

As previously announced, TDS will hold a teleconference May 3, 2019, at 9:00 a.m. CDT. Listen to the call live via the Events & Presentations page of <a href="investors.tdsinc.com">investors.tdsinc.com</a>.

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### **TDS reports first quarter 2019 results**

CHICAGO (May 2, 2019) — Telephone and Data Systems, Inc. (NYSE:TDS) reported total operating revenues of \$1,257 million for the first quarter of 2019, versus \$1,225 million for the same period one year ago. Net income attributable to TDS shareholders and related diluted earnings per share were \$59 million and \$0.50, respectively, for the first quarter of 2019 compared to \$39 million and \$0.34, respectively, in the same period one year ago.

"The TDS family of companies made a strong start to 2019," said LeRoy T. Carlson, Jr., TDS President and CEO. "U.S. Cellular improved customer results, grew revenues and increased profitability. TDS Telecom increased profitability, grew broadband penetration and expanded fiber deployment.

"U.S. Cellular increased postpaid handset gross additions and achieved impressive postpaid handset churn. Greater customer adoption of Unlimited Plans increased customer satisfaction and generated higher average revenue per user. Continued growth in additional revenue sources, such as roaming from other carriers, combined with U.S. Cellular's diligent focus on cost management resulted in an increase in profitability.

"At TDS Telecom we are pleased with the success of our fiber expansion growth in strategic markets, and we look forward to further expanding our out-of-territory markets to growing areas in Wisconsin and other attractive areas later this year. Cable operations achieved strong growth in broadband connections, generating both higher cable revenues and Adjusted EBITDA. We are on-plan to meet the increased data speed obligations under the Alternative Connect America Cost model (A-CAM). We are very pleased to accept the FCC's additional funding for A-CAM, offered to TDS Telecom earlier this past quarter. This additional support will further TDS Telecom's capacity and commitment to provide higher broadband speeds to more of our most rural customers."

### 2019 Estimated Results

TDS' current estimates of full-year 2019 results for U.S. Cellular, TDS Telecom, and TDS are shown below. Such estimates represent management's view as of May 2, 2019. Such forward-looking statements should not be assumed to be current as of any future date. TDS undertakes no duty to update such information, whether as a result of new information, future events, or otherwise. There can be no assurance that final results will not differ materially from estimated results.

### 2019 Estimated Results

	U.S. C	ellular	TDS Tele	TDS (1)			
	Previous	Current	Previous	Current	Previous	Current	
(Dollars in millions)							
Total operating revenues	\$4,100-\$4,300	\$4,000-\$4,200*	\$900-\$950	Unchanged	\$5,225-\$5,475	\$5,125-\$5,375	
Adjusted OIBDA (2)	\$725-\$875	Unchanged	\$280-\$310	Unchanged	\$1,000-\$1,180	Unchanged	
Adjusted EBITDA (2)	\$900-\$1,050	Unchanged	\$290-\$320	Unchanged	\$1,185-\$1,365	Unchanged	
Capital expenditures	\$625-\$725	Unchanged	\$300-\$350	Unchanged	\$940-\$1,090	Unchanged	

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

The following tables provide reconciliations of Net income to Adjusted OIBDA and Adjusted EBITDA for 2019 estimated results, actual results for the three months ended March 31, 2019, and actual results for the year ended December 31, 2018. In providing 2019 estimated results, TDS has not completed the below reconciliation to Net income because it does not provide guidance for income taxes. Although potentially significant, TDS believes that the impact of income taxes cannot be reasonably predicted; therefore, TDS is unable to provide such guidance.

### 2019 Estimated Results

	U.S. Cellular	<b>TDS Telecom</b>	TDS (1)
(Dollars in millions)			
Net income (GAAP)	N/A	N/A	N/A
Add back:			
Income tax expense (benefit)	N/A	N/A	N/A
Income before income taxes (GAAP)	\$70-\$220	\$85-\$115	\$60-\$240
Add back:			
Interest expense	115	_	175
Depreciation, amortization and accretion expense	700	205	935
EBITDA (Non-GAAP) (2)	\$885-\$1,035	\$290-\$320	\$1,170-\$1,350
Add back or deduct:			
(Gain) loss on asset disposals, net	15		15
Adjusted EBITDA (Non-GAAP) (2)	\$900-\$1,050	\$290-\$320	\$1,185-\$1,365
Deduct:			
Equity in earnings of unconsolidated entities	155	_	155
Interest and dividend income	20	10	30
Adjusted OIBDA (Non-GAAP) (2)	\$725-\$875	\$280-\$310	\$1,000-\$1,180

### **Actual Results**

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2019							Year Ended December 31, 2018					
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(Dollars in millions)													
Net income (GAAP)	\$	58	\$	31	\$	70	\$	164	\$	89	\$	175	
Add back or deduct:													
Income tax expense		27		10		34		51		16		46	
Income before income taxes (GAAP)	\$	85	\$	40	\$	104	\$	215	\$	105	\$	221	
Add back:													
Interest expense		29		_		43		116		(2)		172	
Depreciation, amortization and accretion expense		169		50		227		640		212		883	
EBITDA (Non-GAAP) (2)	\$	283	\$	90	\$	374	\$	971	\$	315	\$	1,276	
Add back or deduct:													
(Gain) loss on asset disposals, net		2		(7)		(5)		10		(2)		9	
(Gain) loss on sale of business and other exit costs, net		(2)		_		(2)		_		_		_	
(Gain) loss on license sales and exchanges, net		(2)		_		(2)		(18)		_		(18)	
Adjusted EBITDA (Non-GAAP) (2)	\$	281	\$	83	\$	365	\$	963	\$	313	\$	1,267	
Deduct:													
Equity in earnings of unconsolidated entities		44		_		44		159		_		160	
Interest and dividend income		6		3		9		15		8		26	
Other, net		_		_		_		(1)		2		2	
Adjusted OIBDA (Non-GAAP) (2)	\$	231	\$	80	\$	312	\$	790	\$	303	\$	1,079	

- (1) The TDS column includes U.S. Cellular, TDS Telecom and also the impacts of consolidating eliminations, corporate operations and non-reportable segments.
- (2) EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted OIBDA are defined as net income adjusted for the items set forth in the reconciliation above. 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 does not intend to imply that any such items set forth in the reconciliation above 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' 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' 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 table above reconciles EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted OIBDA 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' website at investors.tdsinc.com.

### **Conference Call Information**

TDS will hold a conference call on May 3, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. Central Time.

- Access the live call on the Events & Presentations page of <u>investors.tdsinc.com</u> or at <u>https://www.webcaster4.com/Webcast/Page/1145/30427.</u>
- Access the call by phone at 877-273-7192 (US/Canada), conference ID: 7998799.

Before the call, certain financial and statistical information to be discussed during the call will be posted to <u>investors.tdsinc.com</u>. The call will be archived on the Events & Presentations page of <u>investors.tdsinc.com</u>.

### About TDS

Telephone and Data Systems, Inc. (TDS), a Fortune 1000® company, provides wireless; cable and wireline broadband, TV and voice; and hosted and managed services to approximately 6 million connections nationwide through its businesses, U.S. Cellular, TDS Telecom, BendBroadband and OneNeck IT Solutions. Founded in 1969 and headquartered in Chicago, TDS employed 9,400 people as of March 31, 2019.

Visit investors.tdsinc.com for comprehensive financial information, including earnings releases, quarterly and annual filings, shareholder information and more.

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For more information about TDS and its subsidiaries, visit:

TDS: www.tdsinc.com

U.S. Cellular: <a href="www.uscellular.com">www.uscellular.com</a>
TDS Telecom: <a href="www.tdstelecom.com">www.tdstelecom.com</a>
OneNeck IT Solutions: <a href="www.oneneck.com">www.oneneck.com</a>

## United States Cellular Corporation Summary Operating Data (Unaudited)

As of or for the Quarter Ended	3	/31/2019	1	2/31/2018	ç	9/30/2018	6	6/30/2018	3	3/31/2018
Retail Connections										
Postpaid										
Total at end of period	4	,440,000	4	4,472,000		4,466,000		4,468,000		4,481,000
Gross additions		137,000		179,000		172,000		146,000		129,000
Feature phones		4,000		4,000		3,000		5,000		5,000
Smartphones		98,000		132,000		130,000		106,000		91,000
Connected devices		35,000		43,000		39,000		35,000		33,000
Net additions (losses)		(32,000)		6,000		(1,000)		(13,000)		(37,000)
Feature phones		(13,000)		(11,000)		(14,000)		(12,000)		(15,000)
Smartphones		(1,000)		31,000		29,000		17,000		(1,000)
Connected devices		(18,000)		(14,000)		(16,000)		(18,000)		(21,000)
ARPU (1)	\$	45.44	\$	45.58	\$	45.31	\$	44.74	\$	44.34
ARPA (2)	\$	118.84	\$	119.60	\$	119.42	\$	118.57	\$	118.22
Churn rate (3)		1.26%		1.29%		1.29%		1.19%		1.23%
Handsets		0.99%		1.00%		1.02%		0.92%		0.97%
Connected devices		3.08%		3.20%		3.04%		2.85%		2.79%
Prepaid										
Total at end of period		503,000		516,000		528,000		527,000		525,000
Gross additions		61,000		66,000		80,000		78,000		88,000
Net additions (losses)		(13,000)		(12,000)		1,000		2,000		6,000
ARPU (1)	\$	33.44	\$	32.80	\$	32.09	\$	32.32	\$	31.78
Churn rate (3)		4.92%		4.98%		4.98%		4.83%		5.27%
Total connections at end of period (4)	4	,995,000	;	5,041,000	,	5,050,000		5,051,000		5,063,000
Market penetration at end of period										
Consolidated operating population	31	,310,000	3	1,469,000	3	1,469,000	3	1,469,000	3	1,469,000
Consolidated operating penetration (5)		16%		16%		16%		16%		16%
Capital expenditures (millions)	\$	102	\$	242	\$	118	\$	86	\$	70
Total cell sites in service		6,537		6,531		6,506		6,478		6,473
Owned towers		4,106		4,129		4,119		4,105		4,099

- (1) Average Revenue Per User (ARPU) metric is calculated by dividing a revenue base by an average number of connections and by the number of months in the period. These revenue bases and connection populations are shown below:
  - Postpaid ARPU consists of total postpaid service revenues and postpaid connections.
  - Prepaid ARPU consists of total prepaid service revenues and prepaid connections.
- (2) Average Revenue Per Account (ARPA) metric is calculated by dividing total postpaid service revenues by the average number of postpaid accounts and by the number of months in the period.
- (3) Churn rate represents the percentage of the connections that disconnect service each month. These rates represent the average monthly churn rate for each respective period.
- (4) Includes reseller and other connections.
- (5) Market penetration is calculated by dividing the number of wireless connections at the end of the period by the total population of consolidated operating markets as estimated by Nielsen.

### TDS Telecom Summary Operating Data (Unaudited)

As of or for the Quarter Ended	3/31/2019	12	2/31/2018	9/30/2018	6/30/2018	3/31/2018
DS Telecom						
<u>Vireline</u>						
Residential connections						
Voice (1)	271,100		274,100	278,400	282,200	286,00
Broadband (2)	236,100		235,400	237,100	234,300	230,50
Video (3)	54,300		54,000	53,100	51,500	50,30
Wireline residential connections	561,500		563,500	568,600	568,000	566,90
Total residential revenue per connection (4)	\$ 48.16	\$	47.39	\$ 47.30	\$ 47.22	\$ 47.0
Commercial connections						
Voice (1)	127,300		130,500	134,000	137,300	140,10
Broadband (2)	20,400		20,600	20,700	20,600	20,60
managedIP (5)	132,000		134,000	138,000	141,400	143,00
Video (3)	400		400	400	400	40
Wireline commercial connections	280,100		285,400	293,100	299,600	304,00
Total Wireline connections	841,500		848,900	861,700	867,700	870,90
<u>Cable</u>						
Cable Connections						
Broadband (6)	171,100		167,400	163,600	159,400	156,80
Video (7)	101,400		102,900	102,100	101,600	100,70
Voice (8)	65,400		65,200	63,600	62,000	60,60
managedIP (5)	1,100		1,000	700	700	60
Cable connections	339,000		336,500	330,100	323,700	318,70

Numbers may not foot due to rounding.

- (1) The individual circuits connecting a customer to Wireline's central office facilities.
- (2) The number of Wireline customers provided high-capacity data circuits via various technologies, including DSL and dedicated internet circuit technologies.
- (3) The number of Wireline customers provided video services.
- (4) Total residential revenue per connection is calculated by dividing total Wireline residential revenue by the average number of Wireline residential connections and by the number of months in the period.
- (5) The number of telephone handsets, data lines and IP trunks providing communications using IP networking technology.
- (6) Billable number of lines into a building for high-speed data services.
- (7) Generally, a home or business receiving video programming counts as one video connection. In counting bulk residential or commercial connections, such as an apartment building or hotel, connections are counted based on the number of units/rooms within the building receiving service.
- (8) Billable number of lines into a building for voice services.

## TDS Telecom Capital Expenditures (Unaudited)

Quarter Ended	3/31	/2019	12/	31/2018	9	9/30/2018	6	3/30/2018	3	/31/2018
(Dollars in millions)										
Wireline	\$	29	\$	73	\$	41	\$	33	\$	29
Cable		13		19		13		13		11
Total TDS Telecom	\$	42	\$	91	\$	54	\$	46	\$	40

## Telephone and Data Systems, Inc. Consolidated Statement of Operations Highlights (Unaudited)

Three Months Ended

2019 vs. 2018
3 %
-
16 %
3 %
2 %
6 %
55 %
N/M
69 %
3 %
(1)%
(7)%
N/M
(6)%
10 %
(3)%
N/M
8 %
2 %
(1)%
47 9
29 %
18 %
16 %
60 %
_
(55)%
N/M
29 %
41 %
24 %
(40)%
53 %
2 %
49 %
3 %

N/M - Percentage change not meaningful.

<sup>(1)</sup> Consists of TDS corporate, intercompany eliminations and all other business operations not included in the U.S. Cellular and TDS Telecom segments.

# Telephone and Data Systems, Inc. Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows (Unaudited)

		s Ended 31,	
	2019		2018
(Dollars in millions)			
Cash flows from operating activities			
Net income	\$	70 \$	57
Add (deduct) adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash flows from operating activities			
Depreciation, amortization and accretion	2	27	221
Bad debts expense		25	20
Stock-based compensation expense		13	10
Deferred income taxes, net		25	26
Equity in earnings of unconsolidated entities	<del>-</del>	44)	(38)
Distributions from unconsolidated entities		19	17
(Gain) loss on asset disposals, net		(5)	2
(Gain) loss on sale of business and other exit costs, net		(2)	_
(Gain) loss on license sales and exchanges, net		(2)	(7)
Noncash interest		1	1
Changes in assets and liabilities from operations			
Accounts receivable		28	77
Equipment installment plans receivable		10)	(17)
Inventory	-	15)	(8)
Accounts payable		46	(32)
Customer deposits and deferred revenues		5	(28)
Accrued taxes		9	(24)
Accrued interest		11	11
Other assets and liabilities		<u>74)                                    </u>	(74)
Net cash provided by operating activities	3	27	214
Cash flows from investing activities			
Cash paid for additions to property, plant and equipment	(1	55)	(131)
Cash paid for acquisitions and licenses		(1)	(9)
Cash received from investments		2	100
Cash paid for investments		(1)	_
Cash received from divestitures and exchanges		31	4
Advance payments for license acquisitions	(1	<u>35)</u> _	_
Net cash used in investing activities	(2	59)	(36)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Repayment of long-term debt		(5)	(5)
TDS Common Shares reissued for benefit plans, net of tax payments		(3)	9
U.S. Cellular Common Shares reissued for benefit plans, net of tax payments		(1)	2
Dividends paid to TDS shareholders	(	19)	(18)
Distributions to noncontrolling interests		(1)	_
Other financing activities			(5)
Net cash used in financing activities	(	29)	(17)
Net increase in cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash		39	161
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash			
Beginning of period	9	27	622
End of period	\$ 9	66 \$	783

# Telephone and Data Systems, Inc. Consolidated Balance Sheet Highlights (Unaudited)

### **ASSETS**

		1 31, 2019 <sup>(1)</sup>	December 31, 2018		
(Dollars in millions)					
Current assets					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	959	\$	921	
Short-term investments		17		17	
Accounts receivable		1,067		1,099	
Inventory, net		165		150	
Prepaid expenses		91		103	
Income taxes receivable		8		12	
Other current assets		28		28	
Total current assets		2,335		2,330	
Assets held for sale		_		54	
Licenses		2,222		2,195	
Goodwill		509		509	
Other intangible assets, net		247		253	
Investments in unconsolidated entities		507		480	
Property, plant and equipment, net		3,282		3,346	
Operating lease right-of-use assets		965		_	
Other assets and deferred charges		720		616	
Total assets	\$	10,787	\$	9,783	

# Telephone and Data Systems, Inc. Consolidated Balance Sheet Highlights (Unaudited)

### **LIABILITIES AND EQUITY**

	March	31, 2019 (1)	December 31, 201		
(Dollars in millions, except per share amounts)					
Current liabilities					
Current portion of long-term debt	\$	21	\$	21	
Accounts payable		400		365	
Customer deposits and deferred revenues		203		197	
Accrued interest		22		11	
Accrued taxes		44		44	
Accrued compensation		73		127	
Short-term operating lease liabilities		110		_	
Other current liabilities		92		114	
Total current liabilities		965		879	
Liabilities held for sale		_		1	
Deferred liabilities and credits					
Deferred income tax liability, net		665		640	
Long-term operating lease liabilities		929		0 <del>4</del> 0	
Other deferred liabilities and credits		446		541	
Other deferred habilities and credits		440		J <del>+</del> 1	
Long-term debt, net		2,414		2,418	
Noncontrolling interests with redemption features		11		11	
Equity					
TDS shareholders' equity					
Series A Common and Common Shares, par value \$.01 per share		1		1	
Capital in excess of par value		2,442		2,432	
Treasury shares, at cost		(505)		(519)	
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(10)		(10)	
Retained earnings		2,683		2,656	
Total TDS shareholders' equity		4,611		4,560	
Noncontrolling interests		746		733	
Total equity		5,357		5,293	
Total liabilities and equity	\$	10,787	\$	9,783	

<sup>(1)</sup> As of January 1, 2019, TDS adopted the new lease accounting standard, ASC 842. Under this method, the new accounting standard is applied only to the most recent period presented. As a result, 2019 amounts include the impacts of ASC 842, but 2018 amounts remain as previously reported.

## Balance Sheet Highlights (Unaudited)

				M	arch 31, 2019				
	U.S.		TDS		TDS Corporate		Intercompany		TDS
	Cellular		Telecom		& Other	EI	iminations	Co	onsolidated
(Dollars in millions)									
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 648	\$	23	\$	288	\$	_	\$	959
Affiliated cash investments	_		476		_		(476)		_
	\$ 648	\$	499	\$	288	\$	(476)	\$	959
Licenses, goodwill and other intangible assets	\$ 2,213	\$	749	\$	16	\$	_	\$	2,978
Investment in unconsolidated entities	468		4		45		(10)		507
	\$ 2,681	\$	753	\$	61	\$	(10)	\$	3,485
Property, plant and equipment, net	\$ 2,137	\$	1,021	\$	124	\$		\$	3,282
Long-term debt, net:									
Current portion	\$ 19	\$	1	\$	1	\$	_	\$	21
Non-current portion	1,601		2		811		_		2,414
	\$ 1,620	\$	3	\$	812	\$	_	\$	2,435
				_				_	

## TDS Telecom Highlights (Unaudited)

**Three Months Ended** 

		March 31,				
	20	)19	2018	2019 vs. 2018		
(Dollars in millions)						
Wireline						
Operating revenues						
Residential	\$	81	\$ 80	1 %		
Commercial		43	48	(9)9		
Wholesale		46	47	(3)9		
Total service revenues		170	175	(3)9		
Equipment and product sales		_	_	(18)9		
		171	175	(3)9		
Operating expenses				•		
Cost of services		63	65	(3)9		
Cost of equipment and products		_	_	(24)		
Selling, general and administrative expenses		47	47	-		
Expenses excluding depreciation, amortization and accretion		110	112	(2)		
Depreciation, amortization and accretion		34	37	(9)		
(Gain) loss on asset disposals, net		(7)	_	N/N		
		136	149	(9)9		
Operating income	\$	34	\$ 26	31 9		
Cable						
Operating revenues						
Residential	\$	49	\$ 46	8 9		
Commercial		10	10	8 9		
		60	55	8 9		
Operating expenses						
Cost of services		26	26	-		
Selling, general and administrative expenses		14	13	7 9		
Expenses excluding depreciation, amortization and accretion		40	39	3 9		
Depreciation, amortization and accretion		17	17	(2)		
		57	57	1 9		
Operating income (loss)	\$	2	\$ (1)	N/M		
Total TDS Telecom operating income	\$	37	\$ 25	47 9		

N/M - Percentage change not meaningful.

### Telephone and Data Systems, Inc. Financial Measures and Reconciliations

### **Free Cash Flow**

	 Three Months Ended March 31,			
	2019		2018	
(Dollars in millions)				
Cash flows from operating activities (GAAP)	\$ 327	\$	214	
Less: Cash paid for additions to property, plant and equipment	155		131	
Free cash flow (Non-GAAP) (1)	\$ 172	\$	83	

<sup>(1)</sup> Free cash flow is a non-GAAP financial measure which TDS believes may be useful to investors and other users of its financial information in evaluating liquidity, specifically, the amount of net cash generated by business operations after deducting Cash paid for additions to property, plant and equipment.