

**CK Power Pcl (CKP TB) - BUY**

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**News Update****Improved operational performances in November**

- **Generation from two hydro plants up 28% y-y in November**
- **Water inflow to both projects also 28% higher y-y**
- **Stable output from SPP plant continues**
- **This implies lower risk into a drought season**

Total electricity generation from CKP's two hydropower plants increased 28% y-y to 707GWh in November 2021, supported by higher water inflow in both projects. A 5% softened output m-m was from a usual seasonal impact, in-line with our expectation. We see this stronger water availability in CKP's two key rivers as a lower risk for its power generation during a seasonally drought period in 1H22F.

- **Xayaburi (XPCL, hydro, 482MW):** Total output from XPCL grew 19% y-y in November (-4% y-y in October) backed by 28% higher average water flow this month. A weakness of 5% m-m (-22% m-m in October) was due to a seasonal impact of weaker rainfall in Indochina region, into its Winter season.
- **Nam Ngum 2 (NN2, hydro, 283MW):** Electricity generation from NN2 was at 118GWh in November, up strongly 108% y-y (+330% y-y in October) on an exceptionally low-base last year, when decided to preserve water in its reservoir given weak water availability in 2H20. The output was getting stable during the month, dropped only 5% m-m (vs. -24% m-m in October), a similar trend with XPCL on stronger water inflow to its reservoir.
- **Bangpa-in Cogen (BIC, gas-fired, 154MW):** BIC continued to deliver a relatively stable performance in November. Total electricity sale declined slightly by 2% y-y to 125GWh, while steam volume sale increased 14% y-y. We believe this was since overall industrial activities in Thailand had been normalized from Covid-19 situation.
- **Solar farms (BKC, solar, 19MW):** Total electricity output from its solar farms went down 6% y-y to 1.84GWh in November (from +27% y-y in October). This posted a sizable weakness, but solar farms contribute only small portion to CKP's earnings base.

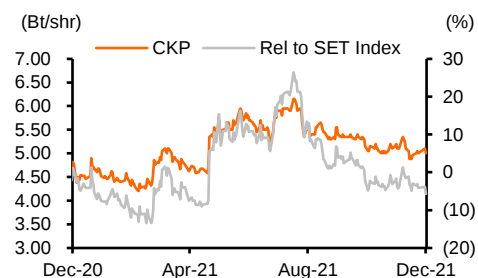
**Key Valuations**

| Y/E Dec (Bt m)  | 2020A | 2021F | 2022F | 2023F |
|-----------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Revenue         | 6,695 | 8,642 | 8,821 | 8,923 |
| Net profit      | 405   | 2,043 | 2,210 | 2,207 |
| Norm net profit | 394   | 2,043 | 2,210 | 2,207 |
| Norm EPS (Bt)   | 0.0   | 0.3   | 0.3   | 0.3   |
| Norm EPS gr (%) | 53.0  | 418.6 | 8.2   | (0.1) |
| Norm PE (x)     | 103.2 | 19.9  | 18.4  | 18.4  |
| EV/EBITDA (x)   | 33.9  | 18.2  | 17.6  | 17.6  |
| P/BV (x)        | 1.7   | 1.6   | 1.5   | 1.5   |
| Div. yield (%)  | 0.7   | 2.0   | 2.7   | 3.3   |
| ROE (%)         | 1.7   | 8.3   | 8.5   | 8.2   |
| Net D/E (%)     | 61.7  | 53.8  | 47.1  | 48.4  |

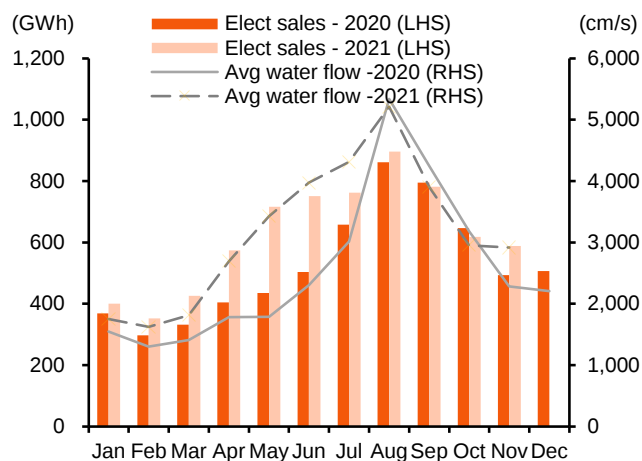
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**Stock Data**

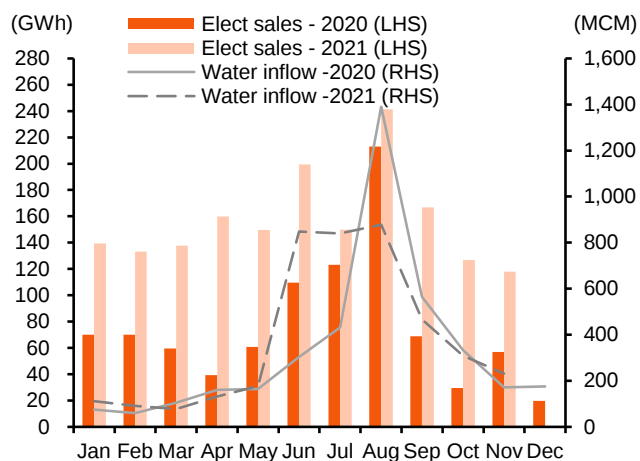
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| Closing price (Bt)          | 5.00      |
| Target price (Bt)           | 7.50      |
| Market cap (US\$ m)         | 1,219     |
| Avg daily turnover (US\$ m) | 3.7       |
| 12M H/L price (Bt)          | 6.15/4.20 |

**Price Performance**

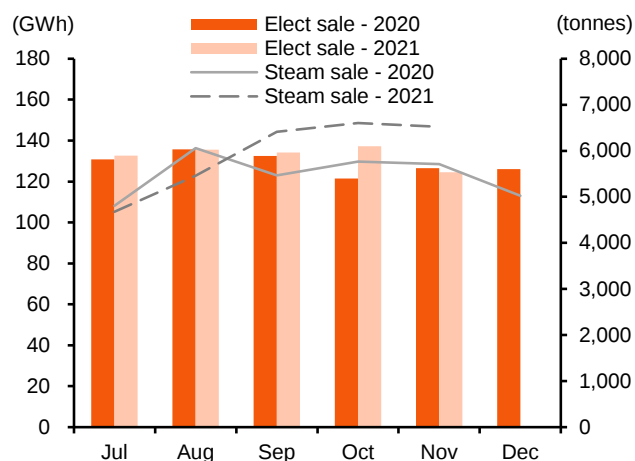
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**Ex 1: Strong Water Availability In Mekong River In Nov.**

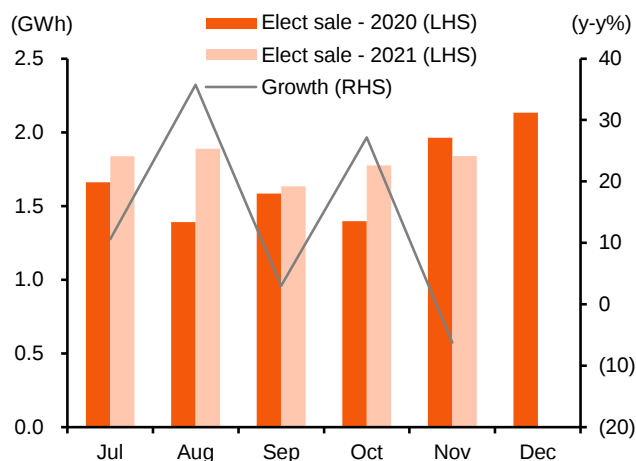
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**Ex 2: Output From NN2 Looks Strong From A Low Base**

Source: Company data

**Ex 3: Stable Performance From SPP Plant**

Source: Company data

**Ex 4: Solar Output Looks Weak, But Small Impacts**

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