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Thailand / Automotive

Somboon Advance Technology

BUY

(unchanged) Price (20 March 2008)

Bt14.30

SAT/ SAT.BK / SAT TB

SET / Reuters / Bloomberg

12-month target price

Bt21.30 (+49%)

Company Update

Capacity expansion plans; forecasts raised Favourable long-term outlook, reiterate BUY

SAT intends to increase its parts machining capacity in 3Q08 and metal forging capacity in early 2009 to support higher orders for auto parts. We had expected this decision as the company is currently running at full capacity. With auto production rising in Thailand to support higher demand in domestic and export markets, we see good long-term prospects for SAT. Coupled with its cheap valuation we reiterate our **Buy** rating.

Metal forging and machining capacity to be expanded

SAT will increase its machining line capacity for rear axle shafts from 210,000 pieces/month to 240,000 pieces/month (+14%) in 3Q08 and its metal forging capacity from 180,000 pieces/month to 240,000 pieces (+33%) in early 2009. The company also plans to buy 78 rai of land in Rayong for factory expansion in future. This will require a total investment of Bt920m which is to be financed by loans and from internal cash flow.

Earnings forecasts for 2009-10 revised up

We revised up our 2009F earnings target by 3% to Bt735m and our 2010F target by 9% to Bt834m to reflect the capacity expansion and a bigger order book. With Honda and Ford planning to increase auto production in Thailand next year, we expect SAT to benefit from more parts orders. We assumed sales growth of 15% p.a. for the company in 2009-010F.

TP of Bt21.30 implies an attractive upside of 49%

Our target price of Bt21.30 is based on a target 2008F PER rating of 10x, in line with the average for the Thai auto sector. Currently the stock is trading on a very low PER of 6.7x which implies an upside potential of 49%. The main risk factors are: a sharp rise in raw material costs (particularly for steel) and fewer orders if domestic auto sales are slower than expected.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY						
Year	2005	2006	2007	2008F	2009F	2010F
Sales (Bt, m)	3,868	4,252	4,979	5,552	6,381	7,351
EBITDA (Bt, m)	671	741	733	1,062	1,163	1,257
Net profit bef. extra (Bt, m)	433	428	585	635	730	829
Net profit bef. extra growth	32.2	(1.2)	36.6	8.6	15.0	13.5
Net profit (Bt, m)	441	443	591	640	735	834
Net profit growth	(5.4)	0.3	33.6	8.3	14.9	13.4
EPS bef. extra (Bt)	1.44	1.43	1.95	2.12	2.43	2.76
EPS bef. extra growth	(0.4)	(1.2)	36.6	8.6	15.0	13.5
PER (X)	8.9	10.4	6.2	6.7	5.8	5.1
PCF (X)	13.4	11.9	5.0	5.5	4.6	4.1
PBV (X)	2.4	2.4	1.6	1.6	1.3	1.1
EV/EBITDA (X)	8.2	8.5	7.4	5.7	4.9	4.1
Yield (%)	3.4	3.2	4.8	4.4	5.1	5.8
ROE (%)	44.9	25.2	28.5	25.8	24.7	23.5
D/E (X)	1.8	1.5	1.4	1.1	0.9	0.7

SHARE SUMMARY Price: 52-week high Bt15.00 52-week low Bt10.00 52-week average Bt13.14 Stock data: Issued shares: 300.0m Bt1.0 Par value: Market capitalization: Bt4.3bn Market capitalization: US\$137.0m Avg. Daily Turnover: Bt13.6m Avg. Daily Turnover: US\$0.4m Foreign Limit: 49.0% Foreign Ownership: 14.4% Free Float: 37.3% NVDR: 2.71% Beta (3 years) 0.54X Latest earnings results (4Q07) Bt, m QoQ% YoY% Net profit 168 30.8 EPS (Bt) 0.56 30.8 Major Shareholders (06/09/07) Soomboon Holding 26.7% Kitaphanich Family 24.2% Thailand Equity Fund 10.0%

PRICE / PRICE RELATIVE

Phatra Securities Plc

Thai NVDR Co Ltd



4.4%

4.3%

Performance (%)	-1m	-3m	-12m
SAT	1.42	1.42	37.50
SET	(3.51)	0.81	18.27



INCOME STATEMENT (Bt, m)

	Year Ended December 31,				
	<u>2006</u>	2007	2008F	2009F	2010F
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Sales	4,252	4,979	5,552	6,381	7,351
Cost of Sales	3,445	3,882	4,392	5,075	5,859
Gross Profit	807	1,097	1,160	1,307	1,492
S&A Expenses	303	364	400	459	566
Other Income	108	89	139	134	154
Interest Expense	94	119	123	106	85
Interest Income	5	3	12	15	16
Net result of Investment	10	15	16	23	24
Net Profit before Tax	532	721	804	913	1,036
Income Tax	104	136	169	183	207
Net Profit before Extra. Items	428	585	635	730	829
FX Gain (Loss)	14	6	5	5	5
Other Gain (Loss)	0	0	0	0	0
Net Profit	443	591	640	735	834
Sales Growth (%)	9.9	17.1	11.5	14.9	15.2
Gross Margin (%)	19.0	22.0	20.9	20.5	20.3
Net Profit Margin (%)	10.4	11.9	11.5	11.5	11.3
Net Profit Growth (%)	0.3	33.6	8.3	14.9	13.4

QUARTERLY RESULTS (Bt, m)

	4Q06	1Q07	2Q07	3Q07	4Q07
Sales and Service Income	1,083	1,177	1,179	1,300	1,323
Cost of Sales and Services	865	935	929	1,008	1,011
Gross Profit	218	242	250	292	312
S&A Expenses	80	76	84	102	102
Interest Expense	23	22	31	33	34
Net result of Investment	5	0	6	6	4
Other Incomes	29	22	20	33	17
Net Profit before Tax	149	166	161	196	198
Income Tax from Operations	24	36	35	35	31
Net Profit before Extra. Items	125	130	126	162	167
FX Gain (Loss)	3	3	2	1	1
Net Profit	129	133	128	162	168
Revenue Growth (YoY %)	2.7	12.2	14.3	19.5	22.1
Gross Margin (%)	20.1	20.6	21.2	22.5	23.6
Net Profit Margin (%)	11.9	11.3	10.8	12.5	12.7
Net Profit Growth (YoY %)	28.2	36.9	33.1	34.1	30.8

KEY FINANCIAL RATIOS

	2006	2007	2008F	2009F	2010F
Other Incomes to Total Revenue (%)	2.5	1.7	2.4	2.1	2.1
S&A Expenses to Sales (%)	7.1	7.3	7.2	7.2	7.7
Current (Times)	1.2	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.3
Quick (Times)	0.9	8.0	0.9	1.0	1.0
A/R Turnover (Days)	64.9	61.6	64.5	64.5	63.5
Inventory Turnover (Days)	42.6	42.7	35.4	35.7	37.4
A/P Turnover (Days)	66.5	65.1	63.4	65.5	65.5
Debt to Equity (Times)	1.5	1.4	1.1	0.9	0.7
Net Debt to Equity (Times)	1.4	1.3	1.1	0.8	0.6
Gearing (Times)	1.0	0.9	0.7	0.5	0.3
Interest Coverage (Times)	6.6	7.0	7.5	9.6	13.2
Return on Avg. Assets (%)	9.6	11.7	11.4	12.5	13.4
Return on Avg. Equity (%)	25.2	28.5	25.8	24.7	23.5

CASHFLOW STATEMENT (Bt, m)

	Year Ended December 31,				
	2006	2007	2008F	2009F	2010F
Cash Flows from Operations (CFO)					
Net Profit	443	591	640	735	834
Adjusting Items Not Affecting Cash					
Depreciation & Amortization	237	0	302	316	331
Unrealized FX Loss (Gain)	0	0	0	0	1
Others	(4)	27	0	0	0
+ (-) in Working Capital	(287)	105	(166)	(118)	(115)
Net CFO	389	723	776	933	1,051
Cash Flows from Investing Activities (CFI)					
- (+) in Short-term Investment	70	0	0	0	0
- (+) in Investment in Affiliates	(20)	(14)	0	0	0
- (+) in Fixed Assets and Other Assets	(373)	(897)	(603)	(300)	(300)
Net CFI	(323)	(911)	(603)	(300)	(300)
Cash Flows from Financing Activities (CFF)					
+ (-) in Debt Financing	61	180	(124)	(377)	(420)
+ (-) in Minority Interest	0	0	0	0	1
+ (-) in Share Capital and Premium	0	0	0	0	0
+ (-) in Warrant	0	0	0	0	1
+ (-) in Equity Adjustment	(45)	(52)	14	0	(3)
- Cash Dividend Paid	(150)	(163)	(183)	(205)	(234)
Net CFF	(134)	(35)	(293)	(582)	(655)
Net Cash Increase (Decrease)	(68)	(223)	(121)	51	95

BALANCE SHEET (Bt, m)

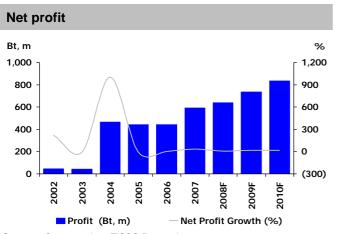
	As of December 31,					
	<u>2006</u>	2007	2008F	2009F	2010F	
Current Assets	1,474	1,662	1,661	1,964	2,329	
Current Liabilities	1,194	1,510	1,466	1,593	1,747	
Total Assets	4,661	5,461	5,748	6,035	6,369	
Total Liabilities	2,766	3,207	3,036	2,793	2,527	
Minority Interest	0	0	0	0	1	
Total Equity	1,895	2,254	2,711	3,242	3,842	
Paid-up Capital	300	300	300	300	300	
Share Premium	85	85	85	85	85	
Warrant	0	0	0	0	1	
Retained Earnings	708	1,119	1,577	2,107	2,707	
Equity Adjustment	802	750	750	750	750	

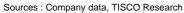
	<u>4Q07</u>
Market Cap (Bt, m)	4,290
Cash&cash equivalent (Bt, m)	229
Borrowings (Bt, m)	2,137
Gearing (X)	0.9

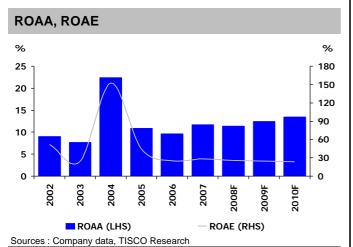
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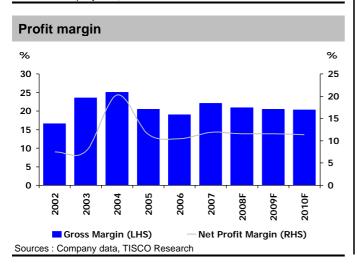
	2006	2007	2008F	2009F	2010F
Production capacity					
Axle Shaft ('000 units)	2,280	2,520	2,880	2,880	2,880
Leaf Spring (tone/year)	180,000	18,000	18,000	18,000	18,000
Disc Brake ('000 units)	1,308	1,308	1,308	1,308	1,308
Drum Brake ('000 units)	1,140	1,140	1,140	1,140	1,140
Stabilizer Bar ('000 units)	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200
Utilization rate (%)					
Axle Shaft	97.0	90.0	82.0	94.3	108.4
Leaf Spring (tone/year)	80	80	80	80	80
Disc Brake	73.0	79.0	86.1	93.9	102.3
Drum Brake	62.0	62.0	62.0	67.6	73.7
Stabilizer Bar	50.0	65.0	65.0	70.9	77.2

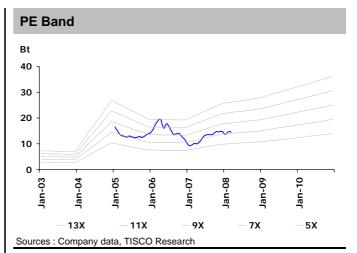


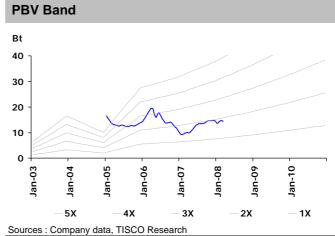


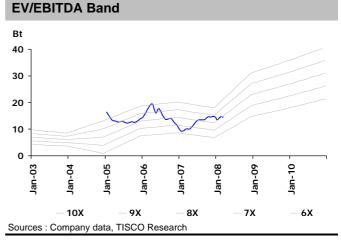












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