

# **Q3 2019 Earnings Presentation**





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11.	Operational Highlights	Chris Bradshaw. President and CEO
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- III. Financial Review Jennifer Whalen, SVP and CFO
- IV. Concluding Remarks Chris Bradshaw, President and CEO
- V. Questions & Answers



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## Non-GAAP Financial Measures Reconciliation

This presentation includes EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA as supplemental measures of the Company's operating performance. EBITDA is defined as Earnings before Interest (includes interest income and interest expense), Taxes, Depreciation and Amortization. Adjusted EBITDA is defined as EBITDA further adjusted for special items that occurred during the reporting period. Neither EBITDA nor Adjusted EBITDA is a recognized term under generally accepted accounting principles in the U.S. ("GAAP"). Accordingly, they should not be used as an indicator of, or an alternative to, net income as a measure of operating performance. In addition, EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA are not intended to be measures of free cash flow available for discretionary use, as they do not take into account certain cash requirements, such as debt service requirements. EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA have limitations as analytical tools, and you should not consider them in isolation, nor as a substitute for analysis of the Company's results as reported under GAAP. Because the definitions of EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA (or similar measures) may vary among companies and industries, they may not be comparable to other similarly titled measures used by other companies. The Company also presents net debt, which is a non-GAAP measure, defined as total principal balance on borrowings less cash and cash equivalents, including escrow balances. Each of these non-GAAP measures has limitations and therefore should not be used in isolation or as a substitute for the amounts reported in accordance with GAAP.

A reconciliation of EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA further adjusted to exclude gains on asset dispositions, and net debt is included in this presentation.

This presentation also includes the Company's interest coverage ratio and senior secured leverage ratio. The interest coverage ratio is the ratio for the most recently ended four consecutive fiscal quarters of EBITDA (as defined in the Company's credit facility) less dividends and distributions and the amount of any cash proceeds received from the sale of assets included in EBITDA divided by interest expense. The senior secured leverage ratio is calculated by dividing senior secured debt (as defined in the Company's credit facility) by EBITDA. Neither the interest coverage ratio nor the senior secured leverage ratio is a measure of operating performance or liquidity defined by GAAP and may not be comparable to similarly titled measures presented by other companies. EBITDA is calculated differently under the Company's credit facility (as amended) than as presented elsewhere in this presentation.

Free Cash Flow represents the Company's net cash provided by operating activities plus proceeds from disposition of property and equipment, less expenditures related to purchases of property and equipment. Adjusted Free Cash Flow is Free Cash Flow adjusted to exclude professional services fees paid in respect of litigation settled in the third quarter of 2018 and the proceeds on settlement of that litigation. Management believes that the use of Adjusted Free Cash Flow is meaningful as it measures the Company's ability to generate cash from its business after excluding cash payments for special items. Management uses this information as an analytical indicator to assess the Company's liquidity and performance. However, investors should note numerous methods may exist for calculating a company's free cash flow. As a result, the method used by management to calculate Adjusted Free Cash Flow may differ from the methods used by other companies to calculate their free cash flow.



# **Safety Update**

- Safety is Era's most important core value and highest operational priority
- Era achieved its dual goals of <u>ZERO</u> air accidents and <u>ZERO</u> recordable workplace incidents YTD 2019
  - ZERO air accidents in trailing three year period
  - Over 770 consecutive days without a recordable workplace incident
  - 2019 winner of the NOIA Safety in Seas Culture of Safety award

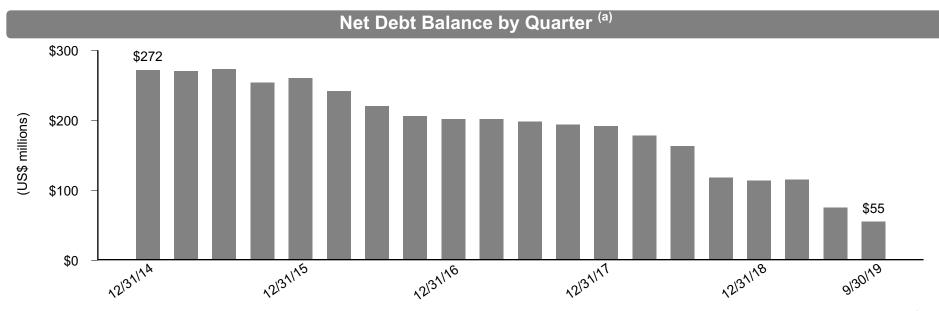






# **Strong Balance Sheet and Financial Flexibility**

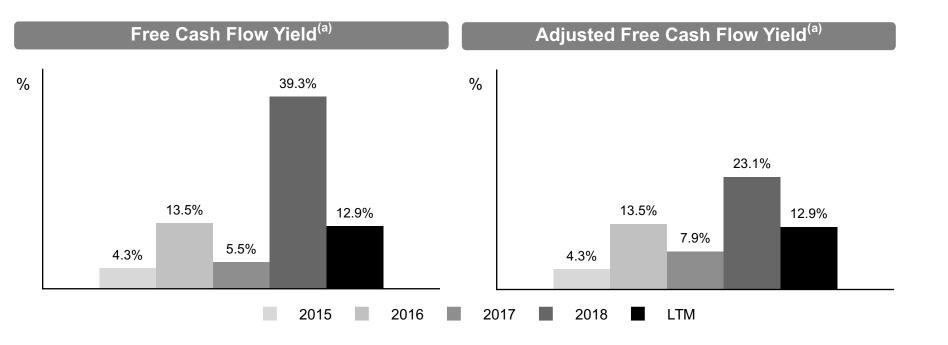
- Total available liquidity as of September 30, 2019 was approximately \$232 million
  - \$108 million in cash balances
  - \$124 million of remaining availability under the Company's credit facility
- Net debt of \$55 million as of September 30, 2019
- Continue to prioritize the protection of the Company's strong balance sheet
  - Limited debt maturities prior to 2022
  - Manageable fixed charge obligations (\$4 million in Q3)
- All of the Company's unfunded capital commitments may be canceled without further liability other than forfeiture of previously paid deposits of \$2 million





### **Free Cash Flow Profile**

- Era generated \$26.5 million of free cash flow in the last twelve months ended September 30, 2019
  - Continues track record of positive free cash flow since 2015

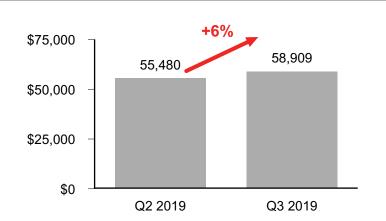




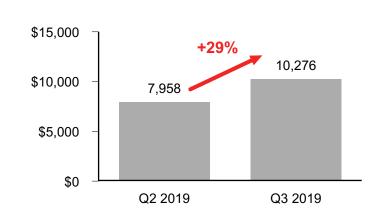
# Q3 2019 Highlights – Sequential Quarter Comparison

- Revenues were \$3.4 million higher than Q2 2019
  - Primarily due to higher utilization in U.S. oil and gas operations
- Operating expenses were \$0.7 million higher primarily due to increased personnel, insurance, and fuel costs
- G&A expenses were \$0.2 million higher primarily due to increased professional services fees
- Gains on asset dispositions of \$0.8 million related to the sale of three light twin helicopters and two hangar facilities
- Net income to Era Group of \$1.9 million in Q3 2019
- Adjusted EBITDA increased by \$2.3 million
- Adjusted EBITDA excludes special items:
  - Equity earnings, including a gain on the sale of the Company's Dart Holding Company Ltd. ("Dart") joint venture, of \$10.9 million in Q2 2019
  - Loss on sale of corporate securities of \$0.6 million in Q2 2019
- In addition, Q3 results were adversely impacted by foreign currency losses of \$0.7 million

### Revenues (\$000s)



### Adjusted EBITDA (\$000s)



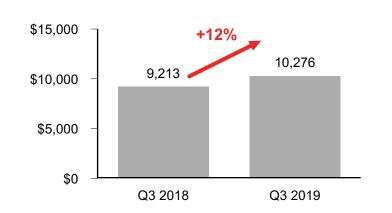


# **Q3 2019 Highlights – Calendar Quarter Comparison**

- Revenues were \$4.3 million higher than Q3 2018
  - Primarily due to higher utilization in oil and gas operations and the commencement of new dry-leasing and emergency response services contracts
- Operating expenses were \$3.0 million higher primarily due to increases in repairs and maintenance and personnel costs
- G&A expenses were \$0.3 million higher due to professional services fees
- Gains on asset dispositions of \$0.8 million related to the sale of three light twin helicopters and two hangar facilities
- Net income to Era Group of \$1.9 million in Q3 2019
- Adjusted EBITDA increased by \$1.1 million
- Adjusted EBITDA excludes special items:
  - Litigation settlement proceeds of \$42.0 million in Q3 2018
  - Non-routine professional services fees of \$0.2 million in Q3 2018
  - Equity earnings of \$0.5 million in Q3 2018

# \$75,000 | 54,610 | 58,909 | 54,610 | Q3 2019

### Adjusted EBITDA (\$000s)





# Appendix





# **Fleet Overview**









	Helicopters	Average Age
Heavy:		
S92	4	3
H225	1	11
AW189	4	3
Total Heavy	9	
Medium:		
AW139	36	10
S76 C+/C++	5	13
B212	5	40
Total Medium	46	
Light – twin engine:		
A109	7	13
EC135	10	10
BO-105	3	30
Total Light – twin engine	20	
Light – single engine:		
A119	13	13
AS350	17	22
Total Light – single engine	30	
Total Helicopters	105	14



# **Healthy Leverage Metrics and Liquidity**

September 30, 2019	
(\$000s)	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 107,736
Credit facility	\$ _
Promissory notes	18,732
Total secured debt	 18,732
7.750% Senior Notes	144,088
Other	182
Total debt	\$ 163,002
Net debt	\$ 55,266
Shareholders' equity	\$ 456,547
Total capitalization	\$ 619,549
Credit Metrics: (a)	
Senior secured debt / LTM EBITDA	0.4X
LTM EBITDA / Interest expense	2.9X
Total debt / Total capitalization	26%
Net debt / Net capitalization	11%
Available under credit facility	\$ 124,282

- As of September 30, 2019, Era had \$108 million in cash balances and \$124 million of remaining availability under the credit facility for total liquidity of approximately \$232 million
  - No outstanding borrowings under the revolving credit facility

<sup>(</sup>a) These are non-GAAP measures. The senior secured leverage and interest coverage ratios are calculated as per the Company's credit facility. Net debt / Net capitalization is calculated as (total principal balance on borrowings less cash and cash equivalents) / (total capitalization less cash and cash equivalents).



# Operating Revenues and Flight Hours by Line of Service

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 30-Sep-18	31-Dec-18	31-Mar-19	30-Jun-19	30-Sep-19
\$ 35,473 \$	33,876 \$	32,466 \$	33,270 \$	36,226
13,665	13,357	13,616	14,499	14,740
\$ 49,138 \$	47,233 \$	46,082 \$	47,769 \$	50,966
2,716	2,938	3,463	4,287	4,250
2,756	1,845	1,748	3,424	3,693
\$ 54,610 \$	52,016 \$	51,293 \$	55,480 \$	58,909
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Flight Hours <sup>(b)</sup>	30-Sep-18	31-Dec-18	31-Mar-19	30-Jun-19	30-Sep-19
Oil and gas: <sup>(a)</sup>					
U.S.	6,132	5,235	5,101	5,689	6,181
International	2,288	2,410	2,224	2,548	2,599
Total oil and gas	8,420	7,645	7,325	8,237	8,780
Emergency response	108	90	76	110	144
	8,528	7,735	7,401	8,347	8,924

<sup>(</sup>a) Primarily oil and gas services, but also includes revenues and flight hours from utility services, such as firefighting

<sup>(</sup>b) Does not include hours flown by helicopters in our dry-leasing line of service



# **Quarterly Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures**

### **Quarterly Historical EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA**

30	)-Sep-18	31-Dec-18	31-Mar-19	30-Jun-19	30-Sep-19	
\$	31,279 \$	(5,948) \$	(6,085) \$	4,874 \$	(2,059)	
	9,541	9,530	9,450	9,520	9,312	
	(732)	(818)	(752)	(934)	(956)	
	3,549	3,485	3,461	3,432	3,464	
	7,861	(1,609)	(1,588)	1,394	515	
\$	51,498 \$	4,640 \$	4,486 \$	18,286 \$	10,276	
	(42,285)	362	975	(10,328)		
\$	9,213 \$	5,002 \$	5,461 \$	7,958 \$	10,276	
	148	694	124	68	(754)	
\$	9,361 \$	5,696 \$	5,585 \$	8,026 \$	9,522	
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# **Historical Financial Highlights**

	Fiscal Year								Nine Months Ended September 30th		
(\$ millions)		2014	2015	2016	2017	2018		2018	2019		
Revenue	\$	331.2 \$	281.8 \$	247.2 \$	231.3 \$	221.7	\$	169.7 \$	165.7		
Operating expenses		204.4	171.5	169.9	167.4	151.5		114.5	115.0		
G&A		44.0	42.8	36.2	42.1	45.1		35.7	26.9		
Depreciation		46.3	47.3	49.3	45.7	39.5		30.0	28.3		
Gain (losses) on asset dispositions		6.1	6.0	4.8	4.5	1.6		2.3	0.6		
Goodwill impairment		_	(1.9)	_	_	_		_	_		
Litigation settlement proceeds		_	_	_	_	42.0		42.0	_		
Loss on impairment		_	_	_	(117.0)	(1.0)		_	_		
Operating income (loss)		42.7	24.3	(3.4)	(136.4)	28.1		33.7	(4.0		
Other income (expense):			,								
Interest income		0.5	1.2	0.7	0.8	2.0		1.2	2.6		
Interest expense		(14.8)	(13.5)	(17.3)	(16.8)	(15.1)		(11.6)	(10.4		
Derivative gains (losses)		(0.9)	_	_	_	_		_	_		
Loss on sale of investment		_	_	_	_	_		_	(0.6		
Foreign currency gains (losses)		(2.4)	(2.6)	0.1	(0.2)	(1.0)		(1.1)	(0.6		
Gain on debt extinguishment		_	1.6	0.5	_	0.2		0.2	_		
Gain on sale of FBO		_	12.9	_	_	_		_	_		
Note receivable impairment		(2.5)	_	_	_	_		_	_		
		(20.0)	(0.3)	(16.0)	(16.2)	(13.9)		(11.3)	(8.9)		
Income (loss) before taxes and equity earnings		22.6	24.0	(19.4)	(152.7)	14.2		22.4	(12.9		
Income tax expense (benefit)		8.3	14.1	(3.4)	(122.7)	2.9		4.5	0.3		
Income (Loss) before Equity Earnings		14.4	9.8	(16.0)	(30.0)	11.3		17.8	(13.2		
Equity earnings (losses)		2.7	(1.9)	1.1	1.4	2.2		1.6	9.9		
Net income (loss)	\$	17 \$	7.9 \$	(14.9) \$	(28.6) \$	13.5	\$	19.4 \$	(3.3		
Net loss attributable to NCI in subsidiary		0.1	0.8	6.9	0.5	0.5		0.3	0.4		
Net income (loss) attributable to Era Group	\$	17.1 \$	8.7 \$	(8.0) \$	(28.1) \$	13.9	\$	19.7 \$	(2.9		
Adjusted EBITDA (a)	\$	88.1 \$	70.9 \$	46.0 \$	34.3 \$	36.8	\$	31.8 \$	23.7		
Adjusted EBITDA excluding gains <sup>(a)</sup>	\$	82.0 \$	65.0 \$	41.2 \$	29.8 \$	35.3	\$	29.6 \$	23.1		



### **Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures**

- Adjusted EBITDA reflects special items:
  - Executive severance adjustments of \$2.5 million and \$0.6 million in 2014 and 2017, respectively
  - A pre-tax impairment charge of \$2.5 million in 2014 representing a reserve against a note receivable
  - A pre-tax gain of \$12.9 million on the sale of the Company's FBO in Alaska in 2015
  - A pre-tax charge of \$1.9 million on the impairment of goodwill in 2015
  - Net pre-tax gains of \$1.6 million and \$0.5 million on the extinguishment of debt due to the repurchase of a portion of the 7.75% Senior Notes in 2015 and 2016, respectively, and a loss of less than \$0.1 million in Q2 2019
  - Pre-tax impairment charges of \$117.0 million and \$1.0 million primarily related to the impairment of the Company's H225 model helicopters in 2017 and 2018, respectively
  - Adjustments of \$2.0 million related to accounting for a tax program in Brazil and other non-cash accounting adjustments of \$0.2 million in 2017
  - A gain on the extinguishment of debt related to a previously settled tax dispute in Brazil of \$0.2 million in Q1 2018
  - Non-routine litigation expenses related to the H225 helicopters of \$5.5 million, \$3.9 million, \$7.1 million, and \$0.2 million, in 2017, Q1 2018, Q2 2018, and Q3 2018, respectively
  - In the three months ended September 30, 2018, \$42.0 million in litigation settlement proceeds
  - A \$0.6 million loss on the sale of corporate securities in Q2 2019
  - Equity earnings (losses) of \$2.7 million, (\$1.9 million), \$1.1 million, \$1.4 million, \$0.4 million, \$0.7 million, \$0.5 million, \$0.6 million, (\$1.0 million) and \$10.9 million in 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, Q1 2018, Q2 2018, Q3 2018, Q4 2018, Q1 2019 and Q2 2019, respectively.

	Historical Ef	BITDA and Ad	justed EBITD.	А			
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(\$ thousands)	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2018	2019
Net income (loss)	\$ 17,021 \$	7,899 \$	(14,910) \$	(28,615)\$	13,458	\$ 19,406 \$	(3,270)
Depreciation	46,312	47,337	49,315	45,736	39,541	30,011	28,282
Interest income	(540)	(1,191)	(741)	(760)	(2,042)	(1,224)	(2,642)
Interest expense	14,778	13,526	17,325	16,763	15,131	11,646	10,357
Income tax expense (benefit)	 8,285	14,117	(3,357)	(122,665)	2,940	 4,549	321
EBITDA	\$ 85,856 \$	81,688 \$	47,632 \$	(89.541) \$	69,028	\$ 64,388 \$	33,048
Special items	 2,244	(10,754)	(1,610)	123,865	(32,208)	(32,563)	(9,353)
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 88,100 \$	70,934 \$	46,022 \$	34,324 \$	36,820	\$ 31,825	23,695
Losses (gains) on asset dispositions, net	 (6,101)	(5,953)	(4,787)	(4,507)	(1,575)	 (2,269)	(562)
Adjusted EBITDA excluding gains	\$ 81,999 \$	64,981 \$	41,235 \$	29,817 \$	35,245	\$ 29,556 \$	23,133



# Reconciliation of Free Cash Flow and Free Cash Flow Yields

(\$ thousands)	2015		2016		2017		2018	LTM
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 44,456	6	58,504	\$	20,096	\$	54,354 \$	23,847
Plus: Proceeds from disposition of property and equipment	25,328		28,609		9,392		29,590	9,322
Less: Purchases of property and equipment	 (60,050)		(39,200)		(16,770)		(9,216)	(6,698)
Free Cash Flow	\$ 9,734	5	47,913	\$	12,718	\$	74,728 \$	26,471
Plus: Non-routine litigation expenses	_		_		5,473		11,182	_
Less: Litigation settlement proceeds	 _		_		_		(42,000)	
Adjusted Free Cash Flow	\$ 9,734	<u>}</u>	47,913	\$	18,191	\$	43,910 \$	26,471
Free Cash Flow yield	4.3%		13.5%		5.5%		39.3%	12.9%
Adjusted Free Cash Flow yield	4.3%		13.5%		7.9%	0	23.1%	12.9%
ERA equity market capitalization (in \$mm)	\$ 229	5	355	\$	229	\$	190 \$	206