

## GFS Acquisition

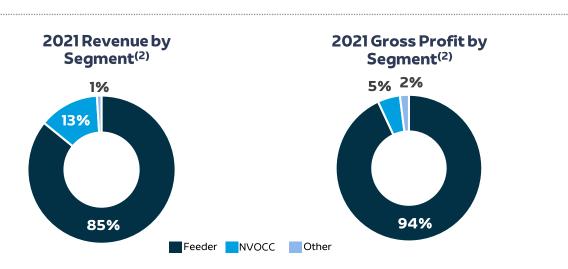
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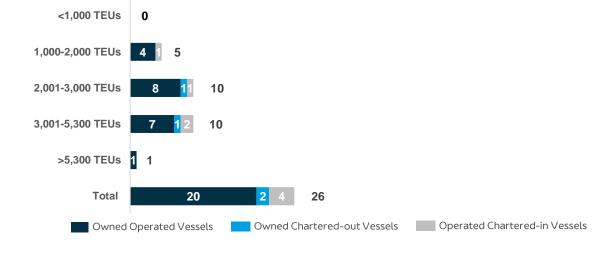
### AD Ports Group to acquire 80% of Global Feeder Shipping (GFS)

- Global Feeder Shipping (GFS) is the 3<sup>rd</sup> largest feeder shipping business globally, and the largest in the Middle East based on its operated capacity of 72,500 TEUs
- 22 owned and 24 operated vessels, 9K owned and 31K operated containers across its Feeder and NVOCC business segments
- Operates a comprehensive service network of 20 services across 4 subregions (GCC, Red Sea, Indian Subcontinent and South East Asia)
- GFS generated \$1,085m of Revenue, \$521m of EBITDA and \$481m of Net Profit in LTM September 2022
- GFS delivered a cash conversion of c.135% in 2020 c.110% in 2021 and c.86% in 9M'22<sup>(1)</sup>



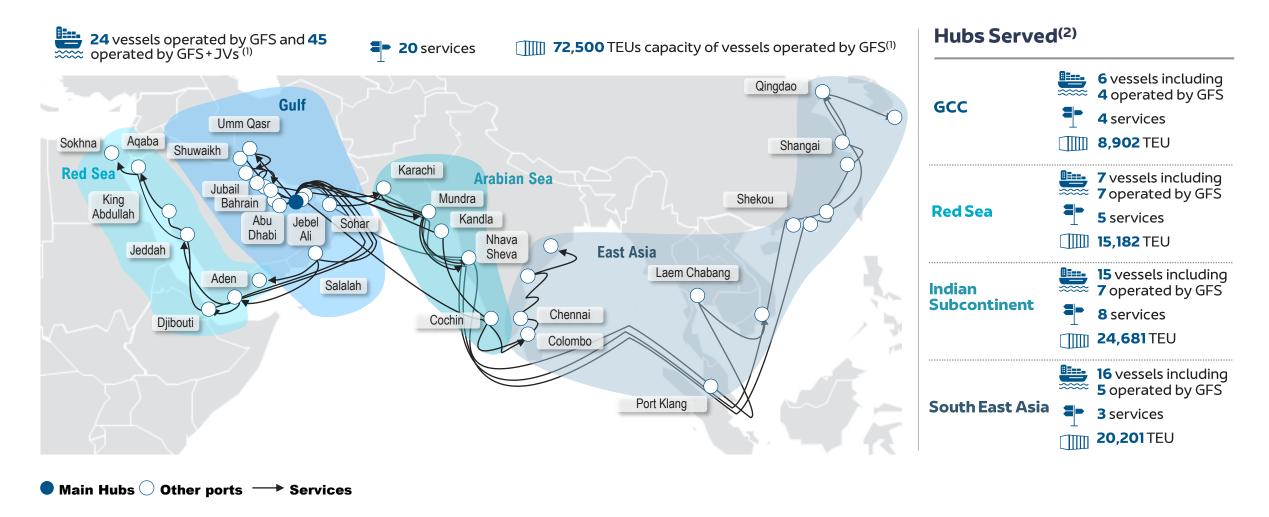


#### **Maritime Fleet Overview**





# GFS Operates 20 Services Covering the GCC, Red Sea, Indian Subcontinent and South East Asia Regions





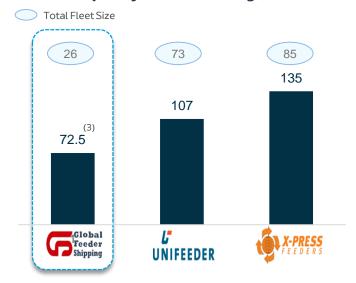
#### **Transaction Details**

- With the acquisition of GFS, AD Ports Group will become the largest pure feeder operator in the region and the 3<sup>rd</sup> largest globally by container capacity with close to 100K TEUs
- Enterprise Value of \$800m for 80% stake
- Implied Enterprise Value / EBITDA of ~1.9x based on LTM performance September 2022 (vs. a median of 6.8x for similar precedent transactions<sup>(1)</sup> and 6.6x for DP World's acquisition of Unifeeder in 2018)
- Transaction base case scenario factors a correction of 60% in the freight rates gradually over the coming years from the peak rates in 2022
- Subject to regulatory approvals the deal is expected to close by Q12023

### Limited options of independent feeder players with appropriate scale and geographies

- GFS is the best acquisition fit of top global feeder operators: Unifeeder has already been acquired by DP World and X-Press Feeders does not have the same geographical fit as GFS
- GFS is an independent operator with appropriate scale and geographies
- GFS boasts strong track record of growth coupled with healthy utilisation rates
- Exposure to the UAE's core trading partners GCC, Red Sea, Indian Subcontinent, and South East Asia
- Attractive growth profile with target to increase capacity up to 118K TEUs (+63%) in the medium term

### Feeder Capacity Benchmarking (K TEUs)(2)





### Good Strategic Fit with AD Ports Group

Complementary asset base and services that will boost AD Ports Group's regional and global footprint

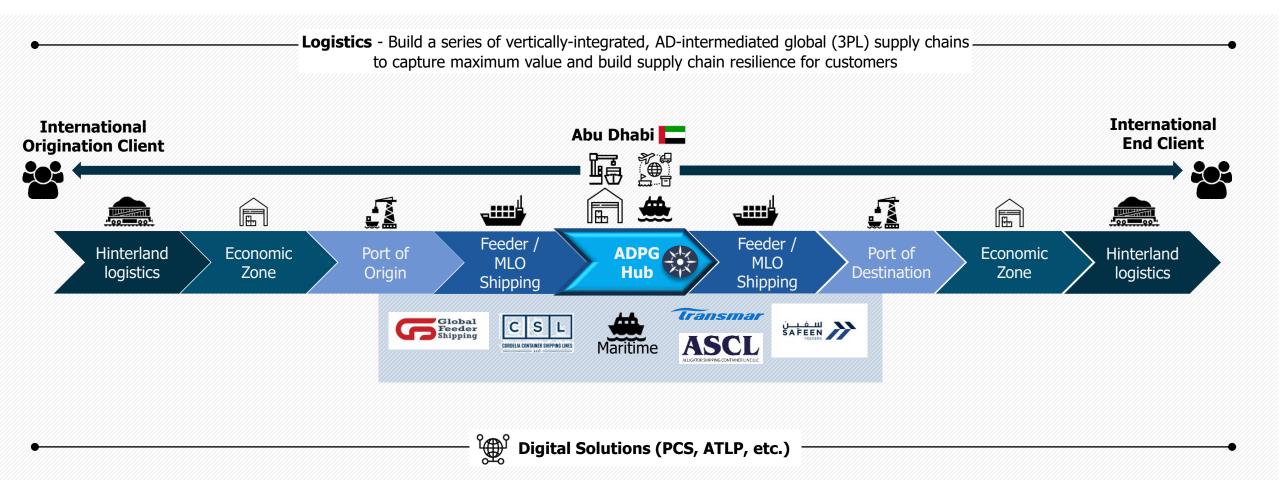
Will reinforce AD Ports Group vertically integrated business model, offering end-to-end supply chain solutions by drastically improving connectivity to core markets: GCC, Red Sea, Indian Subcontinent, and South East Asia

- Stronger client relationships that will enable to influence trade routes, offer cross-selling opportunities, and increase our share of wallet
- Highly complementary business with Safeen Feeders, Transmar, and Alligator Shipping that will provide AD Ports Group with economies of scale and synergies through an expanded route network and vessel fleet

Knowledgeable and experienced management team, with a proven track record in setting up one of the world's leading feeder shipping businesses, who will stay post acquisition



# In Line with AD Ports Group Strategy to Build Supply Chain Density Along Key Supply Chains





## Revenue and Cost Synergies Through Expanded Route Network and Vessel Fleet

Cost and Operational Synergies

- Personnel costs
- Administrative expenses
- Agent costs

- Terminal expenses
- Equipment Synergies
- Other operational expenses

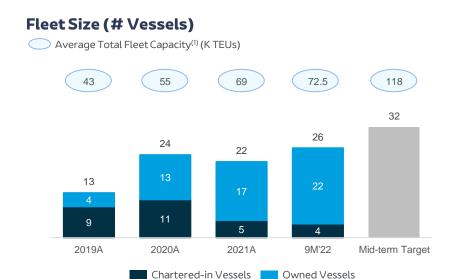
Up to \$5m of direct annual cost synergies potential or c.5% of 'normalized' medium term EBITDA

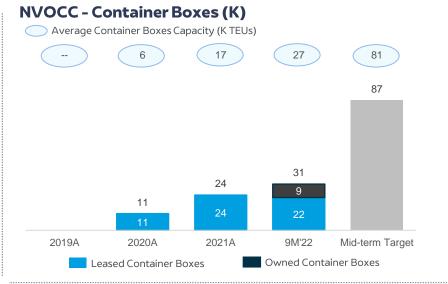
Other Revenue and Cost Synergies

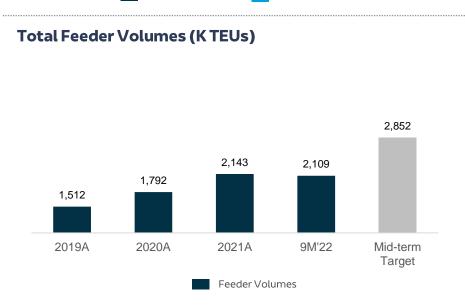
- Higher vessel fleet utilisation through combined service network
- Stronger lever to negotiate purchase discount for new vessels
- Improved access to financing to accelerate growth
- Optimized service network through combined capacity
- Potential re-routing of some of GFS volumes in other UAE ports (0.7mTEUs in 2021) to AD Ports Group's terminals in Abu Dhabi

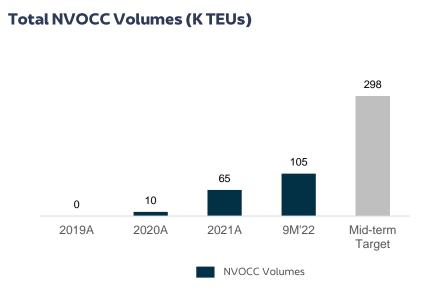


### **GFS Operational KPIs: Continued Growth**









### **Management Commentary**

- Historical **high utilization**rates which are expected
  to remain high going
  forward
- Mid-term target is to continue to grow both vessel fleet size and numbers of container boxes (NVOCC) to support overall volume growth

Notes: (1) GFS operated capacity



Metric

9M 2022

**EBITDA Margin** 

50%

**Operating Cash Flow** 

\$374m

Cash Conversion(1)

86%

Free Cash Flow(2)

\$294m

Total Debt (Sep'22)

\$86m

Book Value of Vessel Fleet (Sep'22)

\$284m

Market Value of Vessel Fleet (Sep'22) (3)

\$891m

### **Management Commentary**

- expected to stabilize at c.20% in the next 3-5 years
- c.60% EPS accretion for 2023 based on consensus estimates of AEDO.24, factoring a transaction fully funded through debt and an average cost of debt of 5.5%



# Forming the 3<sup>rd</sup> Largest Pure Feeder Operator by Container Capacity Globally



\$1,085m

LTM Sep-22 Revenue

\$521m

LTM Sep-22 EBITDA

72.5K

Vessel Capacity (TEUs)



\$187m

LTM Sep-22 Revenue

\$83m

Transmar

LTM Sep-22 EBITDA

ALLIGATOR SHIPPING CONTAINER LINE LLC

25.3K

Vessel Capacity (TEUs)

24

# Operated Container Vessels

31K

# Containers

20

**# Services** 

13

# Operated Container Vessels

27K

**# Containers** 

6

**# Services** 

### Regional Feeder Champion



#1

Feeder Business in ME



#3

Feeder Business Globally



\$604m

LTM Sep-22 EBITDA



47.5%

**EBITDA Margin** 



97.8K

Vessel Capacity (TEUs)



2.5m
Annual Feeder Volumes
(TEUs)



### Thank you

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