

First Quarter 2013

Results Presentation

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# Highlights: Generated Stable Revenues and Cash Flow; Strengthened Balance Sheet

- Revenues
  - \$35.2 million generated for first quarter 2013
- Adjusted EBITDA
  - \$22.2 million generated for first quarter 2013
- Normalized net income, excluding non-cash mark-to-market gains
  - \$1.8 million for first quarter 2013
- Net income
  - \$7.2 million for first quarter 2013, after a \$5.5 million non-cash interest rate derivative mark-to-market gain
- Continued to de-lever
  - \$14.8 million of debt repaid during the first quarter of 2013
  - \$188.2 million since August 2009
- Agreed to new one-year charters for two 4,113 TEU vessels which commenced May 1, 2013 at \$7,000 per vessel per day

Operating Income

(\$ Million)
Utilization

 $(^{0}/_{0})$ 

9.2

98

10.3

99

## GSL Continues to Demonstrate Robust Performance Throughout the Cycle



Source: Clarksons (Note: Timecharter Index has been re-based: 100 = average 1Q2008 – 1Q2013) and GSL

9.4

98

9.9

100

13.4

98

14.3

100

16.1

99

17.9

99

18.4

100



13.2

99

16.8

99

12.1

98

17.4

100

16.7

100

 $16.3^{1}$ 

100

16.3

99

 $15.7^{2}$ 

98

15.0

96

16.5

99

15.2

97

16.6

99

<sup>(1) 4</sup>Q-2010 Operating Income before \$17.1 million impairment charge following renegotiation of purchase obligations on two 4,250 TEU vessels converting these to options

<sup>(2) 2</sup>Q-2011 Operating Income before \$13.6 million impairment charge to write-off fair value of purchase options

# Stable Platform: Mainly Mid-Size & Smaller Tonnage with Good Contract Coverage

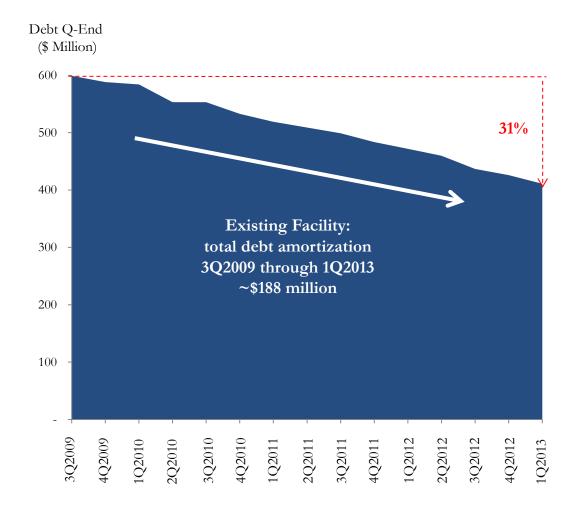
- \$1.0 billion contracted revenue; charters are non-cancelable & industry-standard, with 7.2 years¹ average remaining duration
- Weighted average vessel age of 9.1 years¹, out of economic life of 30 years



<sup>(1)</sup> As at March 31, 2013; average remaining charter duration and average vessel age are TEU-weighted

### Aggressive De-Levering Continues; Insulated from Asset Value Volatility

#### GSL Debt Amortization: Historic & Forecast (\$ Million)

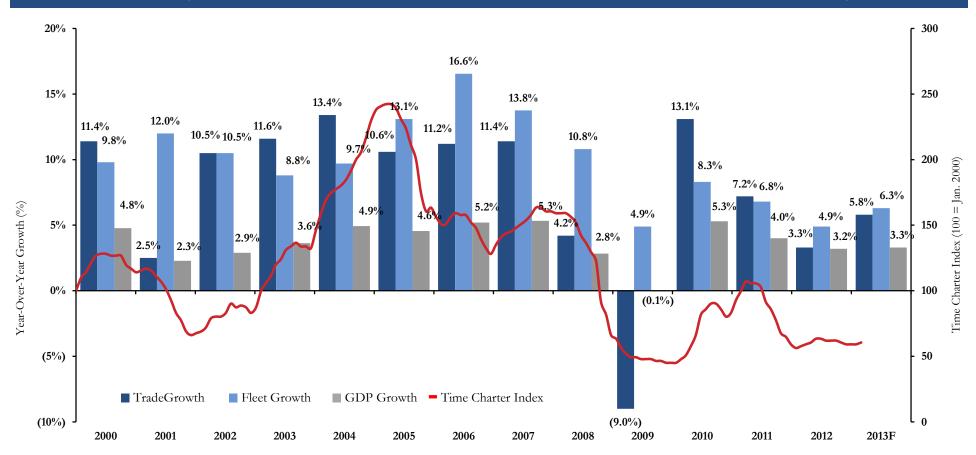


#### Commentary

- GSL continues to de-lever aggressively
  - ~\$188.2 million debt prepaid since Q3 2009
    - Debt reduced by ~31%
  - \$410.9 million<sup>1</sup> outstanding
- Loan-to-value waiver in place through December 1, 2014
  - Insulates from asset value volatility
  - Stable platform to explore potential enhancements to capital structure
- Reduction in interest rate swaps
  - \$253 million swaps rolled off in March 2013
  - Cash flows are significantly enhanced

### Charter Market Dynamics are Shaped by Fundamentals over Long Term

#### Interplay Between Charter Rates and Growth in GDP, Containerized Trade and Fleet Supply



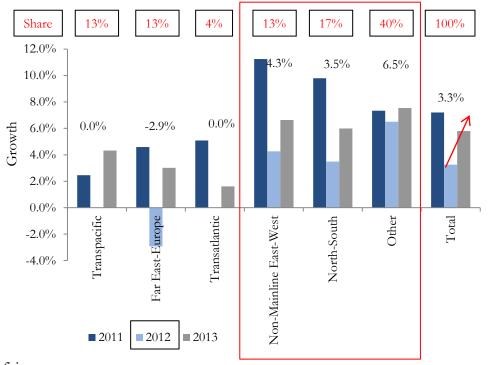
- Containerized trade grows as a multiple of global GDP growth
- With the exception of 2009, containerized trade has grown every year since the inception of the industry in the late 1950s
- ~156 million TEU of containerized cargo shipped in 2012, representing Y-o-Y growth of 3.3%

## Mid-Size and Smaller Vessels Deployed in Higher Growth Trades

#### **GDP & Trade Growth Forecasts**

Y-o-Y Growth	2012	2013F
Global GDP (IMF)	3.2%	3.3%
Developed Economies GDP (IMF)	1.2%	1.2%
Emerging Economies GDP (IMF)	5.1%	5.3%
Containerized Trade (Clarksons)	3.3%	5.8%
Containerized Trade (MSI)	2.9%	5.6%

# Containerized Trade Share & Growth, by Tradelane<sup>1</sup>



- Global macroeconomic sentiment showing tentative signs of improvement
  - Primary drivers continue to be developing markets
- Non-arterial trades, collectively representing ~70% of global containerized trade, showing most robust growth
  - Predominantly served by mid-size and smaller tonnage; 15 of GSL's 17 vessels are in this category

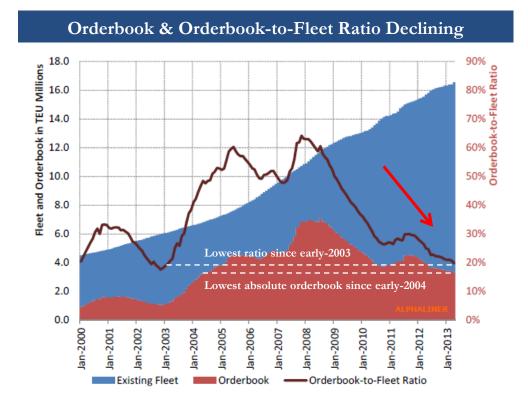
<sup>(1)</sup> Source data: Clarksons

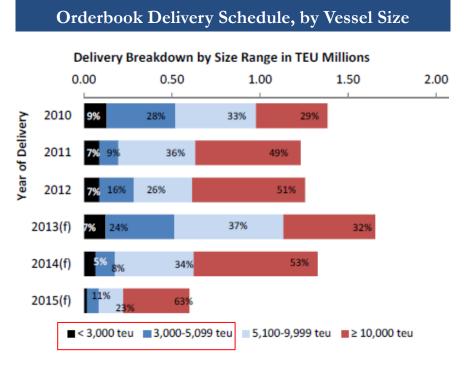
Non-Mainline East-West Trades include non long-haul trades such as those to and from M.East and Indian Sub-Continent

Other Trades include the Intra-Regional Trades (primarily Intra-Asia) and South-South Trades

<sup>&</sup>quot;Share" data labels show the percentage of global trade represented by a given tradelane in FY2012E; "Growth" data labels reflect YoY growth FY2012E v. FY2011

## Medium Term Supply Dynamics are More Encouraging, Especially for Smaller Tonnage





- Orderbook-to-fleet ratio currently ~20%: a 10 year low
  - For mid-size and smaller tonnage ratio is even lower, at  $\sim$ 8%
- Scrapping is accelerating, concentrated on the (currently distressed) mid-size and smaller fleet segments
  - ~350,000 TEU scrapped in 2012; ~160,000 TEU scrapped first four months 2013

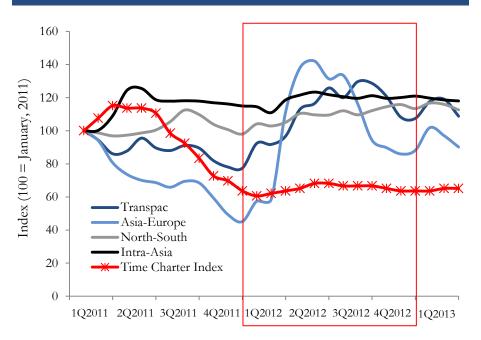
### Rate Increases Improving Liners' Operating Results; CMA CGM Outperforming Peers

#### Liner Operators' Operating Margins 1Q2009 – 4Q2012<sup>1</sup>

#### 20.0% 3Q10: 15.0% CMA CGM: FY2012: 6.3% 15.0% 10.0% 5.0% 3Q12 4.0% 2Q12: 1.0% 0.0% -5.0% 4Q12: (2.0%) -10.0% -15.0% 1Q12: (12.0%) 1-3Q09:

(17.0%)

### Freight Rate Indices (ex-Shanghai) & Timecharter Index<sup>2</sup>



- Flat-lining spot charter rates are a function of challenging supply / demand fundamentals
- Despite this, starting in March 2012, lines implemented serial General Rate Increases (GRIs)
  - Positive impact of GRIs led to improved liner companies operating results after Q1 2012
  - CMA CGM operating margin for FY2012 at 6.3% was at the top of its peer group
- Limited visibility on Q1 2013 liner results to date, although freight rates have come under pressure recently

#### Source data:

-20.0%

<sup>(1)</sup> Alphaliner. Index is based on results of 18 liner companies / divisions; CMA CGM data from 4Q 2012 earnings press releases

<sup>(2)</sup> Clarksons

Q1 2013 Financials



# Financial Results (Unaudited): Income Statement

	Three months ended March 31, 2013 2012			
Operating Revenues Time charter revenue	\$	35,209	\$	38,350
Operating Expenses				
Vessel operating expenses		11,545		11,657
Depreciation		10,070		9,969
General and administrative		1,557		1,593
Other operating income		(69)		(68)
Total operating expenses		23,103		23,151
Operating Income		12,106		15,199
Non Operating Income (Expense)				
Interest income		11		23
Interest expense		(4,900)		(5,466)
Realized loss on interest rate derivatives		(5,414)		(4,492)
Unrealized gain on interest rate derivatives		5,453		2,676
Income before Income Taxes		7,256		7,940
Income taxes		(22)		10
Net Income	\$	7,234	\$	7,950
Earnings per Share				
Weighted average number of Class A common shares outstanding				
Basic		,513,578	47	,481,471
Diluted	47	,622,651	47	,481,471
Net income per Class A common share				
Basic	\$	0.15	\$	0.17
Diluted	\$	0.15	\$	0.17
Weighted average number of Class B common shares outstanding Basic and diluted				
	7.	,405,956	7	,405,956
Net income per Class B common share		•		•
Basic and diluted	\$	nil	\$	nil

# Financial Results (Unaudited): Balance Sheet

	March 31, 2013	December 31, 2012
Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents Restricted cash Accounts receivable Prepaid expenses Other receivables Deferred financing costs	\$ 26,097 3 8,830 669 883 1,470	\$ 26,145 3 14,417 795 1,165 1,493
Total current assets	37,952	44,018
Vessels in operation Other fixed assets Intangible assets - other Deferred financing costs Total non-current assets	847,706 22 68 2,856 850,652	856,394 29 73 3,166 859,662
Total Assets	\$ 888,604	\$ 903,680
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity		
Liabilities		
Current portion of long-term debt Intangible liability – charter agreements Accounts payable Accrued expenses Derivative instruments	\$ 53,160 2,119 4,349 4,806 10,497	\$ 50,572 2,119 5,353 5,419 12,225
Total current liabilities	74,931	75,688
Long-term debt Preferred shares Intangible liability – charter agreements Deferred tax liability Derivative instruments	357,716 44,976 17,402 33 19,641	375,104 44,976 17,931 27 23,366
Total long-term liabilities	439,768	461,404
Total Liabilities	\$ 514,699	\$ 537,092
Stockholders' Equity		
Class A Common stock – authorized 214,000,000 shares with a \$0.01 par value; 47,513,934 shares issued and outstanding (2012 – 47,481,864) Class B Common stock – authorized 20,000,000 shares with a \$0.01 par value; 7,405,956 shares issued and outstanding (2012 – 7,405,956)	\$ 475 74	\$ 475 74
Additional paid in capital Retained earnings	352,399 20,957	352,316 13,723
Total Stockholders' Equity	373,905	366,588
Total Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity	\$ 888,604	\$ 903,680

# Financial Results (Unaudited): Cash Flow Statement

	Three months ended March 31, 2013 2012		
Cash Flows from Operating Activities			
Net income	\$ 7,234	\$ 7,950	
Adjustments to Reconcile Net Income to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities			
Depreciation	10,070	9,969	
Amortization of deferred financing costs	333	314	
Change in fair value of derivative instruments	(5,453)	(2,676)	
Amortization of in tangible liability	(529)	(529)	
Settlements of hedges which do not qualify for hedge accounting	5,414	4,492	
Share based compensation Decrease (increase) in other receivables and other assets	83	113 (498)	
(Decrease) increase in accounts payable and other liabilities	6,047	2,994	
Unrealized foreign exchange loss	(2,434)	2,994	
Onleanized foreign exchange loss			
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	20,759	22,145	
Cash Flows from Investing Activities Settlements of hedge s which do not qualify for hedge accounting	(5,414)	(4,492)	
Cash paid to acquire intangible assets Cash paid for drydockings	(593)	(1,536)	
Net Cash Used in Investing Activities	(6,007)	(6,028)	
Cash Flows from Financing Activities			
Repayment of debt	(14,800)	(11,787)	
Net Cash Used in Financing Activities	(14,800)	(11,787)	
Net increase in Cash and Cash Equivalents	(48)	4,329	
Cash and Cash Equivalents at start of Period	26,145	25,814	
Cash and Cash Equivalents at end of Period	\$ 26,097	\$ 30,144	
Supplemental information			
Total interest paid	\$ 4,624	\$ 5,255	
Income tax paid	\$ 19	\$ 10	

### **Concluding Remarks**

- Fleet remains fully chartered through to April 2014
  - No further expirations until late 2016
  - Contracted revenue of \$1.0 billion with weighted average remaining contract term of 7.1 years
  - Stable costs and contracted revenue provide significant visibility into future cash flows
- Future cash flow benefits
  - \$253 million of interest rate derivatives rolled off in mid-March; annualised saving \$7.5 million
  - As at March 31, 2013 \$129 million of our total \$456 million debt was floating rate
  - Reduced drydocking schedule in 2013, 2014 and 2015
- LTV waiver until December 2014
  - Eliminates exposure to asset value volatility
  - Cash flow being used to strengthen balance sheet
  - Stable platform from which to explore opportunities to enhance capital structure
- Continue to generate strong cash flow
  - Further de-lever balance sheet
  - No financing or re-financing risk until late 2016
- Exploring opportunities to increase financial flexibility

Q&A

