Flash Note

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Lucky Cement Limited (LUCK)

Earnings: Lucky Cement Limited (LUCK) announced its 9MFY24 result. The Company reported unconsolidated earnings of PKR 18.6bn (EPS PKR 63.65 @ 293mn shares) during 9MFY24, up by +67.5%y/y. During 3QFY24, the company reported earnings of PKR 4.9bn (EPS: 16.85 @ 293mn shares) compared to earnings of PKR 4.0bn (EPS: 13.67 @ 293mn shares) in the same period last year. This increase in earnings is primarily attributable to an increase of 18%y/y in total dispatches during 9MFY24, export dispatches have witnessed a substantial increase of 68%y/y whereas the local dispatches have increased by 9%y/y during the period under review.

Dividend/Payout: The Company did not announce any cash dividend.

Operating Performance: During 3QFY24, the Company's net sales increased to PKR 27.5bn depicting an incline of +10%y/y. During 9MFY24, the Company's net sales increased to PKR 87.4bn up by 24%y/y. In the 9MFY24, the local dispatches were up by +18%y/y due to the increased construction activity and the addition of new production line in Pezu. On quarterly basis, the company's gross margins stood at 29% as compared to 36% in the previous quarter and 26% during the same period last year. Other income stood at PKR 2.8bn (up by+84%y/y) compared to PKR 1.5bn during the same period last year. Effective tax rate during 3QFY24 stood at 31% compared to 29% in the same period last year bringing total effective tax rate for 9MFY24 to 33% compared to 29% during 9MFY23.

Exhibit: Lucky Cement Company Limited (LUCK) Financial highlights										
For period ending: 3g/24										
PKRbn	9MFY24	3q/24	2q/24	1q/24	9MFY23	3q/23	2q/23	1q/23	ΔΥοΥ	ΔQoQ
Net Sales	87.4	27.5	30.5	29.4	70.3	25.0	25.6	19.7	10%	-10%
Gross Profits	29.8	7.9	11.0	10.8	19.0	6.5	6.5	6.0	23%	-28%
Admin	1.6	0.5	0.5	0.5	1.4	0.5	0.5	0.4	21%	3%
EBIT	29.0	7.6	10.6	10.8	16.5	5.8	5.1	5.6	30%	-28%
Finance cost	1.2	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.8	0.2	0.4	0.3	110%	-8%
Profit before tax	27.8	7.2	10.1	10.5	15.7	5.6	4.7	5.4	27%	-29%
Taxation	9.1	2.2	3.3	3.5	4.6	1.6	1.4	1.5	37%	-33%
Profit after Tax	18.6	4.9	6.8	6.9	11.1	4.0	3.3	3.9	23%	-27%
EPS*	63.65	16.85	23.14	23.65	38.00	13.67	11.18	13.15	23.3%	-27%
DPS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	-
Gross Margins	34%	29%	36%	37%	27%	26%	25%	31%	3%	-7%
EBIT Margins	33%	27%	35%	37%	23%	23%	20%	28%	4%	-7%
Effective tax	33%	31%	33%	34%	29%	29%	30%	28%	2%	-2%
Net Margins	21%	18%	22%	24%	16%	16%	13%	20%	2%	-4%

Source: Company Accounts, IGI Research, *Number of Shares (mn): 293

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