

Uniti

**Second Quarter
2019 Financial Results
Conference Call Presentation**

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Agenda

- **Company Update**
- **Second Quarter 2019 Financial Results**
- **2019 Updated Outlook**
- **Sale of U.S. Ground Lease Business**
- **Q&A**

Company Update

▪ Latest Developments

- Solid Operational Results in Each Business Segment
- Uninterrupted Investment in Premier Infrastructure Assets
- Improved Liquidity & Debt Maturity Profile
- Uniti and Windstream Engaged in Mediation Discussions

▪ Continued Secular Tailwinds in All Segments

- 5G Rollout Continues to Drive Growing Demand for Fiber, Towers, and Small Cells
- Focused on Lease-Up of Uniti Fiber's and Uniti Leasing's Networks
- Secured Master Lease Agreements with 3 of the 4 Major Wireless Carriers for Colocation at Uniti Towers

▪ Realizing Significant Value from Providing Full Suite of Services

- Nearly \$10 Billion of Consolidated Revenue Under Contract⁽¹⁾; Excluding Windstream Lease, Contractual Revenue Under Contract is Up 15% From Prior Year
- Windstream Revenue Represents 63% of Expected 2019 Total Uniti Revenue⁽²⁾
- Nearly 95% of Revenue Remaining Under Contract Expected to Have Little to No Associated Churn
- Anticipate Completing ~240 Towers in the U.S. in 2019; ~225 Towers Currently Under Development
- Incremental \$45 Million of Annual Revenue from Announced Uniti Leasing Transactions⁽³⁾

Remain Focused on the Operations of Each Business Unit



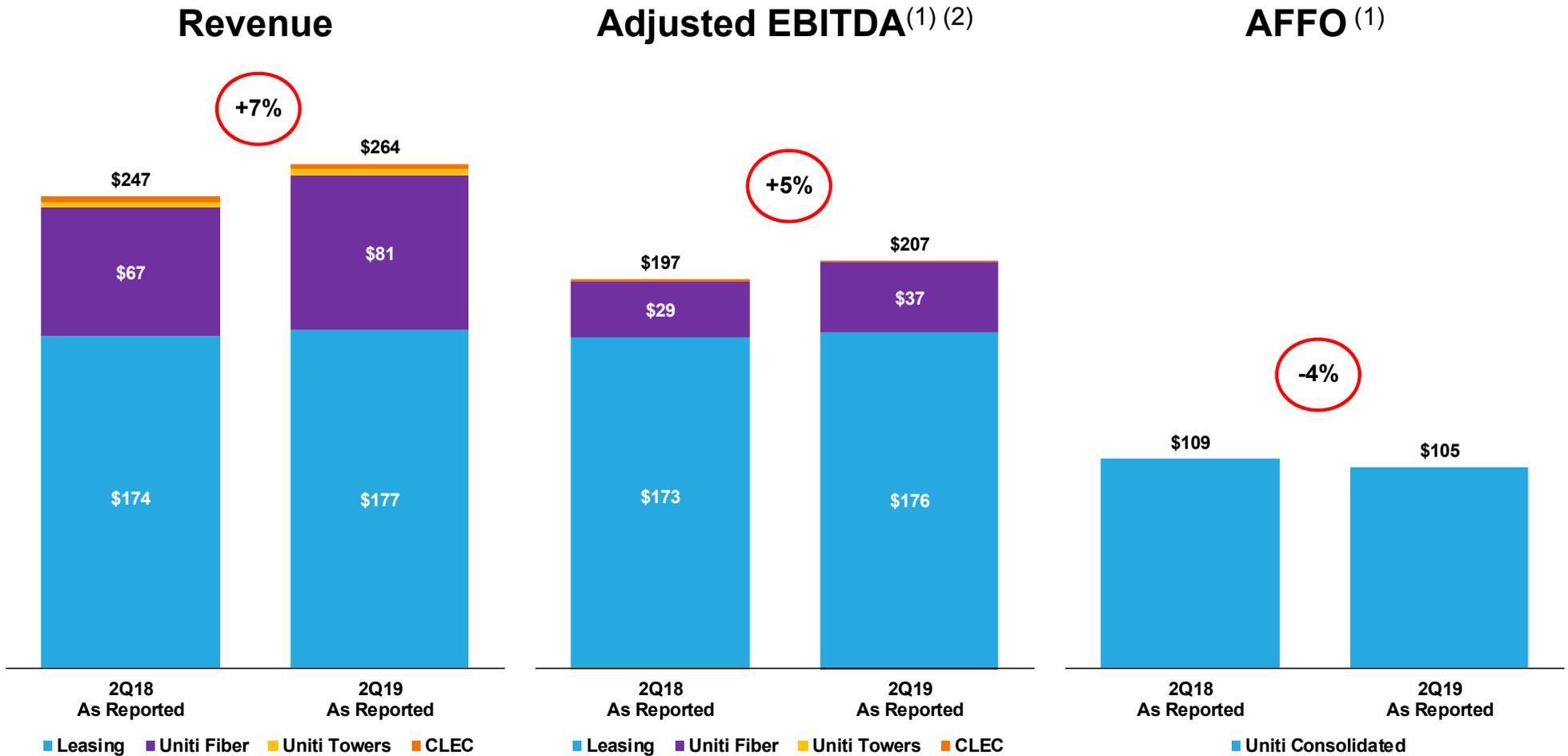
⁽¹⁾ Includes Bluebird transaction, which is expected to close near the end of 3Q19.

⁽²⁾ Excludes amortized revenue related to tenant capital improvements.

⁽³⁾ Represents annualized leasing revenue that is incremental to the revenue from the Windstream lease.

Second Quarter 2019 Consolidated Results

(\$ in millions)



Solid Operating Results Across All Business Units

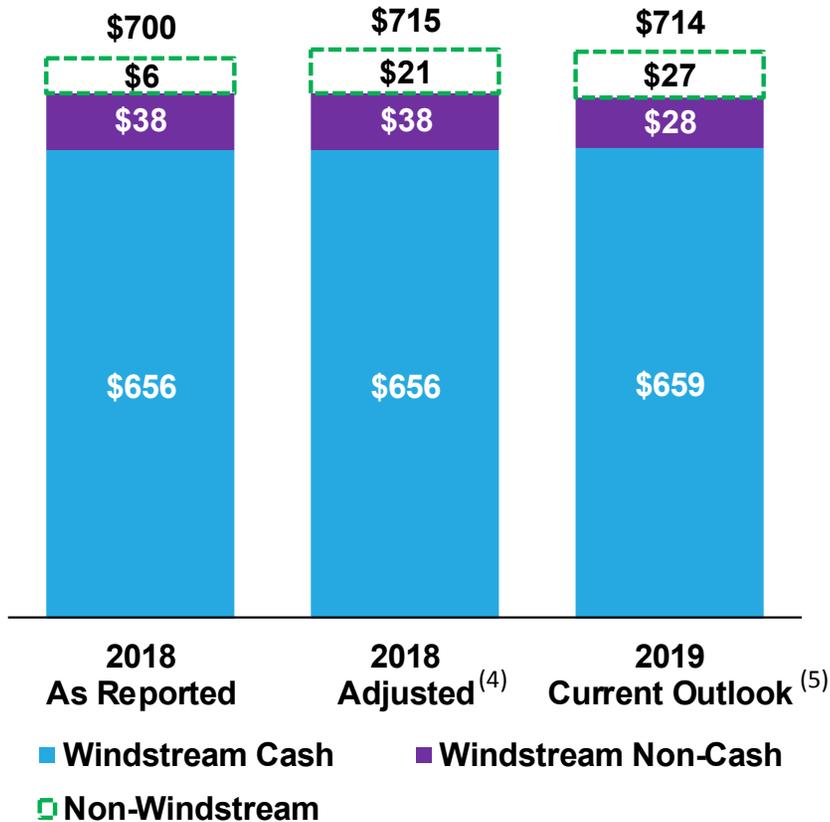


(1) See Appendix for a reconciliation of non-GAAP metrics to the most closely comparable GAAP metric.
 (2) Segment amounts do not foot to total as consolidated Adjusted EBITDA is net of corporate expenses of \$6 million and \$7 million in 2Q18 and 2Q19, respectively.

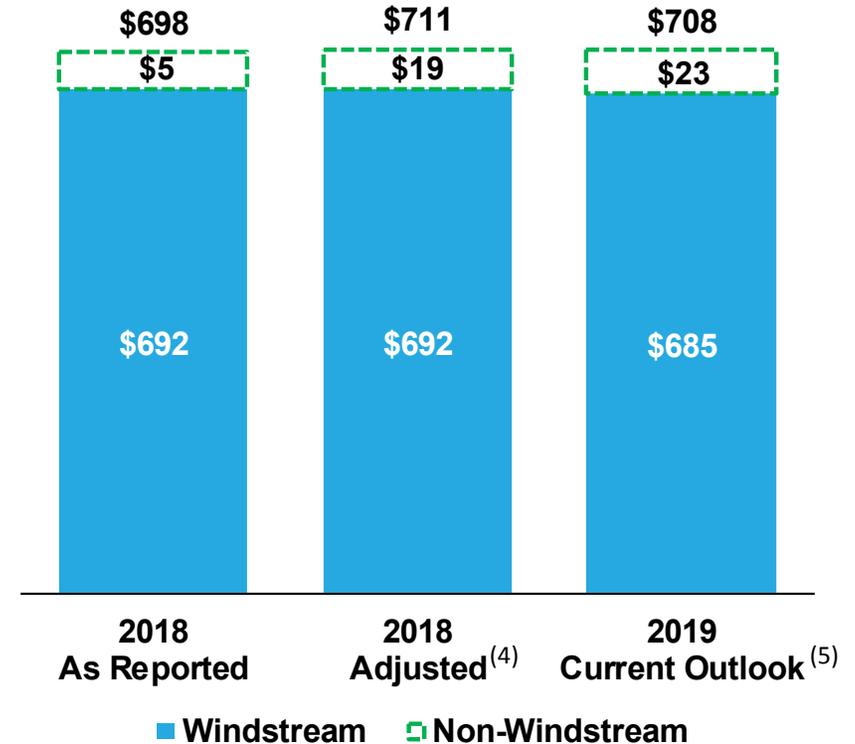
Uniti Leasing 2019 Outlook⁽¹⁾

(\$ in millions)

Leasing Revenue⁽²⁾



Leasing Adjusted EBITDA⁽³⁾



Leasing Activity Continues to Ramp in 2019

(1) 2019 Outlook is based on the mid-point of 2019 Outlook range provided in the Company's Earnings Release dated August 8, 2019.

(2) Non-Windstream includes \$1.6 million of non-cash revenue in 2018 As Reported, \$3.8 million in 2018 Adjusted, and \$4.3 million in 2019 Outlook.

(3) See Appendix for a reconciliation of Adjusted EBITDA to Net Income, the most closely comparable GAAP metric.

(4) 2018 adjusted revenue and Adjusted EBITDA are adjusted for the impact of the TPx, CenturyLink, CableSouth, and National MSO dark fiber lease transactions as if the transactions had closed on January 1, 2018. No other changes to financial information or transactions have been assumed. 2018 adjusted results have not been prepared in accordance with Article 11 of Regulation S-X.

(5) 2019 Current Outlook includes the Bluebird transaction, which is expected to close near the end of 3Q19, and assumes the Windstream lease continues in full force and effect, and that Windstream continues to make all lease payments on time and in accordance with the Master Lease's general terms.

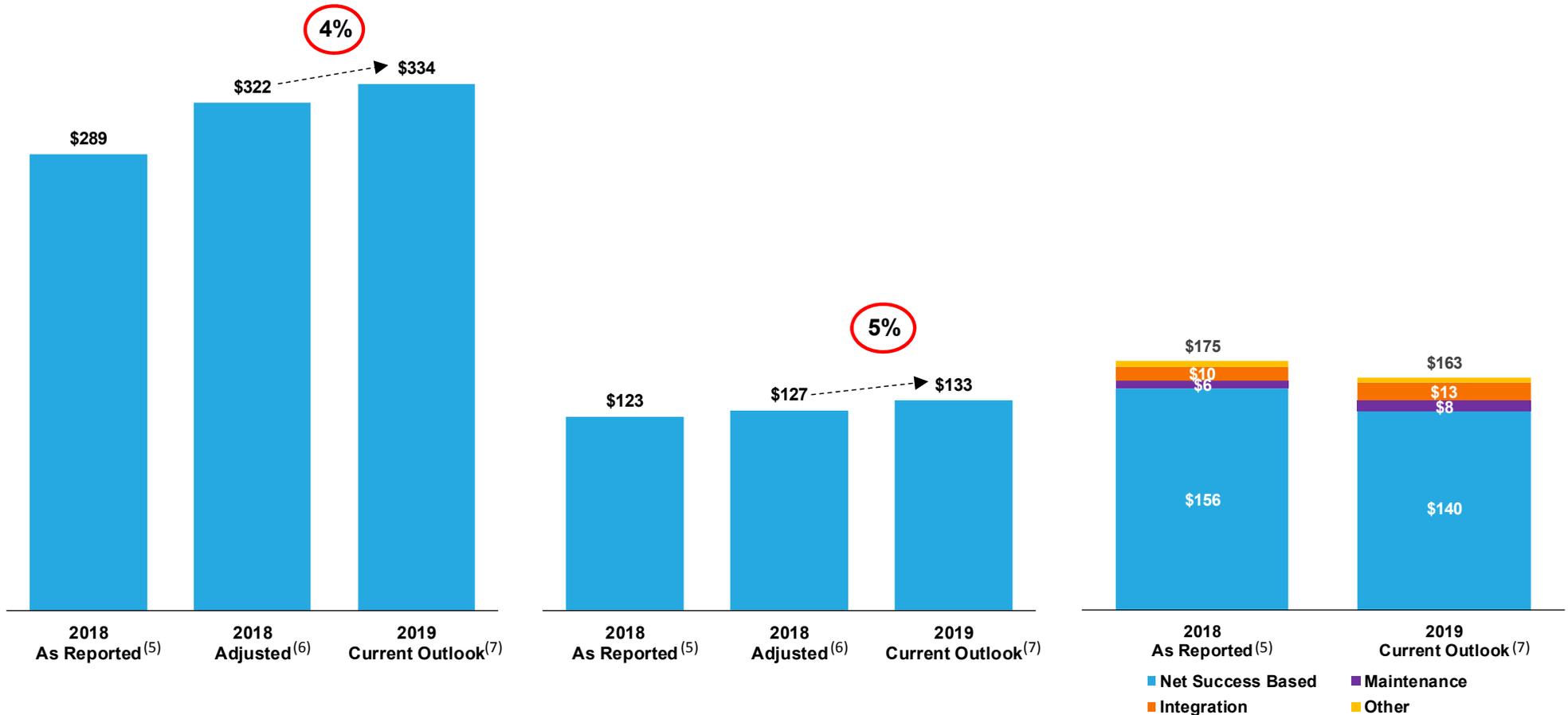
Uniti Fiber 2019 Outlook⁽¹⁾

(\$ in millions)

Revenue⁽²⁾

Adjusted EBITDA^{(2) (3)}

Net Capex^{(2) (4)}



Strong Demand for Dark Fiber and Small Cell Opportunities

(1) 2019 Outlook is based on the mid-point of 2019 Outlook range provided in the Company's Earnings Release dated August 8, 2019.

(2) Revenue, Adjusted EBITDA, and Net Capex are net of intercompany eliminations related to the ITS transaction.

(3) See Appendix for a reconciliation of Adjusted EBITDA to Net Income, the most closely comparable GAAP metric.

(4) Net Capex is defined as gross capital expenditures less up-front payments from customers.

(5) Reflects the results of ITS from the time of closing on October 19, 2018.

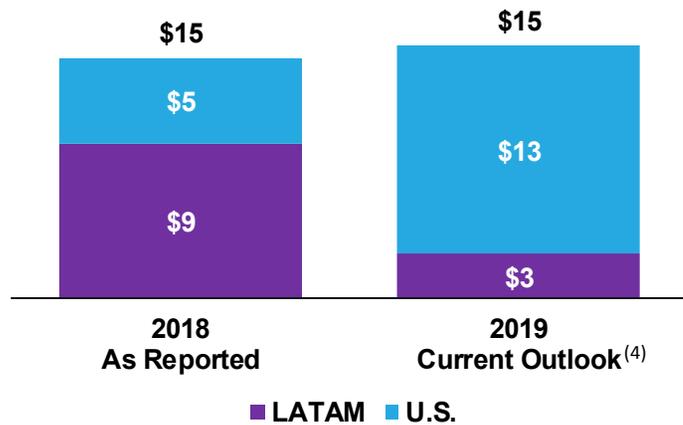
(6) 2018 adjusted revenue and Adjusted EBITDA are adjusted for the impact of ITS as if the transaction had closed on January 1, 2018. No other changes to financial information or transactions have been assumed. 2018 adjusted results have not been prepared in accordance with Article 11 of Regulation S-X.

(7) 2019 Current Outlook includes the sale of Uniti Fiber's Midwest operations, which is expected to close near the end of 3Q19. Excluding the sale of Uniti Fiber's Midwest operations, 2019 Outlook revenue and Adjusted EBITDA y/y growth to 2018 Adjusted would have been approximately 5% and 7%, respectively.

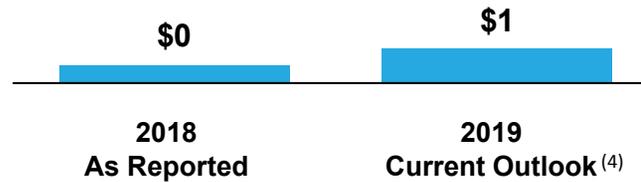
Uniti Towers 2019 Outlook⁽¹⁾

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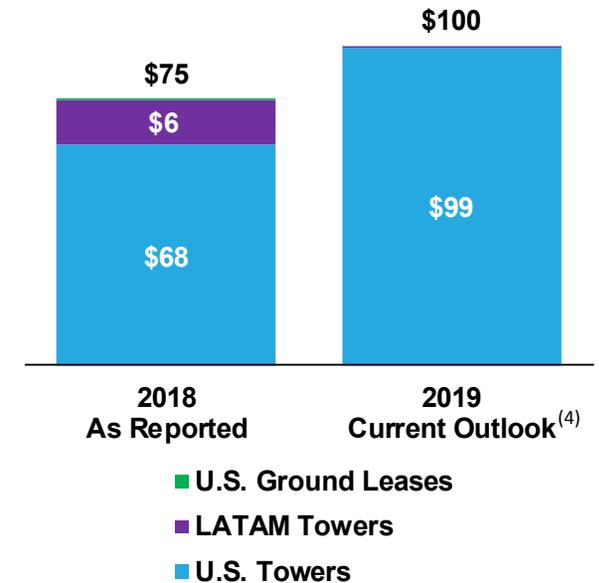
Revenue



Adjusted EBITDA⁽²⁾



Net Capex⁽³⁾



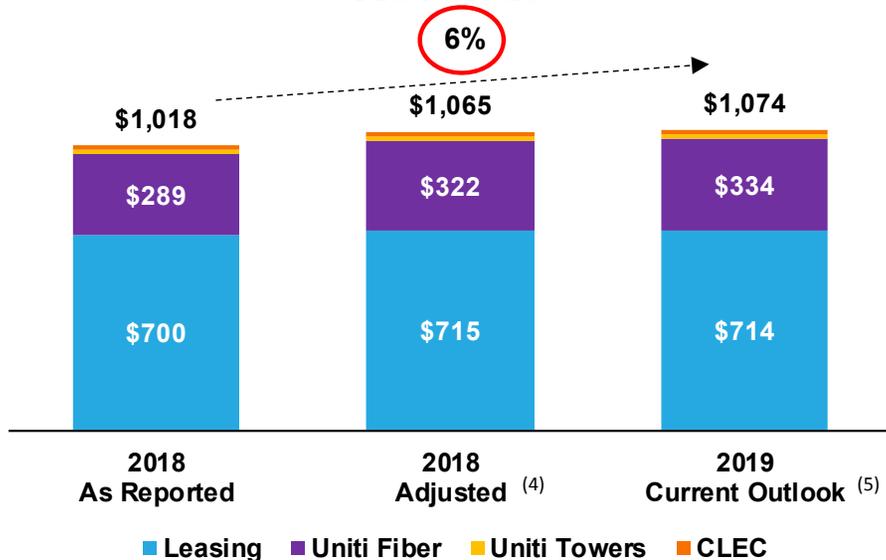
Expect to Construct ~240 Towers in the U.S. in 2019

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 (2) See Appendix for a reconciliation of Adjusted EBITDA to Net Income, the most closely comparable GAAP metric.
 (3) Net Capex is defined as gross capital expenditures less up-front payments from customers.
 (4) 2019 Current Outlook reflects the sale of the LATAM tower portfolio, which closed on April 2, 2019, and the sale of the U.S. ground lease portfolio.

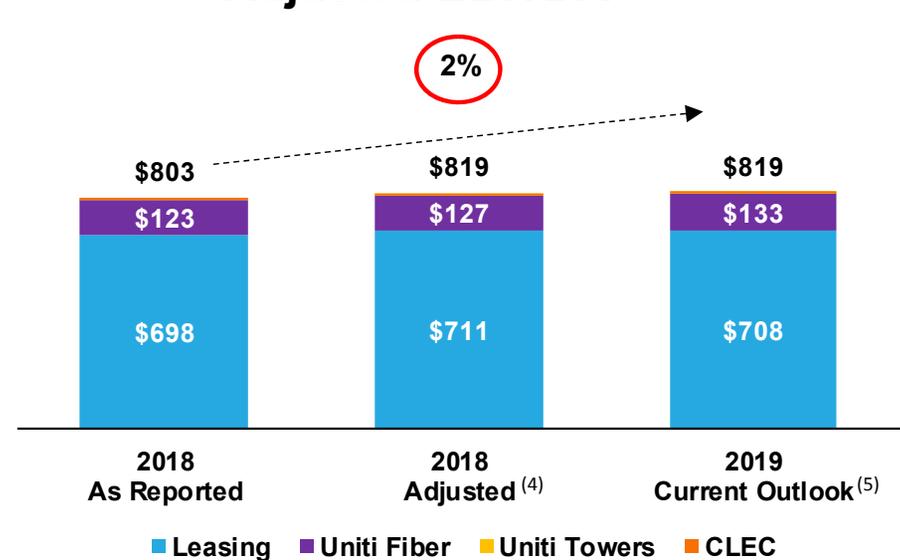
Full Year 2019 Consolidated Outlook⁽¹⁾

(\$ in millions, except per share data)

Revenue



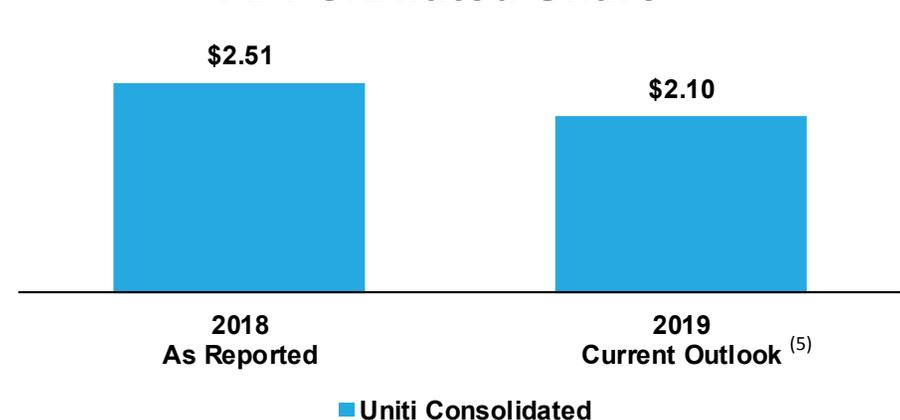
Adjusted EBITDA^{(2) (3)}



AFFO⁽²⁾



AFFO/Diluted Share⁽²⁾



2019 Outlook Reflects Solid Growth Across All Operating Segments

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(2) See Appendix for a reconciliation of non-GAAP metrics to the most closely comparable GAAP metric.

(3) Segment amounts do not foot to total as consolidated Adjusted EBITDA is net of corporate expenses of \$22 million and \$25 million in 2018 and 2019 Outlook, respectively.

(4) 2018 adjusted revenue and Adjusted EBITDA are adjusted for the impact of the ITS, TPx, CenturyLink, CableSouth, and National MSO dark fiber lease transactions as if the transactions had closed on January 1, 2018. No other changes to financial information or transactions have been assumed. 2018 adjusted results have not been prepared in accordance with Article 11 of Regulation S-X.

(5) 2019 Current Outlook includes the Bluebird transaction and the sale of Uniti Fiber's Midwest operations, which are both expected to close near the end of 3Q19, the sale of the LATAM tower portfolio, which closed on April 2, 2019, the sale of the U.S. ground lease portfolio, incremental interest expense related to the Exchangeable Notes offering and amendment of our revolving credit facility, the dilutive impact from the accounting treatment of our Exchangeable Notes offering and conversion of Series A Preferred Stock on our weighted-average common shares outstanding for the purpose of presenting earnings, FFO, and AFFO per diluted common share, and assumes the Windstream lease continues in full force and effect, and that Windstream continues to make all lease payments on time and in accordance with the Master Lease's general terms.

Reconciliation of 2019 Prior Outlook to Current Outlook⁽¹⁾

\$ in millions, except per share data

	Uniti Revenue	Uniti Adjusted EBITDA ⁽²⁾	Uniti AFFO ⁽²⁾	Uniti AFFO/Share ⁽²⁾
Full Year 2019 Midpoint Prior Outlook	\$1,076	\$814	\$417	\$2.28
Uniti Fiber – Impact from Operations	(3)	(2)	(1)	-
Uniti Fiber – Insurance Settlement Recoveries from Hurricane Michael	-	6	6	0.03
Additional Leasing Tenant Capital Improvement Revenue	1	1	-	-
Impact of Financings & Series A Preferred Stock Settlement ⁽³⁾	-	-	(6)	(0.22)
Full Year 2019 Midpoint Current Outlook	\$1,074	\$819	\$417	\$2.10

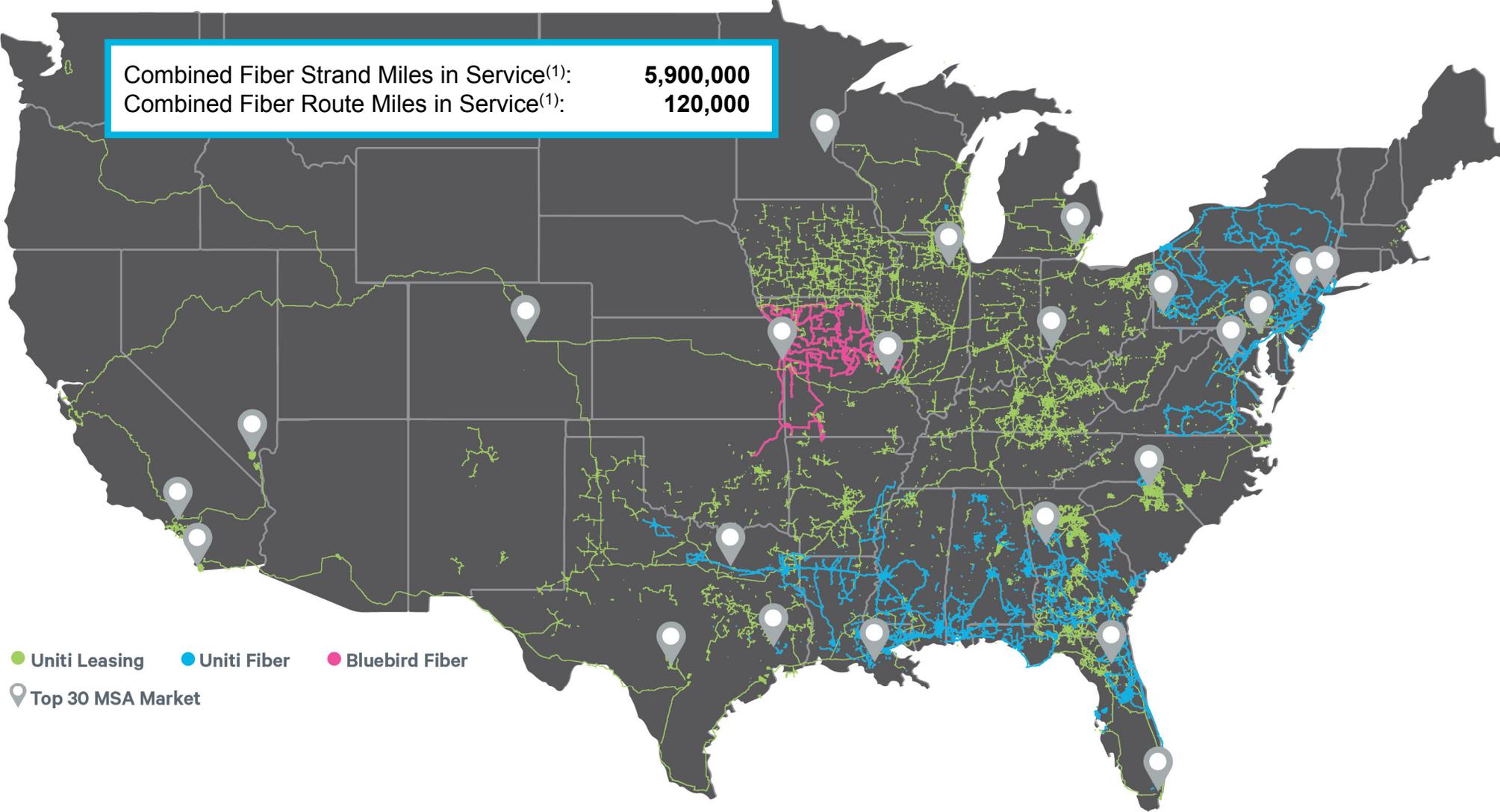
Note: Amounts may not foot due to rounding.

(1) 2019 Prior and Current Outlook assume the Windstream lease continues in full force and effect, and that Windstream continues to make all lease payments on time and in accordance with the Master Lease's general terms.

(2) See Appendix for a reconciliation of non-GAAP metrics to the most closely comparable GAAP metric.

(3) Includes increase in the interest rate on our term loans and revolving credit facility, incremental interest related to the exchangeable notes offering, the impact of shares issued to settle the Series A Preferred Stock conversion, and the dilutive impact on our common shares outstanding relating to the accounting treatment of the exchangeable notes under the "if-converted" method of accounting.

Combined Network Footprint



Top 5 Competitive Fiber Owner in 22 of the Top 30 Markets⁽²⁾

(1) Combined fiber strand and fiber route miles in service give effect for the Bluebird transaction as if it had closed on January 1, 2019.
(2) Based on data from Cowen Equity Research.

Sale of U.S. Ground Lease Business Overview

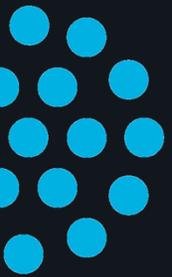
- **Sale of U.S. Ground Lease Business for ~\$34 Million⁽¹⁾**
 - ~18x Annualized Run-Rate Cash Flow⁽²⁾ of ~\$1.9 Million
 - 64 Ground Leases Across the United States
- **Realizes Value for Our Stockholders with Economic Gain of ~\$3.5 Million⁽³⁾**
- **Closed Substantially All Ground Leases on May 23, 2019**
 - Expect One Remaining Ground Lease to Close in 3Q19

Sharpens Uniti's Focus Solely on U.S. Tower Development

(1) Sale price subject to final adjustment.

(2) Represents annual run-rate cash rent from entire U.S. ground lease portfolio.

(3) Calculated as sale price of the U.S ground lease portfolio less capital invested in acquiring the ground leases. On a reported GAAP and tax basis, the gain on the sale was ~\$5 million and ~\$3 million, respectively.



Appendix

Key 2019 Outlook Ranges⁽¹⁾

In Millions, except per share data

	Leasing	Uniti Fiber	Uniti Towers	CLEC	Uniti Consolidated
Revenue	\$714	\$330 - \$338	\$14 - \$16	\$10	\$1,069 - \$1,078
Adjusted EBITDA ⁽²⁾	\$708	\$129 - \$138	\$1	\$2	\$815 - \$824
Interest Expense, Net ⁽³⁾	-	-	-	-	\$389
Net Success-Based Capex	-	\$130 - \$150	\$95 - \$105	-	-
AFFO to Common Shareholder ⁽²⁾	-	-	-	-	\$412 - \$421
AFFO / Diluted Common Share ⁽²⁾	-	-	-	-	\$2.08 - \$2.13
Weighted-Average Common Shares Outstanding – Diluted	-	-	-	-	201

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(2) See Appendix for a reconciliation of non-GAAP metrics to the most closely comparable GAAP metric.

(3) Includes capitalized interest and amortization of deferred financing costs and debt discounts.

Reconciliation of Uniti Non-GAAP Financial Measures⁽¹⁾

\$ in Millions

	Uniti 2Q18	Uniti 2Q19
Net (loss) income	(\$3.6)	\$39.5
Depreciation and amortization	114.8	102.6
Interest expense	79.4	97.7
Income tax expense (benefit)	(2.6)	7.8
EBITDA	\$188.0	\$247.7
Stock-based compensation	1.9	3.2
Transaction related costs & Other	7.1	(44.0)
Adjusted EBITDA	\$197.0	\$206.9

Reconciliation of Uniti Non-GAAP Financial Measures⁽¹⁾

\$ in Millions

	2018					
	Leasing	Uniti Fiber	Uniti Towers	CLEC	Corporate	Uniti
Net (loss) income	\$359.3	\$19.6	(\$5.3)	\$1.0	(\$358.2)	\$16.5
Depreciation and amortization	337.1	105.1	6.7	2.0	0.8	451.7
Interest expense (income)	-	(0.7)	(0.5)	-	320.8	319.6
Income tax expense (benefit)	1.1	(5.8)	(0.2)	0.4	(0.9)	(5.4)
EBITDA	\$697.5	\$118.2	\$0.7	\$3.4	(\$37.4)	\$782.5
Stock-based compensation	-	1.3	0.5	-	6.3	8.1
Transaction related costs & Other	-	3.9	(0.9)	-	9.4	12.4
Adjusted EBITDA	\$697.5	\$123.4	\$0.4	\$3.4	(\$21.8)	\$802.9

Reconciliation of Uniti Non-GAAP Financial Measures⁽¹⁾

\$ in Millions

	Uniti 2018	Adjustments ⁽²⁾	Uniti 2018 Adjusted ⁽²⁾
Net income	\$16.5	\$6.9	\$23.4
Depreciation and amortization	451.7	6.2	457.9
Interest expense	319.6	1.6	321.2
Income tax expense (benefit)	(5.4)	0.3	(5.1)
EBITDA	\$782.5	\$14.9	\$797.3
Stock-based compensation	8.1	(0.1)	8.0
Transaction related costs & Other	12.4	1.2	13.6
Adjusted EBITDA	\$802.9	\$16.0	\$818.9

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Reconciliation of Uniti Non-GAAP Financial Measures⁽¹⁾

\$ in Millions	Uniti 2Q18	Uniti 2Q19	Uniti 2018
Net (loss) income attributable to common shares	(\$5.6)	\$38.2	\$8.0
Real estate depreciation and amortization	95.4	82.4	374.4
Gain on sale of real estate assets, net of tax ⁽²⁾	-	(24.2)	-
Participating securities' share in earnings	0.7	0.2	2.6
Participating securities' share in FFO	(0.7)	(0.5)	(2.6)
Adjustments for noncontrolling interests	(2.2)	(1.2)	(8.6)
FFO attributable to common shareholders	\$87.6	\$95.0	\$373.7
Transaction related costs	3.8	7.0	17.4
Change in fair value of contingent consideration	3.4	(22.3)	(3.7)
Amortization of deferred financing costs and debt discount	6.1	10.8	24.6
Stock based compensation	1.9	3.2	8.1
Non-real estate depreciation and amortization	19.4	20.1	77.4
Straight-line revenues	(2.8)	(0.7)	(15.0)
Maintenance capital expenditures	(0.7)	(1.9)	(5.7)
Amortization of discount on convertible preferred stock	0.7	0.2	3.0
Other non-cash items, net	(9.7)	(6.0)	(34.4)
Adjustments for noncontrolling interests	(0.5)	(0.2)	(1.5)
Adjusted FFO attributable to common shareholders	\$109.4	\$105.3	\$443.8

Reconciliation of Uniti Non-GAAP Financial Measures⁽¹⁾

\$ in Millions

	2019 Current Outlook ⁽²⁾					
	Leasing ⁽²⁾	Uniti Fiber ⁽²⁾	Uniti Towers ⁽²⁾	CLEC ⁽²⁾	Corporate ⁽²⁾	Uniti ⁽²⁾
Net (loss) income	\$423	\$19	\$17	\$1	(\$408)	\$52
Depreciation and amortization	275	117	6	1	-	399
Interest expense (income)	-	(1)	(1)	-	391	389
Income tax expense (benefit) ⁽³⁾	10	(5)	6	-	-	10
EBITDA	\$707	\$130	\$28	\$2	(\$17)	\$850
Stock-based compensation	-	3	1	-	6	10
Transaction related costs & Other ⁽⁴⁾	-	1	(28)	-	(14)	(41)
Adjusted EBITDA	\$708	\$133	\$1	\$2	(\$25)	\$819

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(3) Includes estimated taxes on undistributed taxable income and capital gains from the sale of our LATAM tower and U.S. ground lease portfolio.

(4) Includes pre-tax gain on sale of LATAM tower and U.S. ground lease portfolio, and gains on changes in fair value of contingent consideration through 2Q19.

Reconciliation of Uniti Non-GAAP Financial Measures⁽¹⁾

\$ in Millions

	Uniti 2019 Outlook⁽²⁾
Net income attributable to common shares	\$49
Real estate depreciation and amortization	317
Gain on sale of real estate assets, net of tax ⁽³⁾	(24)
Participating securities' share in earnings	1
Participating securities' share in FFO	(1)
Adjustments for noncontrolling interests	(6)
FFO attributable to common shareholders	\$335
Transaction related costs	14
Change in fair value of contingent consideration	(26)
Amortization of deferred financing costs and debt discount	43
Stock based compensation	10
Non-real estate depreciation and amortization	82
Straight-line revenues	(1)
Maintenance capital expenditures	(8)
Amortization of discount on convertible preferred stock	1
Taxes related to cancellation of debt	5
Other non-cash items, net	(37)
Adjustments for noncontrolling interests	(2)
Adjusted FFO attributable to common shareholders	\$417

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(3) Represents gain on sale of LATAM tower and U.S. ground lease portfolio, net of tax of approximately \$5 million.

Non-GAAP Financial Measures

We refer to EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA, Funds From Operations (“FFO”) as defined by the National Association of Real Estate Investment Trusts (“NAREIT”) and Adjusted Funds From Operations (“AFFO”) in our analysis of our results of operations, which are not required by, or presented in accordance with, accounting principles generally accepted in the United States (“GAAP”). While we believe that net income, as defined by GAAP, is the most appropriate earnings measure, we also believe that EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA, FFO and AFFO are important non-GAAP supplemental measures of operating performance for a REIT.

We define “EBITDA” as net income, as defined by GAAP, before interest expense, provision for income taxes and depreciation and amortization. We define “Adjusted EBITDA” as EBITDA before stock-based compensation expense and the impact, which may be recurring in nature, of transaction and integration related costs, collectively “Transaction Related Costs”, the write off of unamortized deferred financing costs, costs incurred as a result of the early repayment of debt, gains or losses on dispositions, changes in the fair value of contingent consideration and financial instruments, and other similar items. We believe EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA are important supplemental measures to net income because they provide additional information to evaluate our operating performance on an unleveraged basis. In addition, Adjusted EBITDA is calculated similar to defined terms in our material debt agreements used to determine compliance with specific financial covenants. Since EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA are not measures calculated in accordance with GAAP, they should not be considered as alternatives to net income determined in accordance with GAAP.

Because the historical cost accounting convention used for real estate assets requires the recognition of depreciation expense except on land, such accounting presentation implies that the value of real estate assets diminishes predictably over time. However, since real estate values have historically risen or fallen with market and other conditions, presentations of operating results for a REIT that use historical cost accounting for depreciation could be less informative. Thus, NAREIT created FFO as a supplemental measure of operating performance for REITs that excludes historical cost depreciation and amortization, among other items, from net income, as defined by GAAP. FFO is defined by NAREIT as net income attributable to common shareholders computed in accordance with GAAP, excluding gains or losses from real estate dispositions, plus real estate depreciation and amortization and impairment charges. We compute FFO in accordance with NAREIT’s definition.

The Company defines AFFO, as FFO excluding (i) transaction and integration costs; (ii) Windstream bankruptcy related expenses; (iii) certain non-cash revenues and expenses such as stock-based compensation expense, amortization of debt and equity discounts, amortization of deferred financing costs, depreciation and amortization of non-real estate assets, straight line revenues, non-cash income taxes, and the amortization of other non-cash revenues to the extent that cash has not been received, such as revenue associated with the amortization of tenant capital improvements; and (iv) the impact, which may be recurring in nature, of the write-off of unamortized deferred financing fees, additional costs incurred as a result of early repayment of debt, taxes associated with tax basis cancellation of debt, gains or losses on dispositions, changes in the fair value of contingent consideration and financial instruments and similar items less maintenance capital expenditures. We believe that the use of FFO and AFFO, and their respective per share amounts, combined with the required GAAP presentations, improves the understanding of operating results of REITs among investors and analysts, and makes comparisons of operating results among such companies more meaningful. We consider FFO and AFFO to be useful measures for reviewing comparative operating performance. In particular, we believe AFFO, by excluding certain revenue and expense items, can help investors compare our operating performance between periods and to other REITs on a consistent basis without having to account for differences caused by unanticipated items and events, such as transaction and integration related costs. The Company uses FFO and AFFO, and their respective per share amounts, only as performance measures, and FFO and AFFO do not purport to be indicative of cash available to fund our future cash requirements. While FFO and AFFO are relevant and widely used measures of operating performance of REITs, they do not represent cash flows from operations or net income as defined by GAAP and should not be considered an alternative to those measures in evaluating our liquidity or operating performance.

Further, our computations of EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA, FFO and AFFO may not be comparable to that reported by other REITs or companies that do not define FFO in accordance with the current NAREIT definition or that interpret the current NAREIT definition or define EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA and AFFO differently than we do.

Glossary

4G: The fourth generation of cellular wireless standards that is widely deployed by cellular operators today with the ability to transport data at rates up to 100 MBPS Internet access for mobile users.

5G: The fifth generation of cellular wireless standards that is in trial stages today, with expected wide scale deployment over the next couple of years, and has the ability to transport data at rates up to 1 GBPS for initially stationary users and eventually mobile users.

Adjusted EBITDA: Adjusted EBITDA is defined as EBITDA less stock-based compensation expense and the impact, which may be recurring in nature, of acquisition and transaction and integration related expenses, the write off of unamortized deferred financing costs, costs incurred as a result of the early repayment of debt, changes in the fair value of contingent consideration and financial instruments, and other similar items.

Backbone: A major fiber optic network that interconnects smaller networks including regional and metropolitan networks. It is the through-portion of a transmission network, as opposed to laterals and spurs which branch off to connect customer locations.

Bandwidth Infrastructure: Lit and dark bandwidth provided over fiber networks. These services are commonly used to transport telecom services, such as wireless, data, voice, Internet and video traffic between locations. These locations frequently include cellular towers, network-neutral and network specific data centers, carrier hotels, mobile switching centers, CATV head ends and satellite uplink sites, ILEC central offices, and other key buildings that house telecommunications and computer equipment. Bandwidth Infrastructure services that are lit (i.e., provided by using optronics that “light” the fiber) include Ethernet and Wavelength services. Bandwidth Infrastructure services that are not lit are sold as dark-fiber capacity.

Cell Site: A site where antennae and electronic communications equipment are placed on a radio mast or tower generally 200 to 400 feet above the ground to create a cell in a cellular network. A cell site is composed of a tower or other elevated structure for mounting antennae, and one or more sets of transmitter/receiver transceivers, digital signal processors, control electronics, a GPS receiver, regular and backup electrical power sources, and sheltering.

Glossary

Churn: Decline in MRR, such as disconnects, bandwidth downgrades, and price reductions. Includes decline in MRR related to lit backhaul sites converting to dark fiber.

Conduit: A pipe, usually made of metal, ceramic or plastic, that protects buried fiber optic cables.

Core Revenue: Represents revenue principally generated from leasing and lit services of the fiber network, as well as revenues that are ancillary to the fiber network, including managed services and equipment sales.

Dark Fiber: Fiber that has not yet been connected to telecommunications transmission equipment or optronics and, therefore, has not yet been activated or “lit”.

Enterprise Value: Net Debt plus fair value of preferred equity plus market value of outstanding common stock and OP units.

Ethernet: Ethernet is the standard local area network (LAN) protocol. Ethernet was originally specified to connect devices on a company or home network as well as to a cable modem or DSL modem for Internet access. Due to its ubiquity in the LAN, Ethernet has become a popular transmission protocol in metropolitan, regional and long haul networks as well.

Fiber Optics: Fiber, or fiber optic cables, are thin filaments of glass through which light beams are transmitted over long distances.

Fiber Strand Miles: Fiber strand miles are the number of route miles in a network multiplied by the number of fiber strands within each cable on the network. For example, if a ten mile network segment has a 24 count fiber installed, it would represent 10×24 or 240 fiber miles.

FTT (Fiber-to-the-Tower): FTT are laterals or spurs that connect cell sites to the wider terrestrial network via fiber optic connections.

Gross Installs: MRR related to services that have been installed and are billable in a given period. Includes MRR related to new services installed and bandwidth upgrades.

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Integration Capex: Capital expenditures made specifically with respect to recent acquisitions that are essential to integrating acquired companies in our business.

Lateral/Spur: An extension from the main or core portion of a network to a customer's premises or other connection point.

LTE Network: Long-term evolution network can be used to provide 4G cellular networks that are capable of providing high speed (up to 100 Mbps) cellular data services.

Maintenance Capex: Capital expenditures related to maintaining and preserving the existing network and related equipment.

Mbps: A measure of telecommunications transmission speed. One megabit equals one million bits of information.

Mobile Switching Centers: Buildings where wireless service providers house their Internet routers and voice switching equipment.

Monthly Churn Rate: Monthly churn rate is calculated as monthly Churn divided by MRR on the last day of the preceding period.

MRR (Monthly recurring revenue): Monthly recurring revenue recognized based on the price that the customer is expected to pay, including monthly revenue recognized related to the amortization of upfront payments by customers. Our presentation of MRR is not a guarantee of future revenues and should not be viewed as a predictor of future annual revenues.

Net Debt: Principal amount of debt outstanding, less unrestricted cash and cash equivalents.

Net Secured Debt: Principal amount of secured debt outstanding, less unrestricted cash and cash equivalents.

Net Success-Based Capex: Success-Based Capex less associated upfront customer payments. Does not include net capital expenditures related to integration, maintenance, and other, such as IT-related capex.

Glossary

NOC: Network operations center is a location that is used to monitor networks, troubleshoot network degradations and outages, and ensure customer network outages and other network degradations are restored.

Nodes: Points on a network that can receive, create, or transmit communication services.

NRC (non-recurring charge): Upfront customer payments that are primarily associated with an executed fiber-related contract that utilizes either newly constructed or already owned fiber, and the fiber is intended to be owned by Uniti on a long-term basis.

Optronics: Various types of equipment that are commonly used to light fiber. Optronics include systems that are capable of providing Ethernet, Wavelengths, and other service over fiber optic cable.

Revenues Under Contract: Total revenue contract value entitled to be received pursuant to existing contracts, some of which may be past their expiration date and currently on a month to month basis. A portion of these contracts are subject to renewal each year, and there can be no assurances that the contracts will be renewed at all or, if they are renewed, that the renewal will not provide for lower rates.

Route miles: Route miles are the length, measured in non-overlapping miles, of a fiber network. Route miles are distinct from fiber strand miles, which is the number of route miles in a network multiplied by the number of fiber strands within each conduit on the network.

Sales Bookings: MRR in a given period relating to orders that have been signed by the customer and accepted by order management.

Small Cells: A site where antennae, electronic communications equipment and power are placed on a utility pole, street light pole or other structure that are generally 25 feet from the ground to create a cell with a smaller radius than that of a Cell Site. By reducing the distance between the antennae, electronic communication equipment and mobile user equipment, small cells can transport data at faster speeds than from a Cell Site. Small cells are connected the cellular network by fiber to a close Cell Site.

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Success-Based Capex: Gross capital expenditures related to installing existing or anticipated contractual customer service orders. Does not include capital expenditures related to integration, maintenance, and other, such as IT-related capex.

Switch: A switch is an electronic device that selects the path that voice, data, and Internet traffic take or use on a network.

Tower: A free standing tower made of steel generally 200 to 400 feet above the ground with a triangular base and three to four sides built on leased parcels of land. Most towers can accommodate Multiple Cell Sites (and multiple tenants).

Transport: A telecommunication service to move data, Internet, voice, video, or wireless traffic from one location to another.

Wavelength: A channel of light that carries telecommunications traffic through the process of wavelength division multiplexing.