

URALSVYAZINFORM

Company Presentation

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Key Facts

Technical

- Major telecommunications carrier in Urals region / Urals federal district and Perm region
- Overall installed capacity 4,4 mln lines, including mobile telephony -1,1 mln lines
- Wire-line subscriber number 3,1 mln, mobile 0,8 mln
- Number of employees 36,6 thous.

Financial

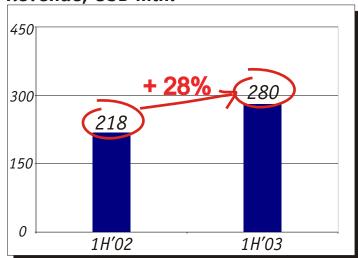
- Revenue'02 USD471 mn
- EBITDA'02 USD170 mn
- Capitalization as of 27/08/03 USD907 mn (+88% since of 01/01/03)

All figures in presentation are in accordance with Russian Accounting Standards (RAS)
USD exchange rate as given here and henceforth: 2001 - RUR 29,5 / 2002 - RUR 31,4 / 2003E - RUR 30,7

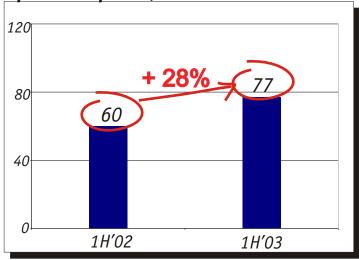


1H'03 Financial Highlights

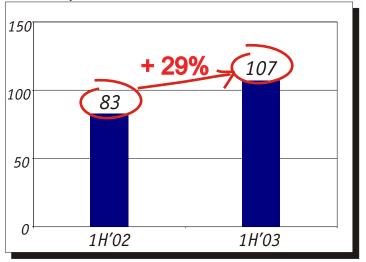
Revenue, USD mln.



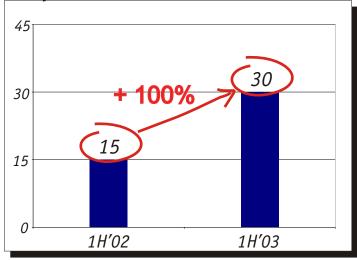
Operation profit, USD mln.



EBITDA, USD mln.



Net profit, USD mln.

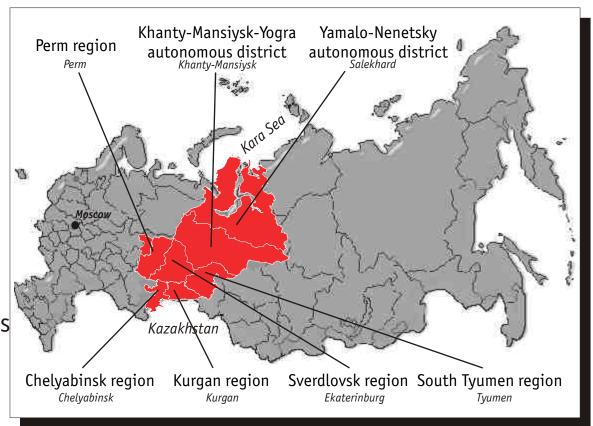


Region

Economic indicators

- Territory 1,9 mln sq. km
- Population 15,5 mln (9 % of overall population of Russia)
- Urban population 80 %
- Industrial output in 2002 -USD39,4 bln (18 % of Russia's overall industrial output)

Natural resources

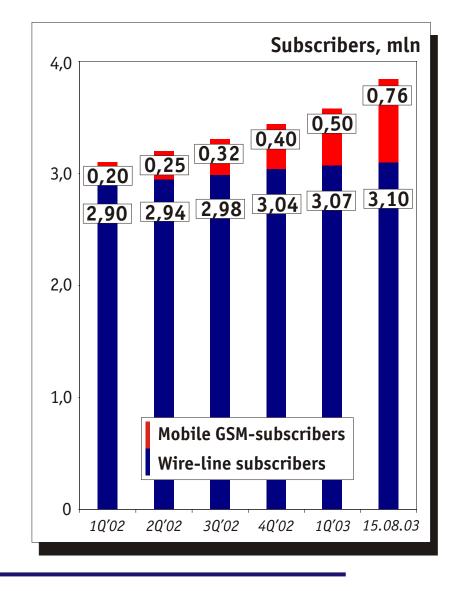


- Oil (65 % of national reserves / 6 % of world resources)
- Gas (95 % of national reserves / 26 % of world resources)
- Iron (21 %) and manganese (9 %) ore, copper, gold, silver, diamonds



Market performance

Local telephony*	Market share
Uralsvyazinform	87
Alternative&departmental operators	13
DLD/ILD telephony*	
Uralsvyazinform	71
Alternative&departmental operators	29
Mobile telephony*	
Uralsvyazinform	55
MTS	26
MegaFon	17
Other	2
* As a percentage of total subscriber numb	ber





Competitive advantages

- Domination on regional telecommunications market
- Longstanding experience as a telecommunications provider
- Successful expansion of mobile telephony and promotion of High Value-Added services/HVA-services
- Flexible tariff policies for non-regulated services
- Lower cost of services due to integration of business
- Aggressive investment policy focused on HVA-services
- Quality service and extensive network of branches



Ownership structure

- Book capital USD 158 mn
- Number of shares 40 134 723 306 including common 32 298 782 020 / 80,5 % preference 7 835 941 286 / 19,5 %
- Number of stockholders 22 thous.

As of 01/08/03

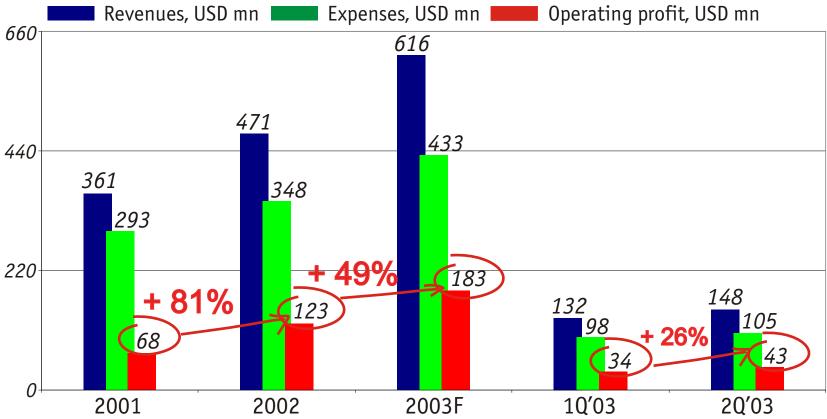
Svyazinvest	41,4% (51,4%*)
Individuals	9,9% (6,0%)
Management	6,0% (6,1%)
State ownership	4,7% (5,8%)
ADR	9,4% (9,0%)
Institutional	28,6% (21,7%)

Free float - 48 %

^{*} stake in common shares



Financial Performance



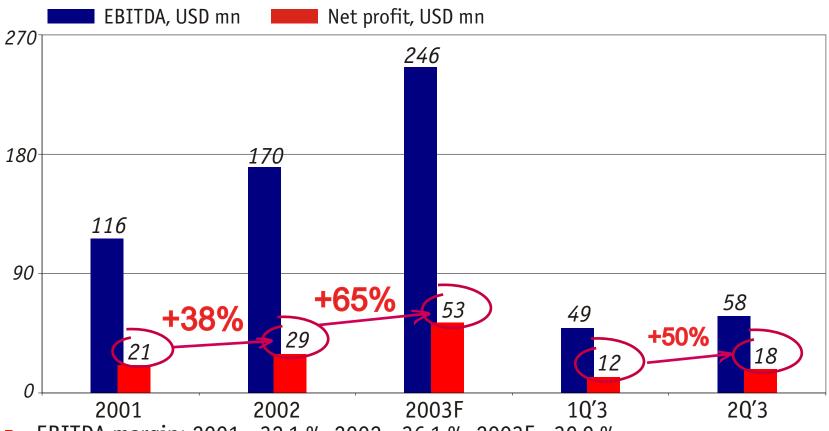
 Revenue growth rate has exceeded this of expenses over the last years. As a consequence, operating profit is going up.

Operating margin: 2001 - 18,8 %, 2002 - 26,1 %, 2003F - 29,7 %

10'03 - 25,9 %, 20'03 - 27,6 %



Financial Performance



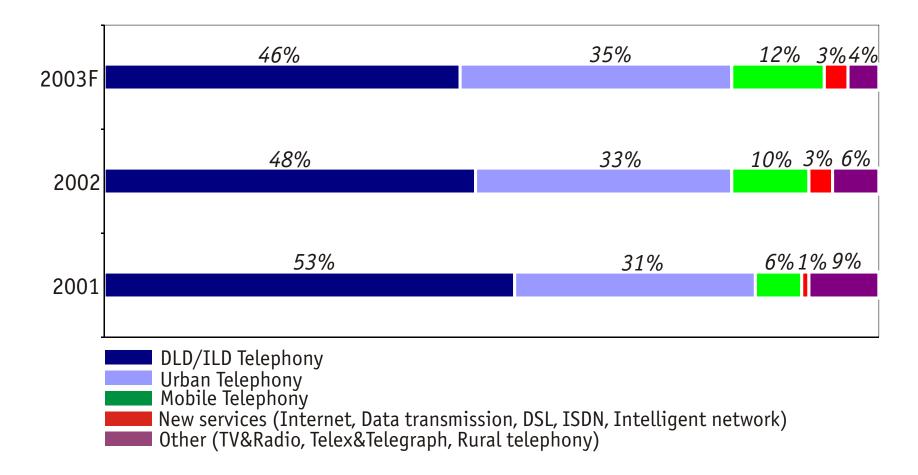
■ EBITDA margin: 2001 - 32,1 %, 2002 - 36,1 %, 2003F - 39,9 %

10'03 - 36,8 %, 20'03 - 39,2 %

Net margin: 2001 - 5,8 %, 2002 - 6,2 %, 2003F - 8,6 % 1Q'03 - 8,9 %, 2Q'03 - 12,0 %



Revenue structure



Highly profitable services take up a higher share in revenue structure

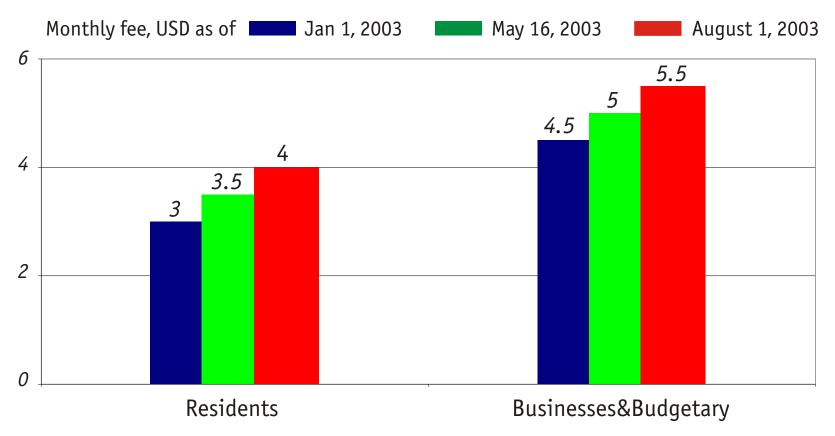


Tariff policy targets for 2003

•	Introduction of time-based billing for local calls across the territory of Urals region According to the Law	on communication
•	Flat tariff for long-distance calls within the region	V
•	Flat tariff for local and long-distance calls between categories of subscribers (residents, businesses, budgetary organizations) Stage 1: Businesses & Budgetary organizations	V
•	General reduction of long-distance tariffs in parallel with an increase of tariffs for local calls. Reduction of "cross-subsidy" effects	V
•	Adoption of unified tariff policy by alternative operators, including mobile telephony carriers	V



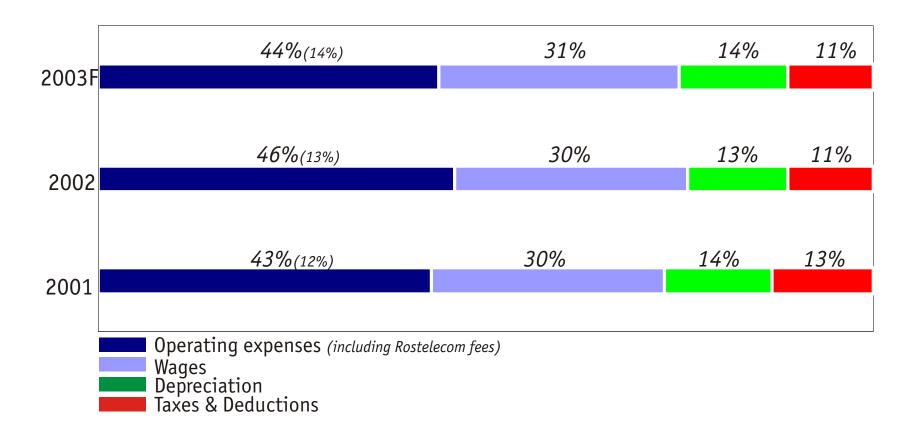
Monthly Fee/Urals region



The monthly fee rose by 35% for residents and 20% for businesses over 2003.
 Installation fee remains at USD190.



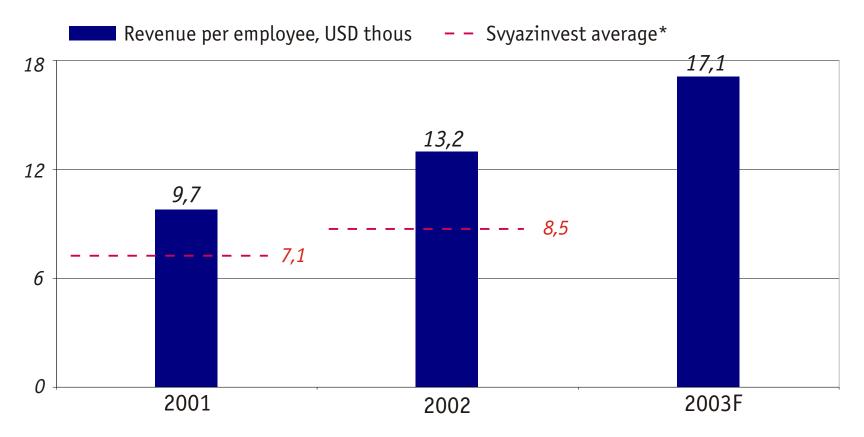
Expenditure structure



 Plans to increase depreciation deductions, as well as budgets for marketing, advertizing, sales promotion, staff training, R&D



Growth

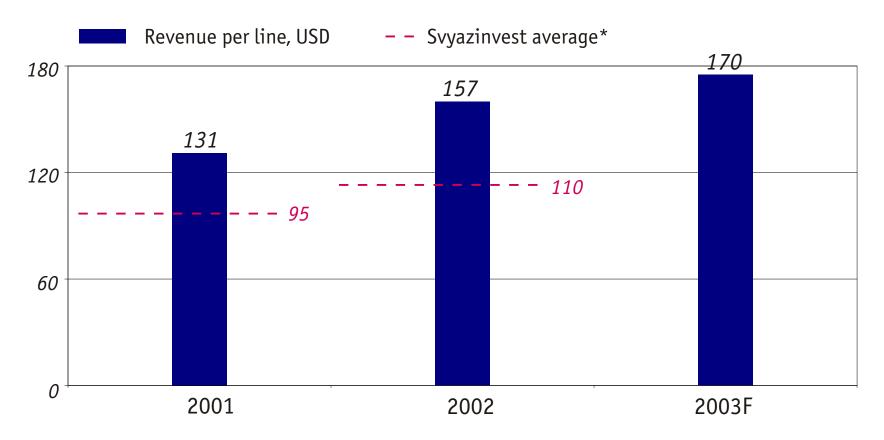


The Company revenue per employee is higher than Svyazinvest average

*According to Svyazinvest



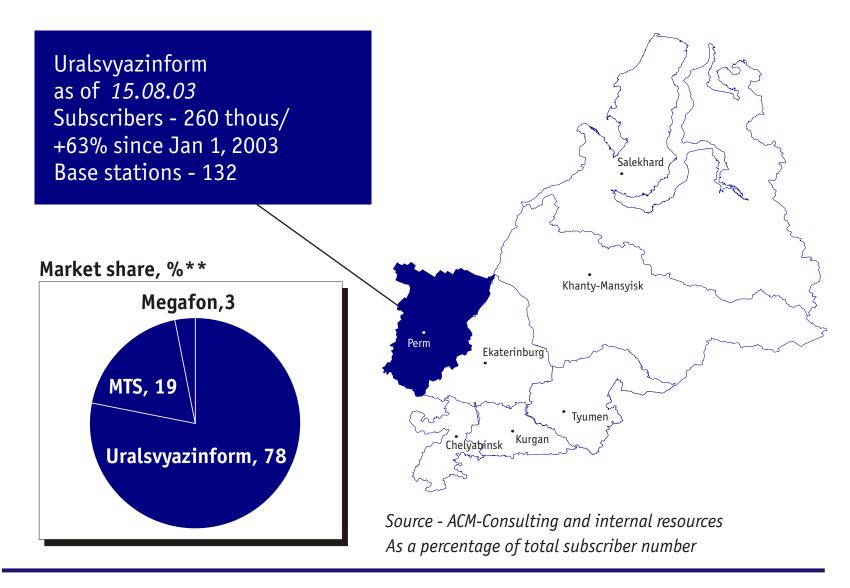
Growth



The Company revenue per line is higher than Svyazinvest average

*According to Svyazinvest



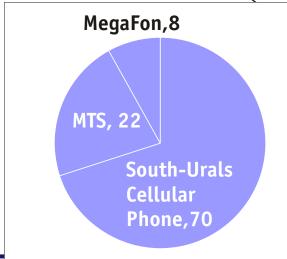


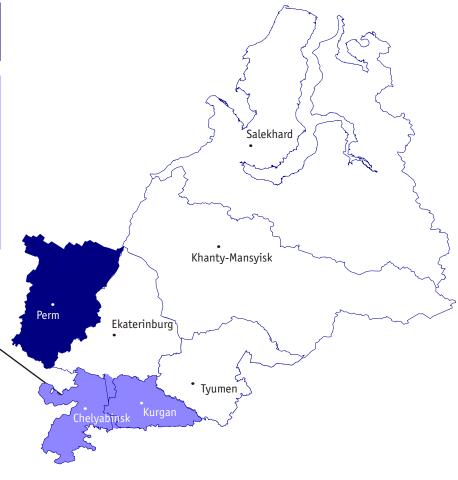


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South-Urals Cellular Phone Stake in capital - 100 % as of 15.08.03 Subscribers - 291 thous/ +83% since Jan 1, 2003 Base stations - 103

Market share, %





Source - ACM-Consulting and internal resources As a percentage of total subscriber number



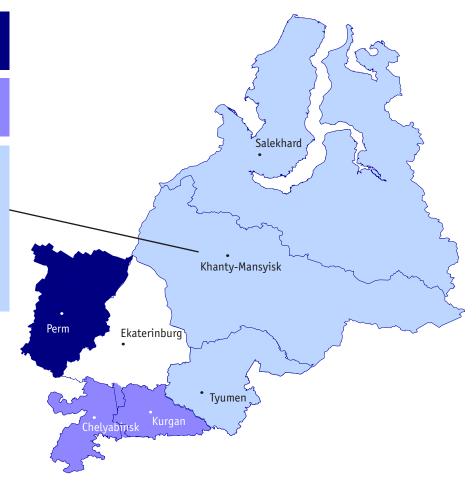
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South-Urals Cellular Phone

Ermak RMS
Stake in capital - 90 %
as of 15.08.03
Subscribers - 208 thous/
+148% since Jan 1, 2003
Base stations - 93

Market share, %

MegaFon,27
MTS, 9
Ermak RMS, 64



Source - ACM-Consulting and internal resources As a percentage of total subscriber number



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South-Urals Cellular Phone

Ermak RMS

Total subscribers as of 15.08.03 - 759 thous (+89% since of 01.01.03)

2003

Penetration into mobile market of Sverlovsk region and Ekaterinburg

 Prospects - consolidation of mobile business under one brand



Development strategy

- Total Consumer Satisfaction policy
- Broadening of services array
- Enhancement of existing networks
- Prioritizing on highly profitable services
- Reduction of costs through introduction of up-to-date technologies, optimization of management structure and number of employees
- Elaboration of economically feasible tariff policy based on activity based costing
- Providing for capitalization growth and shares' liquidity

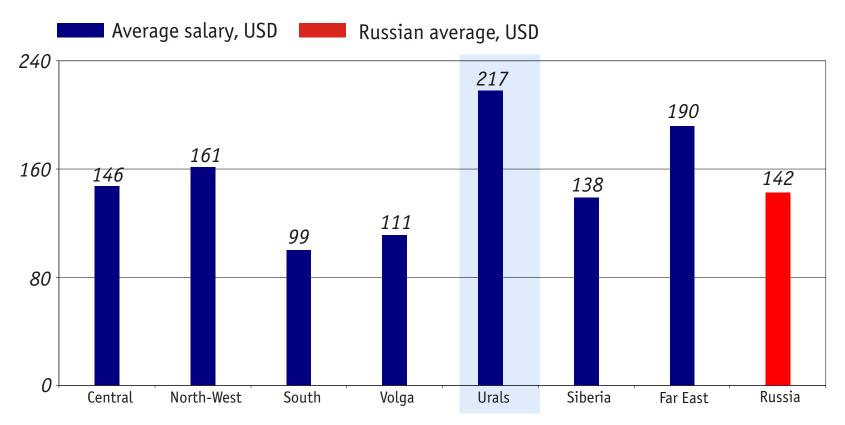


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Customer welfare...



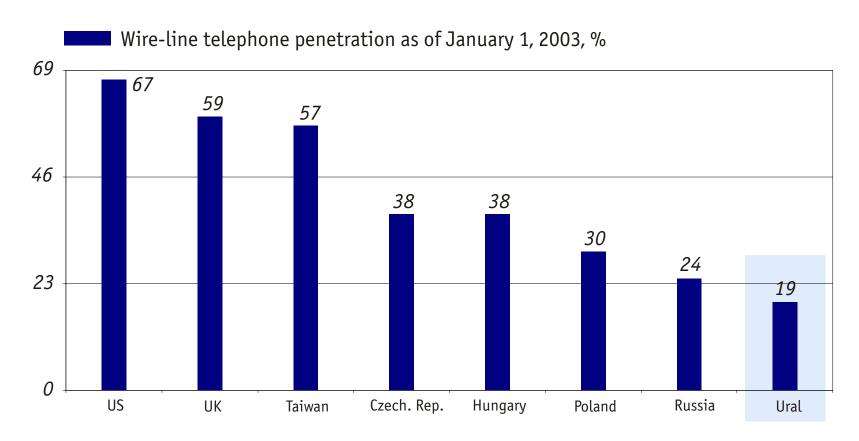
As a region of Russia, Ural ranks first in terms of customers' incomes / income per capita - subsistence wage ratio

According to Goskomstat (State Committee for Statistics) data as of 01.07.2002





along with pent-up demand for local telephony services ...



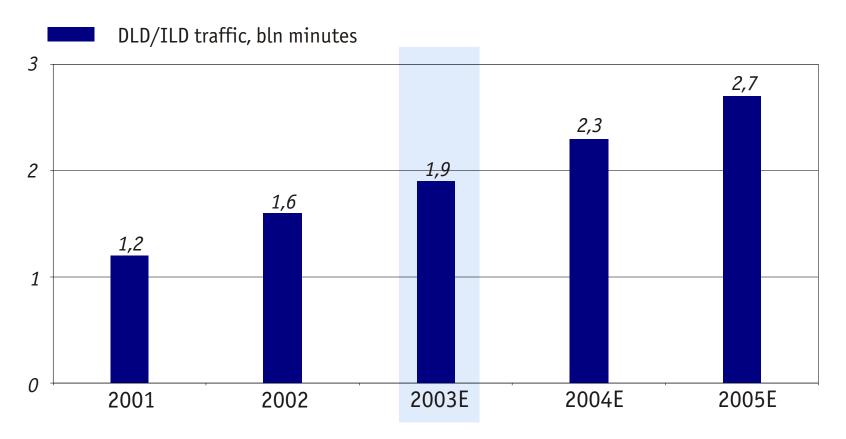
Waiting list as of January 1, 2003 accounts for 538 thous., 90% of which are urban. Each urban account covers installation costs, generating USD190 in revenue

According to GEM Telecom Overview/ING





DLD/ILD telephony ...

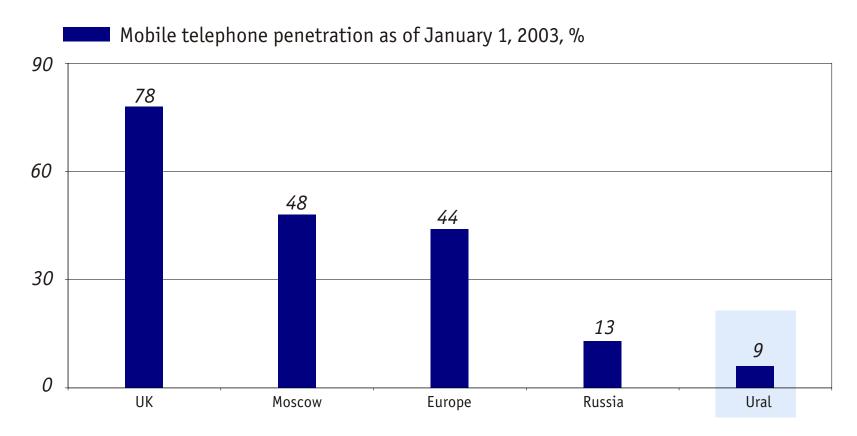


Healthy DLD/ILD traffic is backed by sustainable growth of foreign direct investment, and development of small and middle-scope businesses. Our revised long-distance tariff policy is another contributor to the traffic growth.





... and mobile telephony ...



We benefit from strong market potential in Urals region. The subscriber growth rate attained 89% since the beginning of the year, driven by competitive pricing, rising incomes and growing business activity.

*According to ACM Consulting





... determine investment priorities ...

- Capacity extension and network upgrade
 - Packet switching network based on multiservice network
 - Optical broadband and narrowband access networks
 - Intrazone optical and microwave lines transport networks
 - Wireless local loop
- Mobile telephony of GSM-900/1800 standard
- Internet
- Intelligent network
- Cable TV





... and rapid growth of production capacities

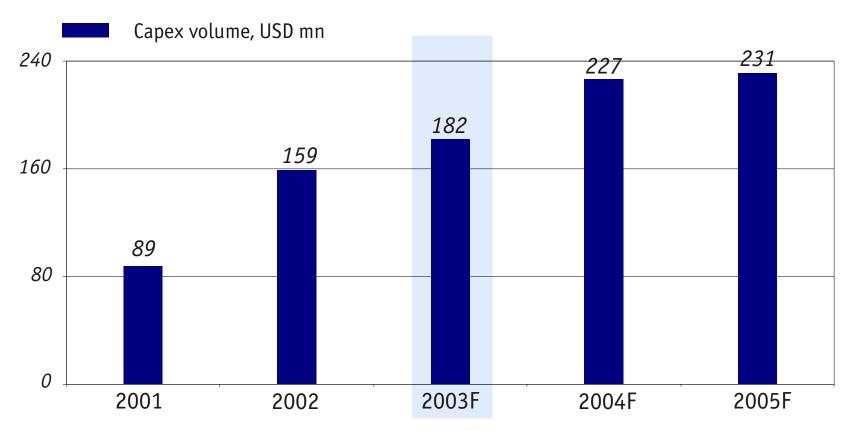
		2001					CAGR	2002-05
	Imple	mented	2002	2003F	2004F	2005F	2002-05	Plan
Wire-line	Thous. Lines	3 112	+338	+356	+380	+360	10%	+1 434
Mobile/GSM	Thous. Lines	261	+275	+804	+280	+280	63%	+1 639
Intrazone fiber optical links	Thous. Km	1,4	+1,5	+2,1	+2,5	+2,1	64%	+8,2
Intrazone radio microwave links	Thous. Km	2,0	+0,07	+1,1	+1,8	+1,3	33%	+4,3

Investment structure'2002: DLD/ILD telephony - 15 % Mobile telephony - 20 % Local telephony - 56 % New services - 8 % Other - 1 %





Capex



Priority investment regions - Sverdlovsk region, Tyumen region including Khanty-Mansyisk-Yogra and Yamalo-Nenetski autonomous districts.



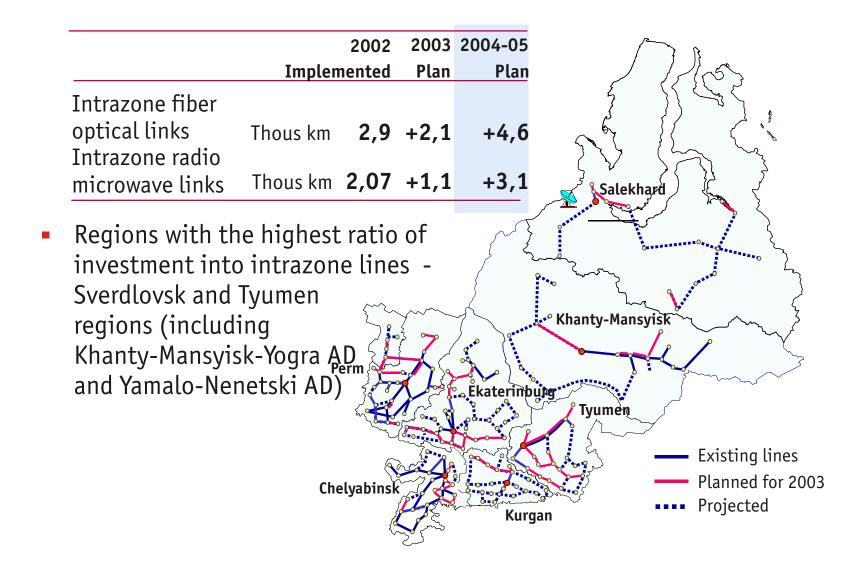


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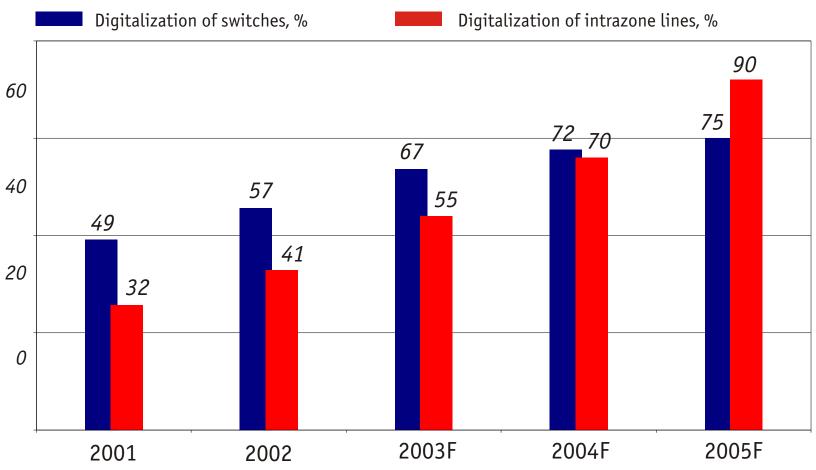


Digital transport network





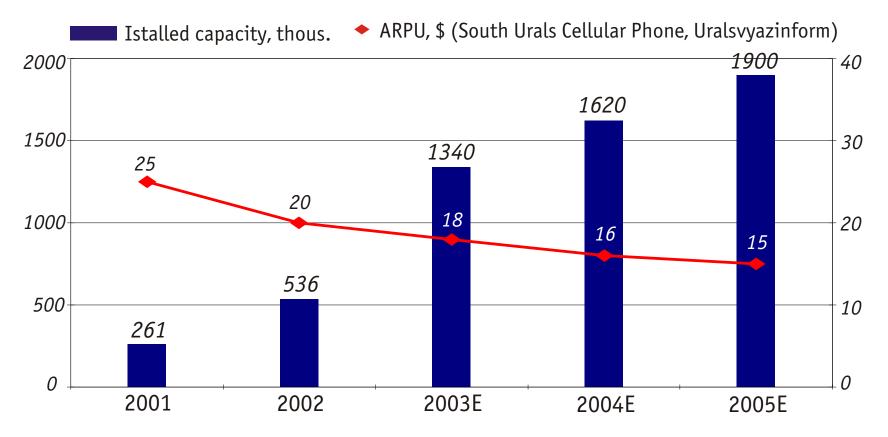
Digitalization



• We expect high rate of digitalization of intrazone lines



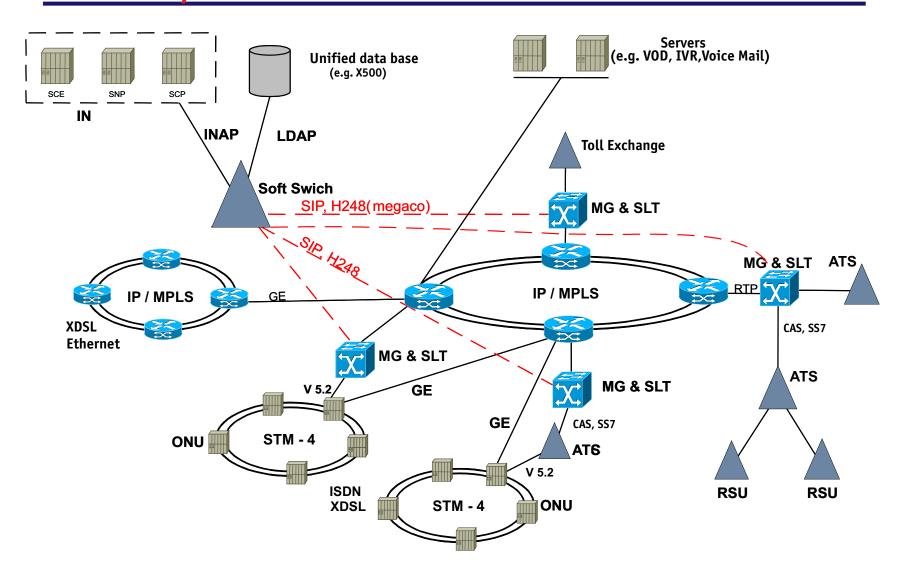
Development: GSM 900/1800



 The company plans to protect and expand its market share in mobile business through aggressive marketing and highly competitive pricing



Evolution transfer scheme of Next Generation Network / NGN





Stock performance

- Shares are traded on: Russian Trading System (RTS) -RTS A1-Level Quotation List Moscow Interbank Currency Exchange -MICEX A1-Level Quotation List
- Level 1 ADR program for common and preference shares
- ADR are traded on: Berlin Stock Exchange Frankfurt Stock Exchange NewFX Burse AG
- Credit ratings: Standard&Poors - "B", Stable Fitch Ratings - "B+", Positive
- Corporate governance score: Standard&Poors - "6,1"
- State owned shares sale: The state owned shares of the Company (4,7%) are expected to be sold in 2004



MSCI Indices:

Since May 30, 2003 shares are included in MSCI Russia and MSCI Telecommunications indices



Why Uralsvyazinform

- Vigorous business activity and solvent demand for telecommunications services in the region
 18 % of Russia's overall industrial output
- Total consumer satisfaction policy Over 3,8 mln. Subscribers
- Own mobile business and promotion of HVA-services 0,76 mln. Mobile subscribers
- Aggressive investment policy targeted at highly profitable technologies
 Approximately USD200 mln. Annually (2003-05)
- High economic efficiency and financial stability Operating profit'02 growth - 81%
- Effective management Corporate governance score: "6,1" (Standard&Poors)
- Company is striving to meet world standards of information transparency and corporate governance



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