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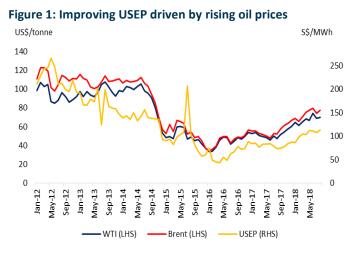
Renewing portfolio and a spark in India

# SINGAPORE | CONGLOMERATE | UPDATE

- Singapore runs an integrated utilities facility with stable earning despite general weakness from the power segment.
- An additional source of income from the sale of renewable credit to Facebook
- Utilities' China benefited from seasonality in 1H18.
- Utilities' India is turning around due to improvement in the power market.

# Singapore

Utilities' Singapore integrated facilities offer stability away from weak power market. The landscape of Singapore power market remains competitive due to excess supply (reserve margin ~90%). Uniform Singapore Energy Price (USEP) has bottomed out since 2Q16. But any recovery is aligned with the recovery of sulphur fuel oil (HSFO) price which is pegged to crude oil prices, see Figure 1. Our barometer for spark spreads suggest (FX adjusted ratio of USEP/Oil price), intense competition is still squeezing margins, as shown in Figure 2. The current margin is still below the 5-year average level. Singapore integrated operations can deliver more stable operational performance because gas, steam and on-site logistics segment will help offset sluggishness from the power sector. As the main utility provider in Jurong Island, SCI can offer four integrated energy sources to customers, namely power, gas, industrial wastewater treatment and gas. For instance, the group has the flexibility to sell excess gas or utilise power from the spot market when rates are low. In addition, SCI could also monetise the pipelines (steam, water, and gas) by renting our parts of the transmission capacity.



Source: Bloomberg, EMA, PSR



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# BUY (Maintained) CLOSING PRICE SGD 3.030 FORECAST DIV SGD 0.050 TARGET PRICE SGD 3.700

23.8%

# COMPANY DATA

Bloomberg code	SCISP
O/S SHARES (MN):	1,786
MARKET CAP (USD mn / SGD mn):	3955 / 5412
52 - WK HI/LO (SGD):	3.6 / 2.58
3M Average Daily T/O (mn) :	3.62775

#### MAJOR SHAREHOLDERS (%)

TEM ASEK HOLDINGS PRIVATE LTD	49.5%
MONDRIAN INVESTMENT PARTNERS LTD	4.9%
NORGES BANK INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT	1.2%

#### PRICE PERFORMANCE (%)

	1M TH	ЗМТН	1Y R
COMPANY	13.5	11.0	3.4
STIRETURN	(0.9)	(2.3)	2.2

#### PRICE VS. STI



#### Source: Bloomberg, PSR

KEY FINANCIALS				
Y/E Dec (S\$mn)	FY 16	FY 17	FY 18 e	FY 19 e
Revenue	7,907	8,346	11,127	12,013
Gross profit	1,105	946	1,035	1,355
Net profit	395	231	316	449
P/E (x)	14.3	28.8	15.3	10.7
P/B (x)	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.6
ROE,%	7%	4%	5%	6%
ROA,%	2%	1%	1%	2%
Dividend Yield, %	2.8	17	1.9	1.9
Source: Company, PSR				

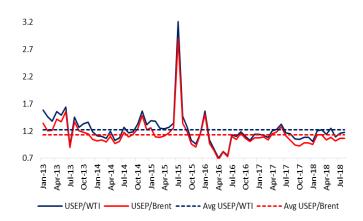
VALUATION METHOD

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## Figure 2: FX adjusted ratios (USEP/Oil price) remain low



Source: Bloomberg, EMA, PSR

Additional source of income\* from the sale of green certificates to Facebook. Following the recent announcement that Facebook will establish a 170,000 square meter data center in Singapore with US\$1.4bn investment, SCI announced a 20-year deal of renewable energy credit to Facebook. The capacity of supply totals at 50MWp. As of now, there are more than 100MW of capacity under operation and development. The supply will be in the form of renewable energy credit which is at the discrepancy of Facebook. At the moment, the majority of the solar power generated is supplied to the grid. Moving forward, the group aims to secure a long-term contract that is similar to the deal.

#### China

**Utilities' China benefited from seasonality in 1H18.** The Chongqing Songzao plant is the primary revenue and profit contributor for power segment in China. Due to the abnormal weather conditions over the past three quarters, the demand for power was strong, translating into longer servicing hours. There is also some seasonality because thermal enjoys higher loads when hydro is not running. The plant is subject to annual power purchase agreement (PPA) which is renewed by the local government. Generally, the PPA will guarantee profits over long terms but also cap the margin. Hence, the volume of demand is the key driver. It is expected that the ongoing power demand and will grow at a stable pace.

#### India

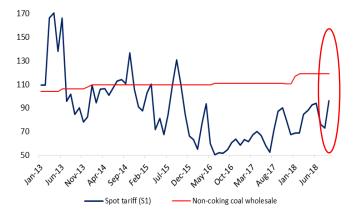
**Utilities' India is turning around due to improvement in power market.** In India, thermal plants with long-term PPAs not only guarantee a stable tariff which is higher than the spot rate but also gains access to domestic coal supply whose prices are lower and more stable than imported ones. As shown in Figure 3, the spot tariff in the S1 area where both SCI thermal plants are located fluctuate violently compared to the steadily growing domestic coal prices. Hence, long-term PPAs provide more visibility for plants in profitability. On the other hand, plants under short-term PPAs suffer from thin or even negative spark spread over the past two years, see Figure 4, since the rally of imported coal price outpaced improvement of spot tariff.

The market situation has reversed recently. Highlighted in the red circle on both charts, the gaps are narrowing. The trending spot rate will incentivise power purchasers to lock in the price by signing long-term PPAs with thermal plants. In retrospect, TPCIL, the first thermal plant with 1,320MW capacity, has been operating under long-term PPA over the years. SGPL, the second thermal plant with the same capacity, recently secured 250MW under long-term PPAs. SGIL, wind and solar power provider, secured 90% of 927MW under long-term PPAs and is developing the 800MW capacity that is expected to be completed by 2019. As per Figure 4, 3Q18 should see some weakness in revenue at SGPL as power prices trend lower. More encouraging has been the recent sharp in power prices due to decline in hydro and renewables output.

\*Based on the latest greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions intensity shown in the FY17 annual report, we can derive 14,500 tonnes of  $CO_2$  equivalent emissions for the 50MW capacity, assuming daily three working hours and 50% of total volume of power generated supplied to Facebook. According to the adjusted average China/India carbon emission allowance of \$10/tonne, we estimate the annual revenue of the deal to be c.\$\$145k.

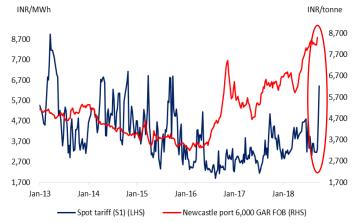


## Figure 3: Narrowing gap between spot tariff and domestic thermal coal price



\*Both spot tariff and non-coking coal are based on 2012 level (base = 100) Source: IEX, CEIC, PSR





\*Newcastle port 6,000 GAR FOB is the benchmark for imported coal to India Source: IEX, Bloomberg, PSR

### United Kingdom (UK)

**Fast ramping power plants, the future next to renewables.** UK Power Reserve is the largest flexible energy player in the UK. It can supplement the decline in renewable energy especially during winter months with its gas fuelled rapid response (2 to 5 minutes) small-scale power plants. As renewables make up a larger part of the electricity supply, such types of power plants will become more relevant in the energy mix, especially if cost-effective batteries are available.

Valuation table					
Segments/Holdings	Multiples	BVPS (SG\$)	PPS (SG\$)	Holdings	Market Value (SG\$mn)
Utilities	PB of 1.2x	1.8	2.1		3,765
Others	PB of 1.0x	0.7	0.7		1,236
Marine	PB of 1.6x	1.1	1.8	61%	2,263
Market cap (SG\$mn)					
Gallant Venture	Market value	704.6		12%	79
Total					7,343
PPS					4.1
TP (after conglomera	te discount of 10%	)			3.70
Source: PSR					



# **Financials**

Income Statement					
Y/E Dec, SGD mn	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18e	FY19e
Turnover	9,545	7,907	8,346	11,127	12,013
Gross revenue	732	1,105	946	1,035	1,355
EBITDA	1,030	1,238	1,203	1,251	1,531
Depreciation & Amortisation	405	454	571	584	613
EBIT	625	784	631	667	918
Net Finance (Expense)/Inc	(205)	(372)	(483)	(419)	(464)
Associates & JVs	6	125	164	189	217
Profit Before Tax	426	537	312	437	670
Taxation	28	(100)	(67)	(113)	(206)
Profit After Tax	454	437	245	324	464
Non-controlling interests	(94)	42	14	8	15
PATMI	549	395	231	316	449

Per share data					
Y/E Dec, SG Cents	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18e	FY19e
EPS, basic	29.2	19.9	10.5	17.7	25.1
EPS, diluted	28.9	19.7	10.4	17.6	25.0
DPS, basic	11.0	8.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
DPS, diluted	10.9	7.9	5.0	5.0	5.0
BVPS, basic (SGD)	3.2	3.3	3.3	3.5	4.2
BVPS, diluted (SGD)	3.1	3.3	3.3	3.5	4.1

Y/E Dec, SGD mn	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18e	FY19e
ASSETS					
PP&E	8,685	11,226	11,158	11,197	11,309
Associates and JVs	2,349	1,746	1,765	1,942	2,097
Receivables and prepayments	451	734	1,184	1,951	2,648
Others	823	960	1,018	1,172	1,172
Total non-current assets	12,308	14,666	15,125	16,262	17,228
Cash	1,606	1,883	2,687	2,716	2,662
Trade receivables	1,568	1,958	2,045	2,249	2,429
Inventories and WIP	4,233	3,466	3,733	2,516	3,106
Others	201	317	163	175	182
Total current assets	7,608	7,624	8,627	7,656	8,379
Total Assets	19,915	22,290	23,753	23,918	25,606
LIABILITIES					
Borrowings	5,032	7,096	8,275	8,441	8,611
Others	894	1,016	888	916	933
Total non-current liabilities	5,926	8,112	9,163	9,357	9,543
Trade payables	3,388	3,398	3,362	3,193	3,353
Borrowings	1,801	2,126	1,572	1,886	2,011
Others	758	492	1,482	895	790
Total current liabilities	5,946	6,016	6,416	5,974	6,154
Total Liabilities	11,872	14,128	15,579	15,331	15,698
Shareholder Equity	5,630	5,898	5,940	6,296	7,439
Perpetual securities	803	803	1,003	1,003	1,003
Non-controlling interests	1,610	1,461	1,231	1,288	1,467

Cash Flow					
Y/E Dec, SGD mn	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18e	FY19e
CFO					
Profit for the period	454	437	245	324	464
Adjustments	896	888	982	923	1,085
WC changes	(1,961)	(367)	(506)	(219)	(610)
Cash generated from ops	(611)	958	720	1,028	939
Others	(150)	(86)	(70)	(113)	(206)
Cashflow from ops	(761)	872	650	915	733
CFI					
CAPEX, net	(1,325)	(740)	(459)	(986)	(668)
Others	126	(60)	367	210	223
Cashflow from investments	(1,199)	(801)	(92)	(776)	(445)
CFF					
Loans, net of repayments	2,050	1,107	779	479	296
Dividends	(415)	(225)	(162)	(93)	(116)
Others	254	(669)	(341)	(500)	(537)
Cashflow from financing	1,890	214	276	(115)	(357)
Net change in cash	(70)	285	834	25	(69)
Effects of exchange rate	15	(35)	(8)	10	15
Ending cash	1,604	1,855	2,681	2,716	2,662

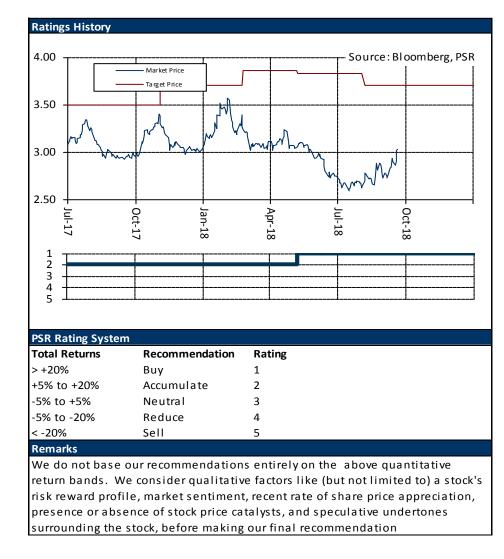
Y/E Dec	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18e	FY19e
P/E (x)	10.5	14.3	28.8	15.3	10.7
P/B (x)	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.6
EV/EBITDA (x)	12.4	11.9	12.7	9.9	8.3
Dividend yield (%)	3.6	2.8	1.7	1.9	1.9
Growth & Margins (%)					
Growth					
Revenue	-12%	-17%	6%	33%	8%
Gross profit	-48%	51%	-14%	9%	31%
EBIT	-45%	25%	-19%	6%	38%
Net income	-31%	-28%	-42%	37%	42%
Margins					
GP margin	8%	14%	11%	9%	11%
EBIT margin	7%	10%	8%	6%	8%
NP margin	6%	5%	3%	3%	4%
Key Ratios					
ROE (%)	10%	7%	4%	5%	6%
ROA (%)	3%	2%	1%	1%	2%
Net Debt or (Net Cash)	5,226	7,339	7,161	7,610	7,960
Gearing (%)	65%	90%	88%	89%	80%

Source: Company, Phillip Securities Research (Singapore) Estimates

\*Forward multiples & yields based on current market price; historical multiples & yields based on historical market price.

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