

3Q2011 Earnings Presentation

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Note Regarding Financial Tables and Metrics

Excel files with the Company's quarterly financial results and metrics from full year 2009 through 3Q2011 are accessible at the "Investor Relations" section of <u>http://www.bgcpartners.com</u>. They are also available directly at <u>http://www.bgcpartners.com/ir-news.</u>

Distributable Earnings

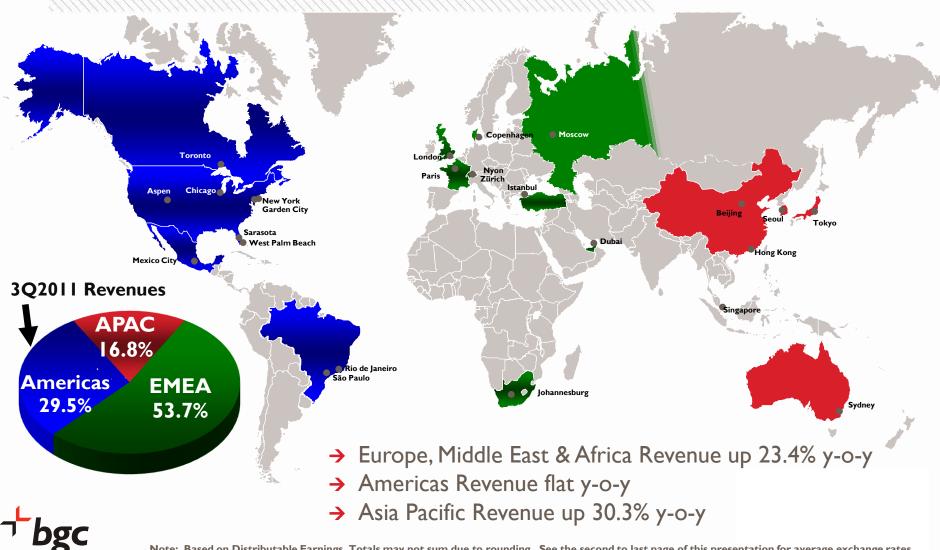
This presentation should be read in conjunction with BGC's most recent financial results press release. Unless otherwise stated, throughout this presentation we refer to our results only on a distributable earnings basis. For a complete description of this term and how, when and why management uses it, see the final page of this presentation. For both this description and a reconciliation to GAAP, see the sections of BGC's most recent financial results press release entitled "Distributable Earnings," "Distributable Earnings Results Compared with GAAP Results", and "Reconciliation of GAAP Income to Distributable Earnings", which are incorporated by reference, and available in the "Investor Relations" section of our website at <u>http://www.bgcpartners.com</u>.

Select 3Q2011 Results Compared to 3Q2010

- → Revenues were up 16.4% to \$380.5million versus \$327.0 million in 3Q10
- > Pre-tax earnings were up 32.2% to \$62.6 million versus \$47.3 million
- → Pre-tax earnings per share were up 19.0% to \$0.24
- → Post-tax earnings were up 32.6% to \$52.3 million versus \$39.5 million
- → Post-tax earnings per fully diluted share were up 19.4% to \$0.20
- → The pre-tax earnings margin improved to 16.4% of revenues from 14.5% while the post-tax earnings margin improved to 13.7% from 12.1%
- → BGC Partners' Board of Directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.17 per share payable on November 28, 2011 to Class A and Class B common stockholders of record as of November 14, 2011. This is an increase of 21.4% year-over-year.

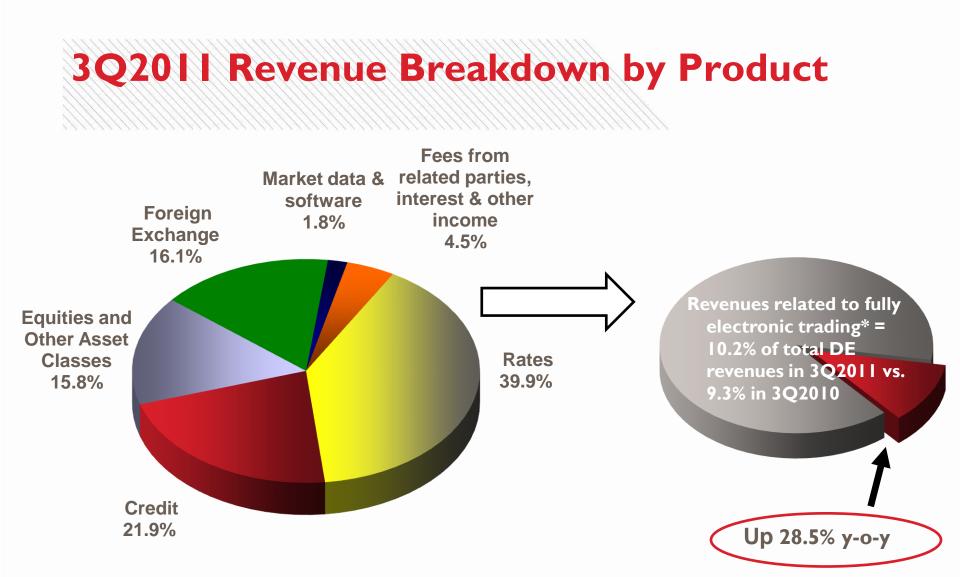


3Q2011 Global Revenue Breakdown



voice + electronic brokerage for the period.

Note: Based on Distributable Earnings. Totals may not sum due to rounding. See the second to last page of this presentation for average exchange rates for the period.



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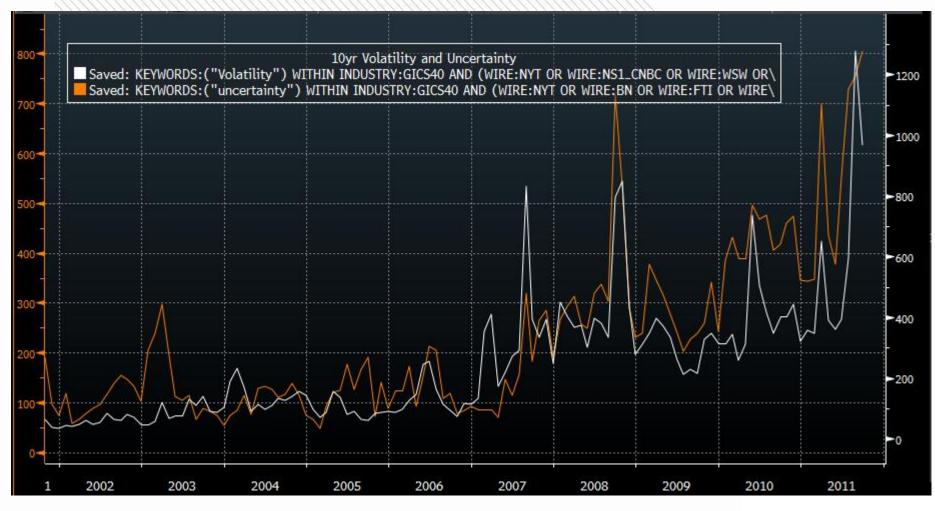
Volatility has Spiked Across Most Asset Classes





The Global Financial Stress Index is a BAML calculated, cross market measure of risk, hedging demand and investor flows in OTC and listed markets across the global financial system. The above chart shows the (weekly) index for the trailing ten years ending 10-19-2011.

Mentions of "Volatility" & "Uncertainty" Jump in Financial Press





Source: Bloomberg

Brokerage Overview: Rates

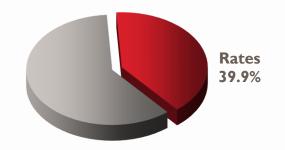
Example of Products

- Interest rate derivatives
- US Treasuries
- Global Government Bonds
- Agencies
- Futures
- Dollar derivatives
- Repurchase agreements
- Non-deliverable swaps
- Interest rate swaps & options

Drivers

- Ongoing global sovereign debt issues and economic uncertainty increase volatility
- Strength in BGC's e-broking of interest rate derivatives and USTs
- Nearly 40% YoY growth in fully electronic rates revenue
- Particular strength in electronic brokerage of UST's

% of 3Q2011 Total Distributable Earnings Revenue

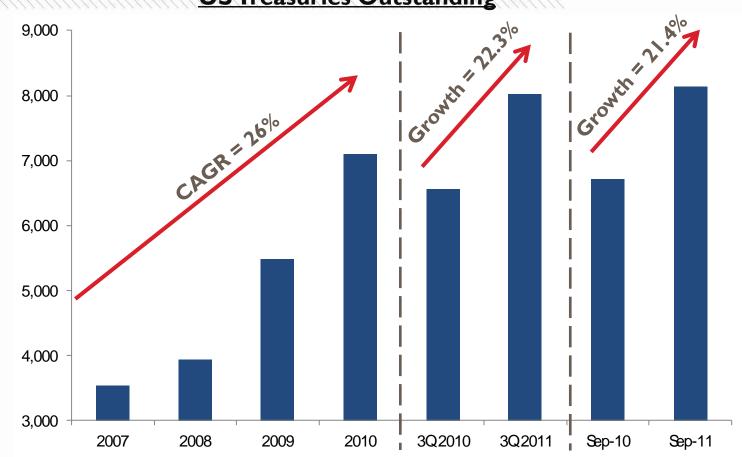


Rates Revenue Growth





Sovereign Debt Drives BGC's Rates Franchise In the US...



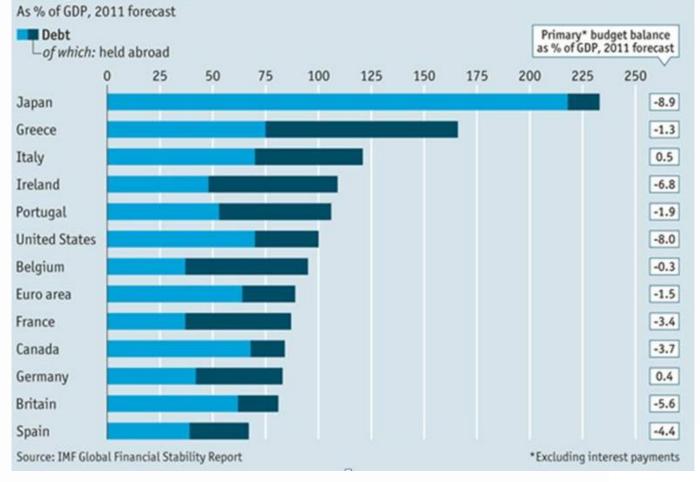
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USD Billions

Source: treasurydirect.gov. Note: US Treasuries outstanding = total marketable US government debt less treasury bills.

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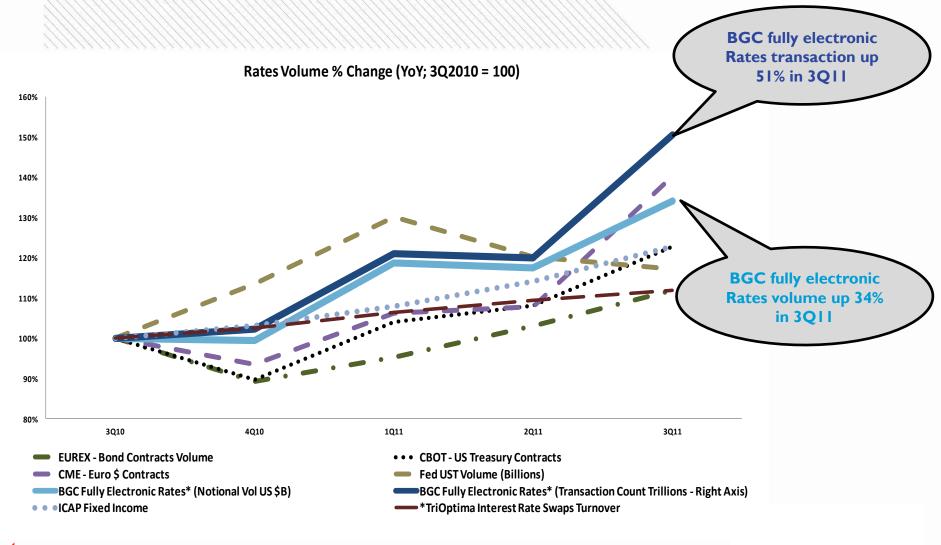
Gross government debt





Source: The Economist

BGC Fully Electronic Rate Volumes Outpace Industry





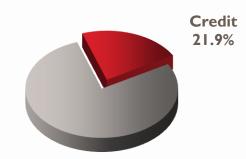
Source: CME/Eurex/CBOT - Futures Industry Association - Monthly Volume Report - (www.cme.com, www.eurexchange.com), ICAP Volume Report (www.icap.com), Fed US-T Volume (www.newyorkfed.org/markets/statrel.html - Federal Reserve Bank). *Trioptima is shown as transaction volumes for the last week of each quarter.

Brokerage Overview: Credit

Example of Products

- Credit derivatives
- Asset-backed securities
- Convertibles
- Corporate bonds
- High yield bonds
- Emerging market bonds

% of 3Q2011 Total Distributable Earnings Revenue



Drivers

- Ongoing global sovereign debt issues and economic uncertainty increase volatility
- Over 50% YoY growth in BGC's ebrokered products
- BGC grew despite generally lower y-o-y industry- wide volumes for corporate bonds

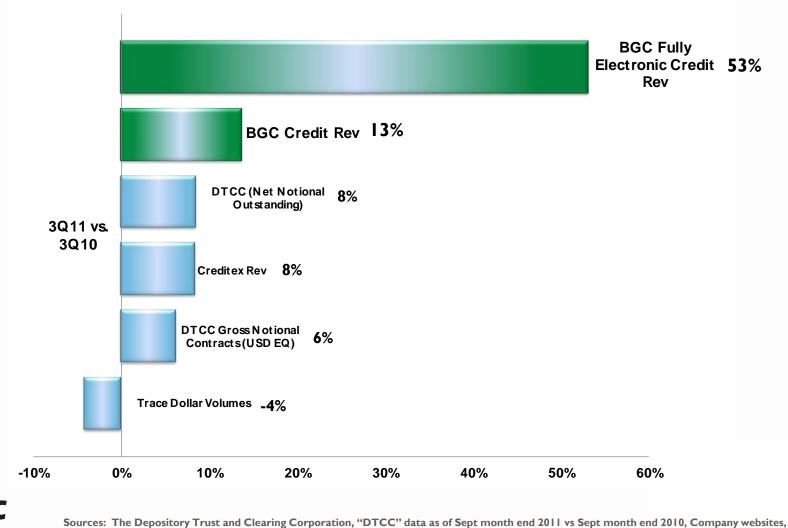
Credit Revenue Growth





BGC's Credit Performance Eclipsed Overall Industry

3Q 2011 Y-O-Y Growth



"TRACE" (Trade Reporting and Compliance Engine).

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Brokerage Overview: Foreign Exchange

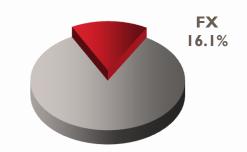
Example of Products

- Foreign exchange options
- G-10
- Emerging markets
- Cross currencies
- Exotic options
- Spot FX
- Emerging market FX options
- Exotic FX options
- Non-deliverable forwards

Drivers

- Ongoing global sovereign debt issues and economic uncertainty increase volatility
- Growth in BGC's market share
- Particular strength in emerging markets

% of 3Q2011 Total Distributable Earnings Revenue



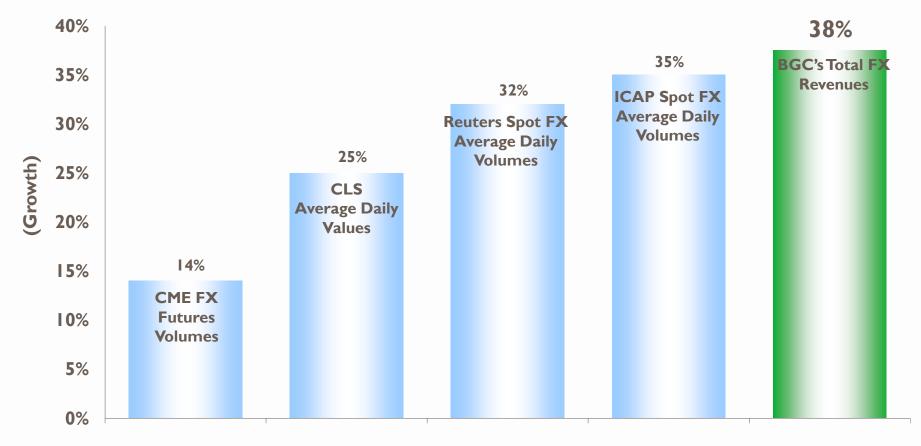
Foreign Exchange Revenue Growth





BGC's FX Business Continues to Gain Market Share

3Q 2011 Y-O-Y Growth





Source: ICAP, CME, CLS, Reuters websites. CME FX Futures growth based on average daily volume, ICAP Spot FX and Reuters Spot FX based on average daily volume. CLS Bank. Data includes FX spot, swap and outright forward products. Values are the total value of settlement instructions submitted to CLS on trade date. The values should be divided by two for spot and forward values and by four for swap values to equate to the values reported in the BIS tri-annual surveys. All Growth Percentages Based on Average Daily volumes in USD.

Brokerage Overview: Equities & Other Asset Classes

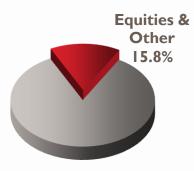
Example of Products

- Equity derivatives
- Cash Equities
- Index futures
- Commodities
- Energy derivatives
- Other derivatives and futures

Drivers

- Ongoing global sovereign debt issues and economic uncertainty increase volatility
- The addition of assets from Mint
- BGC benefited from generally higher y-o-y industry-wide volumes for cash and derivatives

% of 3Q2011 Total Distributable Earnings Revenue



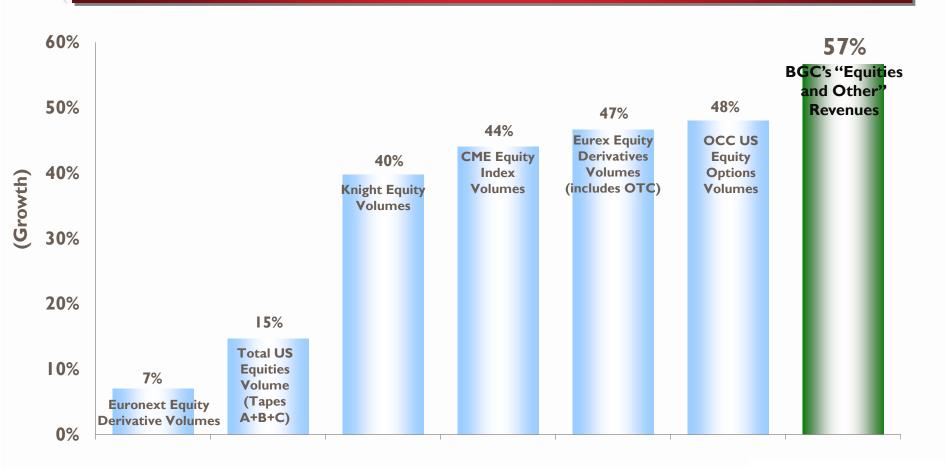
Equities & Other Asset Classes Revenue Growth





BGC's "Equities and Other" Desks Outpace Market

3Q 2011 Y-O-Y Growth





Note: Cash equities growth percentages based on average daily shares traded for US exchanges. Equity derivatives based on equity option average daily volume from OCC, Eurex, and Euronext. CME growth is based on average daily volume. For Eurex, growth is based on average daily total equity derivatives volume which includes single name and index. For Euronext, growth is based on total European equity derivative product volume. Sources: erdesk.com for US equities volumes, OCC for US Equity option volumes, Credit Suisse research for Eurex and Euronext volumes, company press releases for CME volumes and Knight volumes.

BGC's Front Office Employee Growth

Front Office Headcount

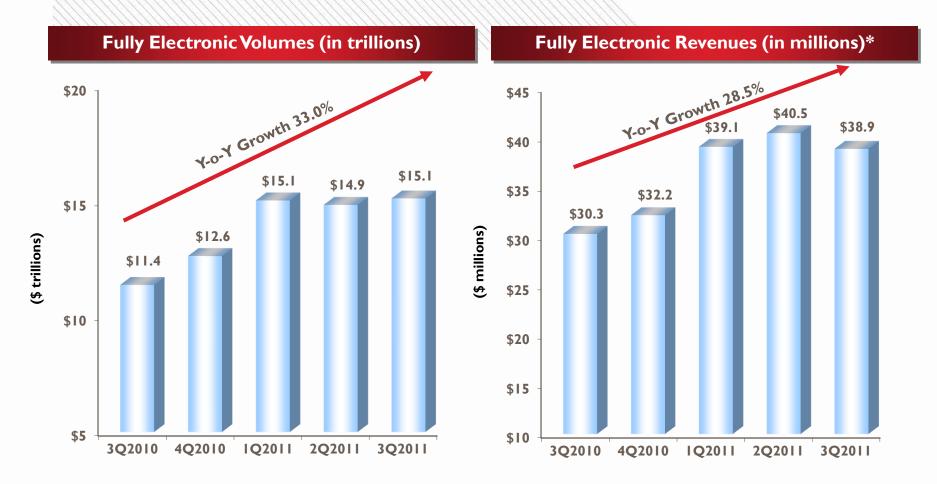
Front Office Productivity (in thousands)





Note: Front office productivity is calculated as "total brokerage revenue," "market data and software sales revenue," and the portion of "fees from related party" line items related to fully electronic trading divided by average front office headcount for the relevant period.

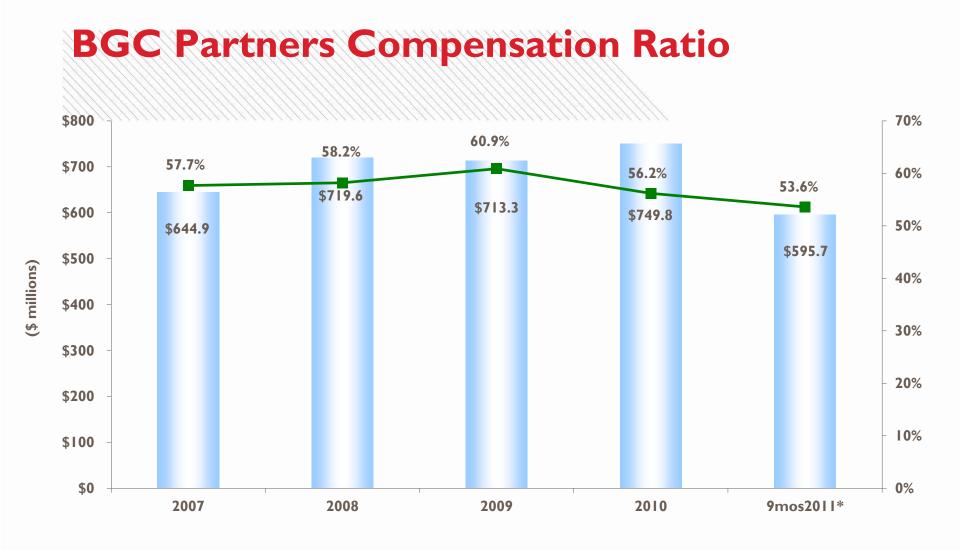
BGC's Fully Electronic Growth



> Over time, higher fully electronic revenues has = improved margins

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* This includes fees captured in both the "total brokerage revenues" and "fees from related party" line items related to fully electronic trading.



Compensation and Employee Benefits

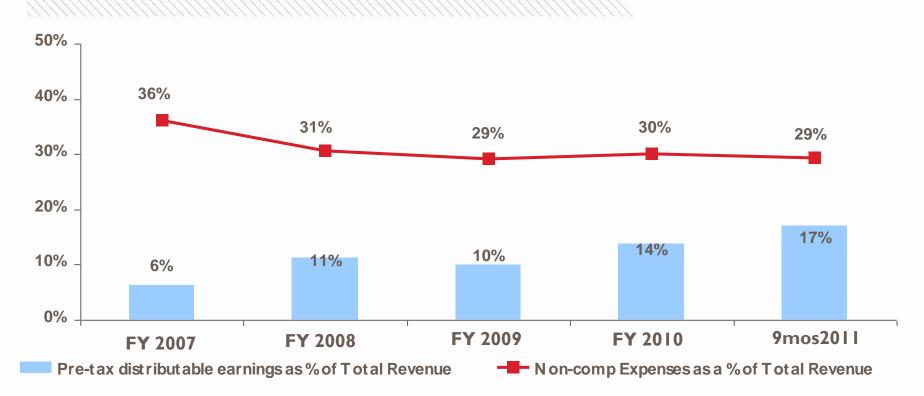
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----Compensation and Employee Benefits as % of Total Revenue

→ 3Q2011 BGC Partners Compensation Ratio = 53.4%

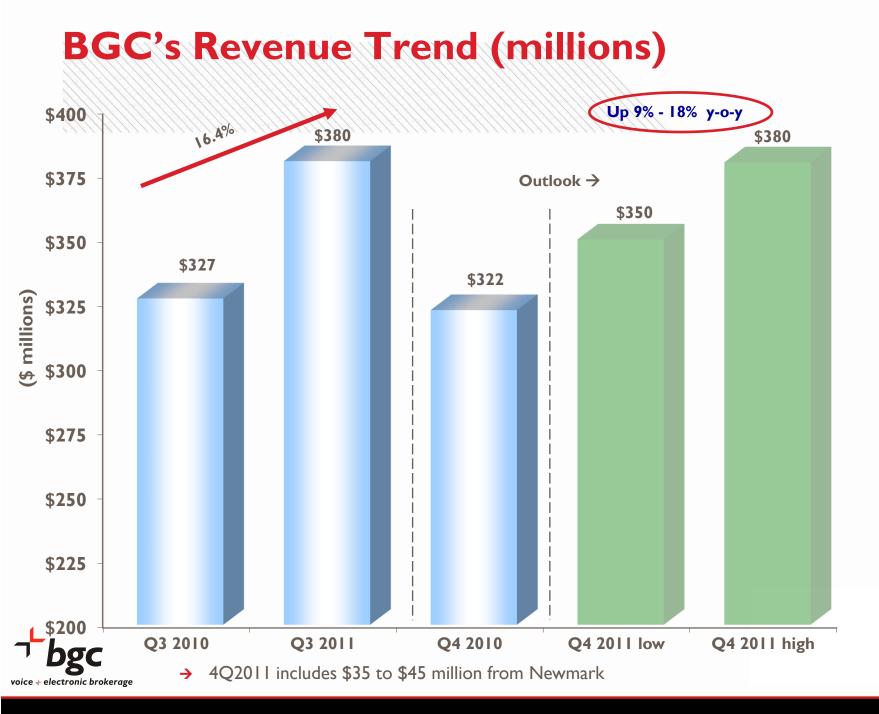
*9 months ended September 30, 2011

Operating Leverage / Fixed Expense Base



- → Non-comp expenses were 30.2% of distributable earnings revenues in 3Q2011 versus 31.3% in 3Q2010
- → Pre-tax distributable earnings margin was 16.4% in 3Q2011 vs. 14.5% in 3Q2010
- → Post-tax distributable earnings margin was 13.7% in 3Q2011 vs. 12.1% in 3Q2010

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Distributable Earnings Growth

(\$ millions)

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Pre-tax Distributable Earnings Growth Up 3% - 16% y-o-y Up 6% - 19% y-o-y \$60 \$70 2.00 \$62.6 \$52.3 \$65 \$55 $Outlook \rightarrow$ Outlook → \$60 \$50 \$54 \$55 \$45 \$39.8 \$48 **\$41** \$47.3 \$39.5 \$45.4 \$50 \$40 \$45 (\$ millions) \$35 \$40 \$30 \$35 \$25 \$30 \$25 \$20 \$20 \$15 \$15 \$10 \$10 \$5 \$5 **\$0** 3Q10 3Q11 4Q10 4011 **\$0** 3Q10 3Q11 4Q10 4Q11 4Q11 Low Low High

Post-tax Distributable Earnings Growth

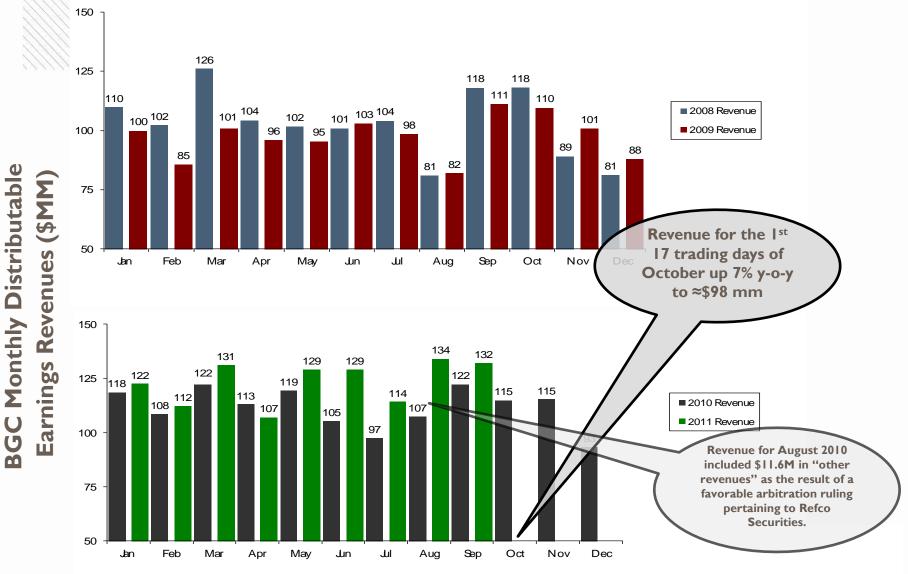
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High

- Third guarter pre-tax & post-tax distributable earnings per fully diluted share were up 19.0% \rightarrow and 19.4% y-o-y, respectively
- BGC Partners anticipates its effective tax rate for distributable earnings to be approximately 15 percent in 4Q11 versus 10.9 percent in 4Q10

Monthly Revenue Performance (\$MM)





Note: October 2011 revenue number is preliminary. The Newmark acquisition closed as of October 14, 2011. Monthly revenue prior to 2008 is available in the 2010 earnings presentations at www.bgcpartners.com/ir.

Impact of Convertible Notes

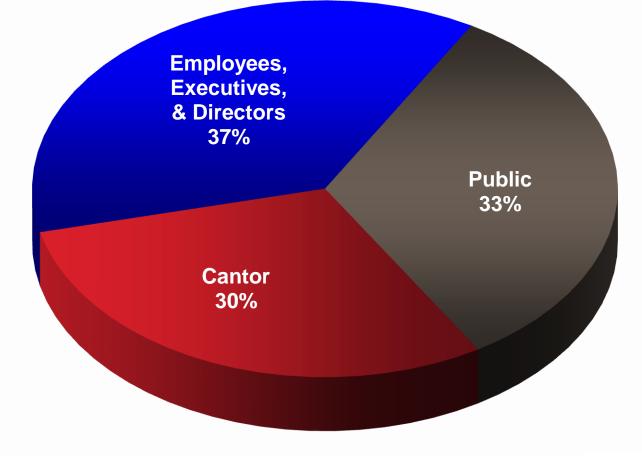
ltem	8.75% Convertible Notes due 2015	4.50% Convertible Notes due 2016	Total	
Size of deal	e of deal \$150 million		\$310 million	
Settlement method* Settled in shares at conversion		Settled in cash or shares at conversion		
Balance sheet classification* Liability		Bifurcated into debt and equity components		
Maturity date	April 15, 2015	July 15, 2016		
		4.50%	6.56%	
Conversion price	\$6.73	\$9.84		
Conversion ratio	148.5015	101.6260		
Underlying shares	erlying shares 22,275,230		38,535,390	
Antidilution provision – dividend threshold	\$0.10 / quarter	\$0.17 / quarter		
Total annual interest expense for GAAP	\$13.2 million	\$11.8 million	\$25 million	
Ranking	Equal in right of payment with all existing and future unsecured senior debt	Equal in right of payment with all existing and future unsecured senior debt		
Hedging transactions	None	Capped call		
Interest payments Semiannually in arrears on A and October 15 of each yea		Semiannually in arrears on January 15 and July 15 of each year		

Terms of Convertible Notes



*Under FASB guidance, convertible debt that may be settled in cash or partially in cash upon conversion must be bifurcated into liability and equity components. The equity component (value of the conversion feature) is reported as a discount to the notes. Interest expense for GAAP purposes reflects both the cash interest and the amortization of the debt discount (non-cash interest), (including issuance costs). Consistent with FASB guidance on EPS, our Q3 2011 calculation of post-tax distributable earnings per share includes the shares related to both of the convertible notes described above in the denominator and excludes the associated interest expense, net of tax, from the numerator because the notes are dilutive for the period.

BGC's Economic Ownership as of 9/30/2011





Note: Employee ownership figure attributes all PSIs, PSUs, RSUs, REUs, BGC units and distribution rights to founding partners & employees and includes all A shares owned by executives and directors. Cantor ownership includes all Cantor A and B shares as well as all Cantor exchangeable units and distribution rights to Cantor partners. Public ownership includes all A shares not owned by insiders. The above chart excludes shares related to convertible debt.

Current Tax Equivalent Yield Analysis

	Qualified	Ordinary
Federal	15.0%	35.0%
New York State	9.0%	9.0%
New York City	3.9%	3.9%
Net itemized deduction	-4.5%	-4.5%
effective rate	23.3%	43.3%

NON-TAXABLE PERCENTAGE OF BGCP DIVIDEND ASSUMPTIONS

	2010 Actual	18	"	"
	Hypothical Scenario 1	50	"	"
20	011 Minimum Expected	70	%isnc	on-taxable
	Hypothical Scenario 2	100	"	"

BGCP STOCK ASSUMPTIONS

Aı	nnual	nual BGCP		Pre-Tax	
Dividend		Price		Yield	
\$	0.68	\$	6.83	10.0%	

ASSUMPTIONS ABOUT ALTERNATE INVESTMENTS

One company pays qualified dividend, 100% taxable Another company pays distribution 100% taxable as ordinary income

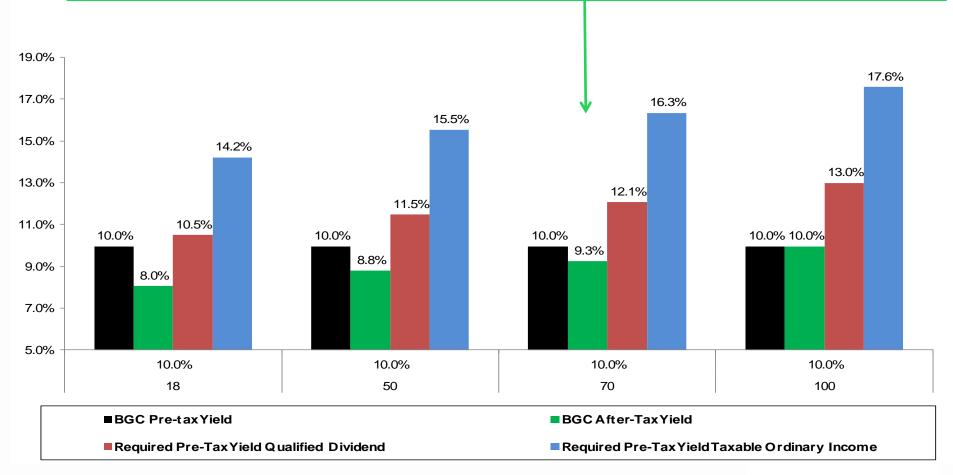
BGC After-Tax Yield Qualified	
	Required Pre-Tax Yield Taxable
18 10.0% 8.0% 10.5%	Ordinary Income
	14.2%
% of BGCP Dividend 50 10.0% 8.8% 11.5%	15.5%
That is Non-Taxable 70 10.0% 9.3% 12.1%	16.3%
100 10.0% 10.0% 13.0%	17.6%



Note: Based on stock price as of 10/26/11 close.

Current Tax Equivalent Yield Analysis (Continued)

In 2011, a fully taxable qualified dividend would need to be 15% higher or \$0.78 per share for investors to receive the same after-tax income as from a \$0.68 per share BGCP dividend; a fully taxable dividend or distribution would need to be \$1.06 or 56% higher per share or unit.



Average Exchange Rates

	Average			
	3Q2011	3Q2010	Oct 1-21, 2011	Oct 1 -21, 2010
USDollar	1	1	1	1
British Pound	1.611	1.549	1.563	1.589
Euro	1.416	1.290	1.359	1.388
Hong Kong Dollar	0.128	0.129	0.129	0.129
Sngapore Dollar	0.817	0.737	0.777	0.765
Japanese Yen*	77.770	85.870	76.860	82.200



Distributable Earnings

BGC Partners uses non-GAAP financial measures including "Revenues for distributable earnings," "pre-tax distributable earnings," and "post-tax distributable earnings," which are supplemental measures of operating performance that are used by management to evaluate the financial performance of the Company and its subsidiaries. BGC Partners believes that distributable earnings best reflects the operating earnings generated by the Company on a consolidated basis and are the earnings which management considers available for distribution to BGC Partners, Inc. and its common stockholders, as well as to holders of BGC Holdings partnership units during any period. As compared with "income (loss) from operations before income taxes," "net income (loss) for fully diluted shares," and "fully diluted earnings (loss) per share," all prepared in accordance with GAAP, distributable earnings calculations primarily exclude certain non-cash compensation and other expenses which generally do not involve the receipt or outlay of cash by the Company, which do not dilute existing stockholders, and which do not have economic consequences, as described below. In addition, distributable earnings calculations exclude certain gains and charges that management believes do not best reflect the ordinary operating results of BGC. Revenues for distributable earnings are defined as GAAP revenues excluding the impact of BGC Partners, Inc.'s non-cash earnings or losses related to its equity investments, such as in Aqua Securities, L.P. and ELX Futures, L.P., and its holding company general partner, ELX Futures Holdings LLC. Revenues for distributable earnings will also include the collection of receivables which would have been recognized for GAAP other than for the effect of acquisition accounting. Pre-tax distributable earnings are defined as GAAP income (loss) from operations before income taxes excluding items that are primarily non-cash, non-dilutive, and non-economic, such as: Non-cash stock-based equity compensation charges for REUs granted or issued prior to the merger of BGC Partners, Inc. with and into eSpeed, as well as post-merger non-cash, non-dilutive equity-based compensation related to partnership unit exchange or conversion. Allocations of net income to founding/working partner and other units, including REUs, RPUs, PSUs and PSIs. Non-cash asset impairment charges, if any. Distributable earnings calculations also exclude charges related to purchases, cancellations or redemptions of partnership interests and certain one-time or non-recurring items, if any. "Compensation and employee benefits" expense for distributable earnings will also include broker commission payouts relating to the aforementioned collection of receivables. Beginning with the second quarter of 2011, BGC's definition of distributable earnings was revised to exclude certain gains and charges with respect to acquisitions, dispositions, and resolutions of litigation. This change in the definition of distributable earnings is not reflected in, nor does it affect the Company's presentation of prior periods. Management believes that excluding these gains and charges best reflects the operating performance of BGC. Since distributable earnings are calculated on a pre-tax basis, management intends to also report "post-tax distributable earnings" and "post-tax distributable earnings" earnings" and "post-tax distributable earnings" and "post-tax d are defined as pre-tax distributable earnings adjusted to assume that all pre-tax distributable earnings were taxed at the same effective rate. "Post-tax distributable earnings per fully diluted share" are defined as post-tax distributable earnings divided by the weighted-average number of fully diluted shares for the period. BGCs' distributable earnings per share calculations assume either that: The fully diluted share count includes the shares related to the dilutive instruments, such as the Convertible Senior Notes, but excludes the associated interest expense, net of tax, when the impact would be dilutive, or; The fully diluted share count excludes the shares related to the dilutive instruments, but includes the associated interest expense, net of tax. Each guarter, the dividend to common stockholders is expected to be determined by the Company's Board of Directors with reference to post-tax distributable earnings per fully diluted share. In addition to the Company's quarterly dividend to common stockholders, BGC Partners expects to pay a pro-rata distribution of net income to BGC Holdings founding/working partner and other units, including REUs, RPUs, PSUs and PSIs, and to Cantor for its noncontrolling interest. The amount of all of these payments is expected to be determined using the above definition of pre-tax distributable earnings per share. Certain employees who are holders of RSUs are granted pro-rata payments equivalent to the amount of dividends paid to common stockholders. Under GAAP, a portion of the dividend equivalents on RSUs is required to be taken as a compensation charge in the period paid. However, to the extent that they represent cash payments made from the prior period's distributable earnings, they do not dilute existing stockholders and are therefore excluded from the calculation of distributable earnings. Distributable earnings is not meant to be an exact measure of cash generated by operations and available for distribution, nor should it be considered in isolation or as an alternative to cash flow from operations or GAAP net income (loss). The Company views distributable earnings as a metric that is not necessarily indicative of liquidity or the cash available to fund its operations. Pre- and post-tax distributable earnings are not intended to replace the Company's presentation of GAAP financial results. However, management believes that they help provide investors with a clearer understanding of BGC Partners' financial performance and offer useful information to both management and investors regarding certain financial and business trends related to the Company's financial condition and results of operations. Management believes that distributable earnings and the GAAP measures of financial performance should be considered together. Management does not anticipate providing an outlook for GAAP "revenues", "income (loss) from operations before income taxes", "net income (loss) for fully diluted shares," and "fully diluted earnings (loss) per share", because the items previously identified as excluded from pre-tax distributable earnings and post-tax distributable earnings are difficult to forecast. Management will instead provide its outlook only as it relates to revenues for distributable earnings, pre-tax distributable earnings and post-tax distributable earnings. For more information on this topic, please see the table in BGC's 3Q2011 financial results release entitled "Reconciliation of GAAP Income to Distributable Earnings" which provides a summary reconciliation between pre- and post-tax distributable earnings and the corresponding GAAP measures for the Company in the periods discussed in this presentation.