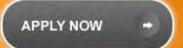
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# THINKSMART

FY 2009: Full Year Results

1 Jan 09 - 31 Dec 09

**Ned Montarello: Executive Chairman & CEO** 

**Neil Barker: Group COO** 

## **Agenda**



- 1. Key Points & Results Highlights
- 2. ThinkSmart: A Focused, Global Business
- 3. FY 2009 Results Analysis
- 4. 2010 Growth Strategies & Outlook
- 5. ThinkSmart Investment Summary
- 6. Appendices

## **KEY POINTS & RESULTS HIGHLIGHTS**

## **Key Points**



- Delivered 54% increase in Cash NPAT to exceed FY 2009 full year guidance Record Profit.
- Strong growth in Australia; solid performance in UK; and improved fundamentals position Group for continued strong growth through 2010.
- Achieved significant, sustainable operating improvements to improve scalability and reduce cost of doing business by 14%.
- A Growth Company EBITDA CAGR 21% (2007 2009).
- No Net Debt.
- Targeting 20% EBITDA growth in FY 2010.
- Strong start to year with Jan '10 EBITDA performance well up on Jan '09.
- Introduced new services-based rental product increasing appeal with further high perceived value benefits to core product range.
- Opportunity to grow UK market four fold through planned introduction of a consumer rental product.
- Paying final dividend of 2.0 cents, fully franked.

## **FY 2009 Results Highlights**



#### Strong Profit Growth through Gross Margin Improvements & Operating Cost Reductions.

	FY 2009	FY 2008	% change
Cash NPAT	\$7.5m	\$4.8m	+54%
NPAT	\$5.2m	\$3.2m	+61%
EBITDA (excl non recurring items)	\$12.2m	\$11.3m	+8%
EBITDA Margin (pre Corp Dev costs)	40%	32%	+26%
Cost of Doing Business (pre Corp Dev costs)	29%	33%	-14%
Total Revenue	\$36.8m	\$38.9m	-6%
Gross Margin	69%	66%	+4%
Earnings Per Share	5.3¢	3.3¢	+59%
Final Dividend – fully franked <sup>†</sup>	2.0 cps	<b>1.5cps</b>	+33%

<sup>† 1.5</sup> cents paid in October 2009. Final Dividend of 2.0 cents to be paid on 23 April 2010. Total 2009 dividends of 3.5¢. (2008 = 3.5¢)

## THINKSMART: A FOCUSED, GLOBAL BUSINESS

## Introduction to ThinkSmart



- (ASX:TSM) Leading international provider of point-of-sale finance within the retail store environment
  - Provides rental finance products to small businesses and consumers
  - Shop in retail stores for computing and electricals
  - "Nano-ticket" transactions A\$500 A\$10k
- Market leading international footprint across Europe and Australia
- Distribution through exclusive and entrenched partnerships with major international electrical retailing groups
- Products offer compelling and highly profitable value proposition for retail partners, customers and wholesale funders
- Proven track record of growth through adverse trading conditions
- Platform for international and domestic growth



## **Focused Niche Model**



ThinkSmart's products fill the gap for small business & consumer customers between a credit card & a bank loan in the fast moving electrical retailing environment.

#### What Are Customers **Shopping For?**



#### **Laptops and Electricals**

- 12 week product lifecycles.
- High obsolescence factor for users.
- Driven by the "latest" technology.

#### Where Do They Shop?



#### **PC Superstores**

- "Take away" service
- Highly accessible locations
- On the spot environment

#### What's the Product?



#### **Rental Operating Leases**

- Delivered in store at the point of sale
- Monthly payments. Good for cash flow
- 100% tax deductible for business
- Bundle equipment and high value services into consumer contract - circa 25% of added invoice value at no extra cost.
- Helps customer keep up to date with technology

#### What's The Customer **Experience**



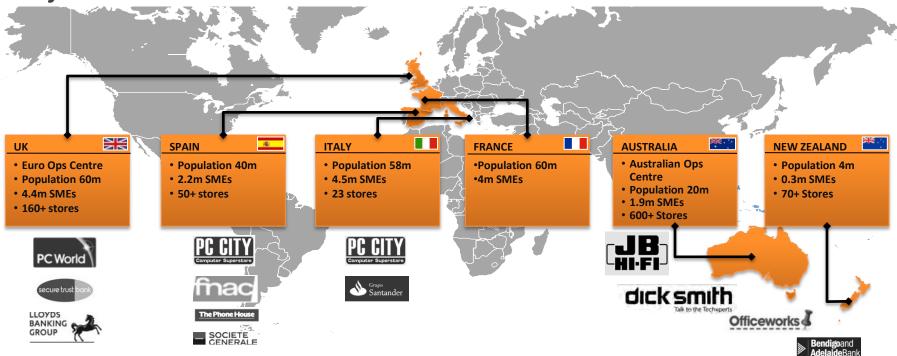
#### **Fast in-store Process**

- Selects equipment
- Sub 10 minutes online approval
- Executes agreement
- Leaves store

## **Leading International Footprint**



ThinkSmart has long term relationships with leading international retailers and funders in 6 countries



## **Long Term Funding Relationships**



Existing funding agreements are contracted to 2011/2013



UK – Secure Trust Bank to 2013 and Lloyds HBoS to 2011



Australia – Bendigo Adelaide to 2012



Spain – Societe Generale to 2011



Italy – Santander to 2012



 Priority is to add multiple supportive funding partners in all territories to both capture the consumer and business market opportunities and meet our growth aspirations.

### **Generate Revenue Throughout Contract Life**



ThinkSmart generates revenue from 3 core sources over the life of a customers' contract:

1.

#### **Upfront brokerage on sale of equipment**

- Credit risk is provided for by agreed loss reserves
- Predominantly non-recourse funding models with leading banks

2.

#### Insurance income over contract life

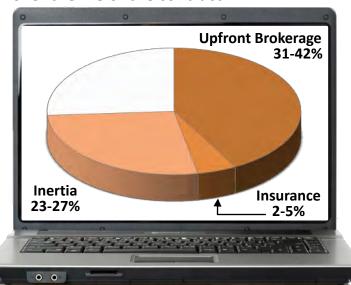
 ThinkSmart takes no underwriting risk but receives a significant portion of the insurance premium as commission

3.

#### "Inertia" income at end of term

- Generated from extended rentals & sales of equipment into secondary markets
- Existing contracts to deliver \$60m of future revenue.

ThinkSmart Generates an Income from each sale of up to 65% of the invoice value over the life of the contract.



## **FY 2009 RESULTS ANALYSIS**

## FY 2009 Results



#### **Growth on Previous Corresponding Period**

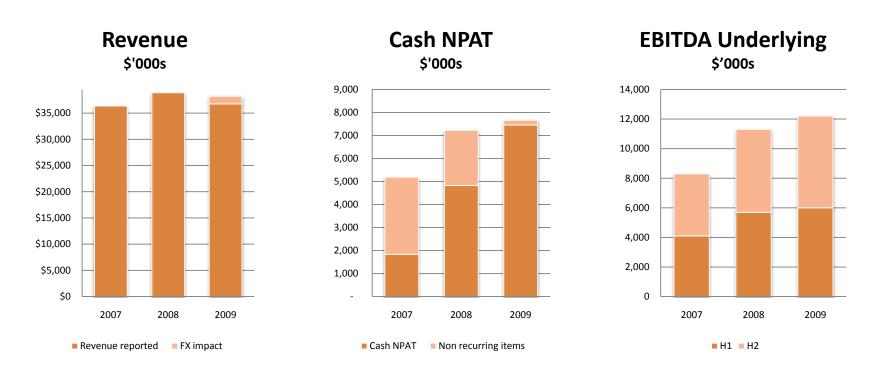
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## FY 2009 Results



#### Improved Margins & Reduced Operating Costs Deliver Continued Profit Growth

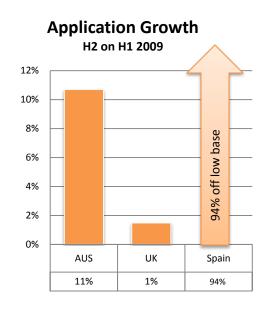


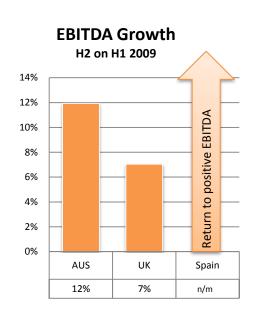
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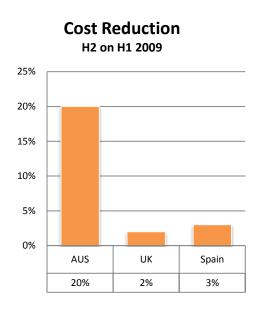
## **Strong H2 Performance**



#### H2 performance provides strong performance indicators for growth in 2010







<u>Australia</u>: New "QuickSmart" applications process launched late April delivered significant operational efficiencies providing a platform for handling significantly greater application volumes without a corresponding increase in operational costs.

<u>U.K</u>: Early signs of stability in the economy and return to volume growth

**Spain**: Establishment of new funder supported existing and new retailer relationships

## **FY 2009 Results**



### **EBITDA by Territory**

	Actual 2009 \$Am	Actual 2008 \$Am	% Change	% Change Excl. FX*
Australia / NZ	7.7	4.6	+67%	
United Kingdom	7.5	7.9	-5%	+5%
Spain	0.1	0.7	n/m⁺	
Italy	(0.5)	(0.4)	n/m⁺	
France	(0.2)	0.0	n/m⁺	
Corporate Development	(2.1)	(1.4)	+50%	
Corporate Costs	(0.3)	(0.1)	n/m⁺	
EBITDA Underlying	12.2	11.3	+8%	+15%
Non recurring expenses	(0.3)	(2.5)	n/m⁺	
EBITDA	11.9	8.8	+35%	+44%

<sup>\*</sup> Earnings translation based on like for like FX rate.

## FY 2009 Results: Australia

## THINKSMART The smart way to do business.

#### Strong Growth & Sustainable Cost Efficiencies

- Delivered Strong Growth through FY 2009:
- EBITDA CAGR of 41% over last 3 years.
- Australian retail partners have posted solid growth over period.
- Conscious move into consumer rental 4 years ago has driven 51% CAGR in consumer volumes.
- Online acquisition channels increasing and now accounting for up to 27% of volume.
- New "QuickSmart" processing platform has reduced the cost of doing business & improved customer experience.
- Continued to grow margins through predictable Inertia income.
- Warranty Services product in Dick Smith has delivered strong EBITDA contribution.
- Contracts extended with JB Hi-Fi & Officeworks.

- Revenue up 14% to \$21.1m
- EBITDA up 61% to \$7.6m
- EBITDA margin up 9% to 36%
- Gross margin unchanged at 62%
- Volumes up by 6%
- ATV down 4% to \$2,003
- Income mix:
  - Brokerage & Insurance 67%
  - Inertia & Warranty 30%
  - Other 3%

## FY 2009 Results: Europe



#### Solid EBITDA Growth in UK | Mainland Europe Positioned for Retail recovery.

#### **United Kingdom:**

- Delivered solid EBITDA growth during retail market downturn:
- EBITDA CAGR of 23% over last 3 years.
- Delivered sustainable operating efficiencies.
- Secured new funding agreement with Secure Trust Bank.
- Signs of return to consumer confidence with DSGi posting 11% growth over Christmas period.

#### Spain:

- Delivered positive FY 2009 EBITDA.
- Strong underlying Inertia performance in Spain continued to underpin earnings.
- Strategy to develop Spain into multi-channel territory on course. Added *Phone House* & *Fnac* to retail stable plus *Société Générale* to funding.
- 94% application growth (H2 on H1)

#### **Italy & France:**

 Advanced negotiations with prospective funding partners and new retail partners in both territories to open up markets.

- Revenue down 11% to £7.3m
- EBITDA up 5% to £3.8m
- EBITDA margin up 8% to 52%
- Gross margin up 6% to 82%
- Volumes down by 39%
- ATV up 1% to £787
- Income mix:
  - Brokerage & Insurance 57%
  - Inertia & Warranty 39%
  - Other 4%

## **2010 GROWTH STRATEGIES & OUTLOOK**

## **Guiding Principles for Growth**



Successfully positioned business through challenging global Environment & for future market recovery

1. Growth Through Cash Flow

**2.** Pace of Expansion Governed by Performance

**3.** Alignment with Market Leading Retailers

## **Key Growth Strategies**



1.	Product evolution
2.	Consumer rental model into mature territories
3.	Next generation SmartCheck integration
4.	Increase distribution & funding channels in existing markets
5.	Grow the Internet
6.	Territory expansion

## **Product Evolution**



- Rolled out major new product enhancement to core rental product in Australia in Jan. 2010 and UK & Spain in Feb. 2010.
- Delivers even greater value proposition to ThinkSmart's customers; strongly targets consumer sector.
- In Australia product delivers all the cash flow benefits of RentSmart plus:
  - ✓ Free online data transfer to new machine
  - ✓ Free online data backup for life of contract
  - ✓ Includes **remote data access** from anywhere in the world
  - ✓ Free **loan laptop** if the customers' breakdown or is stolen
  - ✓ Last three months payment free to drive renewal.
- Provides more than \$500 worth of high perceived added value benefits to the customer over their contract life on an average \$2,000 deal.
- Product has been well received through channels in first 6 weeks contributing to strong January LFL performance in Australia.
- Similar product enhancements in Spain and UK.



## **Launch Consumer Rental in Mature Territories**



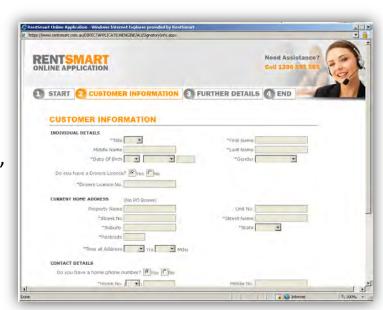
- Planned move into consumer rental in Australia 4 years ago has driven 51% CAGR in consumer volumes.
  - Australian consumer rental volumes have increased 5 fold in past 4 years.
  - Now accounts for more than 60% of Australian new business volumes
- Looking to now launch consumer rental in UK during 2010.
  - Potential to give ThinkSmart access to 4 times the current available market.
  - Expose product to 500+ Currys stores & 160+ PC World stores
- Appetite also exists in other European markets for ThinkSmart to expand to consumer market too.



## **Next Generation SmartCheck Integration**



- New "QuickSmart" retailer portal in Australia has delivered significant cost reductions & processing efficiencies:
  - Delivered 20% reduction in operating costs
  - 40% improvement in call to application ratio.
  - Automation and process improvements delivered 330% efficiency gain per CSO.
- Integrating UK processing platform into DSGi's "Eclipse" till system in June 2010.
  - Will deliver business "QuickSmart" style operating efficiencies and operating cost reductions
  - Will enable business to expand across DSGi store network.
  - Will deliver processing efficiencies required to manage planned expansion into consumer rental across group.



## **Increasing Distribution & Funding Channels in**

## **Existing Markets**



- Targeting 3 to 4 key retail partners in each territory in mainland Europe.
- Already trading with chains in 4 of the top 6 electrical retailers in Europe:
  - Consumer rental proposition would open up all of the DSGi chain in UK.
  - Commenced small scale B2B trial in Feb. 2010 in UK with Currys.
  - In negotiations in Italy and France with prospective new partners.
- Priority is to add multiple supportive funding partners in all territories to both capture the consumer and business market opportunities and meet our growth aspirations.
- Strategy positions business well for market recovery in European markets, leverage existing low cost operating base.



## **Grow the Internet**



- Online acquisition channels increasing in Australia and now accounting for up to 27% of volume:
  - Significantly reduced acquisition costs.
  - 17% higher ATV
  - Offset is 20 percentage points lower conversion rate
- Customer able to get pre-approved for finance before visiting store.
- Aligns to customer habits for using internet to research purchase in advance.
- Core delivery strategy for AU in 2010.
- Now delivering pre-approval engine through partner sites.
- Commencing roll-out with partners in Europe through 2010.



## **Territory Expansion**



- Remains medium-term play.
- Continued watch on US re entry
- Strategic Retailing group relationships in Europe present numerous opportunities
- Growth opportunities with partners within existing territories see no new scheduled territories slated for 2010



## FY 2010 Outlook: Targeting 20% EBITDA Growth THINKS



#### Australia & New Zealand – Continued strong growth.

- New product to help drive volume growth
- Online strategies will continue to deliver an increasing share of business
- QuickSmart will sustain operating efficiencies in business
- Strong contribution from Inertia and Warranty Services.

#### United Kingdom – Expecting return to growth weighted to second half.

- Capitalise on growing business confidence with relaunched B2B product in PC World in Q1 2010.
- Commencement of B2B trial in Currys stores opens channels.
- Eclipse integration will deliver QuickSmart style efficiencies in UK business to handle increase in volumes.
- Opportunity to launch consumer rental proposition in both PC World and Currys in the UK in 2010 promises to be game changing.

#### **Europe** – Focus on establishing successful multi-channel relationships for regions to capitalise on recovery:

- Spain Increasing EBITDA positive growth: Promising early volumes showing LFL recovery. New product offering delivering renewed focus. Territory remains profitable through inertia.
- Italy Commencement of Inertia and Insurance Income. Advanced negotiations with prospective new retail partners.
- France Continued negotiations with prospective new retail and funding partners.

## THINKSMART INVESTMENT SUMMARY

## **Investment Summary**



- ☑ Strong EBITDA and Margin performance during tough global trading period.
- ☑ Proven track record of growth delivering 21% CAGR in underlying EBITDA over the last three years (2007-2009).
- ☑ Dependable recurring income lines through Inertia book and insurance income.
- ☑ New product value-adds, further enhance compelling and highly profitable value proposition for retail partners, customers and wholesale funders.
- ☑ Exclusive and entrenched partnerships with market leading international retailers and funders. Continuing to expand distribution channels in Europe.
- ☑ Business Targeting 20% EBITDA growth in FY 2010
- Opportunity to grow UK market four fold through introduction of consumer rental would be game changing.
- ☑ Business has no net debt.
- ☑ Shareholder Value: Paying final dividend of 2.0 cents, fully franked. Dividend yield 4% fully franked.

## **APPENDICES**

## **Appendices: Cash Utilisation in Period**



#### **EBITDA Conversion to Cash**

	FY 2009
EBITDA	\$11.9m
Cash utilisation	
Dividend payment	\$2.9m
Tax payment	\$2.5m
Investing Capex	\$2.0m
Finance costs	\$1.0m
Cash retained by Funder	\$0.8m
Self funded contracts	\$0.2m
FX impact on balance sheet	\$1.6m
	\$11.0m
+ Increase in Cash over period	\$0.9m
= EBITDA	\$11.9m

## **Appendices: Cash NPAT reconciliation**



	FY 2009 \$'000s	FY 2008 \$'000s
NPAT	\$5,171	\$3,211
Adjustments		
Depreciation	\$555	\$410
Amortisation	\$2,097	\$1,810
Unrealised FX	\$608	\$88
Tax effect of adjustments	-\$978	-\$692
Cash NPAT	\$7,454	\$4,826

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