

Consumer Services

Results Comment October 27, 2014

(Maintain)			Buy	
Target Price (12M,	12	0,000		
Share Price (10/24/	9:	3,300		
Expected Return			29%	
OP (14F, Wbn)			373	
Consensus OP (14F,	Wbn)		384	
EPS Growth (14F, %))		5.4	
Market EPS Growth	(14F, %)	5.4		
P/E (14F, x)		27.9		
Market P/E (14F, x)		11.9		
KOSPI			1,925.69	
Market Cap (Wbn)			7,196	
Shares Outstanding	(mn)		77	
Free Float (%)			65.1	
Foreign Ownership (%)		55.0	
Beta (12M)			0.50	
52-Week Low			58,600	
52-Week High			94,600	
(%)	1M	6M	12M	
Absolute	10.8	12.5	55.2	
Relative	17.1	16.8	65.0	



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Coway (021240 KS)

Earnings quality continues to improve

3Q review: Profitability remains high at 19.6%

For 3Q, Coway announced non-consolidated preliminary revenue of W496.1bn (+1.4% YoY) and operating profit of W97bn (flat YoY; OP margin of 19.6%). Revenue was slightly lower than expected, but margin once again surprised to the upside. We largely attribute the revenue miss to sluggish lump-sum payment sales of environmental home appliances, which fell 10.4% YoY as a result of much weaker-than-expected dehumidifier sales amid drier-than-usual weather.

However, key indicators of earnings quality and long-term growth remained strong. 3Q new rental accounts jumped 20.7% YoY to 311,000, bringing 2014 cumulative new accounts to a record-high 999,000 (80% of annual target). Home care revenue surged 57.8% YoY on robust mattress sales, while cosmetics revenue eked out a 3.6% YoY increase despite unfavorable seasonality.

Proving its superior cost control yet again

After focusing on improving profitability in 2013, Coway has shifted its focus on driving top-line growth through new rental accounts. The company has been successful so far, growing average quarterly new rental accounts to a record 330,000 YTD.

For a rental business, the inflow of new orders is key to sustainable growth. However, strong orders squeeze margins in the near term because income is spread out across the rental period, whereas SG&A expenses (commissions, etc.) are incurred all at once.

Indeed, Coway's 3Q SG&A expense ratio rose 2.3%p YoY, in line with our projection. However, cost ratio improved 2%p during the same period, supported by strong sales of new products and cost-saving efforts. As a result, overall OP margin again beat our expectations, once again underscoring the company's superior cost control.

Reiterate Buy and Raise TP by 7% to W120,000

Key quality indicators of Coway's core rental business have continued to improve. Churn rate fell back to a record-low 0.96% in 3Q, after inching up QoQ in 2Q following the expiry of a large number of accounts subscribed in 2011 (as part of a promotional event). The rental asset disposal ratio also remained steady at a historically low 2.9%.

The growth of Coway's rental earnings and new accounts raises confidence in the company's long-term prospects. We maintain our Buy call on the stock and lift our target price by 7% to W120,000, reflecting modest upward revisions to our earnings forecasts from 2016 onwards.

FY (Dec)	12/11	12/12	12/13	12/14F	12/15F	12/16F
Revenue (Wbn)	1,824	1,993	2,118	2,171	2,354	2,541
OP (Wbn)	235	226	339	373	426	484
OP margin (%)	12.9	11.3	16.0	17.2	18.1	19.0
NP (Wbn)	167	94	245	258	295	346
EPS (W)	2,166	1,219	3,178	3,348	3,827	4,489
ROE (%)	22.2	12.3	28.4	25.9	26.0	26.3
P/E (x)	16.9	35.7	20.9	27.9	24.4	20.8
P/B (x)	3.3	3.8	4.9	6.1	5.4	4.7

Notes: All figures are based on consolidated K-IFRS; NP refers to net profit attributable to controlling interests Source: Company data. KDB Daewoo Securities Research estimates

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Table 1. 3Q14P earnings results (non-consolidated K-IFRS)

(Wbn, %)

	3Q13	2014		3Q14P		Gro	wth
	3Q13	2Q14	Preliminary	KDB Daewoo	Consensus	YoY	QoQ
Revenue	489	523	496	532	519	1.4	-5.2
Operating profit	97	98	97	91	99	0.0	-0.6
OP margin (%)	19.8	18.7	19.6	17.2	19.1		
Pretax profit	83	87	88	89	96	6.2	1.7
Net profit	62	65	66	67	71	6.7	1.8

Source: Company data, KDB Daewoo Securities Research estimates

Table 2. 3Q14P consolidated results

(Wbn, %)

	2012	2014		3Q14P		Gro	wth
	3Q13	2Q14	Preliminary	KDB Daewoo	Consensus	YoY	QoQ
Revenue	531	557	526	568	552	-0.9	-5.6
Operating profit	96	97	95	95	97	-1.0	-1.9
OP margin (%)	18.1	17.4	18.1	16.7	17.6		
Pretax profit	80	87	86	86	90	6.8	-0.7
Net profit	60	66	64	65	68	6.3	-3.6

Source: Company data, KDB Daewoo Securities Research estimates

Table 3. Earnings forecast revisions

(Wbn, %)

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	Prev	vious	Revised		% chg.		Notes
	14F	15F	14F	15F	14F	15F	Notes
Revenue	2,223	2,419	2,171	2,354	-2.4	-2.7	- Reflects 3Q14 results
Operating profit	377	432	373	426	-1.1	-1.4	
Pretax profit	354	412	342	391	-3.3	-5.2	- Revised down F/X- translation losses
Net profit	267	311	258	295	-3.3	-5.1	

Notes: Consolidated K-IFRS. Source: Company data, KDB Daewoo Securities Research estimates

Table 4. Quarterly consolidated earnings trends

(Wbn, %)

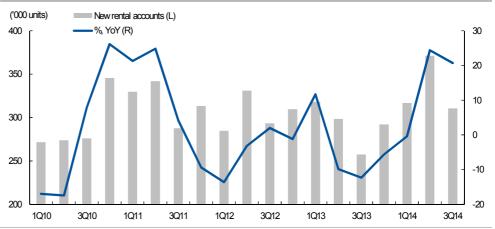
	1Q13	2Q13	3Q13	4Q13	1Q14	2Q14	3Q14P	4Q14F
Revenue	507	556	531	524	535	557	526	554
Operating profit	70	82	96	91	90	97	95	90
OP margin (%)	13.7	14.7	18.1	17.4	16.9	17.4	18.1	16.2
Net profit	57	60	60	68	66	66	65	61
Net margin (%)	11	11	11	13	12	12	12	11
Rental asset disposal losses	12	10	9	8	10	11	10	10
(%, revenue)	3.5	3.0	2.8	2.4	2.8	3.1	2.9	2.9

Source: Company data, KDB Daewoo Securities Research estimates

Table 5. DCF valuation				(Wbn, %, 'C	000 shares)
	14F	15F	16F	17F	18F
EBIT	373	426	484	495	505
- Taxes	91	104	118	121	123
- Capex	280	281	292	298	304
- Chg. in working capital	46	40	36	36	37
+ Depreciation	187	184	195	199	203
+ Amortization	8	8	8	8	8
+ Rental asset disposal losses	41	44	46	47	47
FCFF	192	236	287	293	299
Final year FCFF	279				
Terminal value	10,329				
Terminal growth	2%				
NPV of FCFF		1,189			
PV of terminal value		8,135			
Enterprise value		9,324			
Cash & equivalents		225			
Other investment		6			
Interest-bearing debt		277			
Minority interests		0			
Preferred shares		0			
Current equity value		9,278			
Shares outstanding		77,125			
Target price (W)		120,000			
Current price (W)		93,300			
Upside (%)		28.6%			

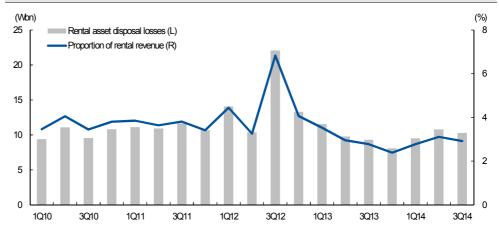
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Chart 1. New rental accounts maintaining strength



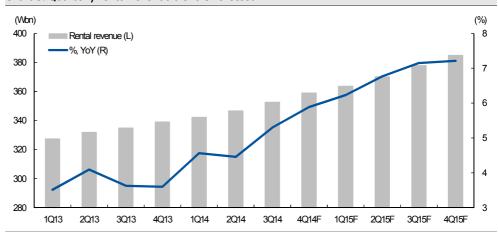
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Chart 2. Quarterly rental asset disposal losses & proportion of rental revenue trend



Source: Company data, KDB Daewoo Research

Chart 3. Quarterly rental revenue trend & forecast



Source: Company data, KDB Daewoo Research

Coway (021240 KS/Buy/TP: W120,000)

Comprehensive Income Statement (Summarized)

(Wbn)	12/13	12/14F	12/15F	12/16F
Revenue	2,118	2,171	2,354	2,541
Cost of Sales	721	719	774	842
Gross Profit	1,397	1,452	1,580	1,699
SG&A Expenses	1,058	1,079	1,154	1,214
Operating Profit (Adj)	339	373	426	484
Operating Profit	339	373	426	484
Non-Operating Profit	-12	-31	-35	-26
Net Financial Income	-14	-10	-10	-8
Net Gain from Inv in Associates	18	0	0	0
Pretax Profit	327	342	391	458
Income Tax	82	84	95	112
Profit from Continuing Operations	245	258	295	346
Profit from Discontinued Operations	0	0	0	0
Net Profit	245	258	295	346
Controlling Interests	245	258	295	346
Non-Controlling Interests	0	0	0	0
Total Comprehensive Profit	244	247	295	346
Controlling Interests	244	247	295	346
Non-Controlling Interests	0	0	0	0
EBITDA	537	568	618	686
FCF (Free Cash Flow)	269	187	188	244
EBITDA Margin (%)	25.4	26.2	26.3	27.0
Operating Profit Margin (%)	16.0	17.2	18.1	19.0
Net Profit Margin (%)	11.6	11.9	12.5	13.6

Statement of Financial Condition (Summarized)

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(Wbn)	12/13	12/14F	12/15F	12/16F
Current Assets	691	691	795	929
Cash and Cash Equivalents	239	225	297	401
AR & Other Receivables	227	228	245	262
Inventories	66	72	77	82
Other Current Assets	159	166	176	184
Non-Current Assets	976	1,017	1,068	1,117
Investments in Associates	0	0	0	0
Property, Plant and Equipment	638	669	722	773
Intangible Assets	177	173	166	159
Total Assets	1,668	1,709	1,863	2,046
Current Liabilities	677	578	560	536
AP & Other Payables	191	187	202	216
Short-Term Financial Liabilities	335	269	260	240
Other Current Liabilities	151	122	98	80
Non-Current Liabilities	50	78	85	94
Long-Term Financial Liabilities	0	9	9	9
Other Non-Current Liabilities	50	69	76	85
Total Liabilities	727	656	645	630
Controlling Interests	941	1,051	1,217	1,415
Capital Stock	41	41	41	41
Capital Surplus	126	126	126	126
Retained Earnings	868	993	1,158	1,356
Non-Controlling Interests	0	1	1	1
Stockholders' Equity	941	1,052	1,218	1,416

Cash Flows (Summarized)

12/13	12/14F	12/15F	12/16F
537	466	469	535
245	258	295	346
374	344	302	328
191	187	184	195
8	8	7	7
175	149	111	126
-41	-33	-33	-27
67	-12	-17	-16
19	-8	-6	-5
-82	3	3	3
-41	-103	-95	-112
-76	-264	-247	-253
-258	-253	-238	-246
-2	0	0	0
-4	-3	-5	-4
188	-8	-4	-3
-373	-214	-151	-179
-260	-57	-9	-19
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-78	-124	-130	-148
-35	-33	-12	-12
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Forecasts/Valuations (Summarized)

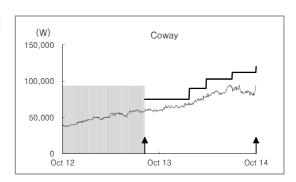
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	12/13	12/14F	12/15F	12/16F
P/E (x)	20.9	27.9	24.4	20.8
P/CF (x)	8.3	12.0	12.0	10.7
P/B (x)	4.9	6.1	5.4	4.7
EV/EBITDA (x)	9.7	12.8	11.6	10.3
EPS (W)	3,178	3,348	3,827	4,489
CFPS (W)	8,030	7,807	7,748	8,739
BPS (W)	13,535	15,172	17,317	19,884
DPS (W)	2,710	1,749	1,999	2,345
Payout ratio (%)	82.4	50.2	50.2	50.2
Dividend Yield (%)	4.1	1.9	2.1	2.5
Revenue Growth (%)	6.3	2.5	8.4	7.9
EBITDA Growth (%)	31.0	5.8	8.8	11.0
Operating Profit Growth (%)	50.0	10.0	14.2	13.6
EPS Growth (%)	160.7	5.3	14.3	17.3
Accounts Receivable Turnover (x)	9.5	10.2	10.6	10.7
Inventory Turnover (x)	30.8	31.6	31.6	31.8
Accounts Payable Turnover (x)	17.4	19.8	20.7	21.0
ROA (%)	14.3	15.3	16.5	17.7
ROE (%)	28.4	25.9	26.0	26.3
ROIC (%)	23.0	26.9	28.5	30.2
Liability to Equity Ratio (%)	77.3	62.4	53.0	44.5
Current Ratio (%)	102.2	119.6	142.0	173.5
Net Debt to Equity Ratio (%)	9.5	4.4	-2.9	-11.2
Interest Coverage Ratio (x)	18.2	29.0	35.1	42.2

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Company (Code)	Date	Rating	Target Price
Coway(021240)	10/26/2014	Buy	120,000
	07/28/2014	Buy	112,000
	04/21/2014	Buy	103,000
	02/16/2014	Buy	90,000
	09/01/2013	Buy	75,000
		No Coverage	



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