

#### 1Q 2014 Earnings Conference Call

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## **Chris French**

President and CEO



#### Q1'14 Highlights

#### ■ Net Income Growth – Q1'14 v. Q1'13

- Increased 3.2% to \$8.6 million
- Adjusted OIBDA increased 7% to \$31.7 million

#### Revenue Growth

Revenue grew 6% over Q1'13 to \$80.5 million

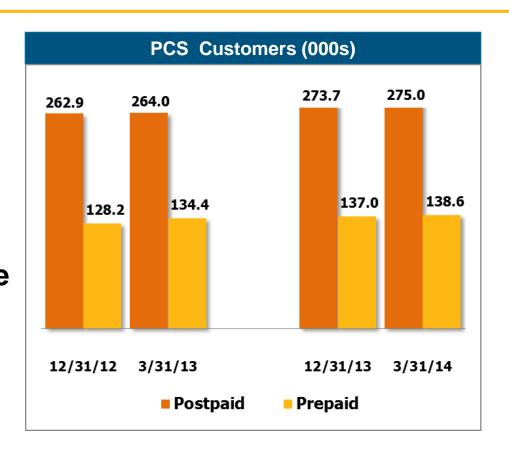
#### Customer Growth

	<u>3/31/13</u>	<u>3/31/14</u>	<u>Change</u>
Wireless	398,361	413,562	+15,201
Cable (RGUs)	109,854	116,592	+6,738



#### Wireless Highlights

- □ Postpaid Growth Postpaid customers up 4.2% over last 12 months
- □ Prepaid Growth Prepaid customers up 3.1% over last 12 months
- □ Operating Revenue Increase Improvement of \$2.9 million, or 6.1%

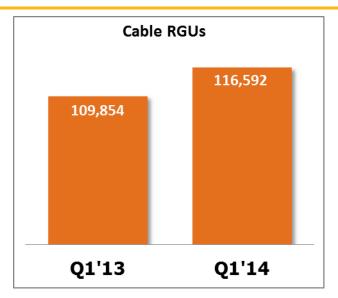


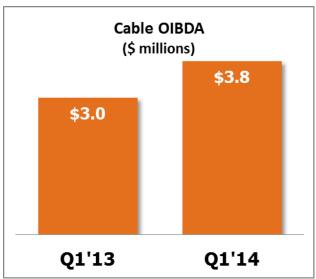


#### Cable Highlights

#### Revenue Growth

- Operating revenues grew 10.6% over Q1'13
- Q1'14 Adjusted OIBDA \$3.8 million, up 27% from Q1'13
- 116,592 RGUs at 3/31/2014, up
   6.1% over Q1'13







#### Network Upgrades Helping to Drive Performance

- Wireless customers benefiting from 4G LTE network
  - \$115 million project completed late 2013
- Cable customers benefiting from improved video, voice and high-speed data services
  - Upgrades completed in 2013
  - "Net promoter score" up dramatically from 2011



## **Adele Skolits**

VP of Finance and CFO



#### **Profitability**

### Consolidated Results (\$ in thousands, except per share amounts)

	For the Quarter Ended:				
	3,	/31/13	3/31/14		
Operating Income	\$	15,209		15,680	
Net Income	\$	8,351	\$	8,616	
Basic and Diluted Earnings Per Share	\$	0.35	\$	0.36	



#### **Profitability**

#### Adjusted OIBDA (\$ thousands)

	For the Quarter Ended:			
	3/31/13	3/31/14	Change	
Operating Income	15,209	15,680	471	
Depreciation and				
Amortization	13,972	15,387	1,415	
Share Based Compensation	372	1,028	656	
(Gain)/Loss on Asset Sales/Disposals	82	(366)	(448)	
Adjusted OIBDA	29,635	31,729	2,094	

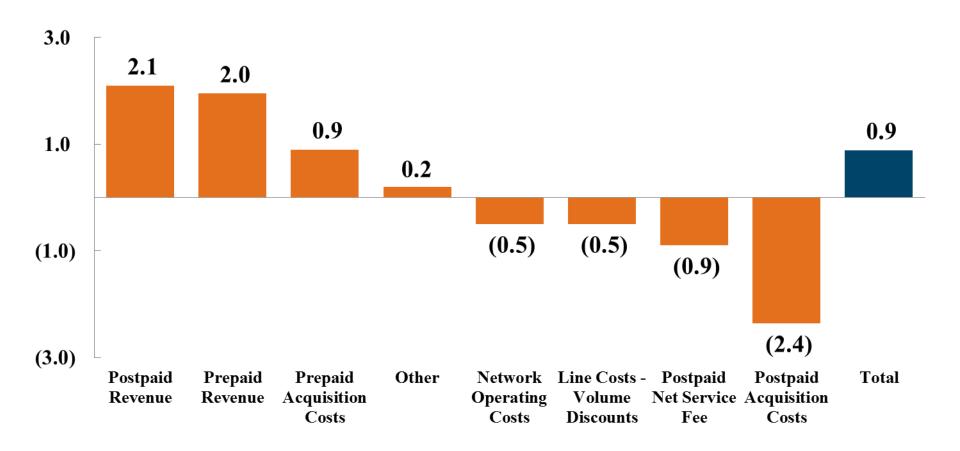


#### Adjusted OIBDA by Segment (\$ millions)

	<u>Wire</u>	<u>Wireless</u> <u>Cable</u>		<u>ole</u>	<u>Wireline</u>		
	<u>Q1'13</u>	<u>Q1'14</u>	<u>Q1'13</u>	<u>Q1'14</u>	<u>Q1'13</u>	<u>Q1'14</u>	
Operating Income	\$ 16.7	\$ 16.8	\$ (2.3)	\$ (2.0)	\$ 3.8	\$ 4.4	
Depreciation and amortization	6.0	7.2	5.2	5.4	2.7	2.7	
Plus (gain) loss on asset sales	0.1	(0.3)	(0.1)	0.0	0.1	0.0	
Share based compensation	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.1	0.1	
Adjusted OIBDA	\$22.9	\$23.9	\$ 3.0	\$ 3.8	\$6.7	\$ 7.2	
Percent Change		4%		27%		9%	

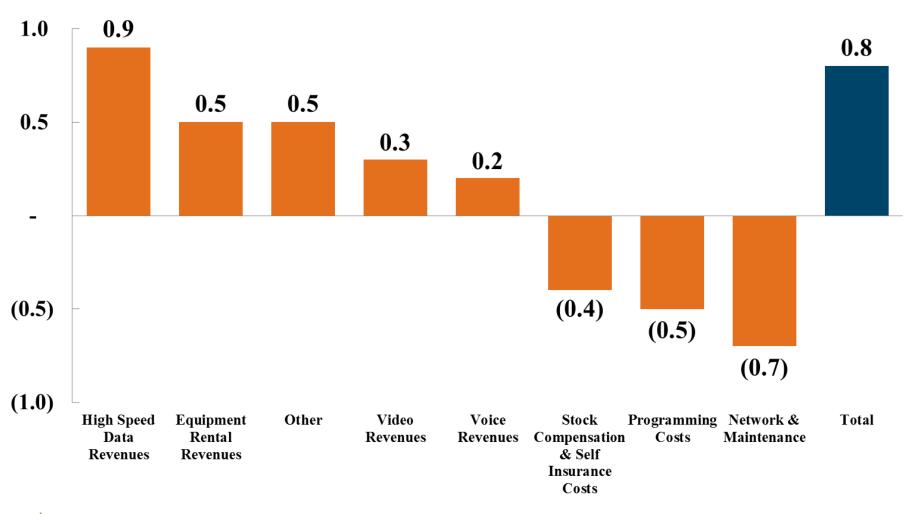


## Wireless Segment – Change in Adjusted OIBDA Q1'14 vs. Q1'13 (\$ millions)





## Cable Segment – Change in Adjusted OIBDA Q1'14 vs. Q1'13 (\$ millions)





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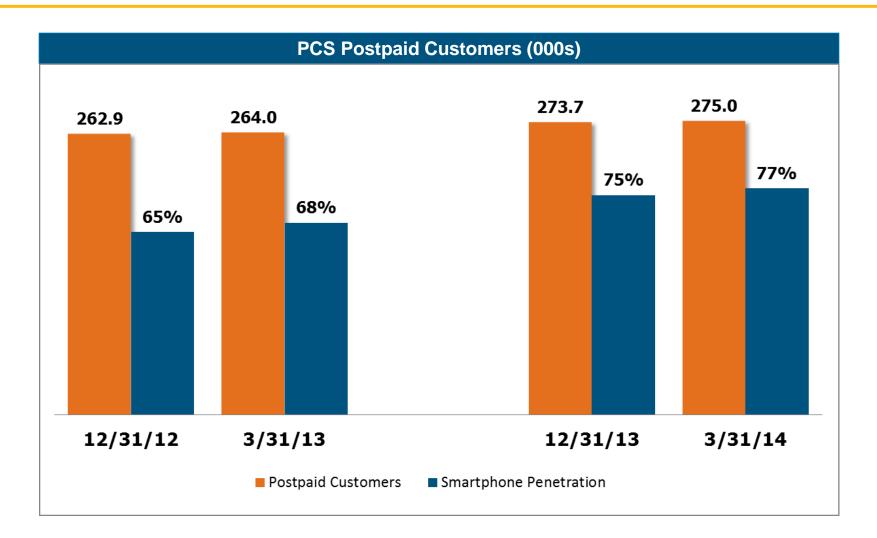
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## Wireless Segment

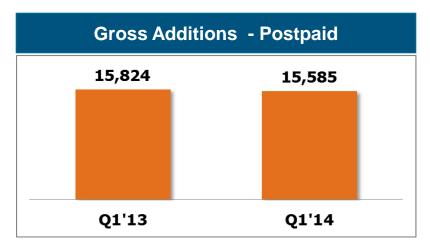


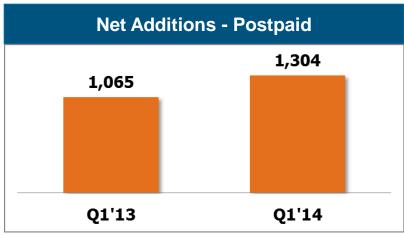
#### Postpaid Customer Growth





#### Postpaid Customer Additions

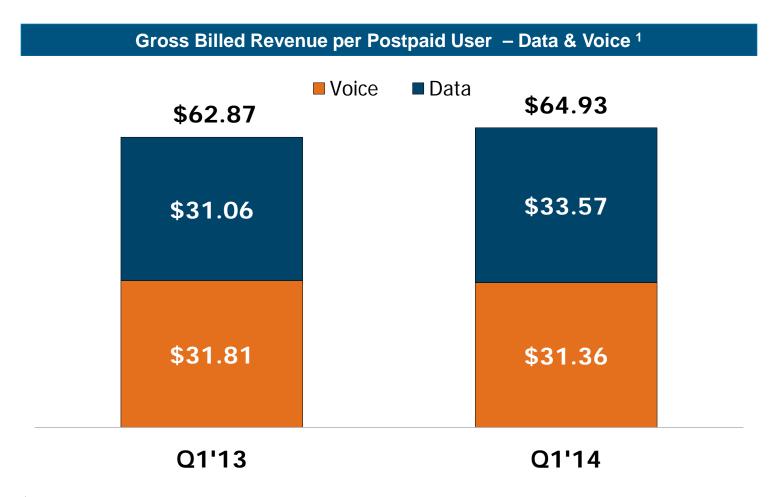




- Net adds of 1,304 in Q1 2014 versus 1,065 in Q1 2013
- Q1 2014 churn of 1.73% down from 1.87% in Q1 2013
- Shentel-controlled channels produced 55% of gross adds in Q1 2014 and 45% in Q1 2013



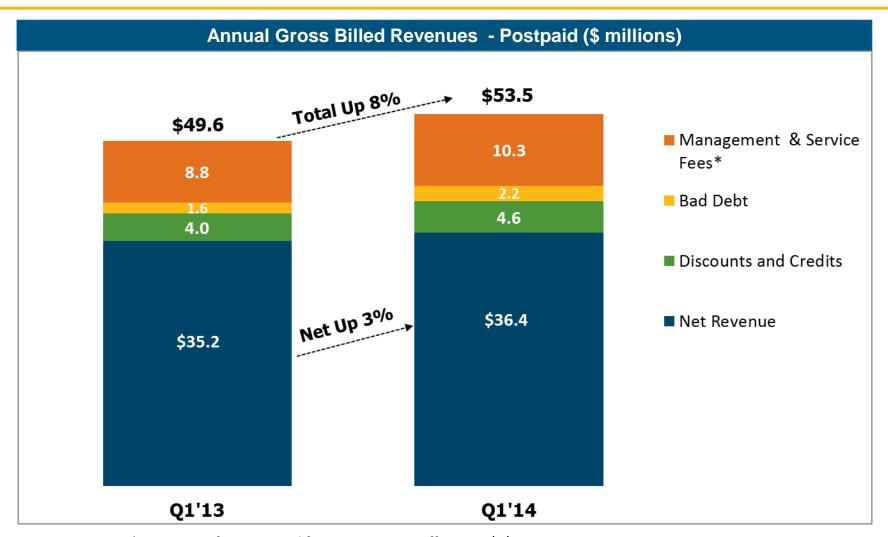
#### Total Revenue per Customer Up; Data Usage Increasing



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> – Before Service credits, bad debt, Sprint Nextel fees.



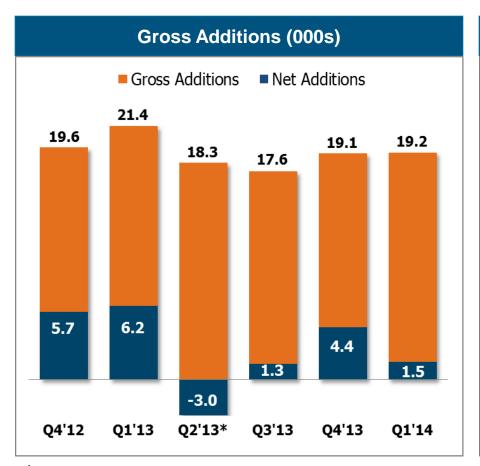
#### **PCS** Revenues



<sup>\*</sup>Net service fee increased from 12% to 14% effective 8/1/2013



#### **PCS Prepaid Statistics**

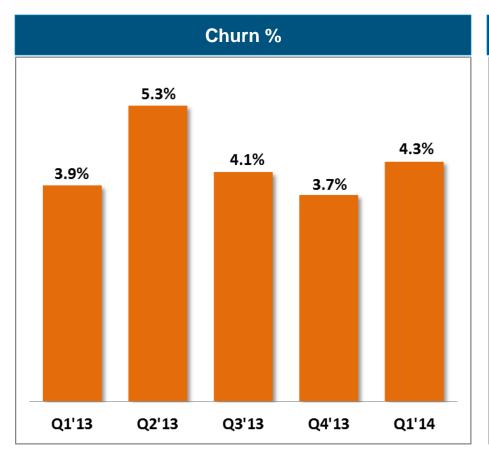


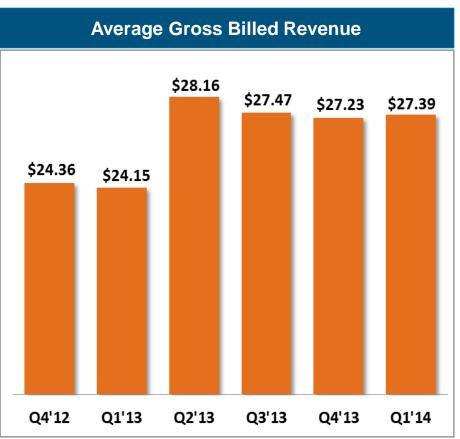


<sup>\*</sup>The loss of customers in Q2'13 related to more stringent governmental requirements for customers renewing their eligibility for the government subsidized Assurance program.



#### **PCS Prepaid Statistics**



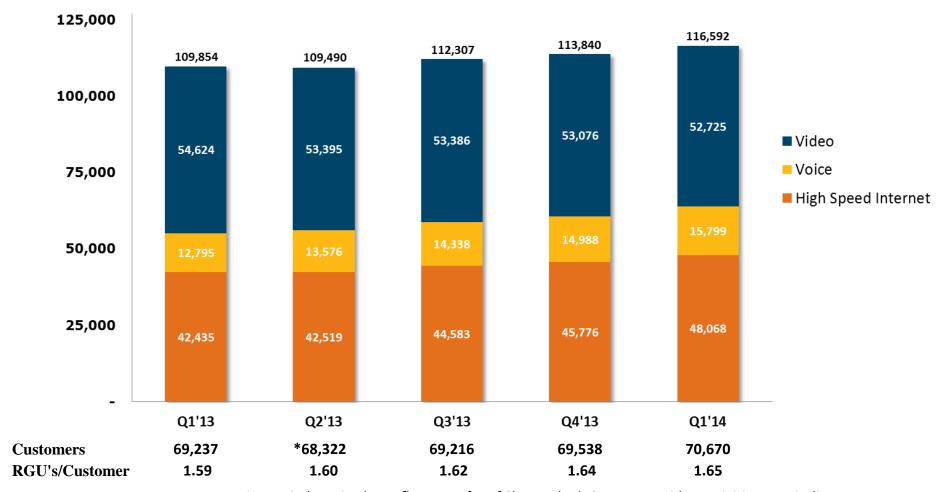




# Cable Segment



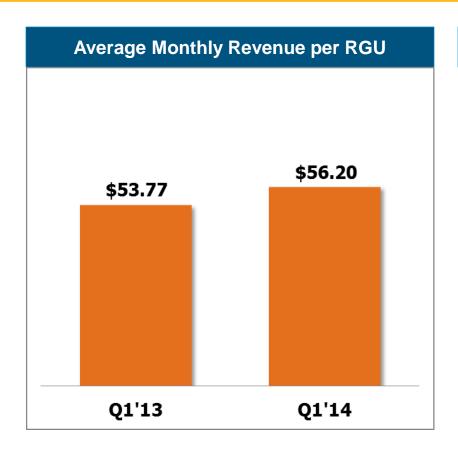
#### Cable - RGU Growth by Quarter

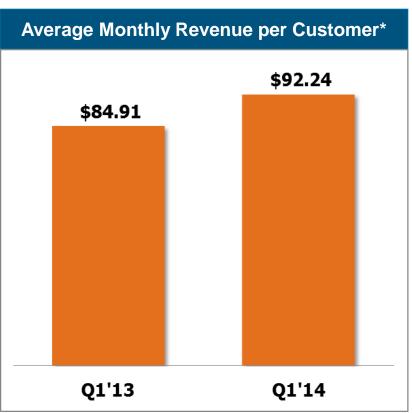


- 1. Prior periods revised to reflect transfer of Shenandoah County, VA video activities to Wireline
- 2. College students disconnect during summer



#### Increasing Average Monthly Cable Revenue





<sup>\*</sup>Average monthly revenue per video subscriber was \$107.00 and \$122.59 for Q1 2013 and Q1 2014, respectively.



#### Key Operational Results – Cable

	Q1 2013	Q1 2014
Homes Passed	169,035	170,711
Total Revenue Generating Units	109,854	116,592
Customer Relationships	69,237	70,670
RGUs per Customer Relationship	1.59	1.65
Video		
Revenue generating units	54,624	52,725
Penetration	32.3%	30.9%
Digital video penetration	39.6%	57.5%
High-speed Internet		
Available Homes	164,789	168,573
Revenue generating units	42,435	48,068
Penetration	25.8%	28.5%
Voice		
Available Homes	157,409	163,582
Revenue generating units	12,795	15,799
Penetration	8.1%	9.7%

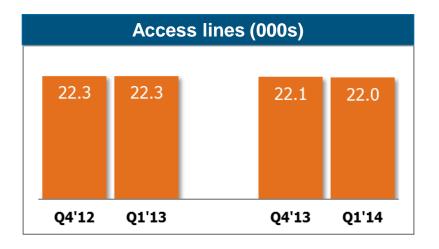


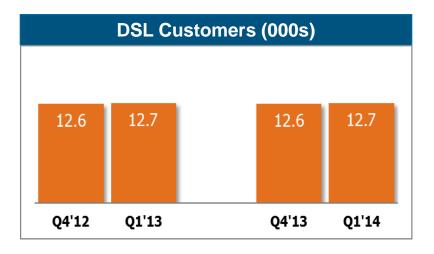
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#### Key Operational Results - Wireline

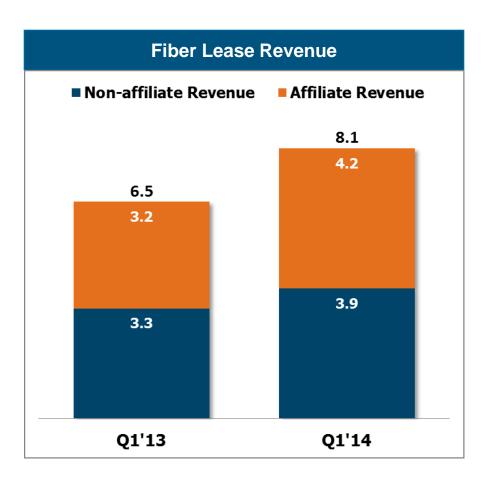
- Access line loss of 1.5% in past 12 months
- Broadband penetration in LEC area at 57.9%
- Total connections at 3/31/14 of 34.7 thousand
- Over 6,000 video subscribers at 3/31/14

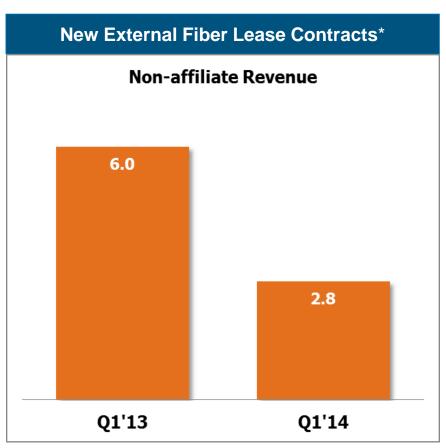






#### Wireline Statistics – Fiber Sales (\$ millions)

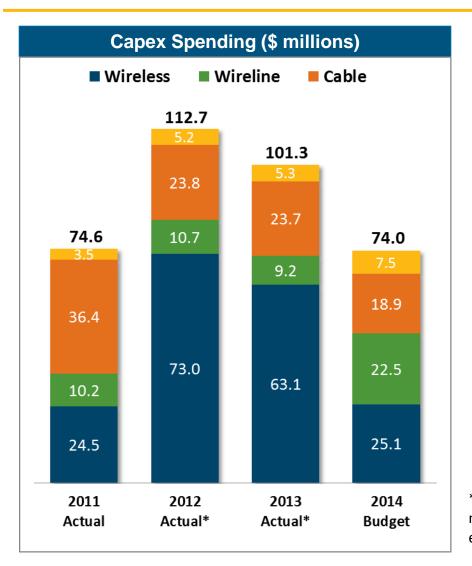




\* Amounts shown represent the total contract value. Contract Terms range from 36 to 120 months. Revenues may be booked either in the Wireline or Cable segment depending on which assets are used to provide the service.



#### Investing in the Future



#### 2014 Capex Spending:

- 24% Maintenance
- 24% Capacity
- 30% Network Expansion
- 22% Success-Based



<sup>\*</sup> Accounts payable at December 31, 2013 and 2012 included \$7.6 million and \$24.7 million associated with PCS Network Vision capital expenditures.

# Q&A

## **Appendix**

# Non-GAAP Financial Measure – Billed Revenue per Postpaid Subscriber

Dollars in thousands (except subscribers and revenue per subscriber)

	<u>1Q 2013</u>		<u>1Q 2014</u>	
Gross billed revenue				
Wireless segment total operating revenues	\$	48,157	\$	51,079
Equipment revenue		(1,331)		(1,197)
Tower Lease Revenue		(2,562)		(2,565)
Prepaid Net Service Revenues		(8,907)	(	10,857)
Other revenue		(199)		(85)
Wireless service revenue – postpaid		35,158		36,375
Service credits		4,035		4,639
Write-offs		1,621		2,191
Management fee		3,521		3,726
Service fee		5,280		6,521
Gross billed revenue – postpaid	\$	49,615	\$	53,452
Average postpaid subscribers	2	263,044	2	74,390
Billed revenue per postpaid subscriber	\$	62.87	\$	64.93



#### Postpaid PCS Customers Top Picks Q1 2014

■ **Top Service Plans** – 80% of Gross Adds

Top Devices – New Activations– All Channels

\*Unlimited, My Way 67% Everything Data 1500 13%

iPhone 26%
Samsung Galaxy S4 21%
Samsung Galaxy S III 15%

Smartphones made up 77% of the Postpaid base in Q1 2014, up from 70% in Q2 2013 and 68% in Q1 2013.



<sup>\*</sup> New Service Plan offered in Q3 2013

#### iPhone Statistics - Q1'14

- 26% of Q1 Gross Adds
- 44% of iPhones were sold or upgraded in Shentelcontrolled channels
- 30.3% of 3/31/14 Postpaid customers had the iPhone, up from 28.9% at 12/31/13
- iPhone Base 3/31/14
  - 58% iPhone 4 & 4S
  - 42% iPhone 5, 5C & 5S



# Non-GAAP Financial Measure – Average Monthly Cable Revenue

Dollars in thousands (except subscribers and revenue per user)

, ,	,	Q1 2013		<u>Q1 2014</u>
Net Service Revenue	\$	16,163	\$	17,423
Set-top box rentals		1,098		1,641
FUSC and pass-through fees		268		320
Video, Internet & Voice Revenue		17,529		19,384
Other miscellaneous revenue		984		1,096
Total Operating Revenue	18,513			20,480
Video revenue		11,223		11,979
Internet revenue		5,107		5,971
Voice revenue		1,199		1,434
Video, Internet & Voice Revenue	\$	17,529	\$	19,384
Average Subscribers				
Video		54,610		52,705
Internet		41,613		46,952
Voice		12,451		15,311
Revenue Generating Units (RGUs)		108,674		114,968
Average Customer Relationships		68,811		70,046
Average Revenue Per User (ARPU)				
Revenue Generating Units (RGUs)	\$	53.77	\$	56.20
Customer Relationships		84.91		92.24
Video		107.00		122.59



#### Key Operational Results – Mobile Company

