

#### **Group Overview**



Continuing operations: performing well; significant FX benefits

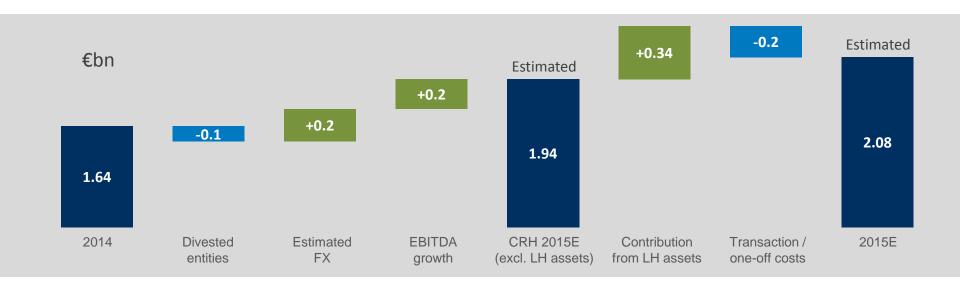
**2015 acquisitions:** Integration underway; trading in line with expectations

Margins & Returns: Ahead in all divisions

Outlook: Expect FY 2015 EBITDA to be well (>25%) ahead (2014: €1.64bn)

... good progress in 2015

## Expected components of change – FY 2015 EBITDA



... expected to be >25% ahead of 2014



## **Continuing operations – Good performance**

Strong operating leverage on healthy top line growth

**Americas** – robust performance in positive environment

**Europe** – steady trading against tough backdrop

Favourable **currency** translation effects

Continuing operations*				
9M Sales €15.5bn +16%	Constant currency +4%			
9M EBITDA €1.5bn +34%	+19%			
9M Margin 9.9% +140bps				

#### **Americas – Market overview**

Res expanding in most regions; positive single & multi-family trends

Non-Res advancing steadily; particularly in the South & West

Infrastructure broadly stable; positive momentum building

Improved prospects for new Highway Bill



... continuing positive momentum

#### **Americas – Continuing operations**

Positive volume and pricing momentum

Good cost management, favourable energy backdrop

Margin expansion accelerating

C.R. Laurence performing in line with expectations

Expect FY EBITDA to be c.40% ahead of 2014

Sales from continuing operations				
9M 2015	€bn	% chg	Constant currency	
Materials	4.7	+28%	+7%	
Products	2.8	+30%	+9%	
Distribution	1.6	+23%	+4%	
Americas	9.1	+28%	+7%	

## ... Strong performance continues

#### **Europe – Market overview**

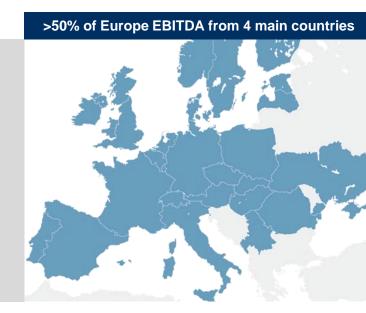
Switzerland – volume and price pressure in competitive markets

Netherlands – benefiting from improving residential backdrop

Poland – positive demand environment; pricing remains difficult

Germany – construction markets broadly stable

Other markets mixed (UK/IE/DK positive; FI/FR challenging)



# ... Mixed backdrop in key markets

#### **Europe – Continuing operations**

Cement volumes broadly stable

Pricing environment remains challenging

Good cost control supporting solid profitability

Expect FY EBITDA to be c.3% ahead of 2014

Sales from continuing operations				
9M 2015	€bn	% chg	Constant currency	
Heavyside	2.6	-	-2%	
Lightside	0.7	+4%	+1%	
Distribution	3.1	+4%	-	
Europe	6.4	+2%	-1%	

#### ... Similar trends to H1

#### 2015 EBITDA Outlook – CRH continuing operations (excl. LH assets)

EBITDA % change	Americas	Europe	Group
H1 2015	+57%	+4%	+29%
9M 2015	+55%	+3%	+34%
FY 2015E	c.+40%	c.+3%	c.+25%

Americas – continued strong momentum; significant currency translation benefit

**Europe** – mixed markets at various stages of recovery; pricing challenges remain

Reiterating previous guidance for good progress in H2 2015

Expect FY 2015 EBITDA from continuing operations to be **c.+25%** 



### **Assets acquired from LH – Transaction complete**



4 regional growth platforms in one transaction

Completed in Q3 ... partial year contribution in 2015

Strong management team; high quality assets

Earnings and returns accretive in 2016

Firm focus on integration and synergy delivery

### ... Integration underway

#### Assets acquired from LH - Trading update



W. Europe: UK strong; Germany backdrop stable; France weak

**CEE:** Overall good progress; Romania volumes strong

Americas: Canada broadly stable; Brazil challenging

**Asia:** Positive demand environment in the Philippines

# ... Performing in line with expectations

#### Assets acquired from LH – 2015 EBITDA Outlook

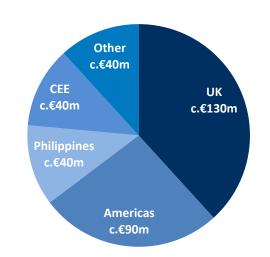
Satisfactory trading – in line with expectations

2015 FY EBITDA run-rate €800m+

2015 contribution to reflect partial year ownership

Outlook: Expect FY 2015 EBITDA\* of c.€340m

#### c.€340m FY 2015 EBITDA\* contribution



... Delivering as expected



#### Update on strategic agenda

Strong delivery from continuing operations

Dynamic reallocation of capital across the Group

Firm focus on integration of assets – synergy target confirmed

Margins and returns ahead – making businesses better

Committed to restoration of debt metrics to normalised levels



... continued progress in 2015

#### Outlook 2015

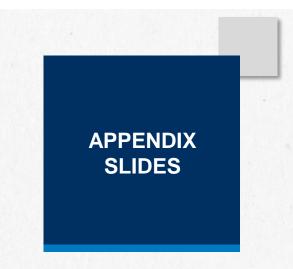
Estimated FY EBITDA (€bn)	Americas	Europe	Asia	Group
CRH (excl. LH assets)	1.34	0.60	-	1.94
LH assets	0.09	0.21	0.04	0.34
2015E	1.45	0.79	0.04	2.28
Transaction costs				(0.20)
2015E				2.08

Continued momentum in **Americas** – strong profit improvement

Mixed backdrop in **Europe** 

Good contribution from 2015 acquisitions

... expected to be >25% ahead of 2014



## **Appendix – Sales trends**

Reported sales				
€bn	9M15	9M14	% chg	
Materials	4.7	3.7	+26%	
Products	2.9	2.5	+17%	
Distribution	1.6	1.3	+23%	
Americas	9.2	7.5	+22%	
Heavyside	2.7	3.0	-9%	
Lightside	0.7	0.7	+4%	
Distribution	3.1	2.9	+4%	
Europe	6.5	6.6	-2%	
Group	15.7	14.1	+11%	

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<sup>\*</sup>Constant currency

## **Appendix – FY 2014 EBITDA Continuing operations reconciliation**

FY 2014 (€m)	Reported	Divested entities	One-off items	Continuing operations
Materials	609	(5)	9	613
Products	263	(28)	18	253
Distribution	105	-	-	105
Americas	977	(33)	27	971
Heavyside	380	(70)	6	316
Lightside	94	-	5	99
Distribution	190	-	4	194
Europe	664	(70)	15	609
Group	1,641	(103)	42	1,580



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