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OM Holdings Ltd

Stabilised Furnaces Operating Environment

Summary

- **To recap.** OMH'S core LATMI came in below expectation during 2HFY23, where the key deviations were due to lower average selling prices of FeSi and Mn Ore.
- **Updates.** FeSi prices remain range bound between USD1200-1300. SiMN rebounded from USD850 in 4Q2023 to USD1223 end-May 2024.
- **Announced new dividend policy**. OMH to distribute 30% (up from 10%), subject to a cap of 50% of Free Cash Flow and other considerations.
- Furnaces status. Total operational FeSi furnaces will be 6-8 in 2024 with a capacity of 130-140 ktpa, while Mn Alloys will have a capacity of 280-308 ktpa with 8 operating furnaces. Besides, fabrication works for the MetSi furnaces will be completed in 1Q24, and the hot commissioning phase is expected to start in 3Q24 with a capacity of 26-29 ktpa. The total Sarawak plant output will be 430-470 ktpa, with an expected utilization rate of more than 85%. Overall capacity in the long run will be around 450-490 ktpa, with the addition of one MetSI 33MVA furnace.

Outlook & Recommendation

- Outlook. OMH's operating furnaces have stabilized, and SiMn's selling price has improved, but we think overall earnings may see limited improvement due to a subdued market environment in early 2024. Recent stabilized FeSi and improved SiMn prices may only translate to earnings by end-FY24, reflected in earnings releases during 1Q25.
- Ceasing coverage. In view of the lacklustre earnings and due to reallocation of internal resources, we are ceasing coverage on OMH. Our last recommendation on OMH was HOLD with a target price of RM1.34, derived by assigning a P/E multiple of 7.0x to FY24f 19.1 sen.

Ceasing coverage note

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Cease Coverage (From Hold)		
Share price	RM1.40	
Target price	-	
Previous TP	RM1.34	
Capital upside	-	
Dividend return	-	
Total return	-	

Company profile

Principally involved in the mining, smelting and trading of raw ores

Stock information	
Bursa Code	5298
Bloomberg ticker	OMH MK
Listing market	MAIN
Share issued (m)	766.3
Market Cap (m)	1072.8
52W High/Low	1.8 / 1.27
Est. Free float (%)	90.8
Beta (x)	0.9
3-mth avg vol ('000)	62.9
Shariah compliant	Yes

Major shareholders	%
Hanwa Co Ltd	4.24
JFE Holdings Inc	3.61
Low Ngee Tong	1.31

Share price vs	. KLCI	(%)	
Hist. return	1M	3M	12M
Absolute	-4.8	-8.5	-19.1
Relative	-6 1	-10.2	-27 2





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BUY	The share price is expected to appreciate more than 10% over the next 12 months	
HOLD	The stock price is expected to range between -10% and +10% over the next 12 months	
SELL	The share price is expected to fall more than 10% over the next 12 months	
TRADING BUY	The share price is projected to rise more than 10% over the next three (3) months due to an ongoing or impending corporate development. The stock price is also expected to be volatile over the next three months	
TRADING SELL	The stock price is expected to fall more than 10% over the next three months due to an ongoing or impending corporate developments. The stock price is also expected to be volatile over the next three months	
NOT RATED	No recommendation is assigned	



