# 4Q 2019 Earnings Results

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## **Consolidated: Earnings Summary**

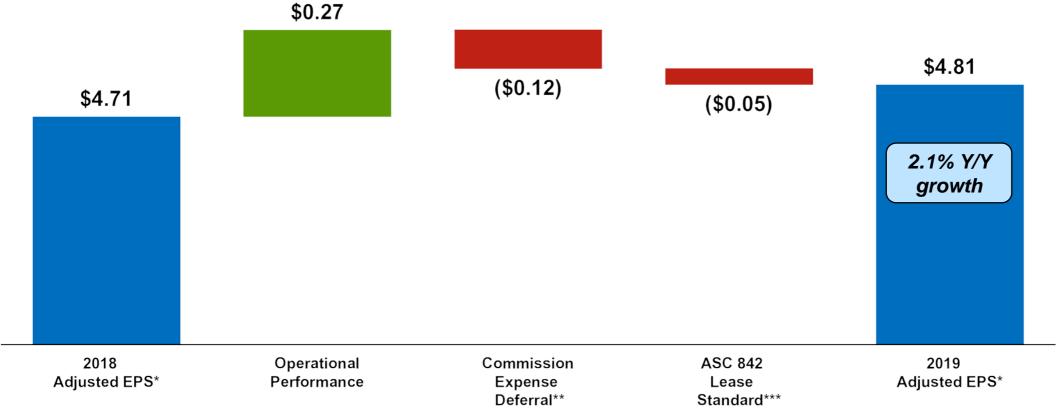
	4Q '19	2019
Reported EPS	\$1.23	\$4.65
Special items:		
Early debt redemption costs	\$0.37	\$0.64
Severance, pension and benefits charges	\$0.03	\$0.06
Impairment charges	\$0.05	\$0.05
Tax benefit from disposition of preferred stock	(\$0.54)	(\$0.54)
Net gain from dispositions of assets and businesses		(\$0.05)
Adjusted EPS*	\$1.13	\$4.81

Note: Amounts may not add due to rounding.

<sup>\*</sup> Non-GAAP measure.



## **Consolidated: Adjusted EPS**



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#### **Delivering healthy earnings growth**



<sup>\*\*</sup> ASC 606 – Revenue Recognition Standard adopted on January 1, 2018.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> ASC 842 – Lease Accounting Standard adopted on January 1, 2019.

#### 2019 Momentum & Results

#### 2.0 TRANSFORMATION



Leader in LTE network quality; winning RootMetrics and J.D. Power awards



Leader in wireless customer loyalty; strong response to Mix & Match and Disney+



5G leadership with 31 mobile cities, 16 NFL stadiums, 4 basketball arenas; launched 5G Edge and NR-based 5G Home



Strategic partnership ecosystem









- Highest total wireless phone net adds since 2013
- Highest wireless service revenue growth since 2014
- Solid Y/Y adjusted EPS growth; best cash flow from operations since 2015
- Business Group transformation with investments toward new market opportunities

#### 2019 transformation creating strong platform for future strategy



### **2020 Priorities**

- 1 Strengthen & Grow Core Business
- Extend our network leadership through continued innovation
- Strengthen and grow core business in Consumer, Business & Media
- 2 Leverage Assets to Drive New Growth
- Scale 5G / MEC / OneFiber & other assets for new growth
- Differentiate brand through trust & innovation
- Drive Financial
  Discipline & Strength
  in Balance Sheet
- Accelerate revenue and earnings growth to drive strong cash flows
- Disciplined capital and operating spend
- Infuse a Purpose-Driven & Customer-Centric Culture
- Put customers at the center of everything we do
- Drive responsible business as part of our strategy

#### **Executing 2020 from a position of strength**

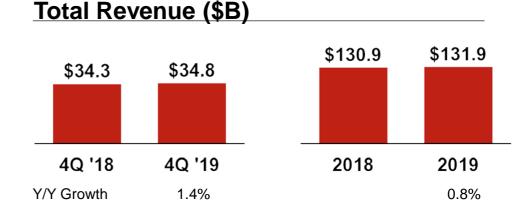


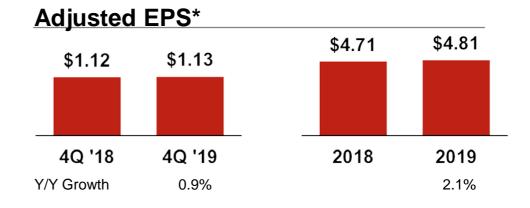
## **Consolidated: Financial Summary**

4Q '19 Total revenue of \$34.8B, up 1.4% Y/Y

4Q '19 Adjusted EBITDA of \$11.1B; adjusted EBITDA margin of 32.0%\*

2019 Adjusted EBITDA of \$47.2B; adjusted EBITDA margin of 35.8%\*





#### **Delivered against 2019 goals**



<sup>\*</sup> Non-GAAP measure.

## **Consolidated: Cash Flow Summary**

(\$ in billions)	2018	2019
Cash flow from operations	\$34.3	\$35.7
Capital expenditures	\$16.7	\$17.9
Free cash flow*	\$17.7	\$17.8
Dividends paid	\$9.8	\$10.0
Total debt Unsecured Debt	\$113.1 <i>\$103.0</i>	\$111.5 \$99. <i>1</i>
Net unsecured debt to adjusted EBITDA*	2.1x	2.0x

Note: Amounts may not add due to rounding.

\* Non-GAAP measure.

Strong cash flow funds capex, dividend increase and leverage reduction



## Consumer: 4Q 2019 Key Metrics

#### 9.5M Postpaid device activations

- Phone gross adds up 9.3%
- Upgrade rate of 6.3% vs 6.6% in 4Q '18

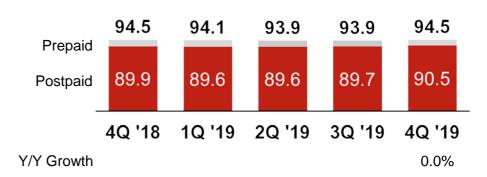
#### 852K Retail postpaid net adds\*

- 723K Postpaid smartphone net adds\*
- 588K Phone net adds\*
- 41K Tablet net losses\*

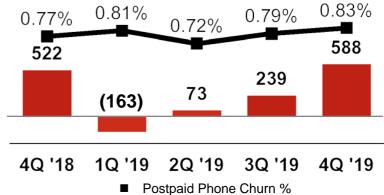
35K Fios Internet net adds

51K Fios Video net losses

#### **Wireless Retail Connections (M)**



#### Wireless Retail Postpaid Phone Net Adds (K)



#### **Delivered strong volumes**



<sup>\*</sup> Includes certain adjustments.

### **Consumer: Financial**

4Q '19 Total revenue of \$24.2B

- Wireless revenue of \$21.1B, up 2.6% Y/Y
  - Wireless service revenue of \$13.4B, up
     1.9% Y/Y
- Wireline revenue of \$3.2B, down 1.7%
  - Fios revenue grew 0.3% Y/Y

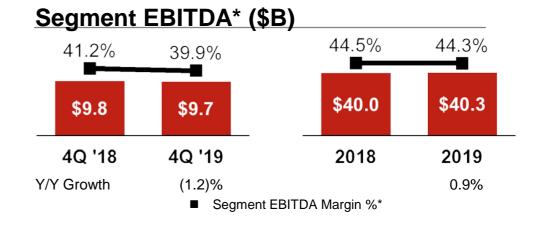
4Q '19 Segment EBITDA margin on total revenue of 39.9%\*



2.0%

Total Revenue (\$B)

Y/Y Growth



Note: Amounts may not add due to rounding.

#### Wireless service revenue growth producing strong margins



1.4%

<sup>\*</sup> Non-GAAP measure.

## **Business: 4Q 2019 Key Metrics**

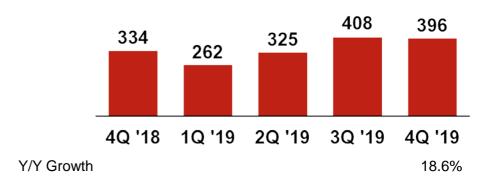
#### 2.6M Postpaid device activations

- Gross adds up 11.7%
- Phone gross adds up 10.5%
- Upgrade rate of 5.0%

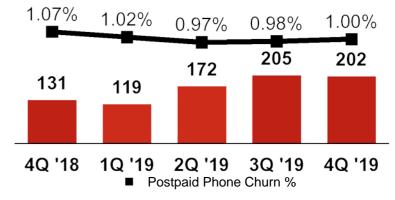
396K Wireless retail postpaid net adds\*

- 246K Postpaid smartphone net adds\*
- 202K Phone net adds\*
- 132K Tablet net adds\*

#### Wireless Retail Postpaid Net Adds (K)



#### Wireless Retail Postpaid Phone Net Adds (K)



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#### **Business volumes consistent and strong**



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#### **Business: Financial**

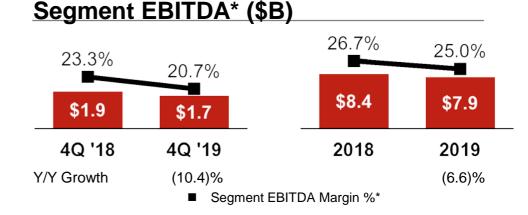
4Q '19 Total revenue of \$8.1B

- Wireless revenue of \$4.2B, up 8.4% Y/Y
  - Service revenue of \$2.9B, up 7.0% Y/Y
- Wireline revenue of \$3.7B, down 6.6% Y/Y
  - Fios revenue grew 7.1% Y/Y

4Q '19 Segment EBITDA margin on total revenue of 20.7%\*



Total Revenue (\$B)



Note: Amounts may not add due to rounding.

\* Non-GAAP measure.

#### Strong wireless service revenue growth



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## **Verizon Media Group**

4Q '19 Revenue of \$2.1B, essentially flat Y/Y

- Strong holiday Ad performance
- NFL live stream traffic up significantly Y/Y
- MGM sports betting partnership launched



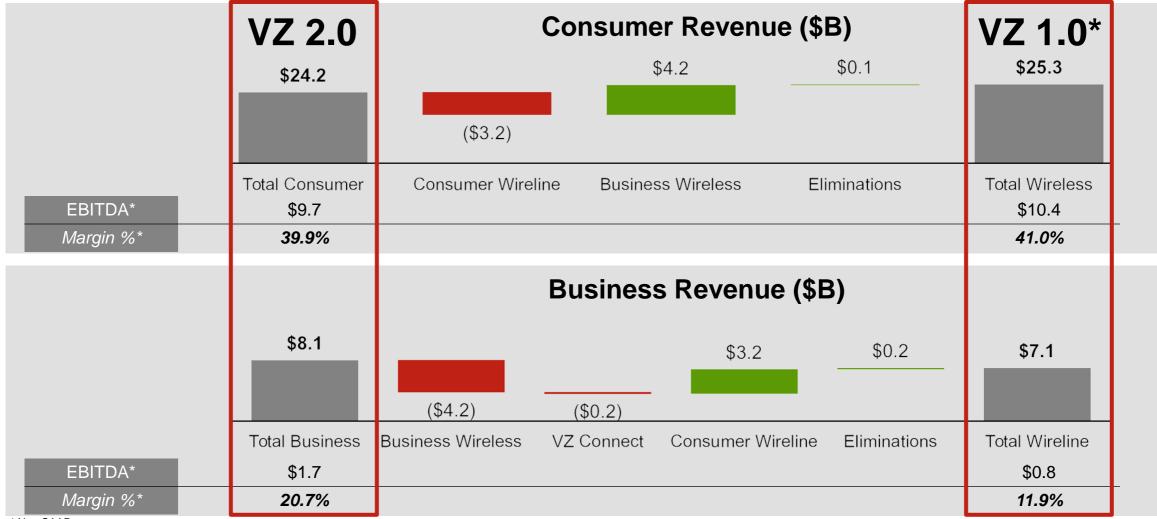
#### Improving revenue trends continue

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### VZ 2.0 to VZ 1.0 Reconciliation: 4Q '19

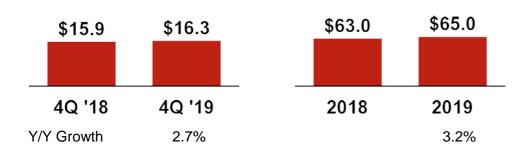


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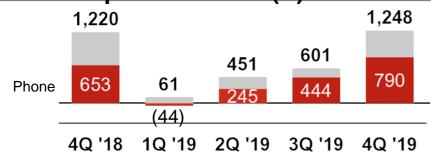


#### **Verizon 1.0: Total Wireless**

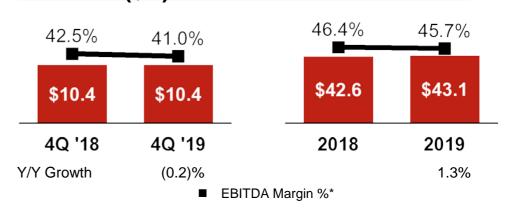
#### Service Revenue\* (\$B)



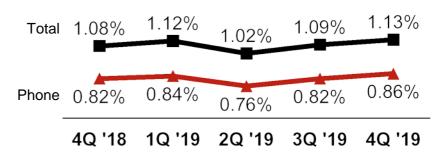
#### **Retail Postpaid Net Adds (K)**

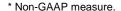


#### EBITDA\* (\$B)



#### **Retail Postpaid Churn**

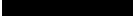






### Consolidated: 2020 Outlook

Revenue	Earnings Per Share	Capital Expenditures
Low-to-mid single digit percentage growth in consolidated revenue	<ul> <li>2% – 4% EPS growth on an adjusted basis*</li> </ul>	• Capex of \$17B – \$18B
<ul> <li>Continued momentum and growth in both Consumer and Business wireless service revenue</li> <li>Increase in wireless equipment revenue</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Strength in recurring revenues</li> <li>Investment in VBG to drive future performance</li> <li>Depreciation &amp; amortization relatively flat Y/Y</li> <li>Interest expense slightly lower than 2019 levels</li> <li>Adjusted effective tax rate: 23% – 25%*</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Capital intensity consistent with historical levels</li> <li>Expansion of 5G deployment while maintaining 4G network leadership</li> </ul>
* Non-GAAP measure.		







## **Consolidated: Capital Allocation**

## Priority #1 Investment in the Business

## Priority #2 Commitment to Dividend

## Priority #3 Strong Balance Sheet

## Priority #4 Share Repurchases

#### Capex

- \$17B \$18B expected in 2020
- Capital intensity consistent with historical levels

#### **Spectrum**

#### Mergers & acquisitions

- Bolt-on / tuck-in
- Consistent with strategy

- 13 consecutive years of increases
- Position to support further consistent dividend increases
- Return to pre-Vodafone credit profile
- Strong pension funding
- Target net unsecured debt to adjusted EBITDA\* range of 1.75x – 2.0x
- Efficient return of excess cash flow to shareholders
- Current authorization of 100M shares

#### **Adding fourth priority: Share repurchases**

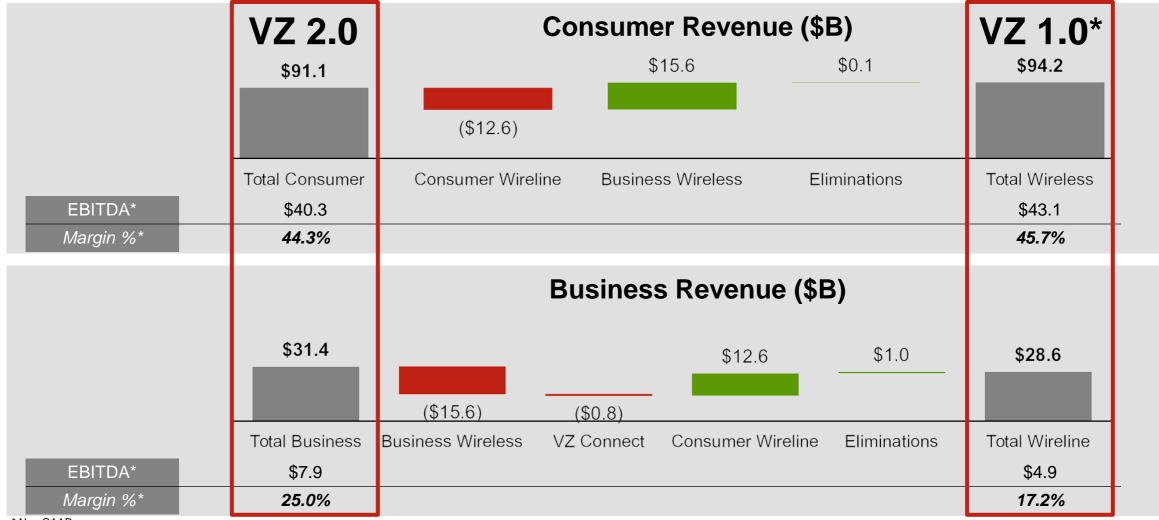


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## Supplemental Information



### VZ 2.0 to VZ 1.0 Reconciliation: 2019



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