

Half Year Results to 30 April 2012

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Summary

Dr David Price – Chief Executive



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Results Summary

- **Revenue up 4% to £333m**
 - *Non-NATO revenue up 31% - now 30% of Group*
- **NIITEK revenues heavily second-half weighted**
 - **First half operating margins significantly reduced**
- **Operating margins reduced to 15%**
 - **Second half margins recover with Niitek revenues**
- **Record order book of £1 billion**
 - *14% up on October 2011*
 - *94% cover for the financial year*
- **Dividend increased by 33% to 5.3p**
- **Full year expectations unchanged**

Financial Review

Paul Rayner – Finance Director



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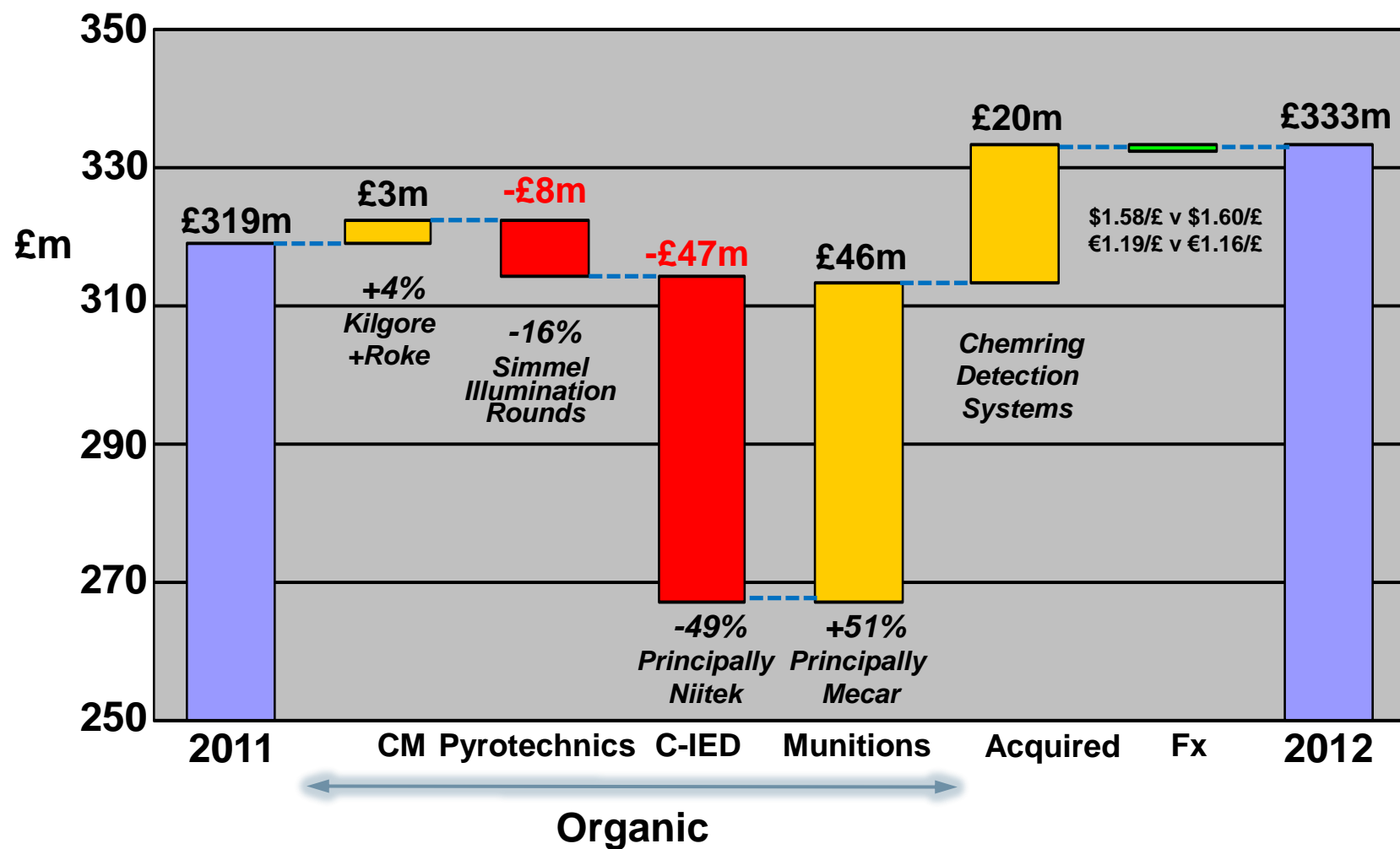
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Interim Results 2012

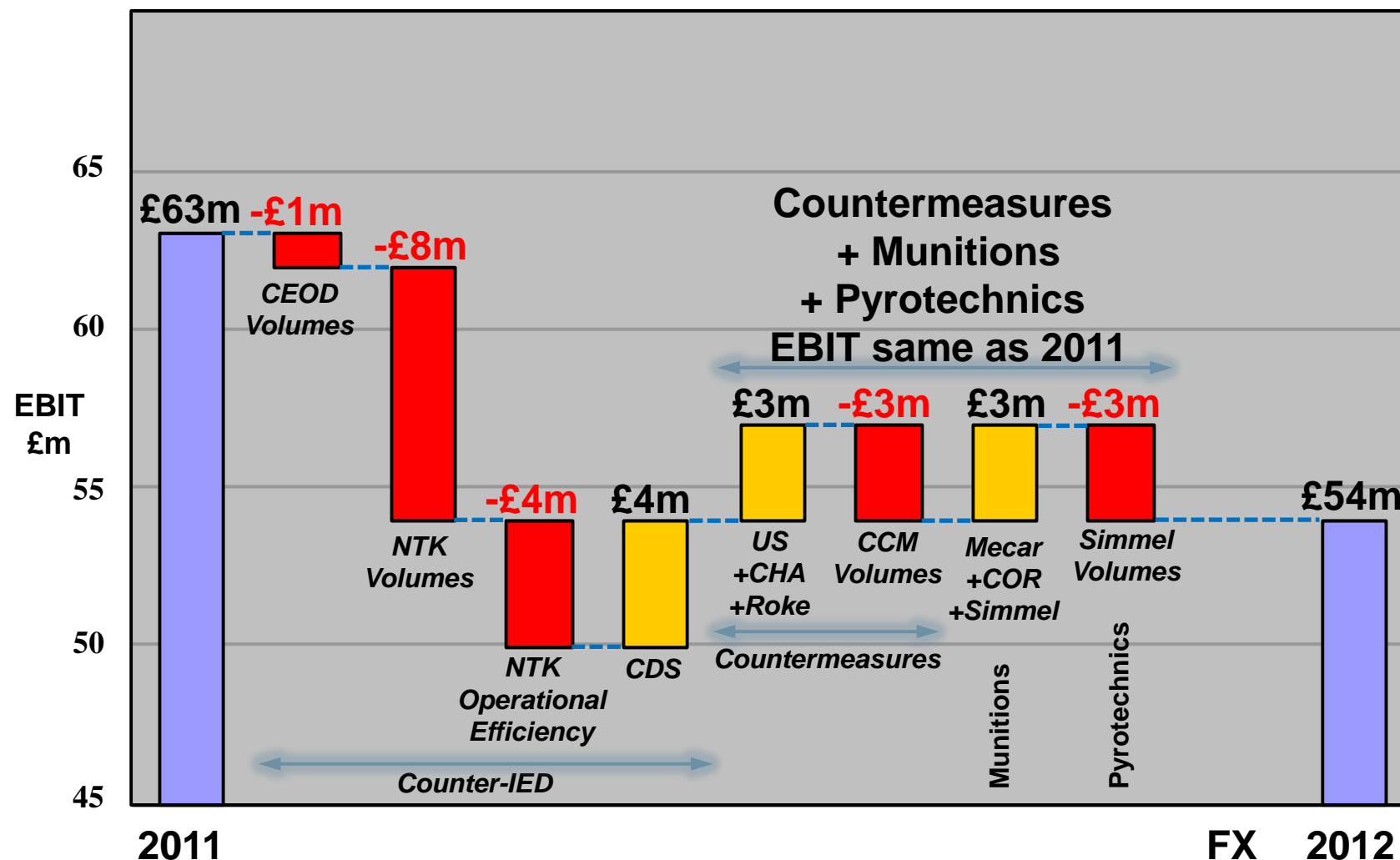
| £m | HY2012 | HY2011 | Change | FY2011 |
|-------------------|-------------|--------|---------------|--------------|
| Revenue | 333 | 319 | +4% | 724 |
| Operating profit | 49 | 58 | -16% | 136 |
| Margin% | 15 | 18 | (3pts) | 19 |
| Underlying PBT | 39 | 50 | -21% | 120 |
| Underlying EPS(p) | 16 | 21 | -23% | 50 |
| Dividend (pps) | 5.3p | 4.0p | +33% | 14.8p |

Note - excludes results of Marine interests

Revenue Bridge



Divisional EBIT Bridge



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Revenue

↓ (27)% **£70m**

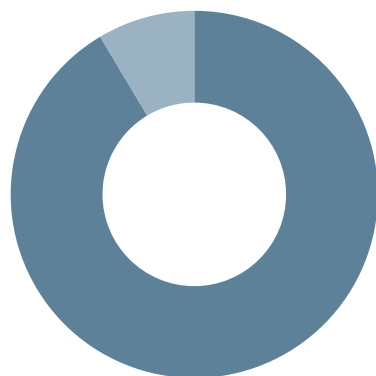
Operating Profit

↓ (44)% **£11m**

Operating Margin

↓ 5pts **16%**

Revenue Breakdown



■ Detect ■ Disable ■ Defeat ■ Demil

- **NIITEK revenues fell 45% due to delay in multi-year, HMDS support contract**
 - *\$579m multi-year, IDIQ contract awarded 30th April*
 - *\$161m initial order provides full coverage for year*
 - *Higher second-half revenues – similar to H1 2011*
- **NIITEK H1 margins low due to reduced volumes/efficiency**
 - *Second half weighting improves operational gearing*
 - *Reduction of 44 staff in Q1 – H2 costs down \$1m*
- **Chemring Detection Systems trading ahead of budget**
 - *\$49m order for JBPDS systems awarded in Q2*
 - *\$29m order for JSLSCAD systems awarded in Q2*
- **Order book at £249m up 343% on April 2011**
- **Non-NATO revenues of demolition stores up 55%**

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Revenue

↑ 4% **£94m**

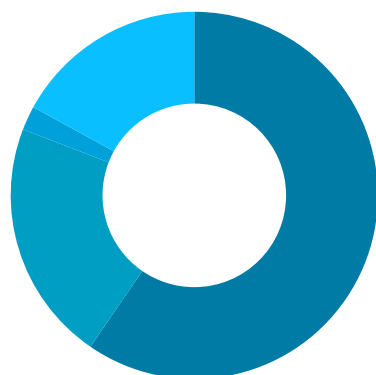
Operating Profit

↑ 1% **£21m**

Operating Margin

↓ 1pt **22%**

Revenue Breakdown



■ Fast Jet ■ Helo / Transport ■ Naval ■ Land / EW

- Revenue growth from combat aircraft flares offset by expected reduction in helicopter and transport aircraft production
- Kilgore production at record levels, driven by decoys for B-52 & F-22 aircraft
- Next low rate production contract for F-35 Joint Strike Fighter received
- Roke revenues up 10%
- Operating margin slightly lower as further restructuring takes place
 - *Reduction of 70 staff at CCM*
 - *Reduction of 59 staff at Alloy*
 - *£1.75m cost benefit in second half*

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Revenue

↑ 51% **£129m**

Operating Profit

↑ 27% **£17m**

Operating Margin

↓ 3pts **13%**

Revenue Breakdown



■ Land ■ Naval ■ Components

- **Strong growth at Mecar, Simmel & Chemring Ordnance**
 - *Mecar revenue £62m (2011: £12m)*
- **Strong growth in 25mm, 90mm, 105mm & 120mm ammunition with revenues up 72% to £89.6m**
- **Naval Ammunition sales up 48%, principally driven by sales of 76mm naval rounds**
- **Revenues from components & sub-systems grew 14%**
- **45% growth in non-NATO revenue**
- **Margin down due to full half impact of lower margin Mecar business**

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Revenue

↓ (16)% **£41m**

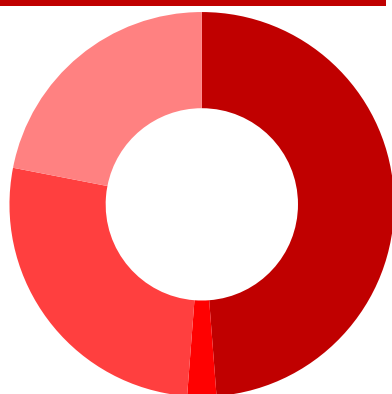
Operating Profit

↓ (42)% **£5m**

Operating Margin

↓ 5pts **13%**

Revenue Breakdown



■ Smoke / Illum ■ Training ■ Safety Systems ■ Space

- Hi-Shear revenues grew 59% with increased deliveries of igniters, ESAF & separation systems
- Competition for multi-year supply of battlefield effects training systems so revenues down on previous year
- Fuze supply chain problem limits deliveries of 81mm illumination mortar rounds in H1
 - Erosion of margin through volume & efficiency changes
 - Recovery in H2 with new production batches
- Order book up 23% on April 2011
 - H2 revenues expected to be higher than H1

Cash Flow

| <u>£m</u> | <u>H1</u> <u>2012</u> | <u>H1</u> <u>2011</u> | <u>Final</u> <u>2011</u> |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Operating Cash Flow | 18 | 50 | 125 |
| Tax | (4) | (4) | (17) |
| Capital spend | (22) | (24) | (62) |
| Interest | (10) | (9) | (18) |
| Free cashflow | (18) | 13 | 28 |
| Dividends | (21) | (15) | (23) |
| Net acquisitions spend | - | - | (58) |
| Purchase of own shares | (5) | - | (2) |

- Operating cash down on 2011
 - £15m Niitek cash outflow
 - £28m receipts into Q3
- Cash conversion expected to be >100%
 - 5 year average 93%
- Capital spend reduced to £22m (2011:£24m)
 - Guidance for FY2012 c. £40m (2011: £62m)
- Dividend increase on 2011
- Purchase of 1.2m of treasury shares

Balance Sheet

| <u>£m</u> | <u>H1</u> <u>2012</u> | <u>H1</u> <u>2011</u> | <u>Final</u> <u>2011</u> |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Goodwill | 237 | 223 | 240 |
| Acquired Intangibles | 179 | 167 | 192 |
| Tangible Assets | 235 | 207 | 230 |
| Working Capital | 188 | 132 | 150 |
| Marine Asset held for Sale | 17 | 17 | 16 |
| Tax and other provisions | (63) | (77) | (65) |
| Pension Deficit | (27) | (22) | (25) |
| Gross Debt | (351) | (378) | (355) |
| Cash | 40 | 180 | 92 |
| Net Debt | (311) | (198) | (263) |
| Shareholders' Funds | 455 | 449 | 475 |

- No acquisitions in the period
- Depreciation and amortisation £12m (2011: £10m)
 - Guidance for FY12 c£24m (2011: £20m)
- Working capital outflow
- Marine asset held for sale
- Net debt 2 times EBITDA at April
 - Significant reduction anticipated in H2

Working Capital

| Working Capital | H1 2012 £m | FY 2011 £m | Change £m |
|-----------------------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|
| Inventory | 113 | 142 | (29) |
| Trade receivables | 191 | 161 | 30 |
| Trade payables | (75) | (104) | 29 |
| Advance payments | (41) | (49) | 8 |
| Net Working Capital | 188 | 150 | 38 |
| LTM Revenue | 738 | 724 | |
| Working Capital Days | 93 | 76 | 17 |

- Active reduction in inventory despite build up of long lead items for NIITEK contract
- £28m increase in receivables relating to Middle East and naval customers
- Unwinding of trade creditors which supported 2011 high Q4
- Targeting no more than 70 days at full year

Full Year Review

David Price – Chief Executive Officer



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Revenue and Order Dynamics

| | Revenue £m | | | Order Book £m | | |
|-----------------|------------|---------|----------|---------------|---------|----------|
| | H1 2012 | H1 2011 | Growth % | H1 2012 | H1 2011 | Growth % |
| Countermeasures | 93.6 | 89.6 | +4.4 | 227.8 | 242.5 | -6.1 |
| Counter-IED | 69.9 | 95.7 | -27.0 | 248.7 | 56.2 | +342.5 |
| Munitions | 129.1 | 85.4 | +51.2 | 341.2 | 488.2 | -30.1 |
| Pyrotechnics | 40.7 | 48.6 | -16.3 | 182.9 | 148.6 | +23.1 |
| Total | £333.3m | £319.3m | +4.4% | £1,000.6m | £935.5m | +7.0% |

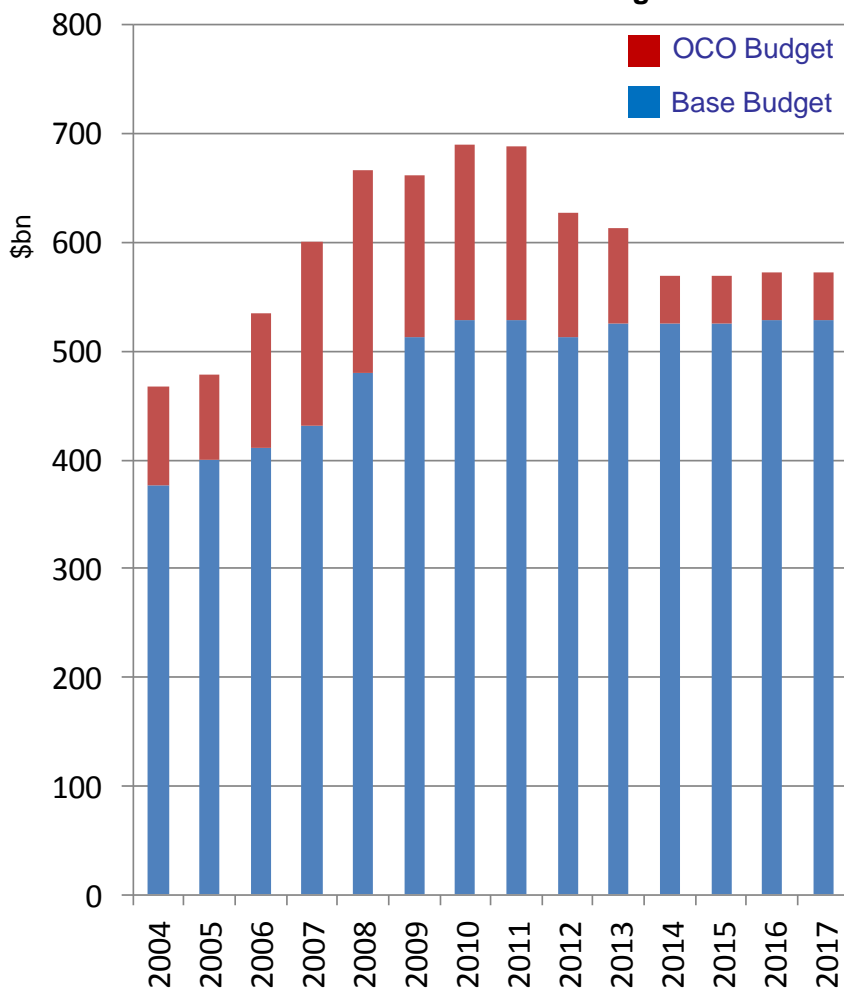
- Each segment is demonstrating volatility due to timing of orders
- The different segments have their own market dynamics:
 - Countermeasures: growth in combat aircraft flares slowing & reduction in flares for helicopter/transport aircraft starting to bottom out
 - Counter-IED: US orders, particularly Niitek ones, delayed to end of H1 but HMDS contract award boosts growth over next 6 to 12 month period
 - Munitions: Growth driven by non-NATO market with variability of order timing and “lumpy” characteristics
 - Pyrotechnics: revenues have bottomed out and will grow in H2

H2 Performance

- **NIITEK will generate much higher revenues & margins**
 - Firm order cover for second half revenues in excess of those achieved in the first half of 2011
 - Increased operational gearing from increased volumes and £0.8 million of cost savings from the first half reduction in staff should generate a higher full year operating margin than 2011
- **CCM will generate higher revenues & margins**
 - Production of spectral flares has restarted and naval round production will restart shortly
 - Increased operational gearing from increased volumes and £1 million of cost savings from the first half reduction in staff should generate higher operating margin in H2
- **Simmel will generate higher revenues & margins**
 - Replacement batches of fuze sub-systems will be delivered shortly and production of pyrotechnic rounds will commence in H2
 - 18% growth in the order book for naval ammunition will increase production of 76mm rounds and substantially increase second half revenues
- **Strong focus on improved cash flow and working capital in Q3**
 - >100% operating cash conversion in full year
- **The Group's order book is £1 billion, with 94% coverage for full year**
- **Trading in May was over 50% higher than last year**

US Market Conditions

Total US Defence Budget



2012

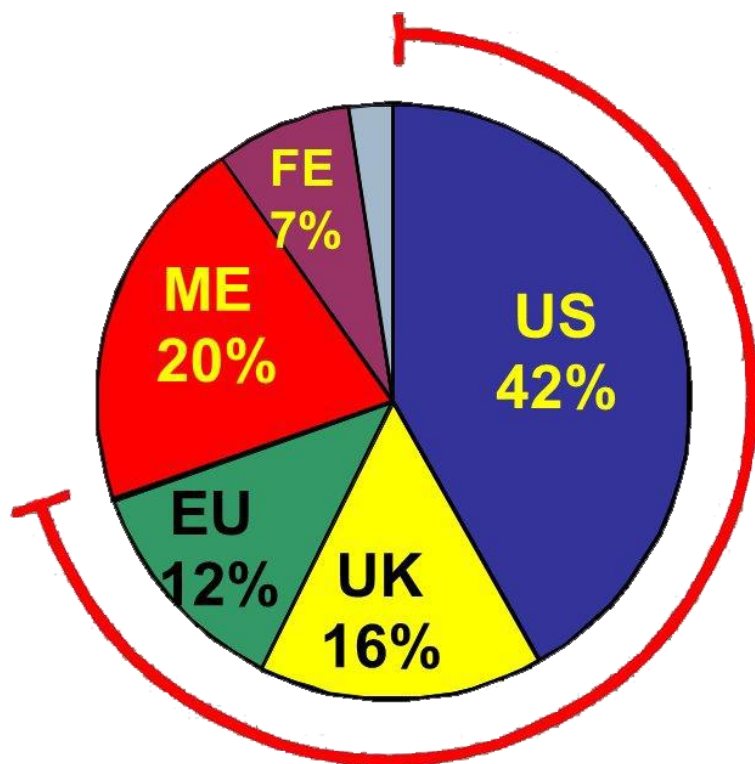
- Continuing Resolution disrupted procurement
- Orders now placed in Q2 and Q3
- Order book up 69% to £397m

2013

- FY 2013 likely to be \$525bn plus \$89bn OCO
- Six month CR assumed because of presidential election in November 2012
- Sequestration could reduce 2013 budget by more than \$50bn – 10% “haircut”
- Sequestration now covers OCO with significant political consequences
- 90-day delay to sequestration would defer decision to new President

Non-NATO revenues – up 31% over last year

H1 2012 Revenue £333m



NATO 70%

Non-NATO Revenues up 31%

Middle East – up 47%

Far East – up 11%

Rest of World – up 1%

- **Middle East**
 - *JV agreement to be signed in Q3*
- **Far East**
 - *India services JV signed & located in Delhi*
 - *Manufacturing JV still awaits Indian government approvals*
- **South America**
 - *Strategic defence companies have 40% foreign investment limit*
 - *On target to sign JV in 2012*

Summary

- **Growth in revenues despite difficult US market**
- **Order book up 7% to record level**
- **Non-NATO revenues grew 31%, now 30% of Group**
- **Margins recover in H2**
- **Dividend up 33% to 5.3 pence**
- **Visibility of US market remains uncertain**
 - **US revenue growth for 2013 expected to be flat**

Full year expectations unchanged

Appendix



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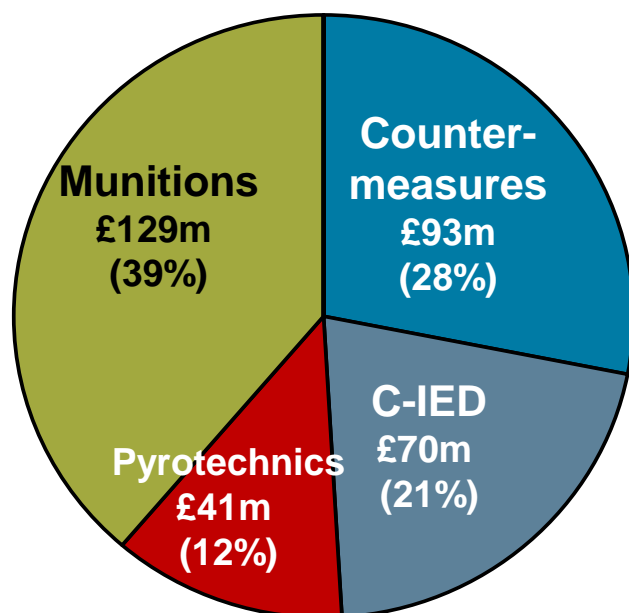
Pyrotechnics

H1/H2 2011

| | H1 | | H2 | |
|------------------------|--------------|------------|--------------|------------|
| | Revenue | EBIT | Revenue | EBIT |
| Countermeasures | £90m | 23% | £111m | 23% |
| Counter-IED | £96m | 21% | £72m | 17% |
| Munitions | £85m | 16% | £152m | 18% |
| Pyrotechnics | £49m | 18% | £70m | 25% |
| | £319m | 20% | £405m | 20% |

Segmental Analysis

Revenue



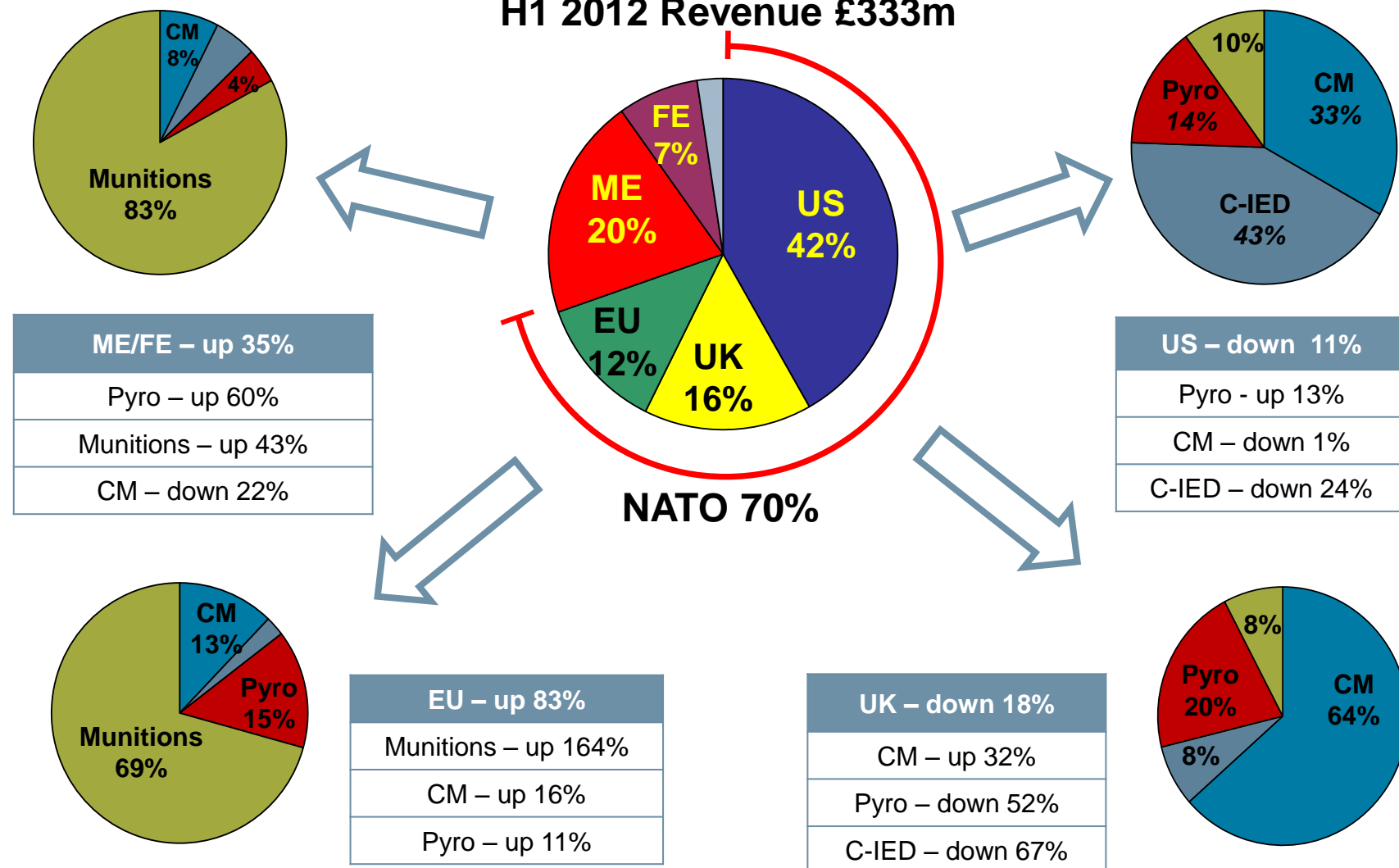
H1 2012 Revenues - £333m

| Revenues | H1 2012 | H1 2011 | Growth |
|-----------------|---------|---------|--------|
| Counter-IED | £70m | £96m | -27% |
| Countermeasures | £93m | £89m | +4% |
| Munitions | £129m | £85m | +51% |
| Pyrotechnics | £41m | £49m | -16% |
| Total | £333m | £319m | +4% |

| Order Book | H1 2012 | H1 2011 | Growth |
|-----------------|---------|---------|--------|
| Counter-IED | £249m | £56m | +343% |
| Countermeasures | £228m | £243m | -6% |
| Munitions | £341m | £488m | -30% |
| Pyrotechnics | £183m | £149m | +23% |
| Total | £1,001m | £936m | +7% |

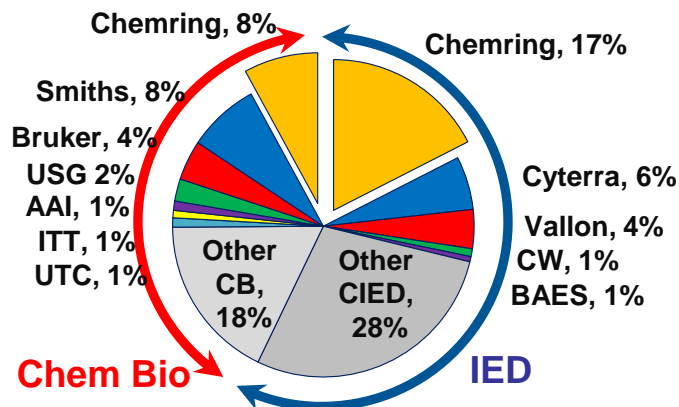
Regional Analysis

H1 2012 Revenue £333m

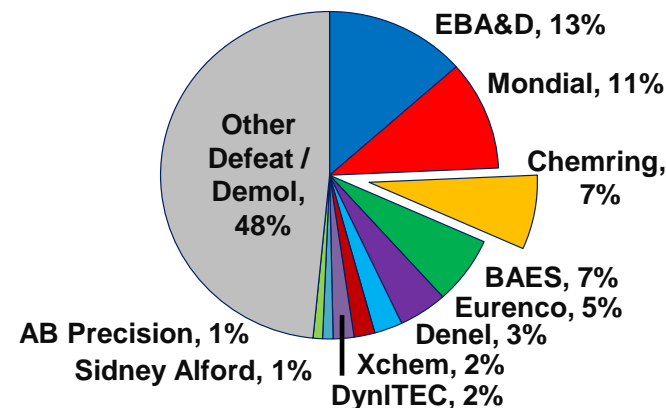


Counter-IED Market

Detect – £700m

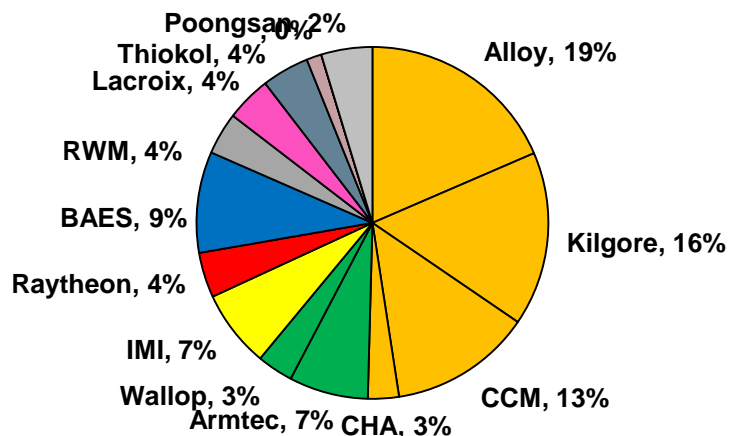


Defeat £300m

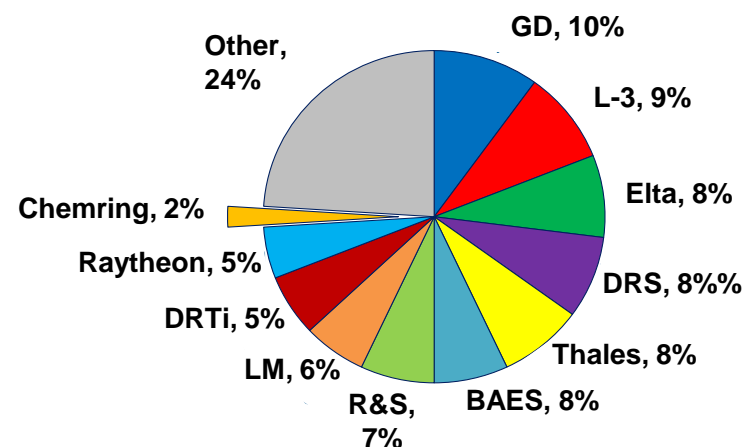


Countermeasures Market

Expendables – £360m

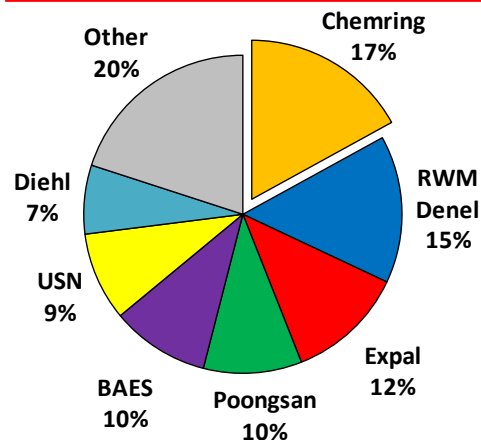


Land EW – £280m

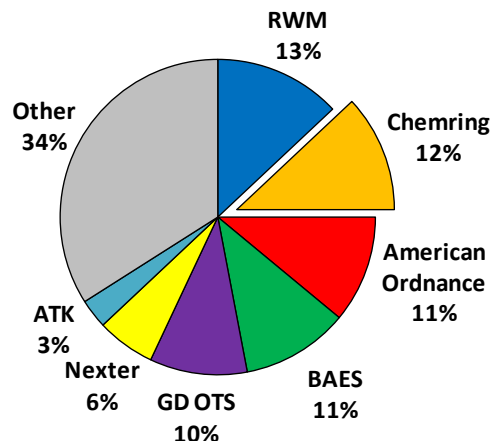


Munitions Market

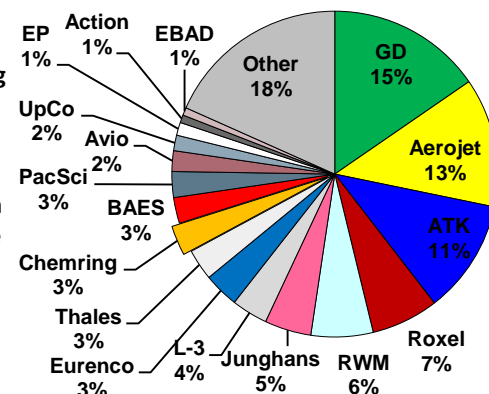
Naval Ammunition – £150m



LAV Ammunition – £300m

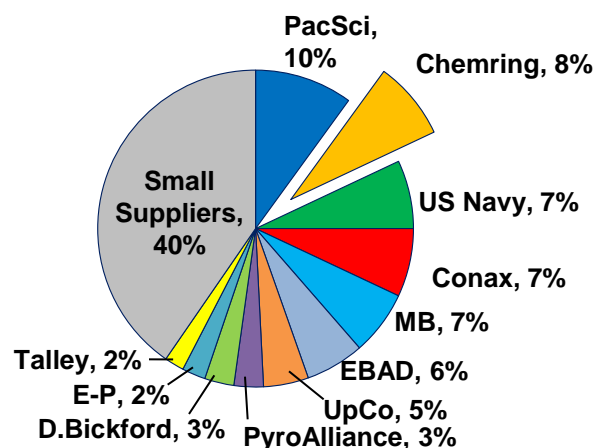


Components – £2bn

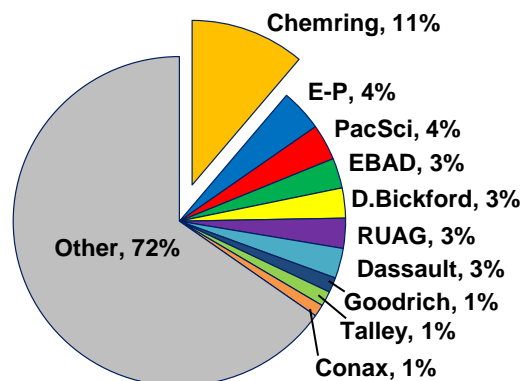


Pyrotechnics Market

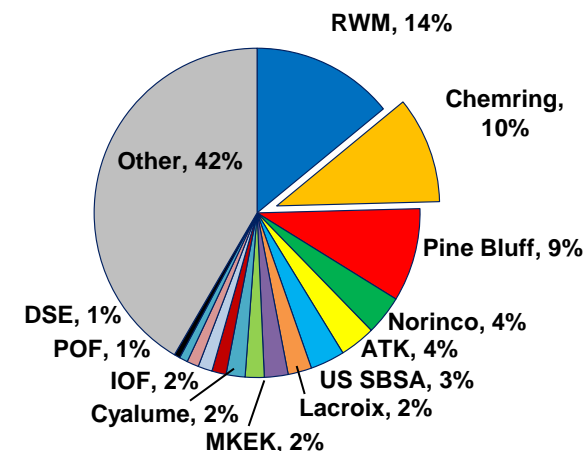
Safety Systems – £290m



Space – £180m



Smoke & Illum – £850m



Sale of Marine Interests

| <u>£m</u> | <u>H1</u> <u>2012</u> | <u>H1</u> <u>2011</u> | <u>Final</u> <u>2011</u> |
|------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Revenue | 10.8 | 10.5 | 21.2 |
| Operating Profit | 2.6 | 2.9 | 6.0 |
| EPS | 0.8 | 1.1 | 2.1 |

- Sold post period to Drew Marine
 - *Consideration £32m- completion expected end of July 2012*
 - *Proceeds to reduce pension deficit, reduce net debt and initiate share buyback*
 - *Prior to sale restructuring required in four jurisdictions to make available for sale*

Non Underlying Items

| <u>£m</u> | <u>H1</u> <u>2012</u> | <u>H1</u> <u>2011</u> | <u>Final</u> <u>2011</u> |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Acquisition related costs | 2.7 | 1.6 | 5.7 |
| Restructuring and incident costs | 4.9 | 2.9 | 7.2 |
| Intangible amortisation arising on business combinations | 10.2 | 11.5 | 24.3 |
| Loss/(gain) on fair value movements on derivatives | 1.7 | (5.2) | (2.4) |
| Total non underlying | 19.5 | 10.8 | 34.8 |

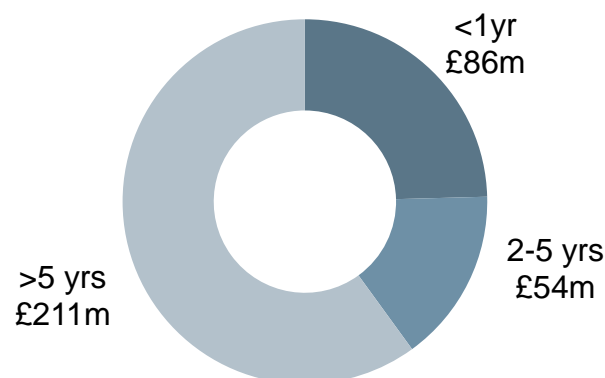
- Acquisition related costs in 2012 largely relate to costs of establishing JV's in India, Brazil and Saudi Arabia – expensed to income statement – IFRS3. Previously would have been capitalised as part of investment
- Restructuring in 2012 relates to closure of plants at Alloy, NIITEK, Chemring Energetics (Corsham)
- Intangible amortisation is treated as non-underlying in line with our peer group, with the amortisation being required as a result of IFRS3
- Loss/(gain) on fair value movements on derivatives is removed from underlying due to FX volatility, which is consistent with our peers

Cash & Debt

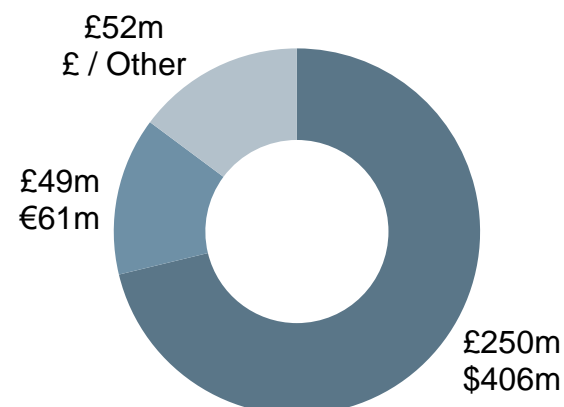
| | Covenant | Actual |
|--------------------------|------------|--------|
| Interest cover to EBITDA | Minimum 4x | 9.3x |
| Debt / EBITDA | Maximum 3x | 2.0x |

- Strong covenant compliance
- £230m working capital facility to April 2015
 - Headroom at April 30 of £103m
- 60% debt due after more than 5 years
 - 1 year debt – partial drawdown of revolving facility

Gross Debt Profile £351m



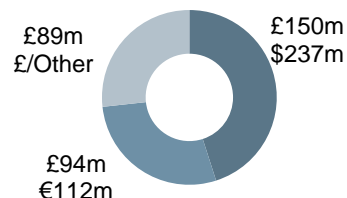
Analysis of Debt in Local Currency



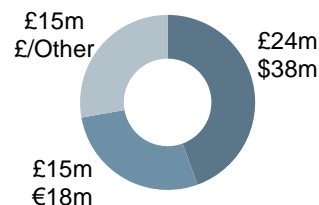
Foreign Currency

by Currency as converted to £m

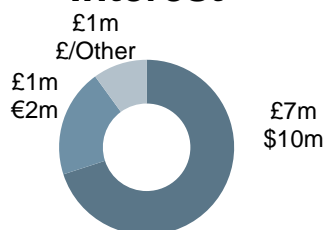
Revenue



Divisional EBIT



Interest



- Foreign currency rates
 - \$ rate appreciation 1% H1 2012: 1.58 (H1 2011: 1.60)
 - € rate depreciation 3% H1 2012: 1.19 (H1 2011: 1.16)
- Debt denomination continues to be geared in line with group profile
- Interest 75% US\$ denominated
- 10¢ move in \$
 - c. £10m in revenue
 - c. £3m in EBIT
 - c. £16m change in debt
- 10¢ move in €
 - c. £9m in revenue
 - c. £2m in EBIT
 - c. £5m change in debt

Glossary of Terminology

| | |
|-----------|--|
| • APOBS | Anti Personnel Obstacle Breaching System |
| • CDS | Chemring Detection Systems |
| • C- IED | Counter Improvised Explosive Device |
| • CM | Countermeasure |
| • FMS | Foreign Military Sales |
| • GPR | Ground Penetrating Radar |
| • HMDS | Husky Mounted Detection System |
| • IAWS | Individual Airburst Weapon System |
| • IDIQ | Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity |
| • JBPDS | Joint Biological Point Detection System |
| • JCAST | Joint Combined Air Systems Tester |
| • JSLSCAD | Joint Services Lightweight Stand-Off Chemical Agent Detector |
| • LAV | Light Armoured Vehicle |
| • MJU | Multi-Jetison Unit |
| • OCO | Overseas Contingency Operations |
| • PAC-3 | Patriot Advanced Capability 3 |
| • RF | Radio Frequency |