



FY2023

First Quarter Results Presentation

RESULTS TO OCTOBER 31, 2022

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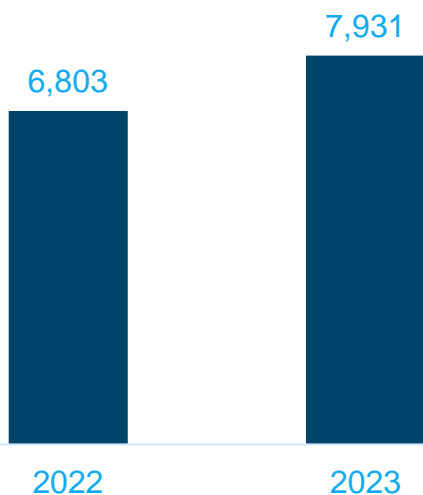
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01 Highlights and Introduction

Kevin Murphy, CEO

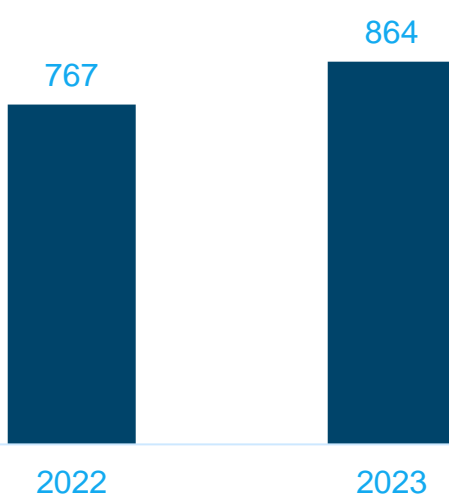
First Quarter Financial Highlights

Net sales (\$m)



+16.6%

Adjusted operating profit* (\$m)



+12.6%

Adjusted EPS – diluted*



+18.0%

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Balanced approach to attractive end markets

	% of US revenue*	Q1 FY2023 US revenue growth
Residential	54%	+15%
Non-residential	46%	+20%
- Commercial	32%	+18%
- Civil/Infrastructure	8%	+27%
- Industrial	6%	+22%
	100%	+17.4%

Broad based revenue growth

* Residential / Non-Residential proportions derived from management estimates as of FY2022.

USA First Quarter Net Sales Growth

Customer Group	% of US net sales*	Q1 2023 Total growth
Residential Trade	19%	+15%
Residential Building and Remodel	14%	+21%
Residential Digital Commerce	9%	+1%
HVAC	11%	+18%
Commercial / Mechanical	13%	+6%
Waterworks	21%	+27%
Other**	13%	+25%
USA	100%	+17.4%

Growth across all customer groups despite challenging comparables

* For year ended July 31, 2022.

** Comprises Fire and Fabrication, Facilities Supply and Industrial.

02 Financial Review

Bill Brundage, CFO

First Quarter Financial Highlights

\$m (except per share amounts)	Q1 2023	Q1 2022	Change
Net sales	7,931	6,803	+16.6%
Gross margin	30.5%	31.3%	(80) bps
Adjusted operating profit*	864	767	+12.6%
Adjusted operating margin*	10.9%	11.3%	(40) bps
Adjusted earnings per share – diluted*	\$2.95	\$2.50	+18.0%
Adjusted EBITDA*	\$912	\$814	+12.0%
Net debt : Adjusted EBITDA*	1.0x	0.6x	

Continued execution delivers strong start to fiscal year

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USA First Quarter

\$m	Q1 2023	Q1 2022	Change
Net sales	7,532	6,418	+17.4%
Organic revenue growth*	+13.0%	+25.2%	
Adjusted operating profit**	845	752	+12.4%
Adjusted operating margin %	11.2%	11.7%	(50) bps

Continued growth from share gains and ability to manage price inflation

Cost base well controlled, delivering strong adjusted operating margin

Agile business model continued to deliver

* For further details regarding organic revenue growth, visit www.fergusonplc.com on the Investors & Media page under 'Analyst Consensus and Resources'.

** The Company uses adjusted operating profit as a measure of segment profit under U.S. GAAP.

Canada First Quarter

\$m	Q1 2023	Q1 2022	Change
Net sales	399	385	+3.6%
Organic revenue growth*	+8.2%	+13.9%	
Adjusted operating profit**	33	34	(2.9%)
Adjusted operating margin %	8.3%	8.8%	(50) bps

Solid organic revenue growth against strong comparables

Adverse foreign exchange movements impacted adjusted operating profit by \$2 million

Good performance against strong comparables

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Cash Flow – First Quarter

\$m	Q1 2023	Q1 2022
Adjusted EBITDA*	912	814
Working capital	(357)	(767)
Interest and tax	(86)	(68)
Other items	32	12
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities of continuing operations	501	(9)
Capex	(95)	(54)
Proceeds from the sale of assets and divestitures	2	1
Free cash flow*	408	(62)

Solid cash generation and continued investment in the quarter

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Capital Allocation

1 Organic Growth

Working Capital

- Net investment in WC **\$357m**

Capex investments

- Market Distribution Centers
- Technology
- Branch expansion and refurbishment

2 Dividends

- Quarterly dividend of **\$0.75** per share, implies annualized increase of **9%** over the prior year.

3 Acquisitions

- **3** completed since Aug 1st
- **~\$270** million annualized revenues

4 Surplus Capital Returns

- **~\$0.4 billion** share repurchases completed during first quarter
- **~3.0 million** shares repurchased in first quarter
- **~\$0.6 billion** remaining under current share repurchase program

**1.0x Net debt :
Adjusted EBITDA***

at October 31, 2022

1-2x

Target net leverage range

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FY2023 Guidance (unchanged)

- Net sales growth of low single digits driven by market outperformance and completed acquisitions
- Adjusted operating margin^{*} of 9.3% to 9.9%
- Interest expense of \$170 - \$190 million
- Adjusted effective tax rate^{*} of approximately 25%
- Capital expenditures of \$350 - \$400 million

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03 Strategy and closing remarks

Kevin Murphy, CEO

Leading positions
in large, growing and
fragmented markets

Additional
growth from
acquisitions

Executing our strategy to create long term value through...

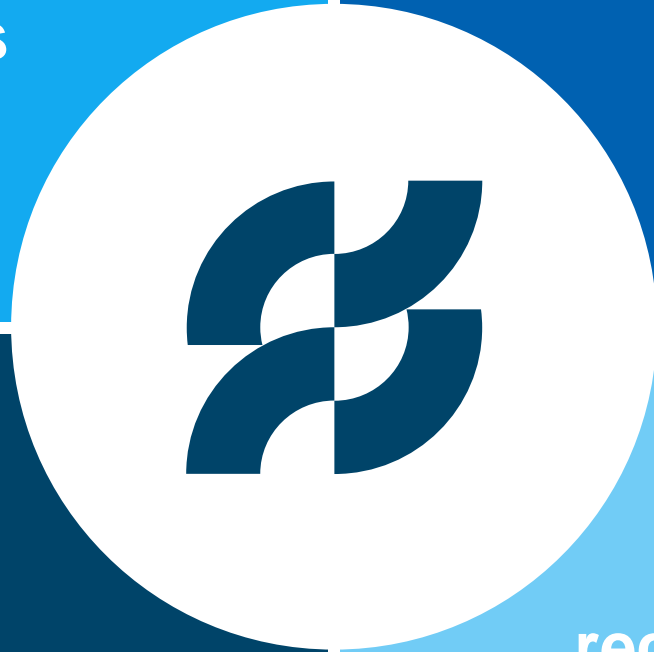
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Long-term track
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Continued value creation

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Additional growth from acquisitions

Geographic acquisitions

- Consolidate fragmented markets
- Associate expertise
- Customer relationships
- Leverage our market-leading capabilities

Capability acquisitions

- New products and solutions
- Leverage across existing platform
- Associate expertise
- Customer relationships

Underpinned by cultural fit and aligned values



HVAC Acquisitions

- Airefco
 - A leading regional HVAC distributor serving customers in the Pacific NW across 11 locations
 - Strong vendor relationships, principally with Carrier
 - Long track record and strong customer relationships supported by knowledgeable associates
- Guarino
 - 5 locations across New Orleans metro and Gulf Coast
 - Vendor relationships including ICP / Carrier and Mitsubishi
 - Balanced equipment and parts business



Closing Remarks

Thank you to our associates.

1. Strong start to the fiscal year
2. Balanced business mix
3. Flexible business model
4. Underpinned by a strong balance sheet



Join us for Q&A



04 Appendix

Leading positions in highly fragmented North American markets

Balanced approach to attractive end markets

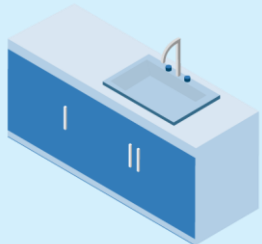
~\$340b North American Opportunity



54%
RESIDENTIAL



46%
NON-RESIDENTIAL



60%
RMI



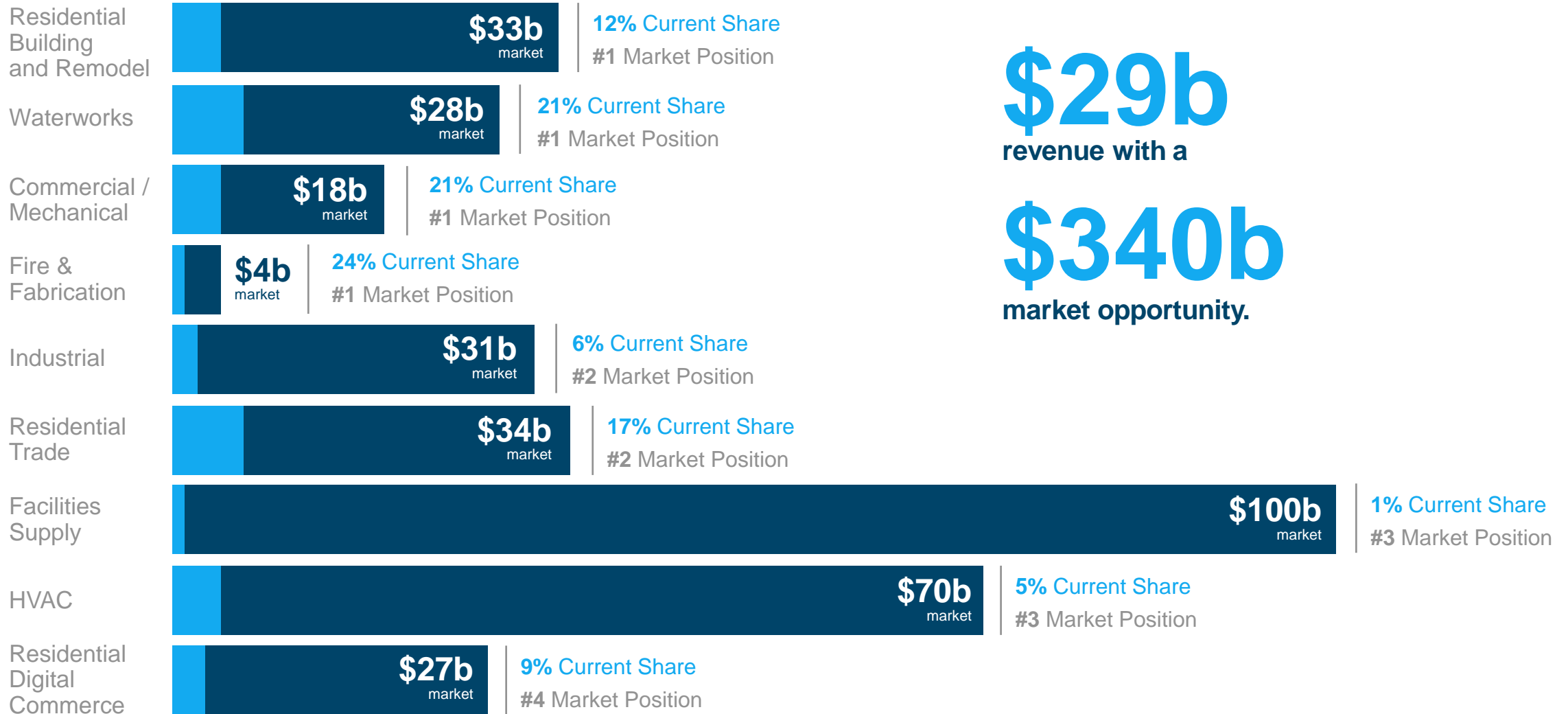
40%
NEW CONSTRUCTION

\$29b Revenue in FY2022

Residential / Non-Residential and RMI / New Construction proportions derived from management estimates as of FY2022.

Leading positions in highly fragmented North American markets

~75% of revenue generated from #1 or #2 market positions



Market size, share and position are approximates derived from management estimates as of FY2022.

Reconciliation of Net Income to Adjusted Operating Profit and Adjusted EBITDA

(In millions)	Three months ended	
	October 31,	
	2022	2021
Net income	\$595	\$560
Income from discontinued operations (net of tax)	—	(25)
Provision for income taxes	197	176
Interest expense, net	41	27
Other (income) loss	(2)	1
Non-GAAP adjustments ⁽¹⁾	—	1
Amortization of acquired intangibles	33	27
Adjusted Operating Profit	864	767
Depreciation & impairment of PP&E	37	36
Amortization & impairment of non-acquired intangibles	11	11
Adjusted EBITDA	\$912	\$814

(1) For the three months ended October 31, 2021, corporate restructuring costs related to the incremental costs of the Company's listing in the United States.

Net Debt

Net debt comprises bank overdrafts, bank and other loans and derivative financial instruments, excluding lease liabilities, less cash and cash equivalents. Long-term debt is presented net of debt issuance costs.

(In millions)	As of October 31,	
	2022	2021
Long-term debt ⁽¹⁾	\$3,759	\$2,255
Short-term debt ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾	38	1,356
Derivative liabilities (assets)	21	(19)
Cash and cash equivalents ⁽³⁾	(638)	(2,166)
Net debt	<u>\$3,180</u>	<u>\$1,426</u>

(1) The increase in long-term debt as of October 31, 2022 primarily reflects the Company's \$1 billion bond financing completed in April 2022, as well as the \$500 million in term loans entered into in October 2022, net of other borrowings and repayments since October 2021.

(2) Includes bank overdrafts of \$38 million and \$1.1 billion as of October 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

(3) Bank overdrafts are recorded in equal and offsetting amounts within cash and cash equivalents and other current liabilities in the Company's Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet. Such amounts generally relate to the Company's cash pooling arrangements that are presented on a gross basis.

Adjusted EBITDA (Rolling 12-month)

Adjusted EBITDA is net income before charges/credits relating to depreciation, amortization, impairment and certain non-GAAP adjustments. A rolling 12-month adjusted EBITDA is used in the net debt to adjusted EBITDA ratio to assess the appropriateness of the Company's financial leverage.

(In millions, except ratios)	Twelve months ended	
	October 31,	
	2022	2021
Net income	\$2,157	\$1,697
Loss from discontinued operations (net of tax)	2	152
Provision for income taxes	630	302
Interest expense, net	125	97
Other income	(2)	(9)
Non-GAAP adjustments ⁽¹⁾	16	6
Depreciation and amortization	323	304
Adjusted EBITDA	\$3,251	\$2,549
Net Debt: Adjusted EBITDA	1.0x	0.6x

(1) For the twelve months ended October 31, 2022 and 2021, the non-GAAP adjustments primarily related to incremental costs in connection with the Company's listing in the United States.

Reconciliation of Net Income to Adjusted Net Income and Adjusted EPS

(In millions, except per share amounts)	Three months ended	
	October 31,	
	2022	2021
Net Income	\$595	\$560
Income from discontinued operations (net of tax)	—	(25)
Income from continuing operations	595	535
Non-GAAP adjustments ⁽¹⁾	—	1
Amortization of acquired intangibles	33	27
Tax impact of non-GAAP adjustments ⁽²⁾	(8)	(6)
Adjusted Net Income	\$620	\$557
Adjusted earnings per share:		
Basic	\$2.97	\$2.52
Diluted	\$2.95	\$2.50
Weighted average number of shares outstanding:		
Basic	208.7	221.4
Diluted	209.8	222.7

(1) For the three months ended October 31, 2021, non-GAAP adjustments related to the incremental costs of the Company's listing in the United States.

(2) Represents the tax impact of non-GAAP adjustments, primarily the tax impact on the amortization of acquired intangibles.

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