







## Interim Report

1 January – 31 March 2015

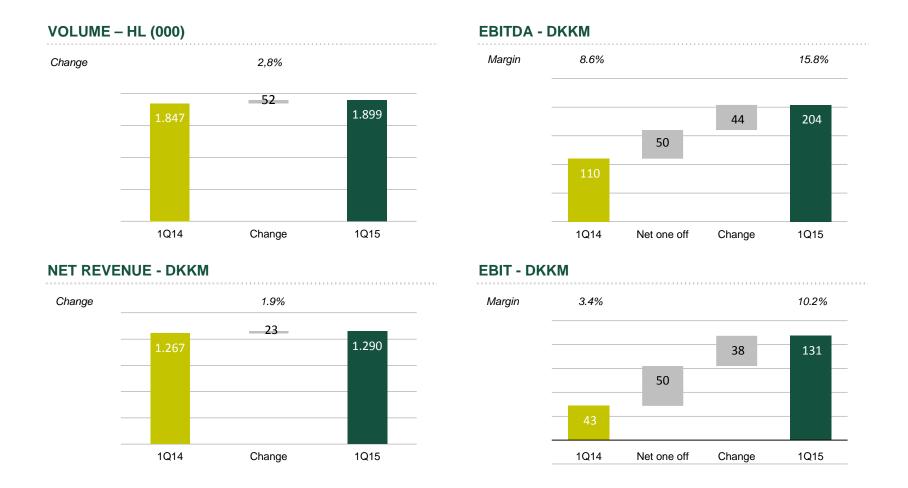


## Performance in line with expectations

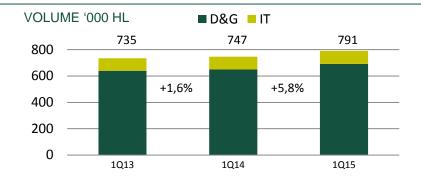
- Market positions generally maintained
- Volume increase of 3%, significantly driven by early Easter
- Net revenue for the quarter was DKK 1.290m an increase of 2%
- EBIT of DKK 131m an increase of DKK 88m or DKK 38m before one-off restructuring costs of DKK 50m in Q1 2014
- Free cash flow of DKK -122m
- Outlook 2015 confirmed

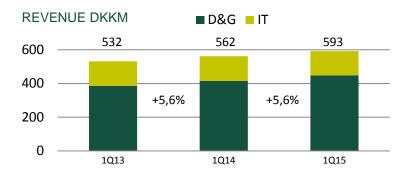


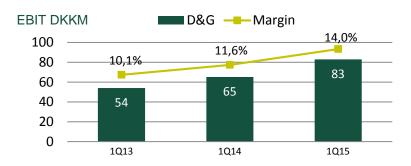
# Easter, one-off and full year effect from reorganization improves result



## Western Europe – revenue & earnings growth significantly driven by early Easter



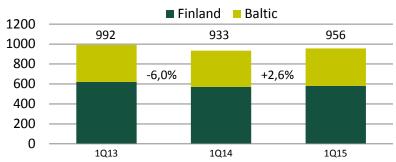




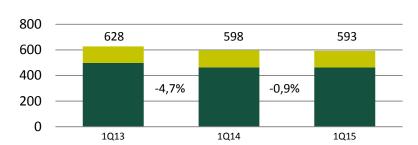
- Denmark and Germany market position maintained. Significant positive early Easter effect
- Continued shift from non-branded products towards branded segment.
- Italy, overall beer consumption declining.
  Excise increased January 1 2015
- Super-premium and premium beer segment slightly declining. Market position maintained.
- Commercial initiatives focus on value creation, commercial execution, innovation, brand building, consumer activation, and strengthened route-to-market

## Baltic Sea – significant earnings increase on early Easter and efficiencies



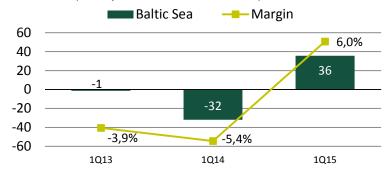


REVENUE DKKM (2013 pro forma – incl. Hartwall)



■ Finland ■ Baltic

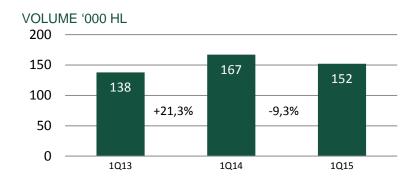
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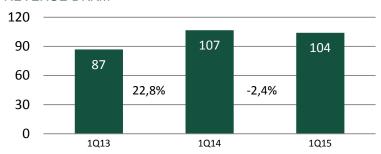
- Finland continued pressure on consumer confidence from unfavorable macroeconomics.
- Deflationary environment.
- Declining overall consumption in On-Trade as well as Off-trade. Positive Easter effect is phasing.
- Market share maintained
- Commercial agenda in multi-year progress.
  Efficiency drive from structural to continuous improvements
- Baltic consumption positive macro economy, however, still high unemployment.
   Consumers still cautious
- Positive Easter effect is phasing.
- General price reduction on beer y/y.
- Market position maintained.



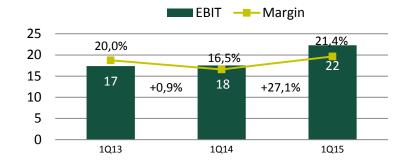
### Malt Beverages and Export – development in line with plans







#### **EBIT DKKM**



- Growth potential maintained in spite of difficult macroeconomic and FX situation in some emerging markets.
- Good results of expanded product offerings
- Commercial initiatives leverage on existing markets and distributors. Marketing investment continues as planned. Focus on brand building and positions.
- Mid-term guidance unchanged

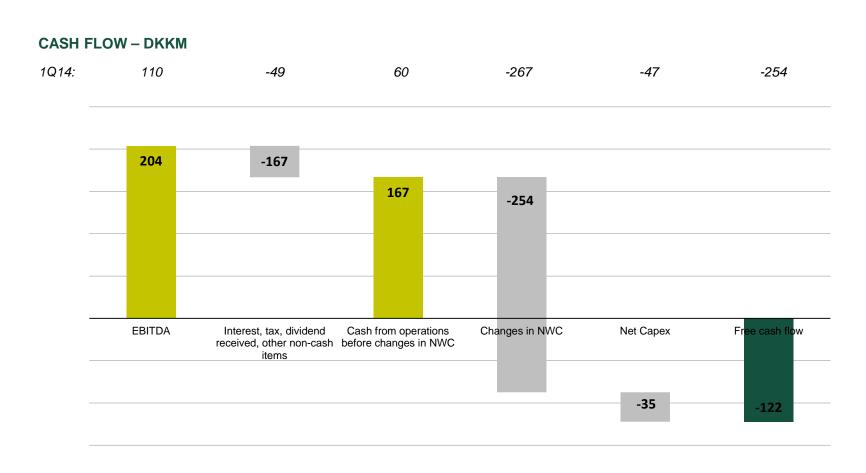


## Improved financial performance - as expected

DKKM	1Q15	1Q2014	Change	FY2014
P&L ITEMS:				
Net revenue	1,290	1,267	24	6,056
Gross margin	51.0%	50.0%	2.1%	52.0%
EBIT	131	43	88	826
EBIT margin	10.2%	3,4%	300%	13,6%
Profit before tax	119	20	99	801
Consolidated profit	92	14	79	624
BALANCE SHEET ITEMS:				
Net interest bearing debt	1,710	2,638	-929	1,553
Net working capital	-555	-567	12	-814
Total assets	6,768	6,995	99	7,024
Equity	2,900	2,157	744	2,818
Equity ratio	42.9%	30,8%	39.0%	40,1%



## Free cash flow – improvement on increased activity





### Outlook 2015

DKKM	Outlook 2015	Realized 2014	Pro forma 2013*
Necessaria	5 000 0 400	0.050	0.050
Net revenue	5.900 – 6.100	6.056	6.050
EBITDA	1.100 – 1.200	1.130	1.015
EBIT	790 – 890	826	730



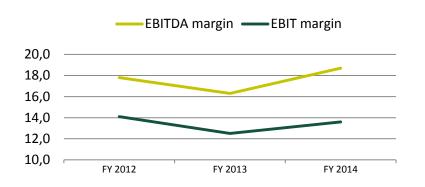
 $<sup>^{\</sup>star}$   $\,$  Including Hartwall full year 2013 excluding DKK 15m transaction cost.

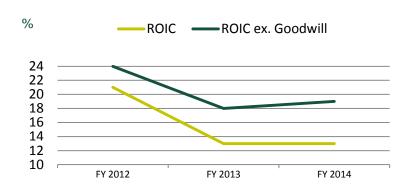


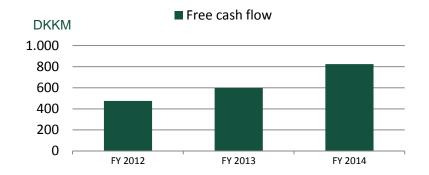
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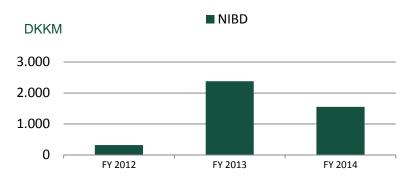


# FY 2014: Significant improvement in important key figures









## **Financial targets**

	August 2014 revised Targets	Post acquisition Targets**	Pre acquisition Targets*
Earnings	EBIT margin 14%	EBIT margin 13%	EBIT margin 14%
Equity ratio	Minimum 30%	Minimum 30%	Minimum 30%
NIBD/EBITDA	Maximum 2.5x	Maximum 2.5x	Maximum 2.5x

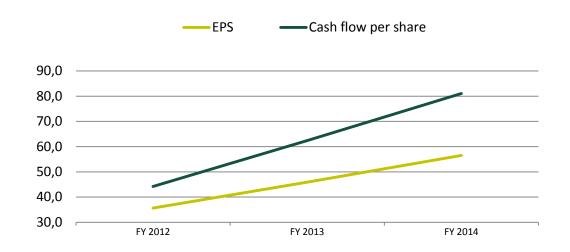
- Dividends and share buy-backs resumed in 2015 on accelerated debt reduction in 2014
- Dividends range 40-60% of the result



<sup>\*</sup> Basically no amortization

<sup>\*\*</sup> Amortization from the acquisition decreased EBIT-margin by appr. 50bp

### FY 2014: Shareholder distribution

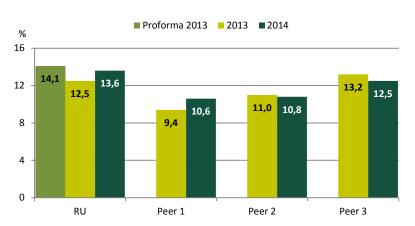


- Dividend of DKK 377m which is a record DKK 34 per share to be proposed on AGM
- A Share buy-back program under safe harbor worth DKK 350m initiated for a maximum of 12 month period
- Share buy-back as per 31.3.15: 26,450 shares bought at a total value of DKK 31m

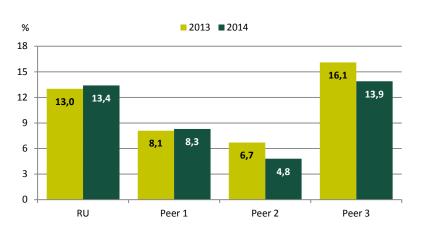


## FY 2014: Solid performance to peers\*

### **EBIT MARGIN (COMPARABLE REGION)**

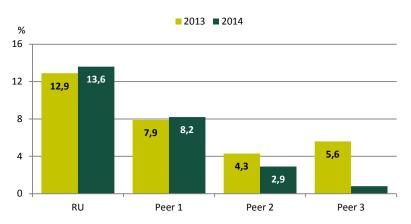


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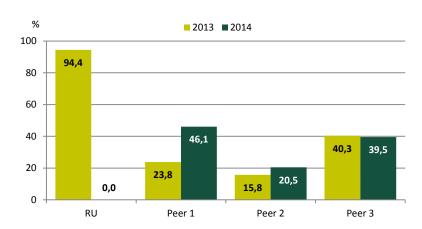


<sup>\*</sup> Based on FY2013 and FY2014 results on comparable basis

#### FREE CASH FLOW - % OF REVENUE



#### **CASH RETURN TO SHAREHOLDERS**





## Hartwall integration in good progress

## Strengthening Hartwall's position as a leading Finnish multi beverage company

- Increasing agility and customer/market orientated organization
  - Leadership & Organizational change in progress according to the Change Plan
- Improved efficiency
  - Continuous improvements following structural changes
- Focus on the commercial agenda and execution
  - Aim is to create a market leading beverage company in Finland

