

# **China Aviation (Singapore) Oil**

# Flattish performance

# SINGAPORE | OIL AND GAS | 1Q19 RESULTS

- 1Q19 revenue and net profit met our expectations.
- Mild growth of middle distillate volume but other oil product volume nosedived.
- Pudong underperformed due to lower average oil prices.
- We keep our FY19e EPS at 10.7 US cents and maintain our BUY recommendation with an unchanged target price of S\$1.67 based on the 12-month PER of 11.5x.

Results at a glance

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(US\$ mn)	1Q19	1Q18	YoY (%)	Comments
Revenue	3,717.9	4,102.5	(9.4)	Decrease in oil prices and total supply and trading volume of middle distillates and other oil products (1Q19: 6.78mn tonnes vs 1Q18: 7.6mn tonnes)
Gross profit	11.6	13.2	(12.0)	Lower profits from trading and optimisation activities
Operating profit	8.3	7.5	11.1	Higher bank interest income partially offsetting higher foreign exchange loss
Associates and JVs	19.1	21.0	(8.8)	Lower profit contributions from Pudong
Net profit	26.3	26.9	(2.1)	Lower deferred tax liabilities and lower provision for income tax expenses

Source: Company , PSR

#### **Positives**

Mild growth of middle distillates supply and trading volume. As shown in Figure 1, the jet fuel volume improved by 6% YoY in 1Q19 due to recovery in supply to China. During the period, 71% of the jet fuel was supplied to China compared to the previous 60%+ in the recent quarters. Demand for gas oil increased owing to the substitution for fuel oil with higher sulphur content for the bunker market.

### Negatives

- Flat overall supply and trading margin. Supply and trading margins, measured by gross profit/tonne, dipped 1.4% YoY to US\$1.71/tonne in 1Q19 (1Q18: US\$1.74/tonne). There was a reduction in riskier trading positions which resulted in lower profit enhancement.
- **Nosedive of other oil product volume.** As per Figure 1, the substantial drop in other oil products was due to the shortfall of fuel oil volume. The 2020 International Maritime Organization fuel sulphur regulation will phase out high sulphur content fuel oil. Therefore, the demand for such kind of fuel oil plummeted. Moving forward, the other oil product volume is expected to hover around the current levels.

Figure 1: Plunge in other oil products volume offset the growth of middle distillates

(mn tonnes)	1Q19	1Q18	YoY (%)
Middle distillates	4.6	4.3	8.7
Jet fuel	3.5	3.3	6.0
Other oil products	2.1	3.3	(35.5)
Total	6.8	7.6	(10.7)

Source: Company , PSR



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# **BUY (Maintained)**

TOTAL RETURN	22.2%
TARGET PRICE	SGD 1.670
FORECAST DIV	SGD 0.004
CLOSING PRICE	SGD 1.370

#### **COMPANY DATA**

BLOOMBERG CODE:	CAOSP
O/S SHARES (MN):	860
MARKET CAP (USD mn / SGD mn):	1058 / 1444
52 - WK HI/LO (SGD) :	1.65 / 1.04
3M Average Daily T/O (mn):	1

#### **MAJOR SHAREHOLDERS (%)**

CHINA NATIONAL AVIATION FUEL GROUP	513%
BP PLC	20.2%

#### PRICE PERFORMANCE (%)

	1M TH	3 M T H	1Y R
COMPANY	3.0	23.2	(11.3)
STIRETURN	6.3	7.6	(1.4)

# PRICE VS. ST



Source: Bloomberg, PSR

### **KEY FINANCIALS**

Y/E Dec, USD mn	FY 17	FY 18	FY 19 e	FY20e
Revenue	16,268	20,612	20,148	20,780
Net Profit	85	94	92	97
EPS (cents)	9.8	10.9	10.7	11.3
P/E (x)	12.2	7.1	7.1	9.4
P/B (x)	1.5	0.9	0.9	1.1
Dividend (Cents)	3.3	3.3	3.2	3.4
Dividend Yield, %	2.8	4.2	3.2	3.3

Source: Company, PSR

# VALUATION METHOD

P/E Multiple (PER:11.5x)

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- Moderate decrease in profit contribution from Pudong: 1Q19 profit from Pudong was US\$17.2mn (-8.9% YoY) due to lower average oil price and flat refuelling volume. During the period, refuelling volume arrived at 1.1mn tonnes, similar to volumes in 1Q18.

### Outlook

The supply and trading business is expected to be stable. Growth is muted as the scale of the trading business is tightened in view of escalating geopolitical risks and market uncertainties. The fifth runway has been operating but yet to be well utilised due to the domestic control of aircraft landings. We do expect the growth of air traffic in Pudong airport to gradually rise in the foreseeable future, and our expectation contributed profit growth from which is 4.6% in FY19e.

# Maintain BUY with an unchanged TP of S\$1.67

We keep our FY19e EPS at 10.7 US cents. Based on an unchanged average forward 12-month PER of 11.5x, we maintain our BUY call with an unchanged target price of S\$1.67.

**Balance Sheet** Y/E Dec, USD mn

ASSETS PP&E

Others

Cash

Intangibles

Inventories

Receivables

Associates & JVs

**Total non-current assets** 



FY18 FY19e FY20e

# **Financials**

Y/E Dec, USD mn	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19e	FY20e
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Revenue	11,703	16,268	20,612	20,148	20,780
Cost of sales	(11,659)	(16,229)	(20,562)	(20,103)	(20,734)
Gross profit	44	39	50	44	46
Operating profit	25	20	28	21	21
Finance costs	(1)	(3)	(5)	(5)	(5)
Associates & JVs	66	72	72	78	83
Profit before tax	92	92	101	99	104
Tax expense	(3)	(7)	(7)	(7)	(7)
Net profit	89	85	94	92	97
Net profit, adj.	89	85	94	92	97

Per share data (US cents)					
Y/E Dec	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19e	FY20e
EPS, reported	10.3	9.8	10.9	10.7	11.3
EPS, adj.	10.3	9.8	10.9	10.7	11.3
DPS	3.2	3.3	3.3	3.2	3.4
BVPS	75.5	83.8	89.4	95.5	101.6

Cash Flow					
Y/E Dec, USD mn	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19e	FY20e
CFO					
Net profit	88.9	84.9	93.9	92.2	97.1
Adjustments	(54.0)	(65.4)	(89.1)	(70.2)	(75.4)
WC changes	(35.4)	(46.1)	143.2	(5.8)	(26.4)
Cash generated from ops	(0.5)	(26.6)	148.0	16.2	(4.7)
Others	(0.0)	(0.7)	(1.5)	(1.6)	(1.8)
Cashflow from ops	(0.5)	(27.2)	146.5	14.5	(6.5)
CFI					
CAPEX, net	(0.4)	(0.4)	(8.7)	(0.8)	(0.8)
Divd from associates & JVs	36.2	45.5	67.4	54.6	58.1
Others	1.5	3.6	4.6	5.0	6.5
Cashflow from investments	37.3	48.7	63.2	58.8	63.8
CFF					
Loans, net of repayments	100.0	20.0	(120.0)	-	-
Dividends	(19.3)	(27.7)	(29.1)	(28.4)	(27.7)
Others	(0.3)	(1.6)	(3.1)	(4.9)	(5.2)
Cashflow from financing	80.4	(9.3)	(152.3)	(33.3)	(32.9)
Net change in cash	117.2	12.1	57.4	40.1	24.4
Effects of exchange rate	(0.4)	0.6	0.2	-	-
Ending cash	287	300	358	398	422

Total current assets	1,049	1,576	1,330	1,335	1,407
Total Assets	1,344	1,910	1,653	1,664	1,746
LIABILITIES					
Others	6	8	8	8	8
Total non-current liabilities	6	8	8	8	8
Payables	588	1,060	875	834	862
Loans and borrowings	100	120	-	-	-
Others	0.62	0.95	0.83	0.83	0.83
Total current liabilities	688	1,181	876	835	863
Total Liabilities	695	1,189	884	843	871
EQUITY					
Share capital	216	216	216	216	216
Reserves	434	505	554	606	659
Total equity	650	721	769	821	874
Valuation Ratios					
Y/E Dec	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19e	FY20e
P/E (x)	9.4	12.2	7.1	7.1	9.0
P/B (x)	1.3	1.5	0.9	0.9	1.0
EV/EBITDA (x)	24.4	42.0	10.2	24.0	23.3
Dividend yield (%)	3%	3%	4%	3%	4%
Growth & Margins (%)					
Growth					
Revenue	30.4%	39.0%	26.7%	-2.3%	3.1%
Gross profit	24.3%	-12.1%	29.2%	-11.3%	3.1%
Operating profit	19.7%	-20.5%	40.2%	-25.5%	-0.6%
Net profit	45.1%	-4.5%	10.5%	-1.8%	5.3%
Margins					
Gross profit	0.4%	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%
Operating profit	0.2%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
Net profit	0.8%	0.5%	0.5%	0.5%	0.5%
Key Ratios					
ROE (%)	13.7%	11.8%	12.2%	11.2%	11.1%
ROA (%)	6.6%	4.4%	5.7%	5.5%	5.6%
Net debt or (net cash)	(187)	(180)	(358)	(398)	(422)
Net gearing (x)					
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FY16

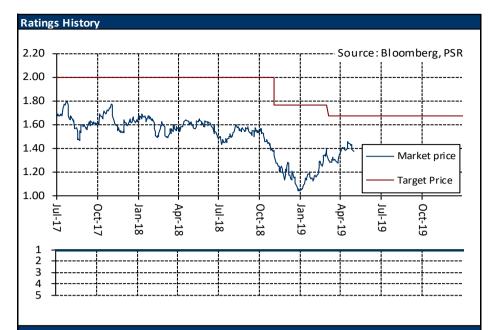
FY17

1,066

Source: Company, Phillip Securities Research (Singapore) Estimates

<sup>\*</sup>Forward multiples & yields based on current market price; historical multiples & yields based on historical market price.





Recommendation	Rating
Buy	1
Accumulate	2
Neutral	3
Reduce	4
Sell	5
	Buy Accumulate Neutral Reduce

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