

# **Earnings Conference Call**

1st Quarter 2014

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## Solid development with additional 47.4% PAT y-o-y

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#### Revenue

RM1,718 million

#### **Service Revenue**

RM1,554 million

#### 45% EBITDA Margin

RM778 million 8.1% Y-o-Y

### 34% Ops Cash-Flow Margin

RM576 million 8.9% Y-o-Y

### 28% PAT Margin

RM485 million



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## Renewed organisation focus to drive, execute and deliver dayto-day



- COO to ensure better coherence in delivering DiGi's end-to-end *Customer First* ambitions as well as to strengthen network performance, business processes, and new operating models
- Dedicated Chief Sales Officer in top management for continued pressure on day-to-day sales
- More focused Corporate Affairs to lead strategy and stakeholder engagement
- Strengthening Business Intelligence (BI) and analytical decision making across Marketing and Finance
- Disciplined operational efficiency focus and control structure
- HR focus on strengthening leadership and winning the war for talent

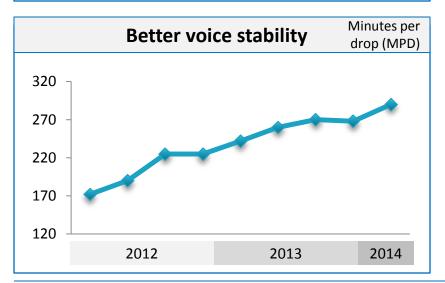
## Bringing the *Best For Internet* services



- Thank You campaign continued on through the quarter
- Best For Internet services launched in Mar 2014 with more relevant, affordable and reliable internet plans
- Flexible, bite-sized weekly prepaid internet subscriptions
  - Attractive entry-level plans to enjoy popular digital service applications
- Re-vitalised DG Postpaid Smart Plans
  - Featured with unlimited access on selected digital services and bundled with mobile security application
- Continued to ride on smart device proliferation and internet induced opportunities

## Delivered consistent data speed and quality

Ranked #1 on consistent data speed [1]										
Location	# of hotspots	Rank								
lpoh	30	#1								
Johor Baru	30	#1								
Kota Kinabalu	20	1								
Kuantan	10									
Kuching	20									
Klang Valley	60									
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Penang	30	# Z								



- Ranked #1 for consistent data speed in most key market centres surveyed
  - Extended reliable high speed internet (HSPA+/3G) experience to 82.2% of population
  - More 4G-LTE sites in KV, JB, KK and Kampar
  - > 4,100KM access to fibre network
- Better voice stability achieved through visible improvements in MPD rates
- Further improvement opportunity especially for network quality in major highways and in-building
- Committed to enhance infrastructure capabilities for greater customer experience

# Strengthened organisational capabilities across distribution and product offering

#### **Integrated distribution management**

Cluster performance management

Productivity driven team

**Channel expansion** 

- ✓ Effective sales distribution
- ✓ Optimise revenue and resource utilisation
- ✓ Better customer experience

- Integrated distribution approach across DiGi's owned shops, exclusive stores, dealers and alternate channels
- In-depth cluster performance management in driving prepaid while strengthening postpaid and broadband
  - Maximize revenue with optimised infrastructure use
  - Segmented offerings and tailored below-the-line (BTL) campaigns and engagement
- Leverage on predictive tools for recontracting, retention and usage stimulation
- Small screen internet drive targeting noninternet base

#### **Core products offering**

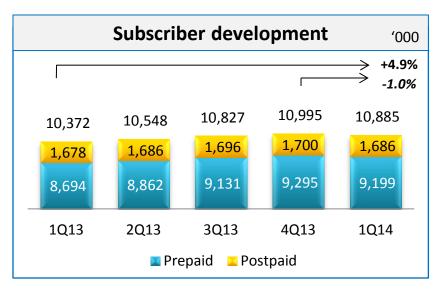
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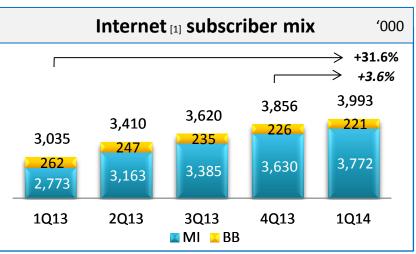
**Value** 

**Service quality** 

- ✓ Competitive offers
- Drive growth opportunities
- ✓ Enhance customer experience

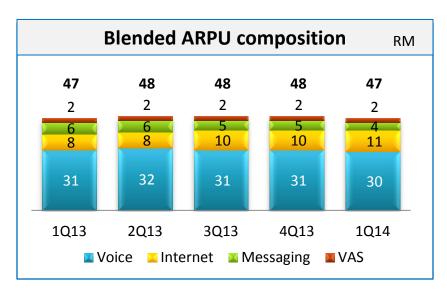
# Seasonal low with stronger traction on new internet bundled plans

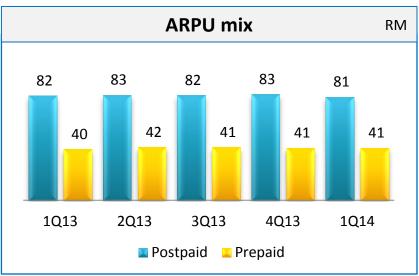




- Continued pressure from levelling postpaid demand coupled with seasonal churn and lower gross adds resulted in marginal q-o-q dilution on the subscriber base
- The new internet bundled plans delivered on stronger organisational capabilities led stronger net adds momentum into following quarters
- Remained resilient with close to 4.0 million active internet<sub>[1]</sub> subscriber stimulated by
  - Consistent internet drive and affordable packages over a stronger data network
  - Availability of affordable smartphones, popular digital services and social network applications

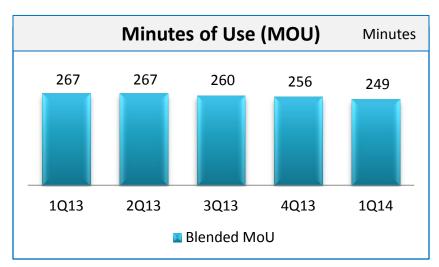
## **Steady ARPU with positive uplift from internet**

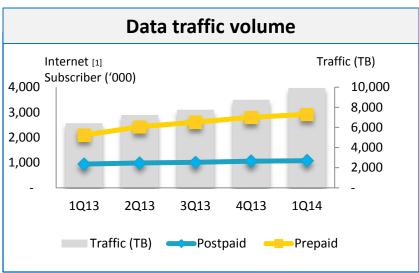




- Relatively stable ARPU throughout the last
   5 quarters
  - Higher internet ARPU backed by rising internet adoption and usage
  - Seasonal dilution q-o-q in addition to effects from termination rates revision
- Traditional voice and messaging ARPU trended lower
  - Sufficiently cushioned by gains from internet services
- Reasonably sustained both postpaid and prepaid ARPU
  - While delivering additional subscriptions on secondary devices and expansion into new geographical coverage opportunities

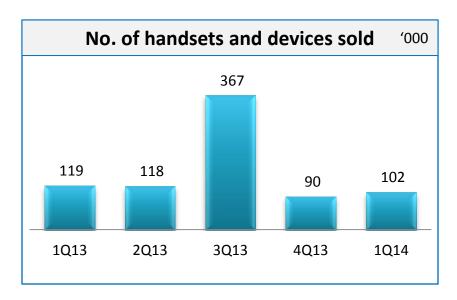
## Strong data growth mitigated levelling voice usage

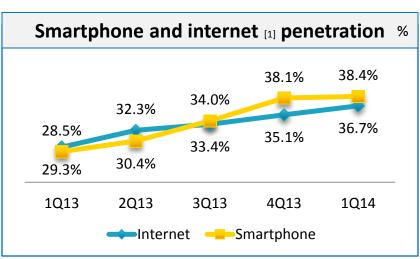




- Blended MOU remained resilient though trended lower over time
  - Data transition managed diligently through pricing and service bundling
- Voice price maintained at 13 sen q-o-q and y-o-y undeterred by the reduction in termination rates effective 1 January
- Growth on data traffic volume substantially driven by prepaid usage
  - 73% of total data traffic volume
- Further data growth opportunity imminent as 71% of internet<sub>[1]</sub> subscribers consumed less than 1GB monthly currently

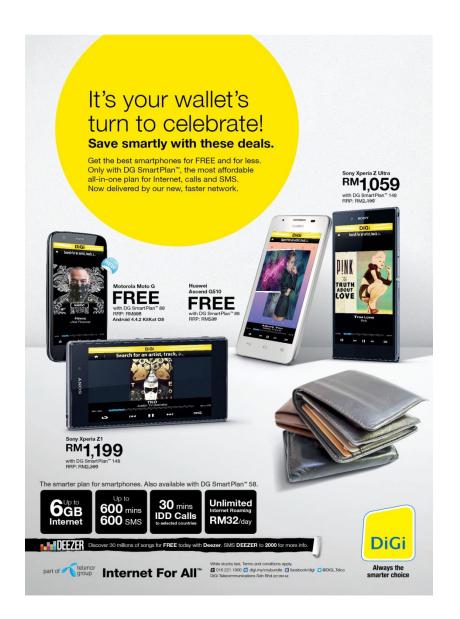
#### Increased demand for affordable smart devices

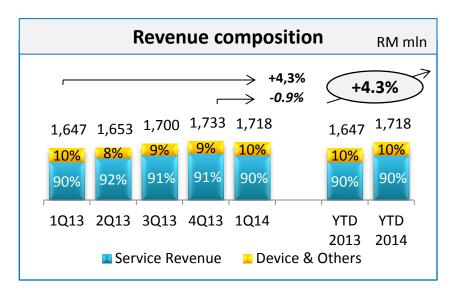


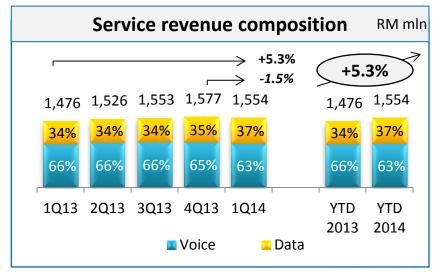


- Sales of handsets and devices driven by a combination of affordable android handsets and iPhones
  - Increased sales volume through prepaid smartphone bundles
- Internet<sub>[1]</sub> penetration continued to rise steadily to 36.7%, an increase of 7.4 pp yo-y
- Smartphone penetration remained rather flat at 38.4% due to seasonal churn effects
  - Potential further upside with growing digital services demands and increasingly affordable smart devices choices

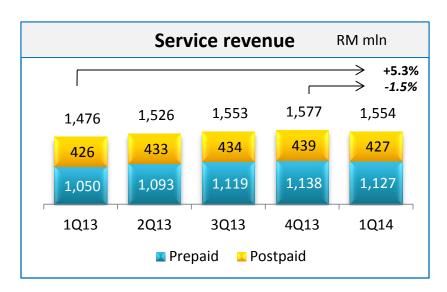
## Paved the way to deliver stronger service revenue

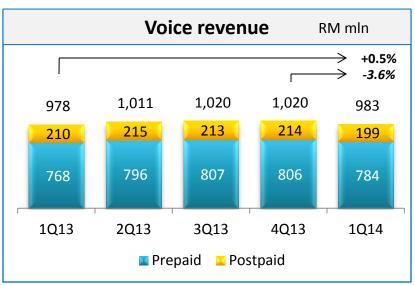






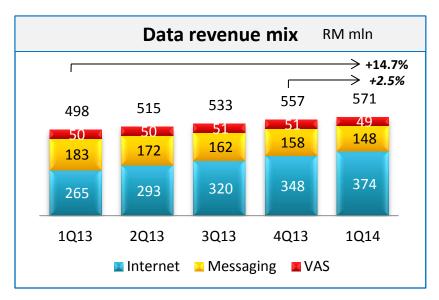
## Service revenue driven by solid momentum on prepaid

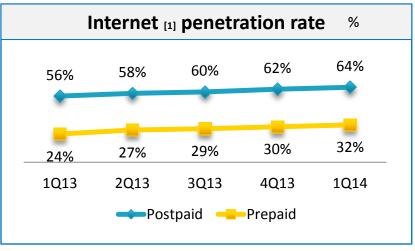




- Service revenue rose 5.3% y-o-y and flat q-oq on normalised 92-day quarter
- Prepaid service revenue surged 7.3% y-o-y with 1.2% growth q-o-q on normalised 92-day quarter benefited from consistent internet and usage campaigns
- Postpaid service revenue registered negligible y-o-y growth and declined 2.7% q-o-q as a result of flat postpaid demand, seasonally lower voice and roaming traffic
  - Stronger q-o-q growth imminent through strengthened organisation capabilities and new internet bundled plans
- Voice revenue remained challenged by increased internet usage, revised termination rates and shorter traffic days q-o-q, although sufficiently mitigated with incremental internet revenue

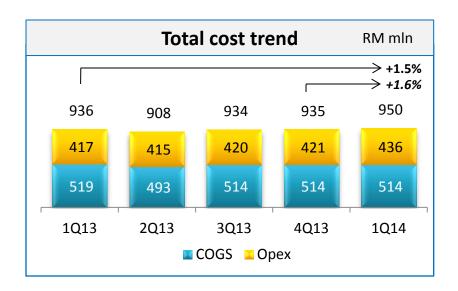
## Riding on the waves of *Internet For All*

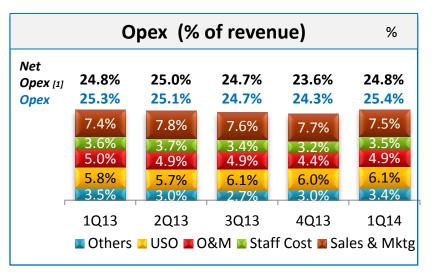




- Internet revenue continued to surge
   41.1% y-o-y and 7.5% q-o-q
  - Backed by increased internet usage on stronger data network coverage and quality
- Internet penetration advanced steadily by 2pp q-o-q for both postpaid and prepaid
- Traditional messaging revenue fell 19.1%
   y-o-y and 6.3% q-o-q, although well
   cushioned by gains from internet
- Total data revenue gained 14.7% y-o-y and 2.5% q-o-q, strengthening the overall service revenue for the quarter

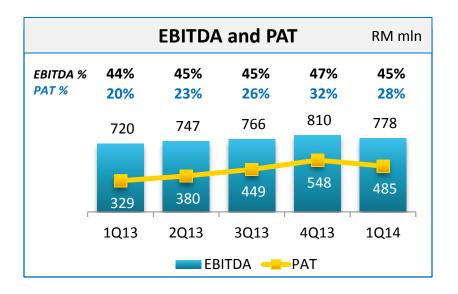
## Efficient cost structure with good operational execution

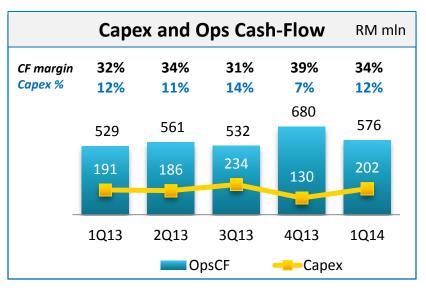




- Stable Cost of Good Sold (COGS)
  - Efficiency secured on IDD cost mitigated foreign currency exposure
- Slightly higher q-o-q opex from
  - continuous network expansion effects on site rental, licenses and utilities expenses
- Both Opex and Net Opex ratios remained resilient y-o-y supported by strong cost discipline and efficiencies from infrastructure modernisation

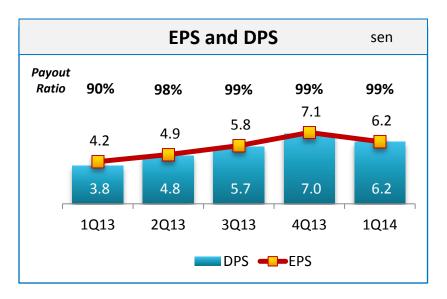
## **Sustained EBITDA margin at 45%**





- EBITDA gained 8.1% y-o-y while PAT advanced 47.4% y-o-y
  - supported by stronger service revenue growth and benefited from efficient cost structure
- Q-o-Q EBITDA development affected by seasonal effects on revenue and higher network expansion-related opex
- Capex investment in line with planned network and infrastructure expansion aspirations
- Sites rollout were delivered ahead of schedule to capture growth opportunities
- Ops Cash-Flow remained healthy at 34%

## Sustainable flow of healthy earnings and dividend



	Bal	ance s	heet	RM mln				
	1Q13	2Q13	4Q13	1Q14				
Total Assets	3,809	3,923	3,788	3,752	3,667			
Total Equity	396	480	556	661	602			
Interest- bearing debts	928	927	951	749	853			
Cash & cash equivalents	579	761	550	411	372			

- EPS strengthened 47.6% y-o-y
- Declared 1<sup>st</sup> interim dividend of 6.2 sen/per share (net), payable on 6 June 2014
  - 68.2% higher dividend y-o-y
  - Equivalent payout of RM482 million or 99.4%
- YTD share price appreciated by 6.45%[1] and reached 52-Week Hi at RM5.43
- Solid balance sheet with low gearing and sizeable cash-pile
  - Net debt/EBITDA within 0.1x
  - On-going drive on capital management efficiency

[1] Updated as at 14 Apr 2014

## Tracking well within 2014 ambition and priorities



- 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter performance marked solid head start for 2014 with continuous focus on Customer First
- Continue relentless drive on delivering Best For Internet aspiration through an integrated plan across customer service, sales and network to support growth
- Leverage on core distribution strength and affordable smartphone demands
- Invest up to RM900 million capex to boost network coverage, quality and IT capabilities with the aim to deliver
  - 86% pop coverage on HSPA+ enabled
     3G network
  - 1,500 LTE sites
  - Greater fibre network connectivity through established partnership and collaborations

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# **Key operating performance KPIs**

(RM mln)	1Q14	4Q13	3Q13	2Q13	1Q13	4Q12	3Q12	2Q12	1Q12	Q-o-Q	Y-o
Subscriber base	10,885	10,995	10,827	10,548	10,372	10,494	10,304	10,229	9,936	-1%	5%
Revenue	1,718	1,733	1,700	1,653	1,647	1,629	1,583	1,580	1,569	-1%	4%
EBITDA	778	810	766	747	720	725	715	752	737	-4%	8%
EBITDA margins	45%	47%	45%	45%	44%	44%	45%	48%	47%	-1.5pp	1.6pp
Depreciation & Amortisation	(118)	(122)	(221)	(247)	(288)	(361)	(307)	(332)	(330)	-3%	-59%
EBIT	660	688	545	500	432	364	408	420	407	-4%	53%
Net finance (costs)/income	(6)	(5)	(6)	(6)	(8)	(4)	(2)	(1)	(1)	20%	-25%
Profit Before Tax	654	683	539	494	424	360	406	419	406	-4%	54%
Taxation	169	135	90	114	95	114	91	95	85	25%	78%
Profit After Tax	485	548	449	380	329	246	315	324	321	-11%	47%
*EPS (sen)	6.2	7.1	5.8	4.9	4.2	3.2	4.1	4.2	4.1	-13%	48%
Prepaid ARPU	41	41	41	42	40	41	41	41	41	0%	2%
Postpaid ARPU	81	83	82	83	82	83	82	85	85	-2%	-1%
Blended ARPU	47	48	48	48	47	47	48	48	49	-2%	0%

## **Revenue composition**

(RM mln)	1Q14	4Q13	3Q13	2Q13	1Q13	4Q12	3Q12	2Q12	1Q12	Q-o-Q	Y-o-Y
REVENUE	1,718	1,733	1,700	1,653	1,647	1,629	1,583	1,580	1,569	-1%	4%
Service Revenue	1,554	1,577	1,553	1,526	1,476	1,492	1,470	1,470	1,459	-1%	5%
Voice revenue	983	1,020	1,020	1,011	978	1,004	1,010	1,025	1,011	-4%	1%
Data revenue	571	557	533	515	498	488	460	445	448	3%	15%
Internet	374	348	320	293	265	242	210	191	188	7%	41%
Messaging	148	158	162	172	183	193	194	195	200	-6%	-19%
VAS	49	51	51	50	50	53	56	59	60	-4%	-2%
Device and other revenue	164	156	147	127	171	137	113	110	110	5%	-4%
Prepaid Revenue	1,127	1,138	1,119	1,093	1,050	1,067	1,050	1,034	1,032	-1%	7%
Voice revenue	784	806	807	796	768	785	792	792	785	-3%	2%
Data revenue	343	332	312	297	282	282	258	242	247	3%	22%
Postpaid Revenue	427	439	434	433	426	425	420	436	427	-3%	0%
Voice revenue	199	214	213	215	210	219	218	233	226	-7%	-5%
Data revenue	228	225	221	218	216	206	202	203	201	1%	6%

# **Reported COGS and OPEX**

(RM mln)	1Q14	4Q13	3Q13	2Q13	1Q13	4Q12	3Q12	2Q12	1Q12	Q-o-Q	Y-o-Y
cogs	514	514	514	493	519	506	447	442	435	0%	-1%
Cost of materials	165	151	144	139	182	157	106	105	117	9%	-9%
Traffic charges	349	363	370	354	337	349	341	337	318	-4%	4%
OPEX	436	421	420	415	417	400	426	396	403	4%	5%
Sales & marketing	129	133	130	129	122	122	134	125	124	-3%	6%
Staff costs	60	57	57	61	60	51	61	61	59	5%	0%
Operations & maintenance	84	76	84	81	83	74	81	58	82	11%	1%
Other expenses	163	155	149	145	152	153	150	152	138	5%	7%
USP fund and license fees	105	104	103	95	96	92	93	96	86	1%	9%
Credit loss allowances	8	7	7	7	6	8	10	8	11	14%	33%
Others	50	44	39	43	50	53	47	48	41	14%	0%
TOTAL	950	935	934	908	936	906	873	838	838	2%	1%

# **Reported Cash-Flow**

(RM mil)	1Q14	4Q13	3Q13	2Q13	1Q13	4Q12	3Q12	2Q12	1Q12	Q-o-Q	Y-o-Y
Cash at start	411	550	761	579	709	1,453	1,517	1,518	1,098	-25%	-42%
Cash-flow from operations	664	826	616	651	543	542	477	682	637	-20%	22%
Changes in working capital	(68)	(197)	(248)	9	(142)	(110)	55	(59)	47	-65%	-52%
Cash-flow used in investing activities	(192)	(126)	(227)	(180)	(186)	(243)	(137)	(165)	(108)	52%	3%
Сарех	(202)	(130)	(234)	(186)	(191)	(255)	(150)	(177)	(118)	55%	6%
Cash-flow used in financing activities	(443)	(642)	(352)	(298)	(346)	(933)	(459)	(459)	(156)	-31%	28%
Net change in cash	(39)	(139)	(211)	182	(130)	(744)	(64)	(1)	420	-72%	-70%
Cash at end	372	411	550	761	579	709	1,453	1,517	1,518	-9%	-36%
Operational cash-flow (EBITDA – Capex)	576	680	532	561	529	470	565	575	619	-15%	9.1%
Cash-flow margin	34%	39%	31%	34%	32%	29%	36%	36%	39%	5.4pp	1.6pp

## **Performance summary**

