

# city chic collective

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## CITY CHIC COLLECTIVE OVERVIEW

## city chic collective - What We Stand For

OUR VISION

## LEADING A WORLD OF CURVES

city chic

Brand Mission BOLD

We Are Fearless SEXY

We Fit for Confidence



We Are a Sisterhood



We Create Unique Experiences

## Company Overview

#### Leading plus size omni-channel retailer

- Globally recognised plus size brand
- Target demographic are fashion forward women aged 18-35
- Online is most profitable channel representing 40% of sales<sup>1</sup>

#### Significant growth opportunities across ANZ, US and Europe

 $ANZ - \sim 10\%$  share of \$1.0bn women's plus size apparel market

 Lifestyle and range extensions, expanded store footprint and enhancing all customer touchpoints

International – >\$50bn women's global plus size apparel market

Exploring optimal growth avenues with focus on owning the customer

#### Attractive investment proposition

- High margins and strong cash generation
- Excellent shareholder returns
- Relatively low ongoing capital requirements
- Positive growth outlook, backed up by track-record of consistent performance



<sup>1.</sup> Based on 1H FY19.

#### Positioned For Success



















- City Chic has an emotional connection with and deep understanding of our customer
- Longstanding executive team<sup>1</sup> with proven track record
- · Leading position in an underserviced segment
- Reactive customer-led supply chain
- Majority of sales are made at full-price with limited in-store discounting
- Omni-channel customer touchpoint strategy
- Nimble business structure, ready for growth

<sup>1.</sup> Average time with the company is approximately 9 years for the Executive Leadership team.

## Leading Omni-channel Retailer







Customer-centric approach

**ONLINE CITY CHIC** 

Customer does not see a channel, they see a brand

**STORES** 

#### WHOLESALE

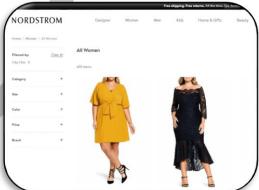


We need to be where she wants us to be. when she wants us to be there

> 350K Social Media **Followers**

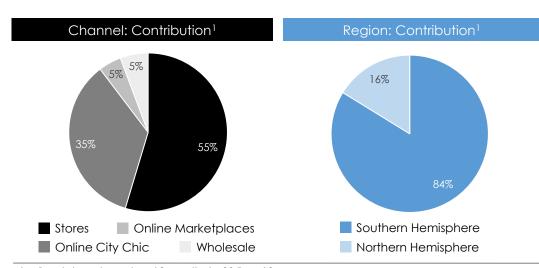
City Chic operations are structured to deliver this

#### **ONLINE MARKETPLACES**



#### Global, Multi-channel Business

- Bricks and Mortar is the highest volume customer touchpoint and contributes over half of total sales
- ANZ and US Website contributes greater than 1/3 of total sales and is the fastest growing channel
- Southern Hemisphere includes Australia and New Zealand; both regions serviced by stores and website
- Northern Hemisphere includes US and Europe
  - US: online (website and marketplace) and wholesale
  - Europe: wholesale business

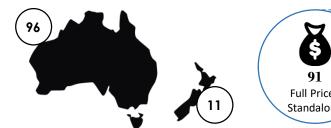




<sup>1.</sup> Breakdown based on 12 months to 30 Dec 18.

#### Store Portfolio

#### Profitable, clean portfolio of 107 stores across ANZ, with opportunity to expand footprint











- · Bricks and mortar footprint in Australia and New Zealand
- Primarily in CBD, metropolitan and major regional shopping centres
- Majority small format stores c.110 sqm average; 3 large format stores c.250 sqm
- 3 new stores opened in 2H to date (8 opened FY to date)
- Third large format store opened; fourth expected by end FY191
- Maintaining like-for-like growth; no loss-making stores



<sup>1.</sup> Larger format stores opened at existing locations.

### Online Business

#### Strong online penetration, fastest growing and most profitable channel

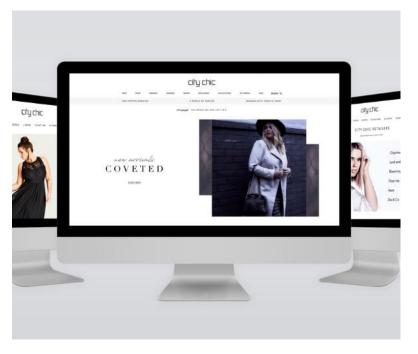












- Australian online is the most profitable channel
- State of the art distribution centre through Toll in Sydney; third party logistics provider in LA
- Excellent, always improving customer experience
- · 24hr customer service and live chat
- · Continually investing in platform
- Store team incentivised for online sales to create a seamless experience
- Strong recent growth driven by introduction of online exclusive range

<sup>1. 1</sup>H FY19 vs prior corresponding period.

### Partners – Wholesale and Marketplaces

#### WHOLESALE

Partners own the product and fulfil the sale (store and/or online depending on partner)



#### **MARKETPLACES (ONLINE)**

CCX feed product via partners' platform, CCX owns the product and fulfils the sale



- Partners drive brand recognition and sales in the international markets
- Partner strategy launched in 2014 with Nordstrom, followed by Macy's in 2015
- Nordstrom and Macy's websites through Marketplace arrangement; wholesale to 150 Macy's stores
- In the UK and Europe we partner with Zalando, ASOS and Evans
- New marketplace partnership established with Belk in the US
- Partners increasingly focused on their Marketplace businesses; driving growth through this channel



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## RECENT PERFORMANCE

## 1H FY19 Financial Highlights

#### Strong top line growth, higher margins

- Comparable sales growth of 9.6%
- Gross margin improvement to 60.4% (vs 59.4% pcp)
  - Improved buying discipline, category and channel mix
- CODB % of sales decreased to 39.5% from 40.9% pcp
  - Contribution from lower cost online channel, tight cost controls
- 1H Underlying EBITDA growth of 22%1
- 1H Continuing Operations NPAT of \$9.9m (EPS of 5.1 cents)

#### Strong cash flow, well capitalised

- Net cash position of \$35.5m vs net cash of \$16.1m at July 2018
- Debt facility fully repaid in July 2018; new \$15m facility undrawn

#### **Dividends recommence**

• Fully franked dividend of 5.0cps (interim ordinary dividend of 2.5cps, special dividend of 2.5cps)<sup>2</sup>

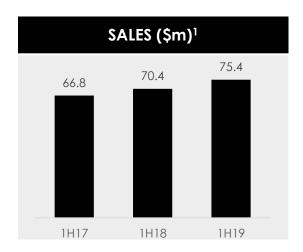


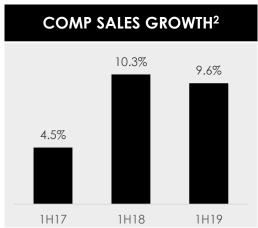
<sup>1.</sup> Like-for-like earnings growth is higher given two additional trading days in the reported prior corresponding period.

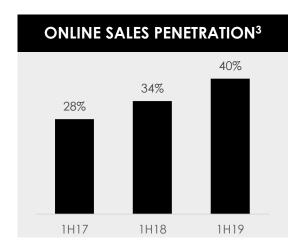
<sup>2.</sup> Franking credit balance of \$49.5m as at 30 December 2018.

<sup>3.</sup> Excludes wholesale. From FY19 annual results onwards, CCX will be reporting comp sales excluding partner sales (Wholesale and Marketplace/Dropship).

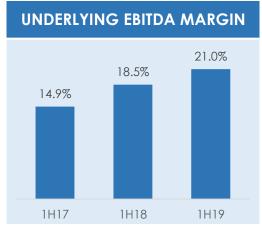
## Track Record of Delivering Consistent Growth













- 1. 1H FY19 has 2 less trading days than 1H FY17 and 1H FY18.
- 2. Excludes wholesale. From FY19 annual results onwards, CCX will be reporting comp sales excluding partner sales (Wholesale and Marketplace/Dropship).
- 3. Online sales represent City Chic website and Online Marketplace sales.

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STRATEGY OVERVIEW



### Capitalise on Dominant ANZ Market Position

- · Major growth opportunity in online
  - Lifestyle extensions to grow market share
  - Broader product range through online exclusives
- Accelerate new store roll-out program, focused on returns and payback
  - 25 further new locations
  - 20 higher-performing stores earmarked for larger format
- Enhance all customer touchpoints
  - Global website platform upgrade<sup>1</sup>
  - New CRM platform<sup>2</sup> and email communication<sup>3</sup>
  - Investment in instore digital experience



<sup>1.</sup> Increased site speed, search engine optimisation (SEO) and conversion.

<sup>2.</sup> Enhance customer insights and predictive modelling.

<sup>3.</sup> More targeted communications, behavioural learnings and customer journeys.

#### Continue to Grow International Presence



- Priority is to profitably grow City Chic website in the US
  - Targeted customer acquisition
  - Improved customer touchpoints
  - Offer new lifestyles and broader range
- Maintain high profile partners, which drive brand and product awareness
- Establish new partnership opportunities in the US and Europe / UK
- Exploring new disruptive retail models and collaboration opportunities
- Continue European trial through wholesale



## Summary

- Delivered strong 1H19 result with 9.6% comparative sales growth and Underlying EBITDA growth of 22% with a 21% EBITDA Margin
- Positive comparable sales growth in H2 FY19 to date, in line with expectations
- Executing on strategic priorities in 2H FY19 with expansion of store footprint, new marketplace partnership in the US, and continuing growth of our website
- Significant growth opportunities for the business across ANZ, US and Europe
- Attractive investment proposition with positive growth outlook underpinned by track record of consistent performance



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