

# Federal Signal Q3 2023 Earnings Call November 2, 2023











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### Q3 Highlights \*

- Record net sales of \$446 M, up \$100 M, or 29%
  - Organic growth of \$80 M, or 23%
- Operating income of \$62.5 M, up \$23.0 M, or 58%
- Adjusted EBITDA of \$78.5 M, up \$25.0 M, or 47%
  - Adjusted EBITDA margin of 17.6%, compared to 15.4%
- GAAP EPS of \$0.71, up \$0.19, or 37%
- Record adjusted EPS of \$0.71, up \$0.18, or 34%
- Orders of \$450 M, up \$68 M, or 18%
- Backlog of \$1.01 B, up \$182 M, or 22%



# **Group and Corporate Results**

\$ millions, except	! %	Q3 2023	Q3 2022	% Change
ESG	Orders	374.8	321.4	17%
	Sales	373.0	284.8	31%
	Operating income Operating margin	<b>57.2</b> 15.3%	<b>33.9</b> 11.9%	69%
	Adjusted EBITDA  Adjusted EBITDA margin	<b>72.0</b> 19.3%	<b>46.5</b> 16.3%	55%
SSG	Orders	75.4	60.7	24%
	Sales	73.4	61.6	19%
	Operating income Operating margin	13.7 18.7%	<b>10.5</b> 17.0%	30%
	Adjusted EBITDA  Adjusted EBITDA margin	<b>14.6</b> 19.9%	<b>11.5</b> 18.7%	27%
Corporate exp	enses	8.4	4.9	71%
Consolidated	Orders	450.2	382.1	18%
	Sales	446.4	346.4	29%
	Operating income Operating margin	<b>62.5</b> 14.0%	<b>39.5</b> 11.4%	58%
	Adjusted EBITDA	78.5	53.5	47%
	Adjusted EBITDA margin	17.6%	15.4%	



## **Consolidated Statement of Operations**

\$ millions, except % and per share	Q3 2023		Q	3 2022	\$ C	Change	% Change		
Net sales	\$	446.4	\$	346.4	\$	100.0	29%		
Gross profit	•	117.7	Ť	82.8	r	34.9	42%		
SEG&A expenses		50.6		39.8		10.8	27%		
Amortization expense		3.9		3.1		0.8	26%		
Acquisition and integration related expenses		0.7		0.4		0.3	<b>3</b> 75%		
Operating income		62.5		39.5		23.0	58%		
Interest expense		5.1		2.7		2.4	89%		
Other expense, net		0.3		0.1		0.2	200%		
Income tax expense		13.8		4.9		8.9	182%		
Net income		43.3		31.8		11.5	36%		
Diluted EPS	\$	0.71	\$	0.52	\$	0.19	37%		
Diluted adjusted EPS	\$	0.71	\$	0.53	\$	0.18	34%		
Gross Margin		26.4%		23.9%					
SEG&A expenses as a % of net sales		11.3%		11.5%					
Effective tax rate		24.2%		13.4%					



### Adjusted Earnings per Share

(\$ in millions)	Three Months Ended September 30,					Nine Months Ended September 30,					
		2023		2022		2023	2022				
Net income, as reported	\$	43.3	\$	31.8	\$	111.0 \$	85.8				
Add:											
Income tax expense		13.8		4.9		33.5	23.1				
Income before income taxes		57.1		36.7		144.5	108.9				
<u>Add:</u>											
Acquisition and integration-related expenses (benefits)		0.7		0.4		2.0	(1.0)				
Environmental remediation costs of a discontinued operation (1)		-		-		0.8	-				
Adjusted income before income taxes		57.8		37.1		147.3	107.9				
Adjusted income tax expense (2)		(14.0)		(4.9)		(34.2)	(22.8)				
Adjusted net income	\$	43.8	\$	32.2	\$	113.1 \$	85.1				
Diluted EPS, as reported	\$	0.71	\$	0.52	\$	1.81 \$	1.40				
Adjusted diluted EPS	\$	0.71	\$	0.53	\$	1.84 \$	1.39				

<sup>(1)</sup> Environmental remediation costs of a discontinued operation in the nine months ended September 30, 2023 relate to estimated environmental clean up costs at a facility associated with a business that was discontinued in 2009. Such charges are included as a component of Other expense, net on the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations.



<sup>(2)</sup> Adjusted income tax expense for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022 was recomputed after excluding the impact of acquisition and integration-related expenses (benefits) and environmental remediation costs of a discontinued operation, where applicable.

### Financial Strength and Flexibility \*

# Strong capital structure

- Cash and cash equivalents of \$41 M
- Net debt of ~\$325 M \*\*
- In October 2022, executed a five-year, \$800 M revolving credit facility, with opportunity to increase further by the greater of (i) \$400 M or (ii) 100% of TTM consolidated EBITDA, subject to lenders approval
- ~\$425 M of availability under revolving credit facility
- Net debt leverage remains low
- Compliant with all covenants with significant headroom

Healthy cash
flow and access
to cash facilitate
organic growth
investment,
M&A and cash
returns to
stockholders

- Generated ~\$48 M of cash from operations in Q3 2023, up ~\$38 M vs. Q3 2022
- YTD operating cash flow of ~\$91 M, up 181% vs. prior year
- Paid down ~\$40 M of debt during Q3
- Anticipating cap ex of \$27 M-\$30 M in 2023, including investments in our plants to add capacity and gain efficiencies through automation
- Completed Blasters, Inc. acquisition in January 2023 for initial sum of ~\$13 M
- Completed Trackless Vehicles acquisition in April 2023 for initial sum of ~\$42 M
- Paid \$6.1 M for dividends, reflecting a dividend of \$0.10 per share; recently declared similar dividend for Q4 2023
- During Q3, paid \$4.3 M to repurchase ~72k shares (average price of \$58.69);
   ~\$55 M of authorization remaining under current share repurchase program (~2% of market cap)

<sup>\*\*</sup> Net debt is a non-GAAP measure and is computed as total debt of \$365.9 M, less total cash and cash equivalents of \$41.0 M



<sup>\*</sup> Dollar amounts as of, or for the quarter ending 9/30/2023, unless otherwise noted

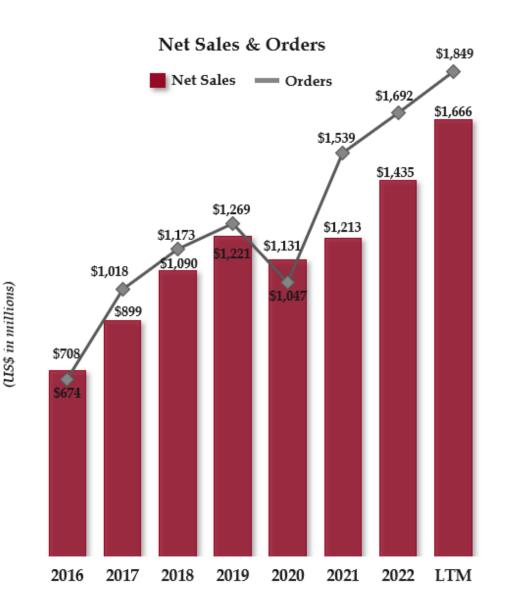
### CEO Remarks - Q3 Performance

- Impressive execution by both groups contributed to another record-setting quarter
- Environmental Solutions Group highlights:
  - YoY net sales growth of 31%
  - 300-basis point improvement in adjusted EBITDA margin
  - Production output continues to improve with combined
     Q3 production at our two largest facilities up 19% YoY
- Safety and Security Systems Group highlights:
  - YoY net sales growth of 19%
  - 120-basis point improvement in adjusted EBITDA margin
- Generated significant cash from operations in the quarter with cash conversion of ~110%\*



#### **CEO Remarks - Market Conditions**

- Demand for our products and aftermarket offerings remains exceptionally high, as evidenced by Q3 orders of \$450 M, up 18% YoY
- Backlog remains unchanged from Q2 2023 at ~\$1.01 B (up 22% YoY)
- Order strength broad based across public funded & industrial end-markets
- Public funding for infrastructure investments continues to fuel strong demand
  - American Rescue Plan Act
  - Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act
  - Inflation Reduction Act
- Strategic growth strategy is working
  - Safe Digging order strength (+33% YoY)
  - Aftermarket revenue +19% YoY
  - Active M&A pipeline
  - On track to realize \$3M+ in synergies between Ground Force & TowHaul in FY23
- New product development focus remains
  - Booked several EV sweeper orders in Q3

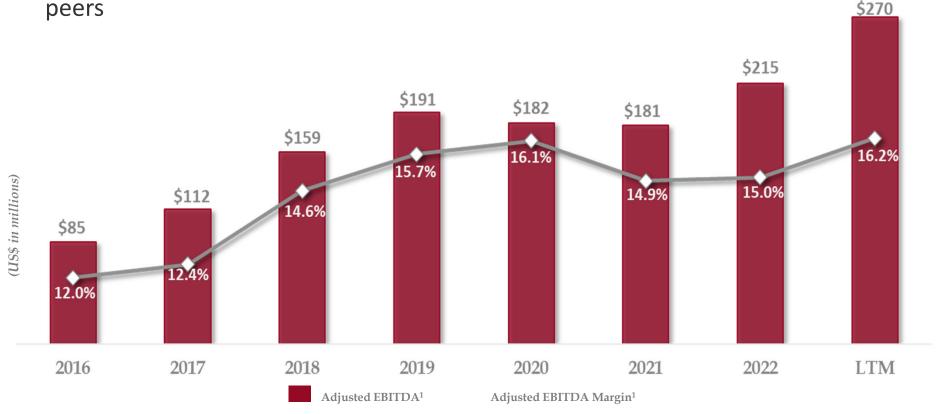




#### **CEO Remarks - Historical Margin Performance**

- Initially launched EBITDA margin targets for groups and Company overall in 2017 consistent with multi-year growth strategy
- Margin targets intended to be <u>annual</u>, through-the-cycle targets
- Since 2017, we have consistently operated within, or above, 12-16% consolidated target range, including during the pandemic

Historical EBITDA margin performance places FSS in top tier of specialty vehicle





#### **CEO Remarks - Increasing Margin Targets**

- As we look ahead and consistent with the execution of our key strategic objectives of
   (i) operational excellence, (ii) organic growth initiatives, and (iii) value-added M&A,
   we are today <u>raising our EBITDA margin targets</u> for ESG and the Company overall
- Introducing <u>new</u> Consolidated EBITDA Margin Target: <u>14 20%</u> (increased from 12-16%)
- Introducing <u>new</u> ESG EBITDA Margin Target: <u>17 22%</u> (increased from 15-18%)
- SSG EBITDA Margin Target: 17 21% (previously increased from 15-18% in Q1 2023)
- Margin targets intended to be <u>annual</u>, through-the-cycle targets

#### **Operational Excellence**

- Codification of Federal Signal operating system
- 80/20 philosophies
- Lean initiatives

#### **Organic Growth Initiatives**

- Benefits from recent facility/capacity investments
- Aftermarket growth
- Safe Digging growth
- New Product Development

#### Value-Added M&A

- Accretive M&A; focused on niche marketleading companies
- Generate synergies by leveraging existing distribution & manufacturing capabilities



### Raising 2023 Outlook

# Raising Full-Year Adjusted EPS\* Outlook to a new range of \$2.44 to \$2.52, from the previous range of \$2.30 to \$2.46

Would represent highest EPS in Company's history and YoY growth of 24%-29%, despite aggregate headwind of ~\$0.20 from higher interest expense and increase in effective tax rate

#### **Key Assumptions**

- Also raising low end of full-year net sales outlook by \$30 M, establishing new range of \$1.68 B to \$1.72 B
  - Represents YoY growth of 17% 20% vs.\$1.43 B in 2022
- Double-digit improvement in pre-tax earnings
- Depreciation and amortization expense of ~\$60 M -\$62 M
- Capital expenditures of \$27 M to \$30 M
- Interest expense of ~\$20-21 M; YoY EPS headwind of ~\$0.13

- Effective tax rate of ~24%, excluding additional discrete items; YoY EPS headwind of ~\$0.07
- ~61-62 M weighted average shares outstanding
- No significant deterioration in current supply chain environment; assumes continued supply chain improvement in Q4 2023, with steady flow of customer-provided chassis
- No significant increase in current input costs

\*Adjusted earnings per share ("EPS") is a non-GAAP measure, which includes certain adjustments to reported GAAP net income and diluted EPS. In the nine months ended September 30, 2023, we made adjustments to exclude the impact of acquisition and integration-related expenses (benefits) and environmental remediation costs of a discontinued operation. In prior years, we have also made adjustments to exclude the impact of debt settlement charges and certain other unusual or non-recurring items. Should any similar items occur in the remainder of 2023, we would expect to exclude them from the determination of adjusted EPS. However, because of the underlying uncertainty in quantifying amounts which may not yet be known, a reconciliation of our Adjusted EPS outlook to the most applicable GAAP measure is excluded based on the unreasonable efforts exception in Item 10(e)(1)(i)(B).



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Q&A

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# **Appendix**



# Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA (Q3 2023 vs. Q3 2022)

\$ millions, except %	<u>Q3</u>	2023	023 Q3 2022				
Net income	\$	43.3	\$	31.8			
Add:							
Interest expense		5.1		2.7			
Acquisition and integration-related expenses		0.7		0.4			
Other expense, net		0.3		0.1			
Income tax expense		13.8		4.9			
Depreciation and amortization		15.3		13.6			
Consolidated adjusted EBITDA	\$	78.5	\$	53.5			
Net Sales	\$	446.4	\$	346.4			
Consolidated adjusted EBITDA margin		17.6%		15.4%			



## Segment Adjusted EBITDA (Q3 2023 vs. Q3 2022)

<u>ESG</u>				
\$ millions, except %	<b>Q</b> 3	2023	Q3	2022
Operating Income	\$	57.2	\$	33.9
Add:				
Acquisition and integration-related expenses		0.5		0.1
Depreciation and amortization		14.3		12.5
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	72.0	\$	46.5
Net Sales	\$	373.0	\$	284.8
Adjusted EBITDA margin		19.3%		16.3%
SSG				
\$ millions, except %	<b>Q</b> 3	2023	<b>Q</b> 3	2022
Operating Income	\$	13.7	\$	10.5
Add:				
Depreciation and amortization		0.9		1.0
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	14.6	\$	11.5
Net Sales	\$	73.4	\$	61.6
Adjusted EBITDA margin		19.9%		18.7%



## Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA (2016-2023 LTM)

	2016													LTM
(\$ in millions)				2019				2021		2022		Q3 2023		
Net income		\$	60.5	\$ 93.7	\$	108.4	\$ 96	i.1	\$	100.6	\$	120.4	\$	145.6
Add (less):														
Interest expense	1.9		7.3	9.3		7.9	5	.7		4.5		10.3		19.8
Pension settlement charges	-		6.1	-		-		-		10.3		-		-
Hearing loss settlement charges	-		1.5	0.4		-		-		-		-		-
Acquisition and integration-related expenses (benefits)	1.4		2.7	1.5		2.5	2	2.1		(2.1)		(0.5)		2.5
Coronavirus-related expenses	-		-	-		-	2	2.3		1.2		-		-
Restructuring	1.7		0.6	-		-	,	.3		-		-		-
Executive severance costs	-		0.7	-		-		-		-		-		-
Debt settlement charges			-	-		-		-		-		0.1		0.1
Purchase accounting effects (a)	3.6		4.4	0.7		0.2	(	.3		0.3		-		-
Other (income) expense, net	1.8		(8.0)	0.6		0.6	•	.1		(1.7)		(0.5)		1.6
Income tax expense	17.4		0.5	17.9		30.2	28	5.5		17.0		30.5		40.9
Depreciation and amortization	19.1		30.0	36.4		41.5	44	.8		50.4		54.7		59.1
Deferred gain recognition (b)	(1.9)		(2.0)	(1.9)		-		-		-		-		-
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 84.7	\$	111.5	\$ 158.6	\$	191.3	\$ 182	.2	\$	180.5	\$	215.0	\$	269.6
Net Sales	\$ 707.9	\$	898.5	\$ 1,089.5	\$	1,221.3	\$ 1,130	.8	\$	1,213.2	\$	1,434.8	\$	1,665.8
Adjusted EBITDA Margin	12.0%	)	12.4%	14.6%		15.7%	16.	1%		14.9%		15.0%		16.2%

<sup>(</sup>a) Excludes purchase accounting effects reflected in depreciation and amortization of \$0.3 M, \$0.4 M, \$0.5 M, \$0.6 M, \$0.4 M and \$0.4 M for 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021, respectively.



<sup>(</sup>b) Adjustment to exclude recognition of deferred gain associated with historical sale lease-back transactions. Effective 2019, the Company no longer recognizes the gain due to the adoption of new lease accounting standard.

#### **Non-GAAP Measures**

- Adjusted net income and earnings per share ("EPS") The Company believes that modifying its 2023 and 2022 net income and diluted EPS provides additional measures which are representative of the Company's underlying performance and improves the comparability of results between reporting periods. During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022, adjustments were made to reported GAAP net income and diluted EPS to exclude the impact of acquisition and integration-related expenses (benefits), and environmental remediation costs of a discontinued operation, where applicable.
- Adjusted EBITDA and adjusted EBITDA margin The Company uses adjusted EBITDA and the ratio of adjusted EBITDA to net sales ("adjusted EBITDA margin"), at both the consolidated and segment level, as additional measures which are representative of its underlying performance and to improve the comparability of results across reporting periods. We believe that investors use versions of these metrics in a similar manner. For these reasons, the Company believes that adjusted EBITDA and adjusted EBITDA margin, at both the consolidated and segment level, are meaningful metrics to investors in evaluating the Company's underlying financial performance. Other companies may use different methods to calculate adjusted EBITDA and adjusted EBITDA margin.
- <u>Consolidated adjusted EBITDA</u> is a non-GAAP measure that represents the total of net income, interest expense, pension settlement charges, hearing loss settlement charges, acquisition and integration-related expenses (benefits), coronavirus-related expenses, restructuring activity, executive severance costs, debt settlement charges, purchase accounting effects, other income/expense, income tax expense, and depreciation and amortization expense, as applicable. Consolidated adjusted EBITDA margin is a non-GAAP measure that represents the total of net income, interest expense, pension settlement charges, hearing loss settlement charges, acquisition and integration-related expenses (benefits), coronavirus-related expenses, restructuring activity, executive severance costs, debt settlement charges, purchase accounting effects, other income/expense, income tax expense, and depreciation and amortization expense, as applicable, divided by net sales for the applicable period(s).
- <u>Segment adjusted EBITDA</u> is a non-GAAP measure that represents the total of segment operating income, acquisition and integration-related expenses (benefits), and depreciation and amortization expense, as applicable. Segment adjusted EBITDA margin is a non-GAAP measure that represents the total of segment operating income, acquisition and integration-related expenses (benefits), and depreciation and amortization expense, as applicable, divided by net sales for the applicable period(s). Segment operating income includes all revenues, costs and expenses directly related to the segment involved. In determining segment income, neither corporate nor interest expenses are included. Segment depreciation and amortization expense relates to those assets, both tangible and intangible, that are utilized by the respective segment.



