

Q1 2015



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# OUTLOOK RAISED FOLLOWING STRONG QUARTER AND GROWTH ABOVE EXPECTATIONS

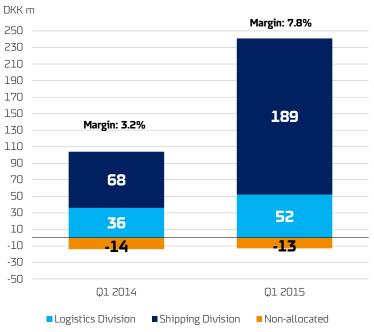
- Operating profit (EBITDA) up by 150% from DKK 91m to DKK 228m
- Profit improved by volume growth and efficiency gains
- Shipping revenue up by 6% adjusted for route closures in 2014.
- Scrubber investments contributed to a smooth transition to new environment-friendly emission rules
- ROIC LTM\* before special items increased to 9.0% (FY 2014: 8.0%)
- EBITDA outlook for 2015 raised to DKK 1.65-1.75bn (DKK 1.55-1.65bn)

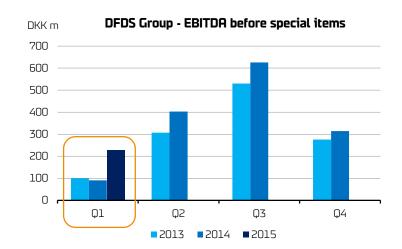


# Q1 2015 – EBITDA UP BY DKK 137M OR 150%

- Optimisation of route network: positive impact of around DKK 30m from closure of three routes with Q1 losses in 2014
- Channel: result benefited from cost savings related to one-ship operation on Dover-Calais and higher capacity utilization on Dover-Dunkirk driven by 9% freight and 8% passenger market growth respectively
- Passenger: result boosted by additional departures and higher unit revenues
- Logistics: result improved by volume growth, efficiency gains and positive impact from acquisitions

#### EBITDA before special items, Q1 2015





## **Q1 2015 IN NUMBERS**

- Revenue up by 3%, and up by 4% adjusted for route closures and acquisitions
- Shipping Division's revenue up by 6%, adjusted for route closures, through volume growth of 2.5% (freight) and 9.4% (pax)
- Logistics Division's revenue flat adjusted for acquisitions as organic growth offset by balance issues and lower fuel surcharges
- P/L associates: Variance of DKK -10m due to one-off income in 2014
- ROIC before special items of 9.0% (8.0%)
- NIBD/EBITDA of 1.7 as increase in NIBD to 2.7bn was neutralized by higher EBITDA

DKK m <sup>1</sup>	Q1 15	Q1 14	Change vs LY	
REVENUE	2,926	2,848	78	
EBITDA BEFORE SI	228	91	137	
margin, %	7.8	3.2	4.6	
P/L associates	-3	7	-10	
Gain/loss asset sales	0	0	0	
Depreciations	-198	-177	-21	
EBIT BEFORE SI	27	-78	106	
margin, %	0.9	-2.8	3.7	
Special Items	-2	-8	6	
EBIT	25	-86	111	
Finance	-41	-31	-9	
PTP BEFORE SI	-13	-110	97	
PTP	-16	-118	102	
EMPLOYEES avg., no.	6,322	6,017	305	
INVESTED CAPITAL	8,674	8,378	296	
ROIC ex. SI, % (LTM)	9.0	8.0	1.0	
NIBD	2,694	2,330	364	
NIBD/EBITDA, times	1.7	1.9	-0.2	
SOLVENCY, %	49	49	0.0	

SI: Special items. PTP: Pre-tax profit. NIBD: Net interest-bearing debt.

<sup>1:</sup> Roundings may cause variances in sums

#### **OUTLOOK 2015 RAISED TO DKK 1.65-1.75BN**

- Q1 EBITDA above expectations
- Raise in outlook supported by growth of varying strength in northern European markets
- Demand from Russia was weak in Q1 and expected to stay weak in 2015
- Customer focus and continuous improvement projects continue to contribute to increase in results

#### **NEW OUTLOOK 2015**

- Revenue up by around 3%, and up by around 5% adjusted for route closures and acquisitions, unchanged
- EBITDA of DKK 1.65-1.75bn (DKK 1.55-1.65bn)
- Investments of DKK 650m, unchanged



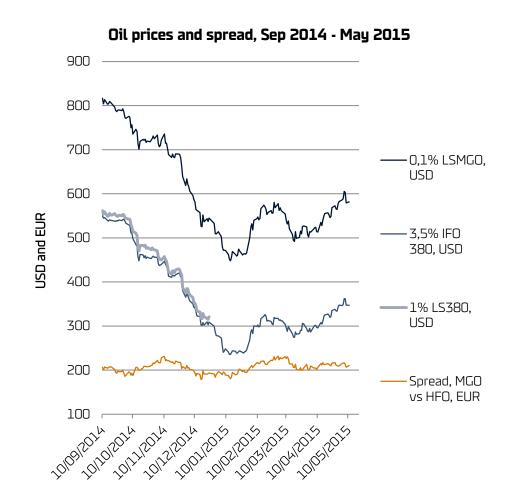
# **2015: UPDATE ON MAJOR PERFORMANCE DRIVERS**

Likely	Expected	Uncertain	Macro drivers
<ul> <li>Positive impact from closed routes</li> <li>as expected</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Resolution of structural overcapacity in Channel uncertain</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Level of competitive pressure</li> <li>no change</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Russian market demand</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Procurement efficiencies &amp; impact from other projects</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Volume growth, freight and passengers above outlook</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>Changes in oil price and exchange rates</li> </ul>
as expected			<ul> <li>Norwegian market demand</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Positive impact from Logistics acquisitions</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Bunker cost savings</li> <li>as expected</li> </ul>		• 'Grexit'
as expected			Ø DEC



### **SMOOTH TRANSITION TO NEW EMISSION RULES**

- Price spread between MGO and HFO intact at around USD 225
- Benefits from scrubbers, savings on passenger routes and positive volume effects
- Demand for freight shipping services holding up well on routes at risk for modal backshift
- Conversion of "old" BAF to seafreight price per 1 January 2015
- Consumption savings vs LY mainly derived from Channel and Baltic Sea, adjusted for route closures



## **CHANNEL: JUDGMENT ON APPEAL CREATES NEW SITUATION**

- Court of Appeal allowed SCOP's appeal in 2:1 judgment
- Judgment runs counter to decisions taken by competition authorities since 2012
- CMA is seeking permission to appeal
- Supreme Court appeal process duration of 1-2 years
- Decision on permission to appeal to Supreme Court estimated to be announced in Q4 2015
- No announcement from Eurotunnel on consequences of ruling on MFL sales process

CHANNEL, DKK m	FY 13	FY 14	Δ	Q1 14	Q1 15	Δ
EBIT before	100	)		- ر	1.5	E1
special items	-100	-40	60	-66	-15	51

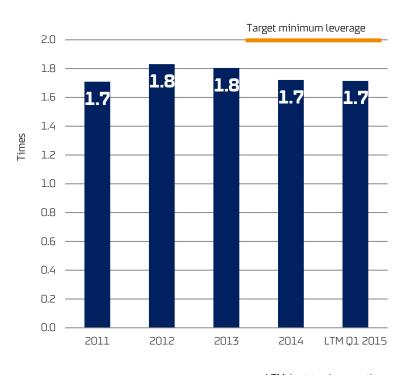




#### **CAPITAL STRUCTURE AND DISTRIBUTION**

- The NIBD/EBITDA multiple was 1.7 at the end of Q1
- NIBD was DKK 2.7bn at the end of Q1 2015, up from DKK 2.5bn at year-end 2014. Impact on NIBD/EBITDA neutralized by higher EBITDA
- Launch of new buy-back programme in April of DKK 300m expected to increase leverage in 2015 towards the minimum target of 2.0
- Leverage may also be increased by acquisitions and purchase of ships in addition to the investments included in 2015 guidance
- 7.7% of the new DKK 300m buy-back programme was completed in week 20

#### NIBD/EBITDA



LTM: Last twelve months



# STRATEGY, GOALS AND PRIORITIES

#### **Priorities 2015**

- 1. Customer focus
- 2. Efficiency and improvement projects
- 3. MGO transition
- 4. Employee satisfaction/development
- 5. Market coverage

#### **DFDS' strategy drivers:**

- The DFDS Way: Customer focus and continuous improvement
- Network strength: Expand to leverage operating model
- Integrated shipping and logistics operations: Utilisation of tonnage
- Financial strength and performance: Reliable partner
- ROIC target of 10%





