

### **FY23 FINANCIAL RESULTS**

Sports Entertainment Group Limited (SEG) today announced its financial results for the year ended 30 June 2023 (FY23).

### 1. FY23 RESULTS COMMENTARY

The table and chart below reconciles FY23 revenue and underlying EBITDA<sup>1</sup> to the pcp.

(\$ million)	FY23	FY22	Variance (\$)	Variance (%)
Total Revenue	118.0	109.0	9.0	8.3%
Operating Expenses	116.1	94.2	21.9	23.2%
EBITDA	1.9	14.8	(12.9)	(87.2%)
+ Restructuring costs / abnormal items	1.1	(0.7)	1.8	n/a
+ Non-cash loss on impairment of NZ operations	5.5	0.0	5.5	n/a
Underlying EBITDA <sup>3</sup>	8.6	14.1	(5.5)	(39.2%)
- AASB16 impact	(3.8)	(3.7)	(0.1)	1.9%
Underlying EBITDA (pre AASB16)	4.8	10.3	(5.6)	(53.9%)

FY23 revenue<sup>2</sup> of \$118.0 million was up 8.3% on the prior corresponding period (**pcp**).

The Australian operations achieved revenue growth across all divisions. Strong revenue growth was experienced across the SEN, SENTrack and SEN Spirit brands in our owned audio and digital platforms. This allowed us to fully offset the negative revenue impact caused by a number of long-term syndication distribution agreements which expired during the year.

Digital audience consumption via the SEN app, www.sen.com.au, podcasts and social media platforms experienced 1.4 million monthly average users and a 27% increase in revenues. The introduction of streaming listeners to traditional radio surveys of AM, FM and DAB+ and the introduction of podcast metrics in 2024 should have a positive impact on revenue, particularly in our Sydney and Brisbane expansion markets.

The Complementary Services segment experienced strong growth (up 84%), particularly in the experiential business as clients look to these activities post COVID-19.

FY23 underlying EBITDA<sup>3</sup> of \$4.8 million was down 53.9% on the pcp.

This includes a drag of \$4.7 million associated with the establishment of new assets in Sydney, Brisbane and New Zealand. To establish brand awareness and attract audiences, and initial revenue in these markets we have incurred up-front costs associated with but not limited to talent, content, broadcast rights, sales, programming and support personnel.

Excluding this drag, underlying EBITDA<sup>3</sup> would have been an adjusted \$9.5 million.

While operational costs for the complementary services divisions will fluctuate relative to revenue, we believe the cost base for the media and corporate segments to have normalised and expect margin to be accretive as revenue continues to grow.

FY23 cash flow from operating activities was \$8.1 million. Net debt as at 30 June 2023 was \$21.4 million with \$1.3 million of undrawn funds remained available.

During the period, SEG:

- funded the \$12.0 million acquisition of the 4KQ radio licence, completing the Group's national radio footprint investment;
- funded \$3.9 million of property, plant and equipment expenditure which predominantly relates to owned station network expansion which is largely complete;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Excluding restructuring, transaction, and abnormal costs

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> From continuing operations

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Pre-AASB16 from continuing operations and excluding restructuring, transaction, and abnormal costs

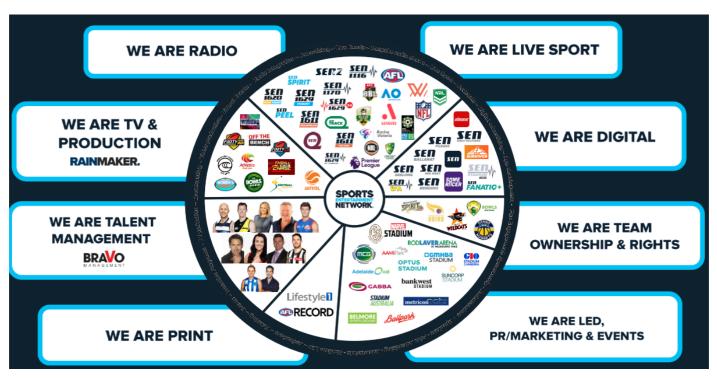


### 2. STRATEGIC INITIATIVES UPDATE

SEG is pleased to have finalised the establishment of a national network of owned stations with the addition in July 2022 of **SENQ 693AM** in Brisbane, which completes a key part of the owned commercial licence station network on the east coast of Australia in the AFL and NRL heartlands of Melbourne, Sydney and Brisbane.

The latest acquisition completes our "on-the-dial" offering to listeners as we continue to invest and develop our "on-demand" offerings via our web, app and social media platforms where we are experiencing quicker growth in users and listeners. The introduction of streaming metrics to ratings surveys which advertisers base their investment decisions on will benefit SEG's ability to monetise its digital assets as its radio assets continue to build brand awareness and audience.

Our ambition to build a specialist sports media and entertainment business in Australia and New Zealand is complete as represented by the illustration below.



The next phase of our strategy is about leveraging our investments to date to deliver a financial payoff as our assets mature by continuing to build brand awareness and listeners, increasing advertising revenues and generating margins.

## Sports Team Ownership

Our Sports Teams segment experienced growth with the performance of the Perth Wildcats enabling investment to support the smaller Bendigo Spirit, Otago Nuggets and Southern Hoiho franchises. We look forward to the addition of the 8<sup>th</sup> Suncorp Super Netball franchise in January 2024 to our expanding SEN Teams business, currently comprising four basketball teams.













We are confident we have created a suite of assets with long-term growth potential and strategic value. Our significant investment to establish multiple media platforms – radio, TV, digital, print, teams – supported by broadcast rights, talent and extensive content is unique and hard to replicate.

We remain confident we are operating in an attractive media segment, with sports media assets attracting significant investment globally. SEG has built long-term strategic value in its radio licence assets independent of earnings, as well as creating significant equity value in its sports teams portfolio.

# 3. TRADING UPDATE AND OUTLOOK COMMENTARY

Revenue opportunities are continuing to grow as the profile of the expanded owned network matures and builds audiences, with July 2023 up 17% on the pcp.

In FY23 SEG is budgeting to low double-digit revenue growth and underlying EBITDA to improve with cost stabilisation, subject to no material changes in the broader economic conditions in both Australia and New Zealand.

Approved for release by the Board.

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