Flash Note

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Oil & Gas Marketing Companies

Attock Petroleum Limited (APL)

Earnings: Attock Petroleum Limited (APL) announced its 2QFY24 result. The Company reported 2QFY24 earnings of PKR 2.54bn (EPS PKR 20.42), up by +2.0xy/y compared to PKR 1.25bn (EPS PKR 10.03) in the similar period last year. On quarterly basis, profitability is down by 52%y/y. This brings total earnings for 1HFY24 to PKR 7.80bn (EPS PKR 62.69), up by +41%y/y, compared to PKR 5.54bn (EPS PKR 44.51) in the same period last year.

Dividend/Payout: The Company announced cash dividend of PKR 10.0/share along with the result.

Operating Performance: Earnings growth during 2QFY24 was primarily led by higher OMC margins on MS and HSD and higher finance income. However, incline in earnings was restricted by higher tax and lower MS/FO volumes. During the period under review, APL reported +19%y/y jump in revenue during 2QFY24 on the back higher domestic prices and HSD volumes despite lower MS/FO volumes. Operating expense declined by 20%y/y to PKR 1.15bn during 2QFY24. Other charges increased by +2.4xy/y to PKR 0.29bn during 2QFY24 compared to PKR 0.12bn in the same period last year. Finance income augmented substantially to PKR 1.97bn during 2QFY24 compared to PKR 0.83bn in the similar period last year likely owing to higher mark-up income. On quarterly basis, earnings declined by 52%q/q mainly due to inventory losses incurred during 2QFY24. Effective tax stood at 36.2% during 2QFY24 (1QFY24: 40.1%) compared to 29.8% in the same period last year, bringing total effective tax rate for 1HFY24 to 38.9% against 32.7% in the same period last year.

Exhibit: APL Financial Highlights								
For the period 2QFY24								
PKRmn	2QFY24	2QFY23	y/y	1QFY24	q/q	1HFY24	1HFY23	y/y
Net Sales	135,471	113,846	19%	136,439	-1%	271,910	237,778	14%
Gross Profit	3,102	1,954	59%	10,274	-70%	13,376	11,945	12%
Operating Expenses	1,146	1,441	-20%	2,705	-58%	3,851	5,174	-26%
Impairment Loss / (Reversal)	(40)	23	n/m	7	n/m	(32)	57	n/m
Other Charges	292	121	2.4x	647	-55%	938	592	58%
Other Income	279	452	-38%	194	44%	473	843	-44%
EBIT	2,275	943	141%	7,755	-71%	10,030	7,557	33%
Finance Income / (Cost)	1,974	827	2.4x	1,668	18%	3,642	1,074	3.4x
Profit Before Taxation	3,983	1,778	2.2x	8,773	-55%	12,757	8,230	55%
Profit After Taxation	2,540	1,249	2.0x	5,260	-52%	7,800	5,538	41%
EPS (PKR)	20.42	10.03		42.27		62.69	44.51	
DPS (PKR)	10.00	12.50		0.00		10.00	12.50	
Source: IGI Research, PSX No of Shares: 99.53mn								

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