



subsea 7

**Earnings Presentation  
First Quarter 2012**

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## Forward-looking statements

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## Delivered good Q1 2012 results - in line with expectations

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- Good results reflect:
  - High activity levels in North and Norwegian Seas; higher than typical for first quarter reflecting improving market environment and work delayed from H2 2011 due to adverse weather conditions
  - Good activity levels in West Africa and Brazil
- Backlog of \$8.7 billion reflects:
  - Continued awards of small/medium size projects and variation orders
  - During 2012, expect to work through low margin work awarded in North Sea in 2010
  - c.\$950 million backlog associated with the Guara Lula project in Brazil expected to be recognised over 2012 and 2013 at zero margin
- Improving pricing environment in North and Norwegian Seas and West Africa
- Strong backlog provides strong foundation for growth

## Market overview

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- Strong momentum among clients to bring new reserves into production
- Continue to see growth opportunities in all major markets, albeit at differing paces:
  - **North and Norwegian Seas:** Strong activity levels – higher than typical for first quarter; high levels of tendering driving strong order flow; higher activity, including an increasing number of EPIC projects, with improved pricing for projects expected to be offshore in 2012+
  - **West Africa:** a transition year. Expect higher activity levels in H1 2012 as projects complete, with large projects in early stages and lower overall level of offshore activity. Market remains strong. Number of major contracts expected to come to market award in 2012; with offshore operations late 2013 and 2014. Pricing improving relative to past 18 months

## Market overview cont'd

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- **Gulf of Mexico:** increased activity for subsea projects expected with contract awards to the market in late 2012 and execution late 2013 and 2014
- **Asia Pacific:** market remains very competitive; further gas-driven SURF contracts offshore Australia, expected to come to market award in 2012; albeit with pricing conditions which remain challenging; offshore activity expected late 2013+
- **Brazil:** more opportunities ahead expect further PLSVs contract awards (renewals and new-builds) and further pre-salt developments

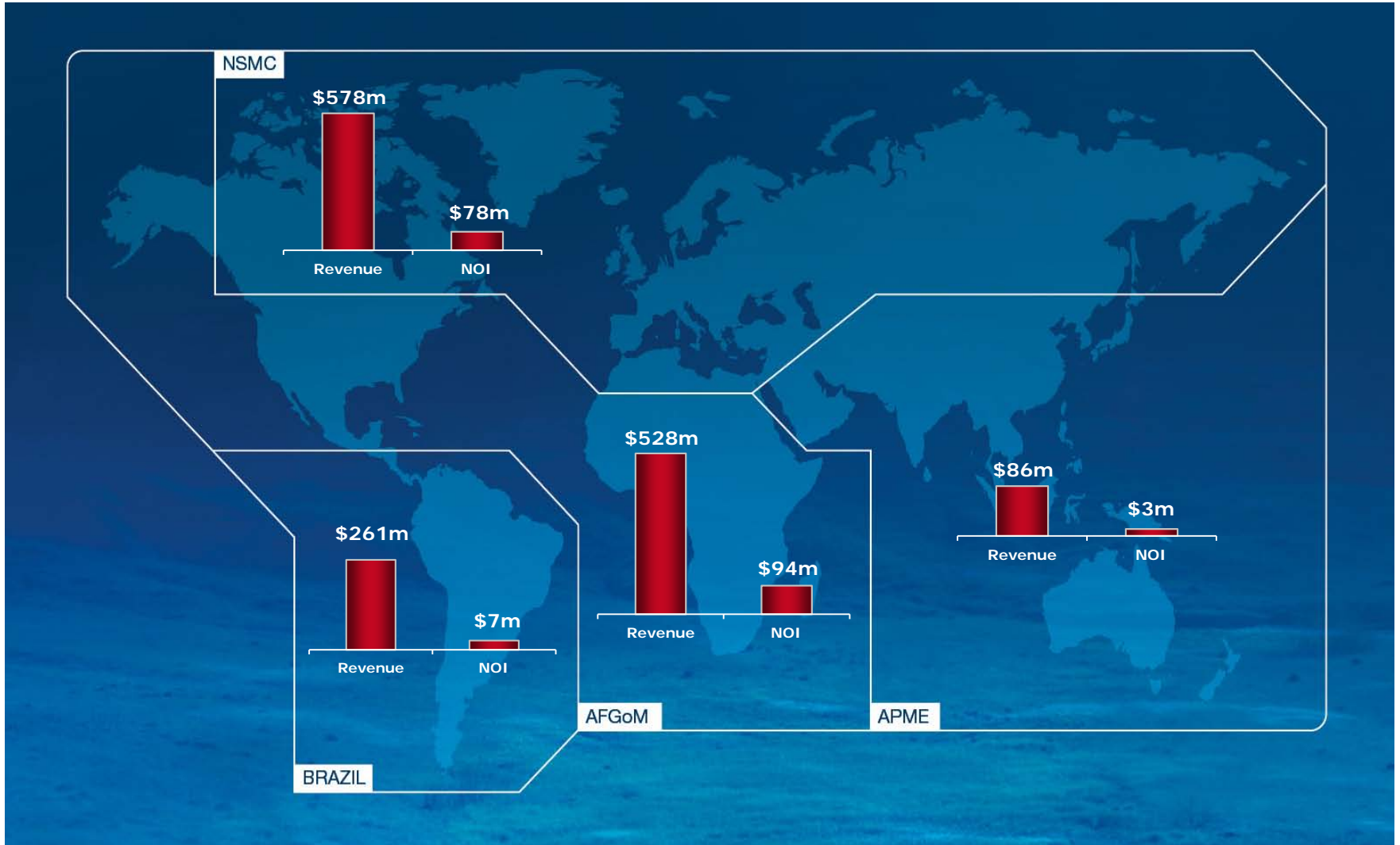
## Income statement highlights

	Three Months Ended	Period <sup>1</sup> Ended
In \$ millions, except Adjusted EBITDA margin, share and per share data	31.Mar.12 Unaudited	31.Mar.11 Unaudited
Revenue	1,458	1,292
Net operating income	153	94
Income before taxes	147	70
Taxation	(54)	(25)
Net income	93	45
Adjusted EBITDA	225	190
Adjusted EBITDA margin	15.4%	14.7%
<i>Per share data (diluted)</i>		
Earnings per share	\$0.25	\$0.14
Weighted average number of Common Shares and Common Share equivalents outstanding	379.1m	300.9m

<sup>1</sup> The comparative period is the four-month period from 1 December 2010 to 31 March 2011 for Subsea 7 S.A. and the results of Subsea 7 Inc. following the date of combination.



# Operational performance – Q1 2012



## Income statement highlights cont'd

	Three Months Ended	Period <sup>1</sup> Ended
In \$ millions	31.Mar.12 Unaudited	31.Mar.11 Unaudited
Administrative expenses	(91)	(110)
Share of net income of associates and joint ventures	(3)	17
Net operating income	153	94
Finance income	3	6
Other losses	(2)	(17)
Finance costs	(8)	(13)
Income before taxes	147	70
Taxation	(54)	(25)
Net income	93	45

<sup>1</sup> The comparative period is the four-month period from 1 December 2010 to 31 March 2011 for Subsea 7 S.A. and the results of Subsea 7 Inc. following the date of combination.



## Cash flow overview – Q1 2012

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- Cash generation from operating activities of \$173 million
- Net cashflows used in investing activities of \$127 million reflects capital expenditure of \$137 million in line with expectations: *Seven Borealis* and the new-build PLSV
- Net cashflows used in financing activities of \$12 million
- Closing cash and cash equivalents of \$819 million

## Financial assumptions - 2012

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- Expect to deliver increased revenue and Adjusted EBITDA in 2012
- Joint Venture contribution – 2012 lower than 2011
- Administrative expenses: c.\$80 - 85 million per quarter (excluding integration)
- Final integration costs: Q1: \$12 million; c.\$20 million remaining
- Net financing costs in line with 2011
- D&A - \$380 million; quarterly split will reflect timing of additions to the fleet
- Capital Expenditure for 2012: \$750 - \$850 million
  - \$450 million committed vessel programme including *Seven Borealis*, *Seven Inagha*, *Seven Viking*, new-build *Brazilian PLSV*, *Normand Oceanic* and ROVs
  - \$150 million dry-dock and maintenance capex
  - Further organic growth opportunities of \$150 - \$250 million
- Expected tax rate of 32% - 35%

## 2012 expectations

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- Expect to deliver revenue and Adjusted EBITDA for twelve months of 2012 ahead of thirteen month period ended 31 December 2011
- Expect increased activity and profitability in NSMC to offset lower activity and profitability in AFGoM
- Joint Venture contribution in 2012 expected to be lower than 2011 due to sale of NKT Flexibles and rescheduling of offshore activity on SapuraAcergy's Gumusut Project to 2013

## Summary

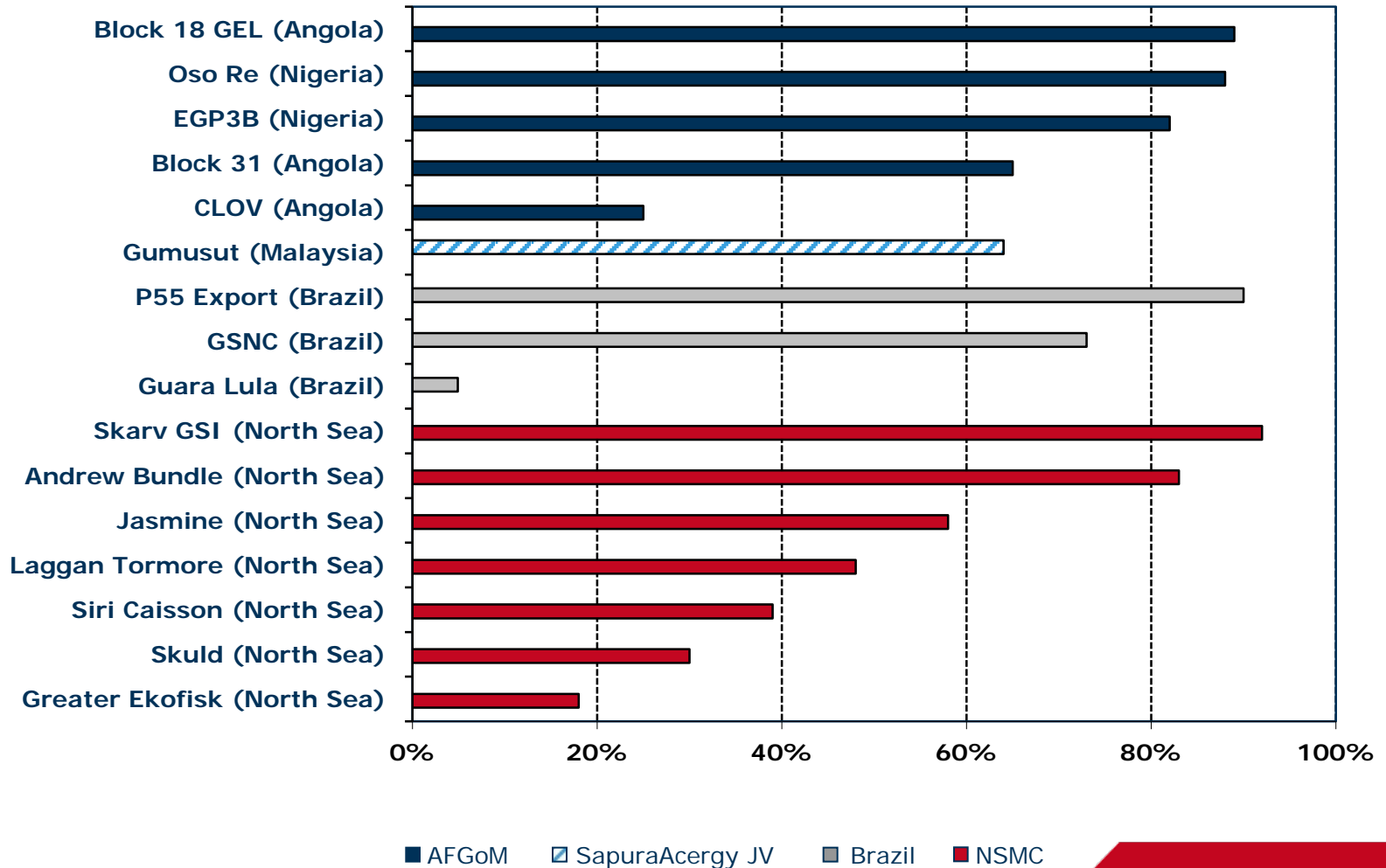
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- Robust oil price and strong tendering activity underpins good order book momentum
- Our clients have ambitious investment plans and remain committed to bringing new reserves into production
- Continue to see opportunities in all markets; albeit at differing paces
- Remain focused on building quality backlog – ensuring disciplined approach to risk and pricing
- Well placed to address the challenges of the availability of people and a tightening supply chain
- Prepared for the future – well positioned for profitable growth

# Appendix

# Major project progression

Continuing projects >\$100m between 5% and 95% complete as at 31 March 2012  
excl. long-term ship charters and Life-of-Field day-rate contracts.

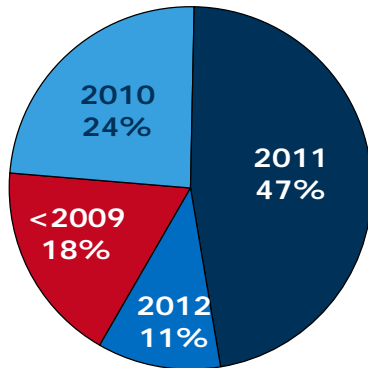


# Backlog

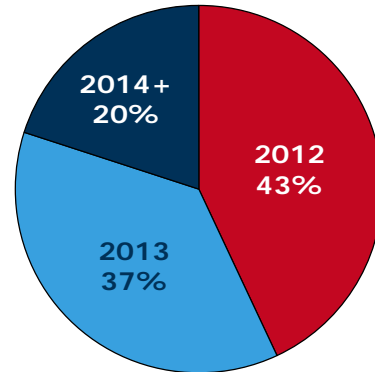
<i>In \$ millions as at:</i>	<i>31.Mar.12</i>	<i>31.Dec.11</i>	<i>31.Mar.11</i>
Subsea 7 S.A. <sup>(1)</sup>	8,686	8,538	6,668

<sup>(1)</sup> Backlog refers to expected future revenue under signed contracts, which are determined as likely to be performed

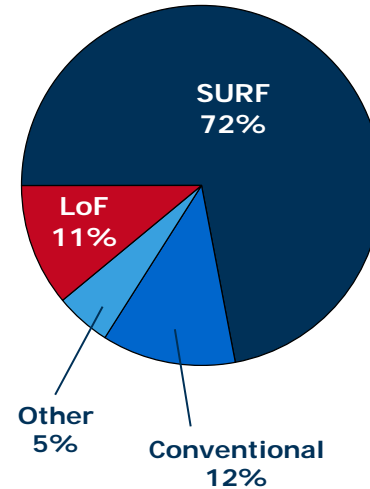
Backlog by Award Date



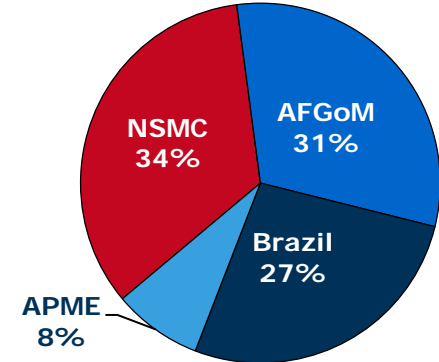
Backlog by Execution Date



Backlog by Service Capability



Backlog by Segment





## Segmental analysis:

<i>Three months ended 31.Mar.12 Unaudited In \$ millions</i>	<b>NSMC</b>	<b>AFGoM</b>	<b>APME</b>	<b>Brazil</b>	<b>CORP</b>	<b>Total operations</b>
Revenue	578.2	528.1	85.6	261.2	4.9	1,458.0
Net operating income/(loss)	77.6	93.8	2.8	6.6	(27.6)	153.2
Investment income						3.3
Other losses						(2.2)
Finance costs						(7.5)
<b>Net income before taxation</b>						<b>146.8</b>

<i>Period ended 31.Mar.11 Unaudited In \$ millions</i>	<b>NSMC</b>	<b>AFGoM</b>	<b>APME</b>	<b>Brazil</b>	<b>CORP</b>	<b>Total operations</b>
Revenue	307.8	725.1	63.9	190.6	4.3	1,291.7
Net operating (loss)/income	(7.5)	118.0	1.8	3.8	(21.8)	94.3
Investment income						5.5
Other losses						(17.3)
Finance costs						(12.5)
<b>Net income before taxation</b>						<b>70.0</b>

## Adjusted EBITDA

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- The Group calculates adjusted earnings before interest, income taxation, depreciation and amortisation ('Adjusted EBITDA') as net income plus finance costs, other gains and losses, taxation, depreciation and amortisation and adjusted to exclude investment income and impairment charges. Adjusted EBITDA margin is defined as Adjusted EBITDA divided by revenue.
- Adjusted EBITDA is a non-IFRS measure that represents EBITDA before additional specific items that are considered to hinder comparison of the Group's performance either year-on-year or with other businesses. The additional specific items excluded from Adjusted EBITDA are other gains and losses and impairment of property, plant and equipment and intangibles. These items are excluded from Adjusted EBITDA because they are individually or collectively material items that are not considered representative of the performance of the businesses during the periods presented. Other gains and losses principally relate to disposals of property, plant and equipment and net foreign exchange gains or losses. Impairments of property, plant and equipment represent the excess of the assets' carrying amount over the amount that is expected to be recovered from their use in the future.
- The Adjusted EBITDA measures and Adjusted EBITDA margins have not been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ('IFRS') as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board as adopted for use in the European Union. These measures exclude items that can have a significant effect on the Group's profit or loss and therefore should not be considered as an alternative to, or more meaningful than, net income (as determined in accordance with IFRS) as a measure of the Group's operating results or cash flows from operations (as determined in accordance with IFRS) as a measure of the Group's liquidity.
- Management believes that Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA margin are important indicators of the operational strength and the performance of the business. These non-IFRS measures provide management with a meaningful comparison amongst its various territories, as they eliminate the effects of financing and depreciation. Management believes that the presentation of Adjusted EBITDA is also useful as it is similar to measures used by companies within Subsea 7's peer group and therefore believes it to be a helpful calculation for those evaluating companies within Subsea 7's industry. Adjusted EBITDA margin may also be a useful ratio to compare performance to its competitors and is widely used by shareholders and analysts following the Group's performance. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA margin as presented by the Group may not be comparable to similarly titled measures reported by other companies.

## Reconciliation of net operating income to Adjusted EBITDA

<b>In \$ millions (except percentages)</b>	<b>Three Months Ended 31.Mar.12</b>	<b>Period Ended 31.Mar.11</b>
<b>Net operating income</b>	<b>153.2</b>	94.3
Depreciation and amortisation	77.6	91.2
Impairment/(reversal) charge	(5.9)	4.0
<b>Adjusted EBITDA</b>	<b>224.9</b>	189.5
<b>Revenue</b>	<b>1,458.0</b>	1,291.7
<b>Adjusted EBITDA %</b>	<b>15.4%</b>	14.7%

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Depreciation and amortisation	77.6	91.2
Impairment/(reversal) charge	(5.9)	4.0
Investment income	(3.3)	(5.5)
Other losses	2.2	17.3
Finance costs	7.5	12.5
Taxation	53.5	24.8
<b>Adjusted EBITDA</b>	<b>224.9</b>	189.5
<b>Revenue</b>	<b>1,458.0</b>	1,291.7
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