

# **Europe Roadshow**

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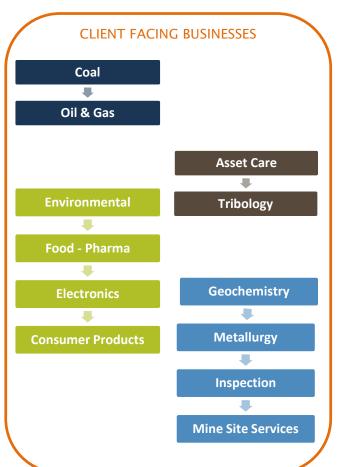
### **Company Profile**



ALS Limited (ASX:ALQ) is an ASX 100 company that provides professional technical services to the global Metals & Mining, Life Sciences, Oil & Gas, and Industrial sectors throughout the world. By Market Capitalisation, ALS is the 5<sup>th</sup> largest TIC company in the world and has a market leadership position in many of its end markets.







# **September 2014 Half Year Summary**



	H1 FY14 (\$mn)	H1 FY15 (\$mn)			
half year	Underlying <sup>1</sup>	Underlying <sup>1</sup>	Discontinued Operations & Impairment	Restructuring Costs	Amortisation of Intangibles
Revenue	684.6	710.3	58.8	-	-
EBITDA	181.4	149.8	(0.6)	(2.2)	-
Depreciation & amortisation	(34.6)	(40.8)	(0.3)	-	(6.0)
EBIT	146.8	109.0	(0.9)	(2.2)	(6.0)
Interest expense	(9.7)	(16.6)	-	-	-
Tax expense	(36.3)	(24.7)	-	0.7	-
Non-controlling interests	(0.8)	(0.7)	(0.2)	-	-
NPAT	100.0	67.0	(1.1)	(1.5)	(6.0)
EPS (basic - cents per share)	27.7	16.9			
Dividend (cents per share)	19	11			

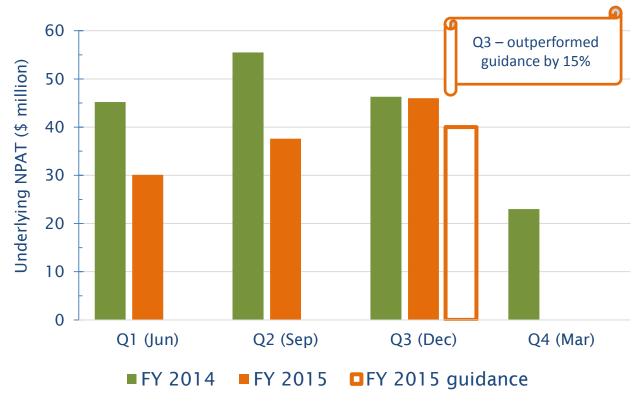
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Excludes Reward Distribution which was divested on 31st October 2014

# Third Quarter (Dec-14) Performance



### ASX Release - 24th November 2014

"After tax group net profit for the December 2014 quarter is expected to be approximately \$40 million. This represents an improvement in performance over each of the first two quarters (\$30.0 million and \$37.7 million) of the current financial year."



# Third Quarter (underlying) Divisional Performance



Life Sciences Division				
	Q3 FY15	Q3 FY14	Change	
Revenue	\$148mn	\$141mn	+5%	
EBITDA	\$38mn	\$34mn	+13%	
EBIT	\$31mn	\$26mn	+15%	
EBIT Margin	20.6%	18.8%	+176 bps	

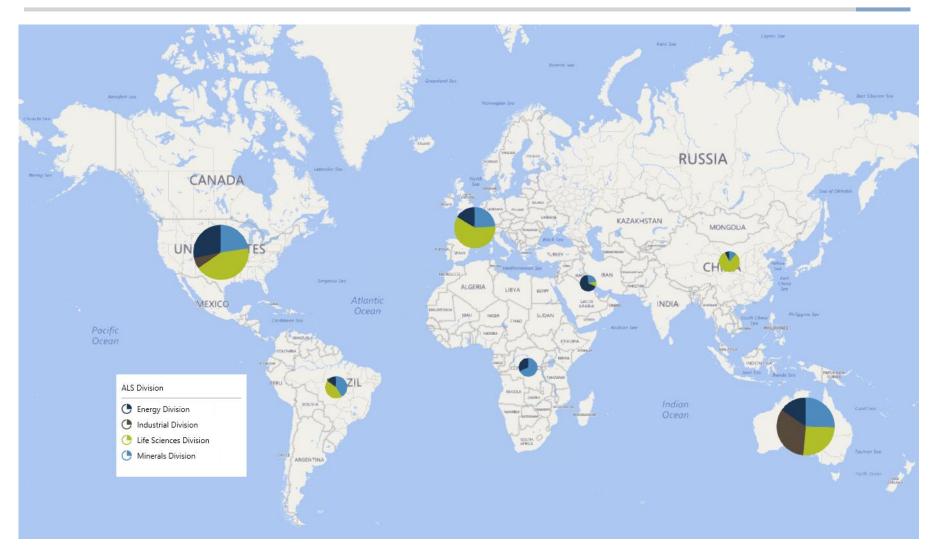
Minerals Division				
	Q3 FY15	Q3 FY14	Change	
Revenue	\$99mn	\$101mn	-2%	
EBITDA	\$30mn	\$31mn	-5%	
EBIT	\$24mn	\$25mn	-3%	
EBIT Margin	24.6%	24.9%	-35 bps	

Energy Division				
	Q3 FY15	Q3 FY14	Change	
Revenue	\$82mn	\$84mn	-2%	
EBITDA	\$18mn	\$22mn	-18%	
EBIT	\$12mn	\$17mn	-25%	
EBIT Margin	15.0%	19.7%	-466 bps	

Industrial Division				
	Q3 FY15	Q3 FY14	Change	
Revenue	\$46mn	\$47mn	-3%	
EBITDA	\$8.1mn	\$7.6mn	+7%	
EBIT	\$6.6mn	\$6.2mn	+7%	
EBIT Margin	14.4%	13.0%	+136 bps	

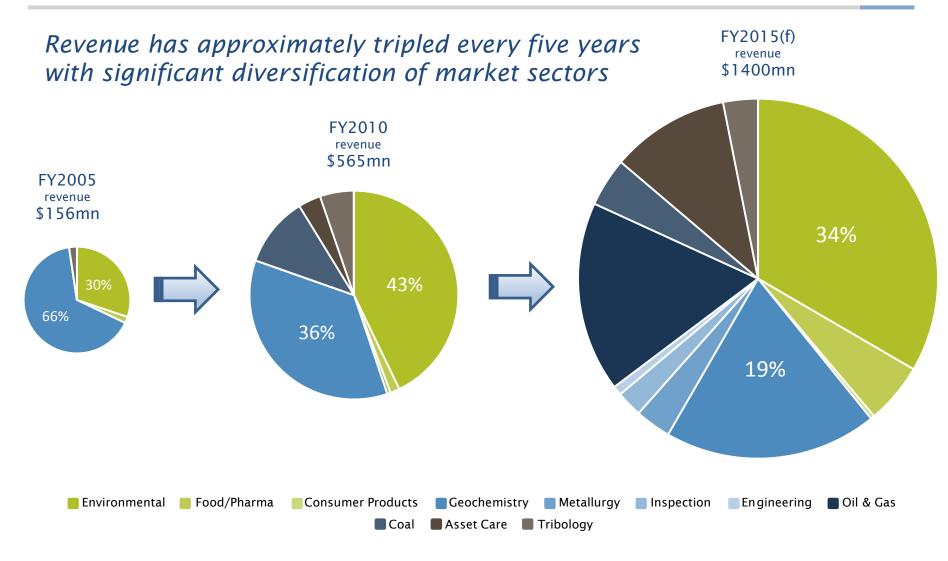
# Revenue by Region by Division (9mths FY2015)





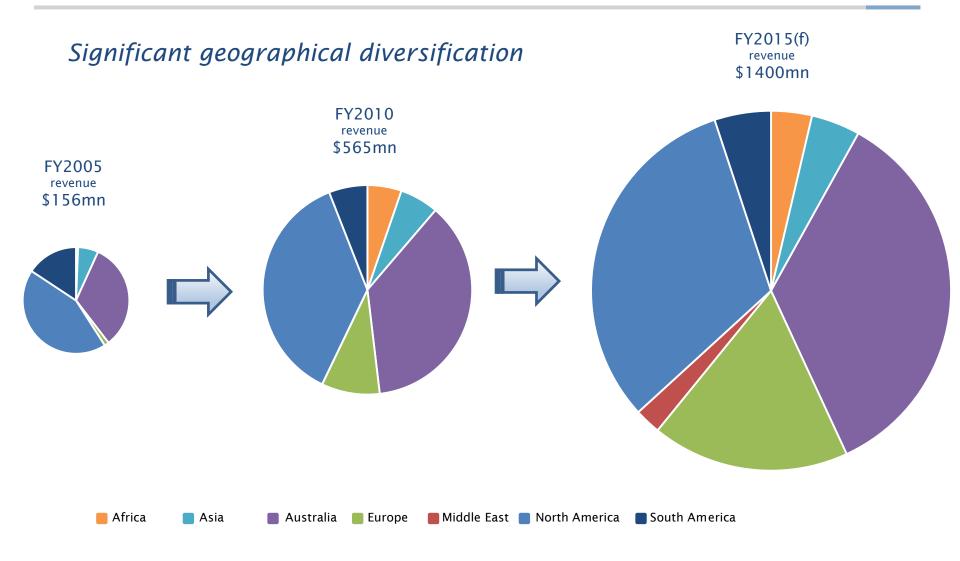
### Laboratory revenue - journey over the last decade?





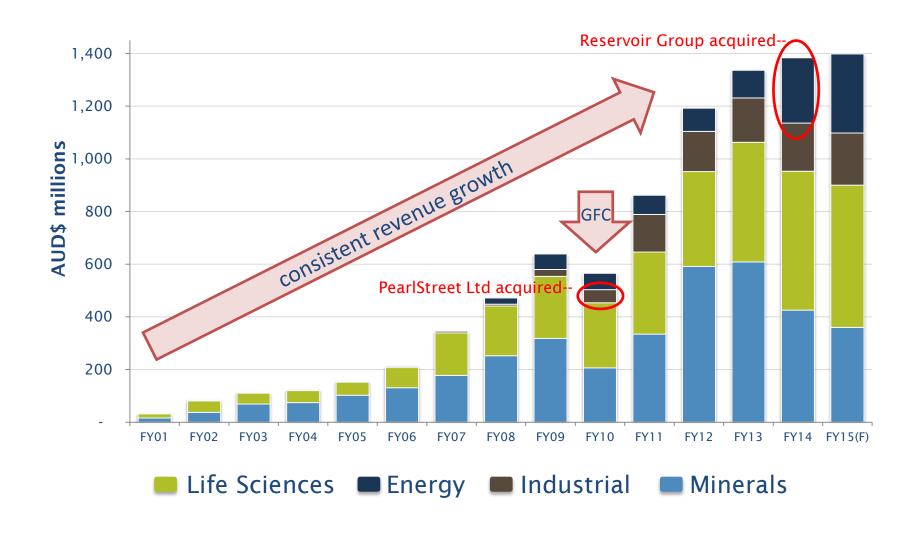
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### **ALS Revenue History**





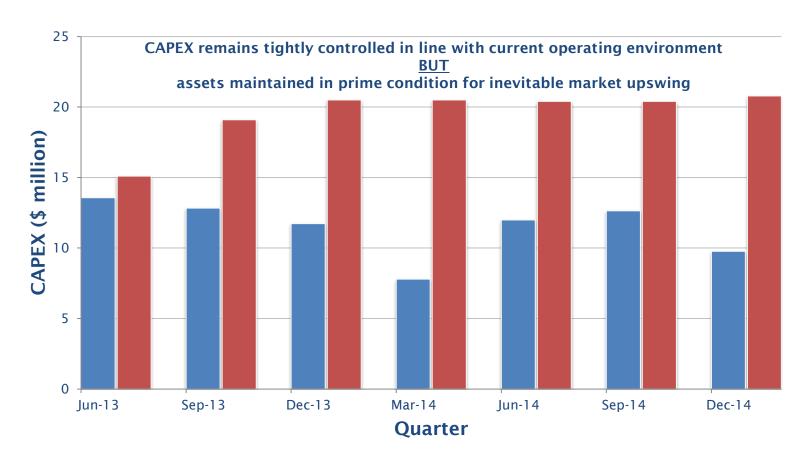
# **Global Location Map – genuine global footprint**





### **CAPEX** and **Depreciation**





■ Approved CAPEX (excl. property purchases) ■ Depreciation & Amortisation

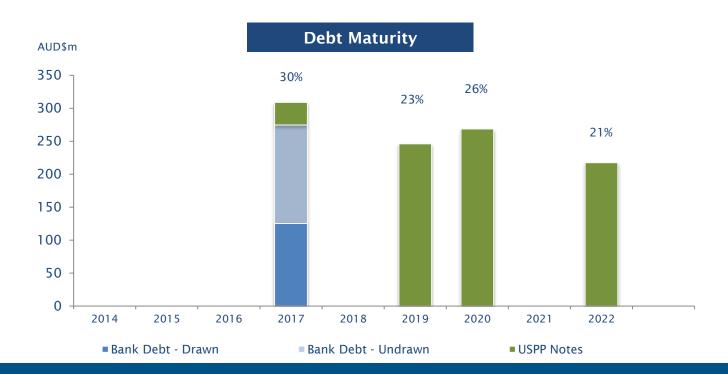
# **Cash Flow and Funding**



	Sep-14	Sep-13
<u>Cash Flow</u>		
EBITDA (excl Reward write-down )	\$149mn	\$179mn
Operating cash flow	\$133mn	\$147mn
Conversion	89%	82%

		Oct-14 *	Mar-14
Funding statistics			
Gearing ratio	Comfort 45%	34.2%	33.9%
Leverage (net debt / EBITDA)	Max 3.00	2.5	2.2
EBITDA interest cover	Min 3.75	9.0	12.2

\* At 31 October 2014 following sale of Reward Distribution



### **Life Sciences Division\* – market overview**



### **Environmental**

global market estimated at US\$ 5bn

ALS - global market leader

non-cyclical market linked to GDP growth

#### services - full range

- •waters potable and marine
- soils and sediments
- •air
- •waste characterisation liquids and solids

#### market drivers

- •growing middle class in developing countries
- •heightened awareness of health impact from the environment
- •underpinned by regulatory requirements
- outsourcing

### Food

global market estimated at US\$ 4bn

ALS – mid sized player - but in the top 10 globally

non-cyclical market but seasonal – fragmented laboratory market

#### services - full range

- microbiology and pathogens
- contaminants
- •nutritional, vitamins and additives
- consultancy and label compliance

#### market drivers

- •growing international trade in fresh food
- •heightened awareness of health impact
- •growth in pre-packaged foods
- private labelling brand protection
- outsourcing
- elegislation

### Pharma & Biotech

Global market estimated at US\$ 6bn

ALS - small player

non-cyclical market

#### services – limited range

- batch release testing
- •intermediate and raw material testing
- stability studies
- method validation transfer verification

#### market drivers

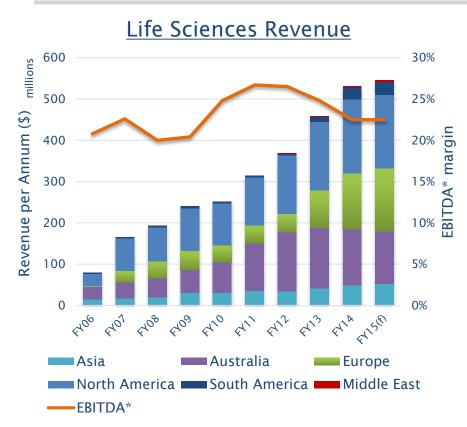
- nutraceuticals
- •generic drugs
- outsourcing
- legislation

Global Market Size are Company estimate

\* for ALS also includes the Electronics and Consumer Products businesses

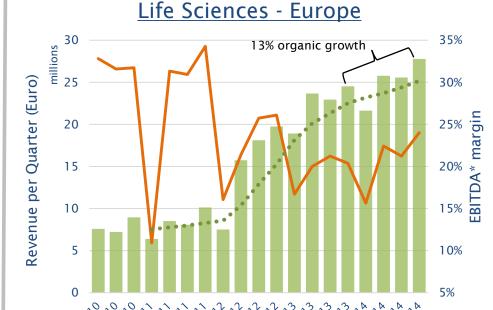
### **Life Sciences Division**





#### Life Sciences - Global

- Strong consistent revenue growth whilst maintain margin
- Full Service offering
- Hub & Spoke (Centres of Excellence) model



### <u>Life Sciences - Europe</u>

- Strong revenue growth despite very mature market and very low growth economies
- EBITDA margin in excess of competitors despite strong competition

\* Inclusive of abnormal costs

EBITDA\*•••••4 per. Mov. Avg. (Revenue)

### **Geochemical Markets – global perspective**



Figure 3: Worldwide Exploration Budgets by Target, 2014 (1,961 Companies Budgeting \$10.74 Billion)

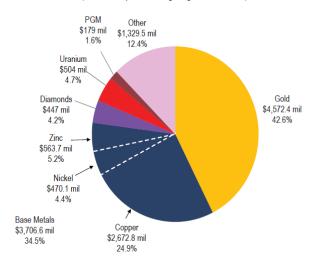


Figure 5: Worldwide Exploration Budgets by Stage of Development, 2014 (1.961 Companies Budgeting \$10.74 Billion)

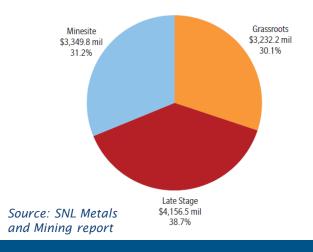
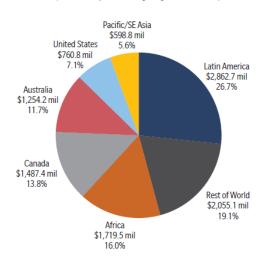


Figure 7: Worldwide Exploration Budgets by Region, 2014 (1,961 Companies Budgeting \$10.74 Billion)



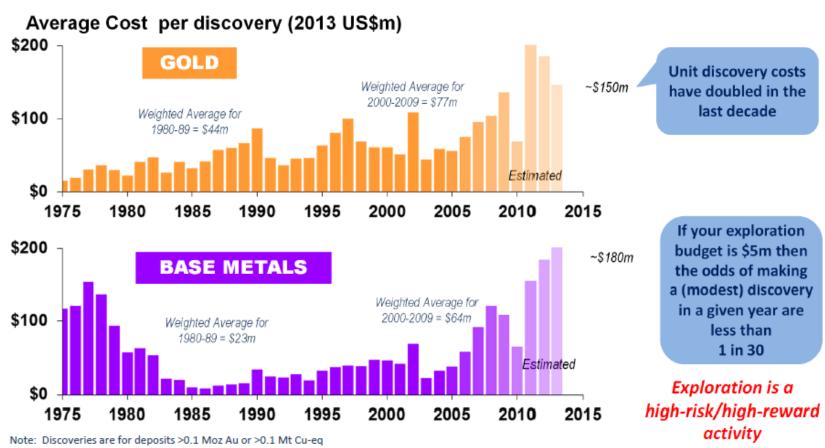
- Global exploration budgets down 47% from actual spend in CY2012
- Commodity mix and geographical activity consistent with previous years
- Focus on minesite and late stage at the expense of grassroots

# **Exploration spend - the future**



# Discovery costs are rising

Unit cost per for a moderate-sized Gold or Base Metal discovery in the World



Note: Discoveries are for deposits >0.1 Moz Au or >0.1 Mt Cu-eq

Data from 2005 onwards have been adjusted for unreported deposits

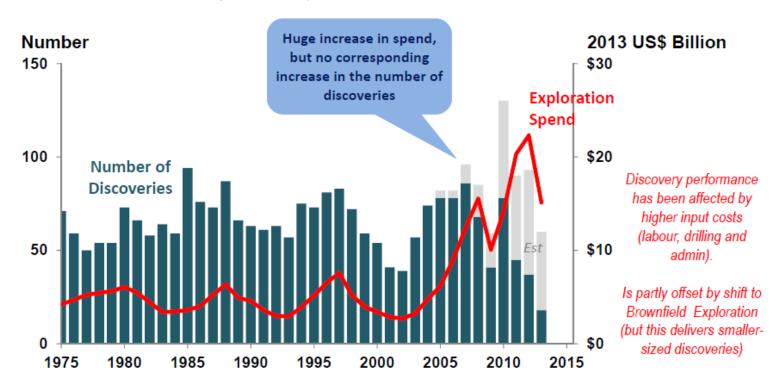
Source: MinEx Consulting @ September 2014

# **Discoveries Versus Spend**



# Until recently discovery rate moved in-line with exploration expenditures

Non-Bulk exploration spend and discoveries World: 1975-2013



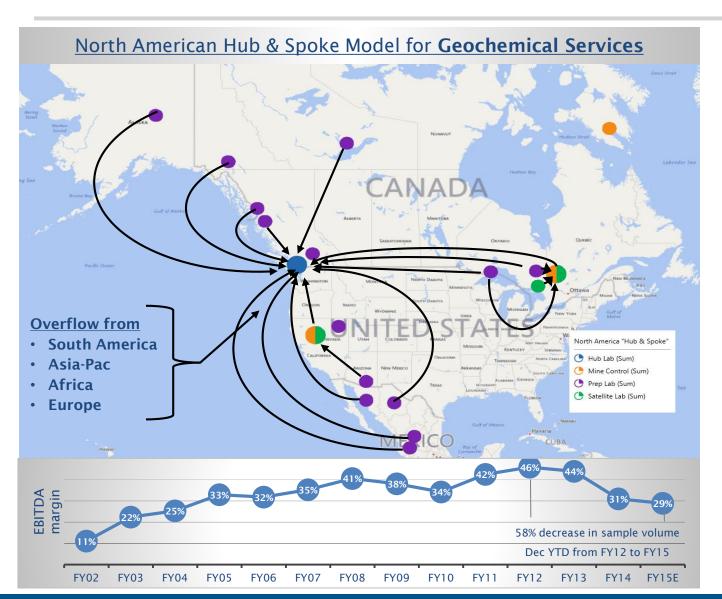
Note: Based on Moderate, Major and Giant discoveries.

Excludes satellite deposits within existing Camps. Also excludes Bulk Mineral discoveries and expenditures.

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### **Hub and Spoke - unique global model**





#### Overview

- global LIMS
- single global database
- standardized methods
- · standardized equipment
- standardized quality
- · logistics tracking



efficiency and optimal performance (scalability - up & down)

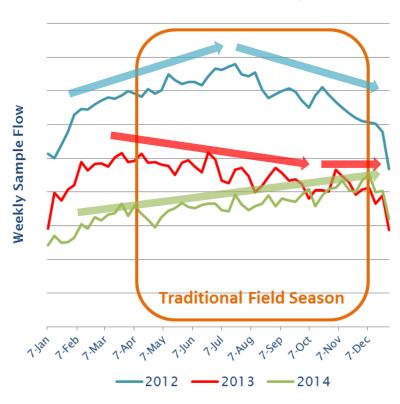


lower cost base and globally consistent service

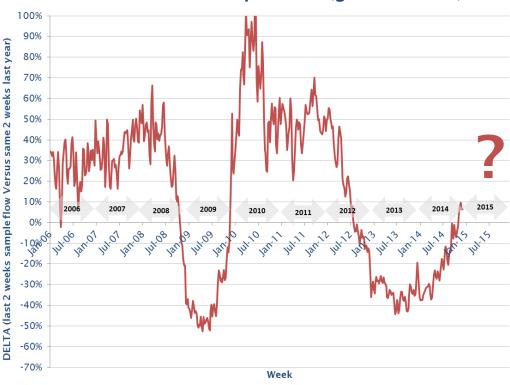
### **Geochemical Market - ALS perspective**



### **Global Geochemical Sample Flow**



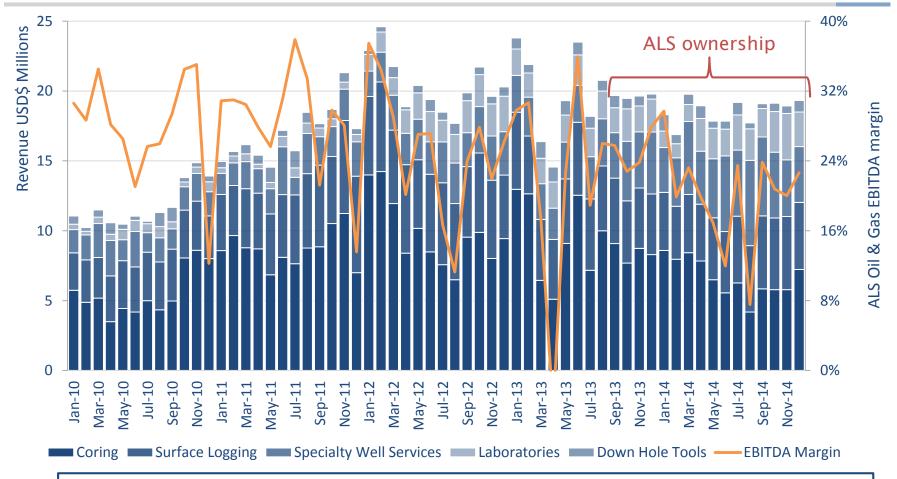
### **Geochemical Sample Flow (growth trend)**



- CY2012 activity stalled halfway through the field season as the industry went into decline
- CY2013 sample flow decrease through most of the field season underlying market decline
- CY2014 sample flow increasing through the field season more normal pattern
- Current sample flow slightly better than same time last year bottom of cycle? &/or market share increase
- Global fortnightly sample flow now growing in comparison to last year past the bottom of the cycle?

### **ALS Oil & Gas – financial journey**





- Restructuring costs have not been removed in calculating EBITDA
- Revenues stable despite downturn in coring
- EBITDA margin in more recent months returning to more historical levels prior to full benefit of restructuring and cost reduction initiatives

### **ALS Oil & Gas – operational journey**



- All business stream (coring, surface logging, specialty well services, laboratories, down hole tools) global managers relocated to Houston Texas - effective September 2014
- Reservoir Group Corporate office in Aberdeen closed effective December 2014
- Reservoir Group Corporate office in Houston closed effective November 2013
- Previous CEO of ALS Oil & Gas exited effective August 2014
- North American support services integrated into ALS resources effective October 2014
- Global Mobility Policy in place effective August 2014
- Rationalised facilities and "right sized" businesses effective December 2014
- Relocated Surface Logging business into new 40,000 sq. ft. building in Houston effective January 2014
- Control Room built in Houston for remote control surface logging initiative July 2014
- Purchase of a 40,000 sq. ft. building in Houston to house hub laboratory January 2015
- Development plans for hub laboratory in Houston now finalised expected to be operational in August 2015
- Oil & Gas laboratory LIMS & Client Portal 40% completed December 2014. Full completion by August 2015
- Five key technical staff recruited for Houston laboratory September 2014
- Global ALS financial portal customised and fully adopted by all business streams effective April 2014
- All sites on ALS global IT network completed August 2014
- New strategic development three year plans in place for all business streams effective November 2014
- Stronger profit performance in 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter compared to the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> quarters

### **Asset Care Market Analysis – Australia**





Sector	Driver	Market Demand
Power	Production	_
Oil & Gas	Construction> Production	<b>↑</b>
Mining	Production	<b>↑</b>
Welding & Fabrication	Construction	$\downarrow$

### What makes ALS different



#### Assets

- · State of the art laboratories
- High end technical services
- Unique service offerings

#### Operating Model

- · Hub and spoke
- Centres of Excellence
- Systems and standards
- "Decentralised" laboratory Vs many laboratories
- Low cost base
- Client focus

#### People

- Training
- Passion
- Culture
- Loyalty
- Innovative
- Entrepreneurial
- Communication

#### Strategy

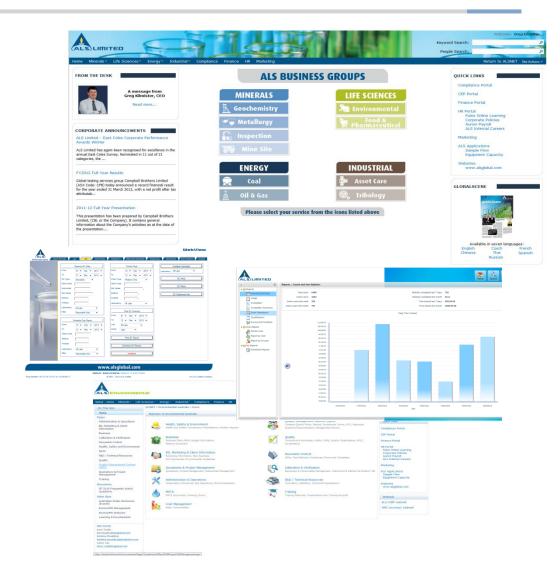
- Long-term horizon
- Focus
- Execution
- Disciplined investment model



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- Management Information Systems (MIS)
  - LIMS
    - GEMS Geochemical
    - Coal8 Coal
    - **EnviroLIMS Environmental**
    - SAM Tribology
    - ELMS Food
    - OSPrey Asset Care
    - Pipeline Oil & Gas
  - Webview Management Interface
  - WebTrieve™
  - Other Portals
    - iLEAD training
    - EPC succession planning
    - Compliance
    - Financial TM1
    - **CAPEX**
    - Safety Tracking
    - **Human Resources**
    - **Business stream SharePoint sites**
    - Support group SharePoint sites



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