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WCT Holdings Bhd

Below Expectations

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Period

4Q14/FY14

Actual vs. Expectations

- FY14 core net profit of RM120.5m came in below expectations, making up 91% and 81%, of our and market estimates, respectively.
- The negative variance was due to lower-than-expected: (i) construction margins, (ii) property margins, and (iii) property investment income which we believe were dragged down by higher costs from KLIA2 Integrated Gateway.
- On the flip side, the group secured RM994m worth of new contracts in FY14 which is in line with our assumption of RM1.0b.

Dividends

 Below expectation. Final DPS of 2.7 sen was declared. In total, WCT has declared 6.2 sen DPS, lower than our forecast of 7.5 sen.

Key Results Highlights

- QoQ, 4Q14 revenue and core net profit declined by 32% and 17%, respectively, dragged down by: (i) weak construction and property revenue following slower billings, and (ii) poor construction margins. Construction EBIT margins eroded to 3% from 6% mainly due to lower margins achieved in local building projects.
- YoY, 4Q14 core net profit recovered to RM17.0m from mere RM2.3m in 4Q13 due to low base effect. To recap, WCT made about RM30m provisions for its construction division in 4Q13.
- YTD, while FY14 revenue was flat (-1%), core net profit declined by 10% dragged down by poor construction margins and slower property billings.

Outlook

- While we like the group for its strong orderbook of RM3.1b (external: RM2.0b), which will drive the group's top line in the next three years, we reiterate our concerns over the group's earnings outlook on the following factors: (i) declining trend in construction and property margins, and (ii) flattish property sales due to slowdown in property market.
- Nonetheless, the group's tenderbook currently stands at RM2.3b driven by some major domestic projects namely Petronas RAPID works, TRX, and KL118 (Warisan Merdeka).

Change to Forecasts

Following consecutive rounds of earnings disappointments, we have opted to lower our FY15E core earnings by 8.1% after adjusting lower: (i) our construction EBIT margins assumption to 6% from 7%, and (ii) property EBIT margins assumption to 19% from 20%. We also introduce our FY16E earnings of RM151.7m, representing 6.8% growth. Note that we assume WCT to secure new contract worth RM1.0b and RM1.5b in FY15 and FY16, respectively.

Rating

Maintain MARKET PERFORM

Valuation

We lower our SoP-based TP to RM1.73 from RM2.02 previously after: (i) earnings revision, and (ii) widening our SoP discount to 20% from 10% after observing persistent earnings disappointment. Our new TP implies fwd-PER of 13.3x FY15 EPS, in line with its 5-year historical average fwd-PER.

Risks to Our Call

- Significantly higher-than-expected new contracts flows
- Higher-than-expected construction margins
- Higher-than-expected property sales.

MARKET PERFORM ↔

Price: RM1.68
Target Price: RM1.73 ↓



KLCI	1,815.86
YTD KLCI chg	3.1%
YTD stock price chg	5.7%

Stock Information

Bloomberg Ticker	WCTHG MK Equity
Market Cap (RM m)	1,809.0
Issued shares	1,076.8
52-week range (H)	2.35
52-week range (L)	1.38
3-mth avg daily vol:	1,318,034
Free Float	61%
Beta	1.1

Major Shareholders

WCT CAPITAL SDN BHD	19.3%
LEMBAGA TABUNG HAJI	10.0%
EMPLOYEES PROVIDENT	10.0%

Summary Earnings Table

FY Dec (RM'm)	2014A	2015E	2016E
Turnover	1,662.2	1,739.6	1,851.2
EBIT	202.4	206.9	243.3
PBT	151.1	192.2	205.1
Net Profit (NP)	120.5	142.0	151.7
Core net profit	120.5	142.0	151.7
Consensus (NP)	147.7	173.9	202.1
Earnings Revision	n.a	-8%	n.a
Basic EPS	11.0	13.0	13.9
FD EPS (sen)	8.5	10.1	10.7
EPS growth (%)	-16%	18%	6.8%
DPS (sen)	7.50	7.50	8.50
NTA/Share (RM)	1.69	1.82	1.88
Basic PER (x)	15.2	12.9	12.1
FD PER (x)	19.7	16.7	15.7
BVPS (RM)	1.69	1.82	1.88
Net Gearing (x)	0.3	0.2	0.2
Dividend Yield (%)	4.5	4.5	5.1

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Y/E : Dec (RM mn)	4Q14	3Q14	QoQ Chg	4Q13	YoY Chg	FY14	FY13	YoY Chg
Turnover	322.4	471.1	-32%	280.4	15%	1,662.2	1,672.4	-1%
EBIT	36.1	42.9	-16%	23.4	54%	208.4	238.6	-13%
Interest expense	(22.1)	(14.7)	51%	(19.9)	11%	(66.7)	(67.6)	-1%
Associates	0.4	3.5	-90%	7.8	-95%	10.6	19.1	-45%
Exceptional items	3.3	5.4	n.m	54.1	-	(0.0)	64.1	-2%
Pretax profit	16.5	32.4	-49%	65.4	-75%	151.1	254.2	-41%
Taxation	0.2	(6.1)	-103%	(11.6)	-102%	(28.5)	(64.5)	-56%
Profit after tax	16.7	26.3	-36%	53.9	-69%	122.6	189.8	-35%
Minority interest	3.6	(0.5)	-852%	2.5	43%	(2.1)	7.8	-127%
Net profit	20.3	25.8	-22%	56.4	-64%	120.5	197.5	-39%
Core net profit	17.0	20.4	-17%	2.3	652%	120.5	133.4	-10%
EPS (sen)	1.4	1.8	-22%	4.0	-64%	8.5	16.8	-49%
DPS (sen)	2.7	0.0	n.m	3.3	-17%	6.2	6.8	-8%
EBIT margin	14%	16%		8%		13%	14%	
Pretax margin	10%	9%		23%		9%	15%	
Effective tax rate	2%	3%		18%		19%	25%	

Source: Company, Kenanga Research

Segmental	Breakdown
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Y/E : Dec (RM mn)	4Q14	3Q14	QoQ Chg	4Q13	YoY Chg	FY14	FY13	YoY Chg
Revenue								
-Construction	261.1	362.1	-28%	232.9	12%	1,210.6	1,168.4	4%
-Property development	45.6	95.2	-52%	32.9	39%	391.7	442.5	-11%
-Property investment	15.7	13.8	13%	14.5	8%	59.9	61.5	-3%
Group Revenue	322.4	471.1	-32%	280.4	15%	1,662.2	1,672.4	-1%
Segment Profit								
-Construction	7.3	23.3	-69%	7.5	-2%	93.9	129.3	-27%
-Property development	13.7	12.6	9%	12.1	13%	73.5	93.6	-21%
-Property investment	15.1	7.0	116%	58.0	-74%	35.0	79.7	-56%
Group EBIT	36.1	42.9	-16%	77.5	-53%	202.4	302.7	-33%
EBIT Margin								
-Construction	3%	6%		3%		8%	11%	
-Property development	30%	13%		37%		19%	21%	
-Property investment	97%	51%		399%		58%	130%	
Overall	11%	9%						

Source: Company, Kenanga Research

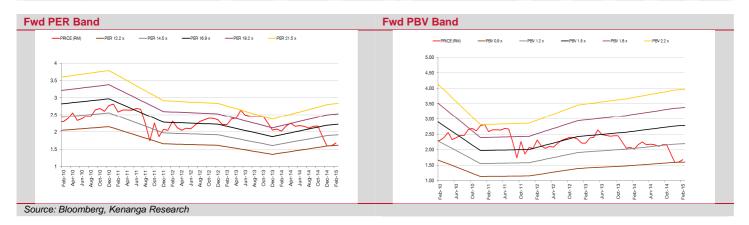
Table 1: Sum-of-parts valuation	Table	1: Su	m-of-	parts	valuation
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Segment	<u>Stake</u>	<u>Method</u>	<u>Value (RMm)</u>
Construction	100%	FY15 PE of 11x	670.0
Property development	100%	RNAV of 50% discount	664.0
Property investment -excl KLIA2 IC	Various	Book Value	473.9
KLIA2 Integrated complex	70%	DCF	435.9
Highway concession in India	30%	Book Value	128.3
Sub Total			2,372.1
Proceed from warrants (C and D)			688.5
Total			3,060.5
No of FD shares			1,413.1
SOP/share			2.17
Target Price (after 10% holding discount)			1.73
Implied Basic PE (x)			13.3
Implied FD PE (x)			17.2
Source: Kenanga Research			

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Income Statement						Financial Data & Ratios					
FY Dec (RM m)	2012A	2013A	2014A	2015E	2015E	FY Dec (RM m)	2012A	2013A	2014A	2015E	2015E
Revenue	1,560.4	1,655.0	1,662.2	1,739.6	1,851.2	Growth					
EBITDA	474.3	312.6	202.4	215.0	251.4	Turnover (%)	1%	6%	0%	5%	6%
Depreciation	6.5	9.9	8.1	15.0	14.0	EBITDA (%)	78%	-34%	-35%	6%	17%
Operating Profit	467.8	302.7	202.4	206.9	243.3	Operating Profit (%)	82%	-35%	-33%	2%	18%
Other Income	244.6	140.4	69.1	69.1	69.1	PBT (%)	100%	-39%	-41%	27%	7%
Interest Exp	-68.9	-67.6	-66.7	-59.7	-66.3	Net Profit (%)	-9%	-3%	-16%	18%	7%
Associate	16.8	12.1	8.4	15.0	20.0						
Exceptional Items	-	-	-	-	-	Profitability (%)					
PBT	414.9	254.2	151.1	192.2	205.1	EBITDA Margin	30%	19%	12%	12%	14%
Taxation	-69.2	-64.5	-28.5	-48.1	-51.3	Operating Margin	30%	18%	12%	12%	13%
Minority Interest	-13.2	-7.8	2.1	2.1	2.1	PBT Margin	27%	15%	9%	11%	11%
Net Profit	358.9	197.5	120.5	142.0	151.7	Net Margin	23%	12%	7%	8%	8%
Core Net Profit	147.9	143.8	120.5	142.0	151.7	Effective Tax Rate	17%	25%	19%	25%	25%
						ROA	7%	4%	2%	3%	3%
Balance Sheet						ROE	19%	9%	5%	6%	6%
FY Dec (RM m)	2012A	2013A	2014E	2015E	2015E						
PPE	276.2	271.7	277.6	273.9	274.8	DuPont Analysis					
Intangible Assets	-	-	-	-	1.0	Net Margin (%)	23%	12%	7%	8%	8%
Other FA	2,586.5	2,591.5	2,633.8	2,647.6	2,624.6	Assets Turnover (x)	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
Inventories	73.9	75.6	74.7	75.1	74.9	Leverage Factor (x)	2.9	2.5	2.4	2.2	2.1
Receivables	706.4	706.8	706.6	706.7	706.6	ROE (%)	19%	9%	5%	6%	6%
Other CA	666.4	915.7	912.5	914.1	913.3	(12)					
Cash	1,077.7	973.4	1,025.6	999.5	1,012.5	Leverage					
Total Assets	5,387.0	5,534.6	5,630.7	5,616.9	5,607.8	Debt/Asset (x)	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
Payables	666.3	615.8	641.0	628.4	634.7	Debt/Equity (x)	1.0	0.9	0.7	0.6	0.6
ST Borrowings	930.7	369.1	369.1	369.1	369.1	Net Cash/(Debt)	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.3
Other ST Liability	432.9	246.4	339.6	293.0	316.3	Net Debt/Equity (x)	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.2
LT Borrowings	893.3	1,553.1	1,397.8	1,258.0	1,132.2	1. 3 ()					
Other LT Liability	596.4	493.9	493.9	493.9	493.9	Valuations					
Minorities Int.	57.0	52.1	52.1	53.1	54.1	Basic EPS (sen)	13.5	13.2	11.0	13.0	13.9
Net Assets	1,867.4	2,256.4	2,389.2	2,574.5	2,661.5	FD EPS (sen)	10.5	10.2	8.5	10.1	10.7
						DPS (sen)	7.0	6.8	7.5	7.5	8.5
Share Capital	475.8	546.2	546.2	546.2	546.2	NTA (RM)	1.32	1.60	1.69	1.82	1.88
Reserves	940.6	(515.9)	(383.0)	(198.7)	(112.7)	Basic PER (x)	13.5	13.2	11.0	13.0	13.9
Equity	1,867.4	2,256.4	2,389.2	2,574.5	2,661.5	FD PER (x)	16.1	16.5	19.7	16.7	15.7
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Cashflow Statement						BVPS (RM)	1.32	1.60	1.69	1.82	1.88
FY Dec (RM m)	2012A	2013A	2014E	2015E	2015E	P/NTA (x)	1.3	1.1	1.0	0.9	0.9
Operating CF	89.8	126.7	108.3	117.5	112.9	EV/EBITDA (x)	1.6	3.0	3.7	2.9	1.9
Investing CF	(180.6)	(233.1)	(206.9)	(220.0)	(213.4)	/ / . / . / . / . / . / . / . /		0.0	0.,	0	
Financing CF	403.3	75.2	239.2	157.2	198.2						
Change In Cash	312.5	(31.2)	140.6	54.7	97.7						
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Source: Kenanga Research



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CORE COVERAGE																
NAME	Price	Mkt Cap		PER (x)		Est. Div. Yld.	Est. ROE	P/BV	Ne	t Profit (RI	Vim)	1 Yr Fwd NP Growth	2 Yr Fwd NP Growth	Target Price	Rating	YTI (%)
	(RM)	(RMm)	Actual	1 Yr Fwd	2 Yr Fwd	(%)	(%)	(x)	Actual	1 Yr Fwd	2 Yr Fwd	(%)	(%)	(RM)		
BENALEC HOLDINGS	0.84	671.3	19.0	10.3	9.4	2.4	11.6	1.2	35.3	65.0	71.2	84.1	9.5	0.83	Market Perform	48.6
EVERSENDAI CORP	0.62	475.9	9.4	16.1	8.7	6.5	3.6	0.6	50.9	29.6	54.6	-41.8	84.5	0.60	Underperform	-21.1
GAMUDA BHD	5.30	12446.9	17.3	18.1	17.9	2.3	14.6	2.7	719.4	687.2	694.3	-4.5	1.0	5.29	Outperform	5.7
IJM CORP BHD	7.14	10690.6	19.8	16.5	13.9	2.1	8.8	1.4	539.1	648.7	770.4	20.3	18.8	7.68	Outperform	8.6
KIMLUN CORP	1.29	387.7	10.7	11.9	8.5	2.3	9.0	1.1	36.4	32.6	45.4	-10.4	39.3	1.28	Underperform	8.4
MUHIBBAH	2.29	989.0	11.4	11.3	11.4	2.2	10.3	1.2	86.4	87.7	86.4	1.6	-1.5	2.80	Outperform	22.4
HOCK SENG LEE	1.83	1005.6	11.8	12.6	9.9	2.2	12.9	1.6	85.2	80.1	101.6	-6.0	26.8	2.20	Outperform	7.6
NAIM HOLDINGS	3.28	777.2	19.0	6.3	7.7	2.1	11.4	0.7	40.9	123.7	101.3	202.4	-18.1	3.62	Outperform	10.0
WCT HOLDINGS	1.68	1809.0	15.0	12.7	11.9	4.5	7.2	0.9	120.5	142.0	151.7	17.9	6.8	1.73	Market Perform	5.6
MMC CORP BHD	2.60	7917.2	34.0	24.6	23.7	0.0	4.3	1.0	232.6	322.4	334.7	38.6	3.8	3.03	Outperform	8.7
Average			16.7	14.0	12.3											
NOT RATED/ON OUR RADAR																
NAME	Price	Mkt Cap		PER (x)		Est. Div. Yld.	Est. ROE	P/BV	Ne	t Profit (RI	VIm)	1 Yr Fwd NP Growth	2 Yr Fwd NP Growth	Target Price	Rating	YT (%
	(RM)	(RMm)	Actual	1 Yr Fwd	2 Yr Fwd	(%)	(%)	(x)	Actual	1 Yr Fwd	2 Yr Fwd	(%)	(%)	(RM)		
MUDAJAYA	1.66	893.7	5.1	19.6	9.9	1.8	3.2	0.6	173.7	45.5	90.6	-73.8	99.1	N.A.	Not Rated	14.4
PROTASCO	1.71	573.3	7.9	9.8	6.6	5.8	11.7	1.1	73.0	58.8	86.8	-19.6	47.7	2.25	TRADING BUY	20.
PINTARAS JAYA	4.38	707.3	13.0	11.7	10.7	3.4	17.8	2.1	54.2	60.6	66.1	11.7	9.1	4.78	TRADING BUY	17.
GABUNGAN AQRS	1.26	489.4	9.5	9.3	7.1	2.7	n.a.	n.a.	51.4	52.5	69.3	2.2	32.0	N.A.	Not Rated	0.8
GADANG HOLDINGS	1.54	333.2	7.5	4.1	2.9	5.8	27.0	1.1	44.4	81.7	114.0	84.1	39.5	2.00	TAKE PROFIT	14.
MITRAJAYA HOLDINGS	1.65	650.3	22.7	4.3	4.1	3.1	6.3	0.3	28.7	152.5	157.0	432.2	3.0	1.13	TRADING BUY	68.
AZRB	0.70	337.4	62.5	29.3	12.5	1.4	n.a.	n.a.	5.4	11.5	26.9	112.8	133.9	N.A.	Not Rated	3.7
TRC SYNERGY	0.43	206.6	20.8	13.5	7.4	2.8	4.0	0.5	10.0	15.3	27.9	54.0	81.7	N.A.	Not Rated	13.
BINA PURI	0.55	102.0	17.5	11.3	6.0	3.6	n.a.	n.a.	5.8	9.0	17.0	54.7	88.9	N.A.	Not Rated	1.8
Average			18.5	12.5	7.5											



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Stock Recommendations

OUTPERFORM : A particular stock's Expected Total Return is MORE than 10% (an approximation to the

5-year annualised Total Return of FBMKLCI of 10.2%).

MARKET PERFORM : A particular stock's Expected Total Return is WITHIN the range of 3% to 10%. **UNDERPERFORM**

: A particular stock's Expected Total Return is LESS than 3% (an approximation to the

12-month Fixed Deposit Rate of 3.15% as a proxy to Risk-Free Rate).

Sector Recommendations***

OVERWEIGHT : A particular sector's Expected Total Return is MORE than 10% (an approximation to the

5-year annualised Total Return of FBMKLCI of 10.2%).

NEUTRAL : A particular sector's Expected Total Return is WITHIN the range of 3% to 10%. UNDERWEIGHT : A particular sector's Expected Total Return is LESS than 3% (an approximation to the

12-month Fixed Deposit Rate of 3.15% as a proxy to Risk-Free Rate).

***Sector recommendations are defined based on market capitalisation weighted average expected total return for stocks under our coverage.

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