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#### TODAY'S AGENDA

Capitalizing on the evolving media ecosystem

Local Media – benefitting from diverse revenue streams

Newsy – the multi-platform path ahead

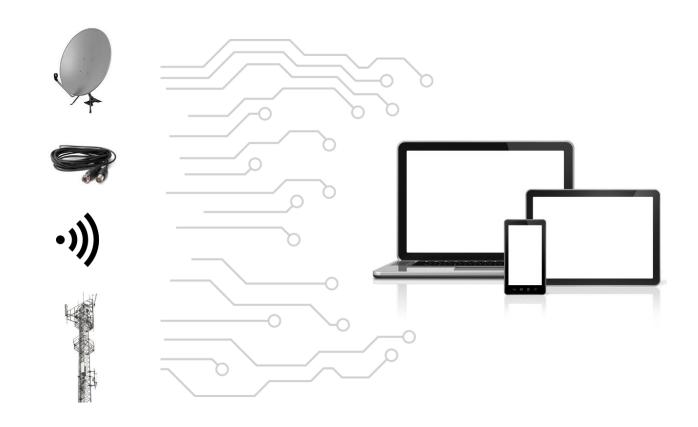
Midroll – winning podcasting

Katz networks – its industry and growth trajectory

Financial principles and investment highlights

### Today, Consumers Find Media and Content On A Variety Of Distribution Platforms

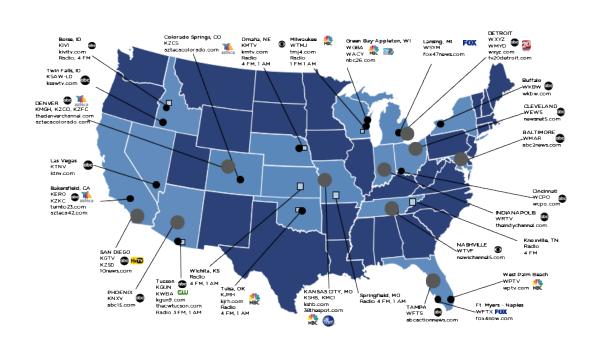




### Consumers Will Seek Out Content They Love



## We Have Reorganized The Company To Reflect How Audiences And Advertisers View Our Businesses





LOCAL MEDIA BRANDS

NATIONAL MEDIA BRANDS

# Scripps' Priorities Remain Near-Term Results And Long-Term Value

#### FOR THE NEAR TERM:

- Restructure to improve margins and cash flow:
  - Organize our brands into Local Media and National Media
  - Examine the fit of non-core assets
  - Streamline corporate and shared services for greater efficiency
- Bolster performance of our television station portfolio:
  - Execute buy-sell-swap strategy for station M&A
  - Drive margin and ratings growth
  - Capture topline opportunity through the growth of retransmission rates and distribution on cable, satellite and over-the-top platforms

#### FOR THE LONG TERM:

- Scale our national businesses to maximize their audience and revenue growth potential and then free cash flow contribution:
  - Katz networks: Capitalize on the growth of over-the-air viewing by continuing to expand distribution footprint; further transition from direct response to general market advertising
  - Midroll: Expand podcast industry leadership as the marketplace grows; continue growth of premium brand advertising; expand Stitcher's distribution
  - Newsy: Further develop a national news network that the next generation of news consumers will find on any distribution platform; monetize growth through advertising and carriage fees

### Here's Why We Love The Television Business



- High barriers to entry
- Multiple revenue streams
- Local/national advertising blend
- Predictable revenue: long-term retransmission contracts
- Predictable expenses: long-term network contracts
- Long-term, mutually beneficial partnerships
- Strong, trusted brands built on serving local communities
- The advertising platform that powers the Main Street economy
- Local TV plays a strong role in the development of the media ecosystem

### **Broadcast TV Commands** The Largest Primetime Audiences

**Top 10 primetime** shows ranked by average weekly viewers, fall 2017







Rank	Show	Network	Viewers
1	NBC SUNDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL	NBC	18,578,000
2	BIG BANG THEORY	CBS	18,523,000
3	THE GOOD DOCTOR	ABC	17,955,000
4	YOUNG SHELDON	CBS	17,760,000
5	NCIS	CBS	17,700,000
6	THIS IS US	NBC	16,516,000
7	AMERICA'S GOT TALENT-TUES	NBC	16,034,000
8	WALKING DEAD	AMC	14,796,000
9	AMERICA'S GOT TALENT-WED	NBC	14,697,000
10	BULL	CBS	14,423,000

Source: Nielsen NNTV Program Report. All Broadcast and Cable. Jan. 1, 2017 -Nov. 19, 2017. Live+7. Broadcast Prime

### Our Local Brands Have the Greatest Reach Into The Local Markets' Audiences For Advertisers



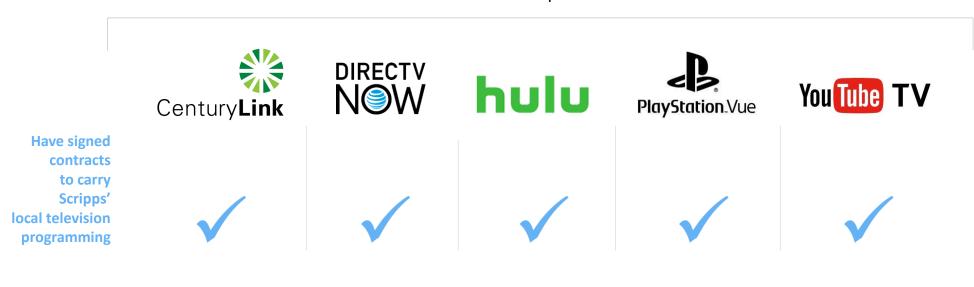
## Our Local Audience Reach Is Expanding On New Platforms Such As Alexa, Roku, YouTube TV



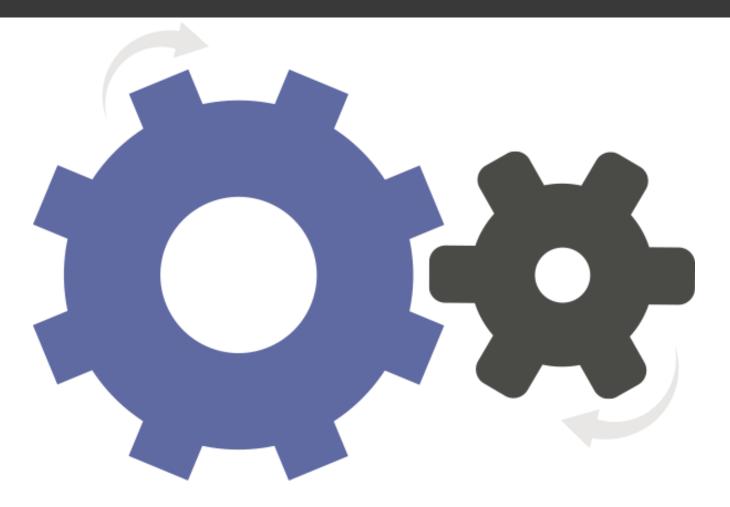


## Our Local Brands Are Essential To The Launch Of New OTT Services

#### Over-the-Top Services



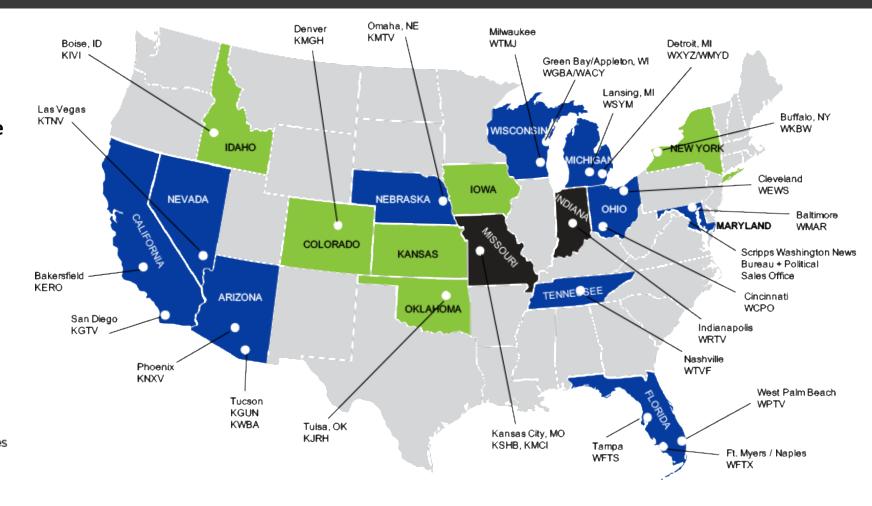
## The Rise of Automated Ad Buying Will Help Lift Core Advertising Revenue



- Technology today keeps media buyers from easily buying local television
- Automated advertising will remove the friction in local ad buying
- This new technology will make it easier, less laborintensive and less expensive for agencies to buy local

## Scripps' Television Stations Will Play A Leading Role In The U.S. Elections Again In 2018

12 U.S. Senate Races and 16 Governors' Races Will Be Held Across Our Markets in 2018

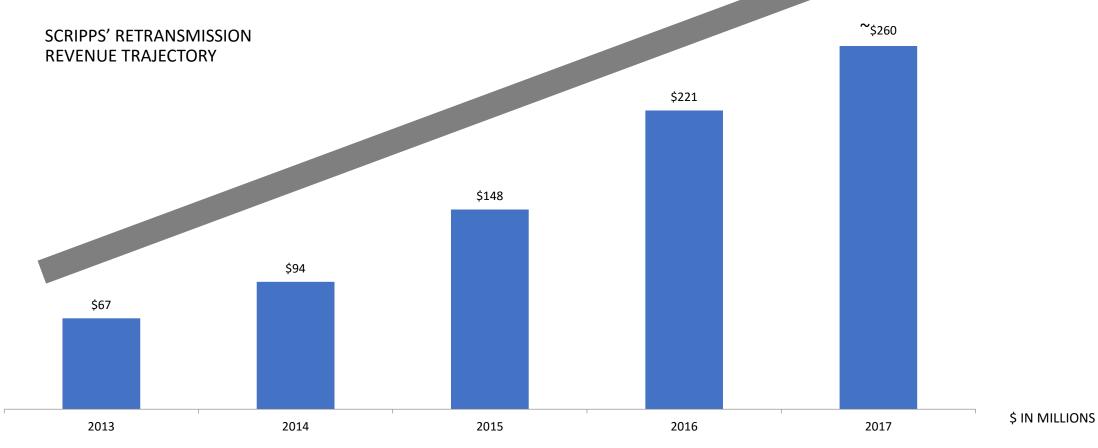


Governors race

Both Senate and Governors races

.S. Senate race

### Our Retransmission Revenue Continues Meaningful Growth Next Year and Beyond



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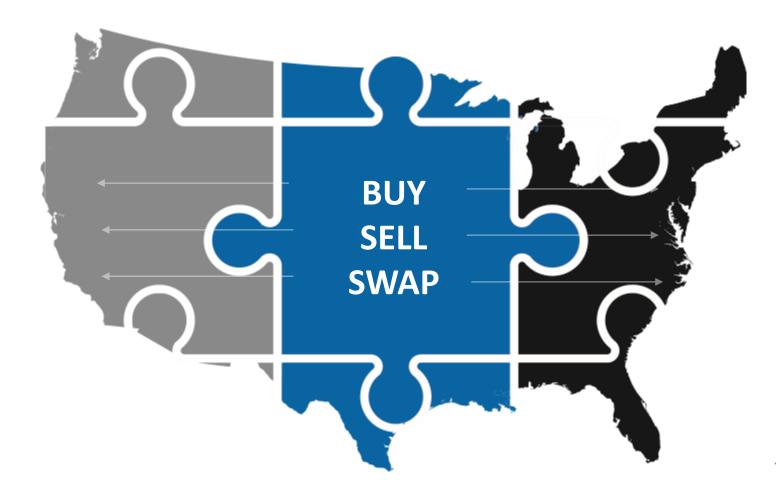
# We Will Engage in Television Station M&A That Strengthens Our Portfolio Performance

#### **OUR M&A GOAL:**

 Engage in a buy-sell-swap strategy, seizing opportunities in light of impending regulatory changes, with the goal of a stronger TV portfolio

#### **OUR M&A STRATEGY:**

- Expand within our existing markets
- Expand into new markets that enhance our portfolio



#### NATIONAL MEDIA

Our National Media division brands maximize revenue and audience growth as they build profitability through:

Content strategies that draw key target demographic groups



Nationwide scale and audience reach that provides Scripps access to the broader national advertising pool



The opportunity to convert significant inventory from direct response advertising to the higher CPM general market advertiser















# Newsy Is The Next-Generation News Network, Providing Depth, Context and Objectivity



Newsy's journalism and programming reflect its commitment to crafting a product that appeals to its target news consumer - millennials.













## Newsy Is Expanding Into Cable Distribution With The Acquisition Of Cable Network Subscribers

TOTAL U.S. PAY TV HOUSEHOLDS: 93 MILLION **NEWSY SUBSCRIBERS** BY THE END OF 2018: 40 MILLION

- We expect to grow Newsy's pay-TV subscribers to 40 million homes by the end of 2018.
- Newsy is expanding its live OTT programming stream onto cable/satellite platforms while retaining its digital cost structure.
- The move into cable was kicked off by the efficient acquisition of Retirement Living Television subscribers in the third quarter, with a maximum purchase price of \$23 million — 93 cents per subscriber, based on a pay-as-theyconvert model.
- The expanded distribution gives Newsy access to increasingly lucrative and dual revenue streams of carriage fees and advertising revenue available on cable/satellite platforms.

## Midroll Is A Leader Across All Parts Of The Podcast Ecosystem

**CONTENT CREATION** 

#### **MONETIZATION**

#### **DISTRIBUTION**







### Podcasting Is A Rapidly Growing Media Marketplace



25 percent of U.S. listens to podcasts monthly

60 percent are now aware of the medium

### Midroll Is A One-Stop Shop For Advertisers Seeking To Reach Younger Listeners



















































# Expanding Stitcher's Distribution Means Owning The Consumer Relationship









MOBILE

**CAR INTEGRATION** 

## The Fast-Growing Katz Networks Leverage Target Audiences to Attract A Broad National Ad Base







- Multicasting takes advantage of the growth in the over-the-air marketplace.
- Katz is the multicasting industry leader, with great audience resonance and advertiser relationships.
- At nearly 90 percent of the country, the networks have national distribution and scale.
- The networks are four of only six that are big enough to be Nielsen rated.
- Katz' nationwide reach gives Scripps a new revenue stream with national advertisers targeting these audiences.

### All Four Katz Networks Reach About 90 Percent of U.S. TV Households



87%

of U.S. households







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91% of U.S. households

## Shifting Inventory To A More Premium Advertiser Mix Is One Growth Driver

#### **EXAMPLE: NETWORK ADVERTISING INVENTORY**

**LOWER REVENUE** 

DIRECT RESPONSE

HYBRID DIRECT RESPONSE

GENERAL MARKET

35% of general market rate

80% of general market rate

HIGHER REVENUE

## Continuing To Expand Distribution On Multiple Fronts Is Another Growth Driver

- Renewals and incremental new markets
- Expanded cable and satellite footprint
- Virtual MVPDs
- o ATSC 3.0



### Scripps Investment Highlights

- Our liquidity and access to capital provides additional capacity to grow.
- Our most important capital allocation strategy is TV station buy-sell-swap, with a focus on a balanced return of capital.
- Our retransmission revenue growth provides additional opportunity for margin improvement.
- Our portfolio of large and attractive TV markets provides leverage with the networks and cable/satellite operators.
- Our national media brands will maximize revenue growth by gaining scale and profitability.

## Our Leverage Allows The Ability For New Capital Allocation

### Capitalization

Cash Balance: \$150 million

Total Debt: \$703 million

○ Net Leverage: ~3.5x

○ Liquidity¹: \$279 million

### Five-Year Return Of Capital

- 46 percent of free cash flow used for share repurchase
- 63 percent of free cash flow used for share repurchase and a special dividend

