

BUY (Unchanged)
Change in Numbers

TP: Bt 18.00 (From: Bt 22.50)
Upside : 25.0%

30 SEPTEMBER 2022

Banpu Power Pcl (BPP TB)

Likely over the worst

We believe BPP's earnings bottomed in 1H22 and expect a turnaround to start from 2H22F. Key drivers are improving margins at its coal power plants in China and stronger profit from its US gas-fired power plant. The stock is trading at 0.9x P/BV and we reaffirm BUY.



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BUY into an earnings turnaround

We reaffirm BUY on BPP expecting its earnings turnaround to start in 2H22F to give 24% y-y earnings growth in 2022F (from -27% in 1H22). We then estimate 15/13% organic growth in 2023-24F on normalizing margin and some capacity expansion. We see two key factors driving BPP's turnaround after suffering from a coal price surge since 2H21. *First*, we expect higher margin and stronger demand at its Temple-1 gas-fired power plant in the US given tight energy and utility markets there. *Second*, BPP has secured low-priced coal purchase contracts for its SLG plant in China at 40% below the current market price. Despite cutting our earnings 27/22/11% in 2022-24F to reflect higher coal price assumptions (Exhibit 5), which also brings our DCF-based 12-month SOTP-TP (2023F base year) down to Bt18.0 (from 22.5), BPP does not look expensive to us at 0.9x P/BV with a 5% dividend yield in 2023F.

China factors

BPP has 3.1GW (equity-owned) of operating capacity, of which 45% is fuel-cost passed-through coal-fired IPP plants in Thailand, 31% is coal-price sensitive plants in China, 12% is a gas-fired power plant in the US electricity trading market, and the other 12% is renewable projects across Asia. Coal power plants in China have been BPP's earnings draggers over 2020-21 as their electricity tariffs were capped amid rising coal prices. However, we now see two positives for them: 1) its 548MW of CHP plants now generate a 20% higher tariff after it switched to sell to the trading market (instead of the central grid) since early this year, while steam demand (for heating) should be seasonally higher in 2H22F, and 2) BPP has secured 2m tonnes of coal purchase contracts for its 398MW Shanxi Lu Guang (SLG) plant at about CNY800/tonne.

Some organic capacity growth

BPP has a total of 126MW in power plant capacity that is in the development or deal finalization phases; 33MW of solar farms in Vietnam (deals due to close within 3Q22), a 40MW wind farm project in Vietnam (due to operate commercially by end-2023), 26MW of solar farms in Japan (mid-2024), and other small solar rooftop projects in Thailand and Vietnam. These imply 2% p.a. pro rata capacity growth for BPP over 2022-24F.

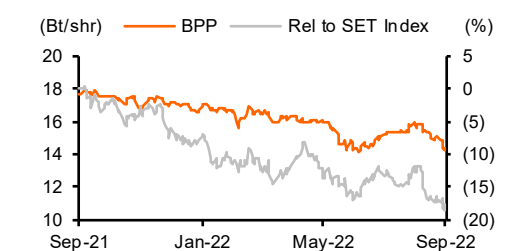
Strong potential for M&As

BPP targets to expand its capacity to 5.3GW in 2025 (up 65% from 3.2GW in 2022), with a commitment to lower the proportion of coal and raise renewables to over 15% (10% today) of its portfolio. We believe BPP is looking to acquire more gas-fired power plants in the US and renewable projects in ASEAN to reach its growth target. Its balance sheet at 0.5x net D/E with Bt7.4bn of cash on hand looks ready for those investments, in our view, but we conservatively leave them as potential upside to our numbers.

COMPANY VALUATION

Y/E Dec (Bt m)	2021A	2022F	2023F	2024F
Sales	6,784	19,042	19,881	19,728
Net profit	3,127	3,003	3,445	3,885
Consensus NP	—	5,851	5,192	5,354
Diff frm cons (%)	—	(48.7)	(33.7)	(27.4)
Norm profit	2,429	3,003	3,445	3,885
Prev. Norm profit	—	4,123	4,389	4,370
Chg frm prev (%)	—	(27.2)	(21.5)	(11.1)
Norm EPS (Bt)	0.8	1.0	1.1	1.3
Norm EPS grw (%)	(27.0)	23.6	14.7	12.8
Norm PE (x)	18.1	14.6	12.7	11.3
EV/EBITDA (x)	na	41.8	33.1	27.7
P/BV (x)	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.9
Div yield (%)	4.5	4.8	5.5	6.2
ROE (%)	5.6	6.5	7.3	8.0
Net D/E (%)	38.7	46.5	47.5	42.0

PRICE PERFORMANCE



COMPANY INFORMATION

Price as of 30-Sep-22 (Bt)	14.40
Market Cap (US\$ m)	1,163.2
Listed Shares (m shares)	3,047.7
Free Float (%)	21.2
Avg Daily Turnover (US\$ m)	0.8
12M Price H/L (Bt)	17.90/14.10
Sector	Utilities
Major Shareholder	BANPU 78.66%

Sources: Bloomberg, Company data, Thanachart estimates

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Likely over the worst

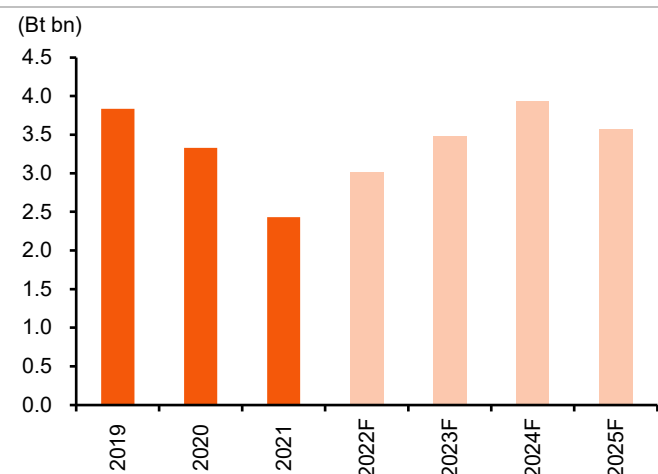
Reaffirm BUY into an earnings turnaround from two major drivers

1) Stronger profit from US gas power plant on solid demand with high margin

We reaffirm our BUY rating on shares of Banpu Power Pcl (BPP) as we expect its earnings turnaround story to get started in 2H22F. We believe its share price falling below its book value already reflects the negative impact from the coal price surge in China on its earnings, and likely also market concerns regarding an ESG issue given that 80% of BPP's operating capacity comprises coal-fired power plants. Two supporting factors driving the turnaround for BPP are as follows:

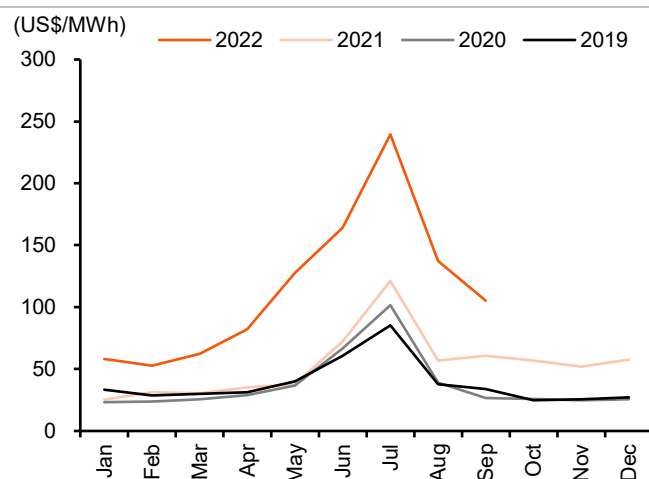
First, we expect stronger profit from its 50%-owned 768MW "Temple-1" gas-fired power plant in the US (acquired in 4Q21) in 2H22F to more than offset the negative of high coal prices in China. The Temple-1 project has secured a second Heat Rate Call Option (HRCO) contract for 200MW of its capacity, starting in 2Q22, at a 30% higher premium than its first contract (also 200MW) which began in 1Q22. These HRCO contracts fix recurring revenue for Temple-1 for contracted capacity, while passing on the fuel cost to its counterparties when electricity is ordered. The margin for electricity sales from the remaining 368MW of its capacity to the Electric Reliability Council of Texas (ERCOT) market should also be higher, backed by strong power demand during the summer period (3Q22F). Note that the high natural gas price environment is a positive for Temple-1 as the project could obtain a higher fuel cost spread against the market's average efficiency. The weakening of the baht against the US dollar should be another windfall for BPP when it recognizes profit from Temple-1.

Ex 1: Earnings Bottoming Out



Sources: Company data, Thanachart estimates

Ex 2: Seasonality Of Power Demand In Texas



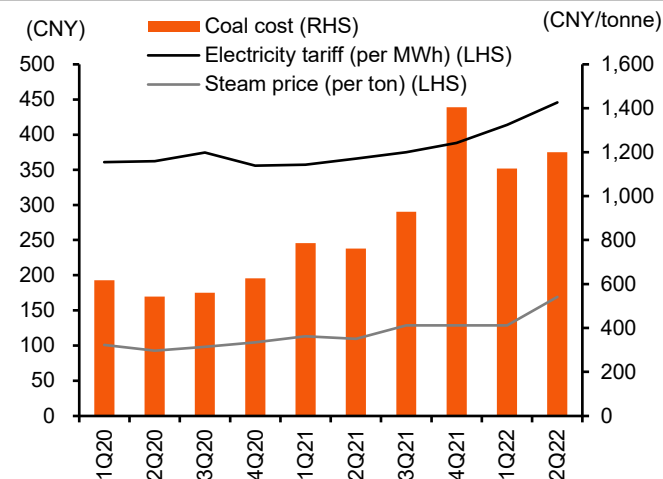
Sources: Bloomberg, ERCOT

2) Bottoming out of margin from coal power plants in China

Second, there have been strong attempts by the Chinese government to better balance the electricity tariff with rising fuel costs, especially coal prices, after multiple blackouts in the country over the past 12 months which were caused by some power plants cutting their power generation to prevent losses amid fuel price surges. Thanks to a major push by the local government, BPP's Shanxi Lu Guang power plant (SLG, 398MW equity capacity) has secured 2m-tonne coal procurement contracts at an average price of CNY800/tonne, approximately 40% lower than the current market price. Therefore, the fuel cost is sharply lower for the project. The contracted amount is sufficient for SLG's production at least from 2H22 to late-2023 and we believe it is probable that the project will be able to renew the contracts if coal prices remain elevated next year. This is because SLG is one of the major (large-sized) power plants with high efficiency in the Shanxi region, so it will therefore likely receive strong support from the local government.

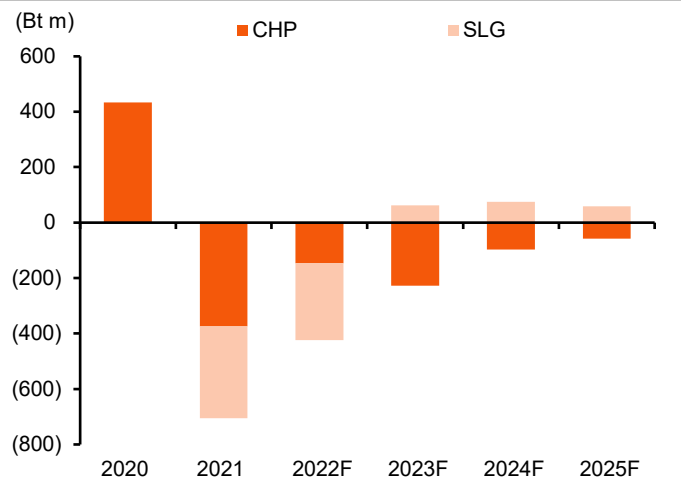
Its three coal-fueled Combined Heat and Power (CHP) plants (total of 548MW equity capacity) are receiving less support from the government as half of their revenues is from steam sales (for household heating and industrial uses) where the price is on a cost-plus basis. The improvement from these three plants is coming from their 20% higher electricity tariff after they were allowed (by the local governments) to sell power to the local electricity trading markets instead of to the central grid at the wholesale price. Going forward, by participating in bidding markets now, we believe the CHP plants will enjoy more benefits from recovering power demand in China and be able to pass on fuel costs to consumers more easily.

Ex 3: Better Selling Price Adjustments For CHP Plants



Sources: Company data, Thanachart

Ex 4: Improving Profits From Coal Plants In China



Sources: Company data, Thanachart estimates

Note: SLG commenced operation in 2Q21

Attractive valuation in our view despite our earnings cuts on higher coal prices

Despite cutting our earnings estimates for BPP by 27%/22%/11% in 2022-24F and therefore also our DCF-derived SOTP-based 12-month TP (2023F base year) to Bt18/share (from Bt22.5), mainly due to our higher coal price assumptions (Exhibit 5), we now see its valuation at 0.9x P/BV with a 5% dividend yield in 2022F as attractive.

Ex 5: Our Key Assumption Changes

	2020	2021	2022F	2023F	2024F	2025F
Average CHP electricity tariff (CNY/kWh)						
New	0.36	0.35	0.43	0.41	0.40	0.38
Old			0.36	0.36	0.36	0.36
Change (%)			20.6	15.6	12.5	6.9
BPP's CHP average coal cost (CNY/tonne)						
New	572	942	1,250	1,200	1,100	1,000
Old			680	650	630	630
Change (%)			83.8	84.6	74.6	58.7

Source: Thanachart estimates

Some organic capacity growth

Organic growth from renewable capacity expansion over 2022-24F

Apart from improvements at its existing plants, BPP also has secured renewable projects to drive its growth over 2H22-2024. BPP targets to finalize its acquisitions (already signed the share purchase contracts) of the 7.5MW Chu Nhoc solar farm and 25MW Ha Tinh solar farm in Vietnam by 3Q22F, so it should be able to fully recognize profits from the two projects in 4Q22F. The Vinh Chau wind power project, also in Vietnam, is scheduled to deliver electricity from its first development phase (15MW) by year-end and commence operations fully with its remaining 25MW by mid-2024. This is a similar timeline to its 26MW Yamagata solar farm in Japan, which is targeted to gradually come online over 2H23-2H24. There are also small solar rooftop and floating solar projects under development in Thailand and Vietnam. These secured projects combined provide 126MW of new capacity for BPP, or 2% p.a. organic capacity growth over 2022-24F.

Ex 6: Timeline For Projects Under Development In The Pipeline

Project	Location	Type	Equity capacity (MW)	Expected COD
Chu Ngoc	Vietnam	Solar	7.5	*4Q22F
Ha Tinh	Vietnam	Solar	25.0	*4Q22F
Vinh Chau #1	Vietnam	Wind	15.0	4Q22F
Vinh Chau #2-3	Vietnam	Wind	25.0	2H23-2H24F
Yamagata	Japan	Solar	26.0	2H23-2H24F
Solar rooftop	Thailand / Vietnam	Solar	27.7	2022-24F

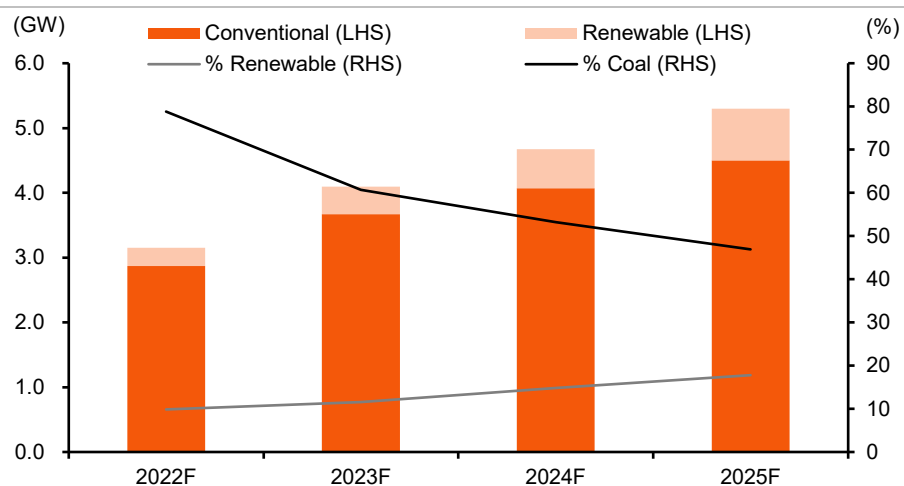
Sources: Company data, Thanachart estimates

Note: *Expected deal closing dates

Strong potential for M&As

Potential upside from more M&As, with US gas power plants its key target

BPP has strongly committed to expanding its power generation capacity to 5.3GW by 2025, which implies sizable potential expansion of 65% from its current operating capacity of 3.2GW (as of 2022). We believe majority of the new capacity will be from further acquisitions of gas-fired power plants in the US, likely a few assets with up to 1.5GW of total combined capacity, as BPP should be able to leverage on the footprint of its parent company, Banpu Pcl (BANPU TB, BUY, Bt12.30), which has invested heavily in the US gas business over the past few years. BPP also has a target to raise its power generation capacity from renewable sources to 800MW in 2025 (271MW as of 2022) to meet its environmental goal of having renewable projects providing more than 15% of its total capacity. We also believe this would come in the form of acquisitions, where BPP is aiming for solar and wind power plants in the region (especially ASEAN) as key targets. Note that we still leave these potential investments as potential upside to both our earnings forecasts and our valuation for BPP.

Ex 7: Capacity Expansion Target

Sources: Company data, Thanachart estimates

Ex 8: 12-month DCF-derived SOTP-based TP Calculation

	Valuation method	WACC (%)	Value per BPP's share (Baht)
China CHP	DCF	5.3%	1.2
BLCP	DCF	5.5%	2.5
HPC	DCF	6.0%	6.9
SLG	DCF	5.4%	1.1
Nakoso	DCF	4.2%	1.3
Temple-1	DCF	5.6%	2.9
Banpu NEXT	DCF	6-10%	2.7
Parents - HQ & Net debts	DCF	10.0%	(0.6)
Grand total			18.0

Source: Thanachart estimates

Valuation Comparison

Ex 9: Comparison With Regional Peers

Name	BBG code	Country	EPS growth		PE		P/BV		EV/EBITDA		Div yield	
			22F (%)	23F (%)	22F (x)	23F (x)	22F (x)	23F (x)	22F (x)	23F (x)	22F (%)	23F (%)
Huadian Power	1071 HK	China	na	33.1	8.1	6.1	0.5	0.5	15.3	12.1	6.8	8.1
Huaneng Power	600011 CH	China	154.0	190.4	40.6	14.0	1.2	1.1	11.0	8.4	0.7	2.7
Cheung Kong Infrastructure	1038 HK	Hong Kong	13.3	(2.5)	10.4	10.6	0.8	0.8	39.8	40.1	6.4	6.5
China Power Int'l	2380 HK	Hong Kong	na	58.2	14.7	9.3	0.9	0.9	10.1	7.7	3.7	4.9
China Resources Power	836 HK	Hong Kong	59.5	27.9	6.3	4.9	0.6	0.6	6.6	5.6	6.4	8.4
CLP Holdings	2 HK	Hong Kong	(36.6)	59.8	21.1	13.2	1.3	1.3	11.2	8.8	5.3	5.3
Hongkong Electric Holdings	6 HK	Hong Kong	5.8	(2.0)	12.4	12.7	1.0	1.0	35.2	61.2	7.2	7.2
Huaneng Power	902 HK	Hong Kong	180.0	183.3	20.4	7.2	0.5	0.5	10.7	8.2	1.9	6.5
Tata Power	TPWR IN	India	28.2	62.0	35.0	21.6	3.1	2.8	15.8	13.8	0.8	0.8
Tenaga Nasional	TNB MK	Malaysia	(9.0)	9.3	10.3	9.5	0.8	0.7	7.0	6.8	5.0	5.5
YTL Corp	YTL MK	Malaysia	na	187.5	na	41.4	0.5	0.5	10.9	8.9	4.0	5.2
YTL Power	YTLP MK	Malaysia	(105.4)	na	na	16.2	0.4	0.4	12.0	10.2	5.3	6.6
Manila Electric	MER PM	Philippines	11.2	(3.8)	11.4	11.8	2.9	2.6	8.2	7.2	5.8	6.0
BCPG Pcl *	BCPG TB	Thailand	(2.4)	(24.7)	12.1	16.0	0.9	0.9	8.1	9.6	3.5	3.5
B.Grimm Power Pcl *	BGRIM TB	Thailand	(81.8)	339.8	198.6	45.2	3.0	2.9	19.9	15.8	0.3	1.1
Banpu Power Pcl *	BPP TB	Thailand	23.6	14.7	14.6	12.7	0.9	0.9	41.8	33.1	4.8	5.5
CK Power Pcl *	CKP TB	Thailand	13.7	(4.5)	18.1	18.9	1.6	1.5	19.8	14.7	2.2	2.6
EA Pcl*	EA TB	Thailand	20.8	26.6	45.3	35.8	8.6	7.3	30.8	24.1	0.7	0.8
Electricity Generating *	EGCO TB	Thailand	3.9	1.7	8.2	8.0	0.7	0.7	18.7	17.7	3.9	4.2
Global Power Synergy *	GPSC TB	Thailand	(63.4)	132.2	72.6	31.3	1.7	1.6	22.9	17.7	0.8	1.8
Gulf Energy Dev. Pcl *	GULF TB	Thailand	22.2	37.4	56.9	41.4	4.9	3.9	41.1	32.4	1.1	1.4
Gunkul Engineering *	GUNKUL TB	Thailand	41.7	23.7	16.3	13.2	3.1	2.7	17.5	13.4	2.5	3.0
RATCH Group *	RATCH TB	Thailand	49.7	(19.9)	6.4	8.0	0.8	0.8	19.5	18.6	8.6	4.7
WHA Utilities & Power *	WHAUP TB	Thailand	45.9	9.3	10.9	10.0	1.2	1.1	26.2	23.2	5.5	6.0
Average			17.9	58.2	29.6	17.5	1.8	1.6	19.2	17.5	3.9	4.5

Sources: Bloomberg, * Thanachart estimates

Based on 30 September 2022 closing prices

COMPANY DESCRIPTION

Banpu Power Pcl (BPP), the power arm of Banpu Pcl (BANPU), has a well-diversified power portfolio in growing markets in the Asia-Pacific region, including China, Thailand, Laos, and lately in the US market. BPP has started to invest in renewable power projects to grow in line with the global trend, starting with diversification into solar power projects in China and Japan, while Vietnam has now become its latest focus. Currently, the company has a total of 3.2GW of committed capacity in hand and aims to reach 5.3GW by 2025, with 800MW of that to be from renewable sources.

Source: Thanachart

COMPANY RATING



Rating Scale

Excellent	5
Good	4
Fair	3
Weak	2
Very Weak	1
None	0

Source: Thanachart; *CG Rating

THANACHART'S SWOT ANALYSIS

S — Strength

- Experienced management and a good track record with power investments.
- Advantages from BANPU's relationships in penetrating new power markets.

O — Opportunity

- High demand for power in the Asia-Pacific region.
- Growing trend of renewable power capacity creating new areas for expansion.

W — Weakness

- A bit late in tendering for Thailand's early renewable power contracts which obtained high returns.
- More risk of forex translation losses given diversified portfolio.

T — Threat

- Regulatory risks regarding power tariffs as many countries are looking to lower investors' returns.

CONSENSUS COMPARISON

	Consensus	Thanachart	Diff
Target price (Bt)	18.85	18.00	-5%
Net profit 22F (Bt m)	5,851	3,003	-49%
Net profit 23F (Bt m)	5,192	3,445	-34%
Consensus REC	BUY: 6	HOLD: 1	SELL: 0

HOW ARE WE DIFFERENT FROM THE STREET?

- Our 2022-23F earnings are significantly lower than the Bloomberg consensus numbers, which we believe is due to us having much higher coal price assumptions.
- However, our TP is only 5% lower, likely because we expect the coal price impact to gradually ease within just a few years.

Sources: Bloomberg consensus, Thanachart estimates

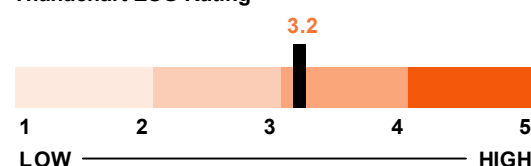
RISKS TO OUR INVESTMENT CASE

- Weaker-than-expected support and policies of the Chinese government in alleviating impacts from fuel price surges on local power plants are the key downside risks to our earnings forecasts.
- Weaker-than-expected electricity demand in the US market (especially in Texas) represents a secondary downside risk to our numbers.
- Delays in project procurements, either from those in the deal finalization process or in the development process, represents another minor downside risk.

Source: Thanachart

BPP is a large power plant operator in Thailand with coal-fired exposure at 80% of its current 3.1GW of operating capacity. Despite its heavy exposure to coal, our ESG score for BPP of 3.2 is in line with the sector average since we see BPP, along with its parent company Banpu Pcl (BANPU TB), as having one of the best sets of ESG policies in Thailand.

Thanachart ESG Rating



	SETTHSI Index	THSI Index	DJSI Index	MSCI (CCC-AAA)	Arabesque S-Ray (0-100)	Refinitiv (0-100)	S&P Global (0-100)	Moody's (0-100)	CG Rating (0-5)
BPP	YES	YES	-	-	66.67	60.16	71.85	-	5.0

Sources: SETTRADE, SETTHSI Index, Thailand Sustainability Investment (THSI), The Dow Jones Industrial Average (DJSI), MSCI ESG Research LLC, Arabesque S-Ray®, Refinitiv ESG Information, S&P Global Market Intelligence, Moody's ESG Solutions, Thai IOD (CG rating)

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Factors

Our Comments

ENVIRONMENT

- Environmental Policies & Guidelines
- Energy Management
- Carbon Management
- Water Management
- Waste Management

- Our key concern regarding BPP's environmental issues is its high exposure to coal. Coal-fired power plants make up 80% of its total operating capacity and we believe it would take at least next 5 years to bring this down to below 50%. Leaving aside difficulties in lowering coal-based capacity exposure, BPP is strongly committed to overall ESG issues.
- BPP emitted 3.63m tonnes of CO2 equivalent of greenhouse gas (GHG) and had an emission intensity of 0.603 tonnes of CO2 equivalent per MWh in 2021. This was 4% below its 2012 baseline and 0.676-tonne intensity target.
- BPP has a "Greener and Smarter" policy to grow capacity with its "High Efficiency, Low Emission" (HELE) concept, i.e., Integrated Gasification Combined Cycle (IGCC) coal plants, machinery efficiency improvements, and emission capture systems.
- BPP targets to raise the portion of renewable projects to 15% (800MW) of its power generation portfolio by 2025 from 8% (254MW) in 2022.

SOCIAL

- Human Rights
- Staff Management
- Health & Safety
- Product Safety & Quality
- Social Responsibility

- BPP ensures rights protection and prevents discrimination and harassment for its staff through communication channels which allow them to voice workplace issues. Its 2021 employee engagement survey participation stood at 69% in Thailand and 93% in China.
- BPP shares the "Banpu Heart" corporate culture with its group, mainly a smarter and faster work environment to achieve business success for the Banpu Group, while the group provides equal training for all staff to enhance their skills and opportunities.
- Health and safety protocols are the core standard at all BPP's power plants.
- BPP serves local communities by improving their quality of life, i.e., job opportunities, compensation, and support for potential harm from power plants (including emissions), and educational and training group workshops for local residents.

GOVERNANCE &
SUSTAINABILITY

- Board
- Ethics & Transparency
- Business Sustainability
- Risk Management
- Innovation

- BPP has 10 members on its board of directors (BOD), four of whom are independent directors and two are female.
- BPP has an internal control system to monitor and evaluate its own (and stakeholders in its supply and value chains) transparency and corporate governance, including channels for staff to report suspicious issues.
- For business sustainability, BPP has made strong attempts to lower the proportion of coal in its portfolio and increase the proportion of gas-based and renewable power projects.
- BPP invests, through its 50%-owned subsidiary Banpu NEXT, in smart energy solutions, energy storage platforms, and smart electricity trading platforms to capture potential growth from these innovative business opportunities.

Source: Thanachart

INCOME STATEMENT

FY ending Dec (Bt m)	2020A	2021A	2022F	2023F	2024F
Sales	5,506	6,784	19,042	19,881	19,728
Cost of sales	4,391	6,824	16,807	17,154	16,653
Gross profit	1,115	(40)	2,234	2,727	3,075
% gross margin	20.2%	-0.6%	11.7%	13.7%	15.6%
Selling & administration expenses	946	1,103	1,445	1,509	1,532
Operating profit	169	(1,143)	789	1,218	1,543
% operating margin	3.1%	-16.8%	4.1%	6.1%	7.8%
Depreciation & amortization	445	581	822	858	863
EBITDA	614	(562)	1,612	2,075	2,405
% EBITDA margin	11.1%	-8.3%	8.5%	10.4%	12.2%
Non-operating income	1,021	1,034	754	791	770
Non-operating expenses	(577)	0	0	0	0
Interest expense	(243)	(249)	(775)	(911)	(902)
Pre-tax profit	370	(358)	769	1,097	1,411
Income tax	300	57	269	329	423
After-tax profit	70	(416)	500	768	987
% net margin	1.3%	-6.1%	2.6%	3.9%	5.0%
Shares in affiliates' Earnings	3,340	2,892	2,736	3,196	3,545
Minority interests	(81)	(47)	(233)	(520)	(648)
Extraordinary items	373	698	0	0	0
NET PROFIT	3,702	3,127	3,003	3,445	3,885
Normalized profit	3,329	2,429	3,003	3,445	3,885
EPS (Bt)	1.2	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.3
Normalized EPS (Bt)	1.1	0.8	1.0	1.1	1.3

*We expect earnings
turnaround starting in
2H22F*

BALANCE SHEET

FY ending Dec (Bt m)	2020A	2021A	2022F	2023F	2024F
ASSETS:					
Current assets:	7,519	9,883	17,334	17,105	16,390
Cash & cash equivalent	2,319	2,760	5,300	5,300	5,300
Account receivables	938	1,311	3,652	3,813	3,783
Inventories	505	1,186	1,842	1,880	1,825
Others	3,757	4,625	6,540	6,113	5,481
Investments & loans	32,379	39,245	44,392	48,450	49,429
Net fixed assets	8,001	23,811	23,620	23,267	22,833
Other assets	1,664	1,928	4,434	4,650	4,672
Total assets	49,563	74,867	89,780	93,472	93,324
LIABILITIES:					
Current liabilities:	4,067	10,968	16,895	16,474	15,940
Account payables	170	331	921	1,175	1,141
Bank overdraft & ST loans	1,454	6,551	5,775	4,535	4,221
Current LT debt	951	1,439	2,310	2,570	2,392
Others current liabilities	1,492	2,647	7,889	8,195	8,187
Total LT debt	3,481	13,965	20,790	23,126	21,527
Others LT liabilities	37	354	1,340	1,410	1,428
Total liabilities	7,585	25,287	39,026	41,010	38,895
Minority interest	869	3,944	4,177	4,697	5,345
Preferreds shares	0	0	0	0	0
Paid-up capital	30,510	30,477	30,457	30,457	30,457
Share premium	7,231	7,231	7,231	7,231	7,231
Warrants	0	0	0	0	0
Surplus	(7,826)	(4,369)	(4,369)	(4,369)	(4,369)
Retained earnings	11,193	12,295	13,258	14,446	15,765
Shareholders' equity	41,109	45,635	46,577	47,765	49,084
Liabilities & equity	49,563	74,867	89,780	93,472	93,324

Sources: Company data, Thanachart estimates

*Decent gearing headroom
for more investments to
meet its expansion target*

CASH FLOW STATEMENT

FY ending Dec (Bt m)	2020A	2021A	2022F	2023F	2024F
Earnings before tax	370	(358)	769	1,097	1,411
Tax paid	(297)	(115)	(167)	(377)	(398)
Depreciation & amortization	445	581	822	858	863
Chg In working capital	(86)	(894)	(2,406)	55	50
Chg In other CA & CL / minorities	3,451	6,214	5,362	3,378	3,543
Cash flow from operations	3,882	5,428	4,379	5,011	5,468
Capex	3,450	(16,390)	(595)	(460)	(380)
Right of use	(569)	(62)	(200)	(100)	(100)
ST loans & investments	(3,179)	50	600	600	600
LT loans & investments	(11,835)	(6,866)	(5,146)	(4,058)	(979)
Adj for asset revaluation	0	0	0	0	0
Chg In other assets & liabilities	6,517	438	(1,357)	(91)	47
Cash flow from investments	(5,616)	(22,831)	(6,698)	(4,109)	(812)
Debt financing	(943)	16,445	6,920	1,355	(2,091)
Capital increase	0	(33)	(20)	0	0
Dividends paid	(1,829)	(1,981)	(2,041)	(2,257)	(2,565)
Warrants & other surplus	157	3,413	0	0	0
Cash flow from financing	(2,616)	17,844	4,859	(902)	(4,656)
Free cash flow	7,332	(10,963)	3,784	4,551	5,088

Continued resilient cash flows from IPP plants

VALUATION

FY ending Dec	2020A	2021A	2022F	2023F	2024F
Normalized PE (x)	13.2	18.1	14.6	12.7	11.3
Normalized PE - at target price (x)	16.5	22.6	18.3	15.9	14.1
PE (x)	11.8	14.0	14.6	12.7	11.3
PE - at target price (x)	14.8	17.5	18.3	15.9	14.1
EV/EBITDA (x)	77.3	na	41.8	33.1	27.7
EV/EBITDA - at target price (x)	95.1	na	48.6	38.4	32.3
P/BV (x)	1.1	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.9
P/BV - at target price (x)	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.1	1.1
P/CFO (x)	11.3	8.1	10.0	8.8	8.0
Price/sales (x)	8.0	6.5	2.3	2.2	2.2
Dividend yield (%)	4.5	4.5	4.8	5.5	6.2
FCF Yield (%)	16.7	(25.0)	8.6	10.4	11.6
(Bt)					
Normalized EPS	1.1	0.8	1.0	1.1	1.3
EPS	1.2	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.3
DPS	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.9
BV/share	13.5	15.0	15.3	15.7	16.1
CFO/share	1.3	1.8	1.4	1.6	1.8
FCF/share	2.4	(3.6)	1.2	1.5	1.7

Sources: Company data, Thanachart estimates

We see its valuation is attractive at 0.9x P/BV

FINANCIAL RATIOS

FY ending Dec	2020A	2021A	2022F	2023F	2024F
Growth Rate					
Sales (%)	(3.2)	23.2	180.7	4.4	(0.8)
Net profit (%)	24.7	(15.5)	(4.0)	14.7	12.8
EPS (%)	24.7	(15.5)	(4.0)	14.7	12.8
Normalized profit (%)	(13.2)	(27.0)	23.6	14.7	12.8
Normalized EPS (%)	(13.2)	(27.0)	23.6	14.7	12.8
Dividend payout ratio (%)	53.5	63.3	70.0	70.0	70.0
Operating performance					
Gross margin (%)	20.2	(0.6)	11.7	13.7	15.6
Operating margin (%)	3.1	(16.8)	4.1	6.1	7.8
EBITDA margin (%)	11.1	(8.3)	8.5	10.4	12.2
Net margin (%)	1.3	(6.1)	2.6	3.9	5.0
D/E (incl. minor) (x)	0.1	0.4	0.6	0.6	0.5
Net D/E (incl. minor) (x)	0.1	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.4
Interest coverage - EBIT (x)	0.7	na	1.0	1.3	1.7
Interest coverage - EBITDA (x)	2.5	na	2.1	2.3	2.7
ROA - using norm profit (%)	6.8	3.9	3.6	3.8	4.2
ROE - using norm profit (%)	8.3	5.6	6.5	7.3	8.0
DuPont					
ROE - using after tax profit (%)	0.2	na	1.1	1.6	2.0
- asset turnover (x)	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2
- operating margin (%)	11.1	na	8.1	10.1	11.7
- leverage (x)	1.2	1.4	1.8	1.9	1.9
- interest burden (%)	60.4	328.8	49.8	54.6	61.0
- tax burden (%)	18.8	na	65.0	70.0	70.0
WACC (%)	5.2	5.2	5.2	5.2	5.2
ROIC (%)	0.1	(2.6)	0.8	1.2	1.5
NOPAT (Bt m)	32	(1,143)	513	852	1,080
invested capital (Bt m)	44,675	64,831	70,152	72,695	71,924

Sources: Company data, Thanachart estimates

Normalizing margin on
better price adjustment at
coal plants in China

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