



Financial Results Third Quarter 2022

**November 15, 2022** 



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comprehensive mobility solutions.











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Infrastructure Solutions <sup>™</sup>	nfi.parts
Connected Vehicles and Diagnostics	Financing
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## **Notes to readers**

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS FOR THE 13-WEEKS, 39-WEEKS, AND 53-WEEKS ENDED OCTOBER 2, 2022

Information in this Management's Discussion and Analysis ("MD&A") relating to the financial condition and results of operations of NFI Group Inc. ("NFI" or the "Company") is supplemental to, and should be read in conjunction with, NFI's unaudited interim condensed consolidated financial statements (including notes) (the "Financial Statements") for the 13-week and 39-week period ended October 2, 2022.

This MD&A contains forward-looking statements, which are subject to a variety of factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those contemplated by such forward-looking statements, including, but not limited to, the factors described in the Company's public filings available on SEDAR at www.sedar.com. See "Forward-Looking Statements" in Appendix A. The Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") and, except where otherwise indicated, are presented in U.S. dollars, which is the functional currency of NFI. Unless otherwise indicated, the financial information contained in this MD&A has been prepared in accordance with IFRS and references to "\$" or "dollars" mean U.S. dollars, "C\$" means Canadian dollars, and "GBP" and "£" mean British Pounds Sterling.

## **QUARTERLY AND ANNUAL REPORTING PERIODS**

The quarterly and annual reporting periods for the current and prior year are as follows:

Period f	from January 3, 2022	to January 1,	2023	Period :	from December 28, 202	0 to January 2,	, 2022
	("Fiscal 202	22")			("Fiscal 2021	1")	
	Period End [	Date	# of Calendar Weeks				# of Calendar Weeks
Quarter 1	April 3, 2022	("2022 Q1")	13	Quarter 1	March 28, 2021	("2021 Q1")	13
Quarter 2	July 3, 2022	("2022 Q2")	13	Quarter 2	June 27, 2021	("2021 Q2")	13
Quarter 3	October 2, 2022	("2022 Q3")	13	Quarter 3	September 26, 2021	("2021 Q3")	13
Quarter 4	January 1, 2023	("2022 Q4")	13	Quarter 4 January 2, 2022 ("2021 Q4")		14	
Fiscal year	January 1, 2023		52	Fiscal year	January 2, 2022		53

Specific references and definitions are used throughout this MD&A, please see the Non-IFRS and Other Financial Measures section. References to LTM mean last-twelve months ("LTM"). Adjusted EBITDA, Invested Capital, net operating profit after taxes ("NOPAT"), return on invested capital ("ROIC"), Free Cash Flow, Free Cash Flow per Share, Adjusted Net Earnings (Loss), Adjusted Net Earnings (Loss) per Share, Liquidity, Working Capital Days, Payout Ratio and Backlog are non-IFRS measures and should not be considered substitutes or alternatives for IFRS measures. These are not defined terms under IFRS and do not have standard meanings, so may not be a reliable way to compare NFI to other companies. Dividends paid from Free Cash Flow are not assured, and the actual amount of dividends received by holders of common shares ("Shares") will

# Notes to readers (continued)

depend on, among other things, the Company's financial performance, debt covenants and obligations, working capital requirements and future capital requirements, all of which are susceptible to a number of risks, as described in NFI's public filings, such as the Annual Information Form, available on SEDAR at <a href="https://www.sedar.com">www.sedar.com</a>.

The Company has two reportable segments which are the Company's strategic business units: Manufacturing Operations and Aftermarket Operations. The strategic business units offer different products and services, and are managed separately because they require different technology and marketing strategies.

The Manufacturing Operations segment derives its revenue from the manufacture, service and support of new transit buses, coaches, medium-duty and cutaway buses. Based on management's judgment and applying the aggregation criteria in IFRS 8.12, the Company's bus/coach manufacturing operations and medium-duty/cutaway manufacturing operations fall under a single reportable segment. Aggregation of these operating segments is based on the segments having similar economic characteristics with similar long-term average returns, products and services, production methods, distribution and regulatory environment.

The Aftermarket Operations segment derives its revenue from the sale of aftermarket parts for transit buses, coaches and medium-duty/cutaway buses, both for the Company's and third party products.

Single and double deck buses manufactured by New Flyer and Alexander Dennis Limited ("Alexander Dennis" or "ADL") are classified as "transit buses". ARBOC manufactures body onchassis or "cutaway" and "medium-duty" buses that service transit, paratransit, and shuttle applications. Collectively, transit buses, medium-duty buses and cutaways, are referred to as "buses". A "motor coach" or "coach" is a 35-foot to 45-foot over-the-highway bus typically used for intercity transportation and travel over longer distances than heavy-duty transit buses, and is typically characterized by (i) high deck floor, (ii) baggage compartment under the floor, (iii) high-backed seats with a coach-style interior (often including a lavatory), and (iv) no room for standing passengers. "Product lines" include heavy-duty transit buses, motor coaches, pre-owned coaches, cutaway and medium-duty buses.

Zero-emission buses ("ZEBs") consist of trolley-electric, hydrogen fuel cell-electric, and battery-electric buses and motor coaches. All of the data presented in this MD&A with respect to the number of transit buses, medium-duty buses, cutaways and motor coaches in service and delivered, is measured in, or based on, "equivalent units". One equivalent unit (or "EU") represents one production "slot", being one 30-foot, 35-foot, 40-foot, 45-foot heavy-duty transit bus, one double deck bus, one medium-duty bus, one cutaway bus or one motor coach, whereas one articulated transit bus represents two equivalent units. An articulated transit bus is an extra-long transit bus (approximately 60-feet in length), composed of two passenger compartments connected by a joint mechanism. The joint mechanism allows the vehicle to bend when the bus turns a corner, yet have a continuous interior.

A summary of the Company's order, delivery and backlog information can be found in Appendix B.



# NFI is leading zero-emission electric mobility.



Namidate and land

85M+

Electric service miles driven

104

ZEB EUs delivered in 2022 Q3

48%

of North American Public Bid Universe is ZEBs

1,802

ZEBs in backlog

120+

Cities have NFI ZEBs in service or on order

330+

EV chargers installed via Infrastructure Solutions™ since 2018

2,397

ZEB EUs delivered since 2015

13%

of total deliveries in 2022 Q3 were ZEB EUs

~8,000

EUs annual ZEB production capacity

21%

of total backlog is ZEBs

6

Countries have NFI ZEBs in service or on order

55+ MW

installed via Infrastructure Solutions™ since 2018

# 2022 Q3 Highlights (US\$)

\$514.0M

Total Revenue

\$6.8M

**Gross Profit** 

\$42.6M

**Net Loss** 

\$128.7M

Cash Flow Used In Operating Activities

\$0.56

Net Loss Per Share

453 EUs

in New Orders

\$15.1M

Adjusted EBITDA<sup>1</sup> Savings from NFI Forward

**783** 

**EUs Delivered** 

(\$15.7)M

Adjusted EBITDA 1

(\$58.5)M

Free Cash Flow 1

\$471.4M

Liquidity 2,3

\$0.63

Adjusted Net Loss Per Share 4

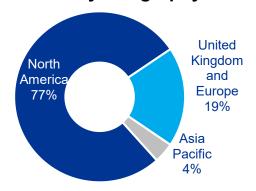
10,107 EUs

Active Bids

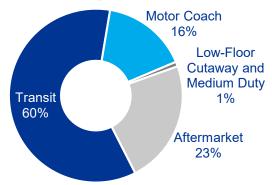
8,505 EUs

in Backlog (Value of \$4.9B)<sup>2</sup>

## Revenue by Geography



## **Revenue by Product**



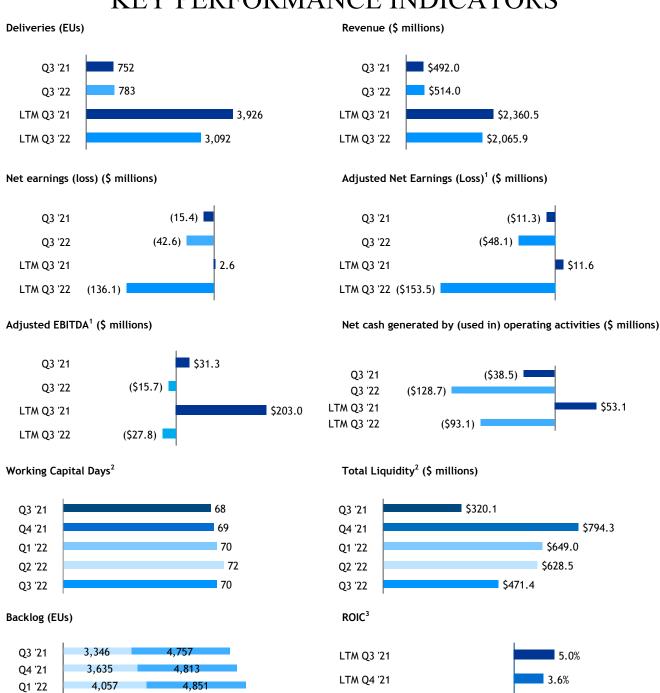
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to other companies. See Non-IFRS and Other Financial Measures section.

<sup>2.</sup> Represents a supplementary financial measure. See Non-IFRS and Other Financial Measures section.

<sup>3.</sup> Without consideration given to the minimum liquidity requirement of \$250 million.

<sup>4.</sup> Represents a non-IFRS ratio, meaning it is derived from a non-IFRS measure, which does not have a standard meaning, so it may not be a reliable way to compare NFI to other companies. The ratio is calculated using adjusted net income, which is a non-IFRS measure. See Non-IFRS and Other Financial Measures section.

# KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS



#### Footnotes

Q2 '22

Q3 '22

4,366

4,153

Firm

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LTM Q1 '22

LTM Q2 '22

LTM Q3 '22

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Options

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1.1%

(1.5)%

(3.3)%

## FINANCIAL RESULTS

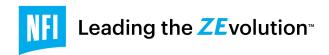
NFI's 2022 Q3 financial results were significantly impacted by continued global supply chain challenges. The Company took the prudent approach to reduce production rates to align with supply chain lead times and allow for teams to complete offline work-in-progress ("WIP") inventory. This resulted in lower than planned new vehicle deliveries and negative impacts to financial performance metrics within the Company's Manufacturing business segment ("Manufacturing"). The Company's end markets are recovering from the pandemic, which is demonstrated by recent order activity and unprecedented government funding for public transit. The Aftermarket business segment ("Aftermarket") experienced a small decrease in year-over-year margin results in North America, United Kingdom, and Europe, despite consistent revenues.

Full details of the Company's orders, deliveries and backlog information can be found in Appendix B.

Deliveries (unaudited, EUs)	2022 Q3	2021 Q3	% Change	2022 Q3 LTM	2021 Q3 LTM	% Change
Transit buses	598	522	14.6 %	2,344	2,823	(17.0)%
Motor coaches	143	144	(0.7)%	547	707	(22.6)%
Medium-duty and cutaway	42	86	(51.2)%	201	396	(49.2)%
New Vehicle Deliveries	783	752	4.1 %	3,092	3,926	(21.2)%
Pre-owned coach	84	36	133.3 %	160	484	(66.9)%
Zero-emission deliveries (included in the above totals)	104	153	(32.0)%	696	417	66.9 %

Revenue (unaudited, dollars in millions)	2022 Q3	2021 Q3	% Change	2022 Q3 LTM	2021 Q3 LTM	% Change
Transit buses	306.7	290.2	5.7 %	1,212.3	1,445.4	(16.1)%
Motor coaches	76.5	69.0	10.9 %	321.0	360.9	(11.1)%
Medium-duty and cutaway	4.5	7.6	(40.8)%	24.4	38.7	(37.0)%
Total new transit bus, coach and cutaway revenue	387.7	366.8	5.7 %	1,557.7	1,845.0	(15.6)%
Pre-owned coach revenue	5.8	1.6	262.5 %	9.9	27.4	(63.9)%
Infrastructure Solutions <sup>TM</sup>	0.9	4.4	(79.5)%	9.8	22.6	(56.6)%
Fiberglass reinforced polymer components	1.5	1.1	36.4 %	6.1	5.3	15.1 %
Manufacturing Revenue	395.9	373.9	5.9 %	1,583.5	1,900.3	(16.7)%
Aftermarket	118.1	118.1	- %	482.4	460.2	4.8 %
Total Revenue	514.0	492.0	4.5 %	2,065.9	2,360.5	(12.5)%
North America	397.0	386.5	2.7 %	1,517.1	1,870.9	(18.9)%
United Kingdom and Europe	97.2	81.5	19.3 %	456.8	365.9	24.8 %
Asia Pacific	19.8	24.0	(17.5)%	92.0	123.7	(25.6)%
Other	_	_	- %	_	_	- %

Manufacturing revenue for 2022 Q3 increased by \$22.0 million, or 5.9%, compared to 2021 Q3. The increase was primarily due to the increase in deliveries. However, overall deliveries are down significantly relative to pre-COVID-19 levels due to global supply chain logistics challenges and related production inefficiencies. These challenges are largely the result of suppliers recovering from impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, which has created numerous bottlenecks in the supply chain and disruptions to certain parts availability. During the quarter, the Company worked to build vehicles that will be delivered primarily in 2022 Q4. WIP inventory increased by \$57.3 million due to the number of partially completed buses awaiting parts. The previously disrupted control module supply, originally announced in 2022 Q2, that impacted the completion of a significant number of North American transit buses, has been recovering according to plan. Of the \$469.1 million in WIP inventory at the end of 2022 Q3, only \$38.6 million, or 68 EUs, was related to this specific microprocessor shortage. This is down from 2022 Q2 figures of \$57.0 million or 117 EUs, respectively, as the Company has now delivered the majority of the buses that were missing these specific components. Pre-owned coach sales remained



low as the Company previously completed a contract to sell the majority of its North American pre-owned coach fleet. Quarterly revenue of the Company's Infrastructure Solutions<sup>TM</sup> division declined by \$3.5 million. The decrease is primarily due to the timing of revenue recognition on open contracts. Global supply chain challenges have had a residual effect on infrastructure and charger commissions resulting in delays to Infrastructure Solutions<sup>TM</sup> revenue recognition. Since its inception, Infrastructure Solutions<sup>TM</sup> has been responsible for the installation of 296 plug-in and 37 on-route charger projects for 51 different customers.

Aftermarket revenue for 2022 Q3 of \$118.1 million was consistent with 2021 Q3. The Company also continues to benefit from a multiyear retrofit program in the Asia-Pacific region, which will continue throughout 2022, but at a lower run rate as the program unwinds. This decrease of sales in the Asia-Pacific region is offset by increases in the North America region.

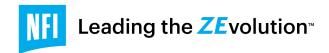
Adjusted EBITDA <sup>1</sup> (unaudited, dollars in millions)				2022.02	2024 02	
	2022 Q3	2021 Q3	% Change	2022 Q3 LTM	2021 Q3 LTM	% Change
Manufacturing	(36.8)	2.2	(1,772.7)%	(126.4)	113.6	(211.3)%
Aftermarket	18.2	26.2	(30.5)%	88.4	90.7	(2.5)%
Corporate	2.9	2.9	- %	10.2	(1.3)	884.6 %
Total Adjusted EBITDA <sup>1</sup>	(15.7)	31.3	(150.2)%	(27.8)	203.0	(113.7)%
Adjusted EBITDA as a percentage of revenue						
Manufacturing	(9.3)%	0.6 %	(1,650.0)%	(8.1)%	6.0 %	(235.0)%
Aftermarket	15.4 %	22.2 %	(30.6)%	18.3 %	19.7 %	(7.1)%
Total	(3.1)%	6.4 %	(148.4)%	(1.4)%	8.6 %	(116.3)%

Net Earnings (Loss) (unaudited, dollars in millions, except per share amounts)	2022 Q3	2021 Q3	% Change	2022 Q3 LTM	2021 Q3 LTM	% Change
Manufacturing	(55.2)	(22.2)	(148.6)%	(196.7)	(9.9)	1,886.9 %
Aftermarket	11.9	22.2	(46.4)%	69.6	73.3	(5.0)%
Corporate	0.9	(15.5)	105.8 %	(8.9)	(60.8)	85.4 %
Net (loss) earnings	(42.6)	(15.4)	176.6 %	(136.1)	2.6	5,334.6 %
Adjusted Net (Loss) Earnings <sup>1</sup>	(48.1)	(11.3)	325.7 %	(153.5)	11.6	1,423.3 %
Net (loss) earnings per Share	(0.56)	(0.22)	154.5 %	(1.78)	0.05	3,660.0 %
Adjusted Net (Loss) Earnings per Share <sup>1</sup>	(0.63)	(0.16)	293.8 %	(2.02)	0.17	1,288.2 %

<sup>1.</sup> Non-IFRS Measure - See Non-IFRS and Other Financial Measures section.

2022 Q3 Manufacturing Adjusted EBITDA decreased by \$39.0 million, or 1,772.7%, compared to 2021 Q3. The decrease was driven by unfavorable sales mix, and heightened inflation. Decreased margins were the result of operational and production inefficiencies caused by escalating supply problems, as NFI worked to build units that will be delivered primarily in the fourth quarter of the year. In addition, the Company did not receive any government wage subsidy grants in 2022 Q3, as compared to \$14.2 million received in 2021 Q3, as the programs were either discontinued or NFI was no longer eligible, resulting in lower Manufacturing Adjusted EBITDA for 2022 Q3. Manufacturing experienced a 2022 Q3 net loss of \$55.2 million compared to a net loss of \$22.2 million in 2021 Q3. The decrease in Manufacturing net earnings was mainly attributable to the same items that impacted Manufacturing Adjusted EBITDA.

2022 Q3 Aftermarket Adjusted EBITDA achieved \$18.2 million, a \$8.0 million, or 30.5%, year-over-year decrease. The decrease in EBITDA is due to inflationary impacts to both freight and part costs, where NFI was not fully able to pass along these impacts to its customers. 2021 Q3 saw the Company achieve record Aftermarket Adjusted EBITDA results, partially related to a multi-year retrofit program in the Asia-Pacific region, which will continue throughout 2022, but at a lower run rate as the program is completed. 2022



Q3 Aftermarket net earnings decreased by \$10.3 million, or 46.4%, primarily due to the same items that impacted Aftermarket Adjusted EBITDA.

2022 Q3 Corporate Adjusted EBITDA remained flat compared to 2021 Q3. Corporate expenses included in the calculation of net earnings (loss) decreased by \$16.4 million, or 105.8%, primarily due to favourable mark-to-market adjustments to the Company's interest rate swaps and favourable fair value adjustment to the Company's convertible debenture cash conversion option.

Free Cash Flow <sup>1</sup> and net cash generated by operating activities (unaudited, dollars in millions, except per share amounts)	2022 Q3	2021 Q3	% Change	2022 Q3 LTM	2021 Q3 LTM	% Change
Net cash (used in) generated by operating activities	(128.7)	(38.5)	234.3 %	(93.1)	53.1	(275.3)%
Free Cash Flow	(58.5)	11.7	(600.0)%	(167.3)	70.9	(336.0)%
Free Cash Flow (CAD dollars)	(80.9)	14.8	(646.6)%	(219.1)	89.7	(344.3)%
Declared Dividends (CAD dollars)	4.1	15.1	(72.8)%	28.7	58.5	(50.9)%
Free Cash Flow per Share (CAD dollars) <sup>2</sup>	(1.06)	0.21	(604.8)%	(3.25)	1.33	(344.4)%
Dividends per Share (CAD dollars)	0.05	0.21	(76.2)%	0.37	0.85	(56.5)%
Payout Ratio (Declared Dividends divided by Free Cash Flow) <sup>2</sup>	(5.1)%	102.0 %	(105.0)%	(13.1)%	65.2 %	(120.1)%

<sup>1.</sup> Non-IFRS Measure - See Non-IFRS and Other Financial Measures section.

Free Cash Flow in 2022 Q3 decreased by \$70.2 million, or 600.0%, compared to 2021 Q3, mainly due to a higher Adjusted EBITDA loss and higher outflows from changes in non-cash working capital. "NFI Forward", the Company's transformational restructuring initiative to generate cost saving, generated Adjusted EBITDA savings of \$15.1 million and an additional \$3.0 million Free Cash Flow savings in the quarter.

Net cash used in operating activities in 2022 Q3 was \$128.7 million, an increase of \$90.2 million, or 234.3%, compared to 2021 Q3, mainly due to the increase in cash used in working capital. The 2022 Q3 LTM net cash generated by operating activities decreased by 275.3%, mainly due to a increase in net losses and cash used in working capital.

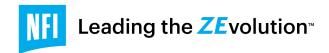
	2022 Q3	2022 Q2	2022 Q1	2021 Q4	2021 Q3
Working Capital Days <sup>1</sup>	70	72	70	69	68
Liquidity (\$ million) <sup>1</sup>	\$ 471.4 \$	628.5 \$	649.0 \$	794.3 \$	320.1
Backlog (EUs)	8,505	9,674	8,908	8,448	8,103
ROIC <sup>1</sup>	(3.3)%	(1.5)%	1.1 %	3.6 %	5.0 %

<sup>1.</sup> Working Capital Days and Liquidity represent supplementary financial measures. ROIC represents a non-IFRS ratio for the last 12-month period. See Non-IFRS and Other Financial Measures section.

As part of the Company's increased focus on cash conversion and leverage reduction, the Company is actively focused on reducing Working Capital Days, especially as it navigates through supply-related disruption to its operations. In 2022 Q3, Working Capital Days were 70, compared to 72 at the end of 2022 Q2, and 68 at the end of 2021 Q3. The decrease in Working Capital Days in 2022 Q3 is mostly attributable to the increase in sales of previously undelivered units in WIP inventory. These units were not previously delivered due to a shortage of a specific microprocessor. Also contributing to the decrease in Working Capital Days is a decrease in average working capital balances, despite increases in WIP inventory resulting in an additional 68 EUs (\$38.6 million) in WIP at October 2, 2022, due to supply shortages of various parts.

During 2022 Q1, the Company entered into an agreement with a Canadian banking partner to sell, without credit recourse, eligible receivables in order to decrease the time from sale to cash conversion. During 2022 Q3, trade receivables of \$9.9 million were sold under the arrangement.

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The Company's liquidity position, which combines cash on-hand plus available capacity under its credit facilities, without consideration given to the minimum liquidity requirement (\$250 million) under the Amended Facilities, was strong, at \$471.4 million as at the end of 2022 Q3, down \$157.1 million from the end of 2022 Q2, primarily due to an increase in long-term debt (which was used to finance growth in inventory and other working capital balances) related to supply chain disruptions.

At the end of 2022 Q3, the Company's total backlog (firm and options) of 8,505 EUs, decreased compared to 9,674 EUs at the end of 2022 Q2. The decrease was driven by lower new awards in North American and UK transit operations in the quarter, offset by higher deliveries and higher option expiries. The third quarter is typically a seasonally slower period for awards due to the timing of public transit agency Board meetings where final approvals take place. NFI had 1,360 EUs of new firm and option orders that were pending from customers at the end of 2022 Q3, where approval of the award to the Company had been made by the customer's board, council, or commission, as applicable, but purchase documentation had not yet been received by the Company and therefore not yet included in the backlog. This high level of bid awards pending positions NFI for a strong quarter of backlog growth in the fourth quarter of 2022.

LTM 2022 Q3 ROIC decreased by 1.8% from LTM 2022 Q2, due to the decrease in Adjusted EBITDA offset by a lower invested capital base. The decrease in invested capital is primarily due to a decrease in average long-term debt and fair market value adjustments to the interest rate swaps that reduced the associated liability, partially offset by the issuance of convertible debentures (the "Debentures") which occurred in the last twelve months.



# 2022 Q3 HIGHLIGHTS

Similar to the first half of 2022, the third quarter of 2022 continued to be a representation of the broader operating and economic environment, with numerous long-term positive indicators from increases in demand metrics, including increases in new orders, backlog and bid activity, offset by near-term challenges related to supply chain disruptions and heightened inflation. Manufacturing operations continued to experience inflation impacts and operational inefficiencies resulting from global supply chain and logistics challenges which created bottlenecks and significant disruptions to NFI's operations. In response to these challenges, NFI continued to operate at reduced new vehicle input rates, primarily by adjusting production rates to accommodate available parts as they came into inventory. Despite these efforts, the Company also saw a build-up of inventories during the quarter, due to the number of partially completed buses awaiting parts.

While the supply chain challenges had a significant impact on Manufacturing segment results, NFI continued to see very strong levels of market demand driven by record government investments in public transit and the demand for zero-emission transportation. This growth in demand was reflected in record active bids and a record Total Bid Universe.

The supply chain disruption and uncertainty have been especially challenging to NFI and others in the bus and motor vehicle industries. The majority of NFI's transit and coach customer orders are highly customized, with significant specification input from customers. In addition, production is typically subject to local content rules, such as Buy America provisions or local manufacturing requirements. These various factors limit the Company's ability to use alternative sources of supply and require dedicated manufacturing facilities for different product types by region.

NFI's customers continue to be very accommodating to the supply chain challenges that have adjusted the Company's production and delivery plans. NFI is continuously communicating with its customers to discuss schedule changes and coordinate delivery schedules based on supply availability. In response to rising input costs, NFI has been seeking vehicle price increases from customers. The Company saw some success from these efforts during the quarter which have assisted in offsetting some of the higher costs of direct materials. This program is ongoing and if successful may have an impact on 2022 and 2023 financial results.

In the third quarter of 2022, the Company announced amendments to the Company's existing \$1.25 billion senior revolving credit facility and its £50 million revolving UK credit facility (collectively, the "Credit Facilities"), to provide covenant relief and additional flexibility to reflect NFI's trailing twelve-month financial results and its expected financial performance for the remainder of 2022 and 2023.

The Company also announced the return of President and Chief Executive Officer Paul Soubry in August 2022 following a temporary medical leave.

## Strong Market Demand and Increasing Procurements

The Company continued to see strong metrics that measure future demand and activity during the third quarter of 2022. In 2022 Q3, while new orders decreased by 42.3% year-over-year, active bids of 10,107 EUs were at record levels, up 46.5% year-over-year, with 1,360 EUs in bid awards pending, which positions NFI for a strong quarter of backlog growth in the fourth quarter of 2022. The Company's 2022 Q3 Book-to-Bill ratio was 77.3% and LTM 2022 Q3 Book-to-Bill ratio was 129.8%, up from 95.7% at the same time last year.

NFI's Total Public Bid Universe for North America was 30,484 EUs, up 13.5% year-over-year. The Company ended 2022 Q3 with 2,881 EUs of bids in process, and another 7,226 EUs of bids submitted, the highest bids ever submitted by the Company. See Appendix B for details.

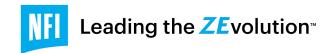
Given the highly customized nature of NFI's products, there is a significant lead time between when an order is received to when a vehicle is delivered. Generally, in North America, NFI will begin production on an order six months after it is awarded. In international markets, this lead time can be anywhere from three to eight months. This pre-production period is utilized to complete final engineering, coordinate supply delivery, and align production schedules. Due to this timing structure, there is a lag between when orders are received and when they impact NFI's financial results in the form of deliveries.

## Zero-Emission Mobility—The ZEvolution<sup>TM</sup>

In 2022 Q3, NFI received orders for 127 EUs of battery-electric, ZEBs, a decrease of 196 EUs from 2022 Q2; orders in 2022 Q3 were down for all propulsion types. These 127 EUs of ZEBs equate to 28.0% of all new firm and option orders for the quarter, which increased from 24.1% in 2022 Q2.

At the end of 2022 Q3, NFI had 1,802 ZEBs in the backlog, representing a record of approximately 21.2% of the total backlog, and 14,556 units, or 47.8%, of the Total Public Bid Universe was ZEBs, an increase of 42.4% year-over-year, which supports management's expectations for a continued increase in the demand for ZEBs.

NFI sells buses to all of the 25 largest transit authorities in North America and has electric vehicles in service with 15 of the top 25 transit agencies in North America. In 2022 Q3, the Company received ZEB orders from customers in the United Kingdom and the United States.



Also in the quarter, NFI subsidiary Alexander Dennis hosted the launch of Scotland's Pathway to Zero Emission Buses in Larbert on behalf of the Scottish Government. Scotland's Pathway to Zero Emission Buses is the result of the work done by the Scottish Government-led Bus Decarbonisation Taskforce, of which Alexander Dennis is a member alongside key industry stakeholders, bus operators, technology partners and financiers.

## Low-No Grants Update

On November 3, 2022, NFI announced the results of grants for the Low-No and Buses & Bus Facility programs for 2022. Due to an internal error, both the number of grants where NFI was the named partner and the associated grant amounts were not correctly stated. The correct information is as follows: In 2022, as part of the Federal Transit Administration's ("FTA") 2022 Low or No Emission ("Low-No") and Buses and Bus Facilities Grant Programs. New Flyer supported the successful applications for almost \$200 million in grants awarded to 15 U.S. public transit agencies (rather than the previously reported \$380 million in grants for 38 transit agencies). All other information in the original release was correct including that NFI was the named partner for two individual agency awards of over \$25 million each and that this was an increase from the \$40 million in Low-No grants awarded to nine U.S. public transit agencies that NFI subsidiaries supported in 2021.

While New Flyer has been named as a partner, new awards will not be added to NFI's backlog until contract documentation is completed and a formal purchase order is received. New Flyer's success with Low-No and Buses and Bus Facilities grants provide future backlog growth opportunities. In addition, approximately \$800 million in Low-No grants were provided to transit agencies that had not formally named a preferred partner, which the Company expects will generate future bidding activities going forward.

Also subsequent to quarter end, NFI subsidiary Alexander Dennis announced that it had received the largest bus order in the UK by number of vehicles since 2019, for 200 low-emission double deck buses.

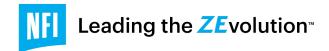
## NFI Forward Update

In the quarter, NFI continued to realize savings from "NFI Forward", the Company's transformational cost reduction and sourcing initiative, which is expected to lower NFI's overhead and selling general and administrative ("SG&A") expenses by 8% to 10%, respectively, based on 2019 revenue levels, and to provide direct material savings from input cost reductions and an estimated \$10 million in annualized Free Cash Flow generation.

In 2022 Q3, NFI Forward realized Adjusted EBITDA savings of \$15.1 million and \$3.0 million of additional Free Cash Flow savings. The majority of NFI Forward savings are related to restructuring and facility integrations with some of the savings subject to seasonality and product mix. The Company expects to achieve its NFI Forward target for Adjusted EBITDA savings of \$67 million (from 2019 levels) by the end of 2022, one year earlier than its original target of the end of 2023. Since inception, the Company has invested \$14.0 million of the proposed total investment of \$15 million to \$20 million (anticipated to be incurred to 2023) into NFI Forward projects.

With the majority of the original projects complete, the Company is now implementing a series of additional projects called "NFI Forward 2.0", that are expected to generate additional annualized Adjusted EBITDA savings in 2023 and beyond. Within NFI Forward 2.0, the Company completed a detailed review of its remaining North American footprint with a view to match production capacity and facility investments to customer demand, local labour availability and zero-emission fleet investment plans. From this review, NFI made the decision to integrate its Delaware parts distribution facility (a legacy parts warehouse of NABI that NFI acquired in 2013) into its existing NFI Parts<sup>™</sup> footprint, which occurred during the third quarter of 2022, and to close the MCI coach manufacturing facility in Pembina, North Dakota, now anticipated to occur in the first half of 2023.

NFI Forward 2.0 will be smaller in scale and financial impact when compared to the original NFI Forward initiatives. In total, the Company believes NFI Forward 2.0 will generate \$5 million to \$8 million in annual savings from one-time capital investments of \$8 million to \$10 million.



# **OUTLOOK**

As NFI described in its press release dated October 24, 2022, the global macroeconomic environment continues to face headwinds from supply chain challenges, heightened inflation and rising interest rates. Despite these broader challenges, NFI's outlook remains strong based on its backlog, growing demand for its products and historic funding levels in core markets. NFI has received significant new orders over the past 12 months that support the Company's anticipated financial recovery. While the Company had anticipated it would begin to ramp-up its production in earnest during the third and fourth quarters of 2022, due to ongoing and escalating supply chain disruption plus longer supplier lead times, it now plans to start ramping up production in the first half of 2023, subject to supply chain health showing sustained improvement. The Company anticipates that supply chains and parts availability will improve and it will be able to source additional labour required to drive higher production and volume deliveries in 2023, with the majority of the improvements coming in the second half of the year.

New orders, combined with existing backlog, other recent bid activity, and continuing growth in government investments in transportation, are expected to drive significant revenue and Adjusted EBITDA growth for NFI from 2023 through 2025 and beyond.

As seen throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, public transit is an essential service in many major markets, with increasing focus on access and equality, reduction of urban congestion, and government funding. In addition, history has shown increased public transit ridership in periods of heightened inflation and economic slow downs, which has been helpful for both NFI's Manufacturing and Aftermarket segments.

Ongoing supply disruption and longer than anticipated lead time have seen an increase of vehicles in inventory missing certain parts. NFI believes that the third quarter was the peak of this build-up and inventories are expected to decrease in the fourth quarter as vehicles are completed and delivered. In an effort to support vehicle completions, the Company has decided to delay some new line entries at its New Flyer plants in October, to improve supplier lead times, focus on completion of vehicles missing components and minimize the build-up of other unfinished vehicles.

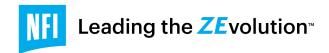
Similar to the entire global manufacturing industry, NFI is experiencing significantly increased inflation with respect to supplier pricing and wages, and through raw material commodities purchased directly by NFI. The Company embedded an anticipated level of inflation assumptions into its 2022 bidding and budget projections; however, inflation for certain components has exceeded those projections. A certain number of contracts have been repriced, and a number of contracts have clauses where a government purchase price index ("PPI") will be applied. Generally, when an option contract is exercised from NFI's North American backlog, a PPI adjustment is recorded to reflect the higher input costs of a new vehicle. For those contracts where these clauses are not being applied, NFI is seeking price increases and surcharges through negotiations with customers and surcharge letters. The Company has experienced some success with these efforts and expects they will help offset some of the margin pressure facing the Company. Certain surcharges that the Company has secured, or are currently pursuing, are expected to support margin enhancement in 2023.

The strengthening U.S. dollar has also placed some pressure on NFI's Canadian and International operations. NFI typically prices vehicle and parts contracts in the local currency of where they are sold, with all transactions translated to U.S. dollar for reporting purposes. In addition, some Canadian contracted vehicles utilize U.S. suppliers for components. While NFI enters into financial instruments to hedge its Canadian and other foreign currency exposure, it is experiencing situations where the rising U.S. dollar is impacting expected contract profitability for 2023. NFI is working with Canadian customers on the affected contracts and is exploring other financial instrument solutions that may assist in offsetting these impacts to contract profitability or translation impacts.

## **Covenant Relief and Banking Discussions**

The Company's liquidity position, which combines cash on-hand plus available capacity under its credit facilities, without consideration given to the minimum liquidity requirement (\$250 million) under the amended facilities, was strong, at \$471 million as at the end of 2022 Q3. Liquidity had decreased from the end of 2022 Q2, primarily due to an increase in long-term debt (which was used to finance growth in inventory and other working capital balances) related to supply chain disruptions. Through the Company's focus on obtaining prepayments and deposits from customers, plus the completion and delivery of vehicles in inventory missing certain components, NFI expects that it will see a decrease in working capital in the fourth quarter and an associated improvement in liquidity, improving to over \$500 million at the end of the year.

EDC, a member of NFI's banking syndicate, and the Government of Manitoba are working with NFI as the Company looks to strengthen its liquidity and execute on its strong backlog and record bidding activity. NFI is also in detailed discussions with other members of its banking syndicate regarding relief from financial covenants under its credit facilities that would otherwise become applicable on January 1, 2023. Based on the potential solutions being discussed with government and banking partners, NFI anticipates it will be able to obtain the covenant relief required.



#### Market Recovery Post-COVID-19 Pandemic

The Company's bus and coach product lines (New Flyer, ARBOC, MCI and ADL) are primarily used for public transit, which remains a critical method of transportation and economic enabler for users in cities around the world. Within North American and UK heavyduty transit and public coach markets, near- and longer-term demand has been robust, supported by the demand for transit agency and operators' capital fleet investments and dedicated government funding. The importance of long-term government funding in key markets cannot be understated, as it allows public transit agencies to proceed with confidence regarding their multi-year fleet replacement plans and procurements. In addition to funding, ridership has started to recover, with American Public Transportation Association ("APTA") reporting that September 2022 public transit ridership in the U.S. surpassed 70% of pre-pandemic levels.

NFI was encouraged by the high volume of active bus and motor coach procurements taking place in both North American and international markets during the third quarter of 2022. The Company's North American active bids of 10,107 EUs were at a record level, increasing by 46.5% year-over-year. This bid activity is expected to drive backlog growth in the fourth quarter of 2022 and throughout 2023, and revenue growth in the medium and longer-term. Management expects active bids will continue to remain high as markets recover from several years of lower activity and announced government funding reaches transit agencies.

Specifically, NFI is seeing increasing numbers of bids for zero-emission buses and coaches, with individual order sizes for those vehicle types increasing in size. In addition, coach operators in the U.S. and Canada have started placing orders for new coaches as tourism and travel activity is recovering.

NFI's overall continued end market recovery will be dependent upon several factors, including inflation rates, the duration and impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, labour availability, reliability of supply of component parts, government funding, and green fleet investments. These factors will differ by business, product type and geography. It is also important to note that there are significant lead times between when NFI receives an order and when a vehicle enters production.

#### Strong Government Support for Recovery and Zero-Emission Transition

In each of NFI's end markets, government support for public transit vehicles is at an all-time high. Not only has government support for transit operations remained strong during the global pandemic, governments have also committed billions of dollars for long-term fleet investments in zero-emission vehicles and infrastructure.

As the market leader in North American transit and coach operations and the UK's leading provider of buses and coaches, management believes NFI is extremely well-positioned for both the near- and long-term based on the multi-year commitments being made by governments in all of the Company's core markets.

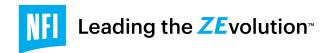
The Company also continues to grow its Infrastructure Solutions<sup>TM</sup> business. Since its inception, Infrastructure Solutions<sup>TM</sup> has been responsible for the installation of 296 plug-in and 37 on-route charger projects, for a total of 55 megawatts ("MW"), for 51 different customers. Currently, Infrastructure Solutions<sup>TM</sup> has projects under contract with 11 customers, which will add 32 on-route and 88 plug-in chargers in 2023.

## Investments in Transit

The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act ("IJA"), the successor to the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act ("FAST Act"), is a \$1.2 trillion bipartisan infrastructure bill that provides reauthorization of the U.S.'s surface transportation programs in addition to increased funding for transit, specifically the purchase of low-or zero-emission vehicles. The IIJA provides \$86.9 billion in funding for the Federal Transit Administration ("FTA") over five years, and also authorizes an additional \$21.2 billion in supplemental appropriations from general revenues, for a total of \$108 billion. Generally, U.S. public agencies can secure up to 80% of the capital costs for a new transit bus from FTA funds, with the remaining 20% coming from state and local sources. The IIJA highlighted a maintenance backlog of more than 24,000 aged buses and over 200 stations for upgrade and replacement.

Under the IIJA, baseline transit funding levels have increased by 43% over the FAST Act, and when combined with supplemental appropriations, the IIJA provides up to a 63% increase for transit, with bus specific programs seeing significant multi-billion dollar increases and a focus on low- and zero-emission bus purchases.

In September 2022, the FTA awarded grants through its \$1.1 billion Low- and No-Emission program for low- and zero-emission buses and infrastructure. NFI was the recipient of approximately 50% of the awards where a supplier was specifically named as a partner by a Transit Agency, representing approximately \$200 million in potential new future awards. These awards have not yet been added to NFI's backlog or its bid award pending and represent future growth tied to when customers release purchase orders.



## Canada - Dedicated Annual Funding

The Canadian government has committed over C\$17 billion to support Canadian public transit that is in place to 2027. The funding includes C\$1.5 billion flowing through the Canada Infrastructure Bank ("CIB") to support the adoption of ZEBs and charging infrastructure. The CIB financing has started to be used to fund procurements in Canada, with large announcements made in Ottawa, Durham, and Brampton in Ontario, and in Edmonton, Alberta. In addition, CIB launched a \$500 million zero-emission vehicle Charging and Hydrogen Refuelling Infrastructure Initiative (CHRI) in September 2022, which is expected to support Canada's zero-emission transition and may provide opportunities for NFI's Infrastructure Solutions<sup>TM</sup> business.

#### United Kingdom - Support for the Transition to Zero-Emission

The UK government's Ten Point Plan for a Green Industrial Revolution, announced on November 18, 2020, is a follow-up to the government's original plan to invest £5 billion for buses, cycling and walking, and continued to highlight the government's commitment to introduce 4,000 more British-built zero-emission buses through various funding schemes.

#### Other International Markets

NFI's international expansion through ADL is expected to continue, with plans for further growth in new and existing markets including New Zealand, Australia, Hong Kong, Singapore and Germany where multi-year, multi-million dollar funding investments are being made by governments with commitments to deliver zero-emission transportation.

Although the proposed legislation, government plans and announcements referred to above are encouraging for the future of public transit, management does not yet know how, when or if the proposals and funds will materialize, contracts will be awarded to the Company, or the expected impact on NFI's financial performance. NFI will continue to monitor and provide updates as appropriate. Management anticipates that the strong underlying financial support from governments will provide significant opportunities for NFI to grow revenue from increased market demand for its products.

#### NFI Forward 2.0

With the majority of the Company's original cost savings projects, entitled NFI Forward, completed, the Company launched a series of additional projects called "NFI Forward 2.0" in July 2022, that are expected to generate additional annualized Adjusted EBITDA savings in 2023 and beyond. NFI Forward 2.0 will be smaller in scale and financial impact when compared to the original NFI Forward initiatives. In total, the Company believes NFI Forward 2.0 will generate \$5 million to \$8 million in annualized run rate savings by 2024 from one-time capital investments of \$8 million to \$10 million.

In addition to the focus on cost savings and additional Free Cash Flow generation, management is also prioritizing working capital improvements through the NFI Forward initiatives and other strategic projects aimed at improving supplier payment terms, accounts payable turns and inventory turnover, with specific focus on private vehicle inventory.

## Financial Guidance and Targets

On October 24, 2022, reflecting challenging year-to-date results and ongoing supply disruption, NFI lowered its Adjusted EBITDA guidance for Fiscal 2022 to (\$40) million to (\$60) million.

Fiscal 2022 Financial Guidance									
Revenue	\$2.0 billion to \$2.2 billion (lowered from \$2.3 billion to \$2.6 billion)								
ZEB (electric) as a percentage of manufacturing sales	20% to 25% (unchanged)								
Adjusted EBITDA	(\$40) million to (\$60) million (lowered from \$15 million to \$45 million)								
Cash Capital Expenditures - including NFI Forward	\$35 million to \$45 million (unchanged)								

The above table outlines guidance ranges for selected Fiscal 2022 consolidated financial metrics. These ranges take into consideration management's current outlook combined with year-to-date results and are based on the assumptions set out below. The purpose of the financial guidance is to assist investors, shareholders, and others in understanding management's expectations for the Company's financial performance in Fiscal 2022. The information may not be appropriate for other purposes. Information about guidance, including the various assumptions underlying it, is forward-looking and should be read in conjunction with the



section "Forward-Looking Statements" and the related disclosure and information about various assumptions, factors, and risks that may cause actual future financial and operating results to differ from management's current expectations.

The guidance provided above is driven by numerous expectations and assumptions including, but not limited to, the following:

- a. Revenue: Revenue projections based on year-to-date results and anticipated vehicle and aftermarket sales for 2022 Q4, including higher volume of ZEB sales and product mix. Guidance range lowered to reflect year-to-date results plus changes to planned vehicle production rates and delivery schedules.
- b. **ZEB Sales:** Expected growth in the percentage of ZEB sales is based on year-to-date sales combined with the Company's existing vehicle inventory and planned fourth quarter production.
- c. **Adjusted EBITDA:** Based on year-to-date performance, anticipated 2022 Q4 production and delivery schedules that reflect the ongoing supply challenges and heightened inflation. Included in this range is NFI's expectation that it will generate annualized savings of \$67 million under the NFI Forward initiatives.

NFI's revised guidance for 2022 is subject to the risk of extended duration of the current supply disruptions and the risk of additional supply disruptions affecting other components. In addition, the revised guidance does not reflect potential escalated impact on supply chains or other factors arising directly or indirectly as a result of the Russian invasion of Ukraine, or disruption from lockdowns in China and other jurisdictions. Although NFI does not have direct suppliers based in Russia or Ukraine, additional supply delays and possible shortages of critical components may arise as the conflict progresses and if certain suppliers' operations and/or subcomponent supply from affected countries are disrupted further. In addition, there may also be further general industry-wide price increases for components and raw materials used in vehicle production as well as further increases in the cost of labour and potential reductions in the supply of labour. See Appendix A Forward Looking Statements.

#### 2025 Targets

NFI reaffirms its Fiscal 2025 longer-term targets, originally announced in January 2021, to deliver \$3.9 billion to \$4.1 billion in revenue, Adjusted EBITDA of \$400 million to \$450 million, with approximately 40% of vehicle sales coming from ZEBs. These targets are driven by several factors and expectations, including the recovery of supply chains and other COVID-19-related impacts, a higher percentage of ZEB sales (which provide a higher revenue and dollar margin benefit), the mitigation of inflationary pressures, end markets recovery to pre-pandemic levels, realization of NFI Forward initiatives driving volume leverage, growth of cutaway and medium-duty products, aftermarket expansion, continuous improvement initiatives as well as obtaining required credit facility covenant relief and availability of adequate financing.

## SELECTED QUARTERLY AND ANNUAL FINANCIAL AND OPERATING INFORMATION

The following selected unaudited interim condensed consolidated financial and operating information of the Company has been derived from and should be read in conjunction with the historical and current Financial Statements of the Company.

## (U.S. dollars in thousands, except per Share figures)

Fiscal Period	Quarter	Revenue	Earnings (loss) from operations			Earnings (loss) per Share
2022						
	Q3	514,047	(43,479)	(42,595)	(15,709)	(0.56)
	Q2	397,952	(64,218)	(56,740)	(21,345)	(0.74)
	Q1	459,330	(41,763)	(28,068)	(16,942)	(0.36)
	Total	1,371,329	(149,460)	(127,403)	(53,996)	(1.65)
2021						
	Q4	694,843	(4,785)	(8,691)	26,154	(0.12)
	Q3	492,038	(2,797)	(15,415)	31,330	(0.22)
	Q2	582,794	26,675	2,588	51,856	0.04
	Q1	574,119	26,918	7,033	54,840	0.10
	Total	2,343,794	46,011	(14,485)	164,180	(0.21)
2020						
	Q4	711,523	32,531	8,465	64,956	0.14
	Q3	663,934	(16,453)	(24,912)	60,885	(0.40)
	Q2	333,334	(72,001)	(74,050)	(24,229)	(1.18)
	Q1	710,384	(25,406)	(67,239)	56,071	(1.08)
	Total	2,419,175	(81,329)	(157,736)	157,683	(2.52)

## **COMPARISON OF THIRD QUARTER 2022 RESULTS**

(U.S. dollars in thousands)			39-Weeks Ended	39-Weeks Ended	53-Weeks Ended	52-Weeks Ended
	 2022 Q3	2021 Q3	October 2, 2022	September 26, 2021	October 2, 2022	September 26, 2021
Statement of Earnings Data						
Revenue						
North America	303,523	298,707	771,653	1,048,499	1,151,155	1,531,511
United Kingdom and Europe	79,026	62,515	216,416	200,186	378,283	289,086
Asia Pacific	13,436	12,721	18,327	43,743	54,297	79,673
Other	 _		_		_	_
Manufacturing operations	395,985	373,943	1,006,396	1,292,428	1,583,735	1,900,270
North America	93,545	87,885	280,002	262,006	366,243	339,366
United Kingdom and Europe	18,132	18,945	59,212	59,136	78,523	76,832
Asia Pacific	6,385	11,265	25,719	35,381	37,671	44,006
Other	 _		_		_	_
Aftermarket operations	118,062	118,095	364,933	356,523	482,437	460,204
Total revenue	\$ 514,047 \$	492,038	\$ 1,371,329 \$	1,648,951	\$ 2,066,172 \$	2,360,474
(Loss) earnings from operations	\$ (43,479) \$	(2,797)	\$ (149,460) \$	50,796	\$ (154,246) \$	83,324
(Loss) earnings before interest and income taxes	\$ (40,454) \$	(4,795)	\$ (151,816) \$	44,506	\$ (162,213) \$	80,528
Net (loss) earnings	\$ (42,595) \$	(15,415)	\$ (127,404) \$	(5,793)	\$ (136,094) \$	2,672
Adjusted EBITDA <sup>1</sup>	\$ (15,709) \$	31,330	\$ (53,996) \$	138,027	\$ (27,842) \$	202,983
Cash capital expenditures	\$ 6,199 \$	5,309	\$ 16,639 \$	20,566	\$ 29,587 \$	30,013

<sup>1.</sup> Non-IFRS Measure - See Non-IFRS and Other Financial Measures section.

## **Results of Operations**

The discussion below with respect to revenue, operating costs, expenses, and earnings from operations has been divided between the Manufacturing and Aftermarket operations segments.

#### Revenue

(U.S. dollars in thousands)	2022 Q3	2021 Q3	39-Weeks Ended October 2, 2022	39-Weeks Ended September 26, 2021
Manufacturing Revenue	395,985	373,943	1,006,397	1,292,428
Aftermarket Revenue	118,062	118,095	364,933	356,523
Total Revenue	514,047	492,038	1,371,330	1,648,951
(Loss) earnings from Operations	(43,479)	(2,797)	(149,460)	50,796
(Loss) earnings before interest and income taxes	(40,454)	(4,795)	(151,816)	44,506
(Loss) earnings before income tax expense	(52,728)	(20,419)	(163,877)	4,828
Net (loss) earnings	(42,595)	(15,415)	(127,404)	(5,793)

Manufacturing revenue for 2022 Q3 increased by \$22.0 million, or 5.9%, compared to 2021 Q3. Manufacturing revenue for 2022 Q3 YTD decreased by \$286.0 million, or 22.1%, compared to 2021 Q3 YTD. 2022 Q3 revenue increased as a result of increased deliveries during the quarter. Year-to-date figures decreased primarily as a result of the overall reduction in deliveries resulting from global supply chain and logistics challenges, which created numerous bottlenecks in the supply chain and disruptions to parts availability, resulting in operational inefficiencies.

Aftermarket revenue for 2022 Q3 of \$118.1 million was consistent with 2021 Q3. The Company also continues to benefit from a multi-year retrofit program in the Asia-Pacific region, which will continue throughout 2022, but at a lower run rate as the program unwinds. This decrease in the Asia-Pacific region is offset by an increase in the North America region.

## Cost of sales

(U.S. dollars in thousands)				September 26,
	2022 Q3	2021 Q3	2, 2022	2021
Manufacturing				
Direct cost of sales	350,589	309,644	880,384	1,026,118
Depreciation and amortization	19,561	21,168	57,921	64,049
Other overhead	49,186	41,474	140,979	117,153
Manufacturing cost of sales	419,336	372,286	1,079,284	1,207,320
As percent of Manufacturing Sales	105.9 %	99.6 %	107.2 %	93.4 %
Aftermarket				
Direct cost of sales	85,197	77,576	256,852	238,921
Depreciation and amortization	2,722	2,801	7,994	7,987
Aftermarket cost of sales	87,919	80,377	264,846	246,908
As percent of Aftermarket Sales	74.5 %	68.1 %	72.6 %	69.3 %
Total Cost of Sales	507,255	452,663	1,344,130	1,454,228
As percent of Sales	98.7 %	92.0 %	98.0 %	88.2 %

The consolidated cost of sales for 2022 Q3 increased by \$54.6 million, or 12.1%, compared to 2021 Q3. The consolidated cost of sales for 2022 Q3 YTD decreased by \$110.1 million, or 7.6%, compared to 2021 Q3 YTD.

Cost of sales from Manufacturing operations in 2022 Q3 was \$419.3 million (105.9% of Manufacturing operations revenue) compared to \$372.3 million (99.6% of Manufacturing operations revenue) in 2021 Q3, an increase of \$47.1 million, or 12.6%. Cost of sales from Manufacturing operations in 2022 Q3 YTD was \$1,079.3 million (107.2% of Manufacturing operations revenue) compared to \$1,207.3 million (93.4% of Manufacturing operations revenue) in 2021 Q3 YTD. Cost of sales increased as a percentage of revenue in both periods, mainly due to operational inefficiencies resulting from supply shortages, increasing inflation and COVID-19 impacts. Government grant programs, which were primarily received to assist with the retention of skilled personnel, ended and therefore resulted in no amounts being recorded in 2022 compared to the significant support received in the same period in 2021, resulting in lower cost of sales as a percentage of revenue in the prior quarter.

Cost of sales from Aftermarket operations in 2022 Q3 was \$87.9 million (74.5% of Aftermarket revenue) compared to \$80.4 million (68.1% of Aftermarket revenue) in 2021 Q3, an increase of 6.4% as a percentage of revenue. Cost of sales from Aftermarket operations in 2022 Q3 YTD was \$264.8 million (72.6% of Aftermarket revenue) compared to \$246.9 million (69.3% of Aftermarket revenue) in 2021 Q3 YTD. Cost of sales increased as a percentage of revenue in both periods primarily due to product mix and the effects of inflation, including freight costs that were not fully transferred to the end customer.

#### **Gross Margins**

(U.S. dollars in thousands)	2022 Q3	2021 Q3	39-Weeks Ended October 2, 2022	39-Weeks Ended September 26, 2021
Manufacturing	(23,351)	1,657	(72,889)	85,109
Aftermarket	30,143	37,718	100,088	109,614
Total Gross Margins	6,792	39,375	27,199	194,723
As a percentage of sales				
Manufacturing	(5.9)%	0.4 %	(7.2)%	6.6 %
Aftermarket	25.5 %	31.9 %	27.4 %	30.7 %
	1.3 %	8.0 %	2.0 %	11.8 %

Manufacturing had a negative gross margin for 2022 Q3 of \$23.4 million ((5.9%) of Manufacturing revenue), decreased by \$25.0 million compared to a gross margin of \$1.7 million (0.4% of revenue) for 2021 Q3. Manufacturing had a negative gross margins for 2022 Q3 YTD of \$72.9 million ((7.2)% of Manufacturing revenue), decreased by \$158.0 million, or 185.6%, compared to a gross margin of \$85.1 million (6.6% of Manufacturing revenue) in 2021 Q3 YTD.

Manufacturing gross margin decreased as a percentage of revenue in both periods, mainly due to heightened inflation and operational inefficiencies resulting from supply chain and logistics challenges. The supply chain challenges that caused a shortage of key parts caused low production volumes, resulting in the Company absorbing more fixed overhead on a per unit basis. At the end of 2021, the Company was no longer eligible for government grants, which were primarily received to assist with the retention of skilled personnel. This resulted in no amounts being recorded in 2022 compared to the significant support received in the same period in 2021, contributing to a lower gross margin percentage.

Aftermarket gross margins for 2022 Q3 of \$30.1 million (25.5% of Aftermarket revenue) decreased by \$7.6 million, or 20.1%, compared to 2021 Q3 gross margins of \$37.7 million (31.9% of Aftermarket revenue). Aftermarket gross margins for 2022 Q3 YTD of \$100.1 million (27.4% of Aftermarket revenue) decreased by \$9.5 million, or 8.7%, compared to 2021 Q3 YTD gross margins of \$109.6 million (30.7% of Aftermarket revenue). The decrease in gross margins and gross margins as a percentage of revenue for both periods is mainly due to product mix and the effects of inflation as increases to labour, freight and product costs were not fully transferred to the end customer.

## Selling, general and administrative costs and other operating expenses ("SG&A")

(U.S. dollars in thousands)	2022 Q3	2021 Q3	39-Weeks Ended October 2, 2022	
Selling expenses	11,262	6,105	24,525	19,536
General and administrative expenses	41,752	36,580	149,758	130,311
Other costs	3,579	36	8,137	(64)
Total SG&A	56,593	42,721	182,420	149,783

The consolidated SG&A for 2022 Q3 of \$56.6 million (11.0% of consolidated revenue) increased by \$13.9 million, or 32.4%, compared to \$42.7 million (8.7% of consolidated revenue) in 2021 Q3. The consolidated SG&A for 2022 Q3 YTD of \$182.4 million (13.3% of consolidated revenue) increased by \$32.6 million, or 21.8%, compared to \$149.8 million (9.1% of consolidated revenue) in 2021 Q3 YTD.

SG&A expenses in 2022 Q3 increased across business units to meet operational needs and have increased due to the effects of inflation. Additionally, the increase for 2022 Q3 YTD is impacted by a \$7.0 million legal settlement which was incurred during 2022 Q2, and a liability related to the closure of the Pembina facility and the related withdrawal from the multi-employer pension plan. Also contributing to the increase is government grants of \$2.5 million offsetting the 2021 Q3 amounts, and government grants of \$7.7 million offsetting the 2021 Q3 YTD. As at the end of 2021, the Company was no longer eligible for government grants, which were primarily received to assist with the retention of skilled personnel. This resulted in no amounts being recorded in 2022 compared to the significant support received in the same periods in 2021, resulting in higher SG&A as a percentage of revenue.

#### **Government Grants**

The Company recorded government grants during the year on a net basis to the following categories:

(U.S. dollars in thousands)	2022 Q3	2021 Q3	39-Weeks Ended October 2, 2022	September 26,
Cost of sales	_	11,729	_	46,229
Selling, general and administration costs and other operating expenses	_	2,500	_	7,707
Total government grants		14,229	_	53,936

## Realized foreign exchange loss/gain

In 2022 Q3, the Company recorded a realized foreign exchange gain of \$6.3 million compared to a gain of \$0.5 million in 2021 Q3. In 2022 Q3 YTD, the Company recorded a realized foreign exchange gain \$5.8 million compared to a gain of \$5.9 million in 2021 Q3 YTD.

The Company uses foreign exchange forward contracts to buy various currencies in which it operates with U.S. dollars, Canadian dollars and GBP. The purchase of these currencies using foreign exchange forward contracts at favorable forward rates compared to the spot rates at settlement were the primary reason for the gains.

#### Earnings (loss) from operations

Consolidated losses from operations in 2022 Q3 were \$43.5 million ((8.5%) of consolidated revenue) compared to losses of \$2.8 million ((0.6%) of consolidated revenue) in 2021 Q3, an increase of \$40.7 million or 1453.6%. Consolidated losses from operations in 2022 Q3 YTD were \$149.5 million ((10.9%) of consolidated revenue) compared to earnings of \$50.8 million (3.1% of consolidated revenue) in 2021 Q3 YTD.

2022 Q3 losses from operations attributable to the Manufacturing Segment were \$65.6 million ((16.6%) of Manufacturing revenue) compared to losses of \$26.5 million ((7.1%) of Manufacturing revenue) in 2021 Q3. Losses from Manufacturing operations in 2022 Q3 YTD were \$199.5 million ((19.8%) of Manufacturing revenue) compared to losses of \$10.4 million ((0.8%) of Manufacturing revenue) in 2021 Q3 YTD, an increase of \$189.1 million. The decrease as a percentage of revenue in 2022 Q3 was primarily attributable to lower new vehicle deliveries, heightened inflation and operational inefficiencies resulting from supply chain and logistics challenges.

Earnings from operations related to Aftermarket operations in 2022 Q3 were \$11.9 million (10.1% of Aftermarket revenue) compared to \$22.2 million (18.8% of Aftermarket revenue) in 2021 Q3. Earnings from operations related to Aftermarket operations in 2022 Q3 YTD were \$48.4 million (13.3% of Aftermarket revenue) compared to \$62.1 million (17.4% of Aftermarket revenue) in 2021 Q3 YTD. Earnings from Aftermarket operations over both periods were lower due to unfavourable sales mix, and inflationary increases to costs that were not fully passed through to the customer.

#### Unrealized foreign exchange gain/loss

The Company has recognized a net unrealized foreign exchange gain (loss) consisting of the following:

(U.S. dollars in thousands)	2022 Q3	2021 Q3	39-Weeks Ended October 2, 2022	39-Weeks Ended September 26, 2021
Unrealized loss on forward foreign exchanges contracts	(5,997)	(508)	(12,288)	(4,642)
Unrealized gain (loss) on other long-term monetary assets/liabilities	8,478	(848)	8,957	(1,350)
	2,481	(1,356)	(3,331)	(5,992)

At October 2, 2022, the Company had \$92.4 million of foreign exchange forward contracts to buy currencies in which the Company operates (U.S. dollars, Canadian dollars, and GBP). The related asset of \$2.1 million (January 2, 2022: \$0.4 million asset) is recorded on the unaudited interim condensed consolidated statement of financial position as a current derivative financial instruments asset and the corresponding change in the fair value of the foreign exchange forward contracts is recorded in the unaudited interim condensed consolidated statements of net loss and total comprehensive (loss) income.

## Earnings (loss) before interest and income taxes ("EBIT")

In 2022 Q3, the Company recorded an EBIT loss of \$40.5 million compared to EBIT loss of \$4.8 million in 2021 Q3. In 2022 Q3 YTD, the Company recorded EBIT loss of \$151.8 million compared to EBIT of \$44.5 million in 2021 Q3 YTD.

#### Interest and finance costs

The interest and finance charges for 2022 Q3 of \$12.3 million decreased by \$3.3 million compared 2021 Q3. The interest and finance charges for 2022 Q3 YTD of \$12.1 million decreased by \$27.6 million compared to 2021 Q3 YTD. The quarterly decrease is primarily due to a higher fair market value gain on the adjustment to the Company's interest rate swaps, offset by an increase in interest related to the companies convertible debt. The Company had a fair market value gain on the interest rate swap of \$10.5 million in 2022 Q3 compared to a gain of \$1.8 million in 2021 Q3. The YTD decrease is mostly related to higher fair market value gain on the adjustment to the Company's interest rate swap as well as the Company's cash conversion option, offset by increased interest related to the Company's convertible debt. The Company had a fair market value gain on the interest rate swap of \$38.9 million in 2022 Q3 YTD compared to a gain of \$13.3 million in 2021 Q3 YTD. The Company had a fair market value gain on the cash conversion option of \$11.0 million in 2022 Q3 YTD compared to \$nil in 2021 Q3 YTD.

The fair market value adjustments on the interest rate swaps relate to risk management activities management has undertaken to reduce the uncertainty related to the Company's cost of borrowing. The Company's first interest rate swap fixes the interest rate which the Company will pay on \$540.0 million of its long-term debt at 2.27% plus an applicable margin. The fixed portion amortizes \$20 million annually and matures in October 2023.

The Company has a second interest rate swap on \$200 million of its long-term debt on which the Company will pay 0.243% plus an applicable margin, this second interest rate swap matures in July 2025. The swap begins amortizing on December 9, 2022 at a rate of \$20 million per annum. The Company's accounting policy does not designate these types of instruments as accounting hedges. As a result, interest rate increases will result in mark-to-market gains, while interest rate decreases will result in mark-to-market losses.

The fair value of the interest rate swap asset of \$29.0 million at October 2, 2022 (January 2, 2022: liability of \$30.5 million) was recorded on the unaudited interim condensed consolidated statements of financial position as a derivative financial instruments liability and the change in fair value has been recorded in finance costs for the reported period.

#### Earnings (loss) before income taxes ("EBT")

EBT loss for 2022 Q3 of \$52.7 million decreased by \$32.3 million compared to EBT loss of \$20.4 million in 2021 Q3. EBT loss for 2022 Q3 YTD of \$163.9 million decreased by \$168.7 million compared to EBT of \$4.8 million in 2021 Q3 YTD. The primary drivers of the changes to EBT are addressed in the Earnings (loss) from Operations and interest and finance costs sections above.

#### Income tax expense

The income tax recovery for 2022 Q3 was \$10.1 million compared to \$5.0 million in 2021 Q3. The income tax recovery is primarily due to reduced earnings before taxes, offset by the impact of foreign exchange translation.

The income tax recovery for 2022 Q3 YTD was \$36.5 million compared to an expense of \$10.6 million in 2021 Q3 YTD. The increase in the overall income tax recovery is due to several factors, primarily, reduced earnings before taxes, recovery of state income taxes, the absence of Base Erosion and Anti-Abuse Tax ("BEAT") and Foreign Tax Credits ("FTC") write-off, and the impact of the revaluation of deferred tax balances due to the increase in the UK corporate tax rate from 19% to 25%, which negatively impacted the 2021 Q3 YTD Effective Tax Rate ("ETR"). The above items were offset by foreign exchange which negatively impacted the tax recovery.

The ETR for 2022 Q3 was 19.2% and the ETR for 2021 Q3 was 24.5%. The ETR for 2022 Q3 YTD was 22.3% and the ETR for 2021 Q3 YTD was 220.0%.

The 2022 Q3 YTD ETR is positively impacted by state income taxes, revaluation of deferred tax balances due to the increase in the UK corporate tax rate from 19% to 25%, combined with the absence of the detrimental impact due to BEAT and FTC write-off which negatively impacted 2021 Q3 YTD. The impact of foreign exchange partially offset the above positive effects having a negative influence on the 2022 Q3 YTD ETR.

#### Net loss

The Company reported net losses of \$42.6 million in 2022 Q3, an increase of \$27.2 million, or 176.6%, compared to net losses of \$15.4 million in 2021 Q3. The Company reported net losses of 127.4 million in 2022 Q3 YTD, an increase of \$121.6 million, or 2096.6%, compared to net losses of \$5.8 million in 2021 Q3 YTD. The decrease is a result of the items discussed above including no government subsidies for the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme (CJRS) and Canadian Emergency Wage Subsidy (CEWS).

Net loss (U.S. dollars in millions, except per Share figures)	2022 Q3	2021 Q3	39-Weeks Ended October 2, 2022	September 26,
(Loss) earnings from operations	(43.5)	(2.8)	(149.5)	50.8
Gain (loss) on disposition of property, plant and equipment	0.5	(0.6)	1.0	(0.3)
Unrealized foreign exchange gain (loss) on monetary items	2.5	(1.4)	(3.3)	(6.0)
Interest and finance costs	(12.3)	(15.6)	(12.1)	(39.7)
Income tax recovery (expense)	10.1	5	36.5	(10.6)
Net (loss) earnings	(42.6)	(15.4)	(127.4)	(5.8)
Net (loss) earnings per Share (basic)	(0.56)	(0.22)	(1.65)	(0.08)
Net (loss) earnings per Share (fully diluted)	(0.56)	(0.22)	(1.65)	(0.08)

The Company recorded net loss per Share for 2022 Q3 of \$0.56 compared to net loss per Share of \$0.22 in 2021 Q3. The Company's net loss per Share for 2022 Q3 YTD of \$1.65 compared to a net loss per Share of \$0.08 in 2021 Q3 YTD. The per share amount decreased in both periods as a result of decreased earnings during the period, offset by increased Shares outstanding as discussed below.

#### Cash Flow

The cash flows of the Company are summarized as follows:

(U.S. dollars in thousands)	2022 Q3	2021 Q3	39-Weeks Ended October 2, 2022	39-Weeks Ended September 26, 2021
Cash (used in) generated by operating activities before non-cash working capital items and interest and income taxes paid	(21,902)	23,548	(77,027)	128,319
Interest paid	(15,384)	(13,619)	(42,881)	(46,970)
Income taxes recovered (paid)	6,556	(6,987)	4,466	(22,548)
Cash flow (invested in) provided by working capital	(97,939)	(41,429)	(127,912)	(93,813)
Net cash used in operating activities	(128,669)	(38,487)	(243,354)	(35,012)
Net cash generated by financing activities	124,665	60,621	221,104	57,282
Net cash used in investing activities	(8,783)	(5,050)	(16,027)	(13,193)

#### Cash flows from operating activities

The 2022 Q3 net operating cash used in operating activities of \$128.7 million is mainly comprised of \$30.7 million of net cash loss and \$97.9 million of cash invested in working capital. The 2021 Q3 net operating cash outflow of \$38.5 million is comprised of \$2.9 million of net cash earnings and \$41.4 million of cash invested in working capital.

The 2022 Q3 YTD net operating cash used in operating activities of \$243.4 million is mainly comprised of \$115.4 million of net cash loss and \$127.9 of cash invested in working capital. The 2021 Q3 YTD net operating cash outflow of \$35.0 million is comprised of net cash earnings of \$58.8 million and \$93.8 million of cash invested in working capital.

## Cash flow from financing activities

The cash generated by financing activities of \$124.7 million during 2022 Q3 is comprised mainly of proceeds of revolving credit facilities of \$135.9 million which was partially offset by dividend payments of \$3.2 million and lease obligation payments of \$8.0 million. As at 2022 Q3 YTD \$221.1 million of cash has been generated by financing activities due to the proceeds from revolving credit facilities of \$259.4 million, which was offset by dividend payments of \$19.4 million, lease obligation repayments of \$18.9 million.

## Cash flow from investing activities

(U.S. dollars in thousands)	2022 Q3	2021 Q3	39-Weeks Ended October 2, 2022	39-Weeks Ended September 26, 2021
Acquisition of intangible assets	(2,947)	(256)	(6,476)	(860)
Proceeds from disposition of property, plant and equipment	360	515	1,673	3,533
Long-term restricted deposits	3	_	5,415	4,700
Acquisition of property, plant and equipment	(6,199)	(5,309)	(16,639)	(20,566)
Cash used in investing activities	(8,783)	(5,050)	(16,027)	(13,193)

Cash used in investing activities was higher in 2022 Q3, primarily due to increased investment of intangible assets and property, plant and equipment.

#### Credit risk

Financial instruments which potentially subject the Company to credit risk and concentrations of credit risk consist principally of cash, accounts receivable and derivatives. Management believes that the credit risk associated with accounts receivable is mitigated by the significant proportion of counterparties that are well established public transit authorities. Additionally, the U.S. federal government funds a substantial portion of U.S. public sector customer payments - up to 80% of the capital cost of new transit buses, coaches or cutaways, while the remaining 20% comes from state and municipal sources. There are a few U.S. public sector customers that obtain 100% of their funding from state and municipal sources. The maximum exposure to the risk of credit for accounts receivables corresponds to their book value. Historically, the Company has experienced nominal bad debts as a result of the customer base being principally comprised of municipal and other local transit authorities. Management has not observed, and does not anticipate, significant changes to credit risk as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic or the current supply chain challenges.

The purchase of new coaches, transit buses or cutaways by private fleet operators is paid from the operators' own capital budgets and funded by their own cash flow. A significant portion of private fleet operators choose to finance new coach purchases with lending organizations. In some cases, MCI assists in arranging this financing, and in some cases, it provides financing through its ultimate net loss program. The Company has experienced a nominal amount of bad debts with its private sales customers as most transactions require payment on delivery. Management has not observed, and does not anticipate, significant changes to credit risk as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The carrying amount of accounts receivable is reduced through the use of an allowance account and the amount of the loss is recognized in the earnings statement within SG&A. When a receivable balance is considered uncollectible, it is written off against the allowance for doubtful accounts. Subsequent recoveries of amounts previously written off are credited against SG&A in the unaudited interim consolidated statements of net loss and total comprehensive (loss) income.

The following table details the aging of the Company's receivables and related allowance for doubtful accounts:

U.S. dollars in thousands	October 2, 2022	January 2, 2022
Current, including holdbacks	301,791	375,056
Past due amounts but not impaired		
1 - 60 days	15,070	15,857
Greater than 60 days	5,681	5,892
Less: allowance for doubtful accounts	(147)	(270)
Total accounts receivables, net	322,395	396,535

The counterparties to the Company's derivatives are chartered Canadian banks and international financial institutions. The Company could be exposed to loss in the event of non-performance by the counterparty. However, credit ratings and concentration of risk of the financial institutions are monitored on a regular basis.

## **Commitments and Contractual Obligations**

The following table describes the Company's maturity analysis of the undiscounted cash flows of leases and accrued benefit liabilities as at October 2, 2022:

U.S. dollars in thousands	Total	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	Post 2026
Leases	233,937	8,412	27,482	22,588	19,025	17,066	139,364
Accrued benefit liability	5,136	5,136					
	239,073	13,548	27,482	22,588	19,025	17,066	139,364

As at October 2, 2022, outstanding surety bonds guaranteed by the Company totaled \$332.1 million (January 2, 2022: \$375.9 million). The estimated maturity dates of the surety bonds outstanding at October 2, 2022 range from October 2022 to December 2039. Management believes that adequate facilities exist to meet projected surety requirements.

The Company has not recorded a liability under these guarantees as management believes that no material events of default exist under any applicable contracts with customers.

Under the Credit Facility, the Company has established a letter of credit sub-facility of \$100.0 million (January 2, 2022: \$100.0 million). As at October 2, 2022, letters of credit totaling \$11.9 million (January 2, 2022: \$11.8 million) remain outstanding as security for contractual obligations of the Company under the Credit Facility.

As at October 2, 2022, letters of credit in the UK totaling \$33.7 million remain outstanding as a security for contractual obligations of the Company outside of the UK facility (January 2, 2022: \$40.6 million). Additionally, there are \$25.3 million of letters of credit outstanding outside of the Credit Facility.

As at October 2, 2022, management believes that the Company was in compliance in all material respects with all applicable contractual obligations and the Company has not provided for any costs associated with these letters of credit.

The Company does not have any off-balance sheet arrangement or any material capital asset commitments at October 2, 2022.

## Share Option Plan

The Board adopted a Share Option Plan (the "2013 Option Plan") for NFI on March 21, 2013, under which certain employees of NFI and certain of its affiliates may receive grants of options for Shares. The 2013 Option Plan was amended and restated on December 8, 2015, December 31, 2018 and August 5, 2020. Directors who are not employed with NFI are not eligible to participate in the 2013 Option Plan. A maximum of 3,600,000 Shares are reserved for issuance under the 2013 Option Plan. The options vest one-quarter on the first grant date anniversary and an additional one-quarter on the second, third and fourth anniversary of the grant date.

Option Grant dates	Number	Exercised	Expired	Vested	Unvested	Expiry date	Exercise price	Fair Value at grant date
March 26, 2013	490,356	(490,356)				March 26, 2021	\$10.20	\$1.55
December 30, 2013	612,050	(602,419)	(9,631)	_	_	December 30, 2021	\$10.57	\$1.44
December 28, 2014	499,984	(252,233)	(11,368)	(236,383)	_	December 28, 2022	\$13.45	\$1.83
December 28, 2015	221,888	(19,532)	_	(202,356)	_	December 28, 2023	\$26.75	\$4.21
September 8, 2016	2,171	_	(2,171)		_	September 8, 2024	\$42.83	\$8.06
January 3, 2017	151,419	(1,610)	(11,888)	(137,921)	_	January 3, 2025	\$40.84	\$7.74
January 2, 2018	152,883	_	(29,198)	(123,685)	_	January 2, 2026	\$54.00	\$9.53
January 2, 2019	284,674	_	(59,186)	(169,118)	56,370	January 2, 2027	\$33.43	\$5.01
July 15, 2019	2,835	_	_	(2,126)	709	July 15, 2027	\$35.98	\$4.90
December 31, 2019	519,916	_	(78,772)	(220,577)	220,567	December 31, 2027	\$26.81	\$3.36
December 28, 2020	258,673	_	(25,279)	(58,351)	175,043	December 28, 2028	\$24.70	\$6.28
February 10, 2021	1,894	_	_	(474)	1,420	December 28, 2028	\$28.74	\$6.28
August 16, 2021	601	_	_	(150)	451	August 16, 2029	\$30.79	\$6.28
January 3, 2022	311,892	_	_	_	311,892	January 3, 2022	\$20.26	\$6.10
April 1, 2022	1,728	_	_	_	1,728	April 3, 2022	\$16.25	\$6.51
	3,512,964	(1,366,150)	(227,493)	(1,151,141)	768,180	•	\$27.38	

The Board adopted a new share option plan on March 12, 2020 (the "2020 Option Plan"), which was approved by shareholders on May 7, 2020, and amended on August 5, 2020, under which certain employees of NFI and certain of its affiliates may receive grants of options for Shares.

Directors who are not employed with NFI are not eligible to participate in the 2020 Option Plan. A maximum of 3,200,000 Shares are reserved for issuance under the 2020 Option Plan. The options vest one-quarter on the first grant date anniversary and an additional one-quarter on the second, third and fourth anniversary of the grant date. No options have been issued under the 2020 Option Plan.

The following reconciles the Share options outstanding:

	2022 Q	<u>1</u> 3	2021 Q3		
	Number	Weighted average exercise price	Number	Weighted average exercise price	
Balance at beginning of period	1,617,759	C\$28.82	1,503,117	C\$29.32	
Granted during the period	313,620	C\$20.24	261,168	C\$24.73	
Expired during the period	(12,058)	C\$34.94	(65, 362)	\$34.26	
Exercised during the period	_	C\$0.00	(7,326)	C\$10.20	
Balance at end of period	1,919,321	CS27.38	1,691,597	\$28.65	

## Restricted Share Unit Plan for Non-Employee Directors

Pursuant to the Company's Restricted Share Unit Plan for Non-Employee Directors, a maximum of 500,000 Shares are reserved for issuance to non-employee directors. The Company issued 18,638 director restricted Share units ("Director RSUs"), with a total value of \$187 thousand, in 2022 Q3. Approximately \$70 thousand of the issued Director RSUs were exercised and exchanged for 6,992 Shares.

#### Critical accounting estimates and judgments

The Company's critical accounting estimates and judgments can be found within note 2 to the 2021 Annual Financial Statements.

## New and amended standards adopted by the Company

No new or amended standards were adopted by the Company during the period.

## **Future Changes to Accounting Standards**

The following issued accounting pronouncements represent a summary of the pronouncements that are likely to, or may at some future time, have an impact on the Company.

#### IFRS 17 - Insurance Contracts:

In May 2017, with amendments in June 2020, the IASB issued IFRS 17, Insurance Contracts which will replace IFRS 4, effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after January 1, 2023, which introduced new guidance for recognition, measurement, presentation and disclosure of insurance contracts.

The standard requires entities to measure insurance contract liabilities as the risk-adjusted present value of the cash flows plus the contractual service margin, which represents the unearned profit the entity will recognize as future service is provided. Depending on the type of contract, this is measured using the general measurement model or the variable fee approach. Expedients are specified, provided the insurance contracts meet certain conditions. The premium allocation approach is permitted for the liability for remaining coverage on contracts with a duration of one year or less, or where the use of the premium allocation approach closely approximates the use of the general measurement model. If, at initial recognition or subsequently, the fulfilment cash flows are in a net outflow, the contract is considered onerous and the excess is recognized immediately in profit. A loss recovery component is recognized immediately in profit representing amounts recoverable from reinsurers related to onerous contracts. Management is currently assessing the impact of this standard on its consolidated Financial Statements.

## IAS 1 - Presentation of Financial Statements:

Disclosure of Accounting policies which amends IAS 1, Presentation of financial statements was issued in February 2021, effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after January 1, 2023. The amendments to the standard clarify some requirements relating to materiality, order of notes, subtotals, accounting policies and disaggregation. The amended paragraphs require entities to disclose their material accounting policy information rather than significant accounting policies, as well as provided a four-step materiality process to determine which accounting policy disclosures are required. Management is currently assessing the impact of this standard on its consolidated Financial Statements.

Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current, which amends IAS 1, was issued January 2020, effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after January 1, 2023. This clarified a criterion in IAS 1 for classifying a liability as non-current: the requirement for an entity to have the right to defer settlement of the liability for at least 12 months after the reporting period. Management is currently assessing the impact of this standard on its consolidated Financial Statements.

#### NON-IFRS AND OTHER FINANCIAL MEASURES

This MD&A is based on reported earnings in accordance with IFRS and on the following non-IFRS and other financial measures:

#### Adjusted EBITDA and Net Operating Profit after Taxes

Management believes that Adjusted EBITDA, and net operating profit after taxes ("NOPAT") are important measures in evaluating the historical operating performance of the Company. However, Adjusted EBITDA and NOPAT are not recognized earnings measures under IFRS and do not have standardized meanings prescribed by IFRS. Accordingly, Adjusted EBITDA and NOPAT may not be comparable to similar measures presented by other issuers. Readers of this MD&A are cautioned that Adjusted EBITDA should not be construed as an alternative to net earnings or loss determined in accordance with IFRS and NOPAT should not be construed as an alternative to earnings (loss) from operations determined in accordance with IFRS as an indicator of the Company's performance.

The Company defines Adjusted EBITDA as earnings before interest, income tax, depreciation and amortization after adjusting for the effects of certain non-recurring, non-operating, and items occurring outside of normal operations that do not reflect the current ongoing cash operations of the Company. These adjustments are provided in the following table reconciling net earnings or losses to Adjusted EBITDA based on the historical Financial Statements of the Company for the periods indicated.

The company defines NOPAT as Adjusted EBITDA less depreciation of plant and equipment, depreciation of right-of-use assets and income taxes at a rate of 31%.

(U.S. dollars in thousands)	2022 Q3	2021 Q3	39-Weeks Ended October 2, 2022	39-Weeks Ended September 26, 2021	53-Weeks Ended October 2, 2022	52-Weeks Ended September 26, 2021
Net (loss) earnings	(42,595)	(15,415)	(127,404)	(5,793)	(136,095)	2,672
Addback						
Income taxes	(10,133)	(5,004)	(36,473)	10,621	(37,539)	23,608
Interest expense <sup>15</sup>	12,274	15,624	12,061	39,678	11,420	54,249
Amortization	22,282	23,970	65,915	72,037	91,032	98,163
(Gain) loss on disposition of property, plant and equipment	(544)	642	(975)	298	(1,161)	41
Fair value adjustment for total return swap <sup>9</sup>	_	736	952	34	1,599	(1,550)
Unrealized foreign exchange loss (gain) on non- current monetary items and forward foreign exchange contracts	(2,481)	1,356	3,331	5,992	9,130	2,755
Costs associated with assessing strategic and corporate initiatives <sup>7</sup>	_	_	_	_	(106)	165
Past service costs and other pension costs <sup>11</sup>	_	_	7,000	_	7,000	7
Proportion of the total return swap realized <sup>10</sup>	_	(653)	(275)	(115)	(872)	526
Equity settled stock-based compensation	421	293	949	1,445	1,242	2,053
Unrecoverable insurance costs and other 12	_	_	8,325	718	8,325	718
Expenses incurred outside of normal operations <sup>17</sup>	2,054	_	2,054	_	2,054	_
Prior year sales tax provision 13	_	_	_	40	1,996	77
COVID-19 costs <sup>14</sup>	_	279	_	1,033	2,926	6,446
Out of period costs <sup>16</sup>	(659)	_	(659)	_	575	_
Restructuring costs <sup>8</sup>	3,672	9,502	11,203	12,039	10,632	13,053
Adjusted EBITDA	(15,709)	31,330	(53,996)	138,027	(27,842)	202,983
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment and right of use assets	(14,571)	(15,786)	(42,129)	(47,403)	(59,094)	(64,961)
Tax at 31%	9,387	(4,819)	29,799	(28,093)	26,950	(42,787)
NOPAT	(20,893)	10,725	(66,326)	62,531	(59,986)	95,235
Adjusted EBITDA is comprised of:						
Manufacturing	(36,804)	2,197	(118,643)	59,364	(126,354)	113,627
Aftermarket	18,182	26,169	63,272	73,586	88,355	90,689
Corporate	2,913	2,964	1,375	5,077	10,157	(1,333)
(Footnotes on page 29)						

#### Free Cash Flow and Free Cash Flow per Share

Management uses Free Cash Flow and Free Cash Flow per Share as non-IFRS measures to evaluate the Company's operating performance and liquidity and to assess the Company's ability to pay dividends on the Shares, service debt, pay interest on Convertible Debentures and meet other payment obligations. However, Free Cash Flow and Free Cash Flow per Share are not recognized earnings measures under IFRS and do not have standardized meanings prescribed by IFRS. Accordingly, Free Cash Flow and the associated per Share figure may not be comparable to similar measures presented by other issuers. Readers of this MD&A are cautioned that Free Cash Flow should not be construed as an alternative to cash flows from operating activities determined in accordance with IFRS as a measure of liquidity and cash flow. The Company defines Free Cash Flow as net cash generated by or used in operating activities adjusted for changes in non-cash working capital items and adjusted for items as shown in the reconciliation of net cash generated by operating activities (an IFRS measure) to Free Cash Flow (a non-IFRS measure) based on the Company's historical Financial Statements.

The Company generates its Free Cash Flow from operations and management expects this will continue to be the case for the foreseeable future. Net cash flows generated from operating activities are significantly impacted by changes in non-cash working capital. The Company uses its credit facilities to finance working capital and therefore has excluded the impact of working capital in calculating Free Cash Flow.

The Company defines Free Cash Flow per Share as Free Cash Flow divided by the average number of Shares outstanding.

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2022 03	2021 03	Ended October 2,	Ended September	Ended October 2,	52-Weeks Ended September 26, 2021
2022 Q3	2021 Q3	2022	20, 2021		20, 2021
(128,669)	(38,487)	(243,354)	(35,012)	(93,108)	53,092
97,939	41,429	127,912	93,813	(11,727)	43,620
15,384	13,619	42,881	46,970	60,135	62,883
(18,788)	(17,127)	(53,641)	(50,323)	(73,749)	(65,554)
(6,556)	6,987	(4,466)	22,548	(7,464)	26,672
(7,184)	8,185	(1,747)	(11,913)	(12,264)	(17,646)
(8,017)	(5,645)	(18,888)	(15,986)	(21,094)	(23,815)
(6,199)	(5,309)	(16,639)	(20,566)	(29,587)	(30,013)
(2,947)	(256)	(6,476)	(860)	(8,364)	(889)
360	515	1,673	3,533	4,322	5,792
_	_	_	_	(106)	165
2,270	625	4,566	2,062	6,156	3,180
(1,860)	(1,111)	(4,413)	(3,350)	(7,483)	(4,106)
_	_	7,000	_	7,000	7
2,054	_	2,054	_	2,054	_
(297)	_	(421)	_	(421)	_
_	(653)	(275)	(115)	(872)	526
_	_	8,325	718	8,325	718
(659)	_	605	_	1,839	_
_	_	_	40	1,996	77
2,281	8,598	6,004	9,345	6,175	9,791
_	279	_	1,033	2,926	6,446
2,404	43	850	(24)	(2,023)	(52)
(58,484)	11,692	(148,450)	41,913	(167,334)	70,894
1.3826	1.2652	1.3155	1.2497	1.3096	1.2650
(80,860)	14,793	(195,283)	52,378	(219,141)	89,678
(1.0598)	0.2084	(2.5315)	0.7591	(3.2522)	1.3309
4,096	15,086	12,288	45,255	28,678	58,542
0.0537	0.2125	0.1599	0.6375	0.3724	0.8500
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- 1. Free Cash Flow is not a recognized measure under IFRS and does not have a standardized meaning prescribed by IFRS.
- 2. U.S. exchange rate (C\$ per US\$) is the weighted average exchange rate applicable to dividends declared for the period.
- 3. Changes in non-cash working capital are excluded from the calculation of Free Cash Flow as these temporary fluctuations are managed through the credit facilities which are available to fund general corporate requirements, including working capital requirements, subject to borrowing capacity restrictions. Changes in non-cash working capital are presented on the consolidated statements of cash flows net of interest and income taxes paid.
- 4. The cash effect of the difference between the defined benefit expense and funding is included in the determination of cash from operating activities. This cash effect is excluded in the determination of Free Cash Flow as management believes that the defined benefit expense amount provides a more appropriate measure, as the defined benefit funding can be impacted by special payments to reduce the unfunded pension liability.
- 5. Foreign exchange gain (loss) on cash held in foreign currency is excluded in the determination of cash from operating activities under IFRS; however, because it is a cash item, management believes it should be included in the calculation of Free Cash Flow.
- 6. Per Share calculations for Free Cash Flow (C\$) are determined by dividing Free Cash Flow by the total number of all issued and outstanding Shares using the weighted average over the period. The weighted average number of Shares outstanding for 2022 Q3 was 76,299,666 and 70,985,041 for 2021 Q3. The weighted average number of Shares outstanding for the 52-weeks ended October 2, 2022 and 52-weeks ended September 26, 2021 are 74,517,345 and 67,383,534, respectively. Per Share calculations for declared dividends (C\$) are determined by dividing the amount of declared dividends by the number of outstanding Shares at the respective period end date.
- 7. Normalized to exclude non-operating expenses and recoveries related to the costs of assessing strategic and corporate initiatives.
- 8. Normalized to exclude non-operating restructuring costs. Costs primarily relate to severance costs, inefficient labour costs, right-of-use asset impairments and inventory impairments associated with NFI Forward restructuring initiatives. Free Cash Flow reconciling amounts are net of right-of-use asset and property, plant and equipment impairments.
- 9. The fair value adjustment of the total return swap is a non-cash (gain) loss that is excluded from the definition of Adjusted EBITDA.

  Beginning in Q2 2022, hedge accounting was applied to the total return swap derivative and therefore, the portion of the (gain) loss on the fair value adjustment, which does not apply to the current period is recognized in other comprehensive income.
- 10. A portion of the fair value adjustment of the total return swap is added to Adjusted EBITDA and Free Cash Flow to match the equivalent portion of the related deferred compensation expense recognized. Beginning in Q2 2022, hedge accounting was applied to the total return swap derivative and therefore, the portion of the (gain) loss on the fair value adjustment, which does not apply to the current period is recognized in other comprehensive income.
- 11. Costs and recoveries associated with amendments to, and closures of, the Company's pension plans. Q2 2022 includes \$7.0 million for the liability related to the closure of the Pembina facility and withdrawal from the multi-employer pension plan.
- 12. Normalized to exclude non-operating costs related to an insurance event that are not recoverable, or are related to the deductible. Q2 2022 includes the costs associated with a legal settlement, which was not recoverable under insurance.
- 13. Provision for sales taxes as a result of an ongoing state sales tax review.
- 14. Normalized to exclude COVID-19 related costs. Costs primarily relate to asset impairments, medical costs directly related to COVID-19 and miscellaneous operating costs associated with COVID-19. Asset impairments are primarily attributable to pre-owned coach inventory. During 2022, management determined costs related to sanitization and masks were an operating cost and would no longer be included in the definition.
- 15. Includes fair market value adjustments to interest rate swaps and the cash conversion option on the Convertible Debentures. 2022 Q3 includes a gain of \$10.5 million and 2021 Q3 includes a gain of \$1.8 million for the interest rate swaps.
- 16. Includes adjustments made related to expenses that pertain to prior years. 2021 Q4 includes expenses related to amounts owed from Fiscal years 2016 2020, and expenses related to amounts owed from Fiscal years 2014 2020. 2022 Q3 includes expenses related to amounts that should have been capitalized from Fiscal years 2010 2021.
- 17. Includes adjustments made related to items that occurred outside of normal operations. This mostly includes items purchased in broker markets at a premium, which the Company provided to suppliers, and does not normally directly purchase.

## Liquidity

Liquidity is not a recognized measure under IFRS and does not have a standardized meaning prescribed by IFRS. The Company defines liquidity as cash on-hand plus available capacity under its credit facilities, without consideration given to the minimum liquidity requirement under the Amended Facilities.

## **Backlog**

Backlog value is not a recognized measure under IFRS and does not have a standardized meaning prescribed by IFRS. The Company defines backlog as the number of EUs in the backlog multiplied by their expected selling price.

#### **Working Capital Days**

Working Capital Days is not a recognized measure under IFRS and does not have a standardized meaning prescribed by IFRS. The Company defines Working Capital Days as the calculated number of days to convert working capital to cash. It is calculated by the number of days in a year divided by the working capital turnover ratio (total sales for the last twelve months divided by average working capital for the last thirteen months).

Working Capital Days is calculated based on the following financial statement line items: Accounts Receivable and Inventories less Accounts Payables, Deferred Revenue and Provisions.

## **Payout Ratio**

Payout ratio is not a recognized measure under IFRS and does not have a standardized meaning prescribed by IFRS. Management believes the payout ratio is an important measure of the Company's ability to pay dividends with cash generated. The Company defines payout ratio as the declared dividends divided by the Free Cash Flow.

## Adjusted Net Earnings (Loss) and Adjusted Net Earnings (Loss) per Share

Management believes that Adjusted Net Earnings (Loss) and the associated per Share figure are important measures in evaluating the historical operating performance of the Company. Adjusted Net Earnings (Loss) and Adjusted Net Earnings (Loss) per Share are not recognized measures under IFRS and do not have standardized meanings prescribed by IFRS. Accordingly, Adjusted Net Earnings (Loss) and Adjusted Net Earnings (Loss) per Share may not be comparable to similar measures presented by other issuers. Readers of this MD&A are cautioned that Adjusted Net Earnings (Loss) and Adjusted Net Earnings (Loss) per Share should not be construed as an alternative to Net Earnings (Loss), or Net Earnings (Loss) per Share, determined in accordance with IFRS as indicators of the Company's performance.

The Company defines Adjusted Net Earnings (Loss) as net earnings (loss) after adjusting for the after tax effects of certain non-recurring, non-operating and items occurring outside of normal operation, that do not reflect the current ongoing cash operations of the Company. These adjustments are provided in the following reconciliation of net earnings (loss) to Adjusted Net Earnings (Loss) based on the historical Financial Statements of the Company for the periods indicated.

The Company defines Adjusted Net Earnings (Loss) per share as Adjusted Net Earnings (Loss) divided by the average number of Shares outstanding.

(U.S. dollars in thousands, except per Share figures)			39-Weeks Ended October 2,	39-Weeks Ended September	53-Weeks Ended October 2,	52-Weeks Ended September
_	2022 Q3	2021 Q3	2022	26, 2021	2022	26, 2021
Net (loss) earnings	(42,595)	(15,415)	(127,404)	(5,793)	(136,094)	2,672
Adjustments, net of tax <sup>1, 7</sup>						
Fair value adjustments of total return swap <sup>4</sup>	_	334	657	15	952	(1,078)
Unrealized foreign exchange loss (gain)	(1,713)	617	2,298	2,726	4,937	493
Unrealized gain on interest rate swap	(7,271)	(815)	(26,814)	(6,042)	(31,310)	(8,319)
Unrealized loss (gain) on convertible debt embedded derivative	217	_	(7,608)	_	(12,573)	_
Portion of the total return swap realized <sup>5</sup>	_	(297)	(190)	(52)	(462)	391
Costs associated with assessing strategic and corporate initiatives <sup>2</sup>	_	_	_	_	(106)	165
Equity settled stock-based compensation	291	133	655	657	789	1,076
Loss (gain) on disposition of property, plant and equipment	(376)	293	(673)	136	(758)	(42)
Past service costs and other pension costs <sup>6</sup>	_	_	4,830	_	4,830	4
Unrecoverable insurance costs and other 12	_	_	5,744	327	7,214	327
Expenses incurred outside of normal operations <sup>13</sup>	1,417	_	1,417	_	1,417	_
Prior year sales tax provision <sup>8</sup>	_	_	_	18	_	44
Other tax adjustments <sup>10</sup>	(1,428)	(616)	(3,308)	5,502	(6,141)	5,502
COVID-19 costs <sup>9</sup>	_	127	_	468	1,331	4,205
Out of period costs <sup>11</sup>	(455)	_	809	_	809	_
Accretion in carrying value of convertible debt and cash conversion option	1,321	_	3,930	_	4,204	_
Restructuring costs <sup>3</sup>	2,534	4,323	7,730	5,478	7,470	6,178
Adjusted Net Earnings (Loss)	(48,058)	(11,316)	(137,927)	3,440	(153,491)	11,618
Earnings (Loss) per Share (basic)	(0.56)	(0.22)	(1.65)	(0.09)	(1.78)	0.05
Earnings (Loss) per Share (fully diluted)	(0.56)	(0.22)	(1.65)	(0.09)	(1.78)	0.05
Adjusted Net Earnings (Loss) per Share (basic)	(0.63)	(0.16)	(1.79)	0.05	(2.02)	0.17
Adjusted Net Earnings (Loss) per Share (fully diluted)	(0.63)	(0.16)	(1.79)	0.05	(2.02)	0.17

- 1. Addback items are derived from the historical financial statements of the Company.
- 2. Normalized to exclude non-operating expenses related to the costs of assessing strategic and corporate initiatives.
- 3. Normalized to exclude non-operating restructuring costs. Costs primarily relate to severance costs, inefficient labour costs, right-of-use asset impairments and inventory impairments associated with NFI Forward restructuring initiatives.
- 4. The fair value adjustment of the total return swap is a non-cash (gain) loss that is excluded from the definition of Adjusted Net Earnings (Loss). Beginning in Q2 2022, hedge accounting was applied to the total return swap derivative and therefore, the portion of

- the (gain) loss on the fair value adjustment, which does not apply to the current period is recognized in other comprehensive income.
- 5. A portion of the fair value adjustment of the total return swap is excluded from Adjusted Net Earnings (Loss) to match the equivalent portion of the related deferred compensation expense recognized. Beginning in Q2 2022, hedge accounting was applied to the total return swap derivative and therefore, the portion of the (gain) loss on the fair value adjustment, which does not apply to the current period is recognized in other comprehensive income.
- Costs and recoveries associated with amendments to, and closures of, the Company's pension plans. Q2 2022 includes \$7.0 million for the liability related to the closure of the Pembina facility and withdrawal from the multi-employer pension plan.
- 7. The Company has utilized a rate of 54.5% to tax effect the adjustments in periods related to Fiscal 2021. A rate of 31.0% has been used to tax effect the adjustments for all other periods.
- 8. Provision for sales taxes as a result of a state tax review.
- 9. Normalized to exclude COVID-19 related costs. Costs primarily relate to asset impairments, medical costs directly related to COVID-19 and miscellaneous operating costs associated with COVID-19. Asset impairments are primarily attributable to pre-owned coach inventory. During 2022, management determined costs related to sanitization and masks were an operating cost and would no longer be included in the definition.
- 10. Includes the impact of changes in deferred tax balances as a result of substantively enacted tax rate changes. The 2021 and 2022 amounts include the impact of the revaluation of deferred tax balances due to the increase in the UK corporate tax rate from 19% to 25% in 2021 Q3. The 2020 amounts result from the reversal of previously enacted UK tax rate decline in 2020 Q3.
- 11. Includes adjustments made related to expenses that pertain to prior years. 2022 Q1 includes expenses related to tax amounts owed from Fiscal years 2016 2018. 2021 Q4 includes expenses related to amounts owed from Fiscal years 2016 2020, and expenses related to amounts owed from Fiscal years 2014 2020. 2022 Q3 includes expenses related to amounts that should have been capitalized from 2010 2021.
- 12. Normalized to exclude non-operating costs related to an insurance event that are not recoverable, or are related to the deductible. Q2 2022 includes the costs associated with a legal settlement, which was not recoverable under insurance
- 13. Includes adjustments made related to items that occurred outside of normal operations. This mostly includes items purchased in broker markets at a premium, which the company provided to suppliers, and does not normally directly purchase.

## ROIC

ROIC is not a recognized measure under IFRS and its components do not have standardized meanings prescribed by IFRS. Management believes that ROIC is an important measure in evaluating the historical performance of the Company. The Company defines ROIC as net operating profit after taxes divided by average invested capital for the last 12-month period.

## Reconciliation of Shareholders' Equity to Invested Capital

2022 Q3	2022 Q2	2022 Q1	2021 Q4
710,984	783,905	850,323	871,772
859,297	718,139	677,996	586,411
122,666	131,077	139,129	143,675
211,281	224,947	229,673	225,768
(18,904)	(8,179)	4,806	31,883
(39,832)	(50,274)	(26,604)	(77,318)
_	_	1,233	_
1,845,492	1,799,615	1,876,556	1,782,191
1,822,554	1,838,086	1,829,374	1,862,392
2021 Q3	2021 Q2	2021 Q1	2020 Q4
787,010	814,502	824,643	620,141
1.049.273	963,630	1,008,733	1,125,685
150,212	153,967	150,553	150,577
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150,212 —	_	_	_
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## Capital Allocation Policy

The Company has established a capital allocation policy based on an operating model intended to provide consistent and predictable cash flow and maintain a strong balance sheet. This policy has established guidelines that are reviewed by the Board on a quarterly basis and provides targets for maintaining financial flexibility, business investment, and return of capital to shareholders.

#### Maintaining Financial Flexibility

The Company plans to prudently use leverage to manage liquidity risk. Liquidity risk arises from the Company's financial obligations and from the management of its assets, liabilities and capital structure. This risk is managed by regularly evaluating the liquid financial resources to fund current and long-term obligations, and to meet the Company's capital commitments in a cost-effective manner.

The main factors that affect liquidity include sales mix, production levels, cash production costs, working capital requirements, capital expenditure requirements, scheduled repayments of long-term debt obligations, funding requirements of the Company's pension plans, income taxes, credit capacity, expected future debt and equity capital market conditions.

The Company's liquidity requirements are met through a variety of sources, including cash on hand, cash generated from operations, the credit facilities, leases, and debt and equity capital markets.

At October 2, 2022, the Company has convertible debentures outstanding of \$338 million. The Debentures may be converted in whole or in part from time to time at the holder's option into 30.1659 Shares for each C\$1,000 principal amount of Debentures, representing a conversion price of approximately C\$33.15 per Share and total potential conversion of 10,196,074 shares.

On July 29, 2022, the Company amended the Credit Facility and the UK Facility (together the "Amended Facilities") to provide the Company with relaxed covenants through 2023 as the Company navigates supply chain disruptions, heightened inflation and other impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. NFI has provided the lenders security on certain of its assets, including a general security agreement on NFI's personal property, but excluding security on real property.

Under the terms of the Amended Facilities, the Company's banking partners have relaxed the Total Leverage Ratio, Interest Coverage Ratio and Net Debt to Capitalization ratio for the remainder of 2022 and Fiscal 2023. In addition, NFI will have to meet two additional covenants, within different time frames: minimum cumulative Adjusted EBITDA, and minimum liquidity.

The terms of the Amended Facilities do not restrict the payment of dividends, provided the Company is in compliance with the financial covenants, a cumulative Free Cash Flow test, and the dividend payments remain at the current level for the remainder of the agreements (maturing in August 2024). Under the Amended Facilities, the payment of dividends is subject to a Free Cash Flow test that resumes during the fourth quarter of 2022. The Company currently does not expect to be able to meet that test. NFI is discussing the impact of its expected financial performance and the Free Cash Flow test on potential future dividend payments with members of its credit syndicate. The Board made the prudent decision to lower the dividend in April 2022 and as management continues to believe that supply and logistics disruptions are temporary, dividend payments at current levels are not expected to have a significant impact on the Company's anticipated future cash flows. The terms of the Amended Facilities do not permit any acquisitions until 2024 and permit a maximum of \$50 million in annual capital expenditures.

The Credit Facility has a total borrowing limit of \$1.250 billion, which includes a \$100 million letter-of-credit facility, plus an additional \$250 million accordion feature, that cannot be used until December 2023 and subject to the Company being in compliance with its credit covenants. \$11.9 million of outstanding letters-of-credit were drawn against the Credit Facility at October 2, 2022. The Credit Facility bears interest at a rate equal to LIBOR or a U.S. base rate for loans denominated in U.S. dollars and a Canadian prime rate or bankers' acceptance rate for loans denominated in Canadian dollars, plus an applicable margin to those rates and matures on August 2, 2024.

The £50 million revolving UK Facility matures on May 2, 2023. Amounts drawn under the UK Facility bear interest at a rate equal to LIBOR plus an applicable margin.

The details of the covenants under the Amended Facilities are as follows:

	('000')	Total Leverage Ratio <sup>1</sup>	Interest Coverage Ratio <sup>2</sup>	Total Net Debt to Capitalization <sup>3</sup>	Minimum Cumulative Adjusted EBITDA <sup>4</sup>	Minimum Liquidity <sup>5</sup>
July 4, 2022 - October 2, 2022		N/A	N/A	<.60	N/A	\$250,000
October 3, 2022 - January 1, 2023		<5.00	>1.50	N/A	>\$45,000	\$250,000
January 2, 2023 - April 2, 2023		<5.00	>1.50	N/A	>\$80,000	\$250,000
April 3, 2023 - July 2, 2023		<5.00	>1.50	N/A	>\$125,000	\$250,000
July 3, 2023 - October 1, 2023		<4.50	>2.00	N/A	N/A	\$250,000
October 2, 2023 - December 31, 2023		<4.00	>2.50	N/A	N/A	\$250,000
January 1, 2024 - March 31, 2024 and ther	eafter	<3.75	>3.00	N/A	N/A	N/A

- 1. TLR is calculated as borrowings on the Credit Facilities, not including the Company's 5.0% convertible debentures, less unrestricted cash and cash equivalents, divided by Adjusted EBITDA, typically calculated on a trailing twelve-month basis. When the TLR is reintroduced in 2022 Q4, Adjusted EBITDA will be annualized until a full rolling four quarters of results are available (i.e., period ending 2023 Q3); a detailed schedule for the Adjusted EBITDA calculation is below:
  - a. 2022 Q4 compliance Adjusted EBITDA: 2022 Q4 \* 4
  - b. 2023 Q1 compliance Adjusted EBITDA: (2022 Q4 + 2023 Q1) \* 2
  - c. 2023 Q2 compliance Adjusted EBITDA: (2022 Q4 + 2023 Q1 + 2023 Q2) \* 4/3
- 2. ICR is calculated as the same trailing twelve month Adjusted EBITDA as the TLR divided by trailing twelve month interest expense on the Credit Facilities, the Company's 5.0% convertible debentures and other interest and bank charges.
- 3. Total Net Debt to Capitalization is calculated as borrowings on the Credit Facilities, less unrestricted cash and cash equivalents, divided by Shareholder's Equity, as shown on the Company's balance sheet, plus borrowings on the Credit Facilities.
- 4. Cumulative Adjusted EBITDA starting with 2022 Q4 results.
- 5. Liquidity is calculated as unrestricted cash and cash equivalents plus the aggregate amount of credit available under the Credit Facilities.

	October 2, 2022	January 2, 2022
Total Net Debt to Capitalization Ratio (must be less than 0.60:1.00 [2021: 0.70:1.00])	0.53	0.37
US dollars in thousands	October 2, 2022	January 2, 2022
Liquidity Position <sup>1</sup> (must be greater than \$250 million)	\$ 471,438 \$	794,332

<sup>1.</sup> Represents a supplementary financial measure. See Non-IFRS and Other Financial Measures section.

As of October 2, 2022, NFI's liquidity was \$471.4 million, without consideration given to the minimum liquidity requirement of \$250 million under the Amended Facilities. As part of the Company's efforts to improve working capital and liquidity, NFI had discussions on prepayments and deposits with customers. As of October 2, 2022, the Company has received \$42 million in prepayments and is continuing to work with other customers on plans that would help alleviate some of NFI's working capital investments while it navigates through the supply chain challenges.

NFI believes that its current liquidity is adequate to support the Company's operations as it works through the current supply chain disruption, including planned temporary heightened investments in work-in-progress inventory for vehicles being built that are awaiting microprocessor module installation or other electrical components.

Due to the ongoing uncertainty created by continuing supply chain disruptions, the Company now expects that, although its liquidity position remains strong, lower Adjusted EBITDA combined with the Company's anticipated debt profile will affect the Company's ability to comply, in the future, with certain financial covenants under the Amended Facilities. These events result in a material uncertainty that may cast significant doubt as to the ability of the Company to continue as a going concern.

The Company expects operations to continue into the long-term. The Company is taking the following mitigating steps to ensure short term liquidity and long-term stability:

- 1. At October 24, 2022, the Company halted new vehicle starts across New Flyer for a period ranging from two to three and half production weeks to allow time for suppliers to deliver components required to complete awaiting vehicles.
- 2. Following the temporary halt above, New Flyer will resume new vehicle starts at rates consistent with those from before the halt and will only increase production once confidence in supply chains has improved.
- 3. The Company will continue ongoing reviews of new bus production rates relative to supply chain health and action any required corrective measures or cost reductions.
- 4. Continuing to work directly with suppliers and sub-suppliers to search for alternate or substitute parts where possible, increase production line parts inventories and develop longer lead times to better support new vehicle production.
- 5. Continuing the NFI Forward and NFI Forward 2.0 restructuring initiatives, which includes overhead reductions, facility rationalizations and strategic sourcing savings programs.
- 6. Discussing additional financing solutions with banking and federal and provincial government partners to allow for covenant flexibility through this period of supply chain unreliability. The discussions have been progressing well and the Company anticipates it will find a suitable solution that does not require additional capital infusions from capital markets.

With items 6 above there is no assurance that such proposals covenant relief or additional financing will become available. The unaudited interim condensed consolidated financial statements do not reflect adjustments that would be necessary if the going concern basis was not appropriate.

In assessing whether the going concern assumption was appropriate, the Company took into account all relevant information available about the future including its backlog, demand for its products, government funding levels in its core markets and the Company's ability to raise additional capital by issuing long-term debt or additional common shares through either a public offering or private placement.

Management believes through its action plan and in working with its banking and provincial government partners it can obtain temporary relief from the credit facility covenants that would otherwise become applicable on January 1, 2023. The Company believes that, when combined with this relief, its cash position and capacity under its Amended Facilities, combined with anticipated future cash flows and access to capital markets, will be sufficient to fund operations, meet financial obligations as they come due and provide the funds necessary for capital expenditures, and other operational needs. See Appendix A.

The Company remains focused on deleveraging its balance sheet and returning to its target leverage of 2.0x to 2.5x total debt to Adjusted EBITDA. Management had originally expected the Company to return to those levels 18 to 24 months following the acquisition of ADL in May 2019, but the impact of COVID-19 and the continuing supply chain disruptions has extended the expected timing of deleveraging. Management believes it will achieve its longer-term leverage targets as the recovery from COVID-19 continues, the anticipated supply of parts and components slowly stabilizes, the Company achieves the benefits of the NFI Forward strategic cost reduction initiatives and the Company continues to focus on reducing working capital.

Compliance with financial covenants is reviewed monthly by management and reported quarterly to the Board. Other than the requirements imposed by borrowing agreements, the Company is not subject to any externally imposed capital requirements. Capital management objectives are reviewed on a quarterly basis or when strategic capital transactions arise.

## **Business Investment**

The Company plans to invest in the current business for future growth and will continue to invest in common systems and lean manufacturing operations to improve quality and cost effectiveness, while also investing to expand the Company's expertise in ZEBs, Infrastructure Solutions<sup>TM</sup>, and Advanced Driver Assistance Systems ("ADAS") and automated vehicles. The Company has made significant investments in its ZEB production capabilities to be prepared for the expected longer-term transition to a more electrified fleet. New Flyer now has the capability to manufacture ZEBs at all of its North American facilities. Alexander Dennis is the market leader in ZEBs with production capabilities at all of its UK facilities, MCI has invested in its electric coach offering for both public and private customers, and ARBOC commenced production of its medium-duty Equess CHARGE<sup>TM</sup> electric bus in the second half of 2021. NFI is planning for the roll-out of next generation battery technology through a second battery supplier for a first quarter 2023 launch based on projects that originally kicked off in 2020. ADL is also making further investments in its battery- and fuel-cell electric vehicles for United Kingdom and other international markets. To support customers making the transition to zero-emission fleets, NFI launched its Infrastructure Solutions<sup>TM</sup> business in 2018. Infrastructure Solutions<sup>TM</sup> has helped numerous agencies develop and launch infrastructure installation projects.

The Company has automated bus projects in development with specialized partners who have a deep understanding of artificial intelligence and ADAS. As part of this program to advance automated vehicles and ADAS, on January 29, 2021, NFI announced the launch of the New Flyer Xcelsior AV<sup>TM</sup>, North America's first automated Level 4 transit bus. The first vehicles using this technology went into production in the fourth quarter of 2021. In April 2022, NFI announced that ADL was commencing live testing of an automated bus pilot in Scotland ahead of passenger services starting later in 2022. NFI has also made numerous investments into telematics solutions to ensure customers can track detailed performance and maintenance metrics associated with their vehicles.

NFI has also made investments to reduce the company's overall manufacturing footprint and integrate operations through its NFI Forward and NFI Forward 2.0 initiatives. These investments have generated significant annualized cost savings that will positively contribute to NFI's financial results going forward.

In addition to internal investments, business acquisitions and partnerships will be considered to further grow and diversify the business and to contribute to the long-term competitiveness and stability of the Company. Investment decisions are based on several criteria, including but not limited to: investment required to maintain or enhance operations; enhancement of cost effectiveness through vertical integration of critical supply and sub-assembly in-sourcing; and acquisitions in current or adjacent markets that are considered accretive to the business.

#### Return of Capital to Shareholders

The Company intends to have a Share dividend policy that is consistent with the Company's financial performance and the desire to retain certain cash flows to support the ongoing requirements of the business and to provide the financial flexibility to pursue revenue diversification and growth opportunities. Under NFI's credit facilities, the payment of dividends is subject to a Free Cash Flow test that resumes during the fourth quarter of 2022. The Company currently does not expect to be able to meet that test. NFI is discussing the impact of its expected financial performance and the Free Cash Flow test on potential future dividend payments with members of its credit syndicate. The Board made the prudent decision to lower the dividend in April 2022 and as management continues to believe that supply and logistics disruptions are temporary, dividend payments at current levels are not expected to have a significant impact on the Company's anticipated future cash flows. Future decisions on dividend payments will be dependent on financial performance and compliance with credit facility covenants.

The Company's 2022 Q3 Free Cash Flow was (C\$80.9) million compared to declared dividends of C\$4.1 million during this period. For 2021 Q3 Free Cash Flow was C\$14.8 million compared to declared dividends of C\$15.1 million. This resulted in a payout ratio<sup>1</sup> of (5.1%) in 2022 Q3 compared to 102.0% in 2021 Q3.

The Board has declared a dividend of C\$0.0531 per Share for the period April 1, 2022 to June 30, 2022 on the Shares of the Company, reflecting the view that supply and logistics disruptions impacting the Company are temporary.

Total Capital Distributions to Shareholders (U.S. dollars in millions)	2022 Q3	2021 Q3
Dividends paid	\$ 3.2 \$	12.3

<sup>1.</sup> Represents a non-IFRS ratio, meaning it is derived from a non-IFRS measure, which does not have a standard meaning, so it may not be a reliable way to compare NFI to other companies. The ratio is calculated using Free Cash Flow, which is a non-IFRS measure. See Non-IFRS and Other Financial Measures section.

#### **Controls and Procedures**

#### Internal Controls over Financial Reporting

Management is responsible for establishing and maintaining internal controls over financial reporting ("ICFR"), as defined under rules adopted by the Canadian Securities Administrators. ICFR were designed under the supervision of, and with the participation of, the President and Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") and the Chief Financial Officer ("CFO"). The Company's ICFR are designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of Financial Statements for external purposes in accordance with IFRS.

Management adheres to the "Internal Control - Integrated Framework 2013" ("COSO 2013") from the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission.

Management, under the supervision of the CEO and CFO, evaluated the design and operational effectiveness of the Company's ICFR as of January 2, 2022 in accordance with the criteria established in COSO 2013, and concluded that the Company's ICFR are effective.

ICFR, no matter how well designed, have inherent limitations. Therefore, ICFR can provide only reasonable assurance with respect to financial statement preparation and may not prevent or detect all misstatements.

There have been no changes in our internal control over financial reporting during the quarter ended October 2, 2022 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

#### Disclosure Controls

Management is responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures in order to provide reasonable assurance that material information relating to the Company is made known to them in a timely manner and that information required to be disclosed is reported within time periods prescribed by applicable securities legislation. There are inherent limitations to the effectiveness of any system of disclosure controls and procedures, including the possibility of human error and the circumvention or overriding of the controls and procedures. Accordingly, even effective disclosure controls and procedures can only provide reasonable assurance of achieving their control objectives. The Company's CEO and CFO have concluded that disclosure controls and procedures as at October 2, 2022, were effective.

#### Appendix A - Meaning of Certain References

References in this MD&A to the "Company" are to NFI and all of its direct or indirect subsidiaries, including New Flyer Industries Canada ULC ("NFI ULC"), New Flyer of America Inc. ("NFAI"), The Aftermarket Parts Company, LLC ("TAPC"), KMG Fabrication, Inc. ("KMG"), Carfair Composites Inc. ("CCI") and Carfair Composites USA, Inc. ("CCUI", and together with "CCI", "Carfair"), The Reliable Insurance Company Limited, ARBOC Specialty Vehicles, LLC ("ARBOC"), New MCI Holdings, Inc. and its affiliated entities (collectively, "MCI"), NFI Holdings Luxembourg s.a.r.l., and Alexander Dennis Limited and its affiliated entities (collectively, "ADL") References to "New Flyer" generally refer to NFI ULC, NFAI, TAPC, KMG, CCI, and CCUI. References in this MD&A to "management" are to senior management of NFI and the Company.

The Shares trade on the Toronto Stock Exchange ("TSX") under the symbol NFI and the Convertible Debentures trade on the TSX under the symbol NFI.DB. As at October 2, 2022, 77,147,518 Shares were issued and outstanding. Additional information about NFI and the Company, including NFI's Annual Information Form and information circular, is available on SEDAR at www.sedar.com.

References to NFI's geographic regions for the purpose of reporting global revenues are as follows: "North America" refers to Canada, United States, and Mexico; United Kingdom and Europe refer to the United Kingdom and Europe; "Asia Pacific" or "APAC" refers to Hong Kong, Malaysia, Singapore, Australia, and New Zealand; and the "Other" category includes any sales that do not fall into the categories above.

#### Forward-Looking Statements

This MD&A contains "forward-looking information" and "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of applicable Canadian securities laws, which reflect the expectations of management regarding the Company's future growth, financial performance, and liquidity and objectives and the Company's strategic initiatives, plans, business prospects and opportunities, including the duration, impact of and recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic, supply chain disruptions and plans to address them, and the Company's expectation of receiving further covenant relief under its senior credit facilities. The words "believes", "views", "anticipates", "plans", "expects", "intends", "projects", "forecasts", "estimates", "guidance", "goals", "objectives" and "targets" and similar expressions of future events or conditional verbs such as "may", "will", "should", "could", "would" are intended to identify forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements reflect management's current expectations regarding future events (including the temporary nature of the supply chain disruptions and operational challenges, production improvement, the recovery of the Company's markets and the expected benefits to be obtained through its "NFI Forward" initiative) and the Company's financial and operating performance and speak only as of the date of this MD&A. By their very nature, forward-looking statements require management to make assumptions and involve significant risks and uncertainties, should not be read as guarantees of future events, performance or results, and give rise to the possibility that management's predictions, forecasts, projections, expectations or conclusions will not prove to be accurate, that the assumptions may not be correct and that the Company's future growth, financial performance and objectives and the Company's strategic initiatives, plans, business prospects and opportunities, including the Company's plans and expectations relating to the duration, impact of and recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic, supply chain disruptions and inflationary pressures, will not occur or be achieved. In connection with obtaining the necessary covenant relief under the Company's senior credit facilities, it is possible that certain other amendments could be made, including with respect to a reduction in the size of the facilities, an increase in the interest rates and other fees and additional restrictions on dividends and acquisitions. There can be no assurance that the Company will be successful in obtaining the necessary covenant relief under its senior credit facilities, any other required financing solution or that dividends will continue to be paid.

A number of factors that may cause actual results to differ materially from the results discussed in the forward-looking statements include: the Company's business, operating results, financial condition and liquidity may be materially adversely impacted by the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and related supply chain challenges, employee absenteeism and inflationary effects; the Company's business, operating results, financial condition and liquidity may be materially adversely impacted by the Russian invasion of Ukraine due to factors including but not limited to further supply chain disruptions and inflationary pressures; funding may not continue to be available to the Company's customers at current levels or at all, the Company's business is affected by economic factors and adverse developments in economic conditions which could have an adverse effect on the demand for the Company's products and the results of its operations; currency fluctuations could adversely affect the Company's financial results or competitive position; interest rates could change substantially, materially impacting the Company's revenue and profitability; an active, liquid trading market for the Shares and/or the Debentures may cease to exist, which may limit the ability of securityholders to trade Shares and/or Debentures; the market price for the Shares and/or the Debentures may be volatile; if securities or industry analysts do not publish research or reports about the Company and its business, if they adversely change their recommendations regarding the Shares or if the Company's results of operations do not meet their expectations, the Share price and trading volume could decline, in addition, if securities or industry analysts publish inaccurate or unfavorable research about the Company or its business, the Share price and trading volume of the Shares could decline; competition in the industry and entrance of new competitors; current requirements under U.S. "Buy America" regulations may change and/or become more onerous or suppliers' "Buy America" content may change; failure of the Company to comply with the U.S. Disadvantaged Business Enterprise ("DBE") program requirements or the failure to have its DBE goals approved by the U.S. Federal Transit Administration; absence of fixed term customer contracts, exercise of options and customer suspension or termination for convenience; local content bidding preferences in the United States may create a competitive disadvantage; requirements under Canadian content policies may change and/or become more onerous; the Company's business may be materially impacted by climate change matters, including risks related to the transition to a lower-carbon economy); operational risk resulting from inadequate or failed internal processes, people and/or systems or from external events, including fiduciary breaches, regulatory compliance failures, legal disputes, business disruption, pandemics, floods, technology failures, processing errors, business integration, damage to physical assets, employee safety and insurance coverage; international operations subject the Company to additional risks and costs and may cause profitability to decline; compliance with international trade regulations, tariffs and duties; dependence on unique or limited sources of supply (such as engines, components containing microprocessors or, in other cases, for example, the supply of transmissions, batteries for battery-electric buses, axles or structural steel tubing) resulting in the Company's raw materials and components not being readily available from alternative sources of supply, being available only in limited supply, a particular component may be specified by a customer, the Company's products have been engineered or designed with a component unique to one supplier or a supplier may have limited or no supply of such raw materials or components or sells such raw materials or components to the Company on less than favorable commercial terms; the Company's vehicles and certain other products contain electronics, microprocessors control modules, and other computer chips, for which there has been a surge in demand, resulting in a worldwide supply shortage of such chips in the transportation industry, and a shortage or disruption of the supply of such microchips could materially disrupt the Company's operations and its ability to deliver products to customers; dependence on supply of engines that comply with emission regulations; a disruption, termination or alteration of the supply of vehicle chassis or other critical components from third-party suppliers could materially adversely affect the sales of certain of the Company's products; the Company's profitability can be adversely affected by increases in raw material and component costs; the Company may incur material losses and costs as a result of product warranty costs, recalls and remediation of transit buses and motor coaches; production delays may result in liquidated damages under the Company's contracts with its customers; catastrophic events, including those related to impacts of climate change, may lead to production curtailments or shutdowns; the Company may not be able to successfully renegotiate collective bargaining agreements when they expire and may be adversely affected by labor disruptions and shortages of labor; the Company's operations are subject to risks and hazards that may result in monetary losses and liabilities not covered by insurance or which exceed its insurance coverage; the Company may be adversely affected by rising insurance costs; the Company may not be able to maintain performance bonds or letters of credit required by its contracts or obtain performance bonds and letters of credit required for new contracts; the Company is subject to litigation in the ordinary course of business and may incur material losses and costs as a result of product liability and other claims; the Company may have difficulty selling pre-owned coaches and realizing expected resale values; the Company may incur costs in connection with regulations relating to axle weight restrictions and vehicle lengths; the Company may be subject to claims and liabilities under environmental, health and safety laws; dependence on management information systems and cyber security risks; the Company's ability to execute its strategy and conduct operations is dependent upon its ability to attract, train and retain qualified personnel, including its ability to retain and attract executives, senior management and key employees; the Company may be exposed to liabilities under applicable anti-corruption laws and any determination that it violated these laws could have a material adverse effect on its business; the Company's risk management policies and procedures may not be fully effective in achieving their intended purposes; internal controls over financial reporting, no matter how well designed, have inherent limitations; there are inherent limitations to the effectiveness of any system of disclosure controls and procedures, including the possibility of human error and the circumvention or overriding of the controls and procedures; ability to successfully execute strategic plans and maintain profitability; development of competitive or disruptive products, services or technology; development and testing of new products or model variants; acquisition risk; reliance on third-party manufacturers; third-party distribution/dealer agreements; availability to the Company of future financing; the Company may not be able to generate the necessary amount of cash to service its existing debt, which may require the Company to refinance its debt; the Company's substantial consolidated indebtedness could negatively impact the business; the restrictive covenants in the Company's credit facilities could impact the Company's business and affect its ability to pursue its business strategies; payment of dividends is not guaranteed; a significant amount of the Company's cash is distributed, which may restrict potential growth; the Company is dependent on its subsidiaries for all cash available for distributions; the Company may not be able to make principal payments on the Debentures; redemption by the Company of the Debentures for Shares will result in dilution to holders of Shares; Debentures may be redeemed by the Company prior to maturity; the Company may not be able to repurchase the Debentures upon a change of control as required by the trust indenture under which the Debentures were issued (the "Indenture"); conversion of the Debentures following certain transactions could lessen or eliminate the value of the conversion privilege associated with the Debentures; future sales or the possibility of future sales of a substantial number of Shares or Debentures may impact the price of the Shares and/or the Debentures and could result in dilution; payments to holders of the Debentures are subordinated in right of payment to existing and future Senior Indebtedness (as described under the Indenture) and will depend on the financial health of the Company and its creditworthiness; if the Company is required to write down goodwill or other intangible assets, its financial condition and operating results would be negatively affected; and income and other tax risk resulting from the complexity of the Company's businesses and operations and the income and other tax interpretations, legislation and regulations pertaining to the Company's activities being subject to continual change.

Factors relating to the global COVID-19 pandemic include: the magnitude and duration of the global, national and regional economic and social disruption being caused as a result of the pandemic; the impact of national, regional and local governmental laws, regulations and "shelter in place" or similar orders relating to the pandemic which may materially adversely impact the Company's ability to continue operations; partial or complete closures of one, more or all of the Company's facilities and work locations or the reduction of production rates (including due to government mandates and to protect the health and safety of the Company's employees or as a result of employees being unable to come to work due to COVID-19 infections with respect to them or their family members or having to isolate or quarantine as a result of coming into contact with infected individuals); production rates may be further decreased as a result of the pandemic; ongoing and future supply delays and shortages of parts and components, and shipping and freight delays, and disruption to labor supply as a result of the pandemic; the pandemic will likely adversely affect operations of suppliers and customers, and reduce and delay, for an unknown period, customers' purchases of the Company's products and the supply of parts and components by suppliers; the anticipated recovery of the Company's markets in the future may be delayed or increase in demand may be lower than expected as a result of the continuing effects of the pandemic; the Company's ability to obtain access to additional capital if required; and the Company's financial performance and condition, obligations, cash flow and liquidity and its ability to maintain compliance with the covenants under its credit facilities, which may also negatively impact the ability of the Company to pay dividends. There can be no assurance that the Company will be able to maintain sufficient liquidity for an extended period, obtain satisfactory covenant relief under its credit facilities, or access to additional capital or access to government financial support or as to when production operations will return to previous production rates. There is also no assurance that governments will provide continued or adequate stimulus funding during or after the pandemic for public transit agencies to purchase transit vehicles or that public or private demand for the Company's vehicles will return to pre-pandemic levels in the anticipated period of time. The Company cautions that due to the dynamic, fluid and highly unpredictable nature of the pandemic and its impact on global and local economies, supply chains, businesses and individuals, it is impossible to predict the severity of the impact on the Company's business, operating performance, financial condition and ability to generate sufficient cash flow and maintain adequate liquidity and any material adverse effects could very well be rapid, unexpected and may continue for an extended and unknown period of time.

Factors relating to the Company's "NFI Forward" initiative include: the Company's ability to successfully execute the initiative and to generate the planned savings in the expected time frame or at all; management may have overestimated the amount of savings and production efficiencies that can be generated or may have underestimated the amount of costs to be expended; the implementation of the initiative may take longer than planned to achieve the expected savings; further restructuring and cost-cutting may be required in order to achieve the objectives of the initiative; the estimated amount of savings generated under the initiative may not be sufficient to achieve the planned benefits; combining business units and/or reducing the number of production or parts facilities may not achieve the efficiencies anticipated; and the impact of the continuing global COVID-19 pandemic, supply chain challenges and inflationary pressures. There can be no assurance that the Company will be able to achieve the anticipated financial and operational benefits, cost savings or other benefits of the initiative.

Factors relating to the Company's financial guidance and targets disclosed in this MD&A include, in addition to the factors set out above, the degree to which actual future events accord with, or vary from, the expectations of, and assumptions used by, NFI's management in preparing the financial guidance and targets and the Company's ability to successfully execute the "NFI Forward" initiative and to generate the planned savings in the expected time frame or at all.

Although the Company has attempted to identify important factors that could cause actual actions, events or results to differ materially from those described in forward-looking statements, there may be other factors that could cause actions, events or results not to be as anticipated, estimated or intended or to occur or be achieved at all. Specific reference is made to "Risk Factors" in the Company's Annual Information Form for a discussion of the factors that may affect forward-looking statements and information. Should one or more of these risks or uncertainties materialize, or should underlying assumptions prove incorrect, actual results may vary materially from those described in forward-looking statements and information. The forward-looking statements and information contained herein are made as of the date of this MD&A (or as otherwise indicated) and, except as required by law, the Company does not undertake to update any forward-looking statement or information, whether written or oral, that may be made from time to time by the Company or on its behalf. The Company provides no assurance that forward-looking statements and information will prove to be accurate, as actual results and future events could differ materially from those anticipated in such statements. Accordingly, readers and investors should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements and information.

#### Appendix B - 2022 Third Quarter Order Activity

#### Demand for Transit Buses and Motor Coaches

The Company's "Bid Universe" metric tracks known active public competitions in Canada and the United States and attempts to provide an overall indication of anticipated heavy-duty transit bus and motor coach public sector market demand. It is a point-intime snapshot of: (i) EUs in active competitions, defined as all requests for proposals received by the Company and in process of review plus bids submitted by the Company and awaiting customer action, and (ii) management's forecast, based on data provided by operators for their fleet replacement plans, of expected EUs to be placed out for competition over the next five years.

Similar to the first half of 2022, NFI's end markets continued to show strong signs of recovery in the third quarter. Following large declines in the second half of 2020 as a result of the pandemic delaying orders in core markets, active bids rebounded significantly in 2021, averaging 6,850 EUs from 2021 Q2 through 2021 Q4. As of 2022 Q3, active bids reached 10,107 EUs, up 46.5% year-over-year, the highest number of active bids on record. The Company ended 2022 Q3 with 2,881 bids in process, and another 7,226 bids submitted, the highest number of bids submitted on record; bids submitted increase by 14.6%, or 4,121 EUs, year-over-year. Management expects active bids will continue to remain high into 2023 as markets recover from the COVID-19 pandemic and new government funding is used by transit agencies.

The forecasted five-year North American industry procurement has rebounded from the lows of the first half of 2021. Year-over-year, the Total Bid Universe increased by 13.5%, or 3,629 EUs. NFI expects that the forecasted five-year North American industry procurement will remain high into 2023 as transit agencies start to formalize their short- and long-term procurement plans linked to the multi-billion funding programs announced and/or launched by governments in Canada and the U.S.

As at 2022 Q3, 14,556 units, or 47.8%, of the Total Bid Universe is ZEBs, an increase of 42.4% year-over-year, which supports management's expectations for a continued increase in the demand for ZEBs.

The Bid Universe EUs fluctuate significantly from quarter-to-quarter based on public tender activity procurement and award processes.

	Bids in Process (EUs)	Bids Submitted (EUs)	Active EUs	Forecasted Industry Procurement over 5 Years (EUs) <sup>1</sup>	Total Bid Universe (EUs)
2021 Q3	594	6,307	6,901	19,954	26,855
2021 Q4	1,783	5,062	6,845	19,468	26,313
2022 Q1	805	4,757	5,562	20,809	26,371
2022 Q2	4,477	3,105	7,582	21,565	29,147
2022 Q3	2,881	7,226	10,107	20,377	30,484

<sup>1.</sup> Management's estimate of anticipated future industry procurement over the next five years is based on direct discussions with select U.S. and Canadian transit authorities. This estimate includes potential public customers activity for New Flyer and MCI vehicles, but excludes potential ARBOC and ADL U.S. and Canadian sales.

Procurement of heavy-duty transit buses and motor coaches by the U.S. and Canadian public sector is typically accomplished through formal multi-year contracts and purchasing schedules (state and national contracts, agency purchasing contracts), while procurement by the private sector in North America, the UK and Europe and Asia Pacific is typically made on a transactional basis. As a result, the Company does not maintain a Bid Universe for private sector buses and coaches.

The sale of cutaway and medium-duty buses manufactured by ARBOC is accomplished on a transactional purchase order basis through non-exclusive third-party dealers who hold contracts directly with the customers. Bids are submitted by and agreements are held with a network of dealers. Cutaway and medium-duty bus activity therefore is not included in the Bid Universe metric.

ADL does not currently have a Bid Universe metric for the UK and European or Asia Pacific markets similar to New Flyer and MCI's North American Bid Universe. Management does not believe a similar Bid Universe metric for those markets is suitable given that the majority of customers in those regions are private operators who make annual purchase decisions. The overall UK market declined from 2015 to 2019, and was expected to increase in 2020. The UK market was hit disproportionately hard by the COVID-19 pandemic, with bus ridership down by nearly 80% at its worst point in 2020. While management saw signs of recovery in 2021 and the first three quarters of 2022, supply chain challenges have continued to disrupt the market. Going forward, management expects stronger recovery based on customers' fleet recovery plans, an aging UK vehicle fleet, government focus on the green recovery and expected government funding. ADL continues to grow in Europe with multi-year contracts in Ireland and Germany. The European market is highly fragmented with numerous players providing niche opportunities for ADL in the future.

In Asia Pacific, the Hong Kong market is highly cyclical, and, following busier periods in 2015 through 2018, the market has declined as anticipated. As in other regions, Hong Kong was also impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic, but ADL remains the leader in double-deck buses and retains deep customer relationships in Hong Kong. Management continues to expect the Hong Kong market to see stable annual deliveries and a slow recovery through the rest of 2022 and into 2023. New Zealand and Singapore remain highly cyclical markets with more predictable purchasing expectations based on vehicle age; both markets saw increased activity in 2017, 2018 and 2019, but were impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic in 2020 and 2021.

#### Order activity

New orders (firm and options) during 2022 Q3 totaled 453 EUs, a decrease of 42.3% from 2021 Q3. The timing of new orders can vary based on transit agency procurement processes, with the fourth quarter typically being a busier period tied to agency and operator approval meetings. The new firm and option orders awarded to the Company for LTM 2022 Q3 were 4,815 EUs, an increase of 17.0% from LTM 2021 Q3. The Company was successful at converting 217 EUs of options to firm orders during 2022 Q3, an increase from the 85 EUs converted in 2022 Q2 and an increase from the 154 EUs converted in 2021 Q3; option conversions tend to vary quarter-to-quarter. These 217 EUs of option conversions contributed to the 797 EUs converted to firm orders during LTM 2022 Q3.

In 2022 Q3, NFI received orders for 127 EUs of battery-electric, zero-emission vehicles, a decrease of 196 EUs from 2022 Q2; orders in 2022 Q3 were down for all propulsion types. These 127 EUs of ZEBs equate to 28.0% of all new firm and option orders for the quarter, which increased from 24.1% in 2022 Q2.

In addition, 1,360 EUs of new firm and option orders were pending from customers at the end of 2022 Q3, where approval of the award to the Company had been made by the customer's board, council, or commission, as applicable, but purchase documentation had not yet been received by the Company and therefore not yet included in the backlog. This was up from the 1,098 EUs of pending new firm and option orders as of the end of 2022 Q2. NFI anticipates that the majority of these units in bid award pending will convert into backlog during 2022 Q4.

	New Orders in Quarter (Firm and Option EUs)	LTM New Orders (Firm and Option EUs)	Option Conversions in Quarter (EUs)	LTM Option Conversions (EUs)
2021 Q3	785	4,115	154	1,004
2021 Q4	1,607	4,724	277	1,110
2022 Q1	1,407	4,919	218	1,051
2022 Q2	1,348	5,147	85	734
2022 Q3	453	4,815	217	797

## **Options**

In 2022 Q3, 804 options expired, as compared to just one option in 2022 Q2, and as compared to 75 options that expired in 2021 Q3. Option expiries can vary significantly quarter-to-quarter and management is not concerned about the large number of option expiries in 2022 Q3. Certain agencies are letting a portion of older options expire as they re-evaluate their longer-term fleet planning decisions with an increased focus on the procurement of ZEBs rather than traditional internal combustion engine propulsion. In certain cases, customers have issued new procurements to replace the expired options. Overall demand remains at record levels and will support future option orders.

A significant number of public transit contracts in the U.S. and Canada have a term of three to five years. In addition, some contracts in the UK and APAC also have multi-year terms. The table below shows the number of option EUs that have either expired or have been exercised annually over the past five years, as well as the current backlog of options that will expire each year if not exercised.

	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	Total
A) Options Expired (EUs)	331	741	512	1,202	819	1,089						4,694
B) Options Exercised (EUs)	1,404	1,795	1,518	953	1,110	520						7,300
C) Current Options by year of expiry (EUs)						746	557	389	547	1,614	499	4,352
D) Conversion rate $\% = B / (A+B)$	81 %	71 %	75 %	44 %	58 %							

The Company's conversion rate can vary significantly from quarter-to-quarter and should be looked at on an annual or LTM basis. Option expirations in 2020, 2021 and first three quarters of 2022 were primarily a result of agencies allowing a portion of their options from older contracts awarded in 2016 and 2017 to expire as they re-evaluate their longer-term fleet planning decisions.

In addition to contracts for identified public customers, the Company has increased its focus on purchasing schedules (state and national contracts, cooperative agency purchasing agreements) with the objective of having multiple available schedules, from which customers within a prescribed region or from defined list, can purchase. The Company is currently named on over 20 of these purchasing schedules, either directly or through its dealers. These schedules are not recorded in backlog as they do not have defined quantities allocated to the Company or any other original equipment manufacturer. Once a customer purchases a bus under one of these agreements, the purchase is recorded as a firm order. The Company has received more than 1,000 vehicle awards from these schedules since the start of 2018, showing their growing use by transit agencies as a procurement alternative in North America.

The Company's 2022 Q3 Book-to-Bill ratio (defined as new firm orders and exercised options divided by new deliveries) was 77.3%, a slight decrease from 79.7% in 2021 Q3. This slight decrease in Book-to-Bill was driven by a 42.3% decrease in year-over-year orders combined with higher deliveries. LTM 2022 Q3 Book-to-Bill was 129.8%, an increase from 95.7% for LTM 2021 Q3. Active bids, including bids submitted, are at record levels (see page 40).

#### Backlog

The Company's total backlog consists of buses sold primarily to U.S. and Canadian public customers and private operators in the UK and Europe. The majority of the backlog relates to New Flyer transit buses for public clients with some of the backlog consisting of units from MCI, ADL and ARBOC. Options for ARBOC vehicles are held by dealers, rather than the operator, and are not included as options in the NFI backlog, but are converted to firm backlog when vehicles are ordered by the dealer.

Transit buses and motor coaches incorporating clean propulsion systems, including compressed natural gas, diesel-electric hybrid, and ZEBs, which consist of trolley-electric, fuel cell-electric, and battery-electric buses, represent approximately 62.6% of the total backlog as of the end of 2022 Q3, up from 57.0% as of the end of 2022 Q2. As at the end of 2022 Q3, there were 1,802 ZEBs in the backlog, representing a record of approximately 21.2% of the total backlog, up from 19.6% in 2022 Q2.

		2022 Q3			2022 Q2		2021 Q3		
	Firm Orders	Options	Total	Firm Orders	Options	Total	Firm Orders	Options	Total
Beginning of period	4,366	5,308	9,674	4,057	4,851	8,908	3,522	4,646	8,168
New orders	388	65	453	805	543	1,348	445	340	785
Options exercised	217	(217)	_	85	(85)	_	154	(154)	_
Shipments <sup>1</sup>	(783)	_	(783)	(562)	_	(562)	(752)	_	(752)
Cancelled/expired	(35)	(804)	(839)	(19)	(1)	(20)	(23)	(75)	(98)
End of period	4,153	4,352	8,505	4,366	5,308	9,674	3,346	4,757	8,103
Consisting of:									
Heavy-duty transit buses	3,114	4,082	7,196	3,296	5,036	8,332	2,399	4,371	6,770
Motor coaches	358	270	628	395	272	667	445	386	831
Cutaway and medium-duty buses	681	_	681	675	_	675	502	_	502
Total Backlog	4,153	4,352	8,505	4,366	5,308	9,674	3,346	4,757	8,103

<sup>1.</sup> Shipments do not include delivery of pre-owned coaches as these coaches are not included in the backlog.

At the end of 2022 Q3, the Company's total backlog (firm and options) of 8,505 EUs (valued at \$4.9 billion²), decreased compared to 9,674 EUs (valued at \$5.5 billion²) at the end of 2022 Q2. The decrease was driven by lower new awards in North American and UK transit operations in the quarter, offset by higher deliveries and higher option expiries. In addition, 1,360 EUs of new firm and option orders were pending from customers at the end of 2022 Q3, where approval of the award to the Company had been made by the customer's board, council, or commission, as applicable, but purchase documentation had not yet been received by the Company and therefore not yet included in the backlog. The average price of an EU in backlog is now \$640.9 thousand, a 25% increase from 2021 Q3. The summary of the values is provided below.

	 2022 Q3			2022	Q2	2021 Q3		
		Equivalent Units			Equivalent Units		Equivalent Units	
Total firm orders	\$ 2,276.2	4,153	\$	2,375.6	4,366	\$ 1,720.5	3,346	
Total options	2,589.5	4,352		3,119.1	5,308	2,434.4	4,757	
Total backlog <sup>2</sup>	\$ 4,865.7	8,505	\$	5,494.7	9,674	\$ 4,154.9	8,103	

<sup>2.</sup> Represents a supplementary financial measure. See Non-IFRS and Other Financial Measures section.

# Unaudited Interim Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements of **NFI GROUP INC.**

October 2, 2022

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UNAUDITED INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF NET LOSS AND TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE (LOSS) INCOME 13-weeks and 39-weeks ended October 2, 2022 ("2022 Q3" and "2022 Q3 YTD", respectively) and 13-weeks and 39-weeks ended September 26, 2021 ("2021 Q3" and "2021 Q3 YTD", respectively) (in thousands of U.S. dollars except per share figures)

	2022 Q3	2021 Q3	2022 Q3 YTD	2021 Q3 YTD
Revenue (note 16)	\$ 514,047 \$	492,038	1,371,329 \$	1,648,951
Cost of sales (note 4)	507,255	452,663	1,344,130	1,454,228
Gross profit	6,792	39,375	27,199	194,723
Sales, general and administration costs and other operating expenses	56,593	42,721	182,420	149,783
Foreign exchange gain	(6,322)	(549)	(5,761)	(5,856)
(Loss) earnings from operations	(43,479)	(2,797)	(149,460)	50,796
Gain (loss) on disposition of property, plant and equipment	544	(642)	975	(298)
Unrealized foreign exchange gain (loss) on monetary items	2,481	(1,356)	(3,331)	(5,992)
(Loss) earnings before interest and income taxes	(40,454)	(4,795)	(151,816)	44,506
Interest and finance costs				
Interest on long-term debt	13,804	14,957	35,166	41,636
Interest on convertible debt	3,828	_	10,613	_
Accretion in carrying value of long-term debt (note 10)	1,795	288	2,611	2,634
Accretion in carrying value of convertible debt and cash conversion option (note 11)	1,915	_	5,696	_
Interest expense on lease liability	1,448	1,574	4,315	4,884
Other interest and bank charges	(292)	596	3,547	3,804
Fair market value gain on interest rate swap	(10,538)	(1,791)	(38,861)	(13,280)
Fair market value loss (gain) on cash conversion option	314	_	(11,026)	_
	12,274	15,624	12,061	39,678
(Loss) earnings before income tax expense	(52,728)	(20,419)	(163,877)	4,828
Income tax (recovery) expense (note 9)	(10,133)	(5,004)	(36,473)	10,621
Net loss for the period	\$ (42,595) \$	(15,415) \$	(127,404) \$	(5,793)
Other comprehensive (loss) income				
Actuarial gain (loss) on defined benefit pension plan - this item will not be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss	(12,057)	1,417	14,812	11,253
Unrealized foreign exchange (loss) gain on translation of foreign operations - this item will not be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss	(15,754)	(2,052)	(39,812)	5,582
Net gain (loss) on equity hedge		_	(300)	
Total comprehensive (loss) income for the period	(70,406)	(16,050)	(152,704)	11,042
Net loss per share (basic) (note 12)	\$ (0.56) \$	(0.22)	(1.65) \$	(0.08)
Net loss per share (diluted) (note 12)	\$ (0.56) \$	(0.22)	(1.65) \$	(0.08)

# UNAUDITED INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As at October 2, 2022 (in thousands of U.S. dollars)

	October 2, 2022	January 2, 2022
Assets		
Current		
Cash	\$ 39,832 \$	77,318
Accounts receivable (note 3, 15c)	322,395	396,535
Inventories (note 4)	843,805	567,698
Income tax receivable	17,081	21,396
Derivative financial instruments (note 15 a,b)	2,141	442
Prepaid expenses and deposits	20,972	7,549
Other short-term asset (note 10)	117	_
	1,246,343	1,070,938
Property, plant and equipment	199,928	221,338
Right-of-use asset	102,156	121,761
Derivative financial instruments (note 15 a,b)	28,953	_
Goodwill and intangible assets (note 5)	1,074,105	1,144,963
Accrued benefit asset	17,383	4,116
Other long-term assets (note 6)	30,374	36,504
Deferred tax assets	10,899	_
	\$ 2,710,141 \$	2,599,620
Liabilities		
Current		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	481,272	458,864
Income tax payable	2,097	1,104
Derivative financial instruments (note 15 a,b)	2,247	1,799
Current portion of long-term liabilities (note 7)	198,680	142,860
	684,296	604,627
Accrued benefit liability	3,800	11,211
Obligations under leases	104,423	120,414
Deferred compensation obligation	1,905	2,769
Deferred revenue	18,608	19,818
Provisions (note 8)	64,449	63,498
Deferred tax liabilities	41,155	62,806
Derivative financial instruments (note 11, 15 a,b)	9,943	30,526
Long-term debt (note 10)	859,297	586,411
Convertible debentures (note 11)	211,281	225,768
	\$ 1,999,157 \$	1,727,848
Commitments and contingencies (note 17)		
Shareholders' equity		
Share capital (note 12)	988,145	987,943
Stock option and restricted share unit reserve	10,931	10,105
Accumulated other comprehensive income	(19,079)	5,921
Deficit	(269,013)	(132,197)
	\$ 710,984 \$	871,772
	\$ 2,710,141 \$	2,599,620

# UNAUDITED INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

For the period ended October 2, 2022 (in thousands of U.S. dollars)

	2	Share Capital	Stock Optior and Restricted Share Unit Reserve	Compre	nulated Other hensive Income	Retained Earnings (Deficit)	Total Shareholders' Equity
Balance, December 27, 2020	\$	681,405	\$ 8,400	\$ (	(1,113) \$	(68,551) \$	620,141
Net loss		_	_		_	(5,793)	(5,793)
Other comprehensive income		_	_	•	16,835	_	16,835
Dividends declared on common shares		_	_		_	(36,187)	(36, 187)
Equity Transaction Cost		(8,592)	_		_	_	(8,592)
Share-based compensation, net of deferred income taxes		_	1,756		_	_	1,756
Shares issued		199,062	(211	)	_	_	198,851
Balance, September 26, 2021	\$	871,875	\$ 9,945	\$ 1	5,722 \$	(110,531) \$	787,011
Net loss		_	_		_	(8,691)	(8,691)
Other comprehensive loss		_	_		(9,801)	_	(9,801)
Dividends declared on common shares		_	_		_	(12,975)	(12,975)
Equity Transaction Cost		(1,556)	_		_	_	(1,556)
Share-based compensation, net of deferred income taxes		_	435		_	_	435
Shares issued		117,624	(275	)	_	_	117,349
Balance, January 2, 2022	\$	987,943	\$ 10,105	\$	5,921 \$	(132,197) \$	871,772
Net loss		_	_		_	(127,404)	(127,404)
Other comprehensive loss		_	_	(2	25,000)	_	(25,000)
Dividends declared on common shares		_	_		_	(9,412)	(9,412)
Equity transaction cost		(2)	_		_	_	(2)
Share-based compensation, net of deferred income taxes		_	1,030		_	_	1,030
Shares issued		204	(204	)	_	_	
Balance, October 2, 2022	\$	988,145	\$ 10,931	\$ (1	9,079) \$	(269,013) \$	710,984

UNAUDITED INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
13-weeks and 39-weeks ended October 2, 2022 ("2022 Q3" and "2022 Q3 YTD, respectively) and 13-weeks and 39-weeks ended September 26, 2021 ("2021 Q3" and "2021 Q3 YTD", respectively)
(in thousands of U.S. dollars)

	2022 Q3	2021 Q3	2022 Q3 YTD	2021 Q3 YTD
Operating activities				
Net (loss) earnings for the period	\$ (42,595) \$	(15,415)	\$ (127,404)	\$ (5,793)
Income tax (recovery) expense	(10,133)	(5,004)	(36,473)	10,621
Depreciation of plant and equipment	14,571	15,786	42,129	47,403
Amortization of intangible assets	7,711	8,184	23,786	24,634
Share-based compensation	421	293	949	1,445
Interest and finance costs recognized in profit or loss	11,960	15,624	23,087	39,678
Fair value adjustment for total return swap	297	736	1,373	34
Unrealized foreign exchange loss (gain) on monetary items	(2,481)	1,356	3,331	5,992
Foreign exchange (gain) loss on cash held in foreign currency	(2,345)	(43)	(791)	24
(Gain) loss on fair value adjustment for cash conversion option	314	_	(11,026)	_
(Gain) loss on disposition of property, plant and equipment	(544)	642	(975)	298
Impairment loss on property, plant and equipment	4	682	2,558	682
Impairment loss on right-of-use asset	1,328	221	2,582	2,013
Defined benefit expense	1,860	1,111	4,413	3,350
Defined benefit funding	(2,270)	(625)	(4,566)	(2,062)
Cash (used in) generated by operating activities before non-cash working capital items and interest and income taxes paid	(21,902)	23,548	(77,027)	128,319
Changes in non-cash working capital items (note 14)	(97,939)	(41,429)	(127,912)	(93,813)
Cash (used in) generated by operating activities before interest and income taxes paid	(119,841)	(17,881)	(204,939)	34,506
Interest paid	(15,384)	(13,619)	(42,881)	(46,970)
Income taxes recovered (paid)	6,556	(6,987)	4,466	(22,548)
Net cash used in operating activities	(128,669)	(38,487)	(243,354)	(35,012)
Financing activities				
Repayment of obligations under lease	(8,017)	(5,645)	(18,888)	(15,986)
Proceeds from (repayment of) revolving credit facilities	135,862	78,536	259,419	(82,399)
Share issuance	_	_	(2)	198,849
Equity transaction cost	_	_	_	(8,592)
Dividends paid	(3,180)	(12,270)	(19,425)	(34,590)
Net cash generated by financing activities	124,665	60,621	221,104	57,282
Investing activities				
Acquisition of intangible assets	(2,947)	(256)	(6,476)	(860)
Proceeds from disposition of property, plant and equipment	360	515	1,673	3,533
Investment in long-term restricted deposits	3	_	5,415	4,700
Acquisition of property, plant and equipment	(6,199)	(5,309)	(16,639)	(20,566)
Net cash used in investing activities	(8,783)	(5,050)	(16,027)	(13,193)
Effect of foreign exchange rate on cash	2,345	43	791	(24)
(Decrease) increase in cash	(10,442)	17,127	(37,486)	9,053
Cash — beginning of period	50,274	47,695	77,318	55,769
Cash — end of period	\$ 39,832 \$	64,822	\$ 39,832	\$ 64,822

NFI GROUP INC.
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#### 1. CORPORATE INFORMATION

NFI Group Inc. ("NFI" or the "Company") was incorporated on June 16, 2005 as New Flyer Industries Inc. under the laws of the Province of Ontario. The name of the Company was changed to "NFI Group Inc." on May 14, 2018 to better reflect the multi-platform nature of the Company's business. NFI is a leading independent global bus manufacturer providing a comprehensive suite of mass transportation solutions under brands: New Flyer® (heavy-duty transit buses), Alexander Dennis Limited ("ADL") (single and double-deck buses), Plaxton (motor coaches), MCI® (motor coaches), ARBOC Specialty Vehicles, LLC ("ARBOC") (low-floor cutaway and medium-duty buses) and NFI Parts™ (aftermarket parts sales). The Company's common shares (the "Shares") are listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange ("TSX") under the symbol "NFI.". The Company's convertible debentures are listed on the TSX under the symbol "NFI.DB".

These unaudited interim condensed consolidated financial statements (the "Statements") were approved by the Company's board of directors (the "Board") on November 15, 2022.

#### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these Statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all periods presented, unless otherwise stated.

#### 2.1 Statement of Compliance

The Statements are unaudited and have been prepared in accordance with International Accounting Standards ("IAS") 34, Interim Financial Reporting, and do not include all the information required for annual financial statements.

## 2.2 Basis of preparation

The Statements were prepared on a going concern basis in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") which require management to make judgments, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, revenue and expenses. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The going concern basis asserts that the Company has the ability to realize its assets and discharge its liabilities and commitments in the normal course of business. At October 2, 2022, as a result of ongoing supply chain disruptions, the Company expects to be unable to comply with certain of its financial covenants under the terms of its credit facilities beginning on January 1, 2023.

These events result in a material uncertainty that may cast significant doubt as to the ability of the Company to continue as a going concern. The unaudited interim condensed consolidated financial statements do not reflect adjustments that would be necessary if the Company was not a going concern.

The Company expects operations to continue into the long-term. The Company is taking a number of operational steps including cost savings measures to ensure adequate short-term liquidity. Additionally, the Company is continuing to work directly with suppliers and sub-suppliers to search for alternate or substitute parts where possible, increase production line parts inventories and develop longer lead times to better support new vehicle production. The Company is also discussing additional financing solutions with banking and provincial government partners to allow for covenant flexibility through this period of supply chain unreliability, although there is no assurance that such covenant relief or additional financing will become available.

In assessing whether the going concern assumption was appropriate, the Company took into account all relevant information available about the future including its backlog, demand for its products, government funding levels in its core markets and the Company's ability to raise additional capital by issuing long-term debt or additional common shares through either a public offering or private placement.

#### 2.3 Principles of consolidation

The Statements include the accounts of the Company's subsidiaries.

#### **Subsidiaries**

Subsidiaries are entities over which the Company has control, where control is achieved when the Company: has power over the investee; is exposed, or has rights, to variable returns from its involvement with the investee; and has the ability to use its power to affect its returns. The Company holds 100% of the voting rights in, and therefore controls, its subsidiaries.

Inter-company transactions between subsidiaries are eliminated on consolidation.

#### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### 2.4 Fiscal Periods

	Period f January 3 to January ("Fiscal 2	Period December to January ("Fiscal 2				
-	C Period End Date		# of Calendar Weeks	Pe	riod End Date	# of Calendar Weeks
Quarter 1	April 3, 2022	("2022 Q1")	13	March 28, 2021	("2021 Q1")	13
Quarter 2	July 3, 2022	("2022 Q2")	13	June 27, 2021	("2021 Q2")	13
Quarter 3	October 2, 2022	("2022 Q3")	13	September 26, 2021	("2021 Q3")	13
Quarter 4	January 1, 2023	("2022 Q4")	13	January 2, 2022	("2021 Q4")	14
Fiscal year	January 1, 2023		52	January 2, 2022		53

## 2.5 Functional and presentation currency

The Company operates with multiple functional currencies. The Statements are presented in U.S. dollars as this presentation is most meaningful to financial statement users. References to "\$" are to U.S. dollars, references to "C\$" are to Canadian dollars and references to "£" are to British pounds sterling ("GBP"). For those subsidiaries with different functional currencies, exchange rate differences arising from the translation of items that form part of the net investment in the foreign operation are recorded in unrealized foreign exchange gains (losses) on translation of foreign operations in other comprehensive (loss) income.

# 2.6 Share-based compensation plans

The Company operates a cash-settled share-based compensation plans under which restricted share units ("RSUs") are granted to senior management. The expense is determined based on the fair value of the liability at the end of the reporting period until the awards are settled.

The impact due to changes in the price of Shares in respect of cash-settled share-based compensation under the RSU is hedged through the use of derivatives. The Company applies hedge accounting to certain designated derivatives related to the cash flow hedge. The effective portion of the change in fair value of these derivatives is recognized in other comprehensive income and is reclassified into "Sales, general and administration costs and other operating expenses", within the unaudited interim condensed consolidated statements of net (loss) earnings and total comprehensive (loss) income, over the period that the hedged awards impact the net earnings. The ineffective portion of the change in fair value of the hedging derivatives is recognized immediately as it arises in the consolidated statement of net (loss) earnings.

#### 2.7 Standards Issued but not yet adopted

#### IFRS 17 - Insurance Contracts:

In May 2017, with amendments in June 2020, the IASB issued IFRS 17, Insurance Contracts which will replace IFRS 4, effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after January 1, 2023, which introduced new guidance for recognition, measurement, presentation and disclosure of insurance contracts.

The standard requires entities to measure insurance contract liabilities as the risk-adjusted present value of the cash flows plus the contractual service margin, which represents the unearned profit the entity will recognize as future service is provided. Depending on the type of contract, this is measured using the general measurement model or the variable fee approach. Expedients are specified, provided the insurance contracts meet certain conditions. The premium allocation approach is permitted for the liability for remaining coverage on contracts with a duration of one year or less, or where the use of the premium allocation approach closely approximates the use of the general measurement model. If, at initial recognition or subsequently, the fulfilment cash flows are in a net outflow, the contract is considered onerous and the excess is recognized immediately in profit. A loss recovery component is recognized immediately in profit representing amounts recoverable from reinsurers related to onerous contracts. Management is currently assessing the impact of this standard on its consolidated Financial Statements.

# NOTES TO THE UNAUDITED INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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#### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### IAS 1 - Presentation of Financial Statements:

Disclosure of Accounting policies which amends IAS 1, Presentation of financial statements was issued in February 2021, effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after January 1, 2023. The amendments to the standard clarify some requirements relating to materiality, order of notes, subtotals, accounting policies and disaggregation. The amended paragraphs require entities to disclose their material accounting policy information rather than significant accounting policies, as well as provided a four-step materiality process to determine which accounting policy disclosures are required. Management is currently assessing the impact of this standard on its consolidated Financial Statements.

Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current, which amends IAS 1, was issued January 2020, effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after January 1, 2023. This clarified a criterion in IAS 1 for classifying a liability as non-current: the requirement for an entity to have the right to defer settlement of the liability for at least 12 months after the reporting period. Management is currently assessing the impact of this standard on its consolidated Financial Statements.

#### 3. ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

	October 2, 2022	January 2, 2022
Trade, net of allowance for doubtful accounts (note 15c)	\$ 295,728	368,548
Other	26,667	27,987
	\$ 322,395	396,535

In the normal course of its business, the Company has entered into facilities with certain financial institutions whereby it can sell, without credit recourse, eligible receivables to such financial institutions. As at October 2, 2022 trade receivables of \$nil (January 2, 2022 - nil) were derecognized under these facilities. Accounts receivable are derecognized under this arrangement as financial assets when the rights to receive cash flows have been transferred and substantially all of the risks and rewards of the asset have been transferred.

#### 4. INVENTORIES

		Octobe	r 2, 2022	January 2, 2022
Raw materials		\$	294,957 \$	281,826
Work in process			469,074	246,364
Finished goods			79,774	39,508
		\$	843,805 \$	567,698
	2022 Q3	2021 Q3	2022 Q3 YTD	2021 Q3 YTD
Cost of inventories recognized as expense and included in cost of sales	\$ 494,193 \$	425,484	1,289,827	\$ 1,391,138
Write-down of inventory to net realizable value in cost of sales	2,632	7,469	7,952	10,167

### GOODWILL

At the end of each period during the third quarter, management conducted a review to assess whether indicators of impairment existed and concluded that indicators of impairment existed at the bus/coach manufacturing cash generating unit ("CGU"). Accordingly, management performed an interim quantitative impairment test for the identified CGU.

In performing the third quarter interim quantitative impairment test and consistent with prior practice, the Company determined the recoverable amount of each CGU, or groups of CGUs, based on value-in-use calculations. These calculations use estimated cash flow projections based on financial plans approved by the Board covering a five-year period and discount rates based on weighted average cost of capital of like businesses that range between 11.6% and 14.5% for the bus/coach manufacturing CGU. Cash flows beyond the five-year forecast period are extrapolated using a steady estimated growth rate based on the long-term average annual growth rate of 3% for each industry in which the CGUs operate. Management has determined planned gross margins based on a projected production schedule, past performance and expectations of market development. The discount rates used reflect specific risk relating to the relevant CGUs.

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#### 5. GOODWILL (Continued)

Management has determined that the recoverable amount of each CGU, or group of CGUs, to which goodwill has been allocated exceeded the carrying amount as at the test date and, as a result, a goodwill impairment charge was not recorded in the third quarter.

#### 6. OTHER LONG-TERM ASSETS

	October 2, 2022	January 2, 2022
Long-term restricted deposit (note 17c)	\$ 25,345	\$ 30,712
Long-term accounts receivable	5,029	5,792
	\$ 30,374	\$ 36,504

Long-term restricted deposit is collateral for certain of the Company's letters of credit.

#### 7. CURRENT PORTION OF LONG TERM LIABILITIES

	October 2, 2022	January 2, 2022
Deferred revenue	\$ 153,601	\$ 98,408
Provisions (note 8)	26,279	20,151
Deferred compensation obligation	557	1,040
Obligations under leases	18,243	23,261
	\$ 198,680	\$ 142,860

#### 8. PROVISIONS

The Company's insurance risk retention provision is based on insurance risk which the Company has chosen not to mitigate with third party insurance.

The restructuring provision consists of employee termination benefits associated with the "NFI Forward" restructuring initiative that was announced on July 27, 2020 (note 19).

The Company generally provides its customers with a base warranty on the entire vehicle, a corrosion warranty on the related structure and a defect warranty on batteries.

The Company provides for onerous contracts when the unavoidable costs of meeting the contract are greater than the economic benefits expected to be received under it.

The movements in the provisions are as follows:

	ln	surance Risk Retention	Restructuring	Warranty	Onerous Contracts	Total
December 27, 2020	\$	23,179	3,706 \$	57,928 \$	_	84,813
Additions		7,785	3,114	44,837	_	55,736
Amounts used/realized		(4,745)	(3,695)	(46,975)	_	(55,415)
Unused provision		(974)	(654)	_	_	(1,628)
Unwinding of discount and effect of changes in the discount rate		_	_	39	_	39
Exchange rate differences		(2)	14	92	_	104
January 2, 2022	\$	25,242	2,485 \$	55,920 \$	- \$	83,649
Additions		5,936	7,000	37,733	2,922	53,591
Amounts used/realized		(3,703)	(2,485)	(37,188)	_	(43,376)
Unwinding of discount and effect of changes in the discount rate		_	_	16	_	16
Exchange rate differences		6	_	(3,156)	_	(3,150)
		27,481	7,000	53,325	2,922	90,728
Less current portion (note 7)		865	_	22,492	2,922	26,279
October 2, 2022	\$	26,616	7,000 \$	30,833 \$	- \$	64,449

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#### 9. INCOME TAX EXPENSE

The income tax recovery for 2022 Q3 was \$10.1 million compared to \$5.0 million in 2021 Q3. The income tax recovery is primarily due to reduced earnings before taxes, offset by the impact of foreign exchange translation.

The income tax recovery for 2022 Q3 YTD was \$36.5 million compared to an income tax expense of \$10.6 million in 2021 Q3 YTD. The increase in the overall income tax recovery is due to several factors, primarily, reduced earnings before taxes, recovery of state income taxes, the absence of Base Erosion and Anti-Abuse Tax ("BEAT") and Foreign Tax Credits ("FTC") write-off, and the impact of the revaluation of deferred tax balances due to the increase in the UK corporate tax rate from 19% to 25%, which negatively impacted the 2021 Q3 YTD Effective Tax Rate ("ETR"). The above items were offset by foreign exchange which negatively impacted the tax recovery.

The ETR for 2022 Q3 was 19.2% and the ETR for 2021 Q3 was 24.5%. The ETR for 2022 Q3 YTD was 22.3% and the ETR for 2021 Q3 YTD was 220.0%.

The 2022 Q3 YTD ETR is positively impacted by state income taxes, revaluation of deferred tax balances due to the increase in the UK corporate tax rate from 19% to 25%, combined with the absence of the detrimental impact due to BEAT and FTC write-off which negatively impacted 2021 Q3 YTD. The impact of foreign exchange partially offset the above positive effects having a negative influence on the 2022 Q3 YTD ETR.

#### 10. LONG-TERM DEBT

	Face Value	Unamortized Transaction Costs	Net Book Value October 2, 2022	Net Book Value January 2, 2022
Revolving Credit Facility, Secured ("Credit Facility")	862,000	2,703	859,297	586,649
Revolving Credit Facility, Secured ("UK Facility")	75	192	(117)	(238)
	862,075	2,895	859,180	586,411
Less current portion			(117)	_
			859,297	586,411

The Credit Facility has a total borrowing limit of \$1.250 billion, which includes a \$100 million letter-of-credit facility, plus an additional \$250 million accordion feature, that cannot be used until December 2023 and subject to the Company being in compliance with its credit covenants. At October 2, 2022, the Credit Facility included a \$250 million minimum liquidity requirement. \$11.9 million of outstanding letters-of-credit were drawn against the Credit Facility at October 2, 2022. The Credit Facility bears interest at a rate equal to LIBOR or a U.S. base rate for loans denominated in U.S. dollars and a Canadian prime rate or bankers' acceptance rate for loans denominated in Canadian dollars, plus an applicable margin to those rates and matures on August 2, 2024.

On May 1, 2020 NFI entered into the £50 million secured, revolving UK Facility to support ADL's operations in the UK. Amounts drawn under the UK Facility bear interest at a rate equal to LIBOR plus an applicable margin. The UK Facility matures on May 1, 2023.

On July 29, 2022, the Company amended the Credit Facility and the UK Facility (together the "Amended Facilities") to provide the Company with relaxed covenants through 2023 as the company navigates supply chain disruptions, heightened inflation and other impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic.

#### 11. CONVERTIBLE DEBENTURES

On December 2, 2021, the Company completed a public offering of C\$300 million aggregate principal of convertible debentures (the "Debentures") and an additional C\$38 million aggregate principal of Debentures were issued on December 14, 2021, pursuant to the partial exercise of the over-allotment option, bearing interest at a rate of 5% per annum, payable semi-annually on January 15 and July 15 commencing on July 15, 2022. The Debentures will mature on January 15, 2027 (the "Maturity Date").

The Debentures may be converted in whole or in part from time to time at the holder's option into 30.1659 Shares for each C\$1 principal amount of Debentures ("Conversion Price"), representing a Conversion Price of approximately C\$33.15 per Share, prior to maturity and subject to adjustment in certain circumstances.

The Company has the option to settle the conversion in either Shares or cash, this Cash Conversion Option was determined to be a financial liability. The fair value of the Debentures and Cash Conversion Option are classified as separate liabilities. The Debenture component will accrete to its final redemption amount of C\$338 million less all conversions, at the Maturity Date at an effective interest rate over the five-year term of the Debentures.

# 11. CONVERTIBLE DEBENTURES (Continued)

	Face Value	Unamortized Transaction Costs	Net Book Value October 2, 2022	Net Book Value January 2, 2022
Convertible Debt	218,508	7,227	211,281	225,768
Cash Conversion Option	10,063	1,037	9,026	20,618
	228,571	8,264	220,307	246,386

#### 12. SHARE CAPITAL

	 October 2, 2022	January 2, 2022
Authorized - Unlimited		_
Issued - 77,147,518 Common Shares (January 2, 2022: 77,130,747)	\$ 988,145 \$	987,943

The following is a summary of changes to the issued and outstanding capital stock of Shares during the period:

Shares	Number (000s) Net Book Val
Balance - January 2, 2022	77,131 \$ 987,9
Director RSUs exercised	17 2
Balance - October 2, 2022	77,148 \$ 988,1

#### 13. LOSS PER SHARE

	 2022 Q3	2021 Q3	2022 Q3 YTD	2021 Q3 YTD
Net loss attributable to equity holders	\$ (42,595) \$	(15,415) \$	(127,404) \$	(5,793)
Weighted average number of Shares in issue	 76,299,666	70,988,234	77,140,963	69,003,098
Weighted average number of Shares for diluted earnings per Share	76,299,666	70,988,234	77,140,963	69,003,098
Net loss per Share (basic)	\$ (0.5583) \$	(0.2171) \$	(1.6516) \$	(0.0840)
Net loss per Share (diluted)	\$ (0.5583) \$	(0.2171) \$	(1.6516) \$	(0.0840)

Basic (loss) earnings per Share is calculated by dividing the net (loss) gain attributable to equity holders of the Company by the weighted average number of Shares outstanding during the period.

Diluted (loss) earnings per Share is calculated using the same method as basic loss per Share except that the average number of Shares outstanding includes the potential dilutive effect of outstanding stock options and Director restricted share unites ("Director RSUs") granted by the Company, as determined by the treasury stock method.

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# 14. SUPPLEMENTAL CASH FLOW INFORMATION

Changes in non-cash working capital items

Cash inflow (outflow)	2022 Q3	2021 Q3 20	022 Q3 YTD	2021 Q3 YTD
Accounts receivable	\$ (62,416) \$	(46,882) \$	58,004	\$ 3,317
Income tax receivable	64	(1,772)	(1,897)	(1,772)
Inventories	(71,948)	(40,144)	(271,132)	(47,681)
Prepaid expenses and deposits	(3,536)	7,056	(13,895)	875
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	26,478	45,018	48,709	(36,600)
Income tax payable	221	_	993	_
Deferred revenue	7,054	(8,107)	53,983	(7,261)
Provisions	14,126	1,277	7,079	(3,118)
Other	(7,982)	2,125	(9,756)	(1,573)
	\$ (97,939) \$	(41,429) \$	(127,912)	\$ (93,813)

## 15. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS AND RISK MANAGEMENT

#### (a) Fair value measurement of financial instruments

The following table presents the carrying amounts and fair values of financial liabilities and financial assets, including their levels in the fair value hierarchy. The table excludes fair value information for financial assets and financial liabilities not measured at fair value if the carrying amount is a reasonable approximation of fair value.

# 15. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS AND RISK MANAGEMENT (Continued)

	Oct	October 2, 2022				
	Fair value level	Carrying amount	Fair value			
Financial assets recorded at fair value						
Cash	Level 1 \$	39,832 \$	39,832			
Long-term restricted deposit	Level 1 \$	25,345 \$	25,345			
Foreign exchange forward contracts	Level 2 \$	2,141 \$	2,141			
Derivative financial instrument assets - current	\$	2,141 \$	2,141			
Interest Rate Swap	Level 2 \$	28,953 \$	28,593			
Derivative financial instrument asset - long term	\$	28,953 \$	28,593			
Financial liabilities recorded at fair value						
Equity Hedge	Level 2 \$	2,247 \$	2,247			
Derivative financial instrument liabilities - current	\$	2,247 \$	2,247			
Cash Conversion Option	Level 2 \$	9,026 \$	9,026			
Equity Hedge	Level 2 \$	917 \$	917			
Derivative financial instrument liabilities - long term	\$	9,943 \$	9,943			
	Jan	January 2, 2022				
	Fair value level	Carrying amount	Fair value			
Financial assets recorded at fair value						
Cash	Level 1 \$	77,318 \$	77,318			
Long-term restricted deposit	Level 1 \$	30,712 \$	30,712			
Foreign exchange forward contracts	Level 2 \$	442 \$	442			
Derivative financial instrument assets - current	\$	442 \$	442			
Financial liabilities recorded at fair value						
Equity Hedge	Level 2 \$	1,799 \$	1,799			
Derivative financial instrument liabilities - current	\$	1,799 \$	1,799			
Interest rate swap	Level 2 \$	30,526 \$	30,526			
Cash Conversion Option	Level 2 \$	20,618 \$	20,618			
Derivative financial instrument liabilities - long term	\$	51,144 \$	51,144			

#### 15. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS AND RISK MANAGEMENT (Continued)

#### (b) Risk Management

The Company entered into total return swap transactions to hedge the exposure associated with changes in value of its Shares on outstanding management restricted units ("Management RSUs") and a portion of the outstanding performance share units ("PSUs"), and deferred share units ("DSUs"). The total return swaps have a re-investment feature which increases the number of Shares in the swap when dividends are paid by the Company.

The Company applies hedge accounting to the total return swaps that are intended to hedge the exposure related to the change in share price associated with Management RSUs. The Company does not apply hedge accounting to the total return swap that is intended to hedge the future cash flow associated with the PSUs and DSUs.

As at October 2, 2022, the Company held a position of 258,693 Shares at a weighted average price of C\$28.81.

At October 2, 2022, the Company had \$92.4 million of foreign exchange forward contracts to buy currencies in which the Company operates (U.S. dollars, Canadian dollars, or GBP). These foreign exchange contracts range in expiry dates from November 2022 to April 2023. The related asset of \$2.1 million (January 2, 2022: \$0.4 million) is recorded on the statements of financial position as a current derivative financial instruments asset and the corresponding change in the fair value of the foreign exchange forward contracts is recorded in the consolidated statements of net (loss) income and total comprehensive (loss) income.

#### (c) Liquidity Management

The Company's approach to managing liquidity risk is to ensure, as far as possible, that it will always have sufficient liquidity to meet liabilities when due. At October 2, 2022 the Company had a cash balance of \$39.8 million (January 2, 2021: \$77.3 million), \$862.0 million under the Credit Facility due in 2024 (January 2, 2022: \$586.6 million), \$75.0 million under the UK Facility (January 2, 2022: \$nil), and \$11.9 million of outstanding letters of credit (January 2,2022: \$11.8 million). In addition, there are \$59.1 million of the letters of credit outstanding outside of the Credit Facility. The Credit Facility has a total borrowing limit of \$1.250 billion, which includes a \$100 million letter-of-credit facility and a \$250 million accordion feature, that cannot be used until December 2023 and subject to the Company being in compliance with its credit covenants. The UK Facility has a total borrowing limit of £50.0 million. The liquidity position as at October 2, 2022 is \$471.4 million, without consideration given to the minimum liquidity requirement under the Amended Facilities of \$250 million.

The Company's principal sources of funds are cash generated from its operating activities, share and other issuances and borrowing capacity remaining under the credit facilities.

Due to the ongoing uncertainty created by continuing supply chain disruptions, the Company now expects that, although its liquidity position remains strong, lower Adjusted EBITDA combined with the Company's anticipated debt profile will affect the Company's ability to comply, in the future, with certain of its financial covenants under the Amended Facilities.

The Company believes that through its action plan (Note 2.2) and in working with its banking and provincial government partners, it can obtain temporary relief from the Amended Facilities financial covenants that would otherwise become applicable on January 1, 2023. The Company believes that, when combined with this relief, its cash position and capacity under its existing credit facilities, anticipated future cash flows and access to capital markets, will be sufficient to fund operations, meet financial obligations as they come due, and provide the funds necessary for capital expenditures, and other needs for the foreseeable future.

The following table outlines the maturity analysis of the undiscounted cash flows of certain non-financial liability and committed leases as at October 2, 2022:

US dollars in thousands	Total	20	2	2023	2024	2025	2026	Post 2026
Leases	233,937	8,4	2	27,482	22,588	19,025	17,066	139,364
Accrued benefit liability	5,136	5,1	6					
	\$ 239,073	\$ 13,5	8 \$	27,482	\$ 22,588	\$ 19,025	\$ 17,066	\$ 139,364

## (d) Credit risk

Financial instruments which potentially subject the Company to credit risk and concentrations of credit risk consist principally of cash, accounts receivable and derivative financial instruments. Management has assessed that the credit risk associated with accounts receivable is mitigated by the significant proportion for which the counterparties are well-established transit authorities, which are government entities in North America.

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#### 15. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS AND RISK MANAGEMENT (Continued)

	October 2, 2022	January 2, 2022
Current, including holdbacks	\$ 301,791	\$ 375,056
Past due amounts but not impaired		
1 - 60 days	15,070	15,857
Greater than 60 days	5,681	5,892
Less: Allowance for doubtful accounts	(147)	(270)
Total accounts receivables, net	\$ 322,395	\$ 396,535

As at October 2, 2022, there was no amount that would otherwise be past due or impaired whose terms have been renegotiated.

On July 29, 2022, the Company amended the Credit Facility and the UK Facility (together the "Amended Facilities") to provide the Company with relaxed covenants through 2023 as the company navigates supply chain disruptions, heightened inflation and other impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. The lenders have security on certain of the Company's assets, including a general security agreement on NFI's personal property, but excluding security on real property.

Under the terms of the Amended Facilities, the Company's banking partners have relaxed the Total Leverage Ratio, Interest Coverage Ratio and Net Debt to Capitalization ratio for the remainder of 2022 and Fiscal 2023. In addition, NFI will have to meet two additional covenants, within different time frames: minimum cumulative Adjusted EBITDA, and minimum liquidity.

The terms of the Amended Facilities do not restrict the payment of dividends, provided the Company is in compliance with the financial covenants, a cumulative Free Cash Flow test, and the dividend payments remain at the current level for the remainder of the agreements (maturing in August 2024). The terms of the Amended Facilities do not permit any acquisitions until 2024 and permit a maximum of \$50 million in annual capital expenditures.

The details of the covenants under the Amended Facilities are as follows:

	Total Leverage Ratio	Interest Coverage Ratio	Total Net Debt to Capitalization	Minimum Cumulative Adjusted EBITDA	Minimum Liquidity
July 4, 2022 - October 2, 2022	N/A	N/A	<.60	N/A	\$250,000
October 3, 2022 - January 1, 2023	<5.00	>1.50	N/A	>\$45,000	\$250,000
January 2, 2023 - April 2, 2023	<5.00	>1.50	N/A	>\$80,000	\$250,000
April 3, 2023 - July 2, 2023	<5.00	>1.50	N/A	>\$125,000	\$250,000
July 3, 2023 - October 1, 2023	<4.50	>2.00	N/A	N/A	\$250,000
October 2, 2023 - December 31, 2023	<4.00	>2.50	N/A	N/A	\$250,000
January 1, 2024 - March 31, 2024 and thereafter	<3.75	>3.00	N/A	N/A	N/A

The calculation of the liquidity position, without consideration given to the minimum liquidity requirements under the Amended Facilities at October 2, 2022 is provided below. As at October 2, 2022, the Company was in compliance with the requirements under the Amended Facilities.

	October 2, 2022	January 2, 2022
Total Net Debt to Capitalization Ratio (must be less than 0.60:1.00 [2021: 0.70:1.00])	0.53	0.37
US dollars in thousands	October 2, 2022	January 2, 2022
Liquidity Position (must be greater than \$250 million)	\$ 471,438	\$ 794,332

Compliance with financial covenants under the Amended Facilities is reported quarterly to the Board. Other than the requirements imposed by letters of credit collateral (note 6) and borrowing agreements, the Company is not subject to any externally imposed capital requirements. Capital management objectives are reviewed on an annual basis or when strategic capital transactions arise.

#### 16. SEGMENT INFORMATION

The Company has two reportable segments which are the Company's strategic business units: Manufacturing Operations and Aftermarket Operations. The strategic business units offer different products and services, and are managed separately because they require different technology and marketing strategies. For each of the strategic business units, the Company's President and CEO reviews internal management reports on a monthly basis.

The Manufacturing Operations segment derives its revenue from the manufacture, service and support of transit buses, coaches, medium-duty and cutaway buses. Based on management's judgment and applying the aggregation criteria in IFRS 8.12, the Company's bus/coach manufacturing operations and medium-duty/cutaway manufacturing operations fall under a single reportable segment. Aggregation of these operating segments is based on the segments having similar economic characteristics with similar long-term average returns, products and services, production methods, distribution and regulatory environment.

The Manufacturing Operations segment has recorded vendor rebates of \$201 (Q3 2021: \$533), which have been recognized into earnings during 2022, but for which the full requirements for entitlement to these rebates have not yet been met.

The Aftermarket Operations segment derives its revenue from the sale of aftermarket parts for transit buses, coaches and medium-duty/cutaway buses, both for the Company's and third party products.

There is no inter-segment revenue. Unallocated items in the consolidated earnings before income taxes primarily include unrealized foreign exchange gains or losses, interest and finance costs and corporate overhead costs.

The unallocated total assets of the Company primarily include cash, certain goodwill and intangible assets, and derivative financial instruments. Corporate assets that are shared by both operating segments are allocated fully to the Manufacturing Operations segment.

Segment information about profits and assets is as follows:

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	ufacturing erations	Aftermarket Operations	Unallocated	Total
Revenue from external customers	\$ 395,984 \$	118,063	\$	514,047
Operating costs and expenses	461,443	106,184	(852)	566,775
(Loss) earnings before income tax expense	(65,459)	11,879	852	(52,728)
Total assets	1,945,755	470,232	294,154	2,710,141
Addition of capital expenditures	6,182	17	_	6,199
Addition of goodwill and intangibles assets	2,947	_	_	2,947
Indefinite-life intangible assets	241,210	17,845	_	259,055
Goodwill	318,752	185,221	_	503,973

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	ufacturing perations	Aftermarket Operations	Unallocated	Total
Revenue from external customers	\$ 1,006,397 \$	364,932	\$	1,371,329
Operating costs and expenses	1,205,312	316,568	13,326	1,535,206
(Loss) earnings before income tax expense	(198,915)	48,364	(13,326)	(163,877)
Total assets	1,945,755	470,232	294,154	2,710,141
Addition of capital expenditures	13,349	3,290	_	16,639
Addition of goodwill and intangibles assets	6,476	_	_	6,476
Indefinite-life intangible assets	241,210	17,845	_	259,055
Goodwill	318,752	185,221	_	503,973

# 16. SEGMENT INFORMATION (Continued)

2021 Q3

	ufacturing perations	Aftermarket Operations	Unallocated	Total
Revenue from external customers	\$ 373,943 \$	118,095	_	492,038
Operating costs and expenses	401,105	95,856	15,496	512,457
Earnings (loss) before income tax expense	(27,162)	22,239	(15,496)	(20,419)
Total assets	1,997,881	486,524	295,558	2,779,963
Addition of capital expenditures	5,127	182	_	5,309
Indefinite-life intangible assets	248,625	19,031	_	267,656
Goodwill	338,040	192,132		530,172

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	nufacturing perations	Aftermarket Operations	Unallocated	Total
Revenue from external customers	\$ 1,292,428 \$	356,523	- \$	1,648,951
Operating costs and expenses	1,303,126	294,397	46,600	1,644,123
(Loss) earnings before income tax expense	(10,698)	62,126	(46,600)	4,828
Total assets	1,997,881	486,524	295,558	2,779,963
Addition of capital expenditures	20,192	374	_	20,566
Indefinite-life intangible assets	248,625	19,031	_	267,656
Goodwill	338,040	192,132	_	530,172

The Company's revenue by geography is summarized below:

	2022 Q3	2021 Q3	2022 Q3 YTD	2021 Q3 YTD
North America	\$ 397,067 \$	386,592 \$	1,051,654 \$	1,310,505
UK and Europe	97,158	81,460	275,628	259,322
Asia Pacific	19,821	23,986	44,046	79,124
Other	_	_	-	_
Total	\$ 514,046 \$	492,038 \$	1,371,328 \$	1,648,951

The Company's disaggregated manufacturing revenue by major product type is provided below. The Aftermarket operations revenue does not have similarly disaggregated categories.

	2022 Q3	2021 Q3	2022 Q3 YTD	2021 Q3 YTD
Transit buses	\$ 306,896 \$	290,200 \$	770,751 \$	987,714
Motor coaches	76,460	69,015	198,508	239,060
Medium-duty and cutaway buses	4,480	7,630	18,975	29,960
Pre-owned coach	5,837	1,556	7,538	18,378
Infrastructure solutions	860	4,436	5,835	13,606
Fiberglass reinforced polymer components	1,452	1,106	4,789	3,710
Manufacturing revenue	\$ 395,985 \$	373,943 \$	1,006,396 \$	1,292,428

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As at October 2, 2022
(in thousands of U.S. dollars except per share figures)

#### 17. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

- (a) In the normal course of business, the Company receives notice of potential legal proceedings or is named as a defendant in legal proceedings, including those that may be related to negligence, product liability, wrongful dismissal, contractual disputes or personal injury. Many claims are covered by the Company's insurance policies and management does not expect any of the current claims to have a material adverse effect on the Company's financial position, results of operations or cash flows.
- (b) Through the normal course of operations, the Company has indemnified the surety companies providing surety bonds required under various contracts with customers. In the event that the Company fails to perform under a contract and the surety companies incur a cost on a surety bond, the Company is obligated to repay the costs incurred in relation to the claim up to the value of the bond.

The Company's guarantee under each bond issued by the surety companies expires on completion of obligations under the customer contract to which the bond relates. The estimated maturity dates of the surety bonds outstanding at October 2, 2022 range from October 2022 to December 2039.

At October 2, 2022, outstanding surety bonds guaranteed by the Company totaled \$332.1 million (January 2, 2022: \$375.9 million). The Company has not recorded any liability under these guarantees, as management believes that no material events of default exist under any contracts with customers.

(c) The Company has a letter of credit sub-facility of \$100.0 million as part of the Credit Facility (January 2, 2022: \$100.0 million). As at October 2, 2022, letters of credit totaling \$11.9 million (January 2, 2022: \$11.8 million) remain outstanding as security for contractual obligations of the Company under the Credit Facility.

As at October 2, 2022, letters of credit in the UK totaling \$33.7 million were outstanding as security obligations of the Company outside of the UK facility (January 2, 2022: \$40.6 million). Additionally, there are \$25.3 million of letters of credit outstanding outside of the Credit Facility.

As at October 2, 2022, management believes that the Company was in compliance in all material respects with all applicable contractual obligations and the Company has not provided for any costs associated with these letters of credit.

(d) Through the normal course of operations, the Company has guaranteed payments and residual values to third party lenders on behalf of customers. As at October 2, 2022, the Company had guaranteed \$2.9 million of these arrangement. The Company has not provided for any of these costs, as it does not believe they will have to pay out on any of these arrangements.

### 18. GOVERNMENT GRANTS

On March 27, 2020, the Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy ("CEWS") program was introduced by the Government of Canada, reimbursing eligible employers who have experienced the required reduction in revenue for a portion of wages paid to employees during the COVID-19 pandemic. As of October 2021, the Company was no longer eligible for the CEWS program.

On March 26, 2020, the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme ("CJRS") program was introduced by the Government of the United Kingdom, reimbursing employers who have been unable to maintain their workforce as a result of COVID-19's impact on operations for a portion of wages paid to furloughed employees. The CJRS program ended on September 30, 2021.

In accordance with IAS 20 Accounting for Government Grants and Disclosure of Government Assistance, the CEWS and CJRS has been recognized as an offset to wage expense against 'Cost of Sales' and against 'Selling, General and Administration Costs and Other Operating Expenses' on the Company's consolidated statement of net loss and total comprehensive (loss) income.

On September 27, 2020, the Canada Emergency Rent Subsidy ("CERS") program was introduced by the Government of Canada, reimbursing eligible employers who have experienced the required reduction in revenue for a portion of their commercial rent or property expenses during the COVID-19 pandemic. The CERS program ended on October 23, 2021.

In accordance with IAS 20 Accounting for Government Grants and Disclosure of Government Assistance, the CERS has been recognized as an offset to rent and property expense against 'Selling, General and Administration Costs and Other Operating Expenses' on the Company's unaudited interim condensed consolidated statement of net loss and total comprehensive (loss) income.

## 18. GOVERNMENT GRANTS (Continued)

The claims submitted or expected to be submitted under the CEWS, CJRS and CERS programs are included on the Company's unaudited interim condensed consolidated statement of net loss and total comprehensive (loss) income as follows:

		2022 Q3	2021 Q3	2022 Q3 YTD	2021 Q3 YTD
Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy (CEWS)					
Cost of sales	\$	_	11,277	_	41,077
Selling, general and administration costs and other operating	Ţ		11,277		41,077
expenses	\$	_	2,031	_	6,431
Total	\$	_	13,308	_	47,508
Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme (CJRS)					
Cost of sales	\$	_	452	_	5,152
Selling, general and administration costs and other operating expenses	\$	_	0	_	107
Total	\$	_	452	_	5,259
Canada Emergency Rent Subsidy (CERS)					
Selling, general and administration costs and other operating					
expenses	Ş		469	_	1,169
Total	\$	_	469	_	1,169
Total government grants - cost of sales	\$		11,729		46,229
Total government grants - selling, general and administration costs and other operating expenses	\$		2,500		7,707
Total government grants	\$	_	14,229	_	53,936

The government grants included in 'Accounts Receivable' on the Company's unaudited interim condensed consolidated statement of financial position are as follows:

	October 2, 2022	January 2, 2022
Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy (CEWS)	_	1,183
Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme (CJRS)	_	_
Canada Emergency Rent Subsidy (CERS)	_	53
Total	_	1,236

#### 19. RESTRUCTURING

On July 27, 2020, the Company announced "NFI Forward", a transformational restructuring initiative to generate cost savings. These cost reduction initiatives are expected to come from a reduced number of business units, facility rationalization, reduced overhead and a more efficient and integrated company.

With the majority of the original projects completed, the Company is now implementing a series of additional projects called "NFI Forward 2.0", that are expected to generate additional savings in 2023 and beyond. Within NFI Forward 2.0, the Company completed a detailed review of its remaining North American footprint with a view to match production capacity and facility investments to customer demand, local labor availability and zero-emission fleet investment plans.

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# 19. RESTRUCTURING (Continued)

The items included in net loss for NFI Forward and NFI Forward 2.0 are as follows:

	2022 Q3	2021 Q3	2022 Q3 YTD	2021 Q3 YTD
Employee termination benefits	\$ 193 \$	3,099	\$ 869	\$ 3,585
Right-of-use asset and property, plant and equipment impairments	957	261	4,765	1,922
Write-down of inventory to net realizable value	1,437	4,397	1,437	4,605
Pension liability	_	715	7,000	715
Other	360	1,030	3,407	1,212
Total restructuring costs	\$ 2,947 \$	9,502	\$ 17,478	\$ 12,039