# 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2010 Earnings Conference Call



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### 3Q '10 Overview



- EPS showing strong sequential improvement
- Accelerated Wireless revenue growth, higher postpaid ARPU, and industry-leading profitability
- Strong FiOS net adds; data & video each over 200K
- Stabilized Wireline profitability
- Strong cash flows with improving metrics
- Announced dividend increase

Note: Results above are adjusted for non-operational/one-time items

# **3Q' 10 Financial Summary**



Earnings Summary		
Earnings per share	\$0.31	
Non-operational Items		
<ul> <li>Workforce reduction</li> </ul>	(\$0.19)	
<ul> <li>Access line spin-off costs</li> </ul>	(\$0.04)	
Alltel integration costs	(\$0.02)	
Total impact	(\$0.25)	

- Consolidated revenue of \$26.5B, up 2.1% Y/Y
- 33.4% Consolidated adjusted EBITDA margin, up 130 bps Y/Y\*
- Strong cash flow
  - \$8.3B cash flow from operations
  - \$4.2B free cash flow

\* Adjusted for non-operational items

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# Adjusted Earnings Per Share



1Q '10	2Q '10	3Q '10
\$0.14	(\$0.07)	\$0.31
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\$0.42	\$0.65	\$0.25
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## YTD Cash Flow Summary



#### **Cash Flow Summary**

	2009YTD	2010YTD
Cash from operations	\$23.1B	\$25.2B
Capital expenditures	\$12.4B	\$11.8B
Free cash flow	\$10.7B	\$13.4B
Dividends paid	\$3.9B	\$4.0B

- Cash from operations reflects improving performance
- Capital expenditures down 4.9% Y/Y
- Free cash flow up 25.3% Y/Y
- Net debt reduced by \$12.5B
   YTD
- Net debt/Adjusted EBITDA improves to 1.4x\*

\* Adjusted for non-operational/one-time items

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#### Revenue





- Two-thirds of revenues are in higher growth areas
- Growth across all strategic areas Y/Y

Wireless service +7.7%Wireless data +26.3%

- FiOS +29.2%

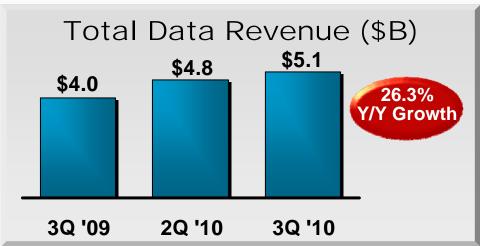
Strategic enterprise +6.9%

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#### Revenue







- Data revenue up \$1.1B or 26.3% Y/Y
- 23% of retail postpaid base have smartphones
- 4G LTE launch on track
  - 38 major metropolitan areas
  - 62 airports
  - Covers more than 110M POPs by year end

### Connections



3Q ′10	Base (M)	Net Adds (000)*
Retail postpaid	82.3	584
Retail prepaid	4.4	(137)
Retail	86.7	447
Reseller	6.5	550
Customers	93.2	997
Other connections	7.9	251
Total connections	101.1	1,248

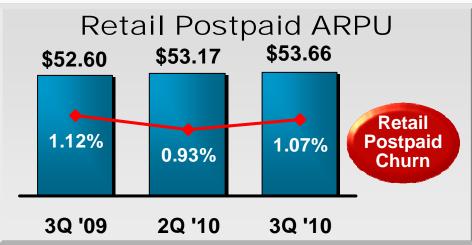
- Strong growth in traditional customers & other connections
- Retail postpaid remains key focus
  - 88% of traditional customer base
  - 68% on family share plans

\* Excludes acquisitions and adjustments

#### **Retail Markets**





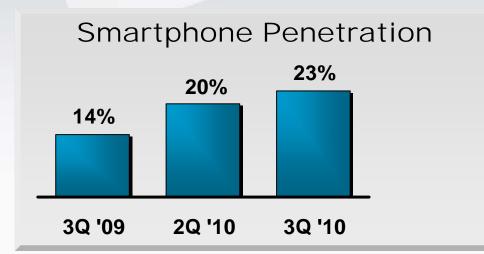


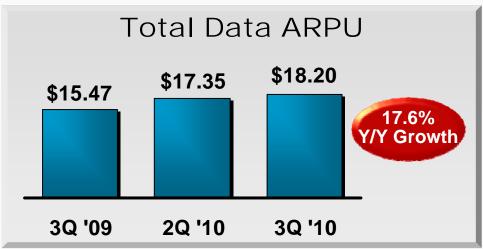
- Total service revenue up \$1.0B or 7.7% Y/Y
- Retail postpaid ARPU growth of 2.0% Y/Y
- 9.5% of postpaid base upgraded in 3Q

#### **WIRELESS**

#### **Data**





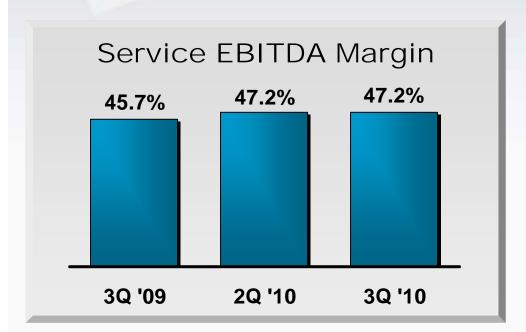


- Accelerating smartphone penetration
  - 23% of retail postpaid base have smartphones
  - 43% of direct device sales were smartphones
- ~60% of smartphone upgrades new to category
- Web & email services revenue up 42.8%
- Messaging revenue up 10.8% Y/Y

Growth fueled by smartphone penetration

# **Profitability**



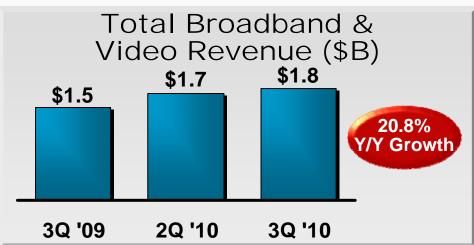


- \$6.7B EBITDA, up 11.4% Y/Y
- Margin expansion driven by:
  - Strong execution
  - Growing data revenues
  - Alltel synergy savings
- Sustaining strong profitability and cash generation

#### Revenue





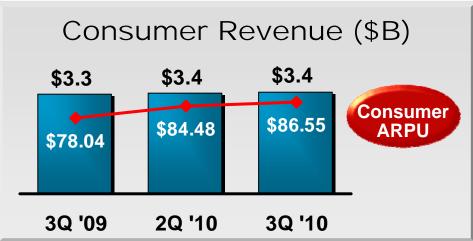


- FiOS success continues
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter of sequential growth in data & video adds
  - FiOS revenues grew 29.2% Y/Y
  - \$146+ FiOS ARPU, up over 6% Y/Y
- 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of sequential revenue improvement in Global Enterprise
- Strategic enterprise services revenue up 6.9% Y/Y
- Global Wholesale impacted by pricing changes

### **Mass Markets**



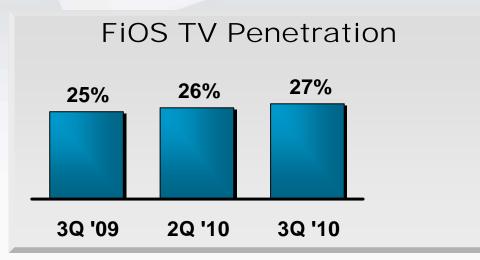


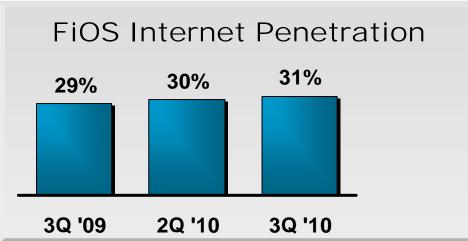


- FiOS now 50% of consumer revenue
- FiOS TV subscribers
  - 3.3M subscribers
  - 204K net adds
- FiOS Internet subscribers
  - 3.9M subscribers
  - 226K net adds

### **FiOS Penetration**

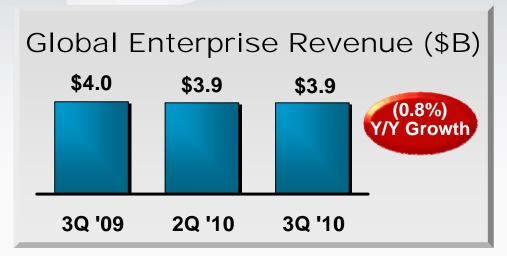






- ~60% of our footprint is covered by FiOS
- All markets had penetration gains
  - Mature markets over 40%
- Emphasis on selling into existing base
  - Aggressive MDU focus
  - "Worry Free Guarantee" offer

# Enterprise & Wholesale Markets verizon

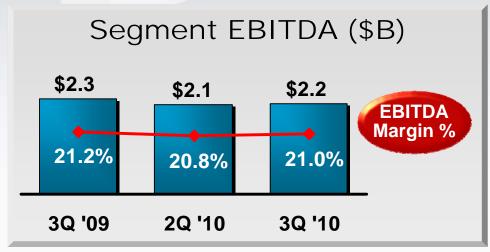




- Strategic enterprise services represent 43% of Global Enterprise revenue
- Strategic enterprise services growth of 6.9% Y/Y
- Wholesale revenues impacted by international price changes

# **Profitability**







- EBITDA margin improves sequentially
- Cost reduction initiatives on track
  - Total cash expenses down 3.3% or \$279M Y/Y
  - Reduced force by 17.6K Y/Y
  - 10.5K reduced in the past 2 quarters
  - Additional 2K–3K expected off payroll by year end

Improved cost structure driving margin expansion

## **Summary**



- Continued strong performance
- Solid Wireless results driven by higher revenue growth
- Improving FiOS performance
- Wireline margin improvement driven by cost reductions
- Strong cash flows with improving metrics
- 4<sup>th</sup> consecutive annual dividend increase
- Solid earnings momentum