

Somboon Advance Tech. (SAT TB) - BUY, Price Bt17.6, TP Bt27.0**Results Comment**

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1Q22, beat on tax item

- SAT reported normalized earnings of Bt259m, falling 18% y-y but up 18% q-q. This was stronger than our number and street's by 16% and 21% respectively.
- Key items that beat our bottom-line earnings projection were higher other income from selling steel scrap at good price and lower effective tax rate, and they are the key drivers for q-q growth.
- Looking at operating profit level, SAT reported a drop of 14% y-y and 1% q-q in 1Q22 due to higher costs and softer sales growth given supply-chain constraints. This was as expected.
- Sales grew by 6% y-y and flat q-q, and much of the growth came from low-margin products. Also, there is a high-base effect from 1Q21, when margins were high due to low steel prices. Gross margin dropped to 17.9% in 1Q22 from 22.1% in 1Q21 and 18.1% in 4Q21.
- 1Q22 accounts for 25% of our full year number. We expect SAT's earnings to turn around in 2H22 driven by stronger auto parts orders and better margin after price adjustments for rising costs. We maintain our earnings projection and reaffirm BUY.

Income Statement						Income Statement					
(consolidated)						3M as					
Yr-end Dec (Bt m)	1Q21	2Q21	3Q21	4Q21	1Q22	(Bt m)	q-q%	y-y%	% 2022F	2022F	2023F
Revenue	2,208	2,041	2,012	2,338	2,329	Revenue	(0)	6	25	9,286	10,767
Gross profit	466	396	371	423	418	Gross profit	(1)	(10)	24	1,761	2,150
SG&A	197	181	168	188	186	SG&A	(1)	(6)	24	778	832
Operating profit	269	215	203	235	231	Operating profit	(1)	(14)	24	983	1,318
EBITDA	414	362	348	369	359	EBITDA	(3)	(13)	23	1,576	1,930
Other income	34	30	28	27	43	Other income	58	25	33	129	140
Other expense	0	0	0	0	0	Other expense					
Interest expense	1	2	2	1	1	Interest expense	(33)	(51)	69	1	2
Profit before tax	302	243	229	261	273	Profit before tax	5	(9)	25	1,111	1,456
Income tax	34	27	24	49	26	Income tax	(47)	(25)	16	167	233
Equity & invest. income	47	21	8	8	11	Equity & invest. income	49	(76)	11	100	120
Minority interests	(0)	(2)	1	(1)	0	Minority interests			-	(3)	(3)
Extraordinary items	6	2	1	(39)	0	Extraordinary items	na	(93)	na	0	0
Net profit	321	237	215	180	259	Net profit	44	(19)	25	1,042	1,340
Normalized profit	314	235	214	219	259	Normalized profit	18	(18)	25	1,042	1,340
EPS (Bt)	0.75	0.56	0.50	0.42	0.61	EPS (Bt)	44	(19)	25	2.45	3.15
Normalized EPS (Bt)	0.74	0.55	0.50	0.52	0.61	Normalized EPS (Bt)	18	(18)	25	2.45	3.15

Balance Sheet						Financial Ratios					
(consolidated)						1Q21 2Q21 3Q21 4Q21 1Q22					
Yr-end Dec (Bt m)	1Q21	2Q21	3Q21	4Q21	1Q22	(%)	1Q21	2Q21	3Q21	4Q21	1Q22
Cash & ST investment	2,658	2,511	2,752	2,999	3,547	Sales growth	20.6	170.5	31.6	32.2	5.5
A/C receivable	1,533	1,451	1,403	1,531	1,578	Operating profit growth	53.5	na	201.5	20.9	(13.9)
Inventory	565	652	759	594	650	EBITDA growth	25.0	na	57.6	5.8	(13.3)
Other current assets	328	539	375	420	319	Norm profit growth	62.7	na	160.2	(9.2)	(17.6)
Investment	962	983	1,024	1,031	1,049	Norm EPS growth	62.7	na	160.2	(9.2)	(17.6)
Fixed assets	3,346	3,263	3,199	3,069	3,045	Gross margin	21.1	19.4	18.4	18.1	17.9
Other assets	244	252	262	187	208	Operating margin	12.2	10.5	10.1	10.0	9.9
Total assets	9,637	9,651	9,774	9,830	10,395	EBITDA margin	18.8	17.7	17.3	15.8	15.4
S-T debt	86	38	34	0	0	Norm net margin	14.2	11.5	10.6	9.4	11.1
A/C payable	1,141	1,165	1,161	1,228	1,441	D/E (x)	0.0	0.0	0.0	-	-
Other current liabilities	626	650	730	664	744	Net D/E (x)	(0.3)	(0.3)	(0.4)	(0.4)	(0.4)
L-T debt	44	6	5	0	0	Interest coverage (x)	327.3	211.3	183.1	404.9	584.8
Other liabilities	312	328	335	296	303	Interest rate	3.9	7.8	18.3	18.8	na
Minority interest	49	51	51	0	0	Effective tax rate	11.4	11.0	10.5	18.7	9.5
Shareholders' equity	7,380	7,413	7,458	7,642	7,907	ROA	13.5	9.8	8.8	8.9	10.2
Working capital	958	937	1,001	897	786	ROE	17.4	12.7	11.5	11.6	13.3
Total debt	130	44	39	0	0						
Net debt	(2,528)	(2,467)	(2,713)	(2,999)	(3,547)						

Sources: Company data, Thanachart estimates

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