Company report

Nat Resources & Energy **Gas Utilities** Equity - China



Enn Energy (2688 HK)

Buy: FY14 results, first take

- FY14 net normalized attributable profit 2,491m vs HSBCe/Consensus: HKD2,162m/2,501m
- 2H/FY14 volume 5.1/10.1bcm, +18/25.9% YOY, FY14 dollar margin RMB0.83/cm (flat YoY), FY15 volume growth guidance 20-25%
- Reiterate Buy, fair value TP HKD61.0 unchanged ▶

FY14 results. FY14 revenue/net normalized attributable profit is HKD29,087/2,491m vs HSBCe HKD32,016/2,162m (consensus: HKD2,501m), 2H/FY14e net attributable profit represents 52% (HSBCe: 45%). Dividend/share HKD0.66 vs HSBCe/consensus HKD0.74/0.645. Analyst briefing will be held after market on 31 March 2015.

2H/FY14 gas sales volume is 5.1/10.1bcm, +18%/25.9% YoY (vs 1H14: 33%). ENN Energy has reduced supply to some ceramics producers with lower dollar margin and safety issues for Quanzhou project (2H gas sales volume lower than 1H). However, overall dollar margin is higher because less of the gas volume is to be supplied by gas supply outside of long-term contracts, which are on average cRMB1/cm more expensive. Wholesale gas c8% of total volume (vs c4.5/7.3% in FY13/1H14).

FY14 dollar margin (ex-wholesale) was RMB0.83/cm (vs 1H14: RMB0.76/cm; FY13: **RMB0.83/cm**). With the September 2014 citygate price hike passthrough, the increased VWAP gas cost due to higher incremental gas volume was also passed through to the end users.

Other details: a) FY14 Opex/revenue was 8% vs 9% with better costs control; b) ENN Energy is currently distributing gas to c70 gas refuelling station for Sinopec Marketing, the company looks to increase cooperation with the company; c) FY14 CNG dollar margin cRMB1.1/cm (vs FY13 RMB1.2/cm).

Preliminary FY15 guidance: a) 20-25% volume growth (include wholesale gas), b) Capex: RMB3-3.5bn; c) No. of new connections: 1.3-1.4m; d) CNG/LNG stations buildout: 20/60; e) 20% core earnings growth. f) ENN US/Canada to breakeven in 2H16.

We look for more information about: a) potential margin erosion with more wholesale gas, b) volume growth by segment, c) details about opex control and target FY15 opex/revenue; d) ENN US/Canada operational data, e) outlook for ship bunkering, cooperation with Sinopec management.

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Index [^] Index level RIC Bloomberg		
Source: HSBC		

Enterprise value (CNYm)	46,536
Free float (%)	69
Market cap (USDm)	6,432
Market cap (HKDm)	49,875

Buy

Target price(HKD)61.00Share price(HKD)46.05Upside/Downside (%)32.5				
Dec	2013 a	2014 e	2015 e	
HSBC EPS	1.79	2.00	2.31	
HSBC PE	20.6	18.5	16.0	
Performance	1M	3M	12M	
Absolute (%)	11.0	4.7	-14.7	
Relative [^] (%)	13.8	1.5	-29.5	

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Investment thesis. ENN Energy shares appear undervalued (trading below the 3-year historical average PE of 22x) although we believe the company offers more robust EPS growth than its peers. Although China is expected to see a slowing economy and a low oil price environment, we continue to like ENN Energy, as we believe it can still deliver above-industry average volume growth in challenging times.

Valuation and risks. We derive our fair value target price of HKD61.0 by an equal-weighted average of three methods: PE, PB, and DCF. Our PE-based valuation of HKD57.75 per share uses a multiple of 20.0x 2015e EPS, based on 1x 2015e-17e PEG. Our PB valuation of HKD54.54 per share is based on an ROE-implied 2015e PB of 3.5x. Our DCF valuation of HKD71.44 per share assumes a WACC of 6.5%, a risk-free rate of 3.5%, an equity risk premium of 5.5%, and a beta of 0.67. We establish a Buy rating for the stock.

Downside risks: (1) a decline in industrial volumes with slowing GDP and (2) any future citygate price hikes not being passed through to customers.



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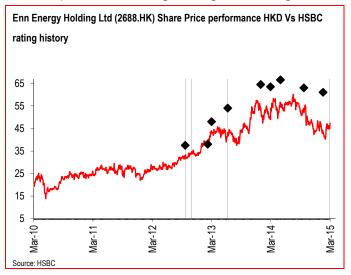


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N/A	Overweight	16 October 2012		
Overweight	Neutral	22 November 2012		
Neutral	Overweight	04 July 2013		
Overweight	Buy	25 March 2015		
Target Price	Value	Date		
Price 1	37.50	16 October 2012		
Price 2	38.00	03 March 2013		
Price 3	48.00	27 March 2013		
Price 4	54.00	04 July 2013		
Price 5	64.50	24 January 2014		
Price 6	63.50	25 March 2014		
Price 7	66.50	25 May 2014		
Price 8	63.00	16 October 2014		
Price 9	61.00	12 February 2015		



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