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Broadcast cash flow is calculated as net income, plus interest expense (net) loss on extinguishment of debt, income tax expense (benefit), other (expense) income, corporate expenses, depreciation, amortization of intangible assets and broadcast rights (excluding barter), (gain) loss on asset disposal, non-cash representation contract termination fee, change in the fair value of contingent consideration and goodwill impairment, minus broadcast rights payments. We consider broadcast cash flow to be an indicator of our assets' operating performance. We also believe that broadcast cash flow and multiples of broadcast cash flow are useful to investors because it is frequently used by industry analysts, investors and lenders as a measure of valuation for broadcast companies.

Adjusted EBITDA is calculated as broadcast cash flow less corporate expenses. We consider Adjusted EBITDA to be an indicator of our station assets' operating performance and a measure of our ability to service debt. It is also used by management for strategic acquisitions and investments, maintain capital assets and fund ongoing operations and working capital needs. We also believe that Adjusted EBITDA is useful to investors and lenders as a measure of valuation and ability to service debt.

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## Nexstar Media Group, Inc. (Nasdaq: NXST)

# One of the Largest North American Local Media Companies Positioned for the Ongoing Enhancement of Long-Term Shareholder Value

- Pure-play broadcast television and digital media leader with broad geographic scale and reach
  - #2 in broadcast group in terms of U.S. television household reach
  - Owns or provides services to more than one TV station in over half of its 100 total markets
- Robust revenue, net income and free cash flow ("FCF") generation
  - LTM (12/31/17) net revenue of \$2.4 bn, net income of \$475.3 mm (including one-time transaction expenses of \$58.9 mm) and FCF of \$528.0 mm (before one-time transaction expenses)
- Proven ability to extract value from acquisitions
  - Completed transformative acquisition of Media General (NYSE: MEG) for \$4.6bn in 1Q17
    - · Increased broadcast portfolio by approx. two thirds and more than doubled audience reach
    - More than doubled revenue and adjusted EBITDA
    - With higher net income, expected to generate FCF over \$600 mm in the 2018/2019 cycle
      - o Includes NXST's assumptions for interest rate increases and transition to a near-full cash tax payer in 2018
  - Prior to MEG, acquired 66 television and four digital businesses since 2011
    - History of successful integration; net revenue more than tripled since 2011 for an implied CAGR of 30%
- Disciplined, market-tested management team with history of operational excellence
  - Deep leadership bench, most of whom have at least 20 years of industry experience
- Strong record of delivering shareholder value
  - Accretive M&A
  - Ongoing focus on managing Company costs and capital structure
  - Growing dividend and opportunistic share repurchases
  - CEO and CFO placed first in 2018 Institutional Investor All America Executive Team survey for the Technology, Media and Telecommunications sectors

## 2017: Record Financial Results For Sixth Consecutive Year

#### NXST Generated Record Financial Results For Sixth Consecutive Year

Surpassed \$2.0 bn in annual net revenues for the first time in the Company's history

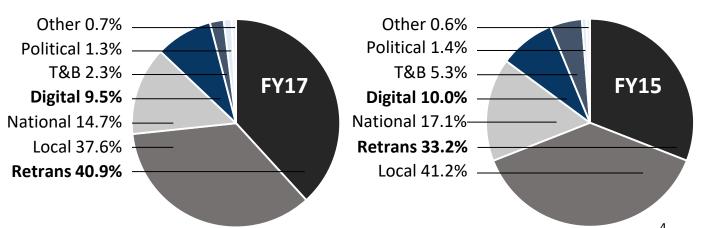
#### NXST LTM 2017 Financial Results Y/Y and Non-Political Odd-Year Comparison

		Ended Dec. in millions)		12N	1 Ended Dec. (in millions)	31	3M Cha	nge (%)	12M Change (%)		
	2017	2016	2015	2017	2016	2015	'17 vs. '16	'17 vs. '15	'17 vs. '16	'17 vs. '15	
Net Revenue	\$653.7	\$309.9	\$252.3	\$2,432.0	\$1,103.2	\$896.4	+110.9%	+159.1%	+120.5%	+171.3%	
Net Income	\$379.9	\$20.4	\$27.2	\$475.3	\$93.1	\$77.7	+1,761.0%	+1,297.9%	+410.6%	+511.9%	
Broadcast Cash Flow	\$241.9	\$145.4	\$104.6	\$868.6	\$456.7	\$350.0	+92.4%	+66.3%	+90.2%	+148.2%	
Adjusted EBITDA (Before One-Time Transaction Exp.)	\$277.8	\$136.0	\$93.0	\$802.2	\$414.3	\$305.1	+96.1%	+104.2%	+93.6%	+162.9%	
Adjusted EBITDA	\$225.7	\$134.8	\$93.0	\$743.3	\$405.5	\$305.1	+95.1%	+67.4%	+83.3%	+143.6%	
Free Cash Flow (Before One-Time Transaction Exp.)	\$157.5	\$86.7	\$69.0	\$528.0	\$253.6	\$208.2	+105.9%	+81.7%	+108.2%	+153.5%	
Free Cash Flow	\$155.4	\$85.4	\$69.0	\$469.0	\$244.8	\$208.2	+104.4%	+81.9%	+91.6%	+125.2%	

### Retransmission and Digital Revenue is Materially Diversifying Revenue Mix

• Non-TV Spot revenue (ex-Political) comprised ~50% of FY17 net revenue of \$2.4bn compared to ~43% of FY15 net revenue of \$976mm (the last non-election cycle)

NXST Revenue Mix (% of Total Net Revenue) Fiscal Year-Ended 2017 and 2015



## **Key 2017 Events: MEG Integration and NXST Operating**

- Completed transformative acquisition of MEG for \$4.6 bn creating Nexstar Media Group, Inc, and simultaneously completed
   13 station required station divestitures for \$548 mm
- Realized all of the \$81 mm projected year one synergies from the Media General Transaction by YE17
  - Immediate synergy realization related to corporate overhead and overlay of certain NXST retrans contracts at MEG stations
  - Sold former MEG headquarters in Richmond, VA resulting in a \$13 mm gain in 2Q17
  - Completed wind-down of unprofitable MEG digital businesses in 2Q17
- Promoted Tim Busch to serve as President of the Nexstar Broadcasting, Inc., announced three newly-created regional managers and filled 25 open general manager positions
  - Hired Washington D.C. News Bureau Chief, CBS News veteran Bill Mondora / expanded resources of D.C. News Bureau
  - Added sales resources to the former Media General markets and continued integration process
- Appointed technology veteran and former Rubicon Project president and board member, Greg Raifman, to President of Nexstar Digital LLC
  - Continued integration of digital products under the Nexstar Digital brand
- Entered into a memorandum of understanding with SBGI to establish a consortium to promote spectrum aggregation, innovation and monetization and enhance broadcasters' ability to compete in the wireless data transmission sector
  - Consortium will promote innovation and develop and explore products and services associated with ATSC 3.0
  - Univision Local Media, Inc. joined the consortium on 6/1; Northwest Broadcasting joined as first affiliate member on 6/14
  - Together, NXST, SBGI, Univision and Northwest reach ~90% of U.S.
- Extended network affiliation agreements / reached OTT master agreements for all ABC stations through 2022 and all FOX stations through 2019; Reached OTT master agreement with CBS and NBC
  - New agreements mutually recognize the value of NXST's and ABC's / FOX's respective content offerings
  - OTT agreements cover new internet-delivered programming services that carry ABC, CBS, NBC and FOX programming

## **Key 2017 Events: Financial and Capital Allocation / Structure**

#### Financial Results for 4Q17 and FY17

- Record 4Q and LTM net revenue led to record broadcast cash flow, adjusted EBITDA and free cash flow growth
- Despite a \$45.3 mm Y/Y decline in 4Q17 political, television advertising revenue growth (core + political) grew +82.8% Y/Y to \$362.2 mm, reflecting the third full quarter's contribution from MEG and continued strength of NXST's legacy operations
  - Core ad revenue (local + national) grew +151.6% Y/Y to \$347.4 mm; while PF same-station core ad revenue increased +3.4%
  - Political ad revenue declined 75.5% Y/Y to \$14.7mm and increased ~86.8% over the comparable 2015 odd-year period
- Retransmission fee and Digital revenue comprised 48.5% of 4Q17 net revenue compared to 40.7% of 4Q16 net revenue
  - Retransmission fee revenue grew +152.5% Y/Y to \$253.3 mm and digital revenue grew +148.3% Y/Y to \$63.9 mm
  - Same-station retransmission fee revenue grew +20.4% Y/Y and same-station digital revenue from station websites grew
     12%, while the combined company digital services business is contributing profitable revenue and positive EBITDA

#### **Capital Allocation**

- 2016 cash dividend increase of 25% to \$1.20 annually in 2017, marking fourth annual consecutive rise of cash dividend
  - 26% compound annual growth in payout level since initiation of cash dividend in 2013
- NXST repurchased ~1.7 mm shares at an average purchase price of ~\$58.59 per share in FY17
  - ~\$52.4 million remains under NXST's share repurchase authorization following opportunistic repurchase activity in 2017
- Returned ~\$154 mm to shareholders in the form of share repurchases and dividends in FY17
- Announced accretive acquisition of LKQD in 4Q17, a leading video advertising infrastructure company, for ~\$90 mm cash

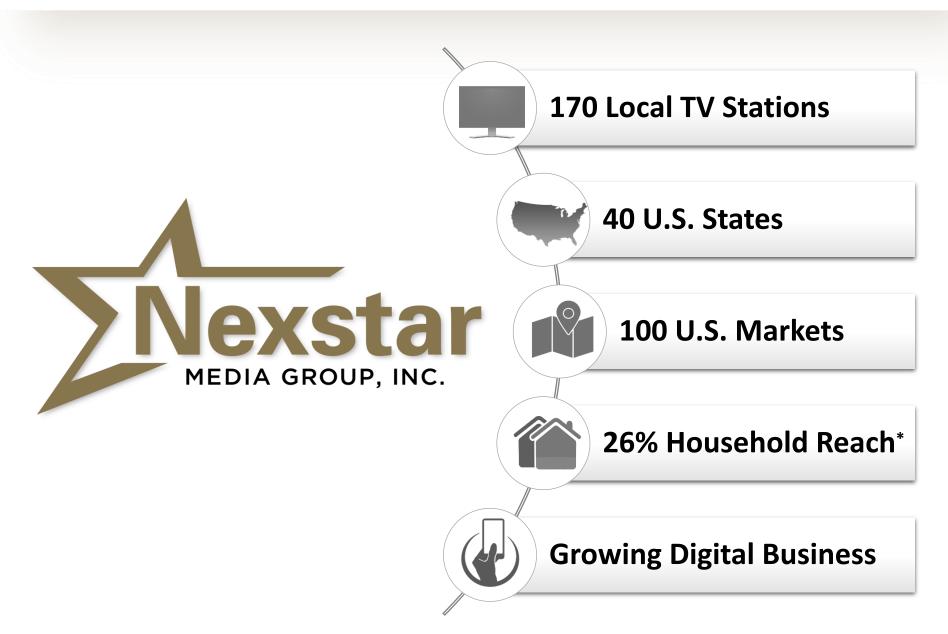
#### **Capital Structure**

- NXST made voluntary prepayments on its Term Loan A and Term Loan B amounting to an excess of \$268 million in FY17,
   with additional prepayments made in 1Q18 to-date and called the entire \$525 million issue of 6 7/8% unsecured notes
- Refinanced Senior Secured Term Loans and Revolving Credit Facility in 2017
  - Refinancing reduces annual interest expense by ~\$15mm, resulting in higher net income and an ~\$9mm increase in FCF on an annualized basis
- Total net debt reduction was ~\$400 mm in FY17

## **Key 2018 Events: NXST Operating / Capital Allocation**

- Completed accretive acquisition of LKQD, a leading video ad infrastructure company, for ~\$90 million cash in Jan. 2018
  - Purchase price subject to working capital and other adjustments including a minimum cash balance of \$10 mm, and a contingent earn out payment based on LKQD's performance at the end of two years under NXST's ownership
  - LKQD's video advertising platform has the largest reach in the US to viewers across digital devices<sup>1</sup>
  - Expands Nexstar Digital's product offerings with flexible and scalable end-to-end technology infrastructure systems
- 2017 cash dividend increase of 25% to \$1.50 annually in 2018, marking fifth annual consecutive rise of cash dividend
  - 26% compound annual growth in payout level since initiation of cash dividend in 2013
- Nexstar, Sinclair and Univision Spectrum Consortium hire John Hane President of Spectrum Co. in January 2018
  - Will oversee the development of the newly-formed entity as it pursues advanced nationwide business opportunities made available by the NextGen standard and aggregation of spectrum bandwidth
  - Former partner of Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP, a global law firm with leading technology practice
    - Counseled clients in telecom, broadcast and technology sectors
    - Deeply involved in matters related to the development and regulatory approval of ATSC 3.0
  - Prior to Pillsbury, he led a large satellite and wireless network development group
  - Is an inventor / co-inventor of four patents related to wireless and satellite spectrum

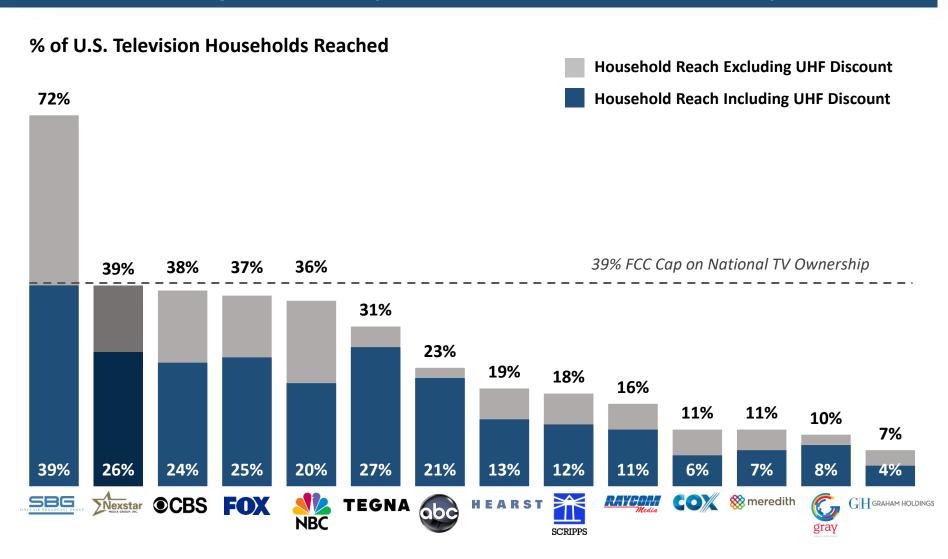
## One of the Largest North American Local Media Companies



Note: Inclusive of UHF discount.

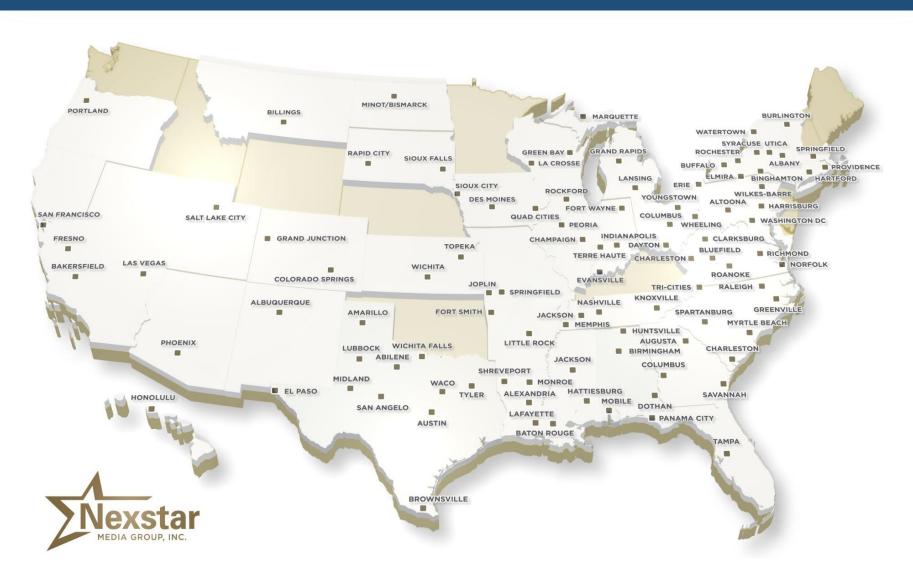
## **Leading Pure-Play Broadcast Operator**

## Financial Strength and Flexibility to Pursue Additional Select Accretive Acquisitions



## **Expanded Geographic Reach and Increased Scale**

### 170 Local Television Stations across 100 markets in 40 U.S. States



## Nexstar Broadcasting, Inc.

## Superior Locally Produced Content and Network Programming for Viewers; Unrivaled Consumer Reach / Influence for Local Businesses and Advertisers

#### Leading local broadcast television operator

- #2 broadcast group in terms of U.S. television household reach of 26%\*
  - Financial strength and flexibility to pursue additional select accretive acquisitions
- Owns or provides services to more than one TV station in over half of markets
- Operations in six Top 25 markets and twenty Top 50 markets

#### Diverse portfolio of local television stations with long-term "Big 4" network contracts

- ~82% of station portfolio comprise of "Big 4" network affiliates
- #1 CBS affiliate group; #2 NBC affiliate group; #3 ABC, FOX and CW affiliate group
- Affiliate contracts give NXST exclusive rights to live primetime network content in its markets

#### · One of the nation's largest providers of local news, lifestyle, sports and network programming

- NXST produces and delivers +3,550 hours per week of wholly-owned local news and content
- #1 or #2 revenue share ranking in 70% of markets

#### Stable core advertising revenue and growing political advertising revenue

- Stable core revenue trends; projected annual growth (ex-pol.) of between +0.0% and +3.0% (local + national)
- Emphasis on local sales driving strong levels of quarterly new-to-television business
- Continued political revenue growth due to significant spending by PACs and non-candidate entities

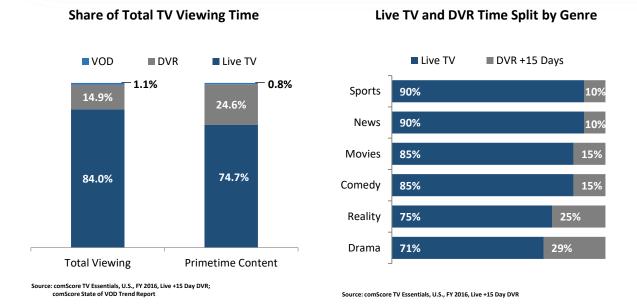
#### Growing non-traditional revenue streams

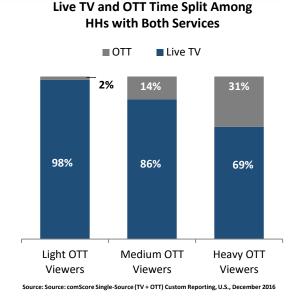
- Retransmission consent revenue growth
- Digital media revenue (community portal websites, mobile apps, etc.)

\*Inclusive of UHF discount.

## **Strong Broadcast Industry Fundamentals**

### Premium, Professionally-Produced Content With Unmatched Reach And Viewership Share





- Despite rapid changes in video distribution technology, traditional TV continues to dominate viewing and access to consumers, with American adults 18+ spending 16% more time with TV than all media combined<sup>1</sup>
- With over 34 hours of traditional TV weekly viewing, inclusive of time-shifted viewing, adults 18+ are consuming more than 2x as much TV each week compared to the second most used medium, smartphone app/web usage<sup>2</sup>
- Live TV represents 84% of total TV viewing time, with news / sports capturing the largest share of Live TV viewing<sup>3</sup>
  - Over half of NXST's core ad revenue is generated by its locally-produced new programming and content
- More than two-thirds of OTT households use it as a supplement to their cable or satellite service package<sup>3</sup>
  - For every hour that is viewed on streaming services, people watch more than five hours of live television<sup>3</sup>
- Horizon Media backed study reveals that over a seven-year period (2010 to 2016), TV advertising consistently outperformed digital, print and radio among key ROI business measures, delivering up to 7x the key performance indicator lift of paid search, and 5x that of display advertising

## **Strong Broadcast Industry Fundamentals**

#### Premium, Professionally-Produced Content With Unmatched Reach And Viewership Share

Top 10 "Must Keep" T\	Brands in US Among 18-34 Year Olds
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1.	NETFLIX	6.	<b>HB©</b> °
2.	abc	7.	ESPN
3.	<b>⊚</b> CBS	8.	CTRE LLI
4.	FOX	9.	hulu
5.	NBC	10.	амс

Total TV News Consumption by Demographic Weekly Time Spent In Local PMM

Share	of Viewing (%) (Total Mi	n. Watching News Div	vided by Total Min. Wa	tching TV)
Age	<u>Source</u>	2015	2016	1Q17
	Local BTV	7.3%	7.2%	7.4%
P 18+	National BTV	3.1%	3.2%	3.3%
	Cable	4.3%	6.3%	7.5%
	Local BTV	3.5%	3.4%	3.7%
18-34	National BTV	1.2%	1.4%	1.5%
	Cable	1.3%	2.2%	2.4%
	Local BTV	6.2%	6.0%	6.3%
35-49	National BTV	2.3%	2.5%	2.5%
	Cable	2.4%	3.9%	4.7%
	Local BTV	8.9%	8.6%	8.8%
P50+	National BTV	3.9%	3.9%	4.0%
	Cable	6.1%	8.3%	9.8%

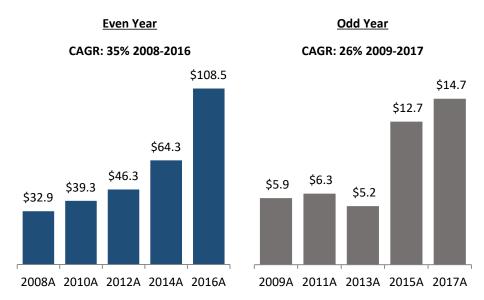
Source: Nielsen Local TV View, Time Spent based on population across Local People Meter markets.

Source: Solutions Research Group (srg) "Must Keep TV Report, 10th Edition" (2017)

- Broadcast network affiliate stations were "must-keep" TV brands in the U.S. among eighteen to thirty-four-year-old adults<sup>1</sup>
- According to a recent GfK study, 46% of American consumers cited traditional TV as having the strongest influence on their decision to purchase a
  product or service versus 3% for social media<sup>2</sup>
  - For all age demographics, including millennials, television continues to be the most important influencer across all stages of the Purchase Funnel, from consumer awareness through actual purchase<sup>2</sup>
- Local broadcast TV news is the most trusted news source for American adults (81%) while social media was the least trusted news source (40%) <sup>2</sup>
- According to Nielsen, adults spent two hours and 22 minutes a week, on average, watching local news in the first quarter of 2017, which is more
  than double the time spent with national broadcast news.<sup>3</sup>
  - Adults reached by local news on TV surpassed the reach of people consuming news on smartphones and PCs four-to-one during the same time period<sup>3</sup>
  - Local broadcast TV news commands the greatest share of average weekly television news viewership among millennials<sup>3</sup>

## **Growth in NXST Political and Issue Advertising**

## NXST Political Ad Revenue Growth (\$ millions)



- With rampant political partisanship and a 2016 presidential election without an incumbent, NXST recorded primary dollars late in 2015 given its presence in key political markets
- Nexstar has exceeded political revenue guidance of ~\$100mm in FY16 by 8.5%
- Long-term political spending expected to continue to grow due to significant spending increases by PACs, non-candidate entities and issue advertising
- CMAG estimates \$2.4 billion will be spent on local broadcast television during the 2018 mid-term election cycle<sup>1</sup>

## NXST 2018 Political Senate and Gubernatorial Elections

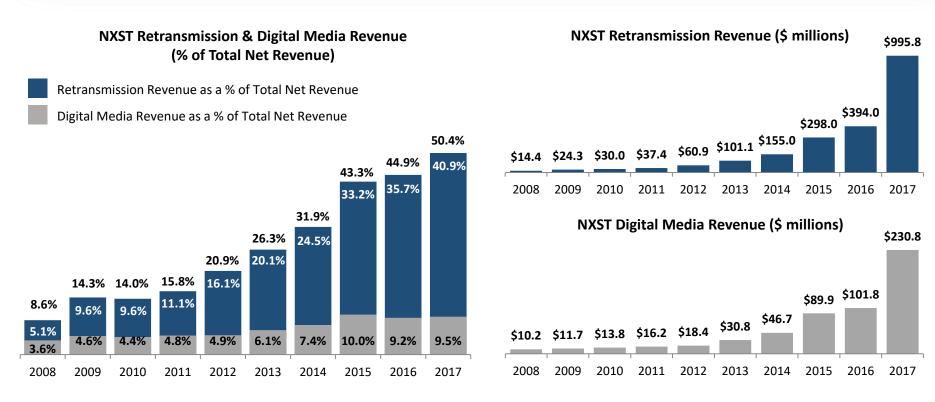
NXST Market	Incumbent	Party
Arizona	Jeff Flake	R
California	Bianne Feinstein	D
Connecticut	Chris Murphy	D
Florida	Bill Nelson	D
Hawaii	Mazie Hirono	D
Indiana	Joe Donnelly	D
Maryland	Ben Cardin	D
Massachusetts	Elizabeth Warren	D
Michigan	Debbie Stabenow	D
Mississippi	Roger Wicker	R
Missouri	Claire McCaskill	D
Montana	John Tester	D
Nebraska	Deb Fischer	R
Nevada	Dean Heller	R
New Jersey	Bob Menendez	D
New Mexico	Martin Heinrich	D
New York	Kirsten Gillibrand	D
North Dakota	Heidi Heitkamp	D
Ohio	Sherrod Brown	D
Pennsylvania	Bob Casey	D
Rhode Island	Sheldon Whitehouse	D
Tennessee	Bob Corker	R
Texas	Ted Cruz	R
Utah	Orrin Hatch	R
Vermont	Bernie Sanders	- 1
Virginia	Tim Kaine	D
West Virginia	Joe Manchin	D
Wisconsin	Tammy Baldwin	D

Source:	Cook	Pol	litical	Report
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2018 Gub	pernatorial Races (31)	
NXST Market	Incumbent	Party
Alabama	Robert Bentley	R
Arizona	Doug Ducey	R
Arkansas	Asa Hutchinson	R
California	Jerry Brown	D
Colorado	John Hickenlooper	D
Connecticut	Dan Malloy	D
Florida	Rick Scott	R
Georgia	Nathan Deal	R
Hawaii	David Ige	D
Illinois	Bruce Rauner	R
Iowa	Terry Branstad	R
Kansas	Sam Brownback	R
Maryland	Larry Jogan	R
Massachusetts	Charlie Baker	R
Michigan	Rick Snyder	R
Nebraska	Pete Ricketts	R
Nevada	Brian Sandoval	R
New Hampshire	Chris Sununu	D
New Mexico	Suzana Martinez	R
New York	Andrew Cuomo	D
Ohio	John Kasich	R
Oregon	Kate Brown*	D
Pennsylvania	Tom Wolf	D
Rhode Island	Gina Raimondo	D
South Carolina	Nikki Haley	R
South Dakota	Dennis Daugaard	R
Tennessee	Bill Haslam	R
Texas	Greg Abbott	R
Vermont	Phil Scott	R
Wisconsin	Scott Walker	R
Virginia	Terry McAuliffe	D

## **Growth in NXST Retransmission and Digital Media Revenue**

## Retransmission and Digital Media revenue is materially diversifying NXST's total net revenue



- NXST led industry in securing retransmission consideration beginning in 2005
- Acceleration in retransmission revenue post-contract renewal cycle highlights ability to negotiate favorable rates
  which also leads to competitive advantages in deriving value from station acquisitions
  - Retransmission revenues: FY17 \$995.8 mm (+152.7% Y/Y); CAGR of 59.1% (2009-2017)
  - ~40% of sub base repriced in 2016, ~5% of sub base repriced in 2017, ~10% of sub base to reprice in 2018
- Digital revenue growth was driven by organic growth at Nexstar Broadcasting and contributions from Nexstar Digital
  - Digital revenues: FY17 \$230.8 mm (+126.8% Y/Y); CAGR of 45.2% (2009-2017)

## **Nexstar Digital LLC**

# Comprehensive Suite of Cross-platform Digital Marketing Products and Services for Local and National Media Companies, Advertisers, Agencies and Brands

#### Leading local digital advertising and content monetization solutions and services

- Profitable / growing business segment with very little competition due to focus on local

#### Merging NXST and MEG products under the Nexstar Digital brand with a unified market strategy

- Creates more comprehensive and competitive offering of digital media products and services across all markets
- Opportunity to leverage cross-selling strategies from digital properties
- Product offerings include enterprise-class publishing platforms, mobile video technology and digital agency services under the HYFN,
   Mass<sup>2</sup> and Lakana brands

#### Adding complementary capabilities through accretive acquisition of LKQD Technologies

- NXST acquired LKQD, a fast-growing, profitable digital video ad technology company for ~\$90 mm cash in December 2017;
   transaction closed in early 1Q18
  - o Infrastructure as a Service (laaS) technology provides end-to-end systems for ad serving, mediation, programmatic auctions and advanced reporting
  - o LKQD's video advertising platform has the largest reach in the US, with ~115 mm viewers across all digital devices<sup>1</sup>

#### Expanding portfolio of digital products allows NXST to drive increased value through scale

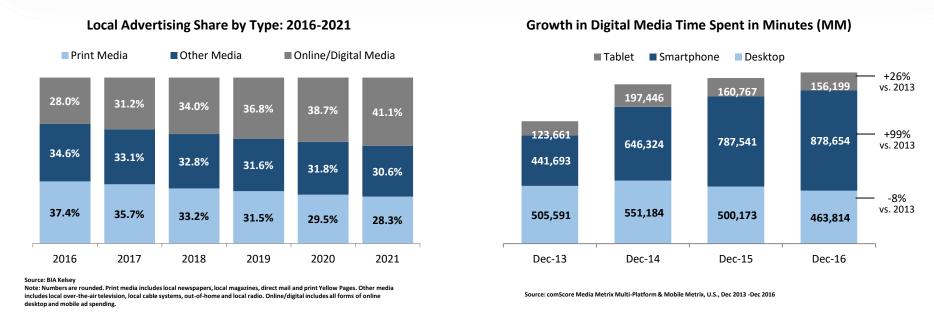
 NXST will continue making accretive investments in digital products that complement its core competencies and have high growth potential

#### Objective is to double annual revenues within the next five years (2021)

- On a consolidated basis, NXST's digital business continues to have positive revenue growth and EBITDA
- NXST completed shuttering of unprofitable MEG digital businesses at end of 1H17, resulting in improved bottom-line performance for the consolidated digital segment
  - As a result of discontinued MEG digital operations, expect lower same-store top-line revenue growth to continue in 4Q17 and improve over time

## **High-Growth Digital Industry Trends**

### Creating New Revenue Opportunities Through Digital Innovations, Products and Services



- Total digital media usage is up 40% since 2013, with mobile –particularly smartphones –driving those gains<sup>1</sup>
- Mobile now represents almost 7 in 10 digital media minutes, and smartphone apps alone account for half of all digital time spent<sup>1</sup>
- According to 2016 IAB Internet Advertising Revenue Report, total digital ad spending reached \$72.5 bn in 2016, up 22% year-over-year<sup>2</sup>
  - Mobile ad revenue increased 77% to \$36.6 billion versus 2015 and accounted for more than half (51%) of total digital ad spending
  - Digital video generated record revenues of \$9.1 bn<sup>2</sup>
- At the local level, online/ digital media continues to take advertising revenue share from traditional media, mainly at the expense of print<sup>3</sup>
- Local media publishers are positioning themselves as their clients' ad agencies as they harness the power of their multi-screen capabilities and cross-platform ad technologies to further enhance message delivery reach, targeting, engagement and ultimately effectiveness

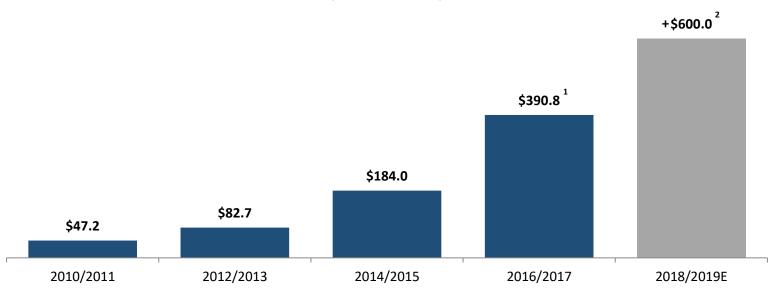
<sup>1.</sup> ComScore Cross-Platform Future in Focus Report U.S. 2017

<sup>2. 2016</sup> IAB Internet Advertising Revenue Report

<sup>3.</sup> BIA Kelsev U.S. Local Advertisina Forecast 2017

## Significant FCF Growth

# NXST Average Annual Free Cash Flow Growth (FY) Based on Two-Year Cycles (\$\\$\) in millions)



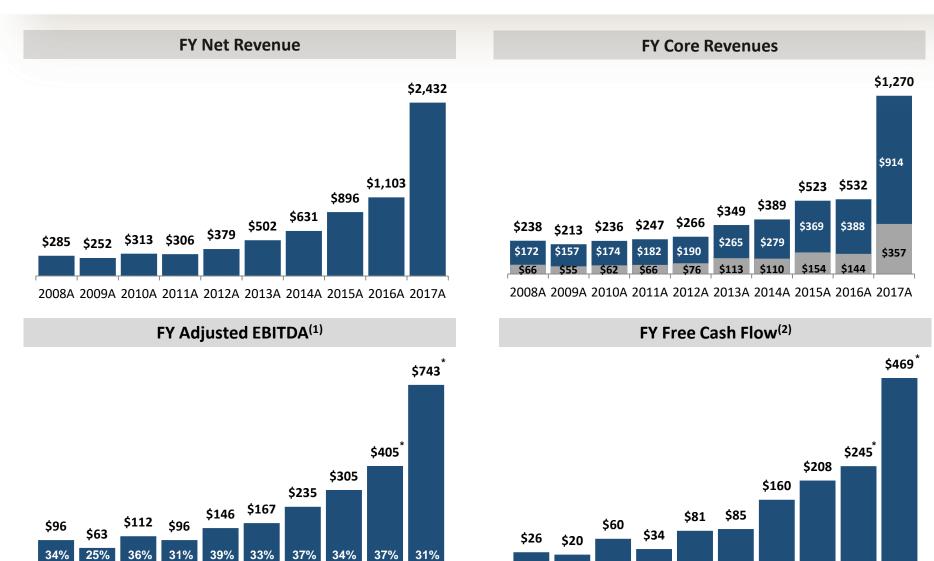
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Reported average annual free cash flow before transaction expenses in the twenty-four month period 2016/2017

Higher net revenues and net income from organic growth and recently completed transactions is expected to drive average annual FCF to slightly in excess of \$600 mm during the 24 month period 2018/2019<sup>2</sup>

- Estimate inclusive of management's assumptions for interest rate increases by Fed policymakers in 2018/2019 and the Company's transition to a near full cash tax payer in 2018
- Reflecting 2017 share repurchase activity, NXST has ~46.0 mm shares outstanding
- Debt retirement/leverage reduction priorities and additional accretive M&A

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Estimated average annual free cash flow before transaction expenses in the twenty-four month period 2018/2019

## **Historical Financial Summary (in millions)**



Adjusted EBITDA is calculated as BCF less corporate expenses

2008A 2009A 2010A 2011A 2012A 2013A 2014A 2015A 2016A 2017A

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Free cash flow is EBITDA less cash interest expense, capital expenditures and net cash income taxes

<sup>\*</sup>Reported Adjusted EBITDA and Free cash flow including transaction expenses in the twelve month period ended December 31, 2017 and 2016 of \$58.9 million and \$8.9 million, respectively.

Adjusted EBITDA before transaction expenses in the twelve month period ended December 31, 2017 and 2016 was \$802.2 million (33.0% margin) and \$414.3 million (37.6% margin), respectively.

Free cash flow before transaction expenses in the twelve month period ended December 31, 2017 and 2016 was \$528.0 million and \$253.6 million, respectively.

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## **4Q17 and FY17 Financial Summary**

	-	Three Montl	ns E	inded Dec. 3	31, 2017		12-Month	s Er	nded Dec. 31,	2017
(\$ in thousands)		2017		2016	Change		2017		2016	Change
Local Revenue	\$	249,135	\$	101,930	+144.4%	\$	913,571	\$	388,183	+135.3%
National Revenue	\$	98,291	\$	36,160	+171.8%	\$	356,633	\$	144,009	+147.6%
Core Advertising Revenue	\$	347,426	\$	138,090	+151.6%	\$	1,270,204	\$	532,192	+138.7%
Political Revenue	\$	14,729	\$	60,033	(75.5)%	\$	31,605	\$	108,544	(70.9)%
Retransmission Fee Revenue	\$	253,279	\$	100,321	+152.5%	\$	995,790	\$	394,038	+152.7%
Digital Revenue	\$	63,924	\$	25,748	+148.3%	\$	230,792	\$	101,759	+126.8%
Other	\$	4,794	\$	1,608	+198.1%	\$	17,861	\$	6,148	+190.5%
Trade and Barter Revenue	\$	16,977	\$	10,936	+55.2%	\$	56,681	\$	45,692	+24.1%
Gross Revenue	\$	701,129	\$	336,736	+108.2%	\$	2,602,933	\$	1,188,373	+119.0%
Less: Agency Commission	\$	47,465	\$	26,857	+76.7%	\$	170,967	\$	85,183	+100.7%
Net Revenue	\$	653,664	\$	309,879	+110.9%	\$	2,431,966	\$	1,103,190	+120.4%
Gross Revenue Excluding Political	\$	686,400	\$	276,703	+148.1%	\$	2,571,328	\$	1,079,829	+138.1%
Income from Operations	\$	140,837	\$	92,475	+52.3%	\$	518,745	\$	287,308	+80.6%
Net Income	\$	379,856	\$	20,411	+1761%	\$	475,327	\$	93,100	+410.6%
Broadcast Cash Flow (1) Broadcast Cash Flow Margin (2)	\$	241,876 37.0%	\$	145,413 46.9%	+66.3%	\$	868,557 35.7%	•	456,672 41.4%	+90.2%
Adjusted EBITDA Before One-Time Transaction Expenses <sup>(1)</sup>	\$	227,765	\$	136,020	+67.4%	\$	802,231	\$	414,275	+93.6%
Adjusted EBITDA <sup>(1)</sup> Adjusted EBITDA Margin <sup>(2)</sup>	\$	225,668 34.5%	\$	134,787 43.5%	+67.4%	\$	743,283 30.6%		405,495 36.8%	+83.3%
Free Cash Flow Before One-Time Transaction Expenses <sup>(1)</sup> Free Cash Flow <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ \$	157,513 155,416	\$ \$	86,676 85,443	+81.7% +81.9%	\$ \$	- /		253,610 244,830	+108.2% +91.6%

Note: On January 17, 2017, Nexstar completed its acquisition of Media General, Inc. and also closed on the divestitures of 12 television stations. All actual results presented herein reflect the impact of previously disclosed one-time merger and acquisition expenses of \$2.1 million and \$58.9 million incurred in the three and twelve months ended December 31, 2017, respectively. The actual results presented herein for the three months ended December 31, 2017 reflect the Company's legacy Nexstar broadcasting and digital operations (net of the five Nexstar station divestitures) and results from the Media General stations (net of the seven Media General station divestitures) and digital assets. The comparable three month period ended December 31, 2016 reflects the Company's legacy Nexstar broadcasting and digital operations inclusive of the five Nexstar stations which were divested simultaneous with the closing of the Media General transaction.

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<sup>2)</sup> Broadcast cash flow margin is broadcast cash flow as a percentage of net revenue. Adjusted EBITDA margin is Adjusted EBITDA as a percentage of net revenue

## **Debt/Leverage Analysis**

		TTM ENDED						C	MEG Closing		4Q17					
(in millions)	1:	2/31/11	_12	2/31/12	_1	2/31/13	_1	2/31/14	_1	2/31/15	_12	2/31/16	_0	1/17/17		12/31/17
Revolver	\$	24.3	\$	-	\$	-	\$	5.5	\$	2.0	\$	2.0	\$	3.0	9	3.0
First Lien Term Loans		148.1		288.3		545.4		705.1		682.2		662.2		3,120.0		2,791.9
8.875% Sr. Sec 2nd Lien Notes		318.4		319.4		-		-		-		-		-		-
6.875% Sr. Sub Notes		-		250.0		525.7		525.6		519.8		520.7		525.0		-
6.125% Sr. Sub Notes		-		-		-		-		272.2		272.6		275.0		273.0
5.875% Sr. Sub Notes		-		-		-		-		-		-		400.0		408.1
5.625% Sr. Sub Notes		-		-		-		-		-		884.9		900.0		886.5
7% Sr. Sub Notes		149.6		-		-		-		-		-			-	-
11.375% Sr. Discount Notes	_						_									
Total Debt	\$	640.4	\$_	857.8	\$	1,071.1	\$	1,241.6	_\$	1,476.2	\$	2,342.4	\$	5,223.0		\$ 4,362.5
Cash on Hand	\$	7.5	\$	69.0	\$	40.0	<u>\$</u>	131.9	\$	43.4	\$	87.7			<u>\$</u>	115.7
Reported EBITDA	\$	96.2	\$	146.3	\$	166.7	\$	234.7	\$	305.1	\$	405.5			- \$	802.2*
Compliance EBITDA	\$	103.3	\$	189.5	\$	176.7	\$	211.2	\$	322.9	\$	429.0			- \$	842.9
Compliance Leverage	e:	6.20x		4.16x		5.84x		4.40x		4.32x		3.20x			-	5.06x
FCF	\$	34.2	\$	80.5	\$	84.9	\$	159.7	\$	208.2	\$	244.8			- \$	528.0*

<sup>\*</sup>Before one-time transaction expenses

## Transformational M&A and Operating Strategies Driving Record FCF

- Continued growth of non-core revenue channels
  - Political: Even-year CAGR of 35% (2008-2016), odd-year CAGR of 26% (2009-2015)
    - NXST Political revenue exceeded ~\$100 mm guidance in 2016 by 8.5%
  - **Retransmission:** Contract renewals for >200 agreements in last three years
    - Repriced ~40% of sub base in 2016, ~5% in 2017 and ~10% to be repriced in 2018
    - Recently signed OTT agreements with ABC / FOX /CBS / NBC include attractive economics for OTT platforms that are equal to or better than NXST's current net retrans position
  - Digital: Station-level and Nexstar Digital platform rapidly expanding
    - New revenue applications / monetization of mobile leading to growth organically and via accretive M&A
- Strong operating fundamentals, accretive M&A, share repurchases and balance sheet driving record FCF
- Completed the transformative MEG acquisition on January 17, 2017
  - Strategically / financially compelling growth opportunity for the company
  - Created second-largest broadcast television group with leading digital media platform
  - Operating base of 170 full power TV stations in 100 markets reaching 39% of U.S. TV HHs
  - With higher net income, expected to generate FCF slightly in excess of ~\$600 mm in 2018/2019 given assumptions of interest rate increases and the Company's transition to a near full cash tax payer in 2018
- Financial capacity / flexibility to pursue additional accretive M&A opportunities while reducing leverage while returning capital to shareholders
  - NXST made voluntary prepayments on its Term Loan A and Term Loan B amounting to an excess of \$268 mm in FY17 and called the entire \$525 mm issue of 6 7/8% unsecured notes in 1Q17
  - NXST repurchased ~1.7 mm shares at an average purchased price of ~\$58.59 per share in FY17
  - Refinancing of Senior Secured Term Loans and Revolving Credit Facility reduces annual interest expense by ~\$15 mm, resulting in higher net income and an ~\$9 mm increase in FCF on an annualized basis
- FCC's proposed rulemaking to modernize ownership rules and facilitate the voluntary adoption of new ATSC 3.0 standards for innovative Next Gen TV services would result in stronger competitive positioning for broadcast TV industry
  - Potential new long-term revenue opportunities through the development of ATSC 3.0 related products/services





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