

# 9M 2017 Results

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## Highlights

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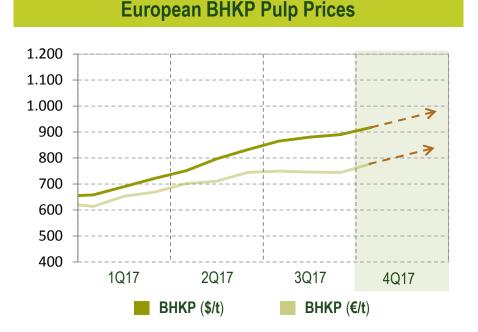


- **Positive outlook for pulp prices** both in the short and long term
  - > Ence has announced an additional pulp price increase up to **\$ 970** / **t for November**
  - Short term momentum in Q417 and Q118 supported by the limitation of mixed recovered paper imports in China and the cancellation of 40% of Kerinci's plantations concessions in Indonesia
  - The absence of new large projects to increase production capacity indicates high pulp prices for the next 3 years
- Outstanding 9M17 results due to successful Strategic Plan execution and pulp price increase
  - > 77% EBITDA growth and 183% Net Income growth vs. 9M16
  - ➤ 16 €/t cash cost reduction in the Pulp business vs.9M16 to 346.7 €/t despite 9 €/t wood cost increase linked to PIX pulp price performance
  - Successful M&A and strong track record in the Energy business, reaching an annualized EBITDA of over €50 Mn in 2017e
  - > Recurrent free cash flow generation of €92 Mn
- Low leverage position (1.0x Net Debt / LTM EBITDA) adds comfort to the Strategic Plan's pending investments
  - Pulp capacity increase of 150,000 t in 2018 2019 on track, aiming at €22 EBITDA increase in the Pulp business
  - New Huelva 40 Mw biomass power plant project on track to start up in 2H 2019, aiming at €11 Mn annual EBITDA and pushing the Energy business annualized EBITDA up to over €61Mn

## **Positive outlook for pulp prices**

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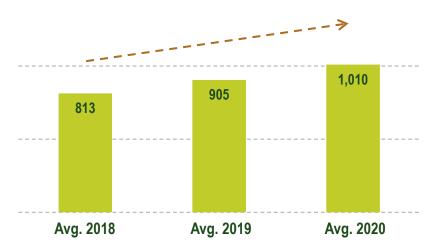




#### Tight supply and demand balance in 2017 driven by:

- Capacity integrations and conversions to other pulp grades in Asia
- Unplanned production outages
- Progressive ramp-ups of new capacity

#### **RISI's European BHKP Pulp Price Estimates (\$/t)**



Source: RISI estimates (September 2017)

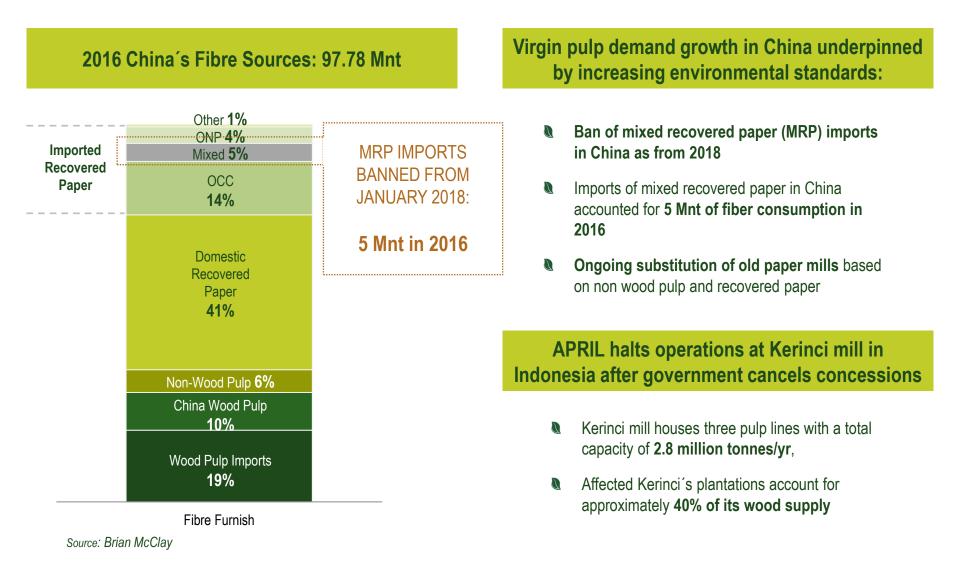
#### High pulp prices expected for the next 3 years:

- > No more large capacity increases in the pipeline
- Continued demand growth based on tissue consumption mega-trend
- Virgin pulp demand growth in China underpinned by increasing environmental standards

### Short term momentum

Supported by the ban of MRP imports in China and the halt at 2.8 Mnt Kerinci mill







#### Expected Annual Increase for Global Market Hardwood Supply and Demand (Mn t)<sup>1</sup>

Mn t	2017	2018	2019	2020	2017 - 2020
ESTIMATED BHKP DEMAND INCREASE	1,4	1,6	1,4	1,4	5,8
China	1,0	1,1	1,0	1,0	4,1
Other Asia / Africa / Oceania / Middle East	0,2	0,2	0,2	0,2	0,8
Europe	0,0	0,1	0,1	0,1	0,3
North America	0,0	0,1	0,0	0,0	0,1
Latin America	0,1	0,1	0,1	0,1	0,4
ESTIMATED BHKP SUPPLY INCREASE	0,3	1,0	-0,3	-0,5	0,5
APP (OKI)	1,2	0,6	0,2	0,2	2,2
FIBRIA (TRES LAGOAS)	0,5	1,4			1,9
FIBRIA (ARACRUZ)	-0,1	-0,2			-0,3
KLABIN (PUMA)	0,5				0,5
SUZANO (IMPERATRIZ, MUCURI & MARANHAO)	-0,1		0,3		0,2
ENCE (NAVIA & PONTEVEDRA)			0,1	0,1	0,2
METSA (AANEKOSKI)	0,1				0,1
UPM (KYMI)	0,1				0,1
CMPC (GUAIBA)	-0,6	0,6			0
TAIWAN P&P and RFP (Calhoun)	-0,1				-0,1
ARAUCO (VALDIVIA)			-0,1		-0,1
APRIL (RIZHAO)	1 0	1 2	-0,6	0.6	2.4
APRIL (KERINCI)	-1,0	-1,2	-0,0	-0,6	-3,4
OTHER UNEXPECTED CLOSURES / CONVERSIONS	-0,2	-0,2	-0,2	-0,2	-0,8
SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	(1,1)	(0,6)	(1,7)	(1,9)	(5,3)

- Continued demand growth based on global tissue consumption mega-trend
- No new large project starts expected for next 3 years
- Ongoing capacity conversions to other pulp grades
- **Recurring** unplanned production **outages**

Source: ENCE estimates

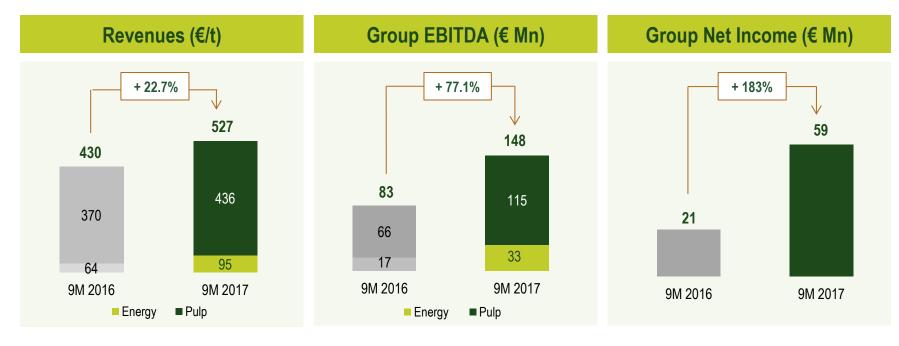
1) Estimates correspond to the expected increase in supply and demand of market pulp for paper production. It excludes therefore the production of integrated pulp and other pulp grades such as Dissolving Pulp or Fluff

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## **Outstanding 9M17 Results**

Due to successful Strategic Plan execution and pulp price increase





- 18% revenue growth in the Pulp business:
  - > 8% increase in pulp volume sold
  - > 7% rise in pulp net selling price
- 48% revenue growth in the Energy business:
  - 44% increase in energy volume sold following strong M&A track record

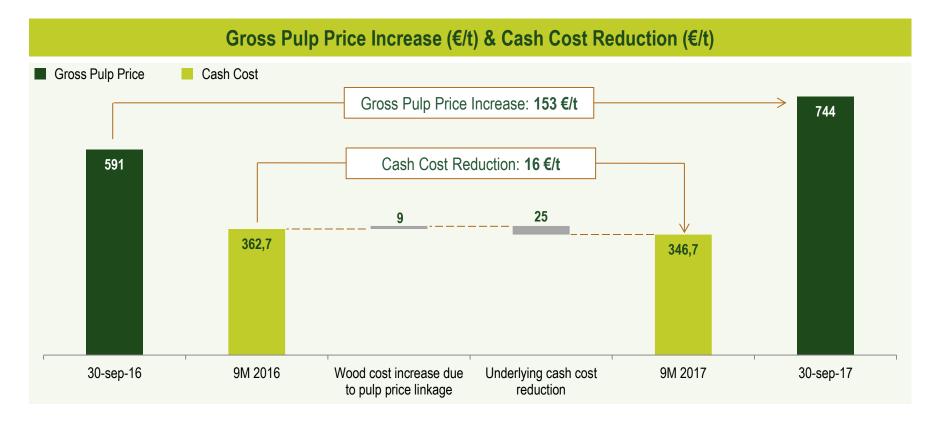
- **14% EBITDA growth in the Pulp business:** 
  - > 16 €/t Cash Cost improvement despite + €9/t wood cost increase
- 90% EBITDA growth in the Energy business:
  - Successful biomass diversification

183% Net income increase

## Successful cash cost reduction in the Pulp business

Despite wood cost linkage to pulp price performance



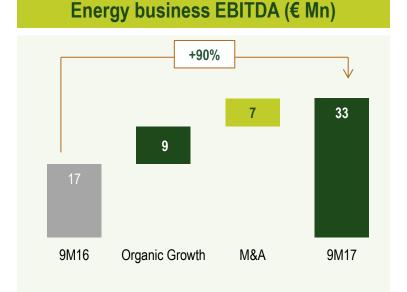


- 9 €/t wood cost increase since September 2016 due its automatic linkage to the pulp price performance
  - Every 50 €/t pulp price step up or down 3 €/t of pulp are automatically passed through to wood suppliers
- 25 €/t Cash cost reduction in the last 12 months following:
  - > 40.000 t capacity expansion and efficiency investments: 13 €/t
  - Wood cost saving initiatives: 9 €/t
  - Lower corporate expenses: 2 €/t

## **Biomass diversification and M&A in the Energy business**

### Reaching an annualized EBITDA of over €50 Mn in 2017e





#### 51% strong organic EBITDA growth

- > 7% increase in organic energy volume sold
- > 8% rise in average energy selling price
- > Successful biomass diversification
- 39% EBITDA growth following 53% capacity expansion in the last twelve months

#### Successful M&A Track Record

#### Ciudad Real 16 Mw



Jaen 16 Mw



#### Cordoba 27 Mw

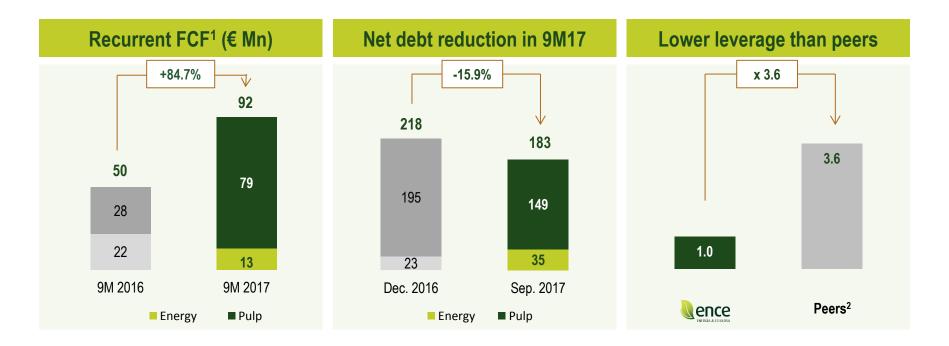


- Acquisition date: **December 2016**
- EV: €34 Mn (€22 Mn Ence stake)
- 2016 EBITDA: €5.5 Mn
- 2017 Expected EBITDA: €7.5 Mn

- Acquisition date: **August 2017**
- EV: €29 Mn (€26 Mn Ence stake)
- 2016 EBITDA: €4 Mn
- 2017 Expected EBITDA: €5 Mn

## Strong Free Cash Flow generation of €92 Mn

Low leverage position adds comfort to the Strategic Plan's pending investments



- Strong Recurrent Free Cash Flow generation of €92 Mn
- High EBITDA conversion into FCF: 62%
- €35Mn Net debt reduction after:
  - ➤ €24Mn dividend payment
  - ► €46Mn Strategic Plan investments

- Lowering leverage down to 1.0 x Net Debt / EBITDA LTM
- 3.6 x less than peer average

#### Next steps for the Pulp business 150,000 t capacity expansion in 2018 - 2019 aiming at €22 Mn EBITDA growth Next Steps for the Pulp business

#### 70,000 t capacity expansion in Pontevedra between 2018 and 2019



- During 1Q17 maintenance downtime in Pontevedra, we have prepared 30,000 t capacity expansion that will be completed during March 2018 annual maintenance downtime
- Additional 40,000 t expansion in Pontevedra between 2018 and 2019 maintenance downtimes

#### 80,000 t capacity expansion in Navia between 2H18 and 1H19



- Between winter 2018 and spring 2019, we will expand capacity by 80,000 t in Navia
- Total capacity expansion will be done with just one shutdown

#### 2015 a 2016 a 2017e 2018e 2019e 2020e **Total** Net Capex (€ Mn)<sup>2</sup> -2 -1 35 41 52 -8 117 Production sold (000, t) 898 931 972 991 1.040 1,120 Cash cost (€/t) 358 357 339 337 329 325

#### Pulp Business Strategic Plan Summary (at 720 \$/t pulp price and 1.25 \$ exchange rate)

1) €22 Mn EBITDA growth vs 2017 resulting from 150,000 t capacity expansion, under a conservative assumption of 720 \$/t pulp price and 1.25 \$ exchange rate

2) After non core forestry assets Divestment Plan

### Next steps for the Energy business New Huelva 40 Mw power plant pushing annualized EBITDA up to €61 Mn



#### New Huelva 40 Mw biomass power plant



- New Huelva 40 Mw biomass power plant project on track to start up in 2H 2019
- €11 Mn annual EBITDA target, without regulated IRR
- EPC closed in July and early works agreed in October
- Synergies with our 50 Mw and 41 Mw plants already operating in the same location
  - Capex: €87 Mn
  - Financing: 60%

#### Low exposure to regulated IRR

- Our worst case scenario is a regulated IRR of 5.5% from 2020 with an spread of 300 bp
- EBITDA impact of just €3.8 Mn for our 6 operating plants and new Huelva project
- Ongoing cost cutting initiatives to offset this impact



Currently analyzing opportunities to accelerate the Energy business growth through acquisitions in Spain and Europe to reach an EBITDA target of €78 Mn by 2020



## 9M 2017 Results

## **Consolidated Key Figures** Outstanding 9M17 Results due to successful Strategic Plan execution



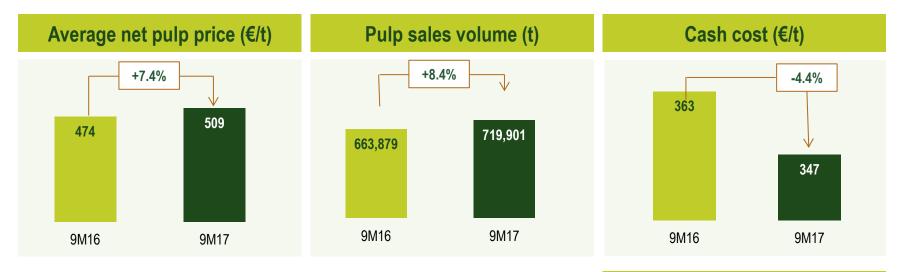
- 77% EBITDA growth in 9M17 vs 9M 2016 fueled by both Pulp and Energy businesses
- 74% EBITDA growth in the Pulp business driven by:
  - ► €16/t cash cost reduction vs.9M16
  - 8.4% increase in pulp sales volume
  - > 7.4% net pulp price recovery in 9M17
- 90% EBITDA growth in Energy business driven by:
  - 51% strong organic growth
  - 39% from new olive pulp plants acquired in the last twelve months
- Strong recurrent free cash flow generation of €92 Mn
- €35 Mn Net Debt reduction

P&L					
€Mn	9M17	9M16	% Change		
Revenue	527.4	429.7	23%		
Pulp Business EBITDA	114.7	66.0	74%		
Energy Business EBITDA	33.0	17.4	90%		
Group EBITDA	147.7	83.4	77%		
EBIT	99.4	43.9	127%		
Net Profit	59.5	21	183%		

FCF					
€Mn	9M17	9M16	% Change		
Recurrent FCF	92.1	49.9	174%		
Strategic Plan Investments	46.0	35.4	30%		
Divestments	3.2	24.9	(87%)		
FCF	59.5	45.1	32%		

Net Debt					
€Mn	Sep-17	Dec-16	% Change		
Net Financial Debt	183.5	218.3	(16%)		





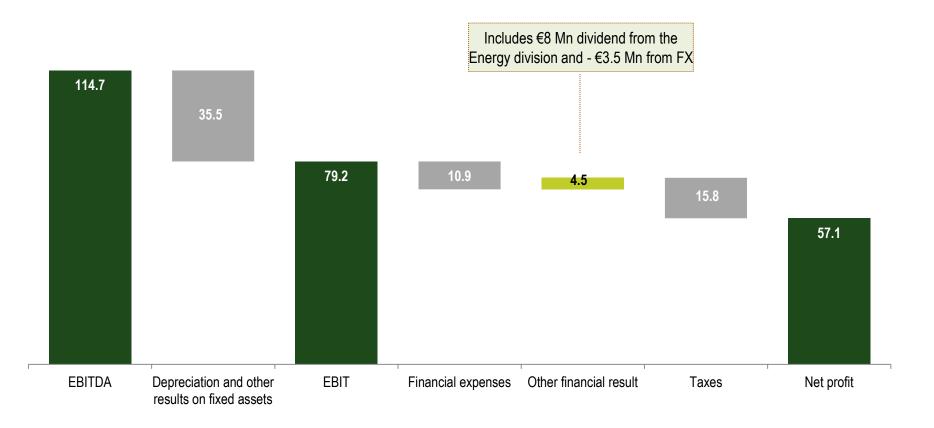
- **74%** EBITDA growth driven by:
  - ► €16/t cash cost reduction vs.9M16
  - > 8.4% increase in pulp sales volume
  - > 7.4% net pulp price recovery in 9M17
- **2017** cash cost impacted by strong pulp prices
  - ➤ €9/t wood cost increase vs. 9M16 due its automatic linkage to pulp price performance

#### EBITDA (€ Mn)





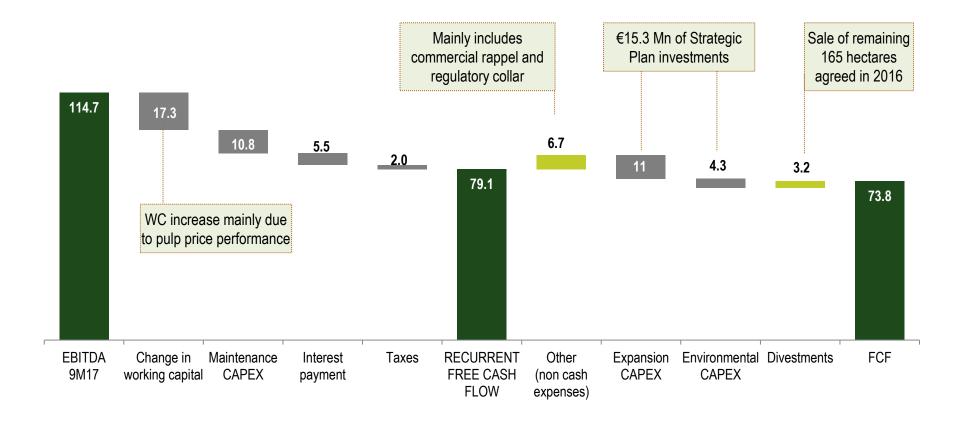
#### 9M17 P&L Bridge (€ Mn)



Negligible P&L impact in 4Q17 from recent fires in the north of Spain



#### 9M17 Cash Flow Bridge (€ Mn)

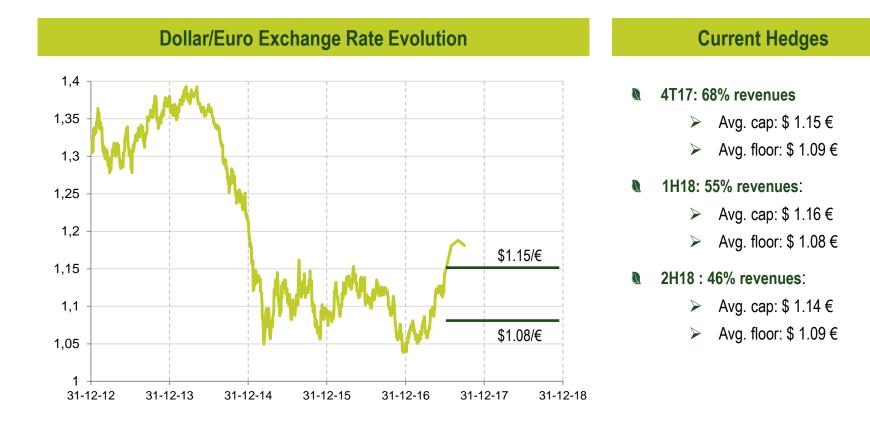


1) Rappel: Commercial discount conditioned to reaching a certain annual pulp volume already included in the P&L

2) Regulatory collar: Adjustment derived from the deviation between the electricity price limits set by the Regulator and the real electricity price already included in the P&L

### **Ongoing FX hedging program** To mitigate FX volatility on the Pulp business



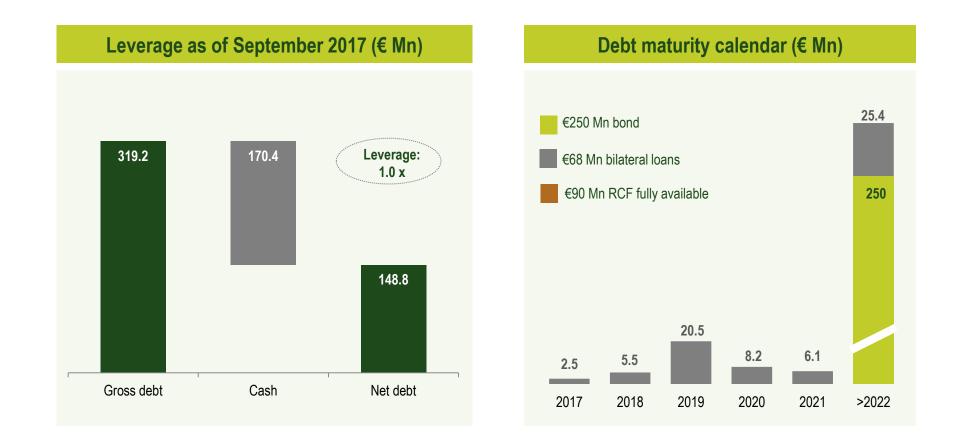


#### Ence has secured an average cap of \$1.15/€ for >50% of its dollar exposure until Dec. 2018

## Pulp Business

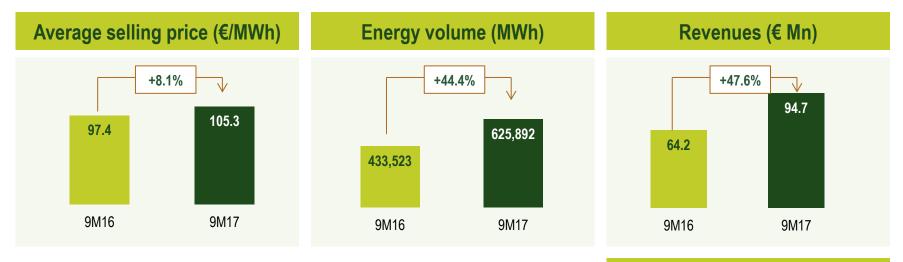
Solid balance sheet and strong liquidity





#### Pulp business leverage at 1x Net Debt / EBITDA as of September 2017





- **51.3% strong organic EBITDA growth** driven by:
  - > 7.4% organic energy volume
  - > 8.1% average selling price due to higher pool prices
  - > 10.2% biomass cost reduction
- 38.5% EBITDA growth from new olive pulp plants acquired in the last twelve months
- On track to reach an **annualized EBITDA** of over €50 Mn in 2017

#### EBITDA (€ Mn)

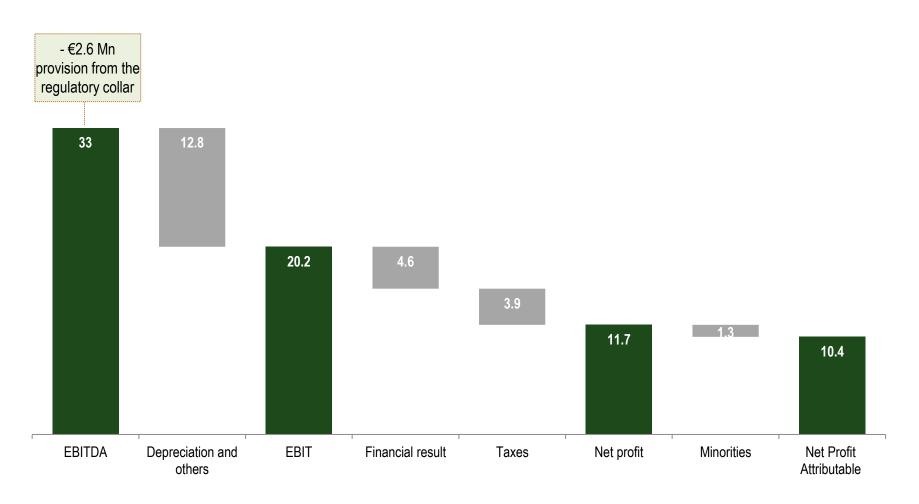


Note: In 2016 the adjustment derived from the deviation between the electricity price limits set by the Regulator and the real electricity price (regulatory collar) was recognized in the P&L in 4Q16. If adjusted monthly, the average revenues in 9M16 would have increased by  $\in$  2.9 Mn.

Energy Business P&L



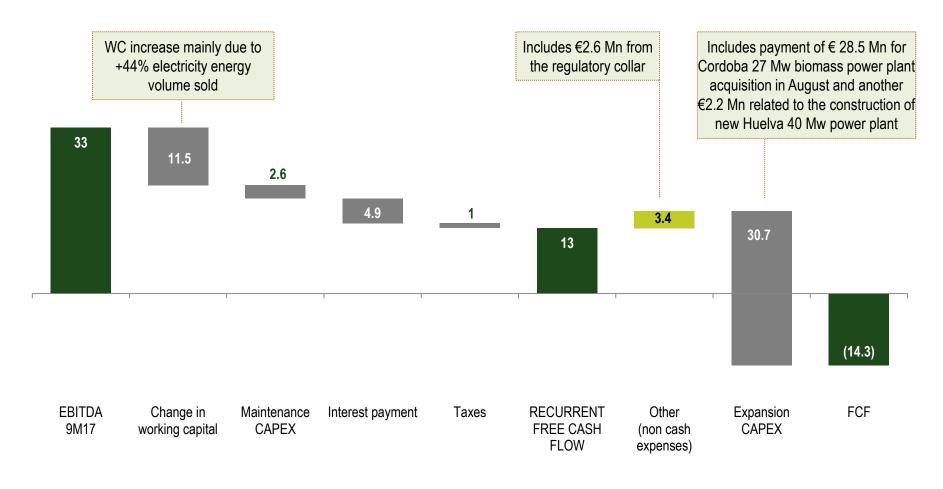




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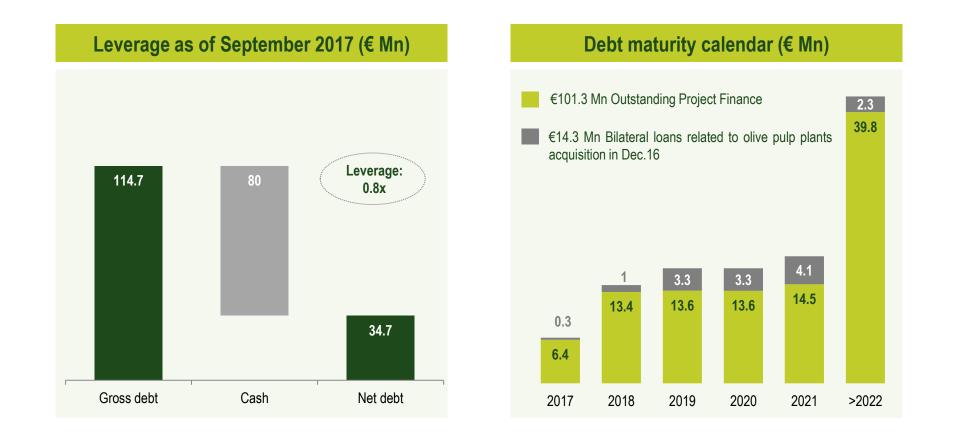






### **Energy Business** Solid balance sheet and strong liquidity





Energy business leverage at 0.8x Net Debt / EBITDA as of September 2017



## **Closing Remarks**



- Outstanding 9M17 results due to successful Strategic Plan execution and pulp price increase
- Over €210 Mn EBITDA expected for FY2017 following last price increases
- Next steps in the Strategic Plan execution aiming at €33 Mn EBITDA growth
  - ➤ €22 Mn<sup>1</sup> resulting from 150,000 t capacity increase during 2018 2029 in the Pulp business
  - > €11 Mn from **new Huelva 40 MW plant** on track to start up in 2H19
- Upside potential from positive outlook for pulp prices both in the short and long term

<sup>1) €22</sup> Mn EBITDA growth vs 2017 resulting from 150,000 t capacity expansion, under a conservative assumption of 720 \$/t pulp price and 1.25 \$ exchange rate



## Delivering value, delivering commitments

