

Transcontinental inc.

Investor Relations Presentation

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Note to readers

In this document, unless otherwise indicated, all financial data are prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) and the term "dollars" as well as the symbol "\$" designate Canadian dollars. In this document, we also use non-IFRS financial measures for which a complete definition is presented below and for which a reconciliation to financial information in accordance with IFRS is presented at the end of this presentation and in Note 3 "Segmented Information" to the annual consolidated financial statements for the fiscal year ended October 31, 2021. These measures should be considered as a complement to financial performance measures in accordance with IFRS. They do not substitute and are not superior to them.

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 (gains) and impairment of assets
Adjusted operating earnings margin before depreciation and amortization (Adjusted EBITDA margin)	Adjusted operating earnings before depreciation and amortization divided by revenues
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 (gains), impairment of assets, amortization of intangible assets arising from business combinations, net of related income taxes as well as an adjustment on additional income taxes in other jurisdictions resulting from a prior year
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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TC Transcontinental Overview

Our vision is to become a market leader in flexible packaging in North America while maintaining our position as Canada's largest printer and as the leading Canadian French-language educational publishing group.

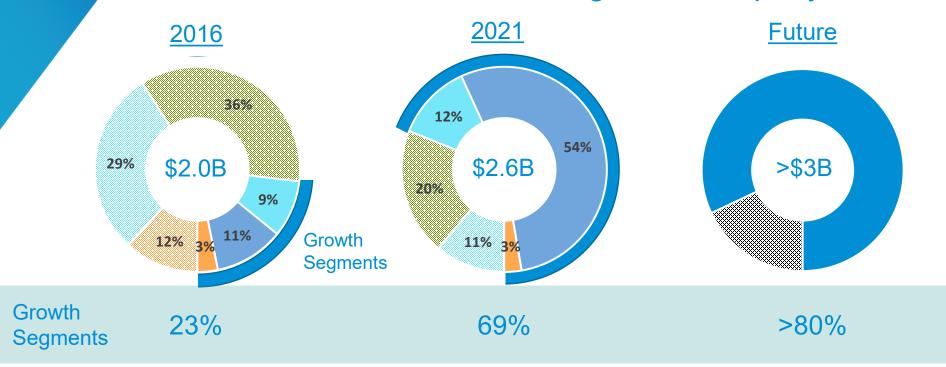
- ► Family-controlled business founded in 1976
- ▶ Investment grade credit rating and Net Indebtedness ratio at 2.0x
- Solid financial position and strong predictable cash flow providing flexibility to accelerate our growth organically and through acquisitions
- ▶ Long history of dividend growth (10.2% CAGR since 1993)
- ▶ Track record of pursuing business activities responsibly and best-inclass ESG ratings (Sustainalytics and MSCI)





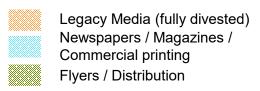


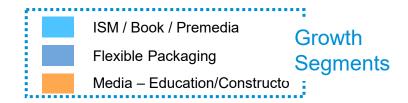
Successful transformation into a growth company



- Proven track record of operational excellence and ability to integrate acquisitions
- Long term sustainable organic growth outlook
- Solid balance sheet providing opportunities to accelerate growth through acquisitions and CAPEX

Segments

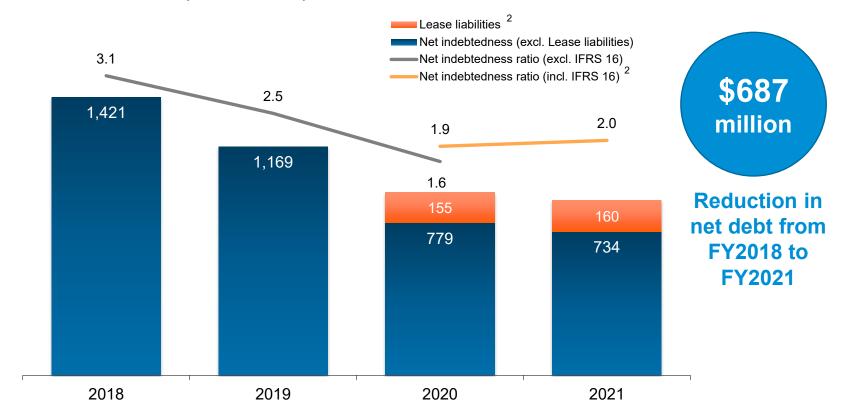






Demonstrated ability to deleverage rapidly using solid free cash flow

Net indebtedness¹ (in millions of \$) and net indebtedness ratio¹



S&P and DBRS both improved their outlook in FY2021 and reaffirmed Transcontinental's Investment Grade Rating

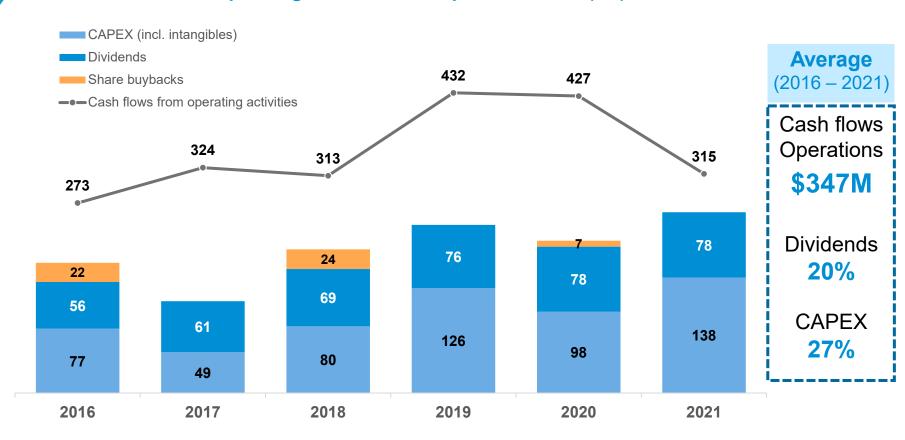


^{1.} Non-IFRS financial measure. Please refer to page 2 of this presentation for a complete description of these measures.

^{2.} As at October 28, 2019, the Company adopted IFRS 16 using the modified retrospective transition method. For comparative purposes, we included the net indebtedness ratios for FY2020 after normalizing for the effect of IFRS 16.

Allocating capital prudently

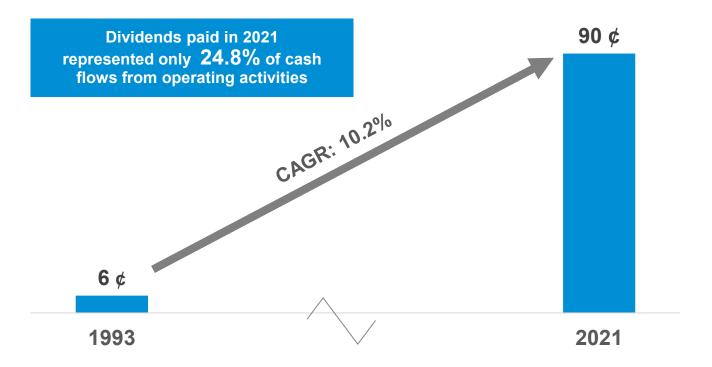
Cash flows from operating activities and capital allocation (\$M)



Strong and consistent cash flow generation that allowed investments in growth activities including the deployment of over \$2B to diversify into flexible packaging

Returning capital to shareholders TC Transcontinental has been distributing a quarterly dividend since 1993

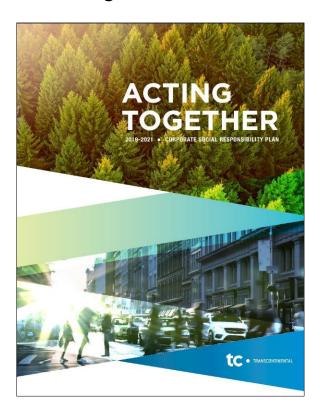
Dividends paid per participating share



Strong cash flow generation provides confidence in ability to distribute dividend for the long term

Our CSR Approach

Corporate Social Responsibility is embedded in everything we do, while our sustainability focus drives innovation and provides a key competitive advantage



- Collaborate across the value chain between all stakeholders
- Deliver on our 11 goals related to our people, our operations, our products and our communities
- Targets are directly aligned with seven of the 17 sustainable development goals defined by the UN Global Compact
- Released a 3-year plan in 2019 and publishing a progress report annually, including one in June 2021

Pursuing our business activities responsibly

















Top 50 Global ESG from Sustainalytics (Top 1%) (#1 in Containers & Packaging industry worldwide)

Rated "A" by MSCI ESG Ratings for the last 6 years

Corporate Knights: Among the top 10 Corporate Citizens in Canada in 2019 and 2020 and ranked 45th in top Global 100 (worldwide) in 2020

Included in the Top 50 of the Jantzi® Social Index in Canada

Signatory of the United Nations Global Compact and of the Ellen MacArthur Foundation's New Plastics Economy Global Commitment

Committed to disclosure in the Carbon Disclosure Project and improved score in 2020

Member of the Sustainable Packaging Coalition® (SPC)

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Packaging Sector Overview

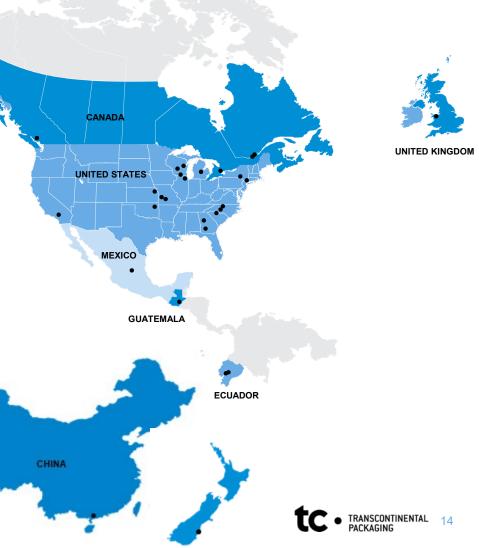
Specializing in extrusion, lamination, printing, converting and recycling



Top 10 converter in North America with a leadership position in several verticals and deep relationships with blue chip customers

 Focusing on food and beverage, consumer products, pet food, agriculture, and medical industries

Offers variety of flexible plastic products, including rollstock, bags and pouches, coextruded films, shrink films, and coatings



Achievements in our Packaging Sector

- Significant improvement in profitability in FY2020 and diligently managing supply chain disruptions and inflation (including significant resin price increases) in FY2021
- Managed the strong order uptake and supported our customers by optimizing capacity and keeping employees safe & healthy during the pandemic
- Establishing our leadership in sustainability and the circular economy of plastic
 - Acquired the assets of Enviroplast in 2020 and made additional investments in 2021 to improve the quality of our post-consumer recycled (PCR) resin to vertically integrate the recycling of plastic in our packaging production chain
 - Won several awards for our sustainable packaging solutions including our compostable coffee packaging and our PCR collation shrink film

Strong performance in last 2 years demonstrating the resilience of the packaging business

Packaging Sector Outlook

- Generate long-term profitable growth
 - Capital expenditures directed towards innovation and increasing capacity
 - Expect to grow profitability in FY2022
- Sustainable packaging is an important key differentiator
- Continue to strengthen our packaging portfolio with targeted acquisitions

Long-term growth opportunities driven by demand for sustainable flexible packaging

Leading Flexible Packaging Platform Built Through a Disciplined M&A Strategy



2 plants



1 plant



1 plant



1 plant



Acquisition of Les Industries Flexipak Inc. Montréal, Québec

1 plant



1 plant



21 plants (sold 4 plants in 2020)



1 plant

Enviroplast.

Acquisition of the assets of Enviroplast Inc.

2020

H.S. CROCKER
Dedication Desire Determination

2021
Acquisition of
H.S. Crocker Co., Inc.
Huntley, Illinois and
Exton, Pennsylvania

Successfully completed a series of 10 acquisitions to build a leading North American packaging platform



Successful integration of Coveris Americas

Exceeded synergy targets

▶ EBIT and adjusted EBITDA¹ increased significantly in the 2 years following the acquisition. Adjusted EBITDA margins¹ grew from 11.9% in FY2018 to 12.8% in FY2019, and to 16.0% in FY2020, a 410bps improvement in 2 years.



Insourcing of film manufacturing contributing to margin improvement

Acquisition of a strong expertise in technical films production that enables insourcing of film manufacturing leading to cost competitiveness, differentiation and faster product development



Value creation from more than US\$20M annual cost synergies (more than US\$20M realized in first 2 years and additional synergies realized in FY2021)



Economies of scale

Procurement of raw materials

Sharing of best practices & integration

- Vertical integration of film manufacturing
- Insourcing of prepress and plate-making operations

Significant operating margin improvement from exceeding synergy targets

Strong Position in a Variety of Industries



Packaging Innovation and Sustainability Key considerations for clients

Product Protection

- Oxygen, Moisture, Light
- Transportation

Consumer Engagement

- On the Shelf Image
- Convenience of Use

Total Cost of Ownership

- Purchase Price
- Processing Speed & Ease

Sustainability

- Carbon Footprint Impact
- End-of-Life Scenario

WHY FLEXIBLE PACKAGING IS AWESOME:

Less energy. Fewer resources. Smaller footprint.

The role flexible packaging plays in sustainability across the different stages of the supply chain.

Protects the product and reduces container breakage ______ Less waste Better for the environment Produces less c02 emissions ____ Efficient resource utilization Improves product-packaging ratio ___ Optimizes transportation with light weight and flat shape Fewer trucks on the road for transport Extends shelf life with barrier properties ——————————————————One of the key solutions to reduce food waste



CARBON IMPACT

A rigid PET container for laundry detergent pods emits +726% more greenhouse gases than a flexible pouch with zipper



MATERIAL TO LANDFILL

+31% more thermoformed tubs for baby food packaging ends up in a landfill compared to a flexible pouch with fitment



WATER USAGE

A HDPE bottle for motor oil packaging consumes +513% more water than a flexible pouch with fitment



FOSSIL FUEL USAGE

A rigid pail for cat litter packaging consumes +1,429% more fossil fuel than a flexible bag



WATER USAGE

A steel can for packaging coffee consumes +1,605% more water than a flexible pouch



PRODUCT-TO-PACKAGE RATIO

A single serve juice flexible pouch efficiently uses packaging with a product-to-package ratio of +97%

Source: https://www.flexpack.org/resources/sustainability-resources#a-holistic-view-of-the-role-of-flexible-packaging-in-a-sustainable-world



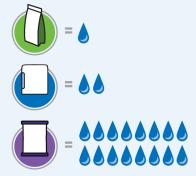
COFFEE PACKAGE COMPARISON

Ground coffee is a popular beverage and is packaged in a variety of package formats. For this Life Cycle Assessment (LCA) study, the stand-up flexible pouch, steel can and plastic canister package formats were evaluated for their environmental impacts with a cradle to grave boundary.

WATER CONSUMPTION

The steel can uses 16x as much water as the stand-up flexible pouch, mainly during the material development stage, as large amounts of water are used during the cooling process in the formation of steel.

The HDPE plastic canister consumes 2x as much water as the stand-up flexible pouch due to water usage during the injection molding process.



GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS

The production of steel cans and the HDPE canister both require much more energy and have higher carbon emissions in the manufacturing or conversion stage. The carbon impact is lower for a lighter stand-up flexible pouch that holds more of the product and uses less material.

The HDPE canister and steel can respectively emit 4x and 7x more GHG emissions than the flexible pouch.

FOSSIL FUEL CONSUMPTION

A flexible pouch has a lower overall fossil fuel usage.

A steel can and HDPE canister respectively use 453% and 518% more fossil fuel than a stand-up flexible pouch.



GRAMS of material



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6,654



41,130 MJ-EQUIV



36,809 MJ-EQÚIV

Flat Pouches

Guess how many trucks you would need to transport the same volume of rigid containers?



Flexible Packaging plays a vital role in preserving food and reducing food waste

What are the flexible packaging benefits?



Significantly improves product protection and freshness



Increases shelf life and reduces food waste



Offers unprecedented convenience features



Provides confidence in sterility and product security



Informs the consumer of the contents

of before it is consumed

Packaging accounts for about 10% of carbon footprint of product

1/3 of all food produced is disposed

Food Waste Consumes

of all fresh water of all fertilizer

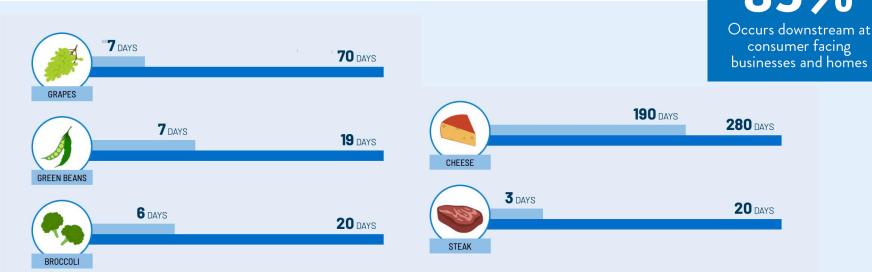
of cropland

of landfill volume

consumer facing businesses and homes

FLEXIBLE PACKAGING reduces food waste

When shelf life increases, food waste decreases



vieVERTe: Our Growing Sustainable Packaging Line

vieVERTe



100% RECYCLED READY

- Low barrier outer bag/pouch
- Lamination-two layer
- Approved by How2Recycle for in-store drop off
- Seal-ability, machinability, and durability

vieVERTe



BARRIER RECYCLED READY

- First to commercialize barrier structure barrier
- Lamination two-layer, reverse print
- Received How2Recycle approval
- Moister and oxygen barrier requirements met
- Maintains machine speeds
- Available with up to 15% PCR content by weight in sealant lamination layer

vieVERTe



COMPOSTABLE

- Leader in packaging films for compostable
- Custom engineered with customer collaboration
- BPI certified INDUSTRIAL COMPOSTABLE
- Developing film technology for HOME COMPOSTABLE
- Know how on ASTM 6400 testing requirements
- Strong relationships throughout the industry: composters, BPI, forums, universities, suppliers





PCR SHRINK FILMS

- Use of post-industrial recycled (PIR), postconsumer recycled (PCR) and FDA approved
- Maintains machine speeds
- Up to 50% PCR content by weight
- Recycle Ready

Making strides towards a circular economy for plastics

- We share the Fllen MacArthur Foundation's common vision of a circular economy for plastic, where plastic never becomes waste
- > TC Transcontinental was the first Canadian-based manufacturer to join the Ellen MacArthur Foundation's New Plastics Economy Global Commitment

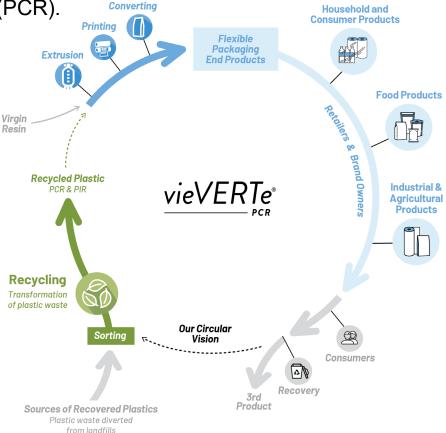
> Our 2025 Commitment:

- 100% of our plastic packaging to be reusable, recyclable, or compostable
- 10% of our plastic supply will come from post consumer recycled content
- We will collaborate towards increasing reuse, recycling and composting rates for plastic in the communities where we operate



Integrating the recycling of plastics in our production chain

Our equipment is used for converting plastic waste recovered from sorting facilities and other commercial, industrial and agricultural sources into 100% post-consumer recycled resin (PCR). Converting Household and



Our recycling activities allow us to offer our customers sustainable packaging products made from recycled plastic, and accelerate their development through consistent, stable and high-quality supply of recycled resin.

PACKAGING



TC Transcontinental Printing

Printing Sector Overview Offering a state-of-the-art national printing network

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13 Production Sites



~ 3,700 Employees



\$1.13B FY2021 Revenues

- Largest printer in Canada and also offers in-store-marketing, premedia, and distribution services
- Key clients include book, magazine and newspaper publishers, as well as retailers, cataloguers, marketers, and advertising agencies
- Continuous optimization of our printing platform through targeted plant closures, simplification of overhead structure, and reduction of indirect costs
- Shifting portfolio towards a larger mix of market segments with favorable growth opportunities



Achievements in Printing

- Took swift actions at the onset of the pandemic to protect profitability and deliver solid free cash flows through the crisis
 - Demonstrated ability in FY2021 to maintain 21.3% Adj. EBITDA margin¹ excluding subsidy
 - Lessons learned to be applied post-pandemic
- Simplified overhead structure and optimized our manufacturing platform to reduce costs
- Three acquisitions to increase our presence in In-Store Marketing (ISM), a vertical with promising growth opportunities
 - Acquisitions to complement our offering while providing scale
- Investments in its book printing platform meet the demand from North American customers

We will continue to take action to ensure we generate strong profitability and free cash flow in our Printing sector

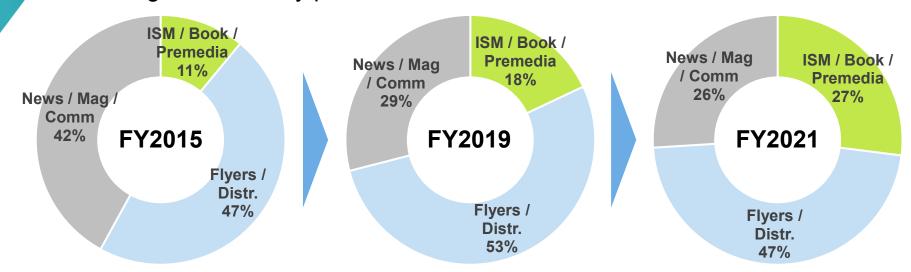


Printing Sector Outlook

- Expect a continued recovery in printing volume
- Will continue to control costs to protect operational profitability
- A larger proportion from portfolio of activities coming from verticals with growth potential like instore marketing product, book printing and premedia services

Dynamically Adapting Print Portfolio to Market

Printing Revenues by product / market



- As a result of portfolio optimization through organic transformation, acquisitions, and divestitures, a growing portion of the portfolio is composed of market segments with favourable growth opportunities. Including our Media Sector and the acquisition of BGI Retail, these would represent about 1/3 of the combined Printing and Media revenues.
- Flyers continue to generate significant revenues due to unmatched reach and return on investment for retailers.
- Print's portfolio today is more resilient with lower exposure to Newspapers, Magazines and Commercial printing and portfolio continues to generate strong profitability and free cash flow.
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Helping retailers improving customers experience throughout a comprehensive service offering

Pre-Shopping Experience

- **Flyers**
- Distribution
- Catalogues

In-Store Experience

- **Promotional POP**
- Customized displays
- Permanent signage

After-Sale Experience / Building Loyalty

Direct Mail







Comprehensive offering, national network, and longstanding relationships with Canadian retailers proving strong advantages

Printed Flyers

A Resilient Solution with a Significant Reach Providing Strong ROI for Retailers

- Turnkey solution for retailers including designing, targeting, printing, distribution, and other related services enabling the measurement of programs efficiency with a view to increase advertisers' sales and return on investment
- Extensive distribution network reaching ~3.3M households in Québec and providing significant reach to major national, regional, and local retailers
- Printed flyers is an influential solution that triggers shoppers' desire to learn more about specific items at the retailers and increases top of mind awareness of products and brands
 - Up to 9 in 10 Canadian readers say printed flyers influence where they shop¹
 - 74% of Canadian readers say that printed flyers lead them to discover and buy products that they would not have noticed otherwise¹
 - 87% of consumers say that printed flyers help them find the best discount²
 - 85% of Québec consumers consult the Publisac²
- While revenues were impacted by the effects of the pandemic on our customers, the printed flyer is well positioned for the economic recovery

In-Store Marketing (ISM)

A growth vertical within our Printing sector

- Grew from ~\$10M revenues in 2012 to a run-rate of ~\$200M (through organic growth & acquisitions)
- Recent acquisition of Holland & Crosby, Artisan Complete and BGI Retail to complement our offering while providing scale
 - Significant cost synergies have been identified and implemented, allowing profitability improvement
 - Strong cross-selling potential, in-sourcing opportunities, and combined best-in-class design and execution capabilities creating a unique fullservice ISM offering
- Longstanding relationships with major retailers in the food, pharmacy, and home improvement markets, extensive internal capabilities, and attractive revenue synergies from acquisitions contribute to generate organic growth
- Significant opportunities for consolidation in a fragmented market





Retail environments



displays

Customized

In-Store Marketing (ISM) Building capabilities across ISM markets

TC Transcontinental ISM

Promotional POP (Temporary signage)

Predominantly high-frequency customized promotional materials like counter cards. posters, and at-shelf signage



TC original product offering

POP displays for CPGs

Low frequency promotional displays for CPGs, including floor stands, pallet displays, and skinny towers



Artisan's main segments

Custom displays (Durable floor displays)

Customized fixtures including permanent endcap displays and temporary 'shop-in-shops'



BGI's main segments

8ft & above signage (Permanent signage)

Permanent in-store signage for wayfinding, directional, informational and branding purposes





Strong expertise gained with H&C

TC Transcontinental is a market leader in Canada, helping retailers and brands enhance in-store experience

In-Store Marketing (ISM) Strong track record of organic growth



- Organic annual growth rate >20% from 2012-2021
- Improving profitability from scale, cost synergies (in-sourcing) and full-service offering
- Capitalizing on longstanding relationships with Canadian retailers
- Diversified customer base mainly in segments more insulated against e-commerce (Grocery stores, Drugstores, Home Improvement, ...)





Media Sector now focused on Educational Material and Groupe Constructo

- Educational book publishing and distribution activities through TC Media Books, and publishing activities for Quebec's construction industry through Constructo Group
- Completed the transformation in Media Sector with the sale of the majority of our specialty media assets and event planning activities in 2020. The sector no longer rely on advertising revenues.
- The Media Sector now represents ~\$80 million in annual revenues
- Education and Constructo Group delivering solid and consistent cash flow
- Excellent financial performance in FY2021 with limited impact from COVID-19
 - ~10% Revenue & EBITDA growth in FY2021 when excluding the subsidy received in 2020

We are the leading Canadian French-language educational publishing group

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Key Investment Highlights

- Diversified operations in flexible packaging, printing and media
- Leadership position in most verticals driven by deep relationships with blue chip customers
- Best-in-class operator with long track-record of driving strong margins
- Leading commitment to sustainability and a circular economy provides a competitive advantage
- Strong and consistent cash flow generation and investment grade credit rating
- Disciplined M&A strategy with track record of successful integrations, prudent balance sheet management, and postacquisition deleveraging

Conclusion

- The pandemic has highlighted our resilience, agility and operational excellence
- We are well positioned to grow profitability in our Packaging Sector and to benefit from a gradual recovery in our Printing Sector
- We have a solid financial position, generating strong and consistent cash flows providing the flexibility to grow organically and through acquisitions in all our segments



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