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# Fourth Quarter 2018

Earnings Conference Call

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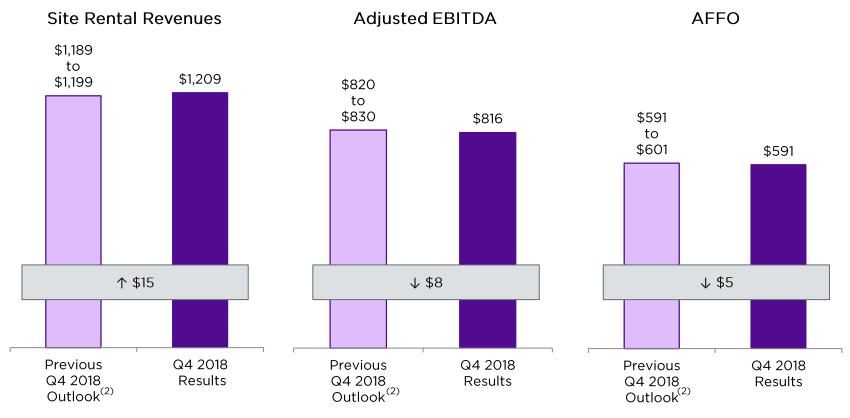
### **Executive Summary**

- ✓ Delivered 10% year over year growth in dividends per share in 2018
- ✓ Deployed record number of small cells in 2018 and expect to nearly double that production in 2019 by installing 10 to 15 thousand nodes
- Unique strategy of towers, small cells and fiber solutions is delivering expected results
- ✓ 2019 Outlook reflects increasing levels of demand for towers and fiber assets



### Q4 2018 Results<sup>(1)</sup>

#### (\$ in millions)

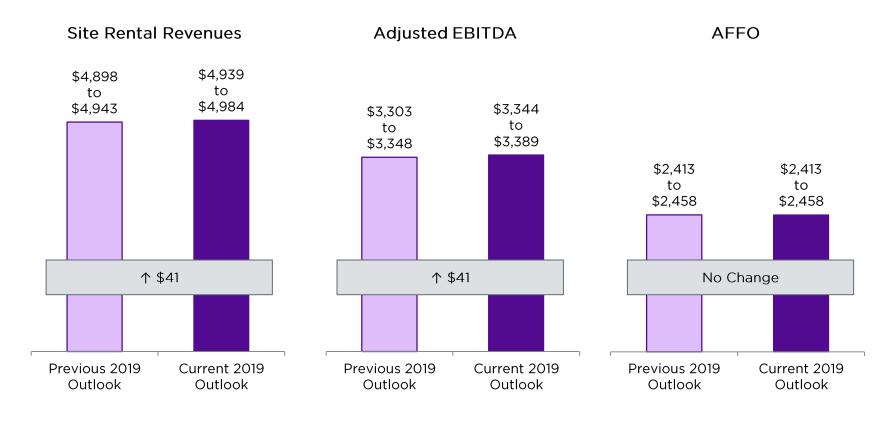


- Site Rental Revenues approximately \$15 million higher than expected, including \$10 million of additional straight-lined revenues
- Adjusted EBITDA impacted by \$10 million of higher costs and \$5 million of lower services contribution due to timing
- AFFO benefited from approximately \$10 million of lower sustaining capital expenditures



#### Full Year 2019 Outlook<sup>(1)</sup>

(\$ in millions)



• Increased 2019 Outlook for Site Rental Revenues and Adjusted EBITDA due to higher straight-lined revenues



## 2019 Outlook for Site Rental Revenue Growth (\$ in millions)

