

Interim results

Half year ended 30 September 2017



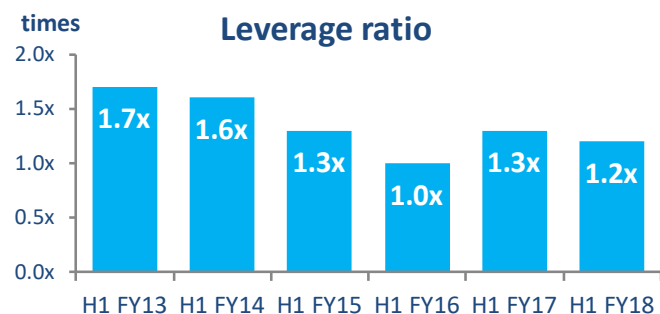
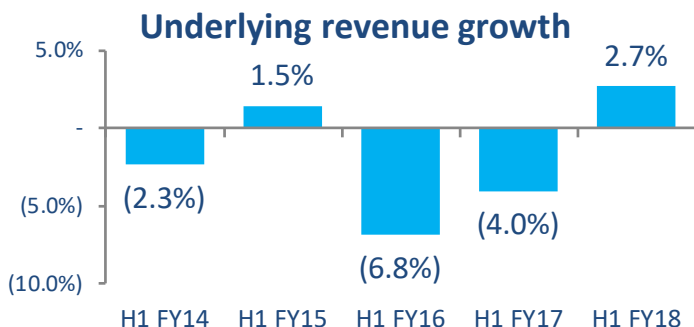
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Commercial strategy delivering organic growth; specific costs impacted profit



- Organic revenue growth being delivered in Chain and Torque Transmission divisions

- Orders progressing more quickly than revenue – an indicator of improvement to come in H2

- Torque Transmission division demonstrating substantial recovery led by UK Couplings

- Chain division profit impacted by raw material cost increases and disruption from machine break-downs

- Action taken to address Chain division cost increases

- Continued growth and improved profitability expected for the second half



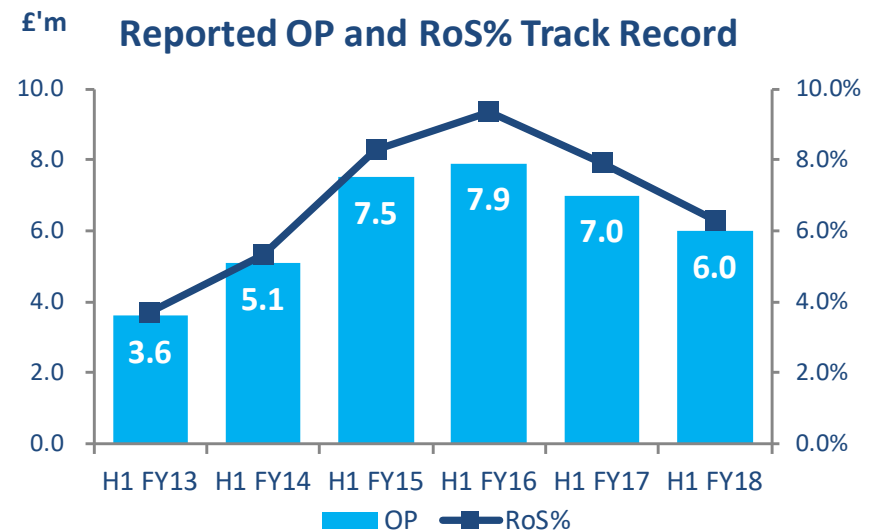
Re-engineering our future: Financial Performance

Ian Scapens, CFO

Improving revenue; profitability impacted by costs in Chain Division

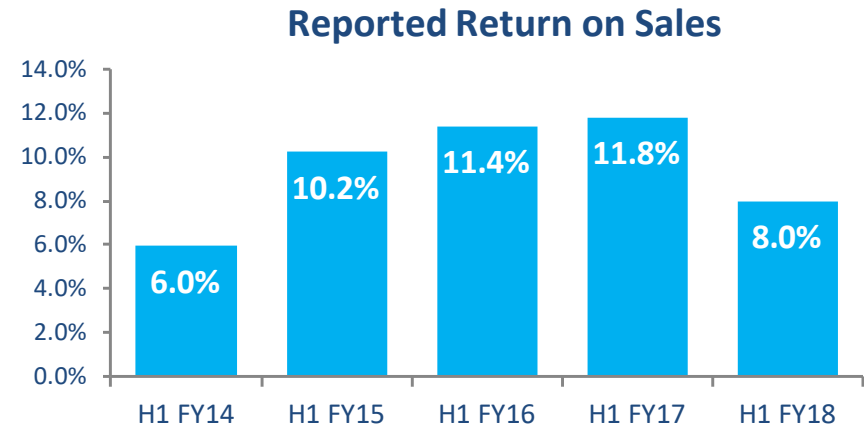
	2018 Interim £m	2017 Interim £m	Var £m
Revenue as reported	95.4	88.3	
Impact of FX	-	4.6	
Underlying revenue	95.4	92.9	2.5
Reported adjusted operating profit	6.0	7.0	
Impact of FX	-	0.6	
Underlying adjusted operating profit	6.0	7.6	(1.6)
<i>Underlying Return on Sales %</i>	6.3	8.2	
Exceptional items	(0.6)	(1.4)	0.8
Profit before tax	2.4	2.7	(0.3)
Adjusted EPS	1.8p	2.3p	(0.5p)

- Reported revenue increased by 8.0%
- Underlying revenue up 2.7%
- Profitability impacted by raw material price increases and disruption due to machine break-downs
- Operating margins fell to 6.3% with Adjusted EBITDA of £9.5m



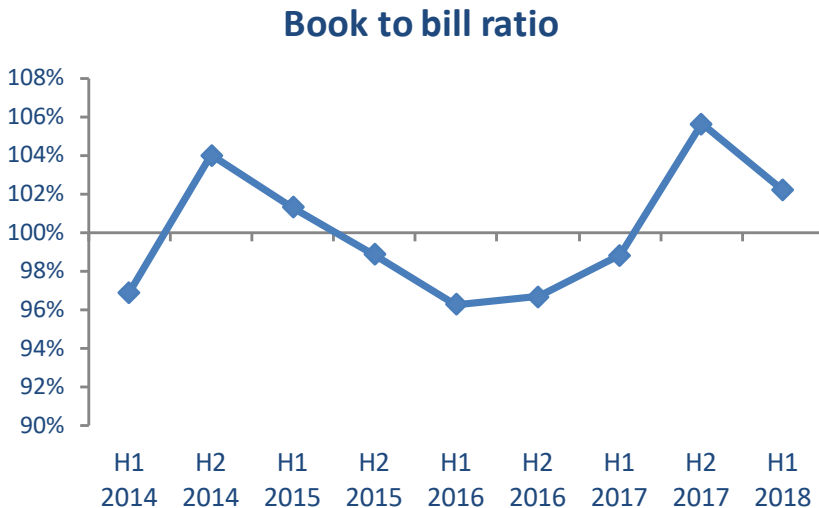
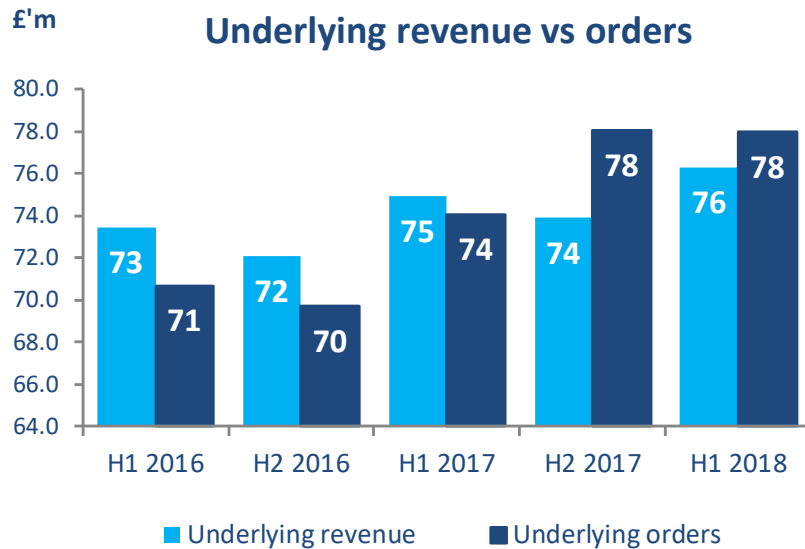
Organic revenue growth; improving order intake; impacted by increased costs

	2018 Interim £m	2017 Interim £m	Var %
Underlying revenue	76.3	74.9	1.9%
Underlying adjusted operating profit	6.1	9.0	(32.2%)
<i>Underlying Return on Sales %</i>	8.0	12.0	



- Underlying revenue 1.9% ahead of prior year
 - Continues growth trend from second half of prior year
- Europe continues to be the largest element of revenue growth (up 3.5%)
 - Whilst smaller in value terms, domestic Chinese revenue up 24%
- Americas growth of 1%; improvement over decline of 6.7% in H2 of prior year
- Australasia remains difficult, down 5.0%
- Profitability impacted by:
 - Increased raw material costs – most significant in Europe
 - Price increases subsequently implemented
 - Machine break-downs resulting in reduced capacity in Europe
 - Increased maintenance and air-freight costs
 - Reduced revenue from lack of availability
- Issues are short-term in nature

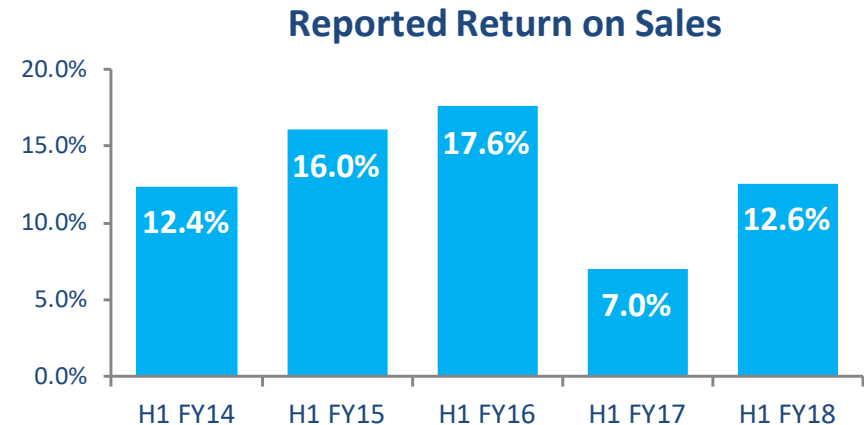
Continued strength in order intake



- Order intake remains strong at £78m for H1
- As expected, growth in order intake in Europe moderated from very high levels in H2 of prior year
- Stronger order intake in Americas reflecting changes to commercial structure and improving market conditions
- Orders continue ahead of revenue
 - Book to bill ratio remains positive at 102%
- Strong order intake and strengthening order book points to improving outlook for H2

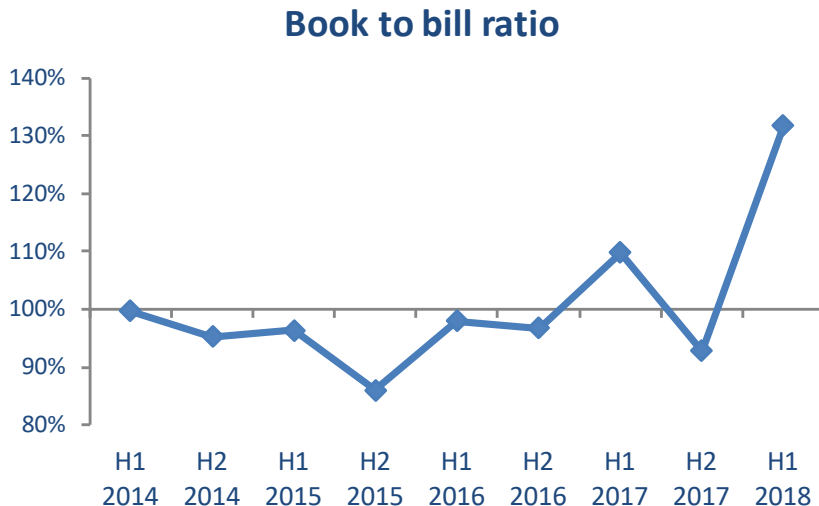
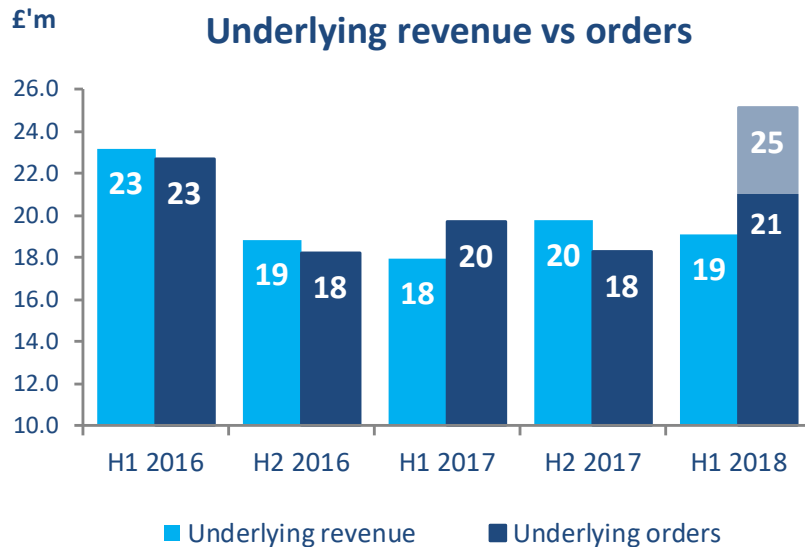
Substantial recovery led by UK Couplings

	2018 Interim £m	2017 Interim £m	Var %
Underlying revenue	19.1	18.0	6.1%
Underlying adjusted operating profit	2.4	1.2	100.0%
<i>Underlying Return on Sales %</i>	12.6	6.7	



- Continued recovery following improvement in H2 of prior year
- Underlying revenue 6.1% ahead of prior year
 - Growth being delivered by UK Couplings
 - Other business units broadly unchanged
- Variable margins stable; profit improvement from:
 - Revenue growth
 - Overhead reductions
- Major multi-year contract win for UK Couplings
 - Large Hi-Tec Couplings for marine applications
 - £5.4m to be delivered over several years
- Benefits from the consolidation of UK Couplings operations being delivered through:
 - Additional growth
 - More efficient operating structure
- Continued progress expected for H2

Improving order intake; bolstered by large multi-year contract win



- Underlying order intake increased by 27.4%
 - Excluding element of large order which extends beyond the current financial year, up by 9.1%
- UK Couplings is the key driver of improving order intake
- Small increase in order intake in US
 - Improving order pipeline, but likely to benefit FY19
- Book to bill ratio of 132% benefits from large UK Couplings order
 - Excluding element of order which extends beyond current year, book to bill ratio is 112%
- Strong order intake and strengthening order book points to improving outlook for H2

As expected, cash flow in H1 includes a number of one-off payments

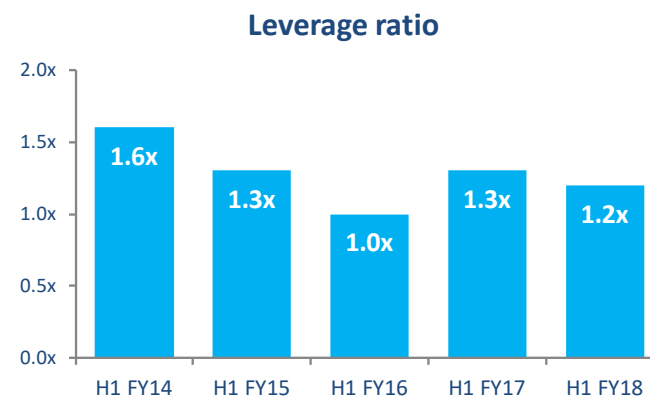
	2018 Interim £m	2017 Interim £m	Var £m
Adjusted EBITDA	9.5	10.1	(0.6)
Movement in working capital	(2.3)	(2.6)	
Pensions cash costs	(3.0)	(3.1)	
Restructuring spend	(1.7)	(0.4)	
Income taxes paid	(3.4)	(0.5)	
Other operating cash flows	(0.7)	(1.5)	
Net cash from operating activities	(1.6)	2.0	(3.6)
Acquisition consideration	(0.5)	-	
Property disposal proceeds	0.5	-	
Investing activities	(6.4)	(3.6)	
Financing costs paid	(0.7)	(0.7)	
Other movements / FX	0.1	(0.4)	
Change in net debt	(8.6)	(2.7)	(5.9)
Opening net debt	(17.4)	(23.5)	
Closing net debt	(26.0)	(26.2)	0.2

- Cash outflow as expected in H1
- Restructuring spend – includes:
 - Amounts accrued at the end of the prior year
 - Final elements of Halifax closure
 - Closure of China TT manufacturing unit
 - Plus closure cost for New Zealand manufacturing operation
- Increased cash tax
 - Expiry of losses in Germany
 - Move to payments on account
- First element of deferred consideration for Tooth Chain acquisition
 - Successful acquisition; full deferred consideration likely to be payable
 - Final payment of c£0.7m
- Higher level of capex including:
 - Final payments for large machines purchased in the prior year
 - Initial investment for relocation of Chinese factory

Improving asset base supported by reduction in pension deficit

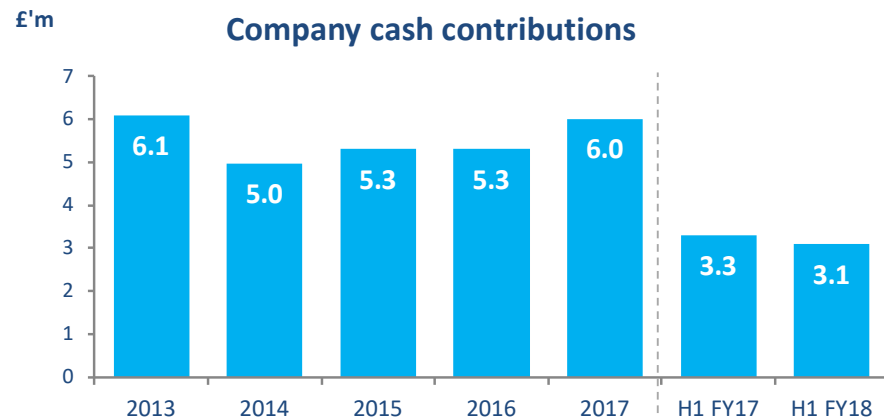
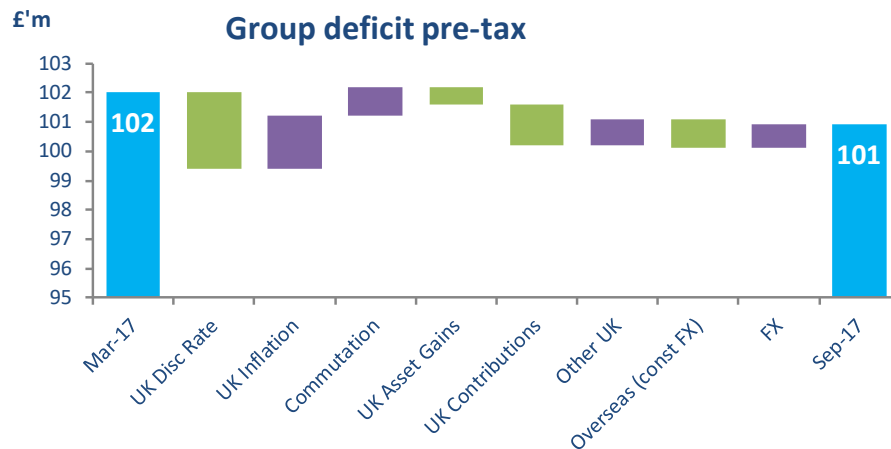
	2018 Interim £m	2017 Interim £m	Var £m
Goodwill	24.7	25.0	(0.3)
Intangible assets	9.1	10.0	(0.9)
Fixed assets	48.2	48.6	(0.4)
Deferred tax	20.3	21.7	(1.4)
Inventories	40.7	41.2	(0.5)
Receivables	38.1	34.1	4.0
Payables	(41.0)	(39.5)	(1.5)
Net working capital	37.8	35.8	2.0
Net debt	(26.0)	(26.2)	0.2
Provisions	(6.0)	(5.9)	(0.1)
Retirement benefit obligations	(100.9)	(112.4)	11.5
Current tax liability	(1.3)	(2.1)	0.8
Other	(0.2)	0.5	(0.7)
Net assets	5.7	(5.0)	10.7
Leverage⁽¹⁾ ratio	1.2x	1.3x	

- Balance sheet movements generally small
- Small working capital increase arising from increased receivables
 - Greater customer focus on credit terms
- Net debt broadly unchanged at £26.0m
- Leverage remains comfortable 1.2x (covenant limit 2.5x)



(1) Leverage is calculated as Net debt / adjusted EBITDA

Cash funding remains stable; deficit largely unchanged



- Deficit largely unchanged over the last six months at £100.9m
- UK deficit reduced by £0.9m to £71.1m
 - Benefit of increases in UK discount rates off-set by increased inflation and commutation factors
- Reduced deficit from overseas schemes off-set by FX
- UK Triennial Review for 31 March 2016 completed in June 2017 – no changes to future company contributions
 - Annual RPI linked increases remain
 - Profit and dividend linked additional contribution mechanisms remain
- Other than FX movements, cash contributions stable



Re-engineering our future:
Next Steps

Robert Purcell, CEO

Continued progress; short term issues have not changed strategic direction

Restructuring

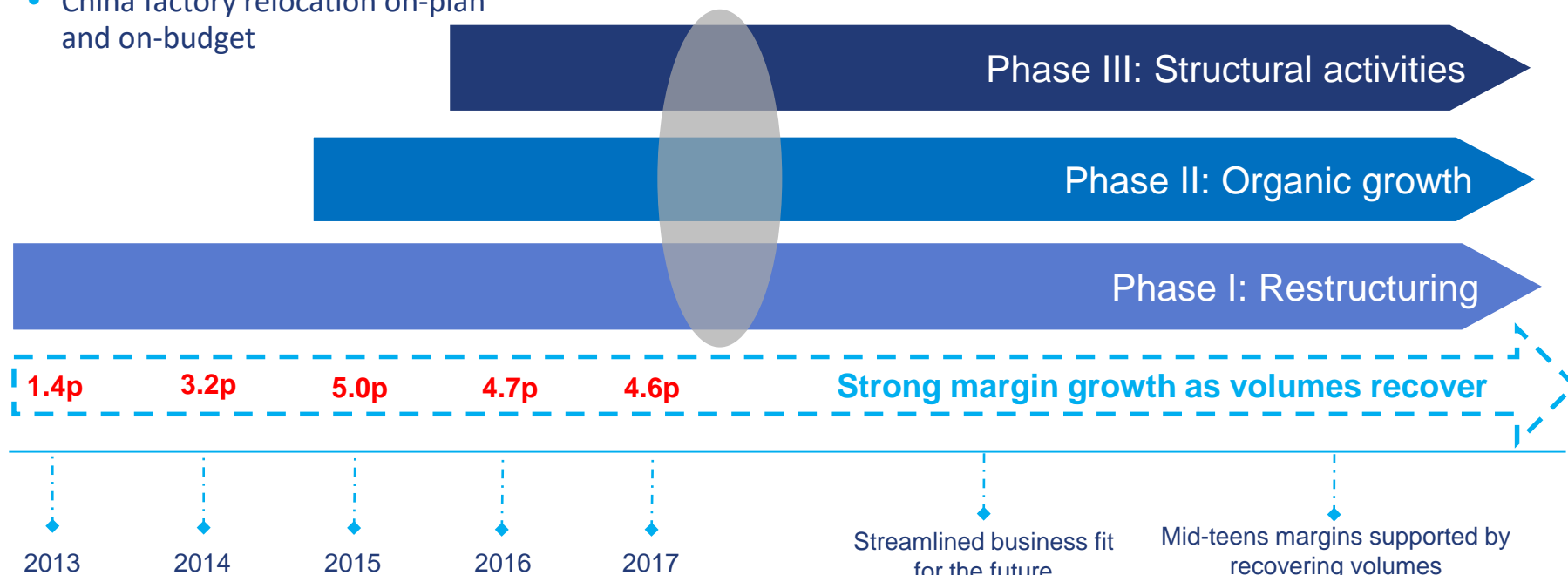
- Completed UK Couplings consolidation
- Closed sub-scale manufacturing operations in China (TT) and New Zealand (Chain)
- Continued progress on standardising IT systems
- China factory relocation on-plan and on-budget

Organic growth

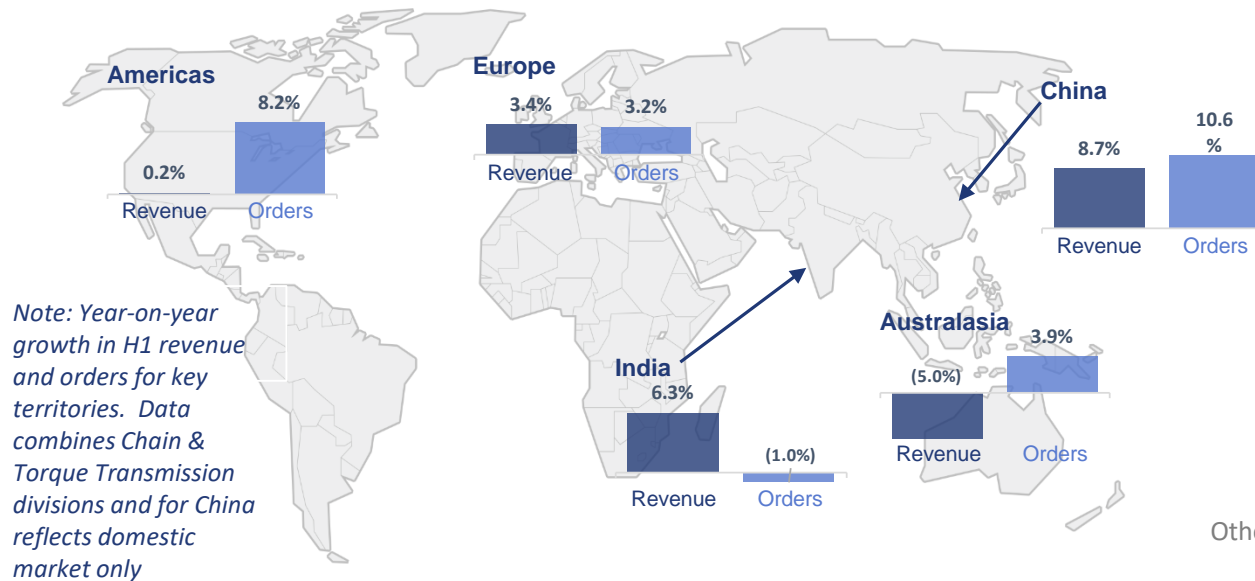
- Poland sales office established
- Continued development of commercial teams and structures
- Re-established organic growth across most territories

Structural activities

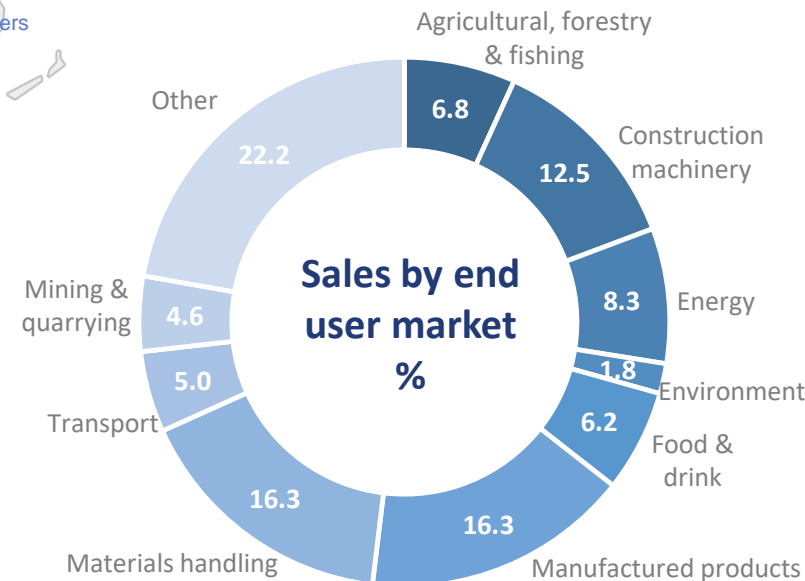
- Appointed corporate development director
- Developing a pipeline of opportunities



Commercial efforts starting to bear fruit; order intake significantly improved

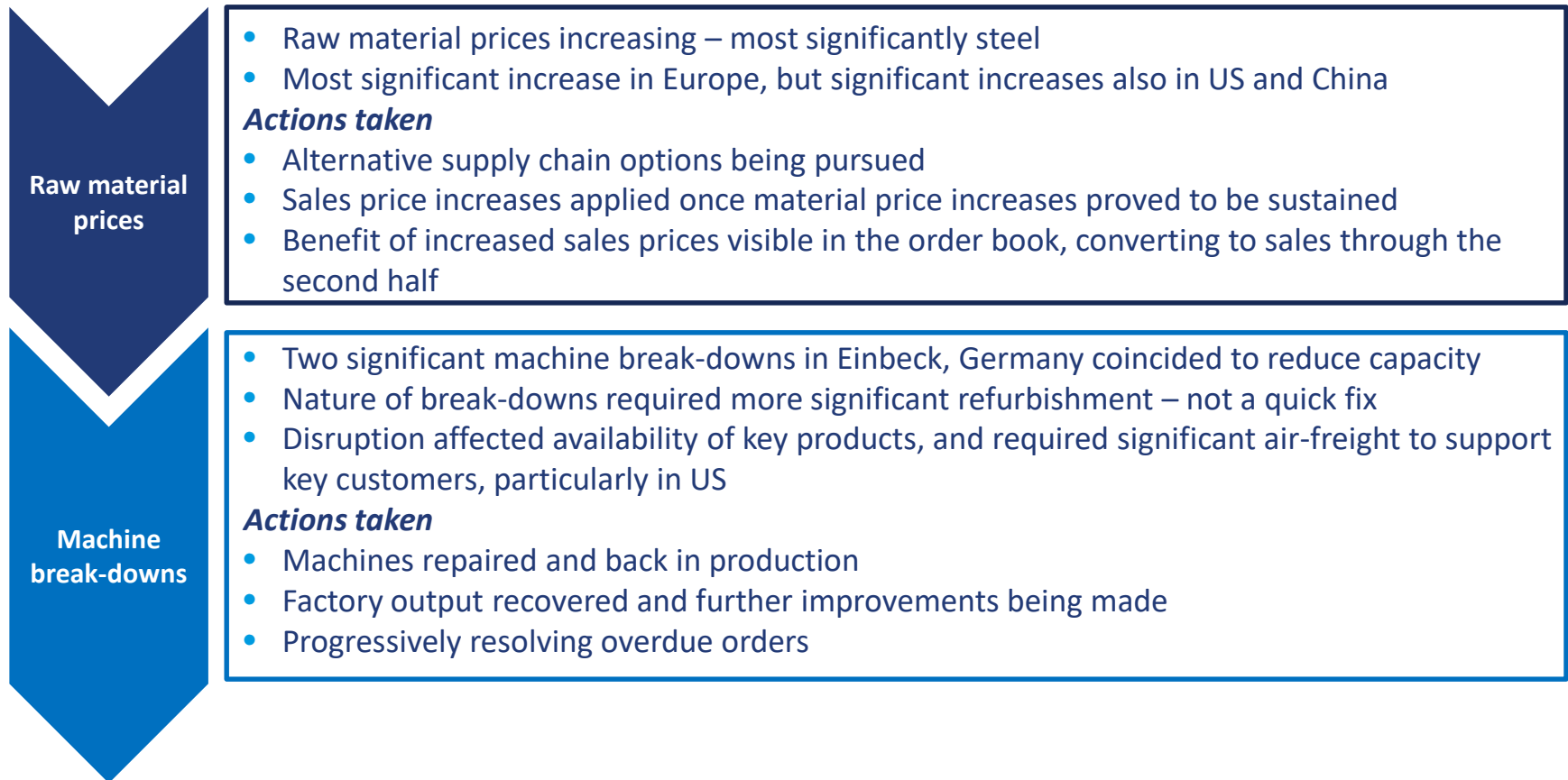


- Markets showing positive signs
- Segmented market sector approach is working well where implemented
- Torque Transmission Couplings particularly strong
- Distinct benefits where we roll-out new service offering/levels
- Poland office opened
- South-East Asia difficult, but positive signs



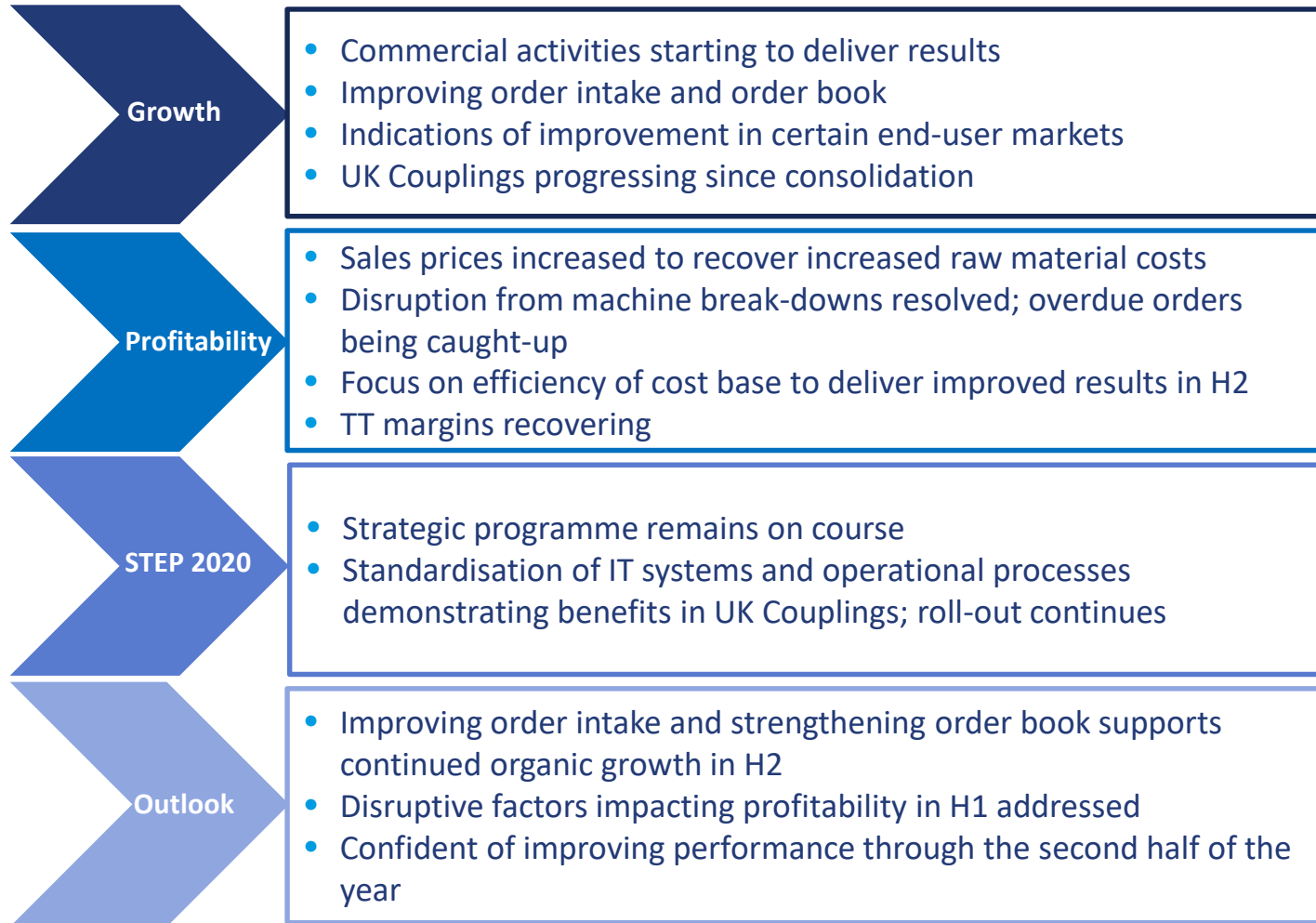
Note: Excludes sales to distributors where visibility of end market is limited. Distribution customers account for 43% of revenue

Specific factors impacted H1 profitability; they are short-term in nature



- Specific factors impacted upon the profitability of the Chain division in H1
- These factors have been addressed
- Margin expected to recover during the second half of the year

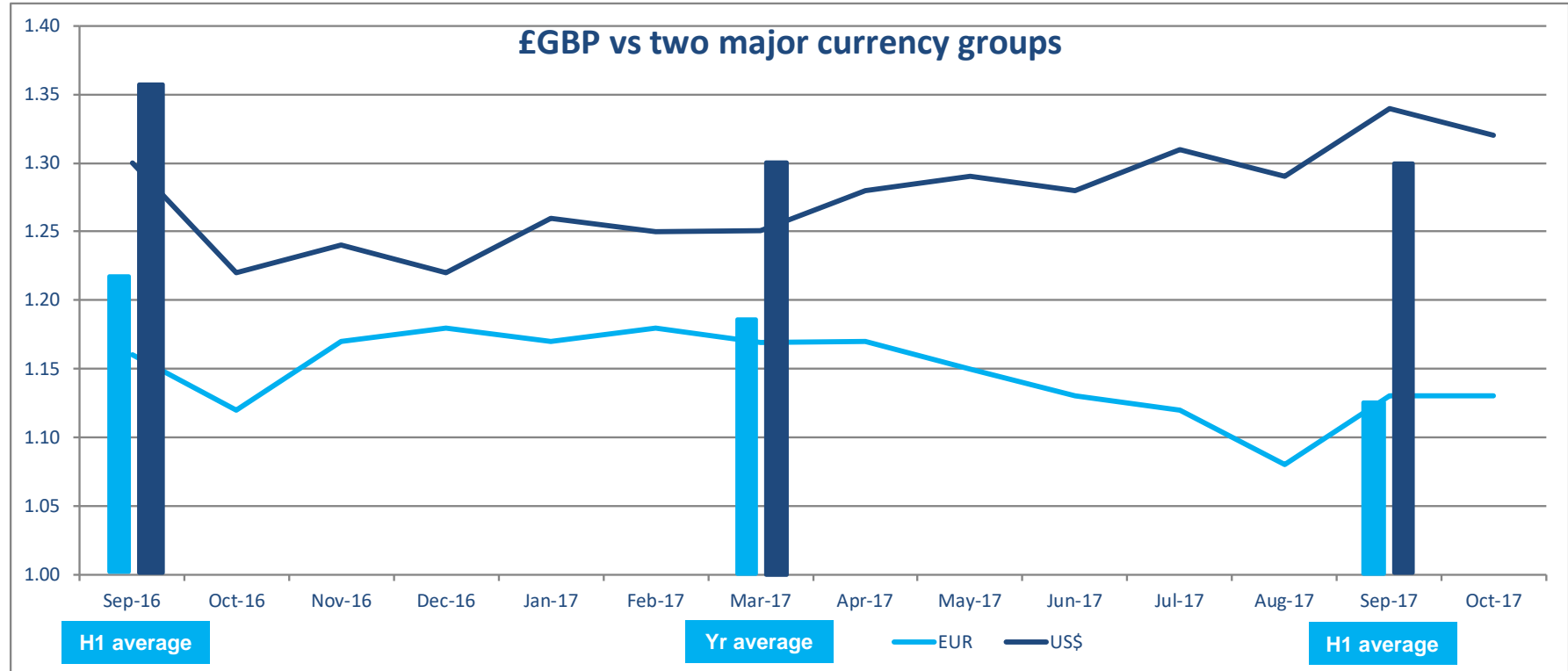
Action taken to resolve short-term profit impacts; strategy unchanged





Appendices

Significant volatility in foreign exchange vs H1 of prior year



- Sales denominated in US\$ represent approximately 30% of the group total, and 35% in Euro's
- A decline in Sterling value of 10% against both EUR and US\$ would result in:
 - An estimated increase in annual revenue of £11.4m
 - An estimated increase in annual adjusted operating profit of £1.4m

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