

Bina Puri Holdings

Recommendation:

SELL

Stock Code: 5932 Bloomberg: BIN MK Price: MYR0.85 12-Month Target Price: MYR0.78 Date: March 5, 2009

Board: Main

Sector: Construction

GICS: Industrials/Construction & Engineering

Market Value - Total: MYR71.1 mln

Summary: Bina Puri Holdings (Bina Puri) is engaged in civil engineering, road and building construction, property development, quarrying and the manufacturing of natural oil polyol (base material for polyurethane foam).

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Recent Developments

- Bina Puri recently announced that it has secured a housing contract in Brunei worth BND288.7 mln (MYR693 mln) to construct 2,000 houses for the government's housing scheme. The project, awarded by the Brunei Economic Development Board (BEDB), is expected to be constructed over 24 months. The housing project will span a 150ha site in a location known as Kampung Pandan in Belait district, where the 1,200 terrace and 800 semi-detached houses will be built. In addition, we understand that Bina Puri has also recently secured a MYR224 mln contract to develop an affordable housing scheme in Kota Kinabalu.
- These new contracts secured have boosted Bina Puri's construction orderbook to about MYR2.4 bln, of which more than MYR1.1 bln is unbilled. More than 30% of its projects are from overseas in countries such as Thailand, Brunei, UAE and Pakistan. In addition, the group is hopeful of converting various letters of intent (LOIs) into additional projects worth more than MYR600 mln shortly. Despite the slowdown in the construction sector, Bina Puri has been able to actively secure new projects, although the group's thin construction margins are vulnerable to sudden changes in industry and competitive conditions.
- Meanwhile, for its property division, the Jesselton condominium and Taman Malawa Jaya apartments are nearing completion. In view of the cautious property outlook, the group is expected to postpone its upcoming launches of condominium developments in Puchong (GDV: MYR39 mln) and Johor Bahru ("Gugusan Murni" with GDV MYR70 mln)

Key Stock Statistics

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| FY Dec. | 2008 | 2009E | |
| Reported EPS (sen) | 5.2 | 8.3 | |
| PER (x) | 16.3 | 10.2 | |
| Dividend/Share (sen) | 4.0 | 4.0 | |
| NTA/Share (MYR) | 0.90 | 0.93 | |
| Book Value/Share (MYR) | 0.90 | 0.93 | |
| No. of Outstanding Shares (mln) | 83 | 3.6 | |
| 52-week Share Price Range (MYR) | 0.66 - 1.09 | | |
| Major Shareholders: | % | | |
| Jentera Jati Sdn. Bhd. | 24.3 | | |
| Tan Sri Datuk Tee Hock Seng | 17.4 | | |
| Tony Tan Cheng Kiat | 10.8 | | |
| *Stock deemed Shariah compliant by the Securitie | s Commission | | |

Recommendation & Investment Risks

- We maintain our Sell recommendation with a higher 12-month target price of MYR0.78 (MYR0.70 previously). We remain concerned over Bina Puri's widening associated/JV losses as reflected in the group's 4Q08 results and delay in the launch of its property projects due to the weak market sentiment. These are expected to weaken the group's 2009 earnings base. In addition, Bina Puri is trading at a premium, with a prospective 2009 PER of 10.2x as compared with the peer group average of 8x.
- We continue to value Bina Puri based on blended target multiples of PER of 9x and P/B of 0.8x on our 2009 estimates. Our target price includes a projected net DPS of 3 sen.
- Bina Puri recently announced that it is proposing a debt capitalization
 plan via a restricted issue of up to 20 mln new shares, representing
 about 19.3% of the enlarged share capital. If the exercise goes
 through, this will allow the group to pare down its borrowing to a
 gearing of 125% (from 151% now). We expect the exercise to dilute
 FY09 and FY10 EPS by 19.3%.

Earnings Outlook

 We have fine-tuned our projections and are revising our FY09 and FY10 net profit forecasts higher by 28% and 29% respectively to incorporate contribution from the recently awarded projects. In addition, we have included MYR500 mln worth of potential construction contracts (excluding associates) in 2009.

Per Share Data

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|-------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| FY Dec. | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009E |
| Book Value (MYR) | 0.84 | 0.89 | 0.90 | 0.93 |
| Cash Flow (sen) | 17.0 | 17.8 | 14.4 | 17.6 |
| Reported Earnings (sen) | 6.3 | 8.5 | 5.2 | 8.3 |
| Dividend (sen) | 5.0 | 6.0 | 4.0 | 4.0 |
| Payout Ratio (%) | 56.9 | 50.9 | 55.4 | 34.5 |
| PER (x) | 13.4 | 10.0 | 16.3 | 10.2 |
| P/Cash Flow (x) | 5.0 | 4.8 | 5.9 | 4.8 |
| P/Book Value (x) | 1.0 | 1.0 | 0.9 | 0.9 |
| Dividend Yield (%) | 5.9 | 7.1 | 4.7 | 4.7 |
| ROE (%) | 7.7 | 9.9 | 5.8 | 9.1 |
| Net Gearing (%) | 467.4 | 204.0 | 151.2 | 143.0 |
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| Profit & Loss | | | | |
|---------------------------------|-------|-------|---------|---------|
| FY Dec. / MYR mln | 2007 | 2008 | 2009E | 2010E |
| Reported Revenue | 607.9 | 677.3 | 1,179.0 | 1,066.0 |
| Reported Operating Profit | 9.9 | 14.2 | 16.5 | 16.3 |
| Depreciation & Amortization | -7.7 | -7.7 | -7.7 | -7.7 |
| Net Interest Income / (Expense) | -4.4 | -4.6 | -4.6 | -4.6 |
| Reported Pre-tax Profit | 8.5 | 8.1 | 11.9 | 12.2 |
| Effective Tax Rate (%) | 6.5 | 35.4 | 30.0 | 30.0 |
| Reported Net Profit | 7.0 | 4.3 | 7.0 | 7.1 |
| Reported Operating Margin (%) | 1.6 | 2.1 | 1.4 | 1.5 |
| Reported Pre-tax Margin (%) | 1.4 | 1.2 | 1.0 | 1.1 |
| Reported Net Margin (%) | 1.2 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.7 |

Source: Company data, S&P Equity Research



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| Date | Recommendation | Target Price | | | |
| New | Sell | 0.78 | | | |
| 20-Feb-09 | Sell | 0.70 | | | |
| 15-Jan-09 | Hold | 0.80 | | | |
| 26-Nov-08 | Hold | 0.81 | | | |
| 20-Jun-08 | Hold | 1.05 | | | |
| 4-Oct-07 | Not Ranked | | | | |
| 31-Aug-07 | Hold | 1.12 | | | |
| 15-Jun-07 | Hold | 0.89 | | | |
| 1-Mar-07 | Hold | 0.86 | | | |
| 27-Nov-06 | Hold | 0.72 | | | |
| 16-Aug-06 | Hold | 0.70 | | | |
| 30-May-06 | Hold | 0.67 | | | |
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