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# **Business Overview**



# If It's Coffee, We Do It

Farmer Brothers is a Leading Manufacturer, Wholesaler, Distributor & Equipment Servicer of Regular & Specialty Coffee, Tea & Other Allied<sup>(1)</sup> Products in The U.S.

- At Farmer Bros., We...
  - Roast, produce, and package more than 80 million lbs. of coffee per year
  - Offer more than 1,000 different products
  - Operate one of the oldest coffee distribution networks in the U.S.
- Our National Network...
  - Enables capital-efficient innovation & distribution of new products & partnerships
  - Consists of one the largest & most skilled technician fleets in the country
  - Keeps us "sticky" while providing cross & up-sell opportunities



## Coffee is an Attractive Growth Industry

- Coffee is a \$76 billion industry that is growing at 3-5% annually<sup>(1)</sup>
- 63% of American adults drink coffee at least once a day<sup>(2)</sup>
- Specialty coffee trend provides growth tailwind
  - Refrigerated ready-to-drink (RTD) tea & coffee sales grew
    13.6%<sup>(3)</sup>; refrigerated RTD coffee by 44.0%<sup>(3)</sup>
  - Millennials & Gen Z increasingly preferring dairy alternatives
    & frozen/cold coffee<sup>(3)</sup>
- Consolidated industry with high-barriers-to-entry
- Limited relevant competition at-scale, even fewer competitors with national reach & sophisticated manufacturing



### Our Brands















(1) Techonomic AFH Beverage Study 2016 RSE, 2014-2016 CAGR

(2) Statistic 2020

) Per IRI data, year-over-year, ending Aug 8, 2021

### Operating Across Three Complementary Verticals

### **Direct-Store-Delivery ("DSD")**

- Sells coffee, tea, spices, beverages & breakfast/brunch products<sup>(1)</sup>
- Distributes products through whollyowned DSD network (& limited parcel shipping via "Roastery Direct")
- Delivers "White Glove" & CBE<sup>(2)</sup> services
- Higher-margin business with more than 50k point of delivery annually
- Coffee is ~50% of DSD Revenue

### Direct-Ship ("DS")

- Creates & sells wholesale & private label coffee products
- Leading roaster & manufacturer
- Ships most products directly from our DCs<sup>(3)</sup> via third-party carriers
- Distributes ~2/3rds of all coffee we roast & service
- Coffee is ~95% of DS Revenue

#### eCommerce ("eComm")

- Creates cross-channel growth opportunities for our products & services
- Operates eComm sites for our wholly-owned brands

- Provides exposure to new revenue models, such as subscription-based
- Currently a small percentage of total revenue, but growing
- Full back-office capabilities underway

#### Omni-Channel Integration Increasingly Providing New Opportunities

**Farmer Brothers** 

Innovating in DS; low-cost pilot launching via DSD

Increasingly selling DS products via eComm

#### Includes restaurants, hotels, casinos, convenience stores, fast food chains, coffee shops, universities, etc.

Coffee Brewing Equipment, now rebranded as Revive

(3) Distribution Cente

### Established Distribution & Servicing Network

### Products in Over 50,000 Establishments Across All 50 States



Portland, OR (x2) Headquarters: Northlake, TX

### **4 Distribution Centers**



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Northlake, TX Northlake, IL Moonachie, NJ Opened Early 2021: Rialto, CA

#### 3 Equipment Refurbishing Centers<sup>(1)</sup>

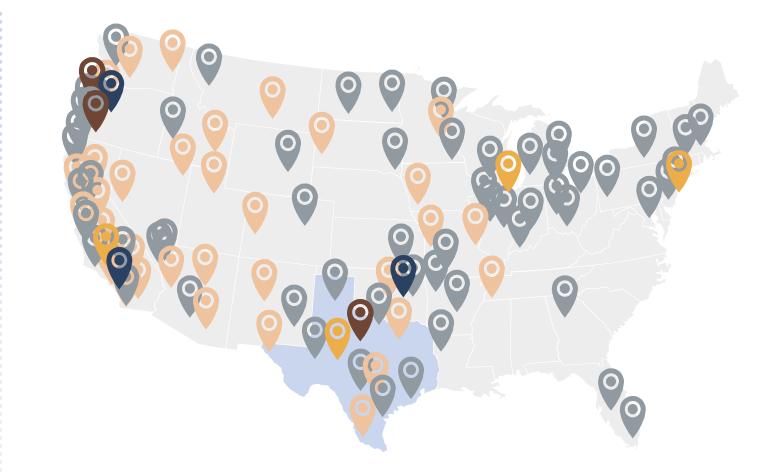
94 Branches & 213

Wholly-Owned Routes<sup>(3)</sup>

Oklahoma City, OK Los Angeles, CA<sup>(2)</sup> Portland, OR



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# Three Distinct Advantages Built Over 110 Years

### Vertically-Integrated Source-to-Consumption Model

- One of the largest, nation-wide coffee & tea distribution & servicing networks in the U.S.
- National leading coffee wholesaler, roaster, distributor, equipment servicer & manufacturer
- Established, long-tenured relationships with leading global green coffee & allied suppliers
- Sustainably-focused & community-driven (see appendix)

#### Owns & Operates **One of The Largest, Fully-Integrated DSD Networks** in The U.S.

- We operate one of the largest & most skilled fleets in the country
- Experienced frontline personnel with average tenure of 15+ years
- Established long-term relationships; we manage our customers' inventory & write their orders
- Leverage network & existing capabilities to improve the customer experience

### Equipment Servicing Supports Sticky Customer Relationships & Cross/Upsell Opportunities

- Revive Service & Restoration<sup>(1)</sup> an industry-leading national field service fleet
- Offers full repair & refurbishment for a wide array of coffee & tea related equipment
- Manages equipment lifecycle; routinely cleans & inspects stations & provides skilled preventative maintenance
- Our servicing fleets keep us "sticky" and provide cross & up-sell opportunities
- Recently launched service business to 3<sup>rd</sup> parties as new revenue source (5 geographies to date)







# Business Update



## Turnaround Taking Hold: High-level Update

### Despite Global Headwinds, Operating Efficiency Initiatives Are Taking Hold, As Evidenced By Sustained Margin Expansion & Increased Volumes

- Continued gross margin expansion despite inflationary headwinds
  Margins inline with pre-COVID, despite lower DSD volumes
- Dallas/Ft. Worth ("DFW") roasting facility output at the highest level in history, with potential for expansion
- Recent price increases beginning to flow through P&L
  - Expected to be significantly more impactful beginning F3Q<sup>(1)</sup>
  - Expected bottom-line benefit from cost-plus nature of DS<sup>(1)</sup>
- DS improvement driven by recently-optimized customer base & recovery of several larger accounts



At F2Q-end, GM expanded >400bps Y/Y to 29.5%; the strongest since F2Q of 2019—prior to onset of COVID

### Farmer Brothers<sup>®</sup>

# Direct-Store-Delivery ("DSD") Update

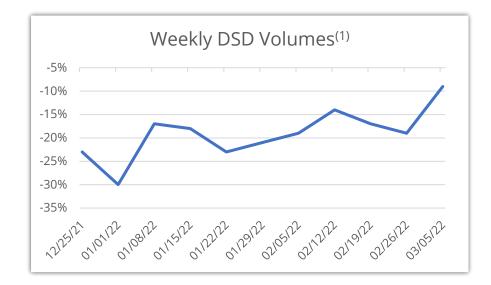
#### Sales Volumes

- F2Q marked our 6<sup>th</sup> consecutive quarter of growth
- YTD has hovered in the (14)% to (17)% range<sup>(1)</sup>; impacted by holidays & regional weather issues
- Nationally now within (5)% to (10)% with some individual regions performing even better<sup>(1)</sup>

### Operations

- Consumer behaviors normalizing despite lingering labor & supply issues
- Inventory stocking improved
- Transportation & rerouting efforts producing more efficient freight expenses
- Customer base & order size continuing to expand
  - Won several smaller, regional contracts YTD; wins expected to accelerate as COVID further recedes

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Week of March Strongest Yet With Volumes (10)%<sup>(1)</sup>



#### Ended FQ2 (17)%<sup>(1)</sup> Compared to (40)% a Year Ago



# Our Story



# Our History At-a-Glance: Turnaround

### **Pre-2019:** Events That Led to Management Change:

BQYD'S

### **Operational Inefficiencies**

- Relocated corporate headquarters from CA to TX
- New DFW facility lacked manufacturing capacity build-out
- Closed Torrance & *Boyd's* distribution & manufacturing facilities in the West

### Underperforming Boyd's Acquisition

- Incomplete integration
- Poor customer & SKU performance
- Excessive write-downs & expenses

### Cash Flow Deterioration

- Inventory buildup & waste
- Resulting in liquidity issues

## New Management Team

Scott Drake CFO & Treasurer





Ruben Inofuentes Chief Supply Officer





Deverl Maserang President & CEO



Nathalie Fontanilla Oetzel VP of Product Marketing & Innovation

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Maurice Moragne, Chief Sales Officer





Amber Jefferson Chief Human Resources Officer





### New Management Team Embarked on Comprehensive Turnaround Strategy

### Fixed Inefficient Footprint

- Exited inefficient Houston facility
- Expanded Dallas/Ft. Worth facility ("DFW")
- Re-opened West Coast distribution center
- Continue to review IT & digital platforms

### **Optimized Operations & Increased Output**

- Increased business efficiencies (e.g., reduced SKU count by 48% since early 2019)
- Increased manufacturing throughput at both DFW & Portland facilities
- Expanded co-manufacturing network
- Upgraded sales function (strategy, structure, and tools)
- Launched e-comm sites for four of our wholly-owned retail brands
  - Boyd's, Public Domain, West Coast Coffee and China Mist
- Re-establishing innovation & commercialization pipeline



# Our Story At-a-Glance: COVID Acceleration

#### Reduced Volumes = Deeper Business Insights = Ground-Up Optimization

#### Conducted Detailed Audit of Our Product Portfolio & Rationalized Our Business

- Developed new targeting strategies, tiered DSD customers & national DS accounts
- Refined our SKU rationalization process
- Right-sized our cost structure relative to volumes

#### Strengthened Our Balance Sheet & Improved Working Capital

- Exceeded \$6.5 million monthly savings goals
- Improved technology & processes around A/R
- Amended & replaced existing credit facility

#### Improved Sales, Production & Distribution Structures

- Restructured sales team & added Chief Sales Office & Sales Ambassador positions
- Rationalized focus regions from 9 to 5

#### Modernized Operations & Infrastructure via Technological Upgrades

- Implemented *HighJump*<sup>(1)</sup> across our DSD routes; improved inventory & selling infrastructure
- Launched new eComm websites for 4 of our brands



# Forward-Looking Initiatives

#### Improve Go-to-Market Sales Approaches

- Improve pre-sale strategies; phone/online to remote/low volume customers
- Leverage fully dedicated Sales Ambassadors to pursue new customers
- Continue to improve customer support; already added a 24/7 call center

### Further Unlock 110-Year-Old National Distribution Network

- Leverage network to become the premier specialty distribution company
- Build market-expanding partnerships that expose us to industry innovation; cost-effectively test & scale new products
- Address technology deficit to allow for efficiencies & growth

### Innovate & Integrate: eComm (DTC), B2C & B2B

- Invest in infrastructure & operational upgrades, such as a fully-automated back office, which is underway
- Leverage cross-channel synergies to test & launch new allied<sup>(1)</sup> & coffee products
- Continue to roll-out e-comm sites across our business; three sites launched to-date

#### Move Closer to Customers

- White Glove services; keeping our customers in-stock & expanding our customer base
- Revive/CBE business; piloting third-party maintenance & repair revenue opportunities

#### Leverage Internal & External Contract Manufacturing Capabilities

- Become a contract manufacturer for both our institutional food service & retail channels
- Run efficiently & near capacity; continue to utilize partnerships & cross-channel integration

### Near-Term Priorities

#### Operate with a Cost Avoidance Mentality

- Continuing to find new ways to mitigate macro challenges via:
  - Procurement improvements & streamlining product flow across the network
  - Rationalizing truck fleet departures & routes; shipping directly to branches/DCs instead of through DFW first
  - Continued SKU count & product portfolio optimization & rationalization efforts

#### Press Forward on Revive & Network Improvement Initiatives

- CBE rebranded to Revive; now operating in 5 pilot markets; improving infrastructure & marketing
- Network improvements in Portland; moving more manufacturing into region; consolidating e-comm & supply

### Remain Agile & Logistically Nimble

- Network can adjust product flow across marine, rail & truck transportation as conditions change
  - Proven ability to effectively re-route volume from West Coast into Gulf & East Coast

### Pay Down Debt While Delivering Adjusted EBITDA Growth

• Strengthen the balance sheet & position post-COVID capital structure to support longer-term growth



# Financials



# Financial Highlights & Update

### Income Statement

- Long-term cost savings materializing in COGS
- Commitment to more efficient SG&A cost structure going forward
- Expect sales recovery in key segments (COVID & labor shortages are primary hurdles)

### Balance Sheet

- Improved working capital in recent years via processes & technology
- Appropriate debt structure provides needed flexibility to support growth
- Reduced liabilities strengthen balance sheet

### Cash Flows

- Optimizing capital investment (increased refurbished coffee & tea equipment versus purchased new)
- Increased gross margins + cost containment = improved EBITDA dollars & margins

In Strong Position to Deliver Operating Leverage as Volumes Return in Economic Recovery

## Selected Income Data<sup>(1)</sup>

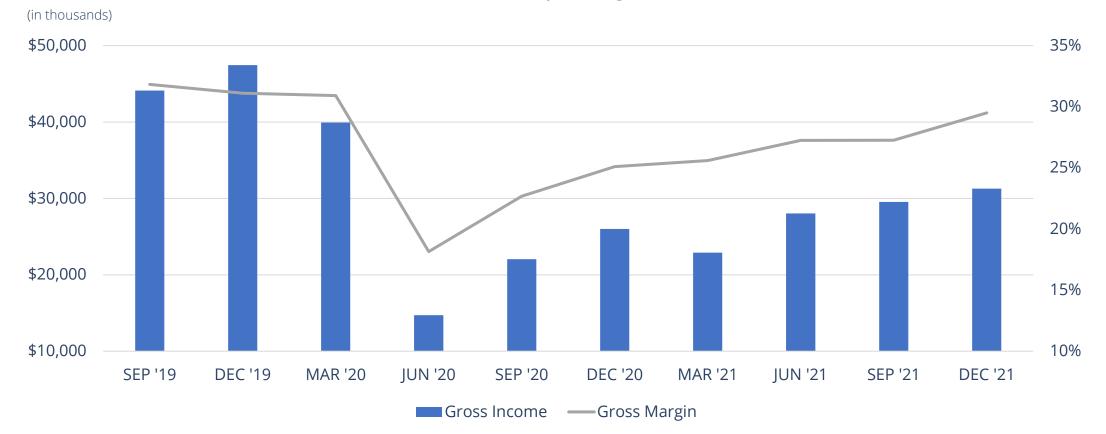
(\$ in thousands, except per share data)	JUN '20	SEP '20	DEC '20	MAR '21	JUN '21	SEP '21	DEC '21
Sales	81,083	97,270	104,571	93,152	102,857	108,362	118,445
Cost of Goods Sold (COGS) incl. D&A	66,361	75,215	78,561	70,257	74,831	78,828	87,163
Gross Income	14,722	22,055	26,010	22,895	28,026	29,534	31,282
SG&A Expense	29,744	32,230	34,222	31,952	33,893	37,226	39,061
EBIT (Operating Income)	(15,022)	(10,175)	(8,212)	(9,057)	(5,867)	(7,692)	(7,779)
Pretax Income	(8,691)	(6,128)	(4,022)	(13,744)	(4,161)	(2,362)	(5,294)
Net Income Available to Common Stockholders	(9,858)	(6,412)	(17,868)	(13,828)	(4,117)	(2,571)	(5,568)
GAAP EPS (diluted)	(0.57)	(0.37)	(1.02)	(0.78)	(0.24)	(0.14)	(0.31)
Diluted S/O (M)	17.34	17.42	17.53	17.76	17.34	17.97	18.11

### Historical Gross Profit & Margin<sup>(1)</sup>

### Cost Improvements Reflected in Gross Margins Are Accelerating

Historical Gross Margins

~35% Pre-Boyd's Acquisition ~30% Post-Boyd's Integration



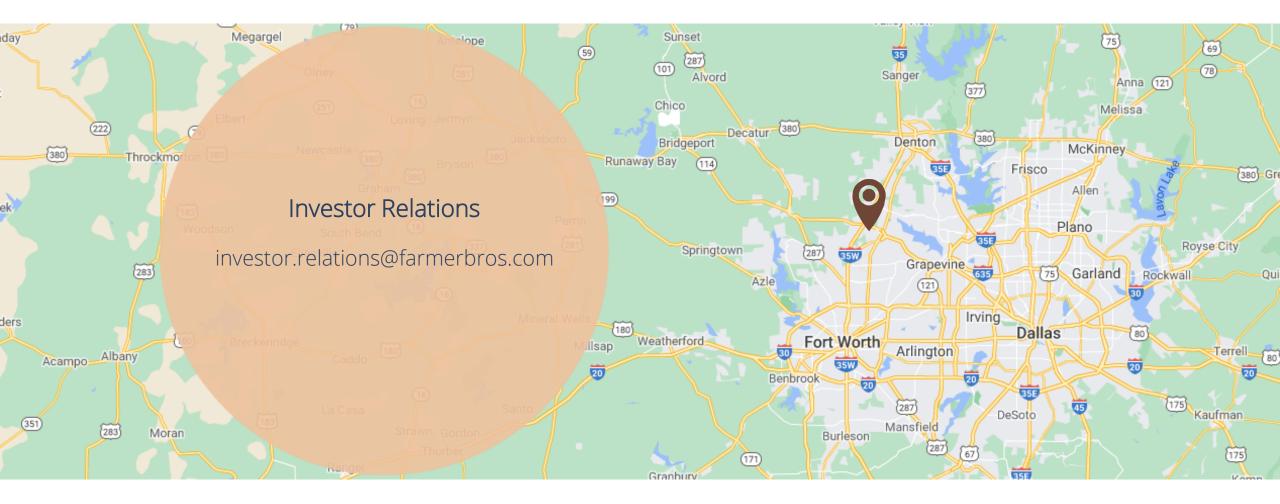
# Adjusted EBITDA<sup>(1)(2)</sup>

(\$ in thousands)	JUN '20	SEP '20	DEC '20	MAR '21	JUN '21	SEP '21	DEC '21
GAAP EBITDA <sup>(2)</sup>	184	2,906	5,288	(4,800)	8,089	6,089	2,389
Restructuring charge	1,027	903	1,968	1,793	1,134	590	352
Gain/loss on asset sale	(1,863)	618	(1,168)	488	(532)	(4,582)	153
Asset impairments	-	-	1,243	-	-	-	-
Stock option expense	1,132	1,155	794	1,611	1,019	1,392	1,605
Pension settlement charges	-	-	_	-	(6,359)	-	-
Other adjustments	233	111	149	149	52	-	-
Non-GAAP EBITDA <sup>(2)</sup>	713	5,693	8,274	(759)	3,403	3,489	4,499

## Selected Balance Sheet Data<sup>(1)</sup>

(\$ in thousands)	JUN '20	SEP '20	DEC '20	MAR '21	JUN '21	SEP '21	DEC '21
Cash & Short-Term Investments	60,013	11,025	5,857	8,474	10,438	6,189	3,799
Accounts Receivables, Net	38,899	40,125	39,730	35,846	36,883	41,989	46,461
Inventories	67,408	71,729	80,617	75,151	76,791	83,862	87,221
Intangible Assets	20,662	20,059	19,457	18,854	18,252	17,649	17,050
Property, Plant & Equipment, Net	186,750	191,873	187,513	162,588	176,345	175,836	172,577
Total Assets	477,449	355,021	356,083	340,261	423,140	345,736	346,658
ST Debt & Current Portion LT Debt	5,854	7,631	7,029	6,229	7,404	9,001	10,042
Accounts Payable	36,987	50,038	49,797	44,610	45,703	52,816	54,346
Long-Term Debt excl. Lease Obligations	122,000	69,800	82,000	88,000	87,828	84,932	86,124
Capital & Operating Lease Obligations	15,637	21,818	20,770	20,363	20,612	22,976	22,089
Total Liabilities Total Liabilities & Shareholders' Equity	365,536 477,449	251,393 355,021	259,890 356,083	258,272 340,261	318,181 423,140	237,703 345,736	241,348 346,658
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# Appendix





# Community & Sustainably Driven

We View Social Involvement & Sustainability as Part of Our Responsibility

### Sustainability Leadership Abroad

- Dedicated staffing focused on sustainability; 9-year history of sustainability reporting with yearly reports
- Co-founding member of World Coffee Research (WCR); supports research in origin countries to increase sustainability
- Project Direct; work with growers in pursuit of shared value; 11-year-old sourcing history in El Salvador & Nicaragua
- Public goal of responsibly sourcing 100% of our green coffee by 2025; currently at 35%

### Environmentally-Focused at Home

- Refurbishing facilities repurpose ~9,000 units/year; 6,744 fewer units purchased in 2020; costs saving of \$9.9 million over 2019
- Driving towards zero-waste status in roasting & distribution facilities; companywide, 76% of waste diverted from landfills
- 100% of our roasting facilities have achieved zero waste status; 90% diversion from landfill since 2018; currently at 92% diversion
- Northlake, IL, distribution center is zero waste (95% diversion); 10% of our branches are zero waste
- Recognized by Newsweek as one of America's Most Responsible Companies of 2021
- First coffee-focused company to adopt the Science Based Targets Initiative (SBTi) with a 1.5°C scenario
- Top 7% on CDP Worldwide's 2020 Supplier Engagement Leaderboard on Climate Change; only 400 companies recognized out of 9,600 worldwide; scored into the CDP Leadership band (meaning A or A-) since 2017
- HQ office & Portland facility are LEED® Silver certified