

First Quarter 2011 Earnings Conference Call

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# **Q1 2011 Summary**

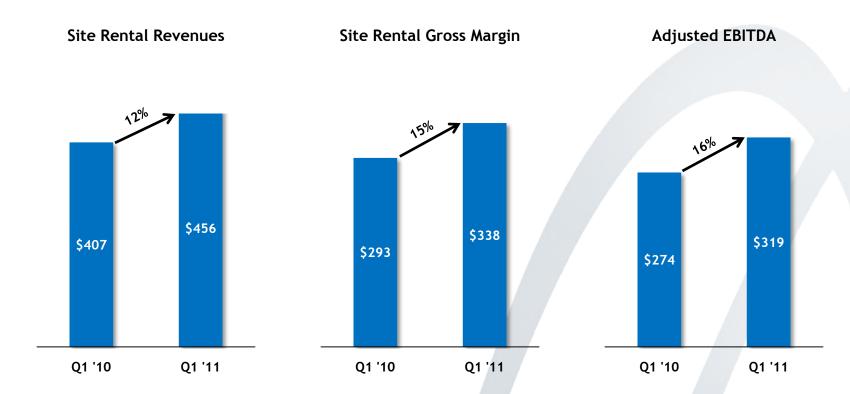


- Excellent Q1 2011, exceeded midpoint of Outlook for site rental revenue, site rental gross margin, Adjusted EBITDA and recurring cash flow
  - Reflects on-going deployments of wireless data networks
- Resumed long-standing strategy of making investments to enhance long-term recurring cash flow per share
  - Invested approximately 30% of Q1 recurring cash flow in share purchases

# Q1 2011 Highlights



\$ in millions

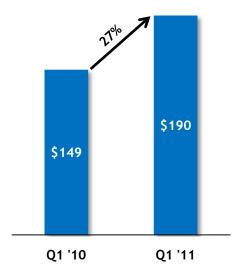




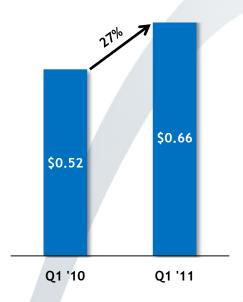


\$ in millions, except per share amounts

**Recurring Cash Flow** 



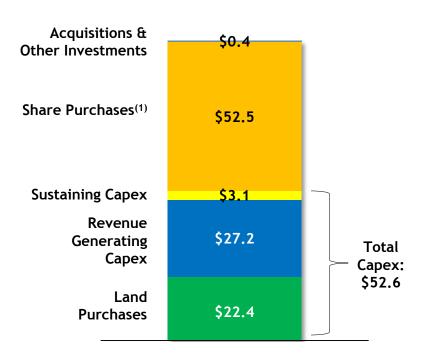
Recurring Cash Flow / Share



# Capital Deployment Summary



### Q1 2011 Capital Deployment (\$ in millions)



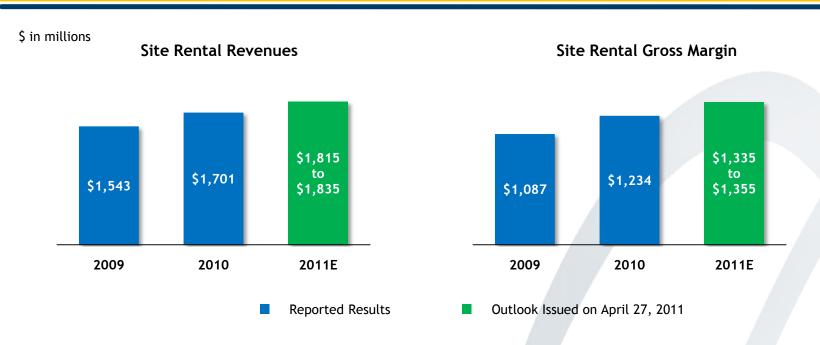
Total: \$105.5 million

#### Share buyback

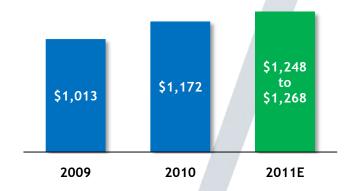
- Since 2003, purchased 94 million shares and potential shares for \$2.4 billion, without which share count would be higher by approximately a third
- Land purchase program
  - Currently own or control for more than 20 years the land beneath towers representing 72% of site rental gross margin
  - 35% of U.S. site rental gross margin generated by towers residing on owned land
  - Average term remaining on ground leases is approximately 31 years
  - Recently completed our 10,000<sup>th</sup> transaction

### Full Year 2011 Outlook





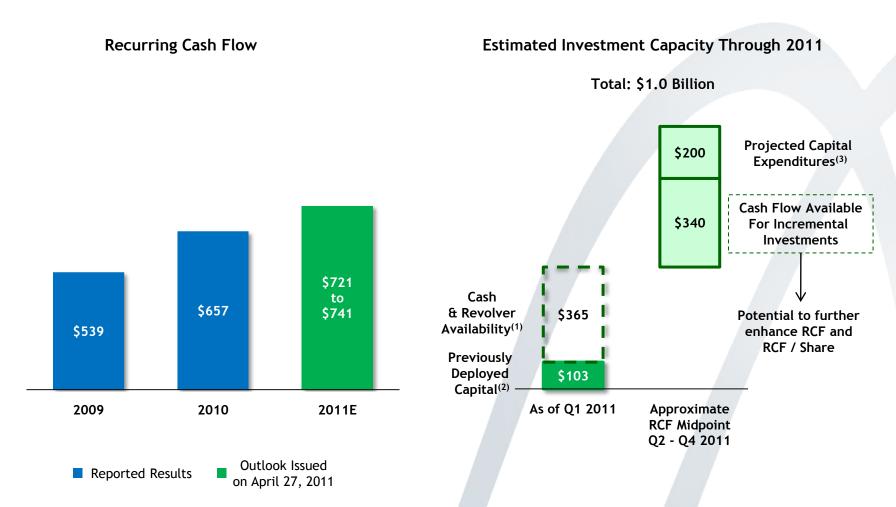
#### **Adjusted EBITDA**



# Full Year 2011 Outlook (cont'd)



\$ in millions



<sup>(1)</sup> Pro forma for share purchases and revolver payment in April 2011

<sup>(2)</sup> Includes land purchases, revenue generating capex and other investments in Q1 2011 and share purchases through April 2011

<sup>(3)</sup> Excludes sustaining capital expenditures which are included in the calculation of recurring cash flow