

Company Report

Tianneng Power (819 HK) – Buy Auto Parts & Equipment 12-month target price: HK\$6.42

Key data Share price (HK\$) 4.83 Target price (HK\$) 6.42 Upside potential (%) 32.9% 52Wk H/L(HK\$) 5.16 / 2.92Issued shares (mn) 1,099.3 Market cap (HK\$mn) 5,309.8 30-day avg turnover (HK\$mn) 10.95 Major shareholder (%): Zhang Tianren* 37.1 Pinpoint Capital Management 6.0 Deutsche Bank 6.0

Source: Company & Bloomberg

Revenue composition in FY11 (%)

| Lead-acid battery products | 97.4% |
|---|-------|
| Electrical Bicycle Battery | 91.5% |
| Storage Battery | 0.8% |
| Pure Electric Car Battery | 5.1% |
| Battery for other usage | 0.0% |
| Nickel hydride and lithium battery products | 1.8% |
| Others | 0.9% |
| Source: Company | |

| Share | performance | (%) | ۱ |
|-------|-------------|-----|---|
| | | | |

| | Absolute | Relative* |
|-------|----------|-----------|
| 1-mth | 3.6 | 1.3 |
| 3-mth | 21.1 | 14.6 |
| 6-mth | 17.2 | 24.9 |

*Relative to Hang Seng Index Source: Bloomberg

Share price performance



Source: Bloomberg

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Key takeaways from analyst presentation

Tianneng announced better-than-expected 1H2012 results. Sales are on track, we keep our sales volume target of 65mn units unchanged for 2012. Since lead is continuing its downtrend due to economic slowdown, we lower our average lead cost assumption in our model and raised our TP to HK\$6.42, representing 8.0x FY12 PE. Maintain Buy.

Stronger-than-expected results: The group posted revenue of Rmb3,824.5mn in 1H2012, up 56.9% YoY; gross profit increased by 79.9% YoY to Rmb985.8mn and net profit increased by 87.2% YoY to Rmb376.3mn, which is 14% higher than consensus of Rmb330mn.

Strong sales growth was a result of 55.4% YoY/44.1% HoH sales volume growth in 1H2012. Total sales volume reached 31.7mn units. Sale volumes growth was mainly driven by replacement demand in the secondary market. In 1H2012, sale volumes in the primary market increased by 23.9% YoY/50.0% HoH/ to 11.4mn units while sales volume in secondary market increased by 81.3% YoY/41.0% HoH to 20.3mn units.

Progress of lead-acid battery recycling plant: Full trial operation of the recycling plant in Zhejiang started in Jun 2012 as expected. After full production ramp-up, 150,000 tons of used lead-acid batteries can be processed and 100,000 tons of lead can be produced at full capacity. It is expected 40,000 tons of lead can be produced in 2012. The recycled lead can be used for internally for lead-acid battery production. As lead accounted for 65% of production costs of lead-acid batteries, self-production of recycled lead can reduce the earnings sensitivity to lead price.

Valuation: We have raised our FD FY2012 EPS estimates by 10.2% to Rmb0.6518. The counter is trading at est. FY2012 PER of 6.02x and P/B of 1.44x. We raise our 1-year target price to HK\$6.42, based on FY2012 PER of 8.0x. Maintain BUY.

Risk factors: Demand drop in lead-acid batteries, greater-than-expected drop in ASP, products substitution risks

Results and valuation

| (FY ended Dec 31) | FY09A | FY10A | FY11A | FY12F | FY13F |
|---------------------|----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Revenue (Rmb mn) | 2,254.9 | 3,752.8 | 5,438.3 | 7,345.0 | 9,040.0 |
| YoY Chg (%) | -12.8% | 66.4% | 44.9% | 35.1% | 23.1% |
| Net Income (Rmb mn) | 270.7 | 346.3 | 615.9 | 719.2 | 833.7 |
| YoY Chg (%) | 15.6% | 27.9% | 77.9% | 16.8% | 15.9% |
| FD EPS (Rmb) | 0.2430 | 0.2993 | 0.5630 | 0.6518 | 0.7556 |
| YoY Chg (%) | 3.8% | 23.1% | 88.1% | 15.8% | 15.9% |
| NBV (Rmb/share) | 1.5579 | 1.8057 | 2.2944 | 2.7324 | 3.2633 |
| PE (x) | | | 6.97 | 6.02 | 5.19 |
| PB (x) | | | 1.71 | 1.44 | 1.20 |
| ROAA (%) | 13.79% | 12.96% | 15.66% | 12.79% | 11.33% |
| ROAE (%) | 18.55% | 19.03% | 27.64% | 26.13% | 25.30% |
| Net D/E (%) | Net cash | 2.85% | 22.05% | 48.87% | 46.75% |

^{*}We assume Rmb1 = HK\$1.23; Source: Company, ABCI Securities estimates



Key takeaways

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Due to two price hikes in Jul and Aug 2011, GP margin increased by 3.3ppts YoY in 1H2012. However, the 10% price cut in Oct 2011 and sales rebate in Apr and May this year has caused GP margin to drop from 32.8% in 2H2011 to 25.8% in 1H2012. Going forward, since sales rebates will not be given during Jul to Sep, which is the traditional peak season of e-bike sales, we expect GP margin to expand in 2H2012 and estimate that overall GP margin to be 27.8% in 2012, vs 28.2% in 2011.

Progress of lead-acid battery recycling plant: Full trial operation of the recycling plant in Zhejiang started in Jun 2012 as expected. After full production ramp-up, 150,000 tons of used lead-acid batteries can be processed and 100,000 tons of lead can be produced at full capacity. It is expected 40,000 tons of lead can be produced in 2012. The recycled lead can be used for internally of lead-acid battery production. As lead accounted for 65% of production costs of lead-acid batteries, self-production of recycled lead can reduce the earnings sensitivity to lead price.

However, lead price has been on a downtrend this year due to global economic slowdown. We believe the continue drop in lead price will reduce the profitability of the lead-recycling plant and counter off the effect of lower production costs that can bring to the lead-acid batteries production segment.

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Jan-11 Mar-11 May-11 Jul-11 Sep-11 Nov-11 Jan-12 Mar-12 May-12 Jul-12

Exhibit 1: Lead price in China (Rmb/ton)

Source: Bloomberg

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Exhibit 2: Lead price in China

| | 1Q11 | 2Q11 | 3Q11 | 4Q11 | 1Q12 | 2Q12 | Jul till now |
|-------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------------|
| Av lead price (Rmb/ton) | 17,438 | 16,539 | 16,329 | 15,296 | 15,760 | 15,363 | 15,613 |
| QoQ Chg | 0.16% | -5.16% | -1.27% | -6.33% | 3.03% | -2.52% | 1.63% |

Source: Bloomberg; ABCI Securities estimates

Valuation: Sale volumes were on track in 1H2012 and we maintained our sales target of 65mn units this year. However, lead price is weaker-than expected and we have lower our assumed lead price by 2.5% to Rmb15,600/ton which have raised our FD FY2012 EPS estimates by 10.2% to Rmb0.6518. Due to uncertainty in the recycling business, we have not priced in the potential profit and its lead cost impact into our valuation model. But if we assume the group can sell lead at ASP of Rmb15,600, the business could bring in an additional Rmb50mn net profit (or Rmb0.0454/share) to the group based on 8% of net profit margin. The counter is trading at est. FY2012 PER of 6.02x and P/B of 1.44x. We raise our 1-year target price to HK\$6.42, based on FY2012 PER of 8.0x. Maintain BUY.

Risks: ST borrowings increased rapidly by Rmb908mn to Rmb2,378mn as at the end of Jun 2012 since end of last year due to M&A and high CAPEX this year. Net debt to equity ratio of the group therefore increased from 22.1% from the end of 2011 to 53.2% as at the end of Jun 2012. CAPEX is expected to reach Rmb900mn in 2012 and Rmb800mn in 2013 and we believe there could be equity financing this year given the share is trading near its 52 week high.

Exhibit 4: Our revisions to revenue and earnings forecasts

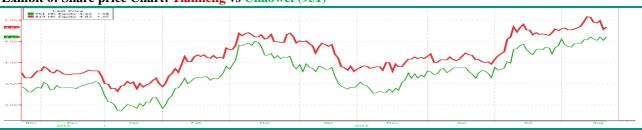
| | | New Forecast | Prev | vious Forecast | | Difference |
|-------------------------|---------|--------------|---------|----------------|-------|------------|
| FY ended Dec 31 (Rmbmn) | 2012F | 2013F | 2012F | 2013F | 2012F | 2013F |
| Revenue | 7,345.0 | 9,040.0 | 7,345.0 | 9,040.0 | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| Gross profit | 2,041.3 | 2,454.4 | 1,952.9 | 2,345.6 | 4.5% | 4.6% |
| Net profit | 719.2 | 833.7 | 652.9 | 752.1 | 10.2% | 10.8% |
| FD EPS (Rmb/share) | 0.6518 | 0.7556 | 0.5917 | 0.6816 | 10.2% | 10.9% |

Exhibit 5: Consensus

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|-------------------------|---------|------------|---------|-----------|-------|------------|
| | Ne | w Forecast | | Consensus | | Difference |
| FY ended Dec 31 (Rmbmn) | 2012F | 2013F | 2012F | 2013F | 2012F | 2013F |
| Revenue | 7,345.0 | 9,040.0 | 7,335.0 | 8,830.0 | 0.1% | 2.4% |
| Gross profit | 2,041.3 | 2,454.4 | 1,946.0 | 2,303.6 | 4.9% | 6.5% |
| Net profit | 719.2 | 833.7 | 712.0 | 841.0 | 1.0% | -0.9% |
| FD EPS (Rmb/share) | 0.6518 | 0.7556 | 0.635 | 0.754 | 2.6% | 0.2% |

Source: Bloomberg, ABCI Securities estimates

Exhibit 6: Share price Chart: Tianneng vs Chaowei (951)



Source: Bloomberg



Profit Forecast

| FY ended Dec 31 (Rmbmn) | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012F | 2013F |
|-----------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Revenue | 2,254.9 | 3,752.8 | 5,438.3 | 7,345.0 | 9,040.0 |
| CoS | (1,613.1) | (2,881.4) | (3,906.2) | (5,303.7) | (6,585.6) |
| Gross profit | 641.8 | 871.4 | 1,532.2 | 2,041.3 | 2,454.4 |
| Other income | 62.2 | 74.8 | 91.0 | 73.5 | 90.4 |
| S&D | (197.1) | (224.7) | (261.9) | (367.3) | (452.0) |
| Admin | (83.4) | (110.9) | (197.9) | (264.4) | (325.4) |
| R&D | (65.3) | (112.4) | (198.0) | (271.8) | (334.5) |
| Other expenses | (25.2) | (55.1) | (67.5) | (91.8) | (113.0) |
| Share of associate | | 0.0 | (0.3) | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| EBIT | 333.0 | 443.1 | 908.5 | 1,119.5 | 1,319.9 |
| Finance costs | (13.3) | (14.3) | (78.8) | (160.6) | (208.2) |
| EBT | 319.7 | 428.8 | 829.6 | 958.9 | 1,111.7 |
| Tax | (49.0) | (82.5) | (213.7) | (239.7) | (277.9) |
| Net profit | 270.7 | 346.3 | 615.9 | 719.2 | 833.7 |
| D&A | 52.0 | 65.4 | 79.9 | 125.8 | 161.8 |
| EBITDA | 385.0 | 508.4 | 988.3 | 1,245.3 | 1,481.6 |
| No. of issued shares (mn) | 1,080.0 | 1,083.3 | 1,089.8 | 1,099.3 | 1,099.3 |
| No. of issuable shares | | | | | |
| Share options @ HK\$1.22 | 33.8 | 29.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Share options @ HK\$3.18 | 0.0 | 44.2 | 4.2 | 4.1 | 4.1 |
| Total no. of diluted shares | 1,113.8 | 1,157.0 | 1,094.0 | 1,103.4 | 1,103.4 |
| Per share value (Rmb) | | | | | |
| DPS (Rmb) | 0.0780 | 0.0976 | 0.1690 | 0.1963 | 0.2275 |
| Basic EPS (Rmb) | 0.2506 | 0.3196 | 0.5652 | 0.6542 | 0.7584 |
| Fully-diluted EPS (Rmb) | 0.2430 | 0.2993 | 0.5630 | 0.6518 | 0.7556 |
| NBV (Rmb/share) | 1.5579 | 1.8057 | 2.2944 | 2.7324 | 3.2633 |

Financial Ratio Analysis

| FY ended Dec 31 (Rmbmn) | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012F | 2013F |
|--|---------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Profitability | 28.46% | 23.22% | 28.17% | 27.79% | 27.15% |
| GP Margin | 17.07% | 13.55% | 18.17% | 16.95% | 16.39% |
| EBITDA Margin | 14.77% | 11.81% | 16.70% | 15.24% | 14.60% |
| EBIT Margin | 14.18% | 11.42% | 15.26% | 13.06% | 12.30% |
| EBT Margin | 12.00% | 9.23% | 11.33% | 9.79% | 9.22% |
| NP Margin | 28.46% | 23.22% | 28.17% | 27.79% | 27.15% |
| ROAA | 13.79% | 12.96% | 15.66% | 12.79% | 11.33% |
| ROAE | 18.55% | 19.03% | 27.64% | 26.13% | 25.30% |
| Working capital management | | | | | |
| Avg. inventories/COGS (days) | 85 | 160 | 123 | 180 | 180 |
| Avg. trade receivables/turnover (days) | 37 | 82 | 71 | 100 | 100 |
| Avg. trade payables/COGS (days) | 61 | 112 | 80 | 110 | 110 |
| Liquidity | | | | | |
| Current ratio | 2.48 | 1.77 | 1.33 | 1.11 | 1.07 |
| Quick ratio | 1.44 | 1.03 | 0.84 | 0.68 | 0.69 |
| Equity/ Assets | 74.50% | 63.42% | 52.28% | 46.47% | 43.45% |
| Net Debt/ Total Equity | -19.92% | 2.85% | 22.05% | 48.87% | 46.75% |

Source: The group (for historical figures only), ABCI Securities estimates



Balance Sheet Forecast

| As of Dec 31 (Rmbmn) | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012F | 2013F |
|------------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| PPE | 712.7 | 981.6 | 1,583.5 | 2,362.2 | 3,002.5 |
| Prepaid lease payments | 84.4 | 97.3 | 102.2 | 187.9 | 185.9 |
| Others | 30.4 | 60.6 | 79.9 | 79.9 | 79.9 |
| Non-current assets | 827.4 | 1,139.5 | 1,765.6 | 2,630.0 | 3,268.2 |
| Inventories | 599.1 | 818.8 | 1,124.7 | 1,490.8 | 1,756.9 |
| Held-for-trading investments | 0.0 | 0.0 | 34.6 | 34.6 | 34.6 |
| Bills, trade and other receivables | 374.9 | 634.8 | 822.2 | 1,190.2 | 1,286.5 |
| Prepaid lease payments | 1.8 | 2.1 | 2.3 | 2.3 | 2.3 |
| Amount due from a related company | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Time deposits | 0.0 | 0.0 | 110.0 | 110.0 | 110.0 |
| Restricted bank deposits | 94.8 | 65.0 | 166.1 | 166.1 | 166.1 |
| Bank balances and cash | 360.3 | 424.3 | 752.9 | 836.3 | 1,627.1 |
| Others | 0.0 | 0.0 | 4.5 | 4.5 | 4.5 |
| Current assets | 1,431.0 | 1,945.0 | 3,017.3 | 3,834.7 | 4,988.0 |
| Bills, trade and other payables | 440.2 | 545.4 | 710.0 | 888.4 | 1,096.3 |
| Amount due to a related company | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| Taxation payable | 15.7 | 37.9 | 83.9 | 83.9 | 83.9 |
| Bank borrowings | 120.0 | 515.0 | 1,470.4 | 2,470.4 | 3,470.4 |
| Current liabilities | 575.9 | 1,098.4 | 2,264.3 | 3,442.7 | 4,650.6 |
| Bank borrowings | 0.0 | 30.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Deferred tax liabilities | 0.0 | 0.0 | 18.1 | 18.1 | 18.1 |
| Non-current liabilities | 0.0 | 30.0 | 18.1 | 18.1 | 18.1 |
| Total assets | 2,258.4 | 3,084.5 | 4,782.9 | 6,464.7 | 8,256.2 |
| Net assets | 1,682.5 | 1,956.2 | 2,500.5 | 3,003.9 | 3,587.5 |
| Capital & reserves: | | | | | |
| Share capital | 106.1 | 106.4 | 106.9 | 106.9 | 106.9 |
| Reserves | 1,576.4 | 1,849.8 | 2,393.6 | 2,897.0 | 3,480.6 |
| Total equity | 1,682.5 | 1,956.2 | 2,500.5 | 3,003.9 | 3,587.5 |

Cash Flow Forecast

| As of Dec 31 (Rmbmn) | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012F | 2013F |
|--|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| EBITDA | 385.0 | 508.4 | 988.3 | 1,245.3 | 1,481.6 |
| Change in inventories. | (231.2) | (219.7) | (303.8) | (366.1) | (266.1) |
| Change in bills, trade and other receivables | (234.9) | (254.6) | (171.7) | (368.0) | (96.4) |
| Change in trade payables | 187.9 | 89.7 | 125.7 | 178.4 | 207.9 |
| Others | (27.0) | 19.5 | 4.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Cash (used in)/generated from operations | 79.9 | 143.3 | 642.9 | 689.6 | 1,327.0 |
| Interest paid | (13.0) | (14.0) | (64.6) | (160.6) | (208.2) |
| Income tax paid | (44.2) | (68.1) | (166.1) | (239.7) | (277.9) |
| CF from operating activities | 22.6 | 61.2 | 412.2 | 289.3 | 840.9 |
| Cash flows from investing activities | (292.1) | (341.9) | (910.2) | (990.2) | (800.0) |
| Cash flows from financing activities | 99.4 | 344.7 | 826.6 | 784.2 | 749.9 |

Source: The group (for historical figures only), ABCI Securities estimates $\,$



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