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BYD (1211 HK)

Took a Firm Lead Position

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Investment Summary

BYD Took a Firm Lead for its 3Q23 Results

BYD recently published the forecast for its results of Q3 2023. It reported the net profit attributable to the parent company of RMB20.5-22.5 billion in 9M 2023, up 120-142% yoy; the net profit after deduction of non-recurring profit or loss of RMB 18.3-20.2 billion, up 119-142% yoy, with the basic EPS of RMB7.06-7.74. Calculated based on the data from the latest report, its net profit in Q1/Q2/Q3 would be RMB 4.13/6.8/9.5-11.5 billion, up 411%/145%/67-102% yoy.

In 9M 2023, the industry of new energy vehicle in China maintained rapid growth, with sales volume increasing by 37.5% yoy. BYD's sales volume of new energy vehicles robustly increased by 76% from the high base (1,180 thousand units) of 9M last year to 2,079.6 thousand units, with a market share in the market of new energy vehicles reaching 40%, increasing by 11.4 pcts from the level of 2022. In 2023, BYD owned constantly boosted brand strength, the scale advantage of continuously expanded sales volume, the cost-control capabilities of industrial chains, and the dropping prices of upstream raw materials. Due to these strong points, in the auto industry with intensified competition during H1, BYD continued to maintain good profitability, giving it a markedly rising single vehicle profit. In H1, BYD had a net single vehicle profit of approximately RMB 11,600, which increased by near 30% qoq. In terms of the component and assembly business of mobile phones, benefiting from the increased shares of major customers, and boosted emerging business such as new energy vehicles, and new types of smart products, BYD promoted its capacity utilization, further optimized its business structure, and substantially improved its profits.

BYD Set Sales Record in Sep. by Boosting Passenger and Commercial Vehicle together

According to the production and marketing update, BYD's sales volume of new energy vehicles in July was 262.2 thousand units, up 61% yoy and 4% mom, and BYD's cumulative sales volume from January to July was 1,517.8 thousand units, with an increase of 89% yoy. Among the sales volume in July, that of pure electric passenger vehicles was134 thousand units (up 66.4% yoy and 5.1% mom), that of plug-in hybrid passenger vehicles was 126 thousand units (up 55.5% yoy and 2.3% mom), and that of commercial vehicles was 1,056 units (up 234.2% yoy, and down 22.4% mom). Besides advancing successfully in the market of new energy passenger vehicles, in the sector of new energy commercial vehicles, BYD also performed conspicuously, with the sales volume of new energy commercial vehicles of 8,532 units and an increase of 143.15% yoy during the first 7 months. We believe that, the industry of new energy commercial vehicles is being in its early days of accelerated growth, e.g., the gradually decreasing operating costs of electric heavy trucks in their full life circle are expected to rapidly boost their market penetration. Moreover, the unit prices and profitability of commercial vehicles are both higher than those of passenger vehicles, so although having less stable sales volume compared with passenger vehicles, commercial vehicles have provided the resilience for the growth of BYD's performance.

24 October 2023

BUY (Maintain)

CMP HKD 248 (Closing price as at 19 October) TARGET HKD 321 (+29.4%)

COMPANY DATA

 O/S SHARES (MN):
 2911

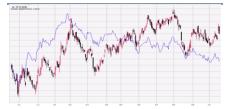
 MARKET CAP (HKD MN):
 272304

 52 - WK HI/LO (HKD):
 280.6/161.7

SHARE HOLDING PATTERN, %

Wang chuan-fu	17.64
Lv xiang-yang	8.22

PRICE VS. HSI



Source: Phillip Securities (HK) Research

KEY FINANCIALS

CNY bn	FY22	FY23E	FY24E	FY25E
Net Sales	424	639	780	995
Net Profit	17	32	39	52
EPS, CNY	5.71	10.79	13.38	17.74
P/E, x	39.0	21.1	17.0	12.8
BVPS, CNY	38.14	48.22	65.38	83.09
P/BV, x	5.8	4.7	3.5	2.7
DPS (CNY)	1.14	2.16	2.70	3.60
Div. Yield (%)	0.5%	0.9%	1.2%	1.6%

Source: Company reports, Phillip Securities Est.

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Maintained Continuous and Robust Momentum in Export Sale

By proactively expanding the distribution in the overseas market, since the start of H2 2022, BYD has enabled its new energy passenger vehicles to successively enter 53 countries and regions, such as Japan, Germany, Australia, Singapore, Thailand, Brazil, and New Zealand, with overseas sales volume rising rapidly. In Sep., BYD exported new energy passenger vehicles of 28,039 units, up 12% mom, accounting for 9.75% of the total; from Jan to Sep, BYD cumulatively exported such vehicles of approximately 145.5 thousand units, with the proportion of the total increased to 7%. BYD has overseas distribution across Asia, Europe and Americas, and even performs well in some countries, e.g., Thailand and Israel where BYD was the sales champion of EVs in H1 this year. It is predicted that, supported by its highly competitive and abundant product lines, BYD has enormous potential in the overseas market, so BYD is expected to break through the sales volume of exported passenger vehicles of 200 thousand in 2023.

BYD takes constant action for high-end-based products: Its Denza brand grows better, with the sales volume of D9 breaking through 10 thousand units, and N7 and N8 successively becoming members of the brand; its Fang Cheng Bao brand features high-end, personalized, and tough off-road vehicle models; and its Yangwang brand strives for the market of premium cars each with a price tag of over RMB1 million. In the future, BYD will form a matrix comprising the brands of BYD, Denza, Yangwang, and Fang Cheng Bao, covering the comprehensive demand of users for vehicles in all dimensions and full scenarios from home-used to premium vehicles, and from publicused to personalized vehicles..

Investment Thesis

For better-than-expected FY23Q3 result, we revised the EPS forecast for 2023/2024 to 10.79/13.38 yuan, and introduce 2025E EPS to 17.74yuan. Therefore, we given the target price of 321 HK\$, corresponding to 2023/2024/2025 27/22/17x P/E, BUY rating. (Closing price as at 19 October)

Risk

Sales of NEVs is not as good as expected New business risk Slow-down of Hand-set components business



Financials

FYE DEC	FY21	FY22	FY23F	FY24F	FY25F
Valuation Ratios					
P/E (X), adj.	191.1	39.0	21.1	17.0	12.8
P/B (X)	6.1	5.8	4.7	3.5	2.7
Dividend Yield (%)	0.1%	0.5%	0.9%	1.2%	1.6%
Dividend payout ratio (%)	9.9%	20.0%	20.0%	20.2%	20.3%
Per share data (RMB)					
EPS, reported	1.06	5.71	10.79	13.38	17.74
EPS, adj.	1.06	5.71	10.79	13.38	17.74
DPS	0.11	1.14	2.16	2.70	3.60
BVPS	33.31	38.14	48.22	65.38	83.09
Growth & Margins (%)					
Growth	07.70/	400 70/	50 7 0/	00.40/	07.50/
Revenue	37.7%	100.7%	50.7%	22.1%	27.5%
EBIT	-35.8%	202.9%	103.4%	24.9%	37.4%
Net Income, adj.	-28.1%	445.9%	90.2%	23.8%	32.4%
Margins					
Gross margin	11.2%	17.0%	18.0%	17.8%	18.1%
EBIT margin	3.0%	4.6%	6.2%	6.3%	6.8%
Net Profit Margin	1.4%	3.9%	4.9%	5.0%	5.2%
Key Ratios	0.70/	45.00/	0.4.00/	00.50/	00.00/
ROE (%)	3.7%	15.9%	24.9%	23.5%	23.9%
ROA (%)	1.2%	4.2%	5.8%	5.6%	5.8%
Income Statement (RMB mn)					
Revenue	211,300	424,061	639,243	780,335	994,593
Cost of sales	(187667)	(351816)	(524179)	(641435)	(814870)
Gross profit	23633	72245	115064	138900	179723
Operating expenditure	(19815)	(43723)	(62582)	(74600)	(94088)
Financial costs	(1908)	1618	1125	960	(1100)
Profit before tax	4518	21080	40709	50394	66799
Tax	(551)	(3367)	(7214)	(8930)	(11636)
Profit for the period	3967	17713	33495	41464	55163
Minority interests	(922)	(1091)	(1881)	(2328)	(3328)
Net profit	3,045	16,622	31,614	39,136	51,835
EVE DEC	FY21	FY22	EVOSE	EVOAE	EVOSE
FYE DEC Balance Sheet (RMB mn)	FIZI	r 1 2 2	FY23F	FY24F	FY25F
Total Assets	295780	493861	603556	801556	977229
Cash & cash equivalent	49820	51471	52615	56009	60000
Total Liabilities	191536	372471	452077	596507	718330
Non-controlling interest	9175	10361	11122	14722	17022
Total Equity	104244	121390	151479	205049	258899
Shareholder Equity	95,070	111,029	140,357	190,327	241,877
Source: PSR	33,010	111,029	140,001	100,021	271,011

(Closing price as at 19 October)



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Total Return	Recommendation	Rating	Remarks
>+20%	Buy	1	>20% upside from the current price
+5% to +20%	Accumulate	2	+5% to +20%upside from the current price
-5% to +5%	Neutral	3	Trade within ± 5% from the current price
-5% to -20%	Reduce	4	-5% to -20% downside from the current price
<-20%	Sell	5	>20%downside from the current price

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