

Company Report

China Shenhua (1088 HK) July 10, 2013

Rating: BUY TP: HK\$27.0

Previous Rating & TP: BUY, HK\$33.00 Previous Report: May 15, 2013

Key Data

| H-Share price (HK\$) | 19.42 |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| Upside potential (%) | 39.03 |
| 52Wk H/L(HK\$) | 35.45/18.10 |
| Issued shares (mn) | 19,890 |
| H-shares (mn) | 3,399 |
| A-shares (mn) | 16,491 |
| Market cap | |
| H-shares (HK\$mn) | 66,000 |
| A-shares (Rmb mn) | 260,723 |
| 3-mth avg daily turnover (HK\$mn) | 527.1 |
| Major shareholder (%): | |
| Shenhua Group Ltd. | 73.01% |

Source: Company, Bloomberg, ABCI Securities

Revenue composition in FY12 (%)

| Coal | 66.3 |
|--------|------|
| Power | 28.4 |
| Others | 5.3 |

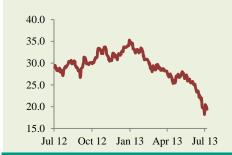
Source: Company, ABCI Securities

Share performance (%)

| | Absolute | Relative* |
|-------|----------|-----------|
| 1-mth | (22.5) | (18.3) |
| 3-mth | (28.7) | (22.6) |
| 6-mth | (43.2) | (32.7) |

*Relative to HSCEI Index Source: Bloomberg, ABCI Securities

1-Year price performance (HK\$)



Source: Bloomberg

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Defensive play amid price war

We revised down China Shenhua's EPS due to recent price war and weak support from government to restrict imports of low- quality coals. The stock plunged to FY13E P/E of 6.4x. However, the Group's low unit cost would help enlarge market shares in the price war, and its solid power business would make it a defensive play in the thermal coal sector. We maintain our BUY rating but reduced TP to HK\$27.0, reflecting a valuation of 9.1x FY13 PER.

Weak support from government to restrict low-quality coal imports. Though coal producers lobbied actively in the past months to urge the Chinese government to restrict imports of low-quality thermal coals, the IPPs fought against the suggestion strongly and it has been reported that the central government was reluctant to lend support to coal producers. We believe the government is likely to leave the decision to the market, and measures to deter coal imports, if any, would be mild.

Price cut hurt China Shenhua, but we expect the loss to be mild. China Shenhua was reported (for details, please refer our previous report on June 28) to have cut the spot coal price in the price war against China Coal (1898 HK). However, based on its highly competitive cost of Rmb121.4/t, as compared to Rmb216.15/t for China Coal in 1Q13, we expect China Shenhua to suffer less while gaining more market shares amid the price war. We lowered the Company's spot ASP by 10.0% and reduced its FY13E EPS by 5.2% to Rmb2.36.

Maintain BUY. We believe that price war will distress the sector's valuation. However, considering China Shenhua's low cost of coal/t, large market share within the power industry, and high double-digit ROE for FY12A & FY13E, we maintain our BUY rating with TP at HK\$27.X, reflecting a valuation of FY13E forward P/E of 9.1x (10.5x previously).

Risk factors: 1) Coal price risk; 2) Imbalance in supply and demand; 3) Business cycles of downstream industry

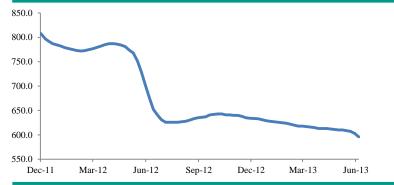
Results and Valuation

| FY ended Dec 31 | 2011A | 2012A | 2013E | 2014E |
|---------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Revenue (Rmb mn) | 209,225 | 250,260 | 258,899 | 286,124 |
| Chg (%, YoY) | 32.7 | 19.6 | 3.5 | 10.5 |
| Net Income (Rmb mn) | 45,846 | 48,858 | 46,980 | 49,278 |
| Chg (%, YoY) | 18.1 | 6.6 | (3.8) | 4.9 |
| EPS (Rmb) | 2.31 | 2.46 | 2.36 | 2.48 |
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| BVPS (Rmb) | 11.5 | 12.9 | 14.7 | 16.7 |
| Chg (%, YoY) | 11.3 | 12.4 | 14.2 | 13.1 |
| P/E(x) | - | 6.3 | 6.53 | 6.22 |
| P/B(x) | - | 1.2 | 1.05 | 0.93 |
| DPS (Rmb) | 0.90 | 0.96 | 0.92 | 0.97 |
| Yield (%) | - | 6.7 | 6.73 | 7.38 |
| ROE (%) | 21.2 | 20.16 | 17.09 | 15.78 |
| ROA(%) | 11.8 | 11.31 | 9.98 | 9.75 |

Source: Company, Bloomberg, ABCI Securities estimates (Rmb1.0=HK\$1.26)

Thermal coal spot price dropped to Rmb596/t after the kick-off of the price war among large coal competitors.

Bohai-Rim steam coal price index (Rmb/t, till July 8, 2013)



Source: Wind, ABCI Securities

The coal inventory at QHD port rebounded to 6.92mnt on June 29, 2013.

Coal inventory at QHD port (10k tonnes, up to June 29, 2013)



Source: Wind, ABCI Securities



Consolidated income statement (2010A-2014E)

| FY ended Dec 31 (Rmb mn) | 1Q13 | 2010A | 2011RS | 2012A | 2013E | 2014E |
|---|--------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Revenue | 60,039 | 157,662 | 209,225 | 250,260 | 258,899 | 286,124 |
| Coal revenue | | 106,080 | 138,263 | 165,989 | 164,958 | 177,473 |
| Power revenue | | 44,800 | 61,204 | 71,096 | 80,310 | 93,588 |
| Other revenues | | 6,782 | 9,758 | 13,175 | 13,630 | 15,063 |
| Cost of sales | | (90,142) | (128,638) | (167,754) | (176,672) | (197,426) |
| Gross profit | | 67,520 | 80,587 | 82,506 | 82,226 | 88,699 |
| SG&A | | (9,219) | (11,056) | (12,950) | (15,168) | (17,767) |
| Other operating expenses, net | | (776) | (825) | 48 | 48 | 48 |
| Profit from operations | | 57,525 | 68,706 | 69,604 | 67,106 | 70,980 |
| Other income/cost/and loss | | (1,583) | (1,857) | (1,593) | (1,726) | (1,659) |
| Pre-tax profit | | 55,942 | 66,849 | 68,011 | 65,380 | 69,321 |
| Profits tax | | (11,473) | (14,041) | (10,965) | (10,526) | (11,784) |
| Net profit | | 44,469 | 52,808 | 57,046 | 54,854 | 57,536 |
| Profit attributable to: Minority interests | | 5,635 | 6,962 | 8,188 | 7,873 | 8,258 |
| Equity shareholders of the Company | 11,625 | 38,834 | 45,846 | 48,858 | 46,980 | 49,278 |
| EPS (Basic, Rmb) | 0.584 | 1.95 | 2.31 | 2.46 | 2.36 | 2.48 |
| Dividend per share (Rmb) | | 0.75 | 0.90 | 0.96 | 0.92 | 0.97 |

Source: Company, ABCI Securities estimates



Consolidated balance sheet (2010A-2014E)

| FY ended Dec31 (Rmb mn) | 2010A | 2011RS | 2012A | 2013E | 2014E |
|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Property, plant and equipment | 188,061 | 223,329 | 236,048 | 271,455 | 307,405 |
| Construction in progress | 33,088 | 34,384 | 61,142 | 64,199 | 67,409 |
| Intangible assets | 3,248 | 3,610 | 3,781 | 3,781 | 3,781 |
| Other non-current assets | 28,273 | 36,658 | 45,036 | 46,801 | 48,885 |
| Total non-current assets | 252,670 | 297,981 | 346,007 | 386,236 | 427,480 |
| Inventories | 11,574 | 12,939 | 15,171 | 15,077 | 16,221 |
| Accounts and bills receivable | 11,424 | 13,618 | 20,028 | 19,904 | 21,414 |
| Prepaid expenses and other current assets | 14,250 | 12,694 | 14,480 | 14,480 | 14,480 |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 77,912 | 61,652 | 51,627 | 38,237 | 37,001 |
| Other current assets | 4,301 | 7,623 | 10,054 | 10,054 | 10,054 |
| Current assets | 119,461 | 108,526 | 111,360 | 97,752 | 99,169 |
| Total assets | 372,131 | 406,507 | 457,367 | 483,988 | 526,650 |
| Short-term borrowings and current portion of long-term borrowings | (15,317) | (16,489) | (28,093) | (18,627) | (22,808) |
| Accounts and bills payable | (19,661) | (23,763) | (31,072) | (27,418) | (29,245) |
| Accrued expenses and other payables | (36,893) | (39,286) | (41,423) | (40,355) | (40,889) |
| Current portion of long-term payables | (497) | (271) | (283) | (277) | (280) |
| Income tax payable | (4,558) | (7,940) | (4,686) | (6,313) | (5,500) |
| Total current liabilities | (76,926) | (87,749) | (105,557) | (92,989) | (98,721) |
| Long-term borrowings, less current portion | (52,311) | (45,443) | (39,624) | (42,534) | (41,079) |
| Long-term payables, less current portion | (2,133) | (2,346) | (2,558) | (2,452) | (2,505) |
| Other Non-current liabilities | (3,334) | (2,855) | (3,071) | (2,963) | (3,017) |
| Total non-current liabilities | (57,778) | (50,644) | (45,253) | (47,949) | (46,601) |
| Total liabilities | (134,704) | (138,393) | (150,810) | (140,938) | (145,322) |
| Total equity | 237,427 | 268,114 | 306,557 | 343,050 | 381,328 |
| Non-controlling interests | 32,314 | 39,915 | 49,968 | 49,968 | 49,968 |
| Equity of the firm | 205,113 | 228,199 | 256,589 | 293,082 | 331,360 |
| Book value/share (Rmb) | 10.31 | 11.47 | 12.90 | 14.74 | 16.66 |

Source: Company, ABCI Securities estimates



Consolidated cash flow statement (2010A-2014E)

| FY ended Dec 31 (Rmb mn) | 2010A | 2011RS | 2012A | 2013E | 2014E |
|---|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Profit before income tax | 55,942 | 66,849 | 68,011 | 65,380 | 69,321 |
| (Increase) decrease in inventories | (3,129) | (714) | (2,232) | 94 | (1,144) |
| Decrease in trade and bills receivables | (1,947) | (953) | (6,410) | 124 | (1,510) |
| Interest received | 1,248 | 978 | 750 | 1,175 | 1,217 |
| Interest paid | (3,760) | (3,300) | (3,554) | (3,313) | (3,321) |
| Income tax paid | (9,767) | (11,830) | (14,689) | (10,526) | (11,784) |
| Other adjusted items | 19,986 | 19,919 | 27,179 | 16,535 | 25,716 |
| Net CF of Operating | 58,573 | 70,949 | 69,055 | 69,469 | 78,494 |
| Capital expenditure | (30,538) | (45,082) | (52,256) | (54,869) | (57,612) |
| Acquisition of subsidiaries | 473 | (1,666) | (1,072) | (1,369) | (1,221) |
| Others | (1,067) | (8,507) | (8,602) | 611 | 1,156 |
| Net cash used in investing activities | (31,132) | (55,255) | (61,930) | (55,627) | (57,677) |
| Proceeds from borrowings | 31,548 | 4,691 | 36,099 | 20,395 | 28,247 |
| Repayments of borrowings | (42,225) | (21,184) | (34,534) | (27,859) | (31,197) |
| Cash flows from other financing | (11,871) | (14,840) | (18,718) | (19,771) | (19,107) |
| Net cash from financing activities | (22,548) | (31,333) | (17,153) | (27,235) | (22,057) |
| Net change in cash | 4,893 | (15,639) | (10,028) | (13,393) | (1,239) |
| Cash at the beginning | 72,321 | 77,302 | 61,652 | 51,627 | 38,237 |
| Exchange difference | (2) | (11) | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| Cash at the end | 77,212 | 61,652 | 51,627 | 38,237 | 37,001 |

Source: Company, ABCI Securities estimates



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| Rating | Definition |
|--------|--|
| Buy | Stock return ≥ Market return rate |
| Hold | Market return $-6\% \le \text{Stock return} < \text{Market return rate}$ |
| Sell | Stock return < Market return − 6% |

Stock return is defined as the expected % change of share price plus gross dividend yield over the next 12 months

Market return: 5-year average market return rate from 2007-2011

Time horizon of share price target: 12-month

Definition of share price risk

| Rating | Definition |
|-----------|---|
| Very high | 2.6 ≤180 day volatility/180 day benchmark index volatility |
| High | $1.5 \le 180$ day volatility/180 day benchmark index volatility < 2.6 |
| Medium | 1.0 ≤180 day volatility/180 day benchmark index volatility < 1.5 |
| Low | 180 day volatility/180 day benchmark index volatility < 1.0 |

We measure share price risk by its volatility relative to volatility of benchmark index. Benchmark index: Hang Seng Index.

Volatility is calculated from the standard deviation of day to day logarithmic historic price change. The 180-day price volatility equals the annualized standard deviation of the relative price change for the 180 most recent trading days closing price.

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