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Telecom Argentina S.A.

(Translation of registrant s name into English)

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(Address of principal executive offices)

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OPERATING AND FINANCIAL REVIEW AND PROSPECTS AS OF JUNE 30, 2013

(In millions of Argentine pesos or as expressly indicated)

1. General considerations

As required by CNV regulations, the Company has prepared its consolidated financial statements as of June 30, 2013 under IFRS. Additional information is given in Note 1 to the consolidated financial statements.

2. Telecom Group s activities for the six-month periods ended June 30, 2013 (1H13) and 2012 (1H12)

Total revenues and other income for 1H13 amounted to \$12,726 (+22% vs. 1H12), operating costs including depreciations, amortizations and gain on disposal of PP&E and impairment of PP&E and related assets amounted to \$10,666 (+25% vs. 1H12), operating income before depreciation and amortization amounted to \$3,624 representing 29% of consolidated revenues (+15% vs. 1H12), operating income amounted to \$2,060 (+9% vs. 1H12) and net income amounted to \$1,475 (+14% vs. 1H12). Net income attributable to Telecom Argentina amounted to \$1,454 in 1H13 (+14% vs. 1H12).

			Variat	ion
	1H13	1H12	\$	%
Revenues	12,713	10,380	2,333	22
Other income	13	9	4	44
Operating costs without depreciation and amortization	(9,102)	(7,250)	(1,852)	26
Operating income before depreciation and amortization	3,624	3,139	485	15
Depreciation and amortization	(1,399)	(1,258)	(141)	11
Gain on disposal of PP&E and impairment of PP&E and related assets	(165)	1	(166)	n/a
Operating income	2,060	1,882	178	9
Financial results, net	214	112	102	91
Net income before income tax expense	2,274	1,994	280	14
Income tax expense	(799)	(700)	(99)	14
Net income	1,475	1,294	181	14

Attributable to:				
Telecom Argentina (Controlling Company)	1,454	1,275	179	14
Non-controlling interest	21	19	2	11
•	1,475	1,294	181	14
Basic and diluted earnings per share attributable to Telecom Argentina (in				
pesos)	1.48	1.30		

Total revenues and other income

During 1H13 consolidated total revenues increased 22% (+\$2,333 vs. 1H12) amounting to \$12,713 mainly fueled by the Broadband, data transmission and mobile businesses, while consolidated other income increased 44% (+\$4 vs. 1H12), mainly due to penalties imposed to suppliers in the Fixed Services segment.

				Variatio	n
		1H13	1H12	\$	%
<u>Services</u>					
Voice Retail		1,297	1,218	79	6
Voice Wholesale		376	357	19	5
Internet		1,191	925	266	29
Data		441	338	103	30
	Subtotal fixed services	3,305	2,838	467	16
Voice Retail		2,345	2,137	208	10
Voice Wholesale		966	863	103	12
Internet		872	569	303	53
Data		3,400	2,653	747	28
	Subtotal Personal mobile services	7,583	6,222	1,361	22
Voice Retail		177	159	18	11
Voice Wholesale		65	38	27	71
Internet		124	67	57	85
Data		157	126	31	