



#### First Quarter 2019 Results

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# Executing on 2019 strategic priorities

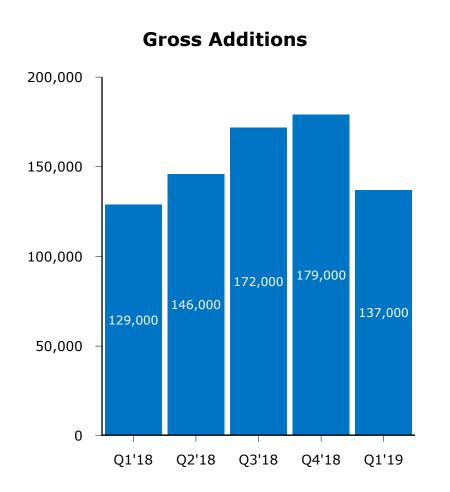


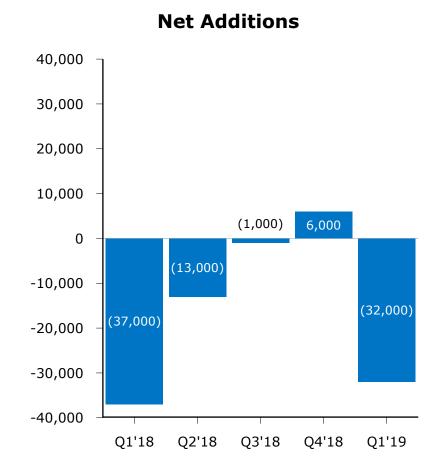
- Attract new customers and strengthen our base
  - Improved subscriber results
  - Postpaid handset churn remained low at 0.99% in Q1
- Drive revenue growth
  - Operating revenues up 3%
    - 30% of postpaid customers on unlimited plans
    - Inbound roaming revenue up 22%
- Continue to drive improvements in cost structure
- Invest in network Invested \$102M in capital expenditures
  - Continuing investment in speed and capacity
  - Deploying VoLTE in remaining markets
  - Executing network modernization program to ready network for 5G technology
  - Planning footprint expansion into Northern Wisconsin and Sioux City, Iowa





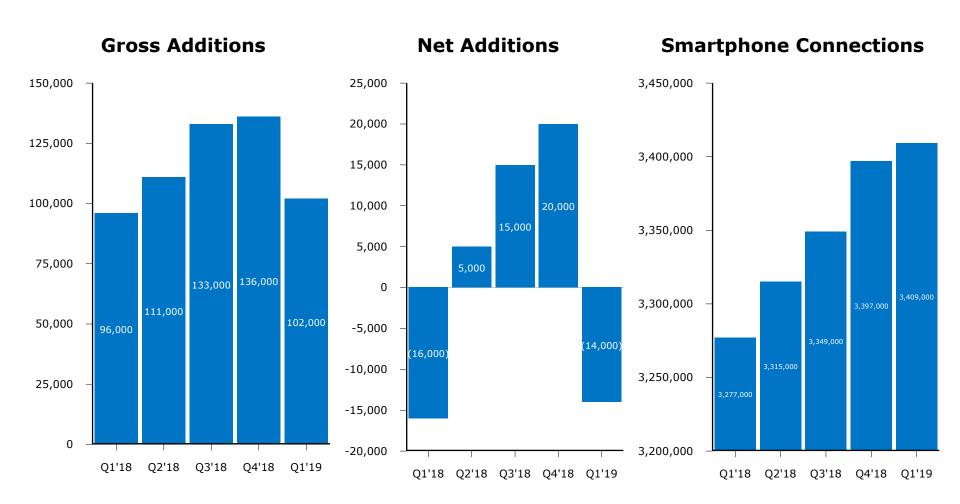






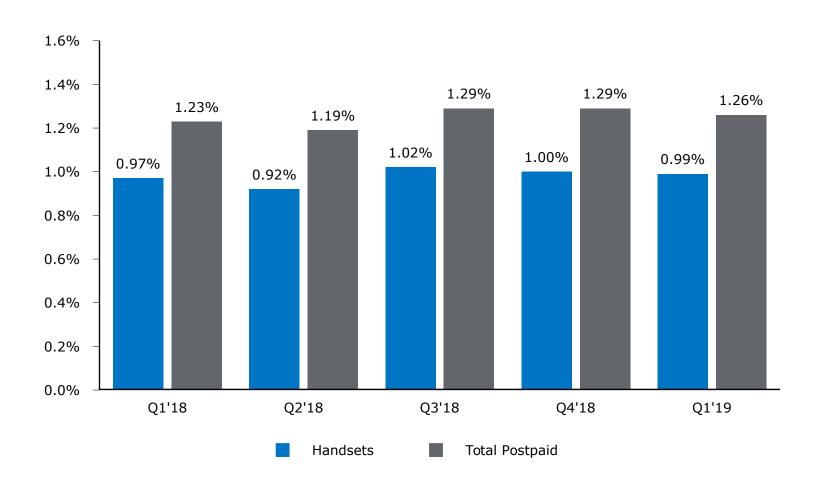






#### Postpaid churn rate

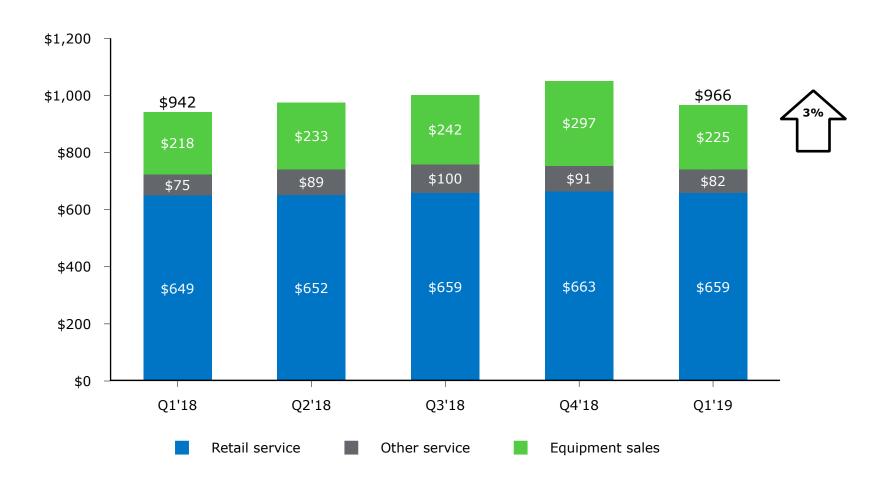




## Total operating revenues

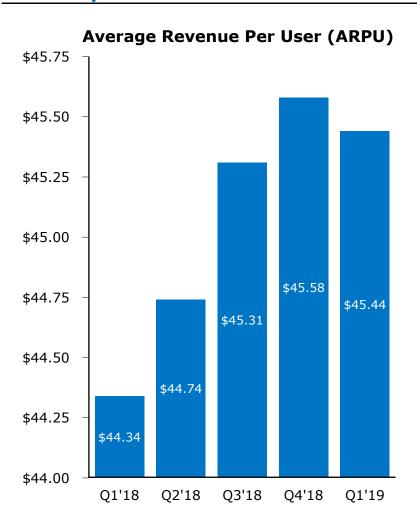


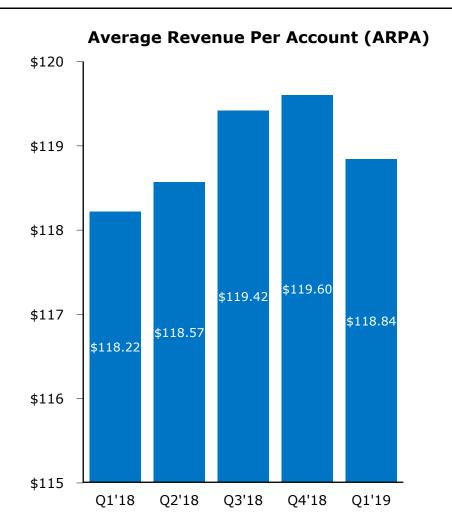
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#### Postpaid revenue







## Adjusted OIBDA



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	Q1'19		Q1'18	% Change	
Total operating revenues	\$ 966	\$	942	3 %	
System operations expense	176		179	(1)%	
Cost of equipment sold	233		219	7 %	
SG&A expenses	326		326	_	
Total cash expenses (1)	735		724	2 %	
Adjusted OIBDA (2)	\$ 231	\$	218	6 %	

## Adjusted EBITDA



(\$ in millions)				
	Q	1'19	Q1'18	% Change
Adjusted OIBDA (2)	\$	231	\$ 218	6%
Equity in earnings of unconsolidated entities		44	38	16%
Interest and dividend income		6	4	59%
Other, net		_	(1)	92%
Adjusted EBITDA (2)	\$	281	\$ 259	8%

## 2019 guidance \*



(\$ in millions)			
As of May 2, 2019	2018 Actual	2019 Previous Estimates	2019 Current Estimates
Total operating revenues	\$3,967	\$4,100-\$4,300	\$4,000-\$4,200**
Adjusted OIBDA (2)	\$790	\$725-\$875	Unchanged
Adjusted EBITDA (2)	\$963	\$900-\$1,050	Unchanged
Capital expenditures	\$515	\$625-\$725	Unchanged

<sup>\*</sup> There can be no assurance that final results will not differ materially from estimated results.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Change represents lower equipment sales revenues.





# Executing on 2019 strategic priorities



#### Wireline and Cable

- Intense focus on increasing broadband penetration
- Deploy Cloud TV platform TDS TV+

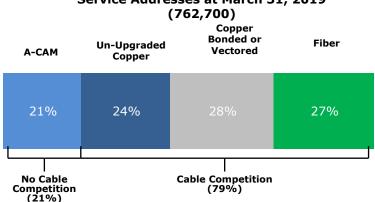
#### Wireline

Execute fiber program both in and out of the current ILEC footprint
Service Addresses at March 31, 2019

- Rural Broadband Deployment
  - A-CAM
  - State Broadband Grants
- Cost management

#### Cable

- Increase broadband penetration and ARPU
- Continue to evaluate potential acquisitions



## TDS Telecom operating performance



(\$ in millions)	Q1′19	Q1′18	% Change
Wireline	\$ 171	\$ 175	(3)%
Cable	60	55	8 %
Total operating revenues *	230	231	_
Cash expenses (1)	150	151	(1)%
Adjusted EBITDA (2)	83	81	2 %
Capital expenditures	\$ 42	\$ 40	5 %

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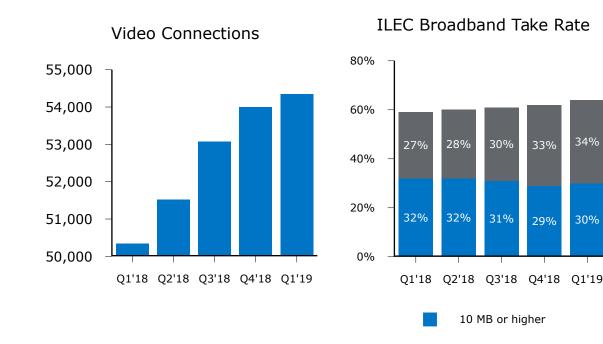
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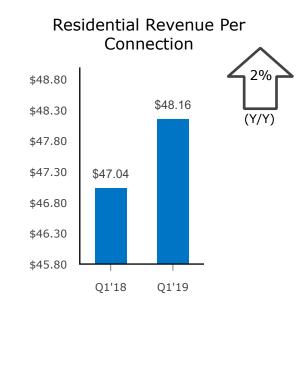
#### First quarter Wireline highlights



- Growth in video and broadband driving an increase in residential revenue per connection
  - Demand for higher speeds is strong
- Growth from fiber investments and A-CAM support helps to offset legacy revenue declines

50 MB or higher





#### First quarter fiber program update



- Investing over \$150 million in 2019 to deploy fiber in attractive markets
- Q1 Fiber-to-the-Home to 27% of Service Addresses (SA)
- Launched 2nd out-of-territory market
- Driving residential revenue growth

#### In ILEC Footprint

- Investing \$50 million in 2019 for 40,000 SA
  - Edge-out in current ILEC fiber markets
  - Additional ILEC fiber overbuilds in new markets

#### Out-of-Territory

- Trial market (Sun Prairie, WI) completed in 2018 (~10,000 SA)
- Investing \$100 million in 2019
  - Launching 6 Southern WI markets (~20,000 SA)
  - Targeting growing areas of Midcentral WI and other attractive areas later this year (~80,000 SA)

## Wireline operating performance

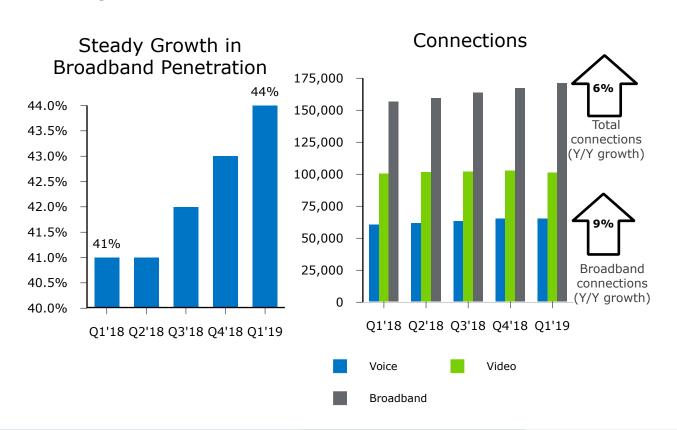


(\$ in millions)	Q1′19	Q1′18	% Change
Residential	\$ 81	\$ 80	1 %
Commercial	43	48	(9)%
Wholesale	46	47	(3)%
Total operating revenues	171	175	(3)%
Cash expenses (1)	110	112	(2)%
Adjusted EBITDA (2)	63	65	(3)%
Capital expenditures	\$ 29	\$ 29	2 %

#### First quarter Cable highlights



- Broadband connections increase 9%
- Revenues increase 8%
- Adjusted EBITDA increases 22%





## Cable operating performance



(\$ in millions)	Q	1′19	Q1′18	% Change
Residential	\$	49	\$ 46	8%
Commercial		10	10	8%
Total operating revenues		60	55	8%
Cash expenses (1)		40	39	3%
Adjusted EBITDA (2)		20	16	22%
Capital expenditures	\$	13	\$ 11	14%

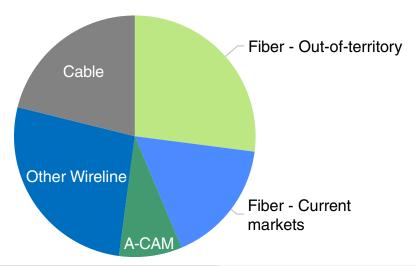
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## 2019 TDS Telecom guidance\*



(\$ in millions)			
As of May 2, 2019	2018 Actual	2019 Previous Estimates	2019 Current Estimates
Total operating revenues	\$927	\$900-\$950	Unchanged
Adjusted OIBDA (2)	\$303	\$280-\$310	Unchanged
Adjusted EBITDA (2)	\$313	\$290-\$320	Unchanged
Capital expenditures	\$232	\$300-\$350	Unchanged

#### 2019 Estimated Capital Expenditures



(2) - See slide 25 for explanation



# Appendix

#### Adjusted OIBDA and Adjusted EBITDA Reconciliation\*

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2019				Three Months Ended March 31, 2018					
(\$ in millions)	U.S. Cellular	Wireline	Cable	Total TDS Telecom	TDS <sup>(3)</sup>	U.S. Cellular	Wireline	Cable	Total TDS Telecom	TDS <sup>(3)</sup>
Net income (GAAP)	\$58	N/A	N/A	\$31	\$70	\$55	N/A	N/A	\$21	\$57
Add back:										
Income tax expense	27	N/A	N/A	10	34	22	N/A	N/A	6	24
Income (loss) before income taxes (GAAP)	85	38	3	40	104	77	28	(1)	27	81
Add back:										
Interest expense	29	(1)	_	_	43	29	_	_	_	43
Depreciation, amortization and accretion expense	169	34	17	50	227	159	37	17	54	221
EBITDA <sup>(2)</sup> (non-GAAP)	283	71	20	90	374	265	65	16	81	345
Add back:										
(Gain) loss on asset disposals, net	2	(7)	_	(7)	(5)	1	_	_	_	2
(Gain) loss on sale of business and other exit costs, net	(2)	_	_	_	(2)	_	_	_	_	_
(Gain) loss on license sales and exchanges, net	(2)				(2)	(7)			_	(7)
Adjusted EBITDA <sup>(2)</sup> (non-GAAP)	281	63	20	83	365	259	65	16	81	340
Deduct:										
Equity in earnings of unconsolidated entities	44	_	_	_	44	38	_	_	_	38
Interest and dividend income	6	3	_	3	9	4	1	_	1	5
Other, net			_	_	_	(1)	1		1	1
Adjusted OIBDA (2) (non-GAAP)	\$231	\$61	\$20	\$80	\$312	\$218	\$63	\$16	\$80	\$296

<sup>\*</sup> Numbers may not foot due to rounding

# Adjusted OIBDA and Adjusted EBITDA Reconciliation – 2019 Estimated and 2018 Full Year

In providing 2019 estimated results, TDS has not completed the below reconciliation to net income because it does not provide guidance for income taxes. TDS believes that the impact of income taxes cannot be reasonably predicted; therefore, the company is unable to provide such guidance.

	2019 Estimated Results			Actual Results	per 31, 2018	
(Dollars in millions)	U.S. Cellular	TDS Telecom	TDS <sup>(3)</sup>	U.S. Cellular	TDS Telecom	TDS <sup>(3)</sup>
Net income (GAAP)	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$164	\$89	\$175
Add back:						
Income tax expense (benefit)	N/A	N/A	N/A	51	16	46
Income before income taxes (GAAP)	\$70-\$220	\$85-\$115	\$60-\$240	\$215	\$105	\$221
Add back:						
Interest expense	115	_	175	116	(2)	172
Depreciation, amortization and accretion	700	205	935	640	212	883
EBITDA (2) (non-GAAP)	\$885-\$1,035	\$290-\$320	\$1,170-\$1,350	\$971	\$315	\$1,276
Add back:						
(Gain) loss on asset disposals, net	15	_	15	10	(2)	9
(Gain) loss on license sales and exchanges, net		_		(18)		(18)
Adjusted EBITDA (2) (non-GAAP)	\$900-\$1,050	\$290-\$320	\$1,185-\$1,365	\$963	\$313	\$1,267
Deduct:						
Equity in earnings of unconsolidated entities	155	_	155	159	_	160
Interest and dividend income	20	10	30	15	8	26
Other, net		_	_	(1)	2	2
Adjusted OIBDA (2) (non-GAAP)	\$725-\$875	\$280-\$310	\$1,000-\$1,180	\$790	\$303	\$1,079

- 1) Total cash expenses represent total operating expenses as shown in the Consolidated Statement of Operations Highlights in the TDS and U.S. Cellular SEC Forms 8-K, less depreciation, amortization and accretion and gain/losses.
- 2) EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted OIBDA are defined as net income adjusted for the items set forth in the reconciliation on slides 23 and 24. EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted OIBDA are not measures of financial performance under Generally Accepted Accounting Principles in the United States (GAAP) and should not be considered as alternatives to Net income or Cash flows from operating activities, as indicators of cash flows or as measures of liquidity. TDS and U.S. Cellular do not intend to imply that any such items set forth in the reconciliations on slides 23 and 24 are non-recurring, infrequent or unusual; such items may occur in the future. Management uses Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted OIBDA as measurements of profitability, and therefore reconciliations to Net income are deemed appropriate. Management believes Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted OIBDA are useful measures of TDS' and U.S. Cellular's operating results before significant recurring non-cash charges, gains and losses, and other items as presented above as they provide additional relevant and useful information to investors and other users of TDS' and U.S. Cellular's financial data in evaluating the effectiveness of its operations and underlying business trends in a manner that is consistent with management's evaluation of business performance. Adjusted EBITDA shows adjusted earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation, amortization and accretion, and gains and losses, while Adjusted OIBDA reduces this measure further to exclude Equity in earnings of unconsolidated entities and Interest and dividend income in order to more effectively show the performance of operating activities excluding investment activities. The tables on slide 23 and 24 reconciles EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted OIBDA flow to the corresponding GAAP measure, Net income or Income (loss) before income taxes. Additional information and reconciliations related to Non-GAAP financial measures for March 31, 2019, can be found on TDS' and U.S. Cellular's website at investors.tdsinc.com or investors.uscellular.com.
- 3) The TDS column includes U.S. Cellular, TDS Telecom and also the impacts of consolidating eliminations, corporate operations and non-reportable segments.