# Alliance Data NYSE: ADS

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# Agenda

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Fourth Quarter and 2014 Consolidated Results

- Segment Results
- 2014 Wrap-up
- 2015 Guidance



#### Fourth Quarter and 2014 Consolidated Results

(MM, except per share)

	Quarter	Ended December 31,	Year Er	Year Ended December 31,		
	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u> % Char	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	% Change	
Revenue	\$ 1,486	\$ 1,141 +3	0% \$ 5,303	\$ 4,319	+23%	
EPS	\$ 0.86	\$ 1.79 -5	2% \$ 7.87	\$ 7.42	+6%	
Core EPS	\$ 3.45	\$ 2.39 +4	4% \$ 12.56	\$ 10.01	+26%	
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 437	\$ 321 +3	6% \$ 1,597	\$ 1,374	+16%	
Adjusted EBITDA, net	\$ 383	\$ 290 +3	2% \$ 1,426	\$ 1,250	+14%	
Diluted shares outstanding	61.1	66.0 -	7% 62.4	66.9	-7%	

- Solid acceleration in growth rate for adjusted EBITDA, net driven by credit improvement and greater than expected performance by BrandLoyalty, our European loyalty operation.
- Stub period ownership of Conversant added approximately \$0.09 to core EPS.
- EPS reduced by \$2.05 for the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of 2014 due to acquisition related charges.
  - CNVR deal costs (\$0.08) and BrandLoyalty earn-out (\$1.97)



# LoyaltyOne (MM)

	Quarter E	nded Decen	nber 31 <u>,</u>	Year End	led Deceml	oer 31 <u>,</u>
	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	% Change	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	% Change
Revenue	\$ 398	\$ 245	+62%	\$ 1,407	\$ 919	+53%
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 115	\$ 68	+69%	\$ 351	\$ 259	+36%
Non-controlling interest	<u>-19</u>	0		43	0	
Adjusted EBITDA, net	\$ 96	\$ 68	+41%	\$ 308	\$ 259	+19%
Adjusted EBITDA %	29%	28%	+1%	25%	28%	-3%
Key Metrics:						
AIR MILES® reward miles issued	1,821	1,636	+11%	5,501	5,421	+1%
AIR MILES reward miles redeemed	1,013	1,092	-7%	4,101	4,017	+2%
Average CDN FX rate	0.88	0.95	-8%	0.91	0.97	-7%

- Strong 4<sup>th</sup> quarter performance by BrandLoyalty, which added \$47 million of adjusted EBITDA (\$28 million net of non-controlling interest).
- Unfavorable FX rates reduced 4<sup>th</sup> quarter segment revenue and adjusted EBITDA, net by \$16 million and \$5 million, respectively.
- Solid 4<sup>th</sup> quarter issuance growth of 11 percent in Canada. Looking for more consistency in 2015.



# Epsilon (MM)

	Quarter Er	nded Decer	mber 31,	<u>Year End</u>	ded Deceml	oer 31 <u>,</u>
	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	% Change	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	% Change
Revenue	\$ 440	\$ 375	+18%	\$ 1,522	\$ 1,380	+10%
Adjusted EBITDA, net	\$ 102	\$ 93	+9%	\$ 309	\$ 290	+7%
Adjusted EBITDA, net %	23%	25%	-2%	20%	21%	-1%

- Conversant acquisition closed December 10, 2014. Integration costs dampened EBITDA flow-through for the stub period.
- Solid 39 percent growth in 4<sup>th</sup> quarter volumes for Agility Harmony digital messaging platform.
- Offshoring initiatives should moderate human capital cost increases in 2015.



#### Private Label Services and Credit (MM)

	Quarter E	Quarter Ended December 31,			Year Ended December 31,			
	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	% Change	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	% Change		
Revenue	\$ 654	\$ 526	+24%	\$ 2,395	\$ 2,035	+18%		
Operating expenses	263	216	+21%	920	772	+19%		
Provision for loan losses	143	130	+10%	425	346	+23%		
Funding costs	<u>35</u>	<u>31</u>	<u>+13%</u>	<u>129</u>	<u>124</u>	<u>+3%</u>		
Adjusted EBITDA, net	\$ 212	\$ 149	+43%	\$ 921	\$ 792	+16%		
Adjusted EBITDA, net %	32%	28%	+4%	38%	39%	-1%		

- On-boarded approximately \$550 million of acquired card receivables during the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter, which depressed gross yields. Acquired receivables are recorded net of anticipated charge-offs.
- Growth in card receivables drove solid expense leveraging during the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter.
- The provision for loan losses benefitted from a 120 basis points improvement in loss rates during the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter.



### Private Label Services and Credit (MM)

	Quarter E	inded Decem	ber 31 <u>,</u>	Year Ended December 31,		
Key metrics:	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>Change</u>
Credit sales	\$ 6,357	\$ 4,836	+31%	\$ 18,948	\$ 15,252	+24%
Average credit card receivables	\$ 10,071	\$ 7,767	+30%	\$ 8,750	\$ 7,213	+21%
Total gross yield	26.0%	27.1%	-1.1%	27.4%	28.2%	-0.8%
Normalized loss rates	4.1%	5.3%	-1.2%	4.4%	4.8%	-0.4%
Delinquency rate	4.0%	4.2%	-0.2%	4.0%	4.2%	-0.2%
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- Active cardholder base grew 10 percent to 35 million, while average balances increased 8 percent to ~\$500 in 2014.
- Over 25 percent of credit sales now come from digital channels.
- Solid tender share pick-up of approximately 150 basis points in 2014
- Ending reserve of 5.4 percent of reservable receivables at December 31, 2014, a spread of approximately 100 basis points to the LTM loss rate.



# 2014 Wrap-up

#### Loyalty One

- (+) Organic top growth rate of 9 percent (constant currency)
- (+) BrandLoyalty exceeded all expectations
- (+) Brazil collectors up 32 percent to 14 million
- (-) AIRMILES® issuance up only 1 percent compared to 2013; top priority for 2015
- (-) FX translation: hit core EPS for ~15¢ in 2014

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- (+) Solid organic top-line growth of 7 percent
- (+) Rollout of digital platform, Agility Harmony, successful
- (+) Conversant acquisition significantly bolsters digital footprint (esp. targeted display)
- (-) Limited flow-thru of revenue growth to earnings: top priority for 2015



- (+) Credit sales growth, portfolio growth, revenue, and adjusted EBITDA, net: up 24 percent, 21 percent, 18 percent and 16 percent, respectively
- (+) Signed 2014 new client vintage: >\$2 billion
- (+) Stable loss and funding rates



## 2014 Wrap-up

#### Overall

- (+) \$1 billion or +23 percent in top-line growth
- (+) Robust organic top- line growth of +11 percent or 4 times that of the market and GDP growth rates

	<u>Organic</u>	
LoyaltyOne	+9%	<ul> <li>Pro-forma for BrandLoyalty's 2013 results</li> </ul>
Epsilon	+7%	• Excludes Conversant stub period ownership
Private Label	<u>+15%</u>	<ul> <li>Excludes acquired card receivables</li> </ul>
	+11%	

- (+) Strong flow-thru to earnings (+26 percent)
- (+) Modest net debt levels (leverage ratio ~ 2x)
- (+) Good visibility into 2015
- (+) Solid beat to original core EPS guidance

Original 2014 guidance	\$12.20	+22%
+ FX hit	0.15	
- CNVR stub period	(0.09)	
+ Over-performance	0.30	
Final 2014 results	\$12.56	+26%



#### 2015 Guidance

(\$MM, except per share)

2014	2015	% Increase
Actual	Guidance	
\$ 5,303	\$ 6,500 <sup>1</sup>	+23%
\$ 12.56	\$ 14.80 <sup>1</sup>	+18%
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62.4	64 – 64.7	
	Actual	Actual Guidance \$ 5,303 \$ 6,500 <sup>1</sup> \$ 12.56 \$ 14.80 <sup>1</sup>

	Q1 '15			Q1 '15	
Revenue (before FX)	\$ 1,606	+30%	Core EPS (before FX)	\$ 3.52	+26%
FX	(65)		FX	(0.12)	
Revenue	\$ 1,541	+25%	Core EPS	\$ 3.40	+22%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Original revenue guidance was \$6.625 billion or 25 percent growth. Original core EPS guidance was a range of \$14.80 to \$15.00. The decrease in revenue and elimination of range for core EPS are due to changes in foreign currency translation rates since the date of that guidance.

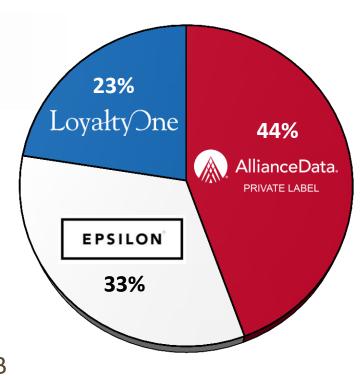


# Revenue by Segment

2015E Revenues - \$6.5bn

# Diversification and balance across <u>multiple platforms</u>:

- Attracts the widest variety of verticals
  - Financial Services | Retail | Travel
     Insurance | Telecom | CPG | Grocery
     Auto | Technology | Healthcare | B2B



- Enhances financial visibility
  - Businesses/Platforms cycle differently



# All Businesses Are Growing





# Q & A

