



# Q2-FY2024 RESULTS EARNINGS CALL PRESENTATION

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Terms used	Definitions
Adjusted operating earnings before depreciation and amortization (Adjusted EBITDA)	Operating earnings before depreciation and amortization as well as restructuring and other costs (revenues) and impairment of assets.
Adjusted net earnings attributable to shareholders of the Corporation per share (Adjusted EPS)	Net earnings attributable to shareholders of the Corporation before restructuring and other costs (revenues), amortization of intangible assets arising from business combinations and impairment of assets, net of related income taxes divided by the weighted average number of shares outstanding.
Net indebtedness	Total of long-term debt, of current portion of long-term debt, of lease liabilities and of current portion of lease liabilities, less cash.
Net indebtedness ratio	Net indebtedness divided by the last 12 months' adjusted operating earnings before depreciation and amortization.



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## Q2-FY2024 HIGHLIGHTS

- ▶ Solid quarter in terms of profitability
- ▶ Best adj. EBITDA<sup>(1)</sup> in the Packaging Sector in its history
- ▶ Significant impact from cost reduction initiatives across the organization, including benefits from the profit improvement program announced in December 2023
- ▶ Favourable product mix supporting improved margins in both sectors
- ▶ Raising full year outlook to reflect strong year-to-date performance

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# Q2-FY2024 FINANCIAL RESULTS

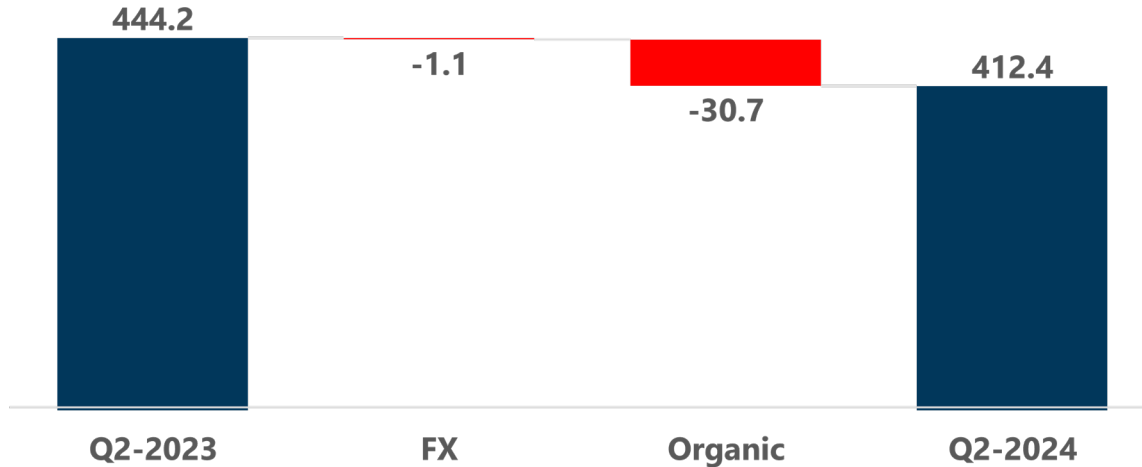
	Q2-FY2024	Q2-FY2023	Highlights
Revenues	\$683.2M	\$747.2M	▶ 8.6% decline due to lower volume
Adj. EBITDA <sup>(1)</sup>	\$110.1M	\$109.0M	▶ 1.0% improvement from cost reduction initiatives and favourable product mix, partially offset by lower volume
Adj. EPS <sup>(1)</sup>	\$0.52	\$0.45	▶ 15.6% increase from higher adjusted EBITDA, lower depreciation & amortization and lower financial expenses, partially offset by higher taxes
Net debt ratio <sup>(1)</sup>	2.00x	2.58x	▶ Strong cash flow from operating activities from last four quarters leading to a \$235.3M net debt reduction since Q2-FY2023 ▶ \$13.1M adj. EBITDA improvement in H1-FY2024

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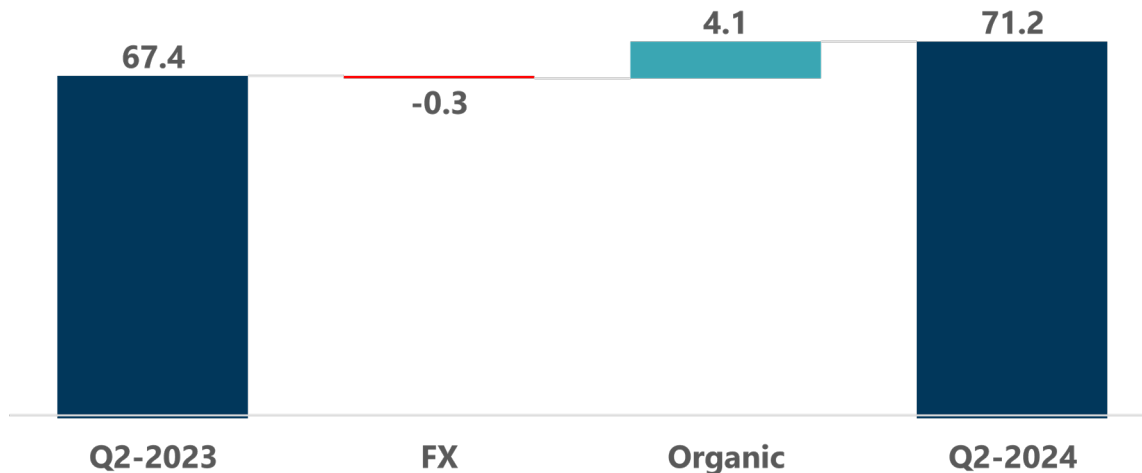
# Q2-2024 FINANCIAL RESULTS: PACKAGING

Revenues (\$M)



- 7.2% decrease mainly due to lower volume, especially in the medical market
- Starting to see improvement in demand in most end markets and expecting modest growth in second half of F2024

Adj. EBITDA<sup>(1)</sup> (\$M)



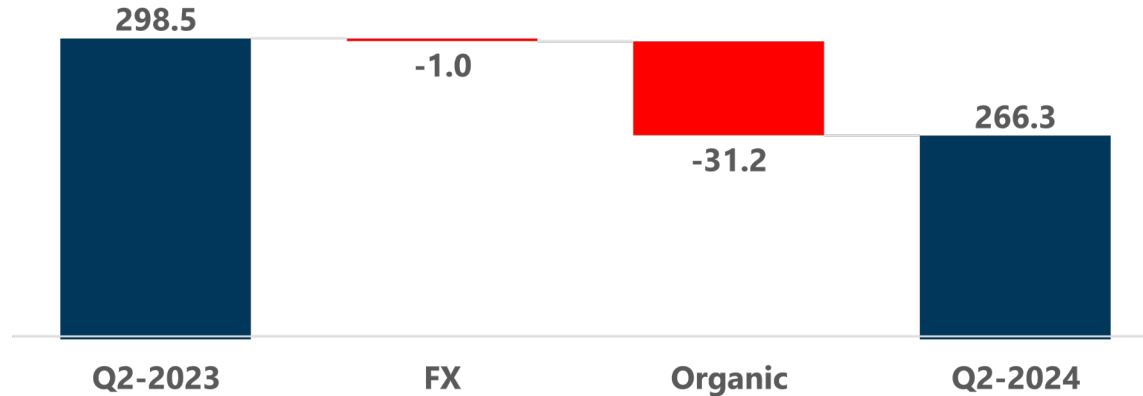
- 5.6% adj. EBITDA<sup>(1)</sup> growth from cost reduction initiatives and a favourable product mix
- Adj. EBITDA margin improved 210 bps to 17.3%

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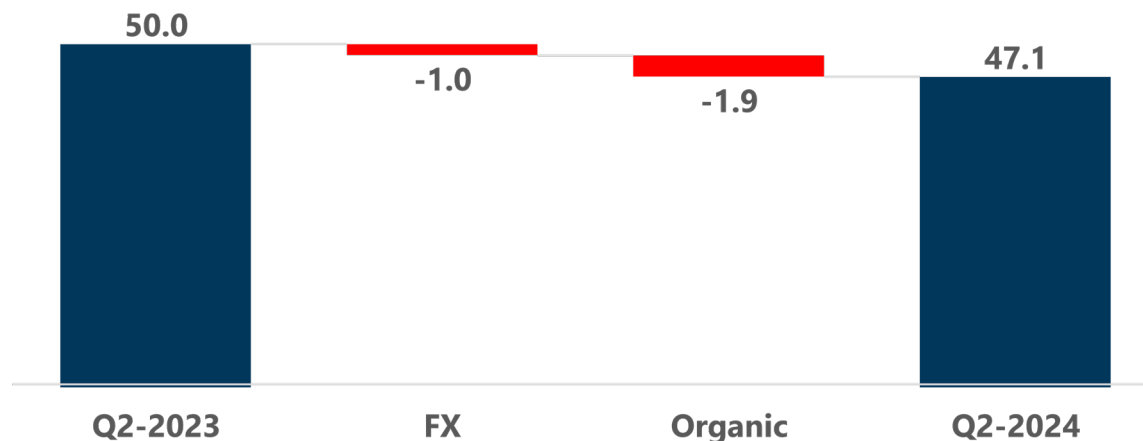
# Q2-2024 FINANCIAL RESULTS: RETAIL SERVICES & PRINTING

Revenues (\$M)



- Decrease mainly due to lower volume in magazine and book printing activities and impact from the end of Publisac in Québec
- Volume growth from in-store marketing (ISM) activities

Adj. EBITDA<sup>(1)</sup> (\$M)



- Significant cost reductions offsetting lower volume
- Adj. EBITDA margin improved 90 bps from cost reductions initiatives and positive impact of *raddar*<sup>TM</sup>

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# FY2024 OUTLOOK

Packaging

- ▶ Growth in adjusted EBITDA<sup>(1)</sup> in FY2024 versus FY2023 from cost reductions initiatives

Retail Services & Printing

- ▶ Stable adjusted EBITDA<sup>(1)</sup> as lower volumes in traditional activities expected to be offset by cost reduction initiatives, growth in ISM and roll-out of *raddar*<sup>TM</sup>

Consolidated

- ▶ Growth in adjusted EBITDA in FY2024 versus FY2023

Raising full year outlook to reflect strong year-to-date performance

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# APPENDIX



# RECONCILIATION OF NON-IFRS FINANCIAL MEASURES

## Reconciliation of operating earnings - Second quarter and cumulative

(in millions of dollars)	Three months ended		Six months ended	
	April 28, 2024	April 30, 2023	April 28, 2024	April 30, 2023
<b>Operating earnings</b>	<b>\$33.2</b>	\$43.8	<b>\$61.0</b>	\$58.8
Restructuring and other costs	16.0	3.8	27.3	12.0
Amortization of intangible assets arising from business combinations <sup>(1)</sup>	17.7	18.6	35.5	37.2
Impairment of assets	5.4	—	7.5	—
<b>Adjusted operating earnings</b>	<b>\$72.3</b>	\$66.2	<b>\$131.3</b>	\$108.0
Depreciation and amortization <sup>(2)</sup>	37.8	42.8	74.9	85.1
<b>Adjusted operating earnings before depreciation and amortization</b>	<b>\$110.1</b>	\$109.0	<b>\$206.2</b>	\$193.1

(1) Amortization of intangible assets arising from business combinations includes our customer relationships, non-compete agreements, rights of first refusal and educational book titles.

(2) Depreciation and amortization excludes the amortization of intangible assets arising from business combinations.

## Reconciliation of operating earnings - Second quarter and cumulative for the Packaging Sector

(in millions of dollars)	Three months ended		Six months ended	
	April 28, 2024	April 30, 2023	April 28, 2024	April 30, 2023
<b>Operating earnings</b>	<b>\$32.3</b>	\$26.5	<b>\$54.7</b>	\$30.7
Restructuring and other costs	3.7	1.9	7.3	5.9
Amortization of intangible assets arising from business combinations <sup>(1)</sup>	16.1	16.1	32.2	32.1
Impairment of assets	0.3	—	0.6	—
<b>Adjusted operating earnings</b>	<b>\$52.4</b>	\$44.5	<b>\$94.8</b>	\$68.7
Depreciation and amortization <sup>(2)</sup>	18.8	22.9	36.8	45.3
<b>Adjusted operating earnings before depreciation and amortization</b>	<b>\$71.2</b>	\$67.4	<b>\$131.6</b>	\$114.0

(1) Amortization of intangible assets arising from business combinations includes our customer relationships.

(2) Depreciation and amortization excludes the amortization of intangible assets arising from business combinations.



## RECONCILIATION OF NON-IFRS FINANCIAL MEASURES (CONT'D)

### Reconciliation of operating earnings - Second quarter and cumulative for the Retail Services and Printing Sector

	Three months ended		Six months ended	
(in millions of dollars)	April 28, 2024	April 30, 2023	April 28, 2024	April 30, 2023
<b>Operating earnings</b>	<b>\$16.7</b>	\$33.5	<b>\$34.3</b>	\$55.5
Restructuring and other costs	11.8	1.3	17.9	4.5
Amortization of intangible assets arising from business combinations <sup>(1)</sup>	1.0	2.0	2.3	4.1
Impairment of assets	5.1	—	6.9	—
<b>Adjusted operating earnings</b>	<b>\$34.6</b>	\$36.8	<b>\$61.4</b>	\$64.1
Depreciation and amortization <sup>(2)</sup>	12.5	13.2	25.2	26.5
<b>Adjusted operating earnings before depreciation and amortization</b>	<b>\$47.1</b>	\$50.0	<b>\$86.6</b>	\$90.6

(1) Amortization of intangible assets arising from business combinations includes our customer relationships.

(2) Depreciation and amortization excludes the amortization of intangible assets arising from business combinations.

### Reconciliation of operating earnings - Second quarter and cumulative for the Other Sector

	Three months ended		Six months ended	
(in millions of dollars)	April 28, 2024	April 30, 2023	April 28, 2024	April 30, 2023
<b>Operating earnings</b>	<b>(\$15.8)</b>	(\$16.2)	<b>(\$28.0)</b>	(\$27.4)
Restructuring and other costs	0.5	0.6	2.1	1.6
Amortization of intangible assets arising from business combinations <sup>(1)</sup>	0.6	0.5	1.0	1.0
<b>Adjusted operating earnings</b>	<b>(\$14.7)</b>	(\$15.1)	<b>(\$24.9)</b>	(\$24.8)
Depreciation and amortization <sup>(2)</sup>	6.5	6.7	12.9	13.3
<b>Adjusted operating earnings before depreciation and amortization</b>	<b>(\$8.2)</b>	(\$8.4)	<b>(\$12.0)</b>	(\$11.5)

(1) Amortization of intangible assets arising from business combinations includes non-compete agreements, rights of first refusal and educational book titles.

(2) Depreciation and amortization excludes the amortization of intangible assets arising from business combinations.



# RECONCILIATION OF NON-IFRS FINANCIAL MEASURES (CONT'D)

## Reconciliation of net earnings attributable to shareholders of the Corporation - Second quarter and cumulative

(in millions of dollars, except per share amounts)	Three months ended		Six months ended	
	April 28, 2024	April 30, 2023	April 28, 2024	April 30, 2023
<b>Net earnings attributable to shareholders of the Corporation</b>	<b>\$15.9</b>	\$22.2	<b>\$29.8</b>	\$23.2
Restructuring and other costs	16.0	3.8	27.3	12.0
Tax on restructuring and other costs	(4.0)	(0.9)	(6.8)	(3.0)
Amortization of intangible assets arising from business combinations <sup>(1)</sup>	17.7	18.6	35.5	37.2
Tax on amortization of intangible assets arising from business combinations	(4.3)	(4.6)	(8.7)	(9.2)
Impairment of assets	5.4	—	7.5	—
Tax on impairment of assets	(1.4)	—	(1.9)	—
<b>Adjusted net earnings attributable to shareholders of the Corporation</b>	<b>\$45.3</b>	\$39.1	<b>\$82.7</b>	\$60.2
<b>Net earnings attributable to shareholders of the Corporation per share</b>	<b>\$0.18</b>	\$0.26	<b>\$0.34</b>	\$0.27
<b>Adjusted net earnings attributable to shareholders of the Corporation per share</b>	<b>\$0.52</b>	\$0.45	<b>\$0.95</b>	\$0.70
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	86.6	86.6	86.6	86.6

(1) Amortization of intangible assets arising from business combinations includes our customer relationships, non-compete agreements, rights of first refusal and educational book titles.

## Reconciliation of net indebtedness

(in millions of dollars, except ratios)	As at April 28, 2024	As at October 29, 2023
Long-term debt	\$663.0	\$937.8
Current portion of long-term debt	199.3	2.1
Lease liabilities	87.7	94.6
Current portion of lease liabilities	22.3	23.5
Cash	(55.1)	(137.0)
<b>Net indebtedness</b>	<b>\$917.2</b>	\$921.0
Adjusted operating earnings before depreciation and amortization (last 12 months)	\$459.6	\$446.5
<b>Net indebtedness ratio</b>	<b>2.00x</b>	2.06x



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