



DICKER DATA LIMITED - ANNUAL RESULTS

ANOTHER YEAR OF GROWTH DESPITE SOFT MARKET CONDITIONS

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DDR released its annual report for FY2013 to the market on 30th August 2013. Newport Capital's updated view on DDR's performance is as follows:

- Weak PC sales lead to decline in revenue DDR reported revenues of \$452m for the year ending 30 June 2013 which represents a circa 1% decline from FY2012. This was the first time in 7 years the company generated lower sales in a full financial year than in the previous corresponding period. The drop is mainly due to decrease in demand for PCs and the management's conscious strategy to shift the revenue mix towards lower volume and higher margin product groups such as servers, networking and storage.
- Jump in gross margin Gross margin for the year increased 90 basis points to 8.4%. The main driver behind the increase is the favourable changes in the revenue mix. The new inventory purchase finance facility also contributed to the margin improvement by enabling DDR to take better advantage of the settlement discounts available from its major vendors. The extended warehouse capacity allows the company to take advantage of opportunistic buys and thus reducing the cost of inventory and increasing margins. The warehouse extension was finished in February, hence the full upside will be reflected in the FY2014 results.
- 11.7% growth in reported NPAT Dicker Data reported net profit after tax of \$9.2 million for FY2013 up from \$8.3 million in the previous year. The growth was primarily driven by the increase in gross profit and the lower effective tax rate (30.3% compared to 32.5% in FY2012).
- High dividend payout ratio Dicker Data paid total dividends of \$7.95 million or 6.2c per share (fully franked) during FY2013. This represents an approximate 85.9% payout ratio. This is in line with the company's dividend payment policy according to which DDR pays dividends of up to 100% of net profit after tax on a quarterly basis.
- Positive outlook We forecast another record year in revenues and profit on the back of the addition of the HP printing products to the portfolio, the extended warehouse capacity and the new purchase finance facility from Macquarie Bank.

FY13A Income Statement – Summary

\$m	FY13A	FY12A	Chg. y/y
Revenue	451.6	455.9	-1%
Gross profit	37.7	34.0	11%
EBITDA	17.4	16.1	8%
EBIT	16.7	15.4	8%
NPAT	9.2	8.3	12%
Basic EPS – cents	7.2	6.5	11%

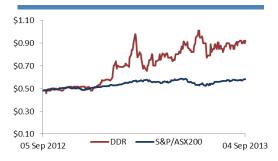
Equity Snapshot

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A\$0.92	4 September 2013				
12-Month High (\$)	1.01				
12-Month Low (\$)	0.45				
Market Cap (\$m)	117.5				
Enterprise Value (\$m)	180.8				
Issued Share (m)	127.7				
EPS FY2013A (cents)	7.24				
Dividend Yield	6.8%				
P/E	12.7x				
EV/EBITDA	10.4x				
P/BV	5.8x				
P/OCF	n/a				

Summary of Financials

\$m	FY11A	FY12A	FY13A	FY14E	FY15E
Revenue	384.7	455.9	451.6	483.2	502.5
EBITDA	13.1	16.1	17.4	19.8	20.6
EBIT	12.4	15.4	16.7	19.1	19.9
NPAT	6.1	8.3	9.2	10.5	11.0
Assets	121.1	127.5	135.1	143.4	147.5
Net Debt	28.6	46.9	63.3	64.1	64.5
Equity	16.8	18.5	20.1	21.7	23.4

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The Dicker Data management team deserves full credit for delivering a healthy profit growth in a year when the market was characterised by uncertain economic outlook and rapidly declining PC sales.

Dicker Data faced two major challenges in FY2013: 1) The main growth drivers from the previous two years — move to larger warehouse, new Tier-1 vendors, new WC finance facility and the one of the main competitors internal turmoil — ran out and the management needed to find new ways and initiatives to spark further growth; 2) How to offset the impact of the dramatically slowing PC sales.

Although sales revenue was 1% down at \$452 million, the company managed to address these challenges with success. The new initiatives not only helped the company to report higher earnings for the 8th consecutive year but they also positioned Dicker Data for future growth. The most important changes the management put in place during the financial year are as follows:

- 1) Shift sales focus towards higher margin product groups such as servers, networking and storage products.
- 2) Sign a financing agreement with Macquarie Bank in February 2013 for a \$20 million inventory purchase finance facility that enables the company to pay for HP inventory within 48 hours of the date of the invoice in order to take full advantage of the available early settlement discount from HP, Dicker Data's largest supplier. The limit of the facility was increased to \$25 million in August 2013.
- 3) More than double the warehouse capacity to 9,000 sqm via a cost-effective extension of the existing warehouse. The extra warehouse space enables the company to take advantage of opportunistic buys which drives down the cost of inventory and thus improves gross profit margin. The larger warehouse also allows Dicker Data to add new lines of products from existing and new vendors to its portfolio.
- 4) Get access to HP's printing and supplies products, something the management team has been trying for years. Thus Dicker Data now offers the full range of HP products to its customers. We expect printers and the related consumables to be the primary revenue growth driver in FY2014.

In our view, the most crucial number in the FY2013 results is gross profit margin which increased 90bp to 9.2%. This is a remarkable achievement in a sector where market players have been facing continuous margin pressure for years. As not all of the ingredients that drove gross margin higher were in place for the full financial year, we anticipate further improvement in FY2014.

Although operating expenses have been held under tight control, employee related expenses increased at a higher rate than gross profit. This was mainly due to higher sales commissions and non-cash accounting entries leave provisions.

Dicker Data's bottom line benefited from RBA's rate cuts – 75bp in total during the financial year – which drove interest rates to all time low in Australia.

The company had a lower effective tax rate for the year (30.3% compared to 32.5% in FY2012) which also contributed to the increase in net profit margin (up 0.3% at 2.6%).

During the reporting period Dicker Data declared 6.25c dividend per share or a total of 7.95 million (fully franked). This represents an 85.9% payout ratio which is somewhat higher than 81.9% payout in FY2012.



Financial Guidance and Outlook

Based on the reported numbers we have revised our FY2014 and FY2015 forecast for the company's financials.

Revised Earnings Estimates

\$m	FY13A	FY14E	FY14E	FY14E	FY15E	FY15E	FY15E
		Prior	Current	Change	Prior	Current	Change
Total Revenue	451.6	455.3	483.2	6%	469.0	502.5	7%
Gross Profit	37.7	36.4	41.6	14%	37.5	43.2	15%
EBITDA	17.4	17.8	19.8	12%	18.3	20.6	13%
Dep. & Amort.	-0.7	-0.8	-0.8	0%	-0.8	-0.8	0%
EBIT	16.7	17.0	19.1	12%	17.5	19.9	13%
Net Interest Expense	-3.5	-2.9	-4.1	40%	-3.0	-4.1	38%
EBT	13.3	14.1	15.0	6%	14.6	15.8	8%
Tax Expense	-4.0	-4.2	-4.5	6%	-4.4	-4.7	8%
NPAT Before Abs.	9.2	9.9	10.5	6%	10.2	11.0	8%
NPAT After Abs.	9.2	9.9	10.5	6%	10.2	11.0	8%
Basic EPS – cents	7.2	7.7	8.2	6%	8.0	8.6	8%
DPS – cents	6.2	6.2	7.0	13%	6.4	7.3	15%
Dividend Payout Ratio	86%	80%	85%	6%	80%	85%	6%

Dicker Data excelled our latest earnings projections for FY2013. This was due to a stronger than expected second half in revenue terms as well as because the company managed to realise the benefits from the new initiatives faster than we anticipated.

We believe there is still upside in the business and Dicker Data has the right vendor mix to remain competitive in the market and achieve both top line and bottom line growth in FY2014.

Revenue growth is projected to come from the HP printing products (printers and supplies). Market sentiment and economic outlook are expected to improve following the federal elections resulting in higher buying activity among businesses. Based on these assumptions, we anticipate FY2014 revenues to be 7.0% higher than in FY2013.

The bottom line (NPAT) is expected to increase by 13.5% in FY2014 (slightly higher than the 11.7% growth rate in FY2013). We do not see any reason for the Board to change the dividend payout ratio, therefore, we are forecasting an 85% payout which equals to a total of 7c per share dividend payment in FY2014.

An important question that still needs to be answered is whether the decline in PC sales can stabilise at a reasonable rate or it continues the quick slide it started in FY2013. In the past PC sales were driven by hardware and software (operating system) innovation. Since the appearance of tablets businesses and consumers not only face the question of upgrading or not but also whether to opt for a tablet or a PC. This is a factor totally out of the management's control. However, the company's vendor alignments ensure that Dicker Data offers competitive tablets (e.g. ASUS, Lenovo) and hybrid laptops (Lenovo, HP, Toshiba, etc.)

In our view the major threat to Dicker Data's business in the coming years is the Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) trend. Dicker Data is not selling to neither the major retailers nor directly to consumers. Hence, if an employee prefers to use his own device that he bought through one of the retail channels, Dicker Data will likely be cut out of the supply chain. It is important to stress that this would only impact the PC part of the business and it is not something that would materially affect the company's performance in FY2014. The management's strategy to decrease Dicker Data's reliance on PC sales seems a sensible and viable strategy to mitigate this risk.



Income Statement and Ratio Analysis

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Income Statement		
\$ in millions	FY12A	FY13A
Revenue	455.9	451.6
Other Income	0.0	0.0
Total Revenue	455.9	451.6
Consumables Used	-423.1	-422.2
Changes in inventory	1.2	8.4
Gross Profit	34.0	37.7
Employee Benefits Expense	-12.8	-15.8
Other Expenses	-5.1	-4.5
Total Operating Expenses	-17.9	-20.3
EBITDA	16.1	17.4
Depreciation and Amortisation	-0.7	-0.7
EBIT	15.4	16.7
Interest Expense	-3.1	-3.5
EBT Before Abs.	12.3	13.3
Income Tax Expense	-4.0	-4.0
NPAT Before Abs	8.3	9.2
Abnormals Before Tax	0.0	0.0
Tax on Abnormals	0.0	0.0
Net Abnormals	0.0	0.0
NPAT After Abs.	8.3	9.2
Balance Sheet		
\$ in millions	FY12A	FY13A
Cash	0.2	0.5
Accounts Receivables	68.7	64.4
Inventories	41.3	49.7
Other CA	0.0	0.0
Total Current Assets	110.2	114.6
PP&E	16.6	19.7
Other NCA	0.6	0.8
Total NCA	17.3	20.5
Total Assets	127.5	135.1
Accounts Payable	58.5	47.2
S/T Debt	46.1	63.2
Other CL	1.9	2.4
Total CL	106.6	112.8
L/T Debt	1.0	0.6
Other NCL	1.4	1.6
Total NCL	2.3	2.2
Total Liabilities	108.9	115.0

Key Ratios

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Profitability	FY11A	FY12A	FY13A	FY14E	FY15E
Gross Margin	7.1%	7.5%	8.4%	8.6%	8.6%
EBITDA Margin	3.4%	3.5%	3.9%	4.1%	4.1%
EBIT Margin	3.2%	3.4%	3.7%	3.9%	4.0%
EBT Margin	2.6%	2.7%	2.9%	3.1%	3.1%
NOPAT Margin	2.4%	2.3%	2.6%	2.8%	2.8%
Profit Margin Before Abs.	1.8%	1.8%	2.0%	2.2%	2.2%
Profit Margin After Abs.	1.6%	1.8%	2.0%	2.2%	2.2%
Return on Equity	36.6%	44.6%	45.9%	48.3%	47.2%
Return on Assets	5.8%	6.5%	6.8%	7.3%	7.5%
Growth					
Revenue Growth	34.2%	18.5%	-0.9%	7.0%	4.0%
EBITDA Growth	48.2%	23.3%	8.2%	13.8%	4.0%
EBIT Growth	48.8%	24.8%	8.4%	14.0%	4.2%
EBT Growth	54.6%	21.9%	8.1%	13.1%	5.1%
NPAT Before Abs. Growth	55.2%	17.9%	11.7%	13.5%	5.1%
Reported NPAT Growth	35.6%	35.0%	11.7%	13.5%	5.1%
Leverage					
Debt/Equity	1.7x	2.5x	3.2x	3.0x	2.8x
Debt/Total Capital	0.6x	0.7x	0.8x	0.7x	0.7x
EBIT/Interest	5.4x	4.9x	4.8x	4.7x	4.9x
Asset Utilization					
Days in Receivables	48	53	54	51	52
Payables to COGS	20.4%	13.9%	11.4%	12.0%	12.0%
Days Payable O/s.	55	57	47	41	43
Inventories to COGS	11.2%	9.8%	12.0%	12.0%	12.0%
Inventory Turnover Days	33	35	40	42	43
Liquidity					
Current Ratio	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.1
Quick Ratio	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6

Source: Company data, Newport Capital estimates

Shareholders' Equity
Source: Company data

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Summary of FinancialsFinancial year ending June, expressed in Australian Dollars

Financial year ending June, expressed in Income Statement (\$m)			FY13A	FY14E	FY15E	Balance Sheet (\$m)
Total Revenue	384.7	455.9	451.6	483.2	502.5	Cash
EBITDA	13.1	16.1	17.4	19.8	20.6	Debtors
D&A	-0.7	-0.7	-0.7	-0.8	-0.8	Inventories
EBIT	12.4	15.4	16.7	19.1	19.9	Curr. Investments
Net Interest Expense	-2.3	-3.1	-3.5	-4.1	-4.1	Other CA
EBT	10.1	12.3	13.3	15.0	15.8	Total Curr. Assets
Tax Expense	-3.0	-4.0	-4.0	-4.5	-4.7	Investments
Preference Dividends	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	PP&E
NPAT Before Abs.	7.0	8.3	9.2	10.5	11.0	Goodwill
Reported NPAT	6.1	8.3	9.2	10.5	11.0	FITB
Number of Shares on Issue	125.0	126.5	127.7	127.7	127.7	Other NCA
Source: Company data, Newport Capi	ital estima	tes				Total NCA
Cash Flow Statement (\$m)	FY11A	FY12A	FY13A	FY14E	FY15E	Total Assets
EBIT(Aft Abs.)	11.1	15.4	16.7	19.1	19.9	Accounts Payable
Dep. & Amor.	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8	Current Provisions
Net Interest (Exp.)/Inc.	-2.3	-3.1	-3.5	-4.1	-4.1	S/T Debt
Tax (Exp.)	-2.7	-4.0	-4.0	-4.5	-4.7	Other CL
Change in WC (Inc.)/Dec	-3.4	-20.7	-15.5	-3.1	-2.8	Total CL
Other Operating Items	1.5	-1.3	0.9	0.0	0.0	Non-Current A/P
Operating Cash Flow	5.0	-13.0	-4.6	8.1	9.0	L/T Debt
Cash Paid for PP&E	-2.2	-1.1	-3.7	0.0	0.0	Non-Current Provisions
Sale of PP&E	1.8	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	Deferred Income Tax
Net Capex.	-0.4	-0.7	-3.7	0.0	0.0	Other NCL
Purchase of Subsidiaries	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Total NCL
Other Investing CF	0.0	0.0	-0.1	0.0	0.0	Total Liabilities
Investing Cash Flow	-0.4	-0.7	-3.8	0.0	0.0	Share Capital
Proceeds from Issues	0.5	0.3	0.3	0.0	0.0	Reserves Ex. SPR
Dividends Paid	-2.4	-4.9	-8.2	-8.9	-9.4	Retained Profits
Inc./(Dec) in Borrowings	-2.7	18.5	16.7	0.8	0.4	Convertible Equity
Other Financing CF	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Outside Equity
Financing Cash Flow	-4.6	14.0	8.7	-8.1	-9.0	Total Equity
Net Cash Flow	0.0	0.2	0.3	0.0	0.0	ND/(ND+E)
Source: Company data, Newport Capi Per Share Statistics (\$)			FY13A	EV1/E	EV1EE	Source: Company data, Newpor
						Multiples
Reported EPS – cents	4.9	6.5	7.2	8.2	8.6	EV/Sales
Normalised EPS – cents	5.6	6.5	7.2	8.2	8.6	EV/EBITDA
DPS - Ex. Special – cents	1.0	5.4	6.2	7.0	7.3	EV/EBIT
DPS – cents	3.3	5.4	6.2	7.0	7.3	P/E
Dividend Payout Ratio	58.5%	81.9%		85.0%		P/E (Before Abs.)
Dividend Yield	3.6%	5.8%	6.8%	7.6%	8.0%	P/BV
NTA Per Share	0.134	0.147	0.158	0.170	0.183	P/OCF

Source: Company Data, Newport Capital estimates

Balance Sheet (\$m)	FY11A	FY12A	FY13A	FY14E	FY15E
Cash	0.0	0.2	0.5	0.5	0.5
Debtors	63.6	68.7	64.4	70.1	72.9
Inventories	40.1	41.3	49.7	53.0	55.1
Curr. Investments	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other CA	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total Curr. Assets	103.7	110.2	114.6	123.6	128.5
Investments	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
PP&E	16.6	16.6	19.7	19.0	18.2
Goodwill	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
FITB	0.8	0.6	0.8	0.8	0.8
Other NCA	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total NCA	17.4	17.3	20.5	19.8	19.0
Total Assets	121.1	127.5	135.1	143.4	147.5
Accounts Payable	0.8	0.6	0.8	0.8	0.8
Current Provisions	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
S/T Debt	17.4	17.3	20.5	19.8	19.0
Other CL	121.1	127.5	135.1	143.4	147.5
Total CL	72.8	58.5	47.2	53.0	55.1
Non-Current A/P	0.4	0.6	0.9	0.9	0.9
L/T Debt	27.6	46.1	63.2	64.0	64.4
Non-Current Provisions	1.2	1.3	1.5	1.5	1.5
Deferred Income Tax	102.1	106.6	112.8	119.5	122.0
Other NCL	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total NCL	1.0	1.0	0.6	0.6	0.6
Total Liabilities	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3
Share Capital	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.3
Reserves Ex. SPR	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Retained Profits	15.8	17.3	18.6	20.2	21.9
Convertible Equity	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Outside Equity	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total Equity	16.8	18.5	20.1	21.7	23.4
ND/(ND+E)	63.0%	71.7%	75.8%	74.7%	73.4%
Source: Company data, Newport (Capital esti	mates			

Multiples	FY11A	FY12A	FY13A	FY14E	FY15E
EV/Sales	0.4x	0.4x	0.4x	0.4x	0.4x
EV/EBITDA	10.8x	10.0x	10.2x	9.0x	8.7x
EV/EBIT	11.4x	10.4x	10.7x	9.4x	9.0x
P/E	18.3x	13.8x	12.4x	10.9x	10.4x
P/E (Before Abs.)	16.0x	13.8x	12.4x	10.9x	10.4x
P/BV	6.7x	6.1x	5.7x	5.3x	4.9x
P/OCF	22.5x	n/a	-24.9x	14.2x	12.8x
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Source: Company data, Newport Capital estimates



Peer Comparison

										Collection	Inventory	Payable
				EV/EBITDA	EV/EBIT		P/BV	Dividend	EPS CAGR	Period	Turnover	o/s.
Company Name	Ticker	LCY	EV (m)	(x)	(x)	P/E (x)	(x) F	Payout Ratio	2010-12	(Days)	(Days)	(Days)
Ingram Micro	IM	USD	3,605	6.45	7.38	11.34	0.94	0.00%	1.3%	47.5	37.2	61.0
Synnex	SNX	USD	1,850	6.61	7.25	11.64	1.32	0.00%	6.8%	47.0	35.4	43.2
Avnet	AVT	USD	6,505	8.37	9.90	12.42	1.28	0.00%	-14.0%	67.9	37.8	58.6
Tech Data	TECD	USD	1,761	4.38	5.10	10.55	1.01	0.00%	3.4%	38.9	27.8	48.2
VST Holdings	856	HKD	3,533	5.61	5.78	4.11	0.68	22.22%	11.4%	46.0	24.8	37.6
Digital China	861	HKD	10,273	7.06	7.96	6.90	1.10	30.95%	14.6%	53.1	29.3	62.1
Synnex Tech	2347	TWD	93,345	19.43	20.87	12.87	1.72	108.13%	0.1%	52.9	69.5	40.6
Also Holding	ALSN	EUR	580	5.27	6.89	10.22	1.22	33.24%	-7.9%	33.6	55.2	59.4
Arrow	ARW	USD	6,465	7.28	8.37	10.32	1.23	0.00%	6.6%	86.3	85.9	137.8
Median			n/a	6.61	7.38	10.55	1.22		3.4%	47.5	37.2	58.6
Mean			n/a	7.83	8.84	10.04	1.16		2.5%	52.6	44.8	60.9
Dicker Data		AUD	180	10.32	10.75	12.64	5.78	86.11%	21.1%	53.8	40.1	46.6

Source: Company data, Bloomberg, Newport Capital estimates

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