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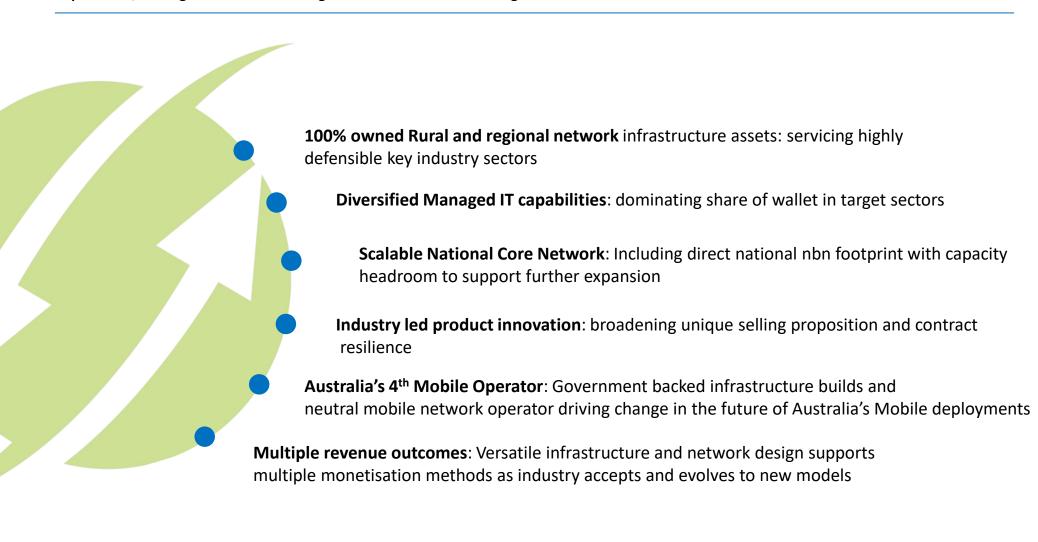
### Australia's Leading Telecommunications Carrier for rural, regional and remote Australia

We connect and service regional, rural and remote Australian industries bridge the digital divide between metro and rural Australia, digitally enabling key industries such as agriculture, agribusiness, resources and mining.

## **Key Highlights**



Australian Telecommunications challenger with scalable national network, enterprise grade Managed IT, government certified cloud capabilities, and significant rural and regional infrastructure including Australia's 4<sup>th</sup> mobile network.



### What we do



### FSG is a full-service telecommunications and IT service provider operating two distinct business units

#### Core

Digital Enablement for Business, Enterprise and Government









Rural & Regional

Mining & Resources

Wholesale

**Public Sector** 

- National Core network
- Delivers ISP (Internet/connectivity) and MSP, IT managed services targeted at key industries
- Products include:
  - managed private network
  - security, access control and asset monitoring
  - voice solutions
  - large campus connectivity and entertainment solutions, and
  - whole of business IT support

96% of revenue\*

#### Infrastructure

Builds and Develops Telecommunications Infrastructure



- Build and operate Telecommunications infrastructure
- Government Grant supported
- Delivers internet broadband, IoT and Mobile services (4G/5G) from a single asset
- Changing the way mobile assets and services are delivered and monetised

4% of revenue\*

\*Based on FY24 results 5

## **FY24 Financial Highlights**



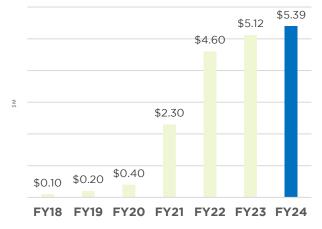
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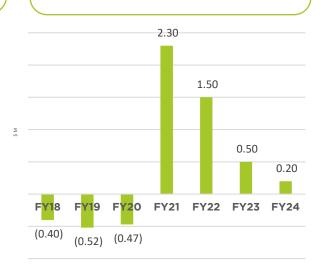












Growth in key sectors driving sustained top line growth

**Govt Grant Income** 

\$4.8m

Levelling EBITDA reinvestment in operations and business expansion

Adjusted NPAT (Post-acquisition accounting treatment of the TasmaNet customer contracts + one-off costs).



## **FSG Core**

Digital Enablement for Business, Enterprise and Government



## **FSG Core Business**



**Key Indicators** 

\$60.6M

Revenue\*

40-43%

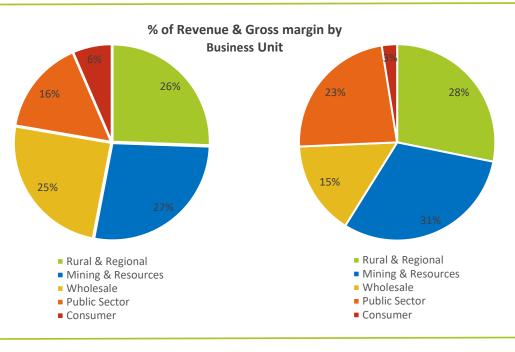
**Gross margin\*** 

**79%** 

Recurring Revenue\*

**78%** 

Contracted\*







Diversified revenues with focus on key enterprise and government industry sectors



Shift to higher margin products and services



Focus on operational efficiencies and reduction in opex

Contract Length vary by business unit.

Typical Managed Services Contracts are 36-60 months. High customer retention , > 98% contract renewal rates



### **Notable Customers**

Core Business unit FY24 Revenue by key customer sectors























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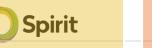




















## **Trading Update**



Capital constraints, timing differences and product mix affecting revenue and margins in first 6 months

- Q1-FY25
  - Lower than expected non-recurring Revenue and Margins predominantly in non-recurring projects revenue
    - lower sales and
    - delayed deliveries
  - Growth in non-recurring low margin wholesale revenue pushing average gross margins down
  - COGS timing differences
    - costs incurred ahead or after revenue creating margin percentage volatility

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## **Strategic Review of Operations**



Management conducted a strategic review of each business operation with to identify causes and opportunities for recovery

- Results of the review identified:
  - High revenue concentration across a small number of customers in mining and wholesale groups creating exposure risk to market and customer changes
  - Wholesale group
    - relies on high capex and opex network costs
    - margins continue a downward trend driven by market dynamics
    - organic growth of uncontracted recurring revenue driving overall gross margin percentages down
  - Mining group
    - revenues highly sensitive to volatile project works and typically unfavourable commercial terms (e.g. payment terms).
    - slow decision and contracting timelines.
    - risk around changes in industry and upcoming renewals

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## **FY25 Core Group Changes**



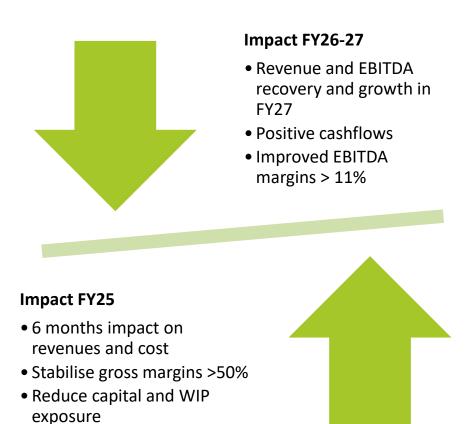
Restructure of operations aims to streamline operations, reduce risk, and allocate resources to areas with greater growth potential and long-term growth and stability.

### **Operations Restructure**

- Exit nbn tails wholesale
- Divest high capex / unfavourable terms customer projects – negotiating non-binding offer
- Implement Opex reductions (partly complete)
- Complete Government supported Infrastructure Build
- Minimise non-government funded capital investments
- Operational management augmentation

### **Finance and Governance**

- Recapitalise and restructure debt
- Board refresh



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## **Core Growth Outlook**



Forecast FY25-FY27. Focus on operating efficiencies and high margin product mix to support higher EBITDA margins

### **Focus on key markets**

- Business, Enterprise and Government
- Captive markets
- Review of low margin nbn tails segment

### **Product Innovation**

- Industry solutions
- High margin, contracted (typically 3-5 year), specialised managed networks, security and whole of business solutions

### **Unique Selling Proposition**

- Agile solution design
- Rural & Regional knowledge and staffing
- Local service



## Infrastructure

Building Australia's 4<sup>th</sup> Mobile Operator driving the adoption of active infrastructure sharing



## **Regional Australia Network**



FSG's RAN is designed to be Australia's **Neutral Mobile Network**, creating **real net-new coverage** and providing a comprehensive solution for **active sharing** and a commercially attractive framework.

This enables Mobile Network Operators (MNOs) to increase their coverage and reach new subscribers in a cost-effective manner and avoid duplicate capital investments.

At the same time, it aligns with the government's goal and commitment of ensuring **equal access to high-quality mobile services** for all Australians.













Infrastructure and Electronics

4<sup>th</sup> Mobile network

Active sharing

Net new coverage

4G/5G

Sustainable Power Options

Australia's 4<sup>th</sup> Mobile Network, designed as a **neutral** network, delivering:

- Comprehensive Active and Passive Sharing Options:
  - MOCN
  - MORAN
  - Roaming
  - Co-Location
- Technical
  - 4G / 5G Ready
  - Ability to be grid connected or Solar Powered
  - Fibre / Microwave / LEO Backhaul options

- Commercial
  - Primary Customers
    - Mobile Network Operators (MNOs)
    - Australia Federal Government PSMB
    - Australia State Governments Emergency Services
  - Primary Coverage Outcomes
    - Deliver net new coverage
    - Enhanced MNO coverage and competition
  - Primary Commercial Outcomes
    - Government assisted capital
    - Long term usage-based contracts



### The birth of Australia's 4th mobile network



FSG's RAN is Australia's only in place mobile network, creating new coverage in rural and remote areas

### **Build & Deployment Milestones**



#### **Commercial Milestones**

**Q2 FY22** 

FSG awarded over \$24M of government backing towards the construction of telecommunications sites under Regional Connectivity project.



### Q4 FY22 - Mobile Blackspot 5 & 5A

FSG becomes the first "non-MNO" to be granted an award under the Mobile Blackspot Program to build, trial and prove active sharing in Australia



High level design of RAN Mobile core and Radio design Completed



First in-field domestic roaming call achieved between FSG RAN and Optus Engineering network

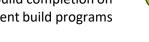


### **Q2 FY22 – Passive Sharing Agreement**

Passive Sharing 20-year agreement with National MNO for co-location on FSG Towers



98% site acquisition and 59% build completion on government build programs



We are here



Estimated completion of all currently contracted government builds



**Commercial Agreement:** Active Sharing with National MNO

**Mobile Blackspot 8 :** Participation and award under next round of Government funding programs proving the FSG Active Sharing Model

Monetisation: "Active" Carrier Revenues commence



## **Infrastructure Capital Investments**

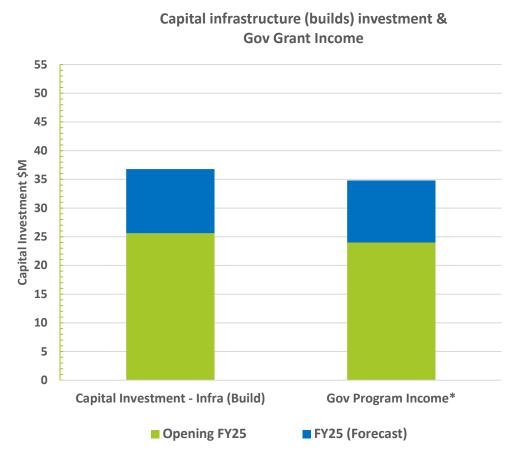


Capital investment in infrastructure, core networks and completion of currently contracted Government backed tower builds targeting FY25 completion



By State	Built	Remaining	Total
NSW	18	17	35
QLD	28	15	43
WA	18	10	28
Total	64	42	106

<sup>\*</sup>Forecast site completions in early Q4-25. Income line shows expected invoice time based on completions. Cash receipts may be delayed by up to 120 days.

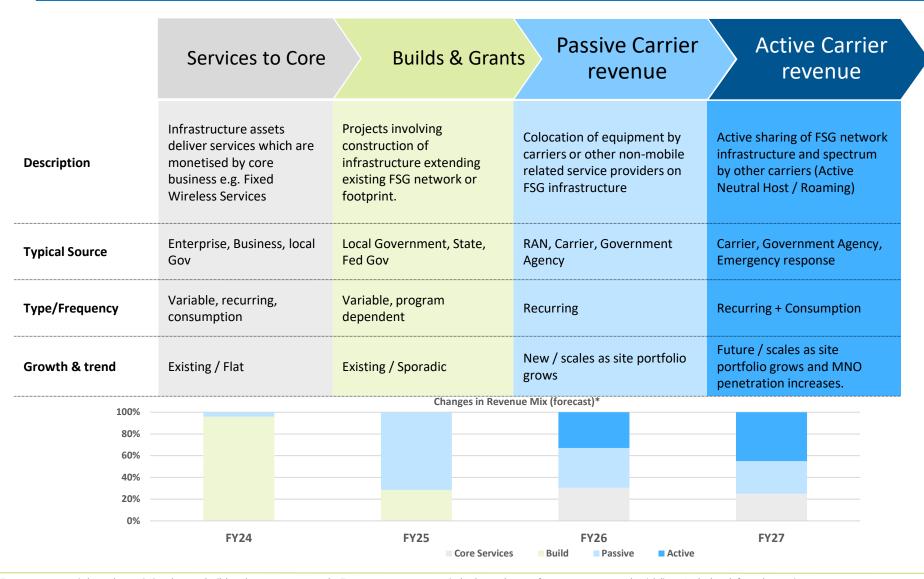




### **Infrastructure Monetisation**



FSG infrastructure revenue is evolving as new networks and revenue sources are added. Based on current contracted programs, FY25-27 will see an increased revenue contribution from the monetisation of build assets and in the introduction of active carrier revenues

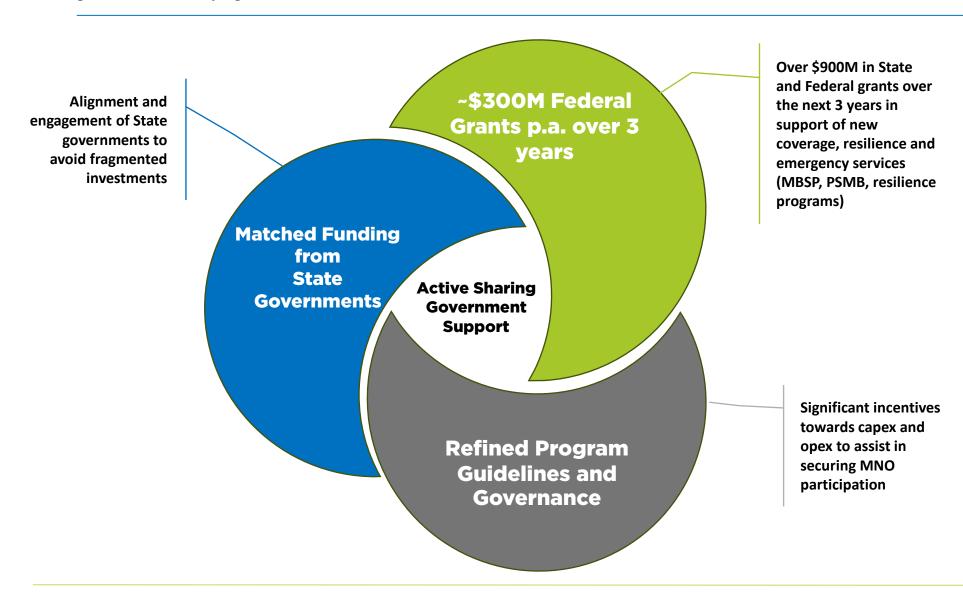




## **Government Support**



The Australian Government is actively incentivising the adoption of Active Sharing solutions through increased funding and refined guidelines to future programs





## **Near-term focus - scaling Infrastructure**



Post trials revenue growth from infrastructure will be based on scaling of the site portfolio and diversification of revenue streams

### Add locations to portfolio

- Utilise existing unused infrastructure in "TowerCos" and utility companies' infrastructure
- Greenfield Development
- 100% funded by government
- Opex funding opportunity
- New program guidelines
- Acquisition of underperforming regional assets

### **Diversify revenue streams**

- Multiple MNOs
- Other (non-MNO) Access seekers such as Public Safety networks

### **Technology renewal cycles**

• Take advantage of technology renewal cycles and equipment deprecation to convert MNOs to active sharing model

## **Capital Investments**



### Half of capital investments (Infrastructure build) is fully funded by Government Grants

Capital investment in core business network, platforms and RAN mobile platform

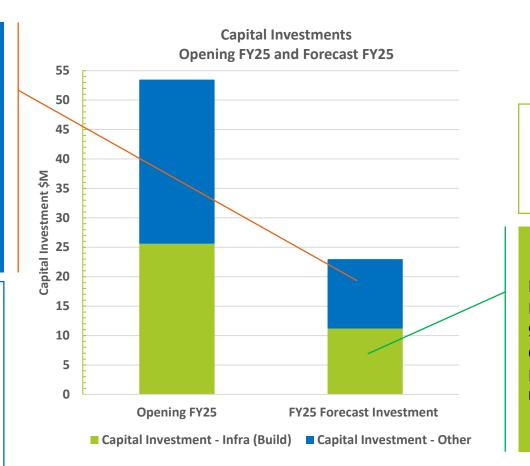
Forecast FY25: \$11.8M

# Capital Investment – Other Capital Investment (RAN Platform)

Mobile network infrastructure e.g. Mobile Core

### **Capital Investment (Core)**

Core Network, POI network, laaS and other Capital spend



### Capital Investment (Infra Build)

Gov Backed programs / sites construction

Infrastructure Build Investments 98% Contribution from Government Income/Grants Forecast FY25: \$11.2M



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