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Litrak Berhad

Improved earnings from SPRINT highway

INVESTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

- 1Q16 earnings above expectations
- All round better performance
- SPRINT benefiting from higher toll rates
- Revising upward our earnings forecast and valuation
- . Maintain BUY with higher TP of RM5.07

1Q16 earnings above expectations. Litrak's 1Q16 net profit of RM43.5m (+24%yoy) was ahead of our forecast but within consensus estimates representing 30% and 25% of respective FY16 forecasts. An interim dividend of 15 sen (1Q15: 10 sen) was announced which is above our expectations as we expected 20 sen for FY16.

All round better performance. The growth in 1Q15 earnings was mainly a result of: i) higher traffic volume; ii) lower maintenance expenses which decreased -18%yoy due to major pavement works nearing completion; iii) lower finance cost by -4%yoy with repayment of RM114m borrowings and iv) higher shared income from 50% associate, SPRINT which swung into profitability from net loss.

SPRINT benefiting from higher toll rates. Litrak's 50% stake in SPRINT recorded earnings of RM5.2m as increased toll rates for the Damansara and Pantai Tolls took effect starting 1/1/2015. Both these toll plazas saw toll rates rise by 30-33% according to the concession agreement. As SPRINT has 3 toll plazas (Damansara, Pantai and Penchala), the hike in 2 out of 3 tolls increases the overall blended toll per pax of SPRINT by 20%.

Revising upward our earnings forecast and valuation. We are revising our FY16 earnings upwards by 24% as we impute higher earnings contribution from SPRINT of RM20m (previously: breakeven) and lower maintenance expenses to RM21m (previously: RM28m).

Maintain BUY with higher TP of RM5.07 (from: RM4.56). Our BUY call on Litrak is based on Discounted Cash Flow (DCF) assuming beta of 0.6x and WACC of 6.15%. We like Litrak due to: 1) attractive FY16 dividend per share of 25 sen offering a decent yield of 5.4%p.a. which represents a 72% payout ratio (past 3 years: between 65-75%); 2) completion of MRT works to ease traffic congestion; 3) SPRINT highway swinging into profitability with higher toll rates and better traffic growth.

Maintain BUY

Revised Target Price (TP): RM5.07 (Previously: RM4.56)

RETURN STATS		
Price (27 Aug 2015)	RM4.60	
Target Price	RM5.07	
Expected Share Price Return	+10.2%	
Expected Dividend Yield	+5.4%	
Expected Total Return	+15.6%	

STOCK INFO			
KLCI	1,601.70		
Bursa / Bloomberg	6645/		
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Board / Sector	Main/Trading Services		
Syariah Compliant	Yes		
Issued shares (mil)	515.7		
Par Value (RM)	0.20		
Market cap. (RM'm)	2,391.4		
Price over NA	4.28x		
52-wk price Range	RM3.39-RM4.95		
Beta (against KLCI)	0.36		
3-mth Avg Daily Vol	0.42m		
3-mth Avg Daily Value	RM1.84m		
Major Shareholders			
GamudaBhd	44.25%		
KWAP	7.86%		
PNB	7.07%		



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INVESTMENT STATISTICS

FYE Dec	FY15	FY16F	FY17F
Revenue* (RM' m)	380.7	393.6	415.2
EBIT (RM' m)	259.0	279.6	299.2
Pretax Profit (RM' m)	187.0	233.2	258.2
Net Profit (RM' m)	137.9	177.2	196.2
EPS (sen)	26.8	34.4	38.1
EPS growth (%)	2.6	28.5	10.7
PER (x)	17.2	13.4	12.1
Net Dividend (sen)	20.0	24.8	26.7
Net Dividend Yield (%)	4.3	5.4	5.8

Source: MIDFR, Company

LITRAK: 1QFY16 RESULTS SUMMARY

All in RM'm unless stated otherwise	Qu	arterly Res	ults Cumulative		lative	Comments
FYE Mar	1Q16	%YoY	%QoQ	3MFY16	%YoY	- Commence
Revenue	96.2	0.4%	2.5%	96.2	0.4%	Higher average weekday toll traffic for LDP
Staff cost	(7.2)	-1.0%	-20.3%	(7.2)	-1.0%	
Maint. expenses	(3.8)	18.4%	63.8%	(3.8)	18.4%	Pavement works reaching tailend
EBITDA	83.4	1.2%	12.5%	83.4	1.2%	
Depreciation	(15.7)	-1.5%	1.8%	(15.7)	-1.5%	
EBIT	67.7	1.1%	16.4%	67.7	1.1%	
Finance cost	(18.0)	4.3%	-2.9%	(18.0)	4.3%	Repayment of RM114m borrowings
Other income	2.1	815.6%	2965.2%	2.1	815.6%	
Shares of assoc.	5.2	1722.5%	77.6%	5.2	1722.5%	Higher traffic volume and toll rates
Profit before tax	56.9	18.7%	30.6%	56.9	18.7%	
Net Profit	43.5	23.8%	31.4%	43.5	23.8%	
EBIT Margin (%)	70.4%	.5 pts	8.4 pts	70.4%	.5 pts	
Net Margin (%)	45.2%	8.6 pts	9.9 pts	45.2%	8.6 pts	
Source: Company, MIDFR						

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DAILY PRICE CHART



Source: Bloomberg



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