



Financial Results for the Six months to 30 June 2005

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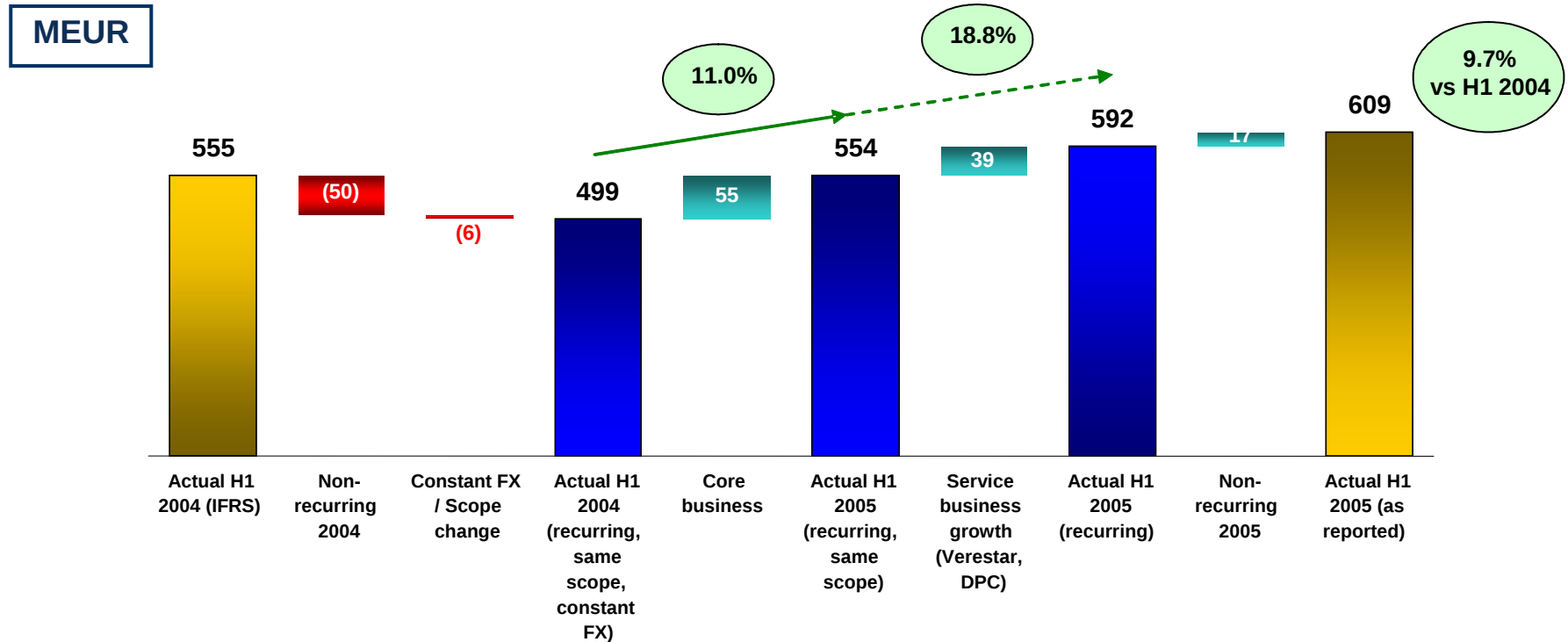
- A successful first half
- Revenues rose 9.7% to EUR 609.2 million
 - recurring revenues rose 11%
- EBITDA rose 7.4% to EUR 437.6 million
- Profit of the Group was EUR 168.5 million
 - excluding 2004's one-time tax credit, Net Profit was 6% ahead
- Successful launch of AMC-12 and start of services on AMC-16
- AMC-18 and ASTRA 1M satellites procured to deliver additional capacity
- HDTV continues to gain momentum
- ASTRA's market increases further
- Transponder utilisation reflects organisation structure and new capacity:
 - ASTRA: 84%
 - AMERICOM: 79%
- Share buyback programme in progress
 - EUR 200 million committed by end July 2005

- Double digit recurring revenue growth
- Contract additional existing satellite capacity (BSkyB, BBC, Premiere, Globecast, UPC, DCS, Crown Castle Mobile Media, Comcast, iNDemand...)
 - 9 transponders in the European market
 - 27.5 transponders in the US market
- Invest in organic future profitable growth
 - AMC-18
 - ASTRA 1M
- Development of new products and services
- Share buyback and cancellation programme
- Progressive dividend policy

- Satellite launch programme:
 - ASTRA 1KR and AMC-23 in 2005
 - ASTRA 1L, AMC-14 and AMC-18 in 2006
 - ASTRA 1M and SIRIUS 4 in 2007
- Launch of HDTV in Europe
 - 2005 – Premiere
 - 2006 onwards - BSkyB, others
- Interactive TV (Blucom)
- Geographic expansion of DTH services:
 - SIRIUS 4 to serve Russian and Ukrainian markets
 - SIRIUS 4 to serve sub-Saharan markets
- IPTV in North America
- Mobile broadband to aircraft (CbB Pacific Ocean, ARINC)
- Increasing number of services feeding terrestrial mobile networks

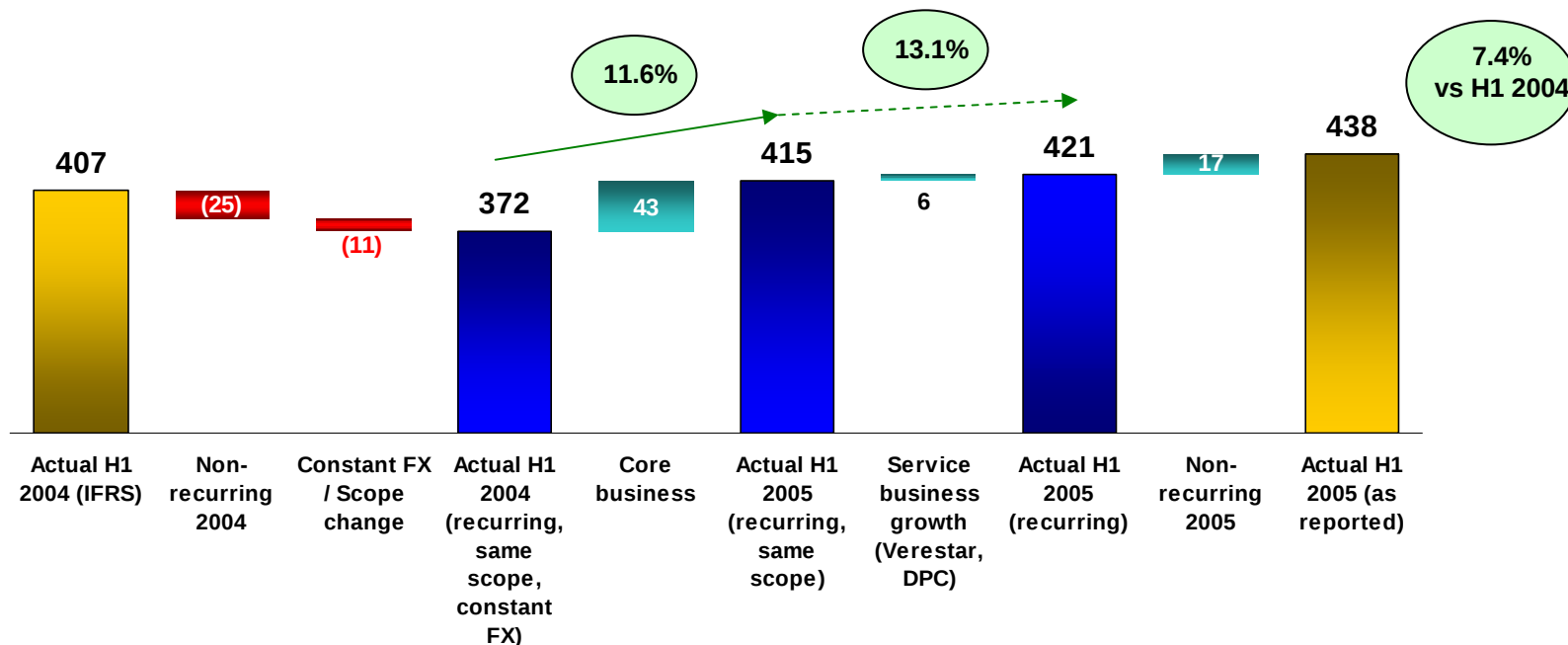
- Expand 50-state US Ku-band capacity coverage
- Implementation of strategy to serve new geographies
 - Canada
 - Mexico
 - Launch of AsiaSat 5
 - DTH growth in China and India
 - Potential consolidations in Asia
- Participate in all mobile market segments

- Figures for the first half of 2004 have been restated under IFRS to aid comparison
- Full reconciliation is in the financial tables provided



- Revenues grew to EUR 609 Million
- Recurring revenues were 11% ahead of prior period
- New revenues from service business acquisitions raised increase to 18.8% above the 2004 base

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- EBITDA rose 7.4% to EUR 437.6 million
- EBITDA margin was 71.8%, as foreseen
 - Infrastructure business margin in the period was 81%
 - Services businesses were slightly EBITDA accretive

EBITDA Margin split

- Infrastructure EBITDA margin was 81%
 - set to remain around 80%
- Services EBITDA was accretive
 - margin will improve from this level

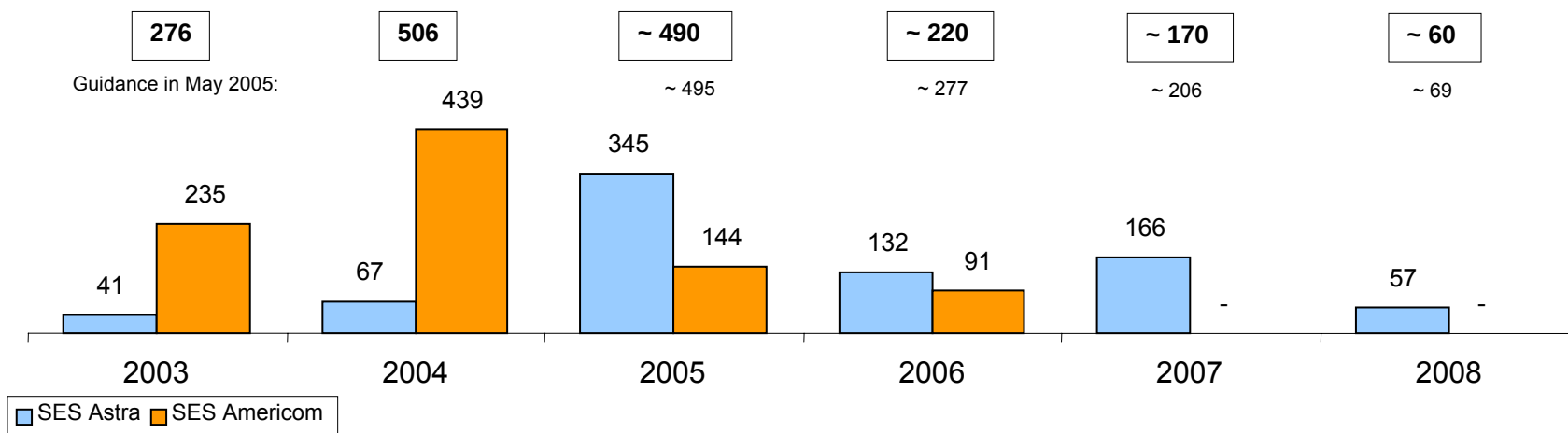
<i>EUR million</i>	Infrastructure	Services	Other/Elimination	Total
Revenues	546.3	85.5	(22.6)	609.2
EBITDA	442.7	3.0	(8.1)	437.6
EBITDA margin	81.0%	3.5%	-	71.8%

- Depreciation charges rose to EUR 174.7 million
 - new satellites (AMC-12, AMC-16) entering service
 - full period charge for AMC-10, AMC-11, AMC-15
- Amortisation charges were similar to prior, at EUR 21.6 million
 - Amortisation of franchise fee (EUR 13.1 m)

- Tax charge rose to EUR 66.4 million
 - reflecting higher profitability
 - 2004 period benefited from EUR 60 million tax credit
- Reported tax rate of 28.9%
 - Includes exceptional tax charges on gains on derivatives
 - Excluding these one-time items the underlying effective tax rate for the period was 24.1%

Capital Expenditure - Approved investments

Approved SES ASTRA / SES Americom Satellite CapEx ^{1,2,3)} Programmes, 2002 to 2006 MEUR



- Approved CapEx is forecasted to remain stable for 2005 (compared to 2004) and to be below the guidance given in May 2005 to the investor community for 2006 & 2007
- Approved CapEx falls sharply towards 2008 reflecting replacement cycle, peak in 2004 & 2005
- Future CapEx relating to additional growth opportunities not included
- New replacement cycle begins in 2008 for SES AMERICOM and 2009 for SES ASTRA (est.\$100m in 2008)
- All CapEx approval requires a strict minimum return on investment (IRR):
 - 10 to 15% for satellite infrastructure (depending on pre-fill rate)
 - Above 20% for satellite services

AMERICOM Satellites	Launch Date
AMC-10	5 February 2004
AMC-11	19 May 2004
AMC-15	15 October 2004
AMC-12 ⁽¹⁾ (Astra 4A)	3 February 2005
AMC-16	17 December 2004
AMC-23	Q4 2005
AMC-14	Q1 2006
AMC-18	Q1 2007

ASTRA Satellites	Launch Date
ASTRA 1KR	Q4 2005
ASTRA 1L	Q4 2006
Sirius-4	Q2 2007
ASTRA 1M	Q4 2007 / 2009

 Replacement Capacity

 Majority of Capacity Incremental

Notes

(1) Includes Astra 4A when referring to the 33 transponders bought by SES Astra from SES Americom in 2005

(2) CapEX on cash basis

(3) FX translation based on 1 EUR = 1.12 USD (2003), 1.24 USD (2004), 1.28 USD (2005-2008)

- Net Operating Cash Flow grew 3% to EUR 451 million
 - increased cash inflows largely offset by higher tax payments
- Free Cash Flow rose to EUR 314 million from EUR 170 million
 - mainly due to gains on derivative instruments

- Revenues
 - double-digit recurring revenue growth in 2005 & 2006
 - high single-digit percentage revenue growth in 2007
 - this will result in a double digit CAGR for the period 2005-2007
 - additional revenue will be generated in 2005 and thereafter from acquired service businesses
- Gross EBITDA margin in low 70%s in 2005 as Verestar, SATLYNX and ASTRA Platform Services (DPC, renamed) dilute the EBITDA margin in 2005, increasing thereafter to the mid 70%s.
 - SES core infrastructure margin will stay around 80%
- Operating Profit to continue to grow
- Depreciation will increase with the new satellites coming into service (data sheets attached)
- Satellite Capex for approved projects will decrease; we are pursuing new growth opportunities which will require new investments in satellites and services
- Effective Tax Rate between 20% - 25% (without one-offs)
- Free Cash Flow will increase versus 2004 and further increase thereafter
- Investment programmes and share buybacks will move our Net Debt/EBITDA ratio towards our 3.0x target

NBVs – satellite assets – SES Astra

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Satellite	Depreciation Period	End of Depreciation Life	End of Design Life	End of Fuel Life	NBV 30.06.2005	NBV 31.12.2004
Astra 1B	10	Apr-01	May-01	Oct-05	0.0	0.0
Astra 1C	12	Jun-05	Jun-08	Dec-06	0.0	4.8
Astra 1D	10	Dec-04	Aug-09	Jan-08	0.0	0.0
Astra 1E	12	Dec-07	Dec-10	Oct-09	33.8	40.6
Astra 1F	13	May-09	Jul-11	Jun-20	39.3	44.5
Astra 1G	13	Dec-10	Mar-13	Jul-14	52.4	57.2
Astra 1H	13	Sep-12	Aug-14	Sep-20	92.4	98.8
Astra 2A	13	Oct-11	Oct-13	Jun-21	75.9	81.9
Astra 2B	12	Nov-12	Dec-15	Aug-14	108.1	115.4
Astra 2C	13	Sep-14	Aug-16	Aug-23	115.9	122.2
Astra 2D	10	Dec-10	Mar-16	Nov-12	54.5	59.4
Astra 3A	10	May-12	May-12	Nov-12	78.8	84.4
					651.1	709.2

MUSD

Satellite	Depreciation Period	End of Depreciation Life	End of Design Life	End of Fuel Life	NBV at 30.06.2005 1) in MEUR	NBV at 30.06.2005 in MUSD	NBV at 31.12.2004 in MUSD
AMC-1	15	Sep-11	Sep-11	Jan-13	71.3	86.3	93.2
AMC-2	15	Feb-12	Feb-12	Feb-12	81.0	98.0	105.4
AMC-3	15	Sep-12	Sep-12	May-16	83.4	100.9	107.9
AMC-4	15	Dec-14	Dec-14	Sep-20	113.1	136.8	144.0
AMC-5	12	Dec-10	Dec-10	Jul-11	64.2	77.7	83.9
AMC-6	15	Nov-15	Nov-15	Apr-22	145.5	176.1	184.5
AMC-7	15	Oct-15	Oct-15	Mar-18	80.2	97.0	101.7
AMC-8	15	Feb-16	Feb-16	Aug-19	18.7	22.6	23.7
AMC-9	15	Jul-18	Jul-18	Sep-25	207.9	251.5	265.7
AMC-10	15	Apr-19	Apr-19	Feb-34	146.0	176.7	179.2
AMC-11	15	Oct-19	Oct-19	Sep-34	125.1	151.4	142.7
AMC-15	15	Dec-19	Dec-19	Feb-27	227.0	274.7	289.6
AMC-16 ²⁾	15	Jan-20	Jan-20	Aug-25	182.0	220.2	
AAP-1	15	Nov-15	Nov-15	Jul-24	62.0	75.0	78.6
AMC-12	15	Mar-20	Mar-20	Nov-20	103.7	125.5	
					1,711.1	2,070.4	1,800.1

1) Currency exchange rate used 1 EUR = 1.21 USD

2) launched in December 2004; entered service in February 2005

NBV at date of service is 227.2 MUSD or 167.1 MEUR