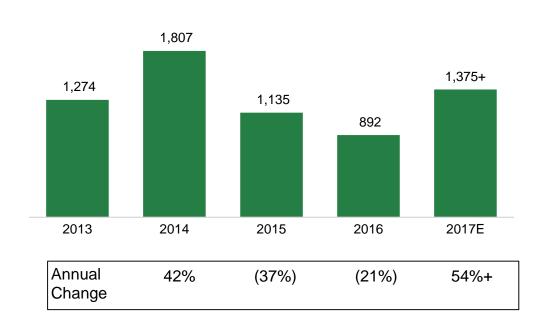
## Impact of Completion Intensity

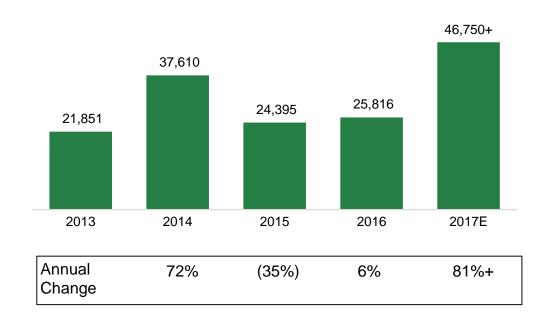


NCS benefits from increased completions intensity, as changes in sleeve sales have outpaced changes in completed well count

NCS Wells Completed



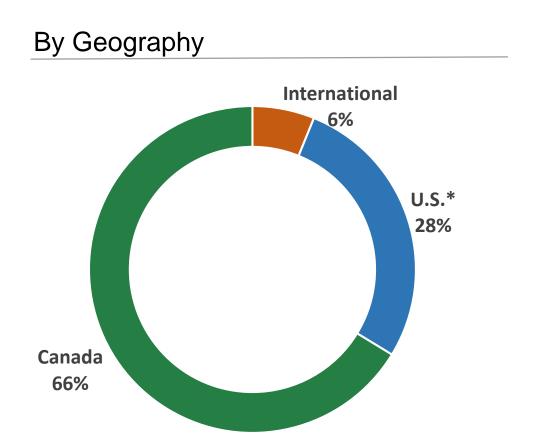




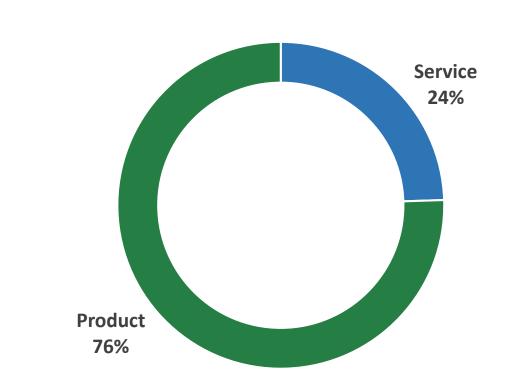
### Revenue Profile



Revenue Contribution – September 30, 2017 Year-to-Date



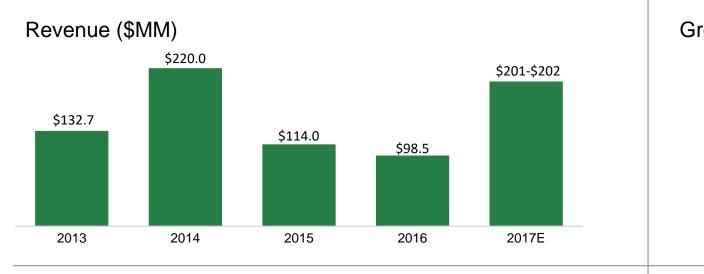
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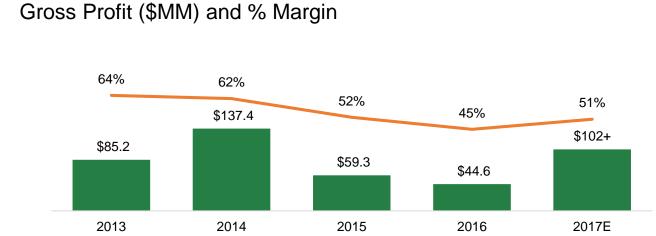


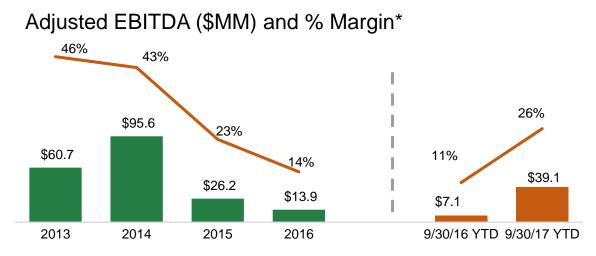
### High Margins with Free Cash Flow

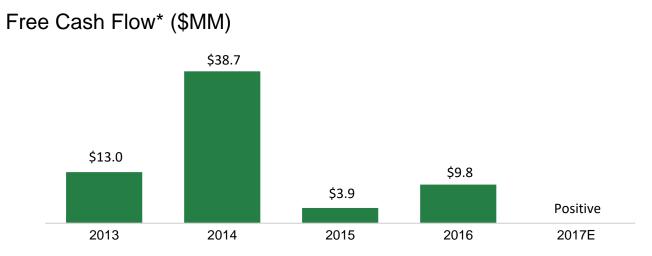


### Financial and operating model minimizes capital investment and maximizes free cash flow







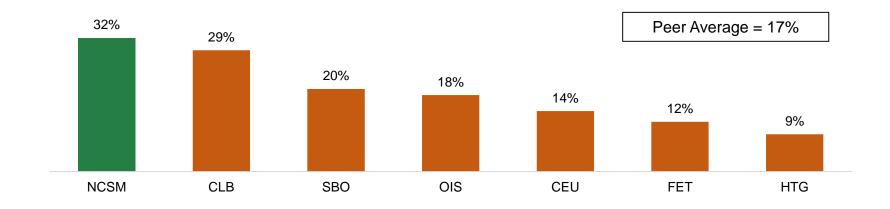


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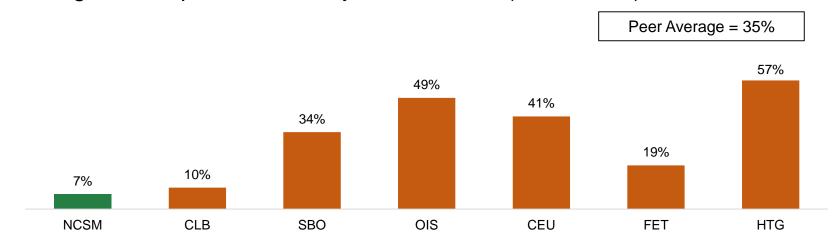
### Attractive Financial Profile vs. Public Peers



#### Average Adjusted EBITDA Margin (2013–2016)\*



#### Average Net CapEx as % of Adjusted EBITDA (2013–2016)\*\*



<sup>\*</sup> Utilizes Adjusted EBITDA for NCS, see Appendix for reconciliation. Source: Capital IQ.

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### Technology Driving Free Cash Flow



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## Everything starts with *The Promise*



Employees	We will invest in our employees, our most important resource, by providing coaching and training that enables them to learn and grow to their full potential. Together, we will maintain a culture that promotes teamwork and an environment that is challenging, rewarding and fun. We will listen to our employees, treat them with respect and support them when they make decisions that are aligned with <i>The Promise</i> .
Health, Safety & Environment	We will provide leadership, tools and training to empower our employees, customers and vendors to remain healthy and safe. We will integrate environmental stewardship into our business activities and respect the communities in which we operate.
Customers	We will treat our customers as partners and operate in a fair and honest manner. We will listen to our customers, set clear, common expectations and respond with execution excellence.
Technology	We will deliver reservoir analysis, insights and technologies that support our customers' development strategies and resource recovery objectives and develop technology and processes to drive improvement in our products and services.
Quality	We will continuously improve our processes and systems in order to meet or exceed all applicable quality requirements.
Vendors	We will treat our vendors as partners, stand by our commitments to them and expect the same from them.
Stakeholders	We will ethically and responsibly increase stakeholder value by focusing on innovation, sustainable growth and strong financial performance.

## Completion Cost Comparison



Pinpoint completions can be cost-neutral to, or less expensive than, plug-and-perf

### Cost Impacts vs Plug-and-Perf

NCS Sleeves and Service	++	
Coiled Tubing	+	Coil used during fracturing vs. standby and drillout
Overall Completion Days	+/-	Specific to customer design and operations; can provide savings
Daily Frac Spread Cost		Reduced HHP needs due to lower pumping rates
Plugs and Perforating Equipment	-	Savings increase with increased plug-and-perf stage counts
Wireline	-	Savings increase with stage count / operating days
Fluids	-	No pumping down plugs
Data	-	Inherent downhole data collection vs. additional cost for fiber optic or microseismic
Overall	=/-	Savings possible through optimization over time

## Adjusted EBITDA Reconciliation



	Year Ended December 31,								Nine Months Ended September 30,			
(\$ in millions)	2	2013		2014		2015		2016		2016		2017
Net Income (Loss)	\$	8.0	\$	7.6	\$	28.0	\$	(17.9)	\$	(17.0)	\$	5.1
Income Tax Expense (Benefit)		11.5		50.9		(16.2)		(8.8)		(7.9)		2.0
Interest Expense (a)		6.0		7.4		8.1		6.3		4.7		3.8
Depreciation		1.4		2.0		2.7		1.8		1.3		2.1
Amortization		29.7		27.9		24.6		23.8		17.9		18.5
EBITDA	\$	56.6	\$	95.9	\$	47.1	\$	5.1	\$	(1.0)	\$	31.5
Share-based Compensation (b)		1.3		1.3		1.3		1.4		1.0		3.9
Restructuring Charges (c)		-		-		0.4		0.3		0.3		-
Board Fees and Expenses (d)		0.5		0.5		0.5		0.5		-		-
Professional Fees (e)		1.1		0.7		0.3		3.1		1.0		3.3
Dividends Treated as Compensation (f)		-		3.0		-		-		-		-
Unrealized Foreign Currency (Gain) Loss (g)		-		(8.7)		(12.8)		2.6		4.9		20.2
Realized Foreign Currency (Gain) Loss (h)		0.2		(0.3)		(13.0)		(0.1)		(0.2)		(20.4)
Change in Fair Value of Contingent Consideration (i)		-		-		-		-		-		0.6
Other (j)		0.9		3.1		2.3		1.0		1.0		0.1
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	60.7	\$	95.6	\$	26.2	\$	13.9	\$	7.1	\$	39.1
% Margin		46%		43%		23%		14%		11%		26%
2013 - 2016 Average Margin				32	%							

<sup>(</sup>a) Includes the remaining debt issuance costs of \$1,422 related to the prior credit agreement that were expensed when the debt was repaid with a portion of our net proceeds from the IPO during the second quarter of 2017.

<sup>(</sup>b) Represents non-cash compensation charges related to share-based compensation granted to our officers, employees and directors.

<sup>(</sup>c) Represents severance and other expenses associated with headcount reductions and other cost savings initiated as part of our restructuring initiatives.

<sup>(</sup>d) Represents Board fees and travel expenses paid to members of our Board, which is an adjustment permitted by the terms of our credit facilities.

<sup>(</sup>e) Represents non-capitalizable costs of professional services incurred in connection with our IPO, refinancings and the evaluation of proposed and completed acquisitions.

<sup>(</sup>f) Represents cash payments made to certain holders of (i) options to purchase our common stock and (ii) holders of shares of Exchangeco. The cash payment was a result of a dividend paid to our stockholders in August 2014.

<sup>(</sup>g) Represents unrealized foreign currency translation gains and losses primarily in respect of our indebtedness.

<sup>(</sup>h) Represents realized foreign currency translation gains and losses with respect to principal and interest payments related to our indebtedness.

<sup>(</sup>i) Represents the change in the fair value of the earn-outs associated with our acquisitions.

<sup>(</sup>j) Represents the impact of a research and development subsidy that is included in income tax expense (benefit) in accordance with GAAP, fees incurred in connection with refinancing our credit facilities, arbitration awards, board of directors fees and travel expenses prior to our initial public offering as permitted by the terms of our prior credit agreement and other charges and credits.

### Free Cash Flow\* Reconciliation



#### (\$ in millions)

Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities
Purchases of Property & Equipment
Proceeds from Sales of Property & Equipment
Free Cash Flow

	Year Ended December 31,									
2	2013 2014		2014		2015	2016				
\$	16.3	\$	51.5	\$	4.4	\$	10.7			
	(3.2)		(12.8)		(0.9)		(1.2)			
	-		-		0.4		0.3			
\$	13.0	\$	38.7	\$	3.9	\$	9.8			

<sup>\*</sup> Free cash flow defined as net cash provided by operating activities less purchases of property and equipment plus proceeds from sales of property and equipment. Numbers may not add due to rounding.