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Petronas Dagangan Berhad

"2016 Capex at RM400 million"

Petronas Dagangan Berhad (PetDag) has marked its strategic plan for 2016 by allocating RM400 million capex mainly to expand its retail operation domestically.

Besides, PetDag will continue to implement the cost cutting measures to sustain earnings growth in 2016. Hence, we reiterate our HOLD call for PetDag with a target price of RM22.68.

- Capex to grow retail operation. According to The EGDE MARKET, PetDag is allocating RM400 million capex to finance the expansion of its operation in 2016 where bulk of it will be used to grow their retail network, targeting to add between 15-20 petrol stations in 2016. Based on our channel check, PetDag has operated 1,109 petrol stations as at 9M15 and planning to add 2 new petrol stations in 4Q15. However, we estimate that group's retail sales volume to fall by 9% y-o-y in FY15 despite higher number of petrol stations due to weaker diesel sales, impacted by harsher enforcement by government authorities to curb illegal smuggling as well as the implementation of the managed float pricing mechanism in December 2014. However, we estimate its retail sales volume to improve by 3% y-o-y in FY16 after assuming the addition of 20 new petrol stations.
- Cost cutting measures. We note that PetDag will continue its optimal cost cutting measures in 2016 as a buffer against the challenging market condition in the low era of global oil prices. We believe similar cost cutting measures which have been adopted since 2015 including better control of manpower cost as well as lower marketing and promotional expenses will help to sustain the earnings momentum in FY16. To recap, PetDag has achieved higher EBIT margin of 5% as at 9M15 (9M14: 3%) thanks to the lower OPEX by RM124 million.

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HOLD (TP: RM22.68)

| Current Price (RM) | RM24.50 |
|-----------------------------|-------------|
| New Target Price (RM) | RM22.68 |
| Previous Fair Value (RM) | RM19.71 |
| Previous Recommend. | HOLD |
| Upside To Target Price | -7% |
| Dividend Yield (FY16) | 3% |
| Stock Code | |
| Bloomberg | PETD MK |
| Stock & Market Data | |
| Listing | MAIN MARKET |
| Sector | Oil and Gas |
| Shariah Compliance | Yes |
| Issued Shares (mn) | 994 |
| Market Cap (RM mn) | 24,240 |
| YTD Chg In Share Price | -2% |
| Beta (x) | 0.92 |
| 52-week Hi/Lo (RM) | 25.60 16.02 |
| 3M Average Volume (shrs) | 0.56mn |
| Estimated Free Float | 12% |
| Major Shareholders | |
| Petronas | 70% |
| Skim ASB | 5% |
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- Earnings outlook. We maintain our earnings forecast for now. At this juncture, FY15 and FY16 earnings forecast are projected to grow by 66% y-o-y and 0.4% y-o-y respectively to be fuelled by i) rapid capacity expansion of 15 to 20 Petronas stations per year and ii) higher sales volume from commercial segment.
- Valuation & recommendation. PetDag is valued at RM22.68 based on 27x PER (1- SD below 3 years average PER of 32x) pegged to FY16 EPS of 84sen and the stock is a HOLD. Re-rating catalyst may come from 1) better inventory management and 2) higher-than-expected non-fuel segment revenue such as Mesra convenience stores.

Table 1: Peers Comparison (Calenderised)

| Company | FYE | | EPS (sen) | | P/E (X) | | P/B (X) | | | DY | | |
|----------------------|-----|-------|-----------|------|---------|------|---------|------|------|-----|-------|------|
| | | (RM) | FY15 | FY16 | FY15 | FY16 | FY15 | FY16 | (%) | (%) | (RM) | Call |
| SapuraKencana | Jan | 1.92 | 18 | 19 | 12.5 | 11.3 | 1.0 | 0.9 | 7 | 2 | 2.55 | Buy |
| Wah Seong | Dec | 0.94 | 12 | 13 | 9.9 | 8.9 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 10 | 3 | 0.94 | Hold |
| Bumi Armada | Dec | 1.00 | 6 | 8 | 16.5 | 12.8 | 0.9 | 0.8 | (3) | 2 | 1.20 | Buy |
| Dialog Group | Jun | 1.61 | 6 | 6 | 28.3 | 25.8 | 4.1 | 3.9 | 16 | 1 | 1.60 | Hold |
| MMHE | Dec | 0.97 | 8 | 8 | 14.2 | 13.7 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 4 | NA | 1.04 | Hold |
| PetDag | Dec | 24.50 | 81 | 87 | 27.9 | 25.9 | 4.3 | 4.2 | 13 | 2 | 22.68 | Hold |
| Dayang | Dec | 1.38 | 18 | 21 | 9.6 | 8.2 | 1.6 | 1.4 | 18 | 2 | 1.71 | Buy |
| UMW-OG | Dec | 1.07 | 4 | 6 | 33.6 | 19.2 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 5 | 1 | 0.83 | Sell |
| Perisai | Dec | 0.28 | 1 | 2 | 40.6 | 13.5 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 2 | NA | NR | NR |
| Perdana Petroleum | Dec | NA | (0) | 8 | NA | 19.0 | 1.5 | 1.3 | 6 | 1 | NR | NR |
| TH Heavy | Dec | 0.16 | (1) | 2 | NA | 10.5 | 0.5 | 0.4 | (25) | NA | NR | NR |
| Petra Energy | Dec | 1.25 | 10 | 13 | 12.9 | 9.4 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 8 | 2 | NR | NR |
| Deleum | Dec | 1.06 | 15 | 18 | 9.1 | 7.5 | 1.7 | 1.5 | 22 | 5 | NR | NR |
| Uzma | Dec | 2.01 | 20 | 24 | 11.0 | 9.1 | 1.9 | 1.2 | 17 | 2 | NR | NR |
| KNM | Dec | 0.51 | 6 | 7 | 8.9 | 7.5 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 3 | NA | NR | NR |
| Average | | | | | 18.1 | 13.5 | 1.4 | 1.3 | 7 | 2 | | |

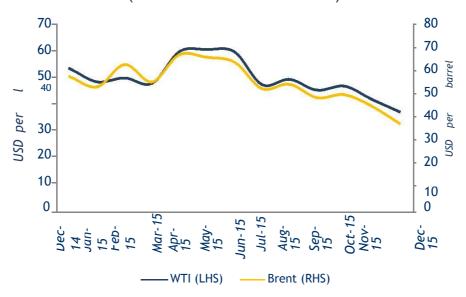
Source: Bloomberg, M&A Securities

Table 2: Financial Forecast

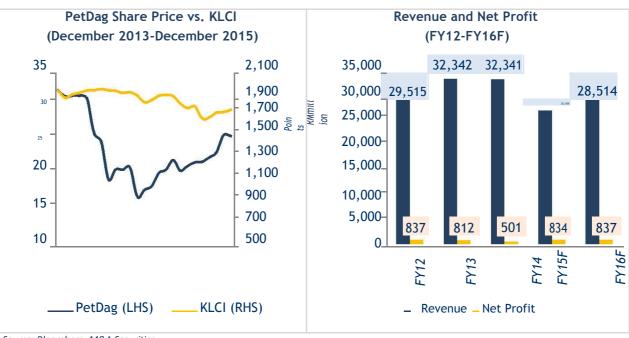
| YE: Dec (RM million) | FY12 | FY13 | FY14 | FY15F | FY16F |
|----------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Revenue | 29,515 | 32,342 | 32,341 | 26,188 | 28,514 |
| EBITDA | 1,468 | 1,442 | 1,069 | 1,459 | 1,477 |
| EBIT | 1,174 | 1,125 | 728 | 1,130 | 1,135 |
| Net Finance cost | (11) | (19) | (21) | (13) | (13) |
| Share of JCE | 2 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| PBT | 1,165 | 1,109 | 709 | 1,118 | 1,124 |
| Net profit | 837 | 812 | 501 | 834 | 837 |
| EPS (sen) | 84 | 82 | 50 | 84 | 84 |
| EBITDA margin | 5% | 4% | 3% | 6% | 5% |
| EBIT margin | 4% | 3% | 2% | 4% | 4% |
| PBT margin | 4% | 3% | 2% | 4% | 4% |
| Net profit margin | 3% | 3% | 2% | 3% | 3% |
| PER (x) | 27.9 | 38.5 | 33.9 | 29.2 | 29.1 |
| P/BV (x) | 4.9 | 6.5 | 3.6 | 4.9 | 4.7 |
| Dividend (sen) | 105 | 70 | 60 | 63 | 63 |
| Dividend yield | 4% | 2% | 4% | 3% | 3% |

Source: Bursa Malaysia, M&A Securities

WTI vs. Brent Crude Oil Price (December 2014-December 2015)



Source: Bloomberg



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STOCK RECOMMENDATIONS

BUY Share price is expected to be $\geq +10\%$ over the next 12 months.

TRADING BUY Share price is expected to be $\geq +10\%$ within 3-months due to positive newsflow. HOLD Share price is expected to be between -10% and +10% over the next 12 months.

SELL Share price is expected to be \geq -10% over the next 12 months.

SECTOR RECOMMENDATIONS

OVERWEIGHT The sector is expected to outperform the FBM KLCI over the next 12 months.

NEUTRAL The sector is expected to perform in line with the FBM KLCI over the next 12

months.

UNDERWEIGHT The sector is expected to underperform the FBM KLCI over the next 12 months.