

Chip Eng Seng Corporation Ltd

Roaring launch at Grandeur Park Residences

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- Chip Eng Seng Corporation's (CES) launched a 720-unit condominium development, Grandeur Park Residences, on 4 March 2017
- S\$79m in development profits after taxes to be recognised progressively; SG12 cents added to our FY17 RNAV estimates
- Sales volume expected to moderate due to the larger size of remaining unsold units; Demand to remain strong amid declining unsold inventory in vicinity

What is the news?

CES officially launched Granduer Park Residences, a 720-unit condominium development project, last weekend on 4 March 2017. The development is located in the Tanah Merah district along New Upper Changi Road and approximately 200 metres away from the Tanah Merah MRT Station. CES sold 420 units (c.58%) on the first weekend of the new development's launch. Out of which, majority of these units are comprised of 1-bedroom and 2-bedroom apartments (39 sqm to 58 sqm).

What do we think of this?

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We first highlighted the pre-launch details of Grandeur Park Residences in a <u>previous report</u> <u>dated 21 February 2017</u> where average selling prices (ASP) of S\$1,350 PSF transacted at the development came in within our expectations. We expect CES to generate cost savings in construction costs for the development, as the land site does not require prefabricated prefinished volumetric construction system as well as taking construction works in-house. We are expecting CES to potentially lock in a development margin in the range of 16 - 19% and progressively recognise development profits after taxes of S\$65.6 million from the sale of 420 units. We have included contributions from the sales of the 420 units in the new development and added SG12 cents in our FY17 RNAV estimates.

Sales volume expected to moderate in the development as remaining units are larger in size; Demand is likely to remain strong as inventory of unsold units in vicinity is declining

The sizes of remaining unsold units are mostly three bedrooms which are ranging from 82 sqm to 135 sqm, translating to purchase prices of S\$1.2 million to S\$2 million. We are expecting sales volume to moderate in the development for the rest of the 300 unsold units due to their higher purchase prices. This is because units with prices in the sub S\$1 million range will typically sell faster compared to more expensive units amid the 60% total debt servicing ratio requirement. However, we are optimistic that CES will be able to maintain the current ASP as demand is likely to remain strong amid a shrinking supply of unsold units in the vicinity. The two nearby developments, Eco (99.6%) and The Glades (84.4%) are mostly sold where the two developments have 116 units left unsold as at 4Q16.

Investment Action

With a SG12 cents boost to our FY17 RNAV estimates (before taking a 50% discount to RNAV) from the the sale of 420 units in Grandeur Park Residences, we maintained our **'Accumulate'** rating on CES and increased our TP to **S\$0.87** (previous S\$0.81) based on our FY17 RNAV estimates.

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Accumulate (Maintained)							
LAST DONE PRICE	SGD 0.725						
FORECAST DIV	SGD 0.040						
TARGET PRICE	SGD 0.870						
TOTAL RETURN	25.5%						
COMPANY DATA							
O/S SHARES (MN) :	621						
MARKET CAP (USD mn / SGD mn) :	315 / 447						
52 - WK HI/LO (SGD) :	0.74/0.61						
3M Average Daily T/O (mn) :	0.71						
MAJOR SHAREHOLDERS (%)							
LIM TIAM SENG	12.5%						
LIM CHUAN TIANG	7.1%						
CHIA LEE MENG	4.1%						
KENYON PTE LTD	4.0%						

PRICE PERFORMANCE (%)			
	1MTH	3MTH	1YR
COMPANY	8.3	15.2	15.8
STI RETURN	3.4	11.1	23.6



Y/E Mar	FY16	FY17E	FY18E
Gross Rev. (SGD mn)	748	796	750
Gross Profit (SGD mn)	146	151	142
Net Income (SGD mn)	36	44	44
P/B (x)	0.60	0.58	0.58
DPS (Cents)	4.0	4.0	4.0
Dividend Yield, %	5.6	5.5	5.5

Source: Company Data, PSR est.

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Valuations

RNAV Valuation (S\$ m)	Valuation (S\$ m)
NAV as at FY17E	792
Development surplus (Singapore)	211
Development surplus (Australia)	79
RNAV*	1082
Shares outstanding (m)	621
RNAV per share (S\$)	1.74
Discount (%)	50%
Target Price(S\$)	0.87
Current price (S\$)	0.73
Upside/(downside), (%)	20.9%

*Our RNAV estimates do not include projected contributions from Tower Melbourne

Financials

Income Statement

Y/E Dec, SGD mn	FY15	FY16	FY17E	FY18E	FY19E
Revenue	676	748	796	750	679
Cost of Sales	-515	-602	-645	-608	-550
Other Items of Income					
Int & Div Income	5	13	10	9	11
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Other Items of Expense					
Marketing & Distribution	-28	-7	-8	-8	-7
Administrative Expenses	-57	-60	-68	-64	-58
Finance Costs	-16	-20	-18	-14	-12
Share of Results of Associates	1	-0.7	1.0	1.2	1.4
Profit Before Tax	68	76	71	70	68
Income Tax Expense	-10	-24	-11	-10	-10
Net Income	63	36	44	44	44

Cash Flow

Y/E Dec, SGD mn	FY15	FY16	FY17E	FY18E	FY19E
Profit Before Tax	68	76	71	70	68
Depreciation & Amortization	6	7	7	7	7
Other Non-cash items	-10	64	-17	-7	52
OCF Before Changes in WC	64	147	61	70	127
Trade & Other Receivables	-27	170	-213	17	26
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Inventories	288	-506	463	385	279
Net interest expense	-13.9	-15.7	-15.7	-11.6	-8.6
Income Taxes Paid	-16	-20	-18	-14	-12
Other Items Combined	-74	-161	-82	-105	-173
Cashflow from Operations	300	-251	300	404	354
PPE & Investment Properties	-21	-4	-10	-14	-14
Other Items Combined	3	7	0	0	0
Cashflow from Investing	-18	3	-10	-14	-14
Loans & Borrowings	-82	312	7	-225	-158
Dividends Paid	-37	-25	-25	-25	-25
Other Items Combined	-5	0	0	0	0
Cashflow from Financing	-124	287	-18	-250	-183
Increase in Cash & Equivalents	157	39	272	141	157
Cash & Equivalents (Beginning)	285	442	482	753	894
Cash & Equivalents (Ending)	442	482	753	894	1050

Balance Sheet					
Y/E Dec, SGD mn	FY15	FY16	FY17E	FY18E	FY19E
Property, Plant & Equipment	225	220	223	230	237
Investment Properties	287	296	301	311	321
Other Non-current Assets	23	12	10	3	-4
Non-Current Assets	536	528	534	544	554
Development Properties	625	1,128	664	279	0
Completed ppties held-for-sale	39	0	0	0	0
Trade & Other Receivables	249	81	294	278	251
Cash & Short-Term Deposits	442	482	753	894	1,050
Other Current Assets	15	14	14	14	14
Current Assets	1,371	1,704	1,726	1,464	1,315
Total Assets	1,907	2,232	2,260	2,008	1,869
Loans & Borrowings	120	234	143	128	116
Trade & Other Payables	117	86	129	122	110
Other Liabilities	80	82	92	102	110
Current Liabilities	317	402	365	351	335
Loans & Borrowings	738	937	1,035	825	679
Deferred Tax Liabilities	16	10	10	10	10
Non-Current Liabilities	754	947	1,044	835	689
Total Liabilities	1,164	1,456	1,462	1,186	1,025
Non-Controlling Interests	-5	11	27	42	55
Shareholder Equity	743	777	797	822	845

Ratios					
Y/E Dec	FY15	FY16	FY17E	FY18E	FY19E
Valuations, Growth & Margins (%)					
Valuations					
P/B (X)	0.6	0.60	0.58	0.58	0.6
Dividend Yield (%)	5.7%	5.6%	5.5%	5.5%	5.5%
Growth					
Revenue	-39%	11%	6%	-6%	-9%
Net Income	-78%	-43%	24%	1%	-1%
Shareholder Equity	1%	5%	3%	3%	3%
Margins					
Gross Profit Margin	30%	24%	20%	21%	21%
Net Profit Margin	24%	9%	5%	5%	6%

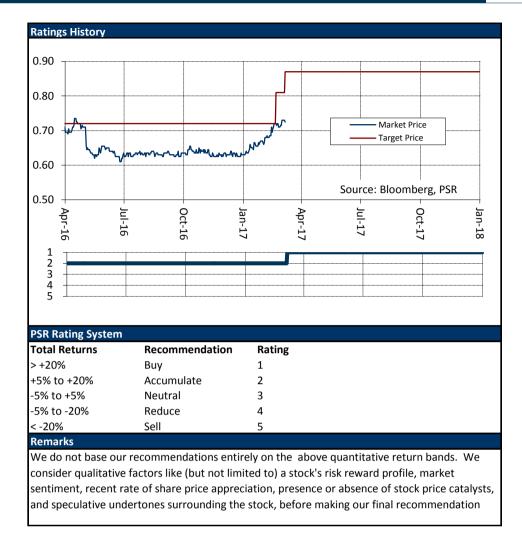
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