

TV AZTECA ANNOUNCES SALES OF Ps.5,203 MILLION AND EBITDA OF Ps.668 MILLION IN THE FOURTH QUARTER OF 2022

Mexico City, March 27, 2023—TV Azteca, S.A.B. de C.V. (BMV: AZTECACPO Latibex: XTZA), one of the two largest producers of Spanish-language television programming in the world, today announced financial results for the fourth quarter 2022 and full-year 2022.

"The increase in sales in the quarter results, to a large extent, from income related to the broadcast of the Qatar 2022 Soccer World Cup matches; however, the broadcast television advertising market in Mexico continues to face strong limitations", commented Rafael Rodríguez, CEO of TV Azteca. "The growth in costs for the period is derived from exhibition rights and content production related to the World Cup, as well as the generation of competitive programming to preserve our position in the sector, while the increase in expenses reflects operating activities consistent with the higher production efforts. Despite the increase in revenue in the quarter, higher costs and expenses negatively affected EBITDA".

"TV Azteca's sales have not been immune to the downward trend of the domestic broadcast television advertising market in the long term; the company's annual revenue in 2022 was down 15% in real terms compared to 2018 — the year in which World Cup games were also broadcast — translating into a real 12% decline in EBITDA. Alternatively, when compared to 2019, the period prior to the confinement due to the SARS-Cov-2 virus, revenue decreased 1% and EBITDA decreased 4%, after discounting inflation", added Mr. Rodríguez. "The company's sales are beginning to recover gradually, and will eventually reach pre-lockdown levels, however, we believe that the strong presence of digital media in the advertising market will pose major challenges and will continue to affect the trend of broadcast television revenues towards the future, which together with higher costs derived from increased production efforts, will keep our EBITDA at relatively low levels".

Fourth quarter results

Net sales for the period totaled Ps.5,203 million, 31% above the Ps.3,967 million of the same quarter of the previous year. Total costs and expenses increased 83% to Ps.4,535 million, from Ps.2,484 million the previous year.

As a result, the company reported EBITDA of Ps.668 million, compared to Ps.1,483 million a year ago. TV Azteca generated operating income of Ps.425 million, from Ps.1,308 million the previous year.

The company registered net income of Ps.125 million, compared to Ps.251 million in the same period of 2021.

	4Q 2021	4Q 2022	Cha	nge
			Ps.	%
Net sales	\$3,967	\$5,203	\$1,236	31%
EBITDA	\$1,483	\$668	\$(815)	-55%
Operating result	\$1,308	\$425	\$(883)	-68%
Net result	\$251	\$125	\$(126)	-50%
Net result per CPO	\$0.08	\$0.04	\$(0.04)	-50%

Figures in millions of pesos.

Net sales

The company's advertising sales in Mexico increased 30%, to Ps.5,065 million, from Ps.3,889 million the previous year, in the context of extraordinary income from the broadcast of the Soccer World Cup games in Qatar 2022.

The sum of the revenue of TV Azteca Guatemala and TV Azteca Honduras, as well as the sales of the company's content outside of Mexico, was Ps.138 million, compared to Ps.78 million the previous year.

Costs and SG&A Expenses

Total costs and expenses grew 83% in the quarter as a result of an 82% increase in production, programming and transmission costs — to Ps.4,072 million, from Ps.2,233 million a year ago — together with an increase of 85 % in selling and administrative expenses, to Ps.463 million, compared to Ps.251 million of the previous year.

EBITDA: Earnings Before Interest, Taxes, Depreciation and Amortization.

The number of CPOs outstanding as of December 31, 2022 was 2,986 million, unchanged from the previous year.

Cost performance reflects payments for exhibition rights and production costs related to the broadcast of Soccer World Cup matches, as well as efforts to generate competitive programming, both in broadcast television and digital media during the period.

The increase in selling and administrative expenses reflects higher operating expenses, personnel and fees this quarter.

The company is in the process of normalizing its content production capacities, in a competitive market, as well as operations related to greater productive activities — which were reduced during the Covid 19 health contingency —. This increases the costs and expenses of the period, to levels consistent with regular activities in the economy.

EBITDA and net result

The company's EBITDA was Ps.668 million, compared to Ps.1,483 million in the same period of the previous year. TV Azteca reported operating income of Ps.425 million, from Ps.1,308 million a year ago.

The main variation below EBITDA was an increase of Ps.482 million in foreign exchange gain as a result of the net liability monetary position in dollars, together with a greater appreciation of the exchange rate of the peso against the dollar this quarter, compared to the previous year .

Balance sheet

As of December 31, 2022, TV Azteca's debt with cost was Ps.9,449 million, from Ps.12,629 million the previous year.

In accordance with the company's commitment to reorganize its debt, during the quarter, TV Azteca finished amortizing its Cebures with principal of Ps.4,000 million due in 2022.

The balance of cash and cash equivalents at the end of the quarter was Ps.2,000 million, compared to Ps.2,896 million a year ago. The company's net debt as of December 31, 2022 was Ps.7,449 million, from Ps.9,733 million the previous year.

The restricted cash balance — which reflects the amount to cover payments for content display rights and other short-term obligations of the company — was Ps.226 million, compared to Ps.1,715 million a year ago.

Twelve months results

Net sales for 2022 totaled Ps.15,099 million, compared to Ps.12,876 million of the previous year. Total costs and expenses were Ps.12,149 million, from Ps.9,226 million in 2021.

As a consequence, TV Azteca reported EBITDA of Ps.2,949 million, compared to Ps.3,650 million of the previous year. Operating income was Ps.2,099 million, from Ps.2,960 million a year ago. The company registered net income of Ps.577 million, compared to Ps.355 million in 2021.

	2021	2022	Cha	nge
			Ps.	%
Net sales	\$12,876	\$15,099	\$2,222	17%
EBITDA	\$3,650	\$2,949	\$(701)	-19%
Operating result	\$2,960	\$2,099	\$(861)	-29%
Net result	\$355	\$577	\$222	63%
Net result per CPO	\$0.12	\$0.19	\$0.07	63%

Figures in millions of pesos.

About TV Azteca

TV Azteca is one of the two largest producers of Spanish-language television programming in the world, operating four television networks in Mexico: Azteca uno, Azteca 7, adn40 and a más +, through more than 300 owned and operated stations across the country. The company also owns TV Azteca Digital, operator of several of the most visited digital platforms and social networks in Mexico.

TV Azteca is a Grupo Salinas company (www.gruposalinas.com), a group of dynamic, fast growing, and technologically advanced companies focused on creating: economic value through market innovation and goods and services that improve standards of living; social value to improve community wellbeing; and environmental value by reducing the negative impact of its business activities. Created by Mexican entrepreneur Ricardo B. Salinas (www.ricardosalinas.com), Grupo Salinas operates as a management development and decision forum for the top leaders of member companies. These companies include TV Azteca (www.TVazteca.com; www.irtvazteca.com), Grupo Elektra (www.grupoelektra.com.mx), Banco Azteca (www.bancoazteca.com.mx), Purpose Financial (havepurpose.com), Afore Azteca (www.aforeazteca.com.mx), Seguros Azteca (www.segurosazteca.com.mx), Punto Casa de Bolsa (www.puntocasadebolsa.mx), Totalplay (irtotalplay.mx; www.totalplay.com.mx) and Totalplay Empresarial (totalplayempresarial.com.mx). TV Azteca and Grupo Elektra trade shares on the Mexican Stock Market and in Spains' Latibex market. Each of the Grupo Salinas companies operates independently, with its own management, board of directors and shareholders. Grupo Salinas has no equity holdings. The group of companies shares a common vision, values and strategies for achieving rapid growth, superior results and world-class performance.

Except for historical information, the matters discussed in this press release are concepts about the future that involve risks and uncertainty that may cause actual results to differ materially from those projected. Other risks that may affect TV Azteca and its subsidiaries are presented in documents sent to the securities authorities.

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TV AZTECA, S.A.B. DE C.V. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

(Millions of Mexican pesos of December 31 of 2021 and 2022)

		Fourth	Quart	er of	f:				
	2021			2	2022				
								Change	<u> </u>
Net revenue	Ps	3,967	100%	Ps	5,203	100%	Ps	1,236	31%
Programming, production and transmission costs Selling and administrative expenses		2,233 251	56% 6%		4,072 463	78% 9%		1,839 212	82% 85%
Total costs and expenses		2,484	63%		4,535	87%		2,051	83%
EBITDA		1,483	37%		668	13%		(815)	-55%
Depreciation and amortization Other expense -Net Operating profit		134 41 1,308	33%		214 29 425	8%		80 (12) (883)	-68%
Equity in income from affiliates		59			(3)			(62)	
Comprehensive financing result: Interest expense Other financing expense Interest income Exchange loss -Net		(276) (58) 35 15 (284)			(231) (16) 34 497 284			45 42 (1) 482 568	
Income before the following provision		1,083	27%		706	14%		(377)	
Provision for income tax		(744)			(572)			172	
(Loss) Profit from continuing operations		339	•		134			(205)	
Profit (loss) from discontinued operations		(88)			(9)			79	
Net income	Ps	251		Ps	125		Ps	(126)	-50%
Non-controlling share in net profit	Ps	2		Ps			Ps	(2)	
Controlling share in net profit	Ps	249	6%	Ps	125	2%	Ps	(124)	-50%

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(Millions of Mexican pesos of December 31 of 2021 and 2022)

	Period ended December 31,								
	2021		121		2022				
								Change	
Net revenue	Ps	12,876	100%	Ps	15,099	100%	Ps	2,222	17%
Programming, production and transmission costs Selling and administrative expenses		8,327 898	65% 7%		11,172 977	74% 6%		2,845 79	34% 9%
Total costs and expenses		9,226	72%		12,149	80%		2,924	32%
EBITDA		3,650	28%		2,949	20%		(701)	-19%
Depreciation and amortization Other expense -Net Operating profit		587 103 2,960	23%		758 92 2,099	14%		171 (11) (861)	-29%
Equity in income from affiliates		111			190			80	
Comprehensive financing result: Interest expense Other financing expense Interest income Exchange Gain -Net		(1,074) (337) 97 (289) (1,603)			(1,017) (181) 119 464 (615)			57 156 22 753 988	
Income before the following provision		1,468	11%		1,675	11%		207	
Provision for income tax		(1,096)			(997)			99	
(Loss) Profit from continuing operations		372			677	•		306	
Impairment of long-live assets Profit (loss) from discontinued operations		- (17)			- (100)			- (83)	
Net income	Ps	355		Ps	577	;	Ps	222	63%
Non-controlling share in net profit	Ps	2		Ps		:	Ps	(2)	
Controlling share in net profit	Ps	353	3%	Ps	577	4%	Ps	224	64%

TV AZTECA, S.A.B. DE C.V. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(Millions of Mexican pesos of December 31 of 2021 and 2022)

	At December 31						
	2021			2022			
						Change	
Current assets:							
Cash and cash equivalents	Ps	2,896	Ps	2,000	Ps	(896)	
Restricted Cash		1,715		226		(1,489)	
Accounts receivable		3,718		4,039		320	
Other current assets		2,032		1,738		(294)	
Total current assets		10,362		8,003		(2,359)	-23%
Accounts receivable		231		218		(13)	
Exhibition rights		1,849		2,165		317	
Property, plant and equipment-Net		2,857		2,686		(171)	
Television concessions-Net		9,451		9,247		(204)	
Other assets		810		824		14	
Deferred income tax asset		1,640		1,643		3	
Total long term assets		16,838		16,784		(54)	0%
Total assets	Ps	27,201	Ps	24,787	Ps	(2,414)	-9%
Orange Habilities							
Current liabilities:	D-	40.007	Da	7 704	De	(0.440)	
Short-term debt Other current liabilities	Ps	10,927	Ps	7,781	Ps	(3,146) 546	
Advertising advances		7,987 3,339		8,533 2,920		(419)	
Total current liabilities		22,253		2,920 19,234		(3,019)	1 /10/
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Long-term debt:		4 700		4 000		(0.4)	
Long-term debt		1,702		1,668		(34)	00/
Total long-term debt		1,702		1,668		(34)	-2%
Other long term liabilities:							
Advertising advances		575		849		273	
Deferred income tax		543		252		(291)	
Other long term liabilities		461		452		(9)	
Total other long-term liabilities		1,579		1,553		(26)	-2%
Total liabilities	-	25,535		22,455	_	(3,079)	-12%
Total stockholders' equity		1,666		2,332		666	40%
Total liabilities and equity	Ps	27,201	Ps	24,787	Ps	(2,414)	-9%

TV AZTECA, S.A.B. DE C.V. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (Millions of Mexican pesos of December 31 of 2021 and 2022)

		Period ende	mber 31,	
		2021		2022
Operating activities:				
Income before taxes on earnings	Ps	1,468	Ps	1,675
Charges to income not affecting resource		2,220		1,605
Cash flow generated before taxes to income		3,688		3,280
Accounts receivable and related parties		(1,450)		(639)
Inventories and performance rights		569		305
Accounts payable, accrued expenses and taxes on earnings		638		(1,830)
Net cash flow from operating activities		3,445		1,115
Investing activities:				
Acquisitions of property and equipment, intangibles and others		(432)		(293)
Net cash flows from investing activities		(432)		(293)
Financing activities:				
Repayment of borrowings, net		(1,214)		(2,792)
Interest paid		(398)		(320)
Others		(355)		(96)
Net cash flows from financing activities		(1,967)		(3,208)
Increase in cash and cash equivalents		1,046		(2,386)
Cash and cash equivalents at begining of year		3,566		4,612
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	Ps	4,612	Ps	2,226