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**Financial Review** 

**Business Review** 





- Sales amounted to US\$68.4 million
- Gross profit was US\$23.5 million
- Gross margin was 34.4%
- Net loss was US\$6.9 million
- Loss per share was 0.28 US cent (2.17 HK cents)
- Book-to-bill ratio for the year was 1.0
- The Board resolved not to propose any final dividend for the year ended 31 December 2016



**Financial Review** 

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(US\$ million)	2016	2015	Remarks
Sales	68.4	70.9	↓3.5%
Gross profit Gross margin	23.5 34.4%	23.2 32.7%	<b>1.7pts</b>
Net loss	6.9	6.4	
(HK cents)			
Loss per share	2.17	2.02	
Dividends per share	Nil	Nil	
Book-to-bill ratio	1.0	1.1	

# **Financial Review - Financial Remarks**



		Key Factors
Sales	US\$68.4m ('15: US\$70.9m)	<ul> <li>Unit shipments: up 0.8% YOY</li> <li>Blended ASP: down 4.4% YOY</li> </ul>
Gross Profit	US\$23.5m ('15: US\$23.2m)	• Gross margin: 34.4% ('15: 32.7%)
Total Operating Expenses	US\$36.0m ('15: US\$31.4m)	<ul> <li>Product R&amp;D costs:         <ul> <li>US\$21.1m ('15: US\$19.5m) - up 8.1% YoY</li> <li>30.8% of Sales ('15: 27.5%)</li> </ul> </li> <li>S&amp;D expenses:         <ul> <li>US\$3.2m ('15: US\$2.8m) – up 11.2% YoY</li> <li>4.6% of Sales ('15: 4.0%)</li> </ul> </li> <li>Admin expenses:         <ul> <li>US\$11.7m ('15: US\$9.0m) – up 29.8% YoY</li> <li>Include US\$1.7m one-off severance and long services expenses</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Finance Income	US\$3.7m ('15: US\$1.5m)	<ul> <li>Treasury income: US\$3.9m ('15: US\$3.4m)</li> <li>Net unrealizable fair value loss from treasury investment: US\$0.2m ('15: loss US\$2.0m)</li> </ul>
Net Loss	US\$6.9m ('15: US\$6.4m)	





	AS at	STDec	
(US\$ million)	2016	2015	YoY
Total assets	115.6	123.4	
Total borrowings	0.2	0.3	
Shareholders' funds	101.0	108.5	-7%
Net cash	24.6	26.1	-6%
(HK cents)			
Shareholders' funds per share	32	34	
Net cash per share	8	8	

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As at 31 Dec

# Financial Review – Net Cash Analysis 2016 vs 2015



Net Cash @31 Dec:	Change
<ul> <li>US\$24.6m ('16) vs US\$26.1m ('15)</li> </ul>	-US\$1.5m

Major Cash Inflow	US\$	Major Cash Outflow	US\$
<ul> <li>Interest and Dividend Received</li> </ul>	+3.3m	<ul> <li>Net cash Used in Operating Activities</li> </ul>	-13.2m
<ul> <li>Disposal of Treasury Investment</li> </ul>	+26.5m	Capital Expenditure	-17.5m
		Others	-0.6m



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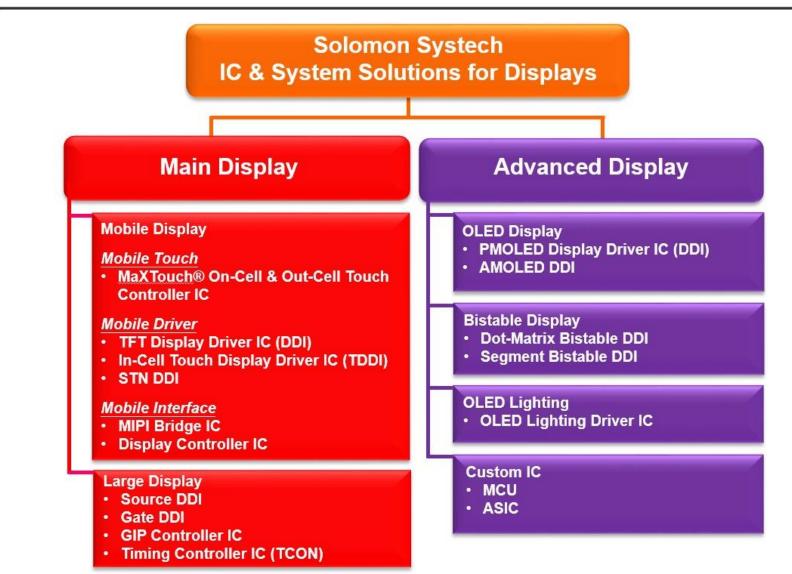
### Business Review – Sales & Shipments



- > 2016 Total Sales: ~US\$68.4 million
- > 2016 Total Shipment: ~187.3 million units



### Business Review – New Structure



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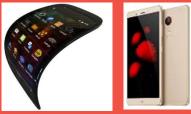
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# Business Review – Main Display



#### Main Display





maXTouch® Technologies & Assets

#### **Total Sales**

- Decreased 4.4% year-on-year to US\$31.6 million
- Purchased market-leading maXTouch® technologies, semiconductor products and patent licenses
- Set up UK Business & Technology Center at end of 2016 focusing on Mobile Touch



# Business Review – Main Display



#### Main Display



World's 1<sup>st</sup> TDDI for FHD IGZO Panels



TDDI for FHD LTPS Panels



MIPI Bridge IC for UHD VR Applications





DDI for UHD TV and FHD Notebooks

#### Touch & Display Driver IC (TDDI)

- Launched World's 1<sup>st</sup> TDDI for FHD IGZO panels with Nanjing CEC Panda
- TDDI for FWVGA LTPS Panels: strong growth >10 million units
- TDDI for FHD LTPS Panels: pilot shipment in 2H

#### FFT LCD DDI (Display Driver IC)

Developed new IC targeting automotive display

#### MIPI Bridge IC for UHD Displays for VR Devices

Steady growth in shipment

#### Large TFT LCD DDI

- Reduced demand from key customer
- New product for FHD notebooks qualified and sample for UHD TV ready

# Business Review – Advanced Display



Advanced Display



Wearable Health & Fitness Device

Electronic Shelf Label





**IoT** Application

#### > Total Sales:

Decreased 2.9% year-on-year to US\$36.8 million

#### > PMOLED Display Driver IC

- Scored design wins with global wearable health & fitness devices brands
- Cumulative IC shipments (2008-2016) of one single IC (SSD1306): 200 million units

#### Bistable Display Driver IC

- Intense competition: decrease in shipment and sales
- Scored design-wins: healthcare, wearable and ESL applications
- New products: achieved design-in projects

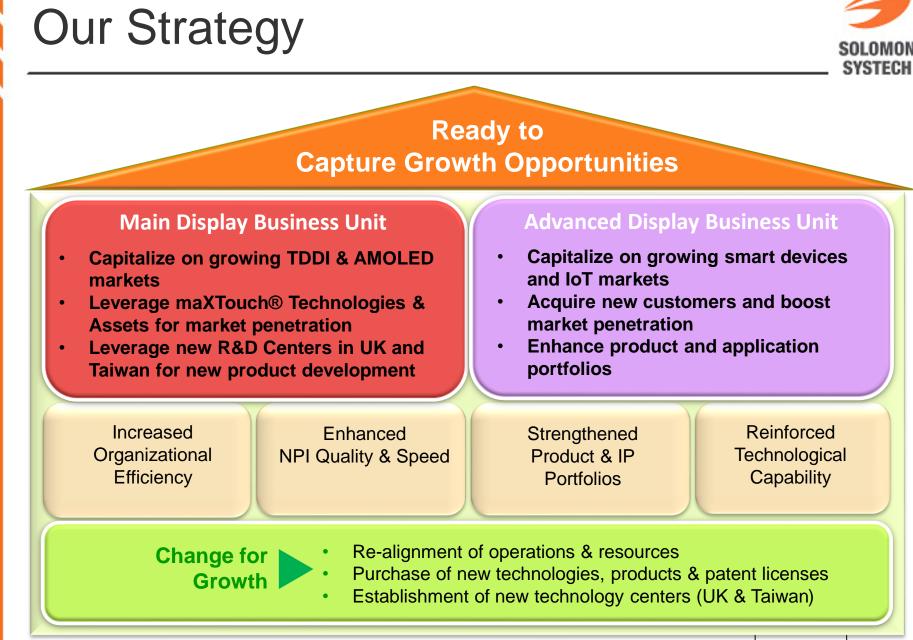
#### OLED lighting Driver IC

Started mass production



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#### Main Display – Outlook In-Cell TDDI Secure more design wins for TDDI for FHD panels New TDDIs for FHD LTPS & IGZO panels to start mass Mobile Display IC production **Touch Controller IC Develop POLED touch controller IC** Drive growth leveraging maXTouch®'s customer base **TFT LCD DDI** New IC for automotive display to secure design-wins **MIPI Bridge IC** New IC for UHD resolution to be launched in 1H Develop new IC for VR devices **New ICs** New ICs for FHD notebooks & monitors and UHD TV Large Display ready for mass production **Driver IC** Key Customer Nanjing CEC Panda Enhance collaboration and expand presence in Nanjing

## Advanced Display – Outlook



PMOLED Display Driver IC	<ul> <li>New Products</li> <li>Develop new products to capture the growth momentum of wearables market</li> <li>Explore other fast-growing applications to drive business growth</li> </ul>
Bistable Display Driver IC	<ul> <li>Rapport Building to Drive Growth         <ul> <li>Enhance relationship with LCD module manufacturers</li> <li>Collaborate with independent design houses (IDH)</li> </ul> </li> <li>AMEPD:         <ul> <li>Score more design-wins for new products</li> <li>Extend applications of 3-pigment AMEPD and segment-type EPD solutions</li> <li>Develop custom-IC for ESL customers</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
OLED Lighting Driver IC	<ul> <li>New IC:</li> <li>Target to ramp up shipment</li> </ul>





2016 Summary	<ul> <li>Total sales decreased slightly: ASP erosion of certain products under intense price competition</li> <li>Increased organizational efficiency via operational realignment</li> <li>Enhanced NPI quality &amp; speed</li> <li>Strengthened product and IP portfolios</li> <li>Reinforced technological capability</li> </ul>
Looking Ahead	Favorable market conditions: LCD and OLED production capacity to grow significantly → demand increase for TDDI and display driver ICs
	Ready To Drive Growth:
	Capitalize on favorable market conditions
	Develop more competitive new products
	Acquire new customers and enhance market penetration
	Explore strategic investment opportunities



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