

October 2013 Update



Specialised information for niche business sectors



Notwithstanding tougher trading conditions for FY2012/13 Aspermont has continued to deliver on its growth plan

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The Group has continued to establish a firm operating base for future growth from FY2012/13

- Underlying Revenue up 1% *

- Resilient in tough markets

- Media EBITDA \$2.7m down from \$4.4m

- Impacted by \$2m of P&L 'investments in growth'

- Bank Debt down by 18% to \$3.8m (1.37x Media EBITDA)

- Aim to reduce to under 1x this FY

- Recruitment of key personnel across the group

- Part of the Investment in growth strategy

- New digital platform strategy

- Digital Platform Implementation underway

- Expanded operating centre in Hong Kong

- New office in Brazil to launch our first South American brand



Aspermont has over 150 products across 5 **key** business sectors, products range from quarterly magazines to large events

PRINT

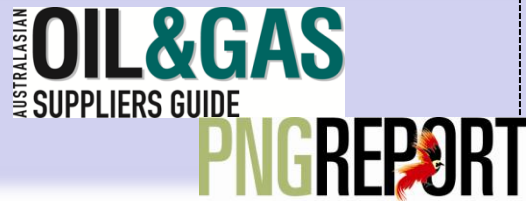
DIGITAL

EVENTS

MINING:



ENERGY:



ENVIRONMENT:



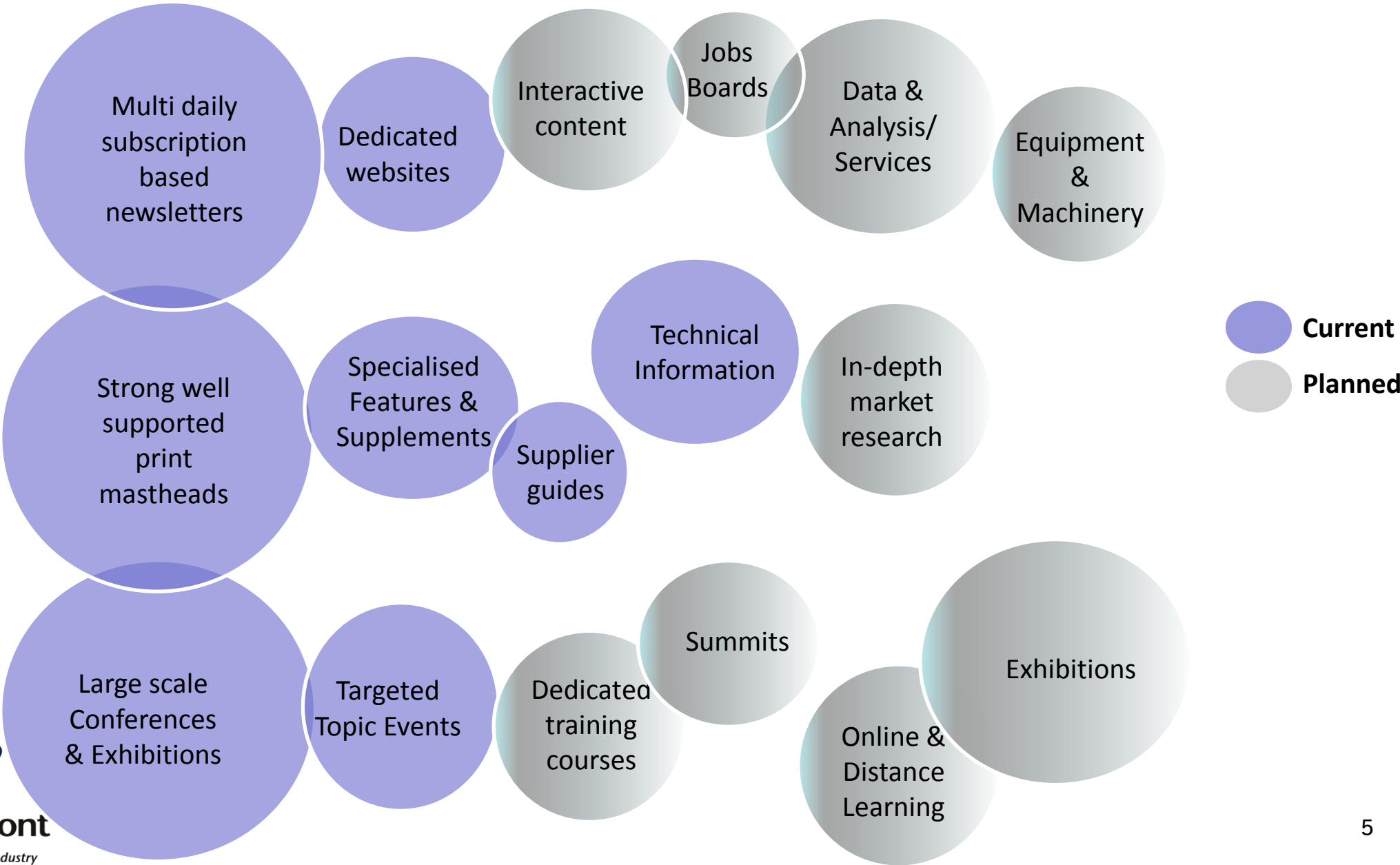
AGRICULTURE:



CONSTRUCTION:



Our Existing Business's create a large pipeline of value creation opportunities



The Group's strategic focus in the short term is on the delivery of following three objectives, with aim of delivering sustained profitability

New Platforms

- *Ensuring all our brands are available anywhere, anytime*
- *Efficiency in Creation, Production , Delivery & Monetization of our Brands*

Margin Management:

- *Focussing on Productivity, Cost Control and Product Mix*
- *Leveraging our group's position to provide better returns and scalability*

Brand Extension

- *Continuing to build on our content , brands and intellectual property*
- *Launch of new products that capitalise on our existing base*

**Sustainable
Profitability**



New Platforms:

Margin Management:

Brand Extension:

New Platforms – Ensuring all our brands are available anywhere, anytime.

- We have selected a technology stack that allows a higher degree of interactivity and can ensure consistent publishing to mobile and desktop
- This includes the launching of tablet editions of all the groups print mastheads during this financial year
- Maximise reader and advertisers experience is compelling and innovative. It has also allows the opening up new revenue streams for subscription and advertising in key mastheads
- Efficiency in Creation, Production , Delivery & Monetization of our Brands and Content



New Platforms:

Margin Management:

Brand Extension:

Focussing on Productivity, Cost Control and Product Mix; Better scalability for the future

- Our IT & Production departments are now aligned globally and allows us to transfer work between operating centres
- Better cost comparison have also been implemented across the product groupings including finance integration within our global events business has led to better decision making
- More efficient deployment of our global infrastructure will allow ease of scale and integration for future acquisition opportunities
- Implementing robust allocation of capital models to better assess growth opportunities across the group



New Platforms:

Margin Management:

Brand Extension:

Brand Extension, launching of new events and digital products that align to our brands and extend them further into the niche communities

- We have considerable intellectual property within our brands, these can be leveraged into new products in the sectors we serve
- New content streams that will provide further information to our audience engagement models are being developed
- The cross leverage of publishing brands to events and training opportunities is a key growth area
- Deeper investment in content sources, personnel and delivery capability are key to ensuring Aspermont retains and grow its intellectual property



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Through our Operating Centres, we are building a large infrastructure to continue to provide value add information sources to our global communities

Print 44%

- Strong annual margin
- Continues to grow
- Critical for sector support and brand leverage

Digital 13%

- High margin/Low entry to new geographies
- Strong database growth
- Multiple revenue streams

Events 43%

- High margin return
- Low entry price for new launches
- Ability to leverage a proven model



The following outlines the summary of accounts year on year, showing the extraordinary movements within the accounts

	2013
	A\$000's
Operating income pre investment	7,270
Operating income	5,270
<i>less</i> Corporate Costs	(2,527)
Media EBITDA	2,743
<i>less</i>	
Interest	(1,529)
Depreciation and amortisation	(907)
Share option expense	(243)
Impairment, gain / loss of investments	(862)
Share of net profit in associates	(489)
Operating expense for investment activities	(435)
<i>add back</i>	
Charge (credit) for income taxes	477
Re-estimation of Beacon put option liability	3,624
Other income	130
Net profit attributable to non-controlling interest	1,029
Profit	3,538

Reinvestment mainly in Events and Digital divisions; certain elements of reinvestment to remain for 2013/14

Media EBITDA is the main operating measure we use for the business

In FY2013/14 we anticipate \$1.2m of these to not occur

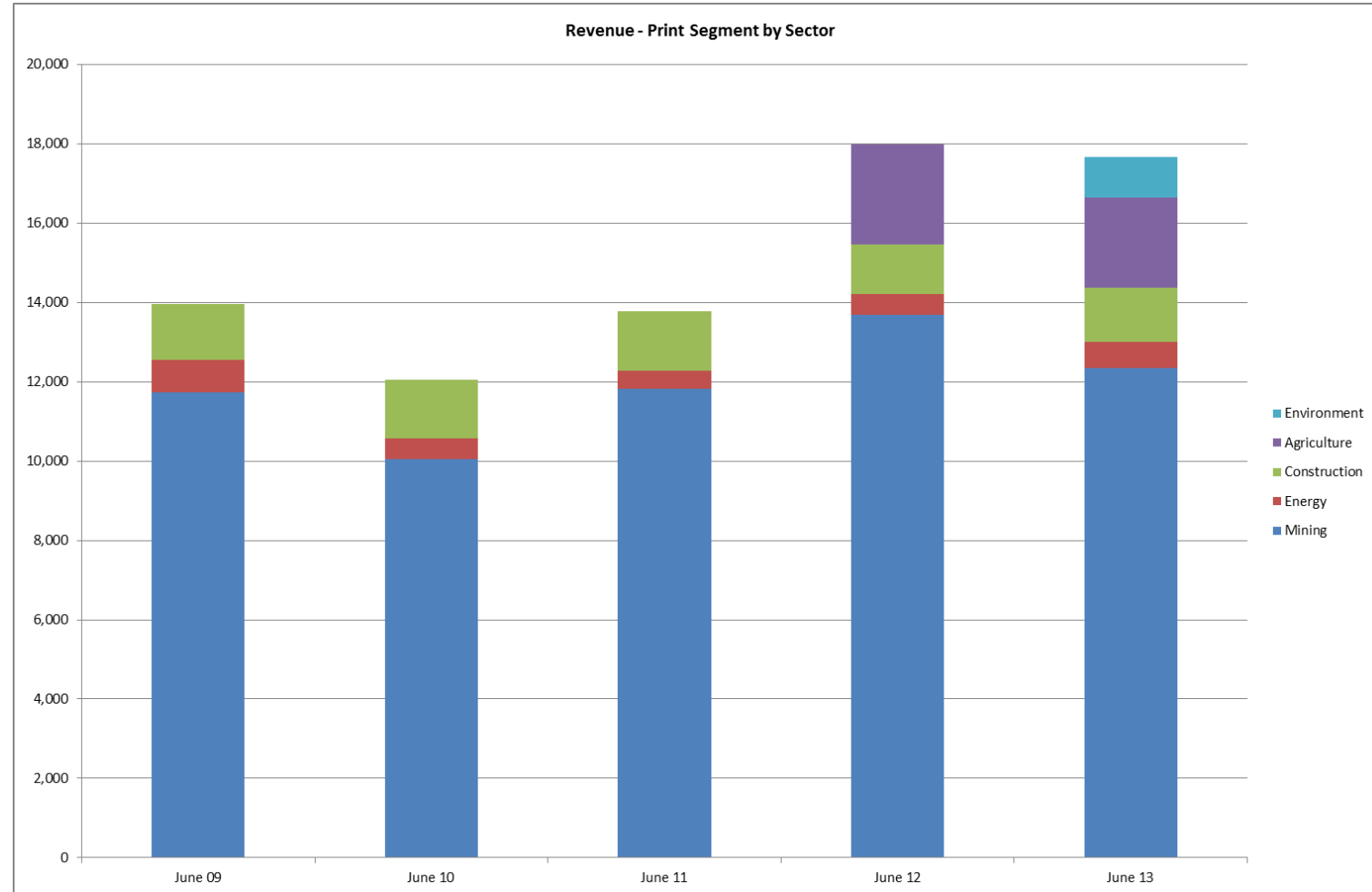
IN FY2013/14 we anticipate \$3.6m of these to not occur



Delivery Channel:

PRINT

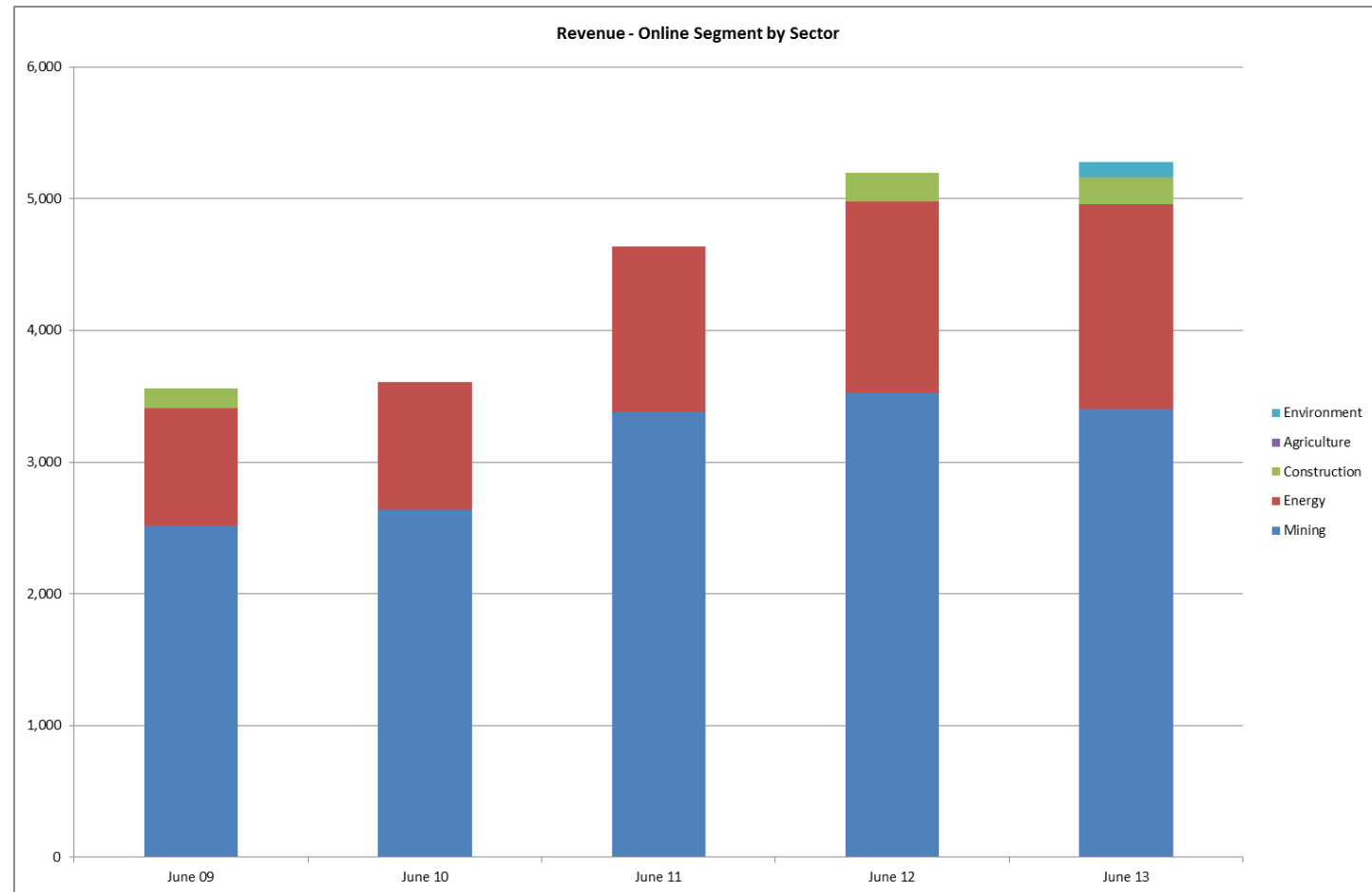
- Print saw a decrease in revenues in 2012/13, mainly driven by market conditions in Mining & Agriculture; the addition of our new Environment sector has helped minimize the overall impact to 2%
- This year we will launch all our Print mastheads onto tablet editions, early indications are showing new revenue opportunities
- Longer term growth will remain in single digits, however given our strong mastheads the returns are high for this channel



Delivery Channel:

DIGITAL

- Digital Revenue has a marginal increase of \$100k in FY2012/13, revenue has remained robust despite trading conditions
- We are focusing on a range of new digital products & a new technology stack
- During the year we successfully launched Mining News Brazil,
- New product lines include a re-launch of Mining Journal, data services, enriched content through webinars, online training courses and a larger inventory of premium advertising space



- Our flagship Mines & Money events were ahead year on year by on average 12%
- The consolidation of our Global Events subsidiary (Aspermont is the 60% majority shareholder) added significantly to the overall revenue shape
- We are focused on the creation of annual and large scale events, whilst ensuring we maintain a safe level of reinvestment for this growth

