

# Second Quarter 2018

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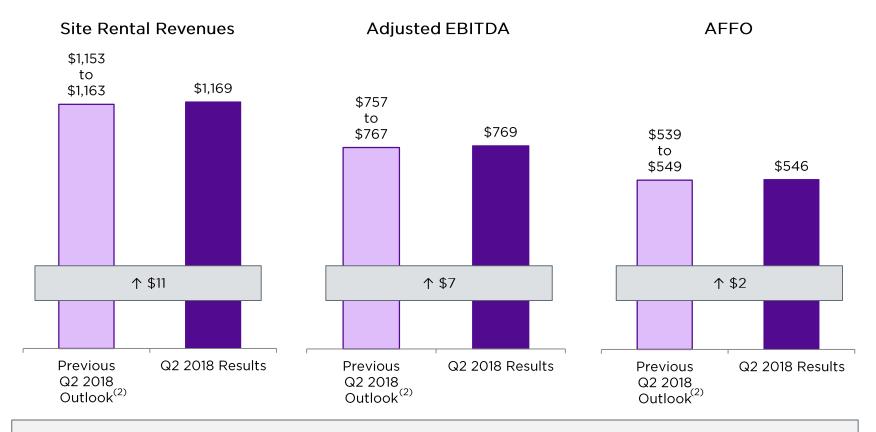
## **Executive Summary**

- On track to deliver another great year of growth in 2018 with 10% AFFO per share growth<sup>(1)</sup>
- Unmatched portfolio of assets across the top U.S. markets, with more than 40,000 towers and 60,000 route miles of high-capacity fiber
- Industry fundamentals support our view that the U.S. is the best market in the world for communications infrastructure
- Differentiated strategy of providing towers, small cells and fiber solutions, which are all integral components of communications networks
- Positioned to capture long-term opportunities while consistently returning capital to shareholders with a high quality dividend we expect to grow 7% to 8% annually



### Q2 2018 Results<sup>(1)</sup>

#### (\$ in millions)



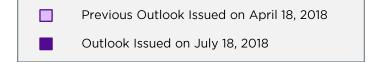
- Site rental revenues and Adjusted EBITDA benefited by approximately \$9 million of additional straight-lined revenues primarily resulting from term extensions associated with leasing activity
- Certain network services contribution previously expected in the second quarter is now expected to contribute to Adjusted EBITDA and AFFO during the remainder of 2018

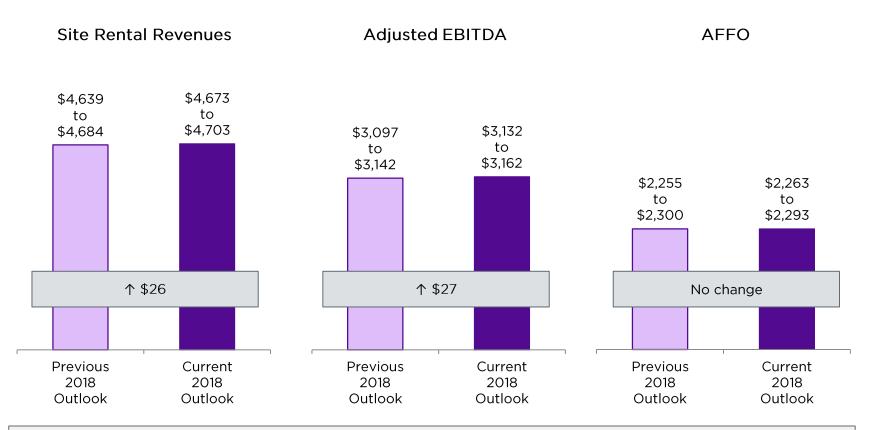


Difference between results and previous Outlook calculated at midpoint of previous Outlook

## Full Year 2018 Outlook<sup>(1)</sup>

(\$ in millions)

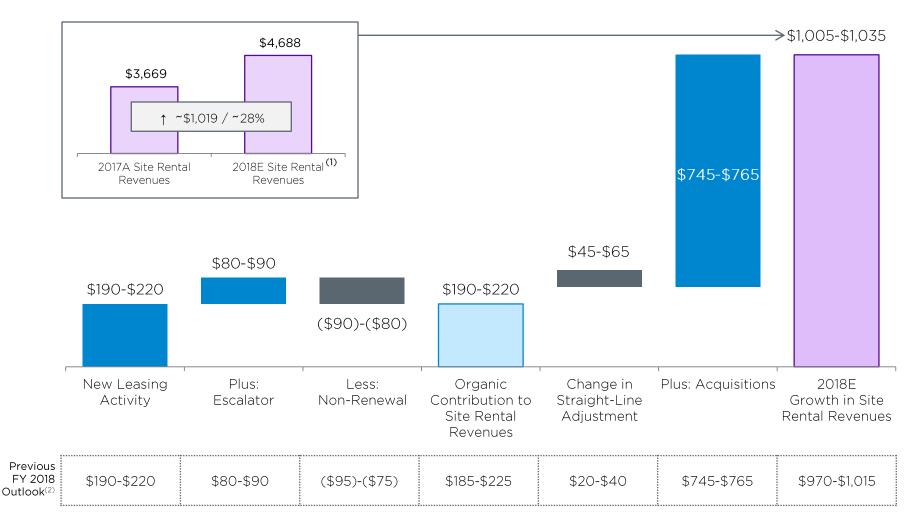




- · The increases to site rental revenues and Adjusted EBITDA primarily reflect a higher expected contribution from straight-lined revenues, which does not impact AFFO
- Consistent with the additional straight-lined revenues in the second quarter, the higher expected straight-lined revenues for 2018 primarily reflects the impact of term extensions associated with leasing activity



#### 2018 Outlook for Site Rental Revenue Growth (\$ in millions)

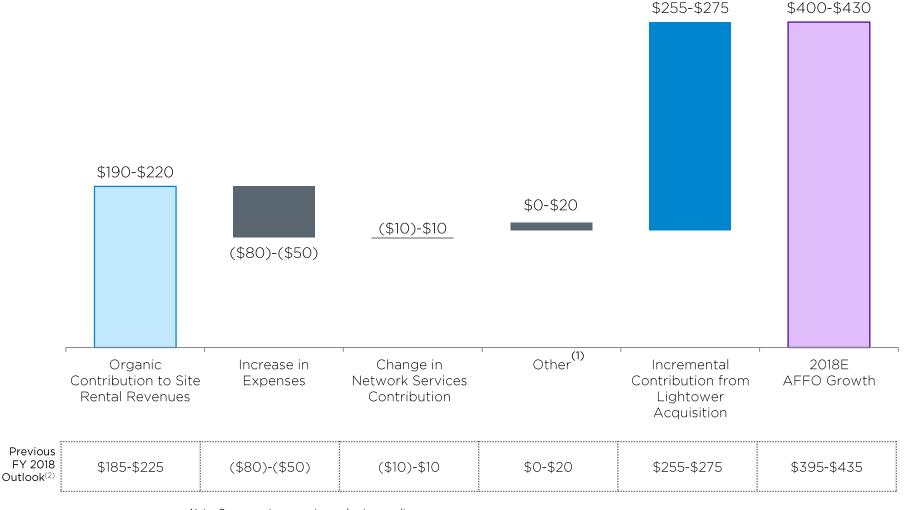




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#### 2018 Outlook for AFFO Growth

(\$ in millions)





Note: Components may not sum due to rounding

Includes changes in cash interest expense, changes in sustaining capital expenditures, changes in cash taxes, incremental contribution from