



Volex – Interim Results 2017/18

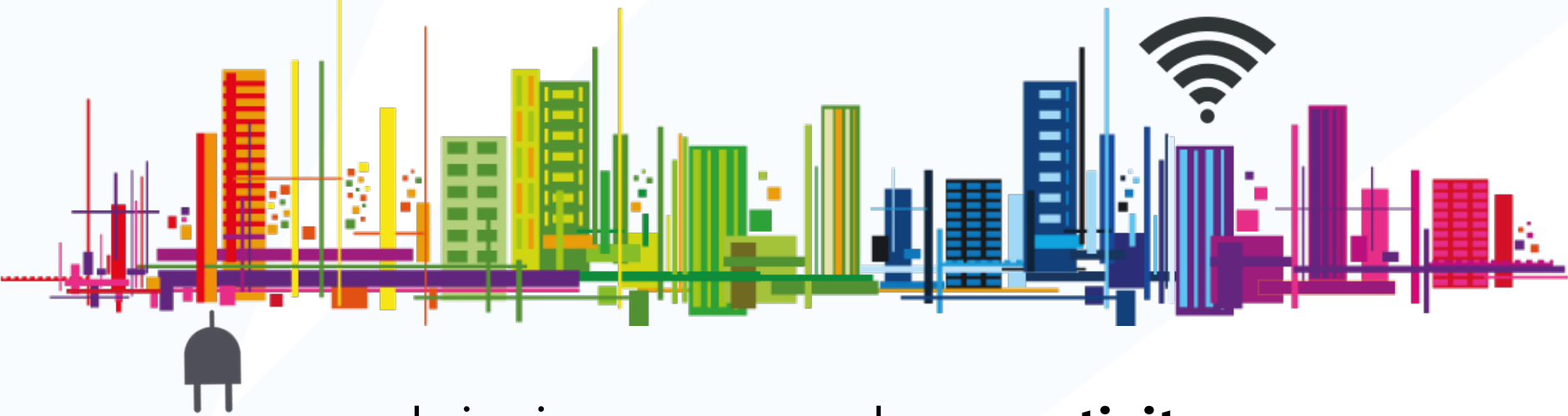
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bringing **power** and **connectivity**
to equipment that is changing how
we work and live!

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Summary of H1 Results



- Consolidated revenue fell 2.8% to \$162million
- **Excluding our largest Power customer, group revenue increased by 5%**
- Pre-exceptional operating profits up 27% to \$5.5million despite fall in overall sales, driven by cost reduction and improvement in mix
- **Pre-exceptional operating profit margin up from 2.6% to 3.4%**
- Net cash position of \$5.8million at end of H1, reflecting investment into inventory and receivables as we diversify our customer base

Best first half operating profit performance in 5 years

Strategy for FY18 and beyond



Improved execution in our Sales and Operations:

- Diversify our revenue stream to make business more resilient
- Improved use of engineering resources to develop new customers and products
- Introduce lean-manufacturing mentality into all sites
- Leverage our global sourcing spend and upgrade our ERP system
- Continue to pursue vertical integration and automation in Power Cord business to reduce costs and improve competitiveness
- Move to AIM to allow us greater flexibility to grow and diversify our business

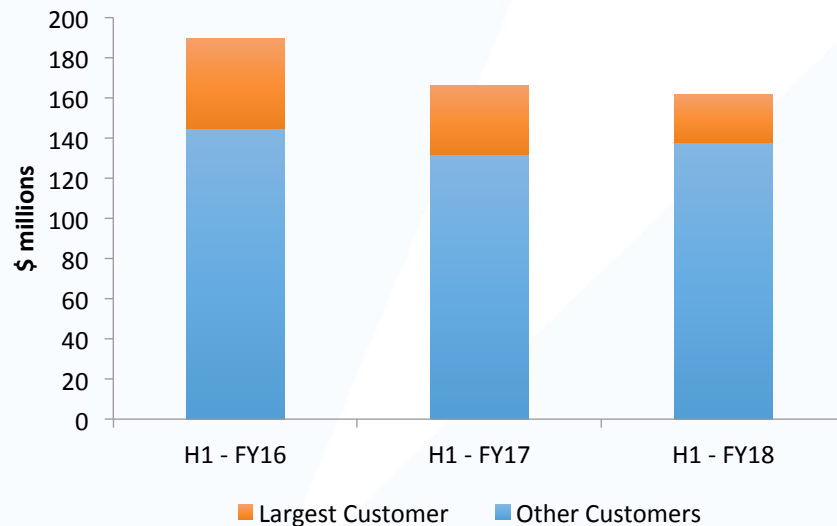
Strategy to include bolt-on acquisitions

Financial Review

Revenue Progression



Volex Sales - last 3 years

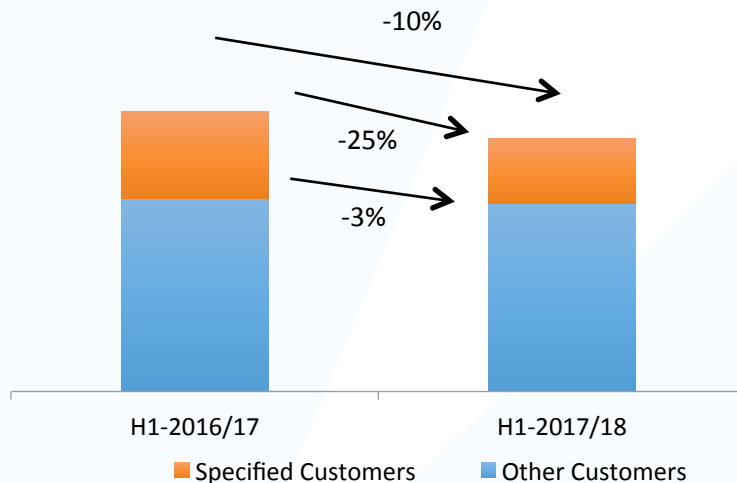


- The top 3 customers as a proportion of the total sales has reduced: from 47% in FY15 to 38% in H1 FY18
- Excluding sales to our largest customer, revenue increased by 5% in H1 FY18
- This is an acceleration on the 1% growth we reported in H2 FY17
- Factory new business hit rate is much higher than in the previous 12 months, as we have fixed our quoting process and improved our efficiency

H1 Revenue Performance

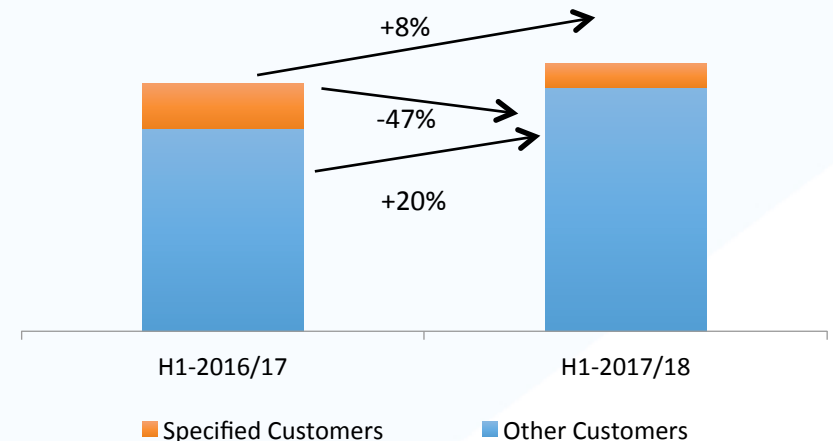


Power Cord – HY2017 to HY2018



- Sales fell from \$100 to \$91 million
- Largest customer fall as a result of a move to lower power devices with USBC charger
- Demand levels appear to have stabilised although competition remains fierce

Cable Assemblies – HY2017 to HY2018



- Sales increased from \$66 to \$71 million
- Large European telecoms customer continues to decline
- Continued growth in medical customer base
- Expectation of continued growth in H2

Financial Summary



\$m	FY16	FY17	H1-17	H1-18
Revenue	367.5	319.6	166.1	161.5
Gross Profit	60.4	55.5	28.0	28.9
- <i>Gross Margin</i>	<i>16.4%</i>	<i>17.4%</i>	<i>16.9%</i>	<i>17.9%</i>
Operating Costs	(53.2)	(46.4)	(23.7)	(23.4)
Operating Profit	7.2	9.1	4.3	5.5
- <i>Operating Margin</i>	<i>2.0%</i>	<i>2.8%</i>	<i>2.6%</i>	<i>3.4%</i>
Exceptional Items / SBP	(3.7)	(15.6)	(8.9)	(0.4)
Finance Costs	(1.9)	(1.9)	(1.0)	(0.9)
Tax	(3.9)	1.5	(1.1)	(0.7)
Profit After Tax	(2.3)	(6.9)	(6.7)	3.5
Underlying EPS	1.5	9.5	2.5	3.9
Cash Generated by Operations	12.6	24.9	11.3	(0.4)
Net Cash / (Debt)	(3.2)	11.3	5.2	5.8

- Sales diversification and growth strategy starting to show benefits
- Gross margin shows an increase as lean initiatives take effect and we exit lower margin business
- Operating costs tightly controlled
- No exceptional items in H1
- Positive earnings as a result of lower interest and tax costs and an absence of one-off charges

Cable Assemblies



\$m	FY16	FY17	H1-17	H1-18	Change
Revenue	137.3	131.3	65.7	70.9	7.9%
Gross Profit*	30.6	27.9	13.8	14.8	7.2%
Gross Margin*	22.3%	21.2%	21.0%	20.9%	
Operating Costs	20.8	17.4	9.0	9.6	6.7%
Operating Profit*	9.8	10.5	4.8	5.2	8.3%
Operating Margin*	7.2%	8.0%	7.3%	7.4%	

*Underlying measure before Share Based Payments and Exceptional Items



- Divisional revenues up by 7.9 per cent when compared to last year
- Growth starting to materialise despite continued fall in our large European telecoms customer
- New business brings start-up inefficiencies. Margin pressure will continue until we fully ramp-up business and improve performance in our TJ site

Power Cords



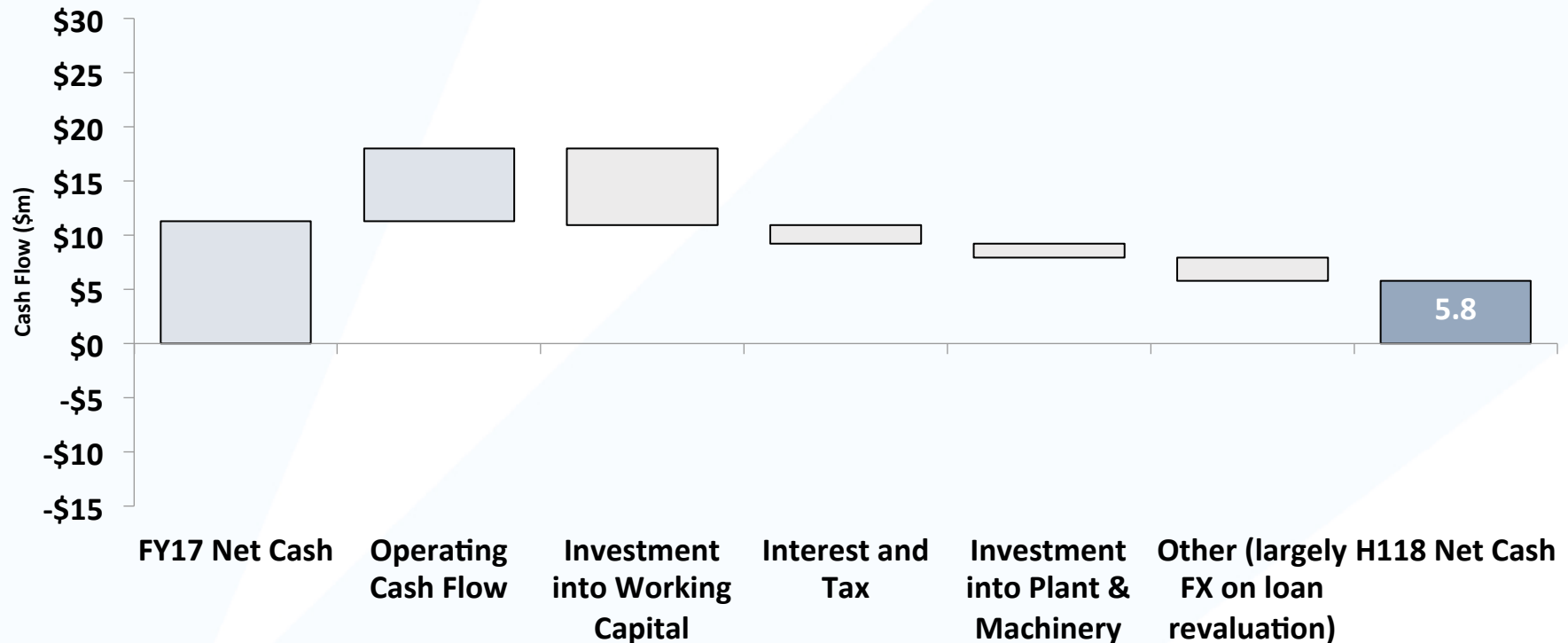
\$m	FY16	FY17	H1-17	H1-17	Change
Revenue	230.2	188.3	100.4	90.5	-9.9%
Gross Profit*	29.8	27.5	14.2	14.0	-1.4%
Gross Margin*	12.9%	14.6%	14.2%	15.5%	
Operating Costs	27.5	24.3	12.8	11.3	-11.4%
Operating Profit*	2.3	3.2	1.5	2.7	80.0%
Operating Margin*	1.0%	1.7%	1.5%	3.0%	



*Underlying measure before Share Based Payments and Exceptional Items

- Divisional revenues down 9.9% - attributable to largest customer
- Gross margin increased again as we focus on the higher margin customers
- Significant increase in profitability due to previous restructuring actions
- Copper price up 17% year on year – equates to around \$2m, so volumes in commodity PVC business have fallen around 5 per cent

Cash Flow



- A reasonable operating cash performance has been absorbed by investment into working capital on new accounts
- Cash at healthy levels and covenants are all in compliance
- Lloyds and HSBC continue to support the group with a \$30m revolving credit facility extended to June 2019

- Current expectations are that revenues will show a slight recovery in FY18
 - Power Cord expected to show a decline with improved margin
 - Cable Assemblies pipeline is encouraging and we should see reasonable growth
- Gross margin % to be consolidated at least at FY17 levels
- Operating expenses should show a small reduction as full year run-rate savings are realised
- Cash generation to provide funds to invest in growth –both organic and through small acquisitions

Additional Information



Our customers



Consumer



Datacom



Telecom



Industrial



Healthcare



Transportation



8 world class manufacturing sites



Volex Heng Gang, Shenzhen – 1745pax



Volex Zhongshan, Guangdong – 1388pax



Volex Batam, Indonesia – 1200pax



Volex de Mexico, Tijuana – 503pax



Volex Chennai, India – 288pax



Volex Hanoi, Vietnam – 283pax



Volex Suzhou, China – 587pax



Volex Poland, Bydgoszcz – 323pax

