

## Q1 2018 Earnings Call

April 2018

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See Appendix for additional information and definitions.





Elevate is reinventing non-prime credit with online products that provide financial relief today, and help people build a brighter financial future.

So far, we've originated \$5.5 billion to 1.9 million customers<sup>1</sup> and saved them more than \$3 billion over payday loans<sup>2</sup>

## **Elevate key performance highlights**

Elevate Goals	Q1 2018 Performance Highlights
Strong Growth	24% revenue growth YOY <sup>1</sup> 28% combined loans receivable – principal growth YOY <sup>2</sup> 49% growth in Adjusted EBITDA YOY <sup>3</sup>
Expanding Margins	19% Adjusted EBITDA margin <sup>3</sup> 320 basis point expansion YOY
Stable Credit Quality	Continued performance in target range
Managed CAC	\$295 – at the upper end of our target range (\$250 - \$300) 32% more customers acquired over 1Q17
Outsized Customer Impact	Customers have saved more than \$3 Billion over payday loans

Adjusted EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA margin and combined loans receivable – principal are non-GAAP financial measures. See Appendix for a reconciliation to GAAP measures.

## **Recent Business Highlights**

New credit scores implemented in the US and UK -Supports expanded growth at target loss rates





Named as a finalist for Financial Inclusion by Lendit Fintech
Elevate recognized as one of six leaders for financial inclusion by top fintech industry conference

## **Growth in key financial measures (\$mm)**





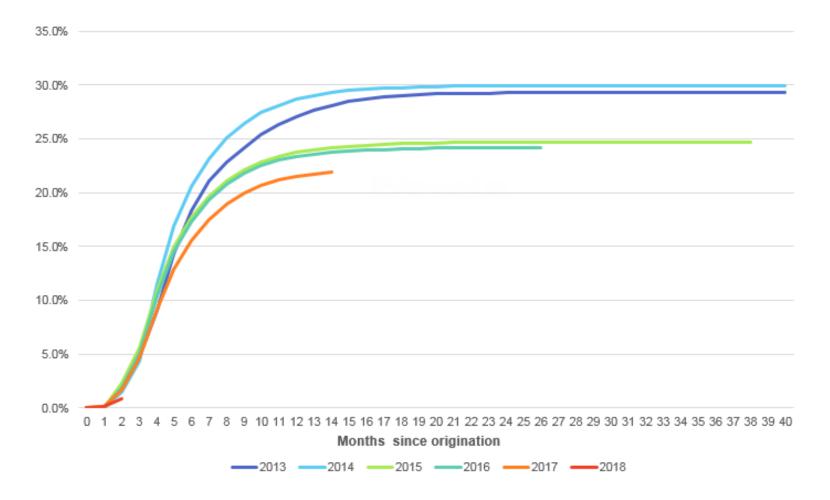




Ending combined loans receivable - principal, Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted Net Income (Loss) are non-GAAP financial measures. See appendix for a reconciliation to a GAAP measure.

## **Consistent and improving credit quality**

Cumulative loss rates as a % of originations by loan vintage



The 2017 and 2018 vintages are not yet fully mature from a loss perspective – expected to be better than 2016.

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## **Continued margin expansion**

### % of Gross Revenues

	2015	2016	2017	YTD 2018	LT Target
Gross Revenue	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Loan Loss Provision	54%	55%	53%	48%	50%
Direct Marketing and Other Cost of Sales	18%	14%	14%	14%	10%
Gross Margin	29%	31%	33%	38%	40%
Operating Expenses	25%	21%	20%	19%	20%
Adjusted EBITDA Margin <sup>1</sup>	4%	10%	13%	19%	20%

Adjusted EBITDA margin is a non-GAAP financial measure. See Appendix for a reconciliation to GAAP measure.

## 2018 Outlook

## **Annual guidance**

Revenue = \$780mm - \$820mm

Diluted EPS= \$0.50 - \$1.05

Net Income = \$20mm - \$45mm

Adjusted EBITDA<sup>1</sup> = 120mm - 150mm

## **Perspective on Q2**

Normal seasonal changes as loan portfolios expand in Q2:

- Increased marketing spend
- Increased loan loss reserves
- Lower margins and net income than Q1

Strong year over year revenue growth (but lower than Q1 due to seasonality)

Continued stable credit quality

CAC within range of \$250 - \$300



## **Key business focus areas for 2018**



New and Expanded Products US credit card, lower-priced installment product in UK Additional states for RISE



## **Expanded Marketing Channels** New and growing marketing partnerships

Scaling of digital campaigns



## Risk Innovation

Continued growth and investment in Elevate Labs Building on recent credit score successes



### **Additional Bank Partnerships**





## Appendix

### **Footnotes**

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- 1 Originations and customers from 2002-March 2018, attributable to the combined current and predecessor direct and branded products.
- 2 For the period from 2013 to March 31, 2018. Based on the average effective APR of 130% for the first quarter 2018. This estimate, which has not been independently confirmed, is based on our internal comparison of revenues from our combined loan portfolio and the same portfolio with an APR of 400%, which is the approximate average APR for a payday loan according to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, or the "CFPB."

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- 1 First quarter 2018 revenue of \$194 million and first quarter 2017 revenue of \$156 million.
- 2 Combined loans receivable principal at March 31, 2018 of \$567 million and at March 31, 2017 of \$445 million. Combined loans receivable principal is not a financial measure prepared in accordance with GAAP. Combined loans receivable principal represents loans owned by the company plus loans originated and owned by third-party lenders pursuant to our CSO programs.
- 3 First quarter 2018 Adjusted EBITDA of \$37 million and first quarter 2017 Adjusted EBITDA of \$25 million. Adjusted EBITDA is not a financial measure prepared in accordance with GAAP. Adjusted EBITDA represents our net income, adjusted to exclude: net interest expense primarily associated with notes payable under the VPC Facility and ESPV facility used to fund or purchase loans; foreign currency gains and losses associated with our UK operations; depreciation and amortization expense on fixed assets and intangible assets; non-operating income; share-based compensation expense and income tax expense. See the Appendix for a reconciliation to GAAP net income. Adjusted EBITDA margin is Adjusted EBITDA divided by revenue.

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- 1 Ending combined loans receivable principal is a non-GAAP financial measure. See appendix for a reconciliation to a GAAP measure.
- 2 19% is based on 2018 estimate midpoint.
- 3 Adjusted EBITDA is not a financial measure prepared in accordance with GAAP. Adjusted EBITDA represents our net income (loss), adjusted to exclude: net interest expense primarily associated with notes payable under the VPC Facility and ESPV facility used to fund or purchase loans; foreign currency gains and losses associated with our UK operations; depreciation and amortization expense on fixed assets and intangible assets; non-operating income; stock-based compensation expense and income tax expense. See the Appendix for a reconciliation to GAAP net income.
- 4 55% is based on 2018 estimate midpoint.
- 5 2017 adjusted net income of \$5.5 million is not a financial measure prepared in accordance with GAAP. Adjusted net income for 2017 represents our \$6.9 million net loss for the year ended December 31, 2017, adjusted to exclude the impact of \$12.5 million in tax expense incurred during the fourth quarter of 2017 due to the enactment of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act.

## **Footnotes (continued)**

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## **Non-GAAP financials reconciliation**

### Adjusted EBITDA Reconciliation

							Thre	ee mont	ths ended	
		For the years ended December 31,						March 31,		
(\$mm)	2	017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2	018	2017	
Net income (loss)	\$	(7)	(22)	(20)	(55)	\$ (45)	\$	9	2	
Adjustments:										
Net interest expense		73	64	37	13	-		19	19	
Stock-based compensation		6	2	1	1	-		2	1	
Foreign currency transaction (gain) loss		(3)	9	2	1	-		(1)	(1)	
Depreciation and amortization		10	11	9	8	5		3	3	
Non-operating expense (income)		(2)	-	(6)	-	(1)		-	-	
Income tax expense (benefit)		10	(3)	(5)	(21)	(9)		5	1	
Loss on discontinued operations		-	-	-	-	2		-	-	
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	87	60	19	(53)	(47)	\$	37	\$ 25	
Adjusted EBITDA Margin		13%	10%	4%	-19%	-65%		19%	16%	

Adjusted EBITDA is a non-GAAP financial measure. See Appendix for a reconciliation to GAAP measure. The Company's Adjusted EBITDA guidance does not include certain charges and costs. The adjustments in future periods are generally expected to be similar to the kinds of charges and costs excluded from Adjusted EBITDA in prior periods, such as the impact of income tax benefit or expense, non-operating income, foreign currency transaction gain or loss associated with our UK operations, net interest expense, stock-based compensation expense and depreciation and amortization expense, among others. The Company is not able to provide a reconciliation of the Company's non-GAAP financial guidance to the corresponding GAAP measure without unreasonable effort because of the uncertainty and variability of the nature and amount of these future charges and costs.

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### **Combined loans reconciliation**

(dollars in thousands)	March 31, 2018	Dec 31, 2017	March 31, 2017
Company Owned Loans			
Loans receivable - principal, current, company owned	471,996	514,147	367,744
Loans receivable - principal, past due, company owned	60,876	61,856	48,007
Loans receivable - principal, total, company owned	532,872	576,003	415,751
Loans receivable - finance charges, company owned	31,181	36,562	21,359
Loans receivable - company owned	564,053	612,565	437,110
Allowance for loan losses on loans receivable, company owned	(80,497)	(87,946)	(69,798)
Loans receivable, net, company owned	483,556	524,619	367,312
Third Party Loans Company Guaranteed			
Loans receivable - principal, current, guaranteed by company	33,469	41,220	27,841
Loans receivable - principal, past due, guaranteed by company	1,123	1,152	957
Loans receivable - principal, total, guaranteed by company <sup>1</sup>	34,592	42,372	28,798
Loans receivable - finance charges, guaranteed by company <sup>2</sup>	2,612	3,093	2,754
Loans receivable - guaranteed by company	37,204	45,465	31,552
Liability for losses on loans receivable, guaranteed by company	(3,749)	(5,843)	(3,565)
Loans receivable, net, guaranteed by company <sup>2</sup>	33,455	39,622	27,987

## **Combined loans reconciliation (continued)**

(dollars in thousands)	March 31, 2018	Dec 31, 2017	March 31, 2017
Combined Loans Receivable <sup>3</sup>			
Combined loans receivable - principal, current	505,465	555,367	395,585
Combined loans receivable - principal, past due	61,999	63,008	48,964
Combined loans receivable - principal	567,464	618,375	444,549
Combined loans receivable - finance charges	33,793	39,655	24,113
Combined loans receivable	601,257	658,030	468,662
Combined Loan Loss Reserve <sup>3</sup>			
Allowance for loan losses on loans receivable, company owned	(80,497)	(87,946)	(69,798)
Liability for losses on loans receivable, guaranteed by company	(3,749)	(5,843)	(3,565)
Combined loan loss reserve	(84,246)	(93,789)	(73,363)

<sup>1</sup> Represents loans originated by third-party lenders through the CSO programs, which are not included in the Company's condensed consolidated financial statements.

<sup>2</sup> Represents finance charges earned by third-party lenders through CSO programs, which are not included in the Company's condensed consolidated financial statements. <sup>3</sup> Non-GAAP measure.

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