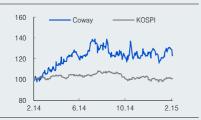


Consumer Services

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(Maintain)	Buy
Target Price (12M, W)	130,000
Share Price (2/12/15, W)	83,700
Expected Return	55%

OP (14P, Wbn) Consensus OP (14F, V		364 379				
EPS Growth (14P, %)			2.0			
Market EPS Growth (14F, %)		-1.9			
P/E (14P, x)	P/E (14P, x)					
Market P/E (14F, x)			13.4			
KOSPI	KOSPI					
Market Cap (Wbn)		6,455				
Shares Outstanding (r	mn)		77			
Free Float (%)			65.2			
Foreign Ownership (%	ó)		54.0			
Beta (12M)			-0.10			
52-Week Low			66,700			
52-Week High			94,600			
(%)	1M	6M	12M			
Absolute	3.7	-4.3	23.6			



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Coway (021240 KS)

A safe bet during times of uncertainty

4Q14 review: Parent OP comes in line with our estimate at W93.2bn (+6.4% YoY)

For 4Q14, Coway reported non-consolidated revenue of W499.5bn (+3.6% YoY) and operating profit of W93.2bn (+6.4% YoY; OP margin of 18.7%), which was in line with our projection (W93.5bn; OP margin of 18.5%). Although a rise in new accounts put upside pressures on SG&A expenses, we believe the company was able to maintain solid margins thanks to its superior profit management ability.

Parent pretax profit, however, was weaker than expected due to impairment charges related to subsidiaries, which were reflected as non-operating expenses. In an effort to clean up its balance sheet, Coway recognized all of its impairment losses related to loss-making subsidiaries (Thailand, China, and GreenEntech) in 4Q14. Adjusting for the one-off charges, we estimate actual pretax profit was a stronger-than-projected W97.3bn.

The company's key quality indicators, rental asset disposal ratio and churn rate, remained stable, falling to record-lows of 2.7% and 0.95%, respectively.

Guidance strengthens confidence in growth

For 2015, management guided revenue growth of 8.3% YoY, operating profit growth of 11.3% YoY, and OP margin of 19.3%. For the rental business, revenue is spread out over time, but commission expenses related to new accounts are recorded all at once. Considering this short-term pressure on expenses, we consider management's growth and profit targets very encouraging.

We are highly confident in management's guidance. In 2014, new rental accounts beat guidance (1.25mn units) by 14.1%, rising to 1.33mn units. New rental accounts from 2014 should directly lead to higher ARPU, as price hikes were applied last year to new accounts. The company set its 2015 new rental account target at a record-high of 1.42mn units, confirming its confidence in its traditional CODY customer service network as well as its new offline channel.

Retain Buy and Raise TP to W130,000; Strong growth conviction

We believe Coway's 2014 business performance and 2015 guidance validates the unique strength of the rental business, the company's product development, and the strength of its CODY network and service quality.

We reiterate Buy on Coway and lift our target price by 8.3% to W130,000 to reflect our upward earnings revisions. We believe Coway is a safe bet at a time when the consumer environment looks increasingly uncertain. We recommend the stock as one of our top picks in consumer discretionary.

FY (Dec.)	12/11	12/12	12/13	12/14P	12/15F	12/16F
Revenue (Wbn)	1,824	1,993	2,118	2,160	2,347	2,514
OP (Wbn)	235	226	339	364	432	485
OP margin (%)	12.9	11.3	16.0	16.9	18.4	19.3
NP (Wbn)	167	94	245	250	310	354
EPS (W)	2,166	1,219	3,178	3,241	4,014	4,588
ROE (%)	22.2	12.3	28.4	25.2	27.6	27.6
P/E (x)	16.9	35.7	20.9	26.0	20.9	18.2
P/B (x)	3.3	3.8	4.9	5.5	4.8	4.3

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. 4Q14P review (non-consolidated)

(Wbn, %)

	4013	2014		4Q14P		Gro	wth
	4Q13	3Q14	Preliminary	KDB Daewoo	Consensus	YoY	QoQ
Revenue	482	496	500	506	518	3.6	0.7
Operating profit	88	97	93	94	100	6.4	-3.9
OP margin	18.2	19.5	18.7	18.5	19.4		
Pretax profit	72	88	67	87	101	-6.7	-24.1
Net profit	50	66	45	65	75	-9.7	-31.7

Note: One-off impairment losses of W30.6bn related to subsidiaries were reflected as non-operating expenses Source: Company data, KDB Daewoo Securities Research

Table 2. 4Q14P review (consolidated)

(Wbn, %)

	4013	2014		4Q14P		Grov	vth
	4Q13	3Q14	Preliminary	KDB Daewoo	Consensus	YoY	QoQ
Revenue	524	526	543	533	548	3.6	3.3
Operating profit	91	95	82	89	96	-10.3	-14.3
OP margin	17.4	18.1	15.0	16.8	17.6		
Pretax profit	90	86	72	86	96	-20.9	-16.8
Net profit	68	64	53	65	71	-21.3	-16.5

Notes: One-off impairment losses of W15.7bn related to subsidiaries were reflected in consolidated operating profit; excluding the expense, actual operating profit would be W97.4bn

Source: Company data, KDB Daewoo Securities Research

Table 3. Quarterly earnings

(Wbn, %)

	1Q13	2Q13	3Q13	4Q13	1Q14	2Q14	3Q14	4Q14P
Revenue	507	556	531	524	535	557	526	543
Operating profit	70	82	96	91	90	97	95	82
OP margin	13.7	14.7	18.1	17.4	16.9	17.4	18.1	15.1
Net profit	57	60	60	68	66	66	64	54
Net margin	11	11	11	13	12	12	12	10
Rental asset disposal losses	12	10	9	8	10	11	10	10
(% of rental revenue; non-consolidated)	4	3	3	2	3	3	3	3

Source: Company data, KDB Daewoo Securities Research

Table 4. Earnings forecast revisions

(Wbn, %)

	Previous		Revised		% chg.		Natas
	14P	15F	14P	15F	14P	15F	Notes
Revenue	2,157	2,326	2,160	2,347	0.1	0.9	
Operating profit	372	424	364	432	-2.1	1.9	- Reflects FY14 impairment losses
Pretax profit	347	402	333	413	-4.2	2.6	- Reflects FY15 cost Efficiency improvements
Net profit	261	302	250	310	-4.4	2.4	<u> </u>

Source: KDB Daewoo Securities Research

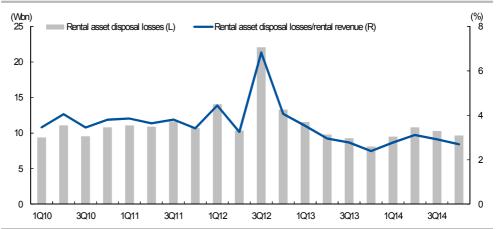
Table 5. DCF valuation				(Wbn, %)
	15F	16F	17F	18F
EBIT	432	485	495	506
- Taxes	108	121	124	126
- Capex	290	301	308	314
- Change in working capital	44	37	38	39
+ Depreciation	183	196	200	204
+ Amortization	8	8	8	8
+ Rental asset disposal losses	40	43	44	44
FCFF	221	272	277	283
Final-year FCFF	265			
Terminal value	11,153			
Terminal growth	2%			
Terrimargrower	270			
NPV of FCFF		1,133		
PV of terminal value		8,926		
Enterprise value		10,060		
Cash & equivalents		182		
Other investments		6		
Interest-bearing debt		257		
Minority interests		0		
Preferred shares		0		
Current equity value		9,991		
Shares outstanding		77,125		
Target price (W)		130,000		
Current price (W)		83,700		
Upside		55.3%		

Source: KDB Daewoo Securities Research

Figure 1.The number of new rental accounts surged to a record-high 1.33mn in 2014 ('000 units) (%) YoY growth (R) New rental accounts (L) 400 30 20 350 10 300 250 200 3Q10 3Q11 1Q12 3Q12 1Q13 3Q13 1Q14 3Q14 1Q10 1Q11

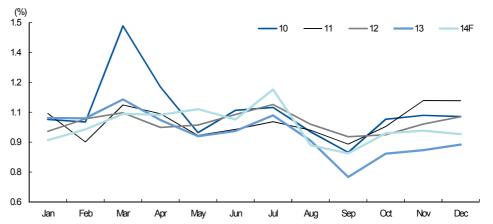
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Figure 2. Rental asset disposal ratio fell to a record-low 2.7%



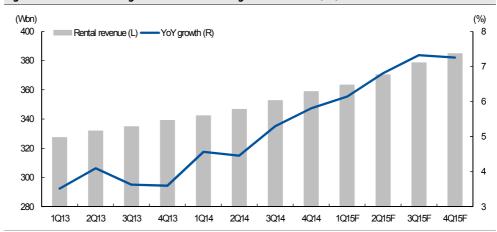
Source: Company data, KDB Daewoo Securities Research

Figure 3. Rental churn rate trends



Source: Company data, KDB Daewoo Securities Research

Figure 4. Rental revenue growth rate continuing to accelerate QoQ



Source: Company data, KDB Daewoo Securities Research

Coway (021240 KS/Buy/TP: W130,000)

Comprehensive Income Statement (Summarized)

(Wbn)	12/13	12/14F	12/15F	12/16F
Revenue	2,118	2,160	2,347	2,514
Cost of Sales	721	727	777	834
Gross Profit	1,397	1,433	1,570	1,680
SG&A Expenses	1,058	1,069	1,138	1,195
Operating Profit (Adj)	339	364	432	485
Operating Profit	339	364	432	485
Non-Operating Profit	-12	-31	-19	-13
Net Financial Income	-14	-9	-7	-5
Net Gain from Inv in Associates	18	0	0	0
Pretax Profit	327	333	413	472
Income Tax	82	83	103	118
Profit from Continuing Operations	245	250	310	354
Profit from Discontinued Operations	0	0	0	0
Net Profit	245	250	310	354
Controlling Interests	245	250	310	354
Non-Controlling Interests	0	0	0	0
Total Comprehensive Profit	244	246	310	354
Controlling Interests	244	246	310	354
Non-Controlling Interests	0	0	0	0
EBITDA	537	569	621	687
FCF (Free Cash Flow)	269	177	162	214
EBITDA Margin (%)	25.4	26.3	26.5	27.3
Operating Profit Margin (%)	16.0	16.9	18.4	19.3
Net Profit Margin (%)	11.6	11.6	13.2	14.1

Statement of Financial Condition (Summarized)

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(Wbn)	12/13	12/14F	12/15F	12/16F
Current Assets	691	654	689	786
Cash and Cash Equivalents	239	182	180	243
AR & Other Receivables	227	227	249	267
Inventories	66	77	85	91
Other Current Assets	159	168	175	185
Non-Current Assets	976	1,021	1,086	1,146
Investments in Associates	0	0	0	0
Property, Plant and Equipment	638	672	739	801
Intangible Assets	177	173	166	159
Total Assets	1,668	1,674	1,775	1,932
Current Liabilities	677	557	490	476
AP & Other Payables	191	183	201	216
Short-Term Financial Liabilities	335	249	189	179
Other Current Liabilities	151	125	100	81
Non-Current Liabilities	50	76	83	91
Long-Term Financial Liabilities	0	8	8	8
Other Non-Current Liabilities	50	68	75	83
Total Liabilities	727	633	573	566
Controlling Interests	941	1,040	1,201	1,364
Capital Stock	41	41	41	41
Capital Surplus	126	126	126	126
Retained Earnings	868	991	1,152	1,315
Non-Controlling Interests	0	1	1	1
Stockholders' Equity	941	1,041	1,202	1,365

Cash Flows (Summarized)

(Wbn)	12/13	12/14F	12/15F	12/16F
Cash Flows from Op Activities	537	468	452	515
Net Profit	245	250	310	354
Non-Cash Income and Expense	374	360	283	309
Depreciation	191	196	183	196
Amortization	8	8	7	7
Others	175	156	93	106
Chg in Working Capital	-41	-25	-37	-30
Chg in AR & Other Receivables	67	-8	-20	-17
Chg in Inventories	19	-10	-7	-6
Chg in AP & Other Payables	-82	-1	3	3
Income Tax Paid	-41	-117	-103	-118
Cash Flows from Inv Activities	-76	-275	-237	-243
Chg in PP&E	-258	-275	-250	-258
Chg in Intangible Assets	-2	0	0	0
Chg in Financial Assets	-4	-2	-6	-5
Others	188	2	19	20
Cash Flows from Fin Activities	-373	-251	-217	-208
Chg in Financial Liabilities	-260	-78	-60	-10
Chg in Equity	0	0	0	0
Dividends Paid	-78	-124	-148	-191
Others	-35	-49	-9	-7
Increase (Decrease) in Cash	86	-57	-2	64
Beginning Balance	152	239	182	180
Ending Balance	239	182	180	243

Source: Company data, KDB Daewoo Securities Research estimates

Forecasts/Valuations (Summarized)

	12/13	12/14F	12/15F	12/16F
P/E (x)	20.9	26.0	20.9	18.2
P/CF (x)	8.3	10.7	10.9	9.7
P/B (x)	4.9	5.5	4.8	4.3
EV/EBITDA (x)	9.7	11.5	10.4	9.3
EPS (W)	3,178	3,241	4,014	4,588
CFPS (W)	8,030	7,906	7,677	8,589
BPS (W)	13,535	15,190	17,280	19,395
DPS (W)	2,710	2,000	2,571	2,939
Payout ratio (%)	82.4	59.4	61.6	61.6
Dividend Yield (%)	4.1	2.4	3.1	3.5
Revenue Growth (%)	6.3	2.0	8.7	7.1
EBITDA Growth (%)	31.0	6.0	9.1	10.6
Operating Profit Growth (%)	50.0	7.4	18.7	12.3
EPS Growth (%)	160.7	2.0	23.9	14.3
Accounts Receivable Turnover (x)	9.5	10.2	10.6	10.5
Inventory Turnover (x)	30.8	30.2	28.9	28.6
Accounts Payable Turnover (x)	17.4	20.2	21.0	20.8
ROA (%)	14.3	15.0	17.9	19.1
ROE (%)	28.4	25.2	27.6	27.6
ROIC (%)	23.0	26.1	28.1	29.1
Liability to Equity Ratio (%)	77.3	60.8	47.7	41.5
Current Ratio (%)	102.2	117.4	140.6	165.1
Net Debt to Equity Ratio (%)	9.5	6.6	0.8	-4.7
Interest Coverage Ratio (x)	18.2	30.4	48.4	63.8

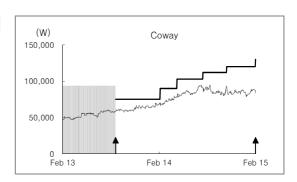
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	07/28/2014	Buy	112,000
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