

Hibiscus Petroleum (HIBI MK)

1HFY6/22: Above expectation

Maintain BUY and MYR1.70 TP

1HFY22 core earnings (4.1x YoY) made up 58% of our FY forecast (ex-Repsol), on a much improved QoQ performance (production & opex at Anasuria & North Sabah ops) in 2QFY22. We have raised FY22-24 net profit by 28%-36%, largely led by a higher crude oil price outlook (+USD5/boe). We see upside to our TP, which is pegged to USD10/boe of EV/2P reserves valuation. Extension to Repsol's PSC beyond 2032, asset monetisation deals on its 2C resources or additional 2P reserves upside would add to upside.

An improved 2QFY22 & 1HFY22

Net profit of MYR49m (+17% QoQ) in 2QFY6/22 took 1HFY6/22 earnings to MYR90m (+311% YoY). The QoQ strength was driven mainly by Anasuria's much improved (+40%) ops. It reported higher: (i) average uptime (+6-ppts), (ii) daily oil/gas production (+9-10%) and (iii) gas prices (2-4x) while realising lower opex (-13%). Its North Sabah ops too reported similar sequential improvement. Hibiscus realised oil price of USD72/ bbl (Anasuria) and USD75/ bbl (North Sabah) in 2Q22.

Delivering Repsol in 2H would lift earnings

Hibiscus will consolidate Repsol's earnings from 3QFY22 (completed on 24 Jan 2022). We are positive on this transaction. The deal: (i) is undemanding (USD6.16/ boe @ 2P reserves), (ii) instantly lifts its production/ 2P reserves/ 2C resources by almost 3x/ 2x/ 2x & (iii) offers Hibiscus the prospect to diversify its assets portfolio to 17% gas (vs. 2% gas previously); a crucial aspect, in its ESG and energy transition quest.

Turning more bullish on oil price, estimates raised

Oil is nearing USD100. The demand-supply mismatch in the oil's market is prevalent, strained by prolonged under-investment since 2014. The adverse situation will extend over the next 2-3 years, resulting in oil price sustained at elevated levels. We raised our FY22-24E: (i) oil price assumption by USD5/boe to USD75-80 (generating strong FCFs during these periods) and (ii) earnings by 36%/ 35%/ 28% This will be partially offset by revisions to its Anasuria & North Sabah ops (production & opex).

FYE Jun (MYR m)	FY20A	FY21A	FY22E	FY23E	FY24E
Revenue	647	805	1,650	2,191	2,086
EBITDA	335	382	951	1,251	1,167
Core net profit	72	104	296	469	476
Core EPS (sen)	4.2	6.0	14.7	23.3	23.7
Core EPS growth (%)	(68.5)	43.1	145.4	58.5	1.6
Net DPS (sen)	0.0	1.5	0.0	0.0	0.0
Core P/E (x)	14.7	11.4	7.8	4.9	4.8
P/BV (x)	0.9	0.8	1.3	0.7	0.5
Net dividend yield (%)	0.0	2.2	0.0	0.0	0.0
ROAE (%)	(4.0)	7.7	18.4	19.3	13.0
ROAA (%)	3.0	4.0	7.9	8.8	7.2
EV/EBITDA (x)	3.2	2.7	2.2	1.4	1.3
Net gearing (%) (incl perps)	net cash				
Consensus net profit	-	-	246	409	382
MKE vs. Consensus (%)	-	-	20.0	14.5	24.7

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BUY

Share Price MYR 1.14
12m Price Target MYR 1.70 (+49%)
Previous Price Target MYR 1.70

Company Description

Hibiscus is an independent upstream O&G player with portfolio of assets in Malaysia, North Sea and Oceania.

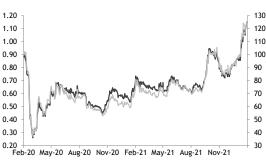
Statistics

52w high/low (MYR)	1.15/0.61
3m avg turnover (USDm)	5.0
Free float (%)	70.5
Issued shares (m)	2,012
Market capitalisation	MYR2.3B
	USD548M

Major shareholders:

8.9%
6.9%
6.7%

Price Performance



—— Hibiscus Petroleum - (LHS, MYR)
—— Hibiscus Petroleum / Kuala Lumpur Composite Index - (RHS, %)

	-1M	-3M	-12M
Absolute (%)	32	38	63
Relative to index (%)	27	31	62

Source: FactSet



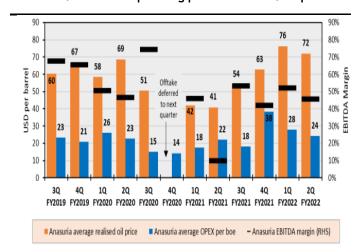
Summary Results Table

		Qua	Cumulative					
FY Jun (RM m)	2Q22	2Q21	% YoY	1Q22	% QoQ	6M22	6M21	% YoY
Turnover	284.4	190.3	49.5	246.7	15.3	531.1	335.8	58.2
EBITDA	140.0	63.3	>100	123.7	13.1	263.7	129.3	>100
Int. expense	(10.6)	(11.1)	(4.3)	(9.8)	8.5	(20.4)	(19.8)	2.9
Associates	(0.1)	(0.1)	(16.7)	(0.1)	(18.2)	(0.2)	(0.9)	(76.7)
Exceptional items	0.0	(2.2)	NM	0.0	NM	0.0	0.2	NM
Pre-tax profits	88.7	7.9	>100	74.8	18.6	163.4	24.7	>100
Tax	(40.2)	4.1	NM	(33.2)	20.9	(73.4)	(2.6)	NM
Minority interest	0.0	0.0	NM	0.0	NM	0.0	0.0	NM
Net profit	48.5	12.0	>100	41.5	16.8	90.0	22.0	>100
Net profit Ex El	48.5	14.2	>100	41.5	16.8	90.0	21.9	<100
EBITDA margin (%)	49.2	33.3	16.0	50.2	(0.9)	49.7	38.5	11.1
Tax rate (%)	45.3	-51.8	97.2	44.5	0.8	44.9	10.7	34.3
Segmental breakdown								
Sales	284.4	190.3	49.5	246.7	15.3	531.1	335.8	58.2
- Anasuria	98.6	46.2	>100	67.4	46.2	166.0	92.8	78.8
- North Sabah PSC	184.4	142.7	29.3	177.7	3.8	362.1	240.6	50.5
- 3D Oil, Vic/ L31 & VIC P57	0.0	0.0	NM	0.0	>100	0.0	0.0	NM
- Inv. holdings & group activities	1.4	1.4	(1.3)	1.6	(13.5)	3.0	2.3	26.5
EBITDA	140.0	63.3	>100	123.7	13.1	263.7	129.3	103.9
- Anasuria	45.0	4.6	>100	35.1	27.9	80.1	25.9	>100
- North Sabah PSC	105.4	66.4	58.8	101.9	3.4	207.4	112.5	84.2
- 3D Oil, Vic/ L31 & VIC P57	0.1	2.3	(93.8)	-1.6	NM	-1.4	2.6	NM
- Inv. holdings & group activities	-10.5	-9.9	6.0	-11.7	(10.4)	-22.3	-11.8	88.6
Net Profit	48.5	12.0	>100	41.5	16.8	90.0	22.0	>100
- Anasuria	16.9	-4.9	NM	12.1	39.5	29.1	(4.3)	NM
- North Sabah PSC	43.6	26.4	65.2	43.2	0.9	86.8	38.4	>100
- 3D Oil, Vic/ L31 & VIC P57	0.1	2.3	(93.8)	-1.6	NM	-1.4	2.6	NM
- Inv. holdings & group activities	-12.2	-11.7	3.7	-12.2	(0.6)	-24.4	(14.7)	66.1
EBITDA margin (%)	49.2	33.3	16.0	50.2	(0.9)	49.7	38.5	11.1
- Anasuria	45.6	9.9	35.7	52.1	(6.5)	48.2	27.9	20.3
- North Sabah PSC	57.2	46.5	10.6	57.4	(0.2)	57.3	46.8	10.5
Net profit margin (%)	17.0	6.3	10.7	16.8	0.2	16.9	6.6	10.4
- Anasuria	17.2	(10.6)	27.7	18.0	(0.8)	17.5	(4.6)	22.2
- North Sabah PSC	23.6	18.5	5.1	24.3	(0.7)	24.0	16.0	8.0

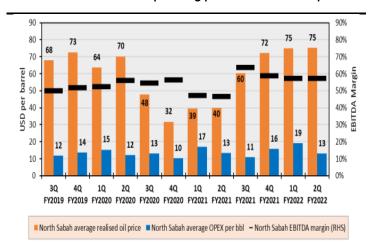
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Anasuria: Historical operating performance vs. oil price



North Sabah: Historical operating performance vs. oil price



Source: Company, Maybank IBG Research

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North Sabah: Quarterly operating performance

FY Jun (m)	1Q20	2Q20	3Q20	4Q20	1Q21	2Q21	3Q21	4Q21	1Q22	2Q22
Avg. uptime (%)	85	93	89	94	86	92	95	95	81	92
Avg. daily gross oil production rate (bbl/day)	14,234	17,076	17,395	18,780	16,895	17,700	17,796	17,281	14,355	16,305
Avg. daily net oil production rate (bbl/day)	5,194	6,318	6,436	6,949	6,251	6,549	6,585	6,394	5,185	5,937
Cargoes sold	1	2	2	1	2	3	2	2	2	2
Total oil sold (bbl)	334,613	671,452	611,367	249,387	592,453	870,874	599,948	608,006	565,292	587,374
Average realised oil price (USD/bbl)	63.63	70.19	47.72	31.79	39.46	39.91	60.46	72.07	75.01	75.15
Average opex per boe (USD/ boe)	15.33	12.23	13.05	10.27	17.08	13.29	10.91	15.67	19.14	13.06

Source: Company, Maybank IBG Research

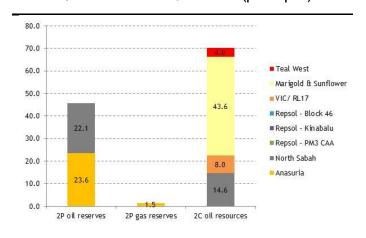
Anasuria: Quarterly operating performance

FY Jun (m)	1Q20	2Q20	3Q20	4Q20	1Q21	2Q21	3Q21	4Q21	1Q22	2Q22
Avg. uptime (%)	77	85	89	85	94	95	91	53	69	75
Avg. daily gross oil production rate (bbl/day)	2,386	2,680	2,802	2,539	2,753	2,726	2,463	1,402	1,904	2,087
Avg. daily gas export rate (boe/day)	204	288	375	322	330	383	354	240	301	310
Avg. daily oil equivalent prod. rate (boe/day)	2,590	2,968	3,177	2,861	3,083	3,109	2,817	1,642	2,205	2,397
Cargoes sold	1	1	1	-	1	1	1	1	2	
Total oil sold (bbl)	272,345	249,704	238,605	-	250,337	252,289	274,996	254,945	191,770	256,224
Total gas exported sold (mmscf)	112	159	205	176	182	212	191	131	166	171
Average realised oil price (USD/bbl)	58.41	68.67	50.59	-	41.99	40.85	54.04	62.67	76.31	72.02
Average realised gas price (USD/mmBtu)										
- Cook field	1.04	1.62	1.09	0.39	0.44	1.48	2.30	2.60	4.56	20.11
- Guillemot A, teal and teal South fields	2.52	4.02	2.80	1.17	1.45	3.87	5.36	5.80	10.44	23.69
Average opex per boe (USD/ boe)	26.04	22.64	13.29	14.29	17.50	22.00	18.15	38.22	27.94	24.31

Source: Company, Maybank IBG Research

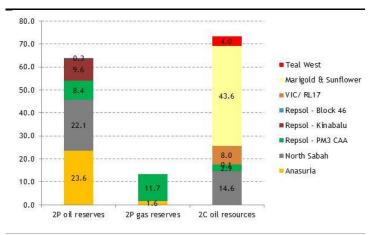
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Hibiscus: 2P reserves and 2C resources (pre-Repsol)



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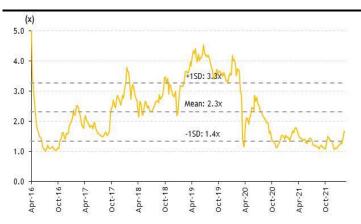
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1-year forward PBV



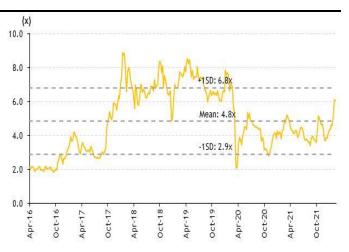
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1-year forward EV/ EBITDA



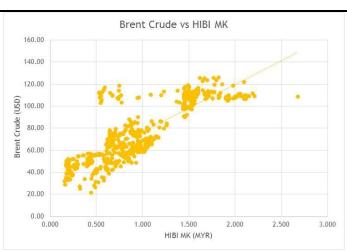
Source: Company, Maybank IBG Research

1-year forward EV/ 2P reserves



Source: Company, Maybank IBG Research

Correlation: Crude oil price (Brent) vs. Hibiscus



Source: Company, Maybank IBG Research



SEA's recent transactions of PSC deals

	Assets name	Acquirer	Seller	Price	2P reserves	Price
				(USD'm)	(m boe)	(USD/ boe)
Jan-22	Acquisition of Repsol's SEA assets	Hibiscus	Repsol	213	34.5	6.2
May-19	Acquisition of Ophir Energy	PT Medco Energi	Ophir Energy	517	70.1	7.4
Mar-19	Murphy Oil's interests in Malaysia	PTTEP Ltd	Murphy Oil	2,127	169.3	12.6
Jan-19	50% interest in SEB	OMV E&P	Sapura Energy	800	46.1	17.3
Sep-18	Acquisition of Santos' SEA's production licences	Ophir Energy	Santos Ltd	205	23.3	8.8

Source: Company, RPS

Peer comparison - valuations

Stock	BBG Code	Country	Mkt Cap.	Price	PER	R (x)	EV/EBI	TDA (x)	PBV (x)	ROE (%)	Yield (%)
			(USD m)	(LCY)	FY22E	FY23E	FY22E	FY23E	FY22E	FY22E	FY22E
Aker BP ASA	AKRBP NO	Norway	11,526.2	281.70	10.3	10.8	2.3	2.2	4.3	54.2%	5.7%
Lundin Energy AB	LUNE SS	Sweden	10,705.6	341.00	10.0	9.0	2.0	1.9	nm	nm	5.7%
Harbour Energy	HBR LN	UK	4,534.0	3.61	5.3	6.7	2.6	3.1	1.7	33.1%	4.3%
Capricorn Energy*	CNE LN	UK	1,361.7	2.03	59.8	28.3	6.2	7.8	1.3	3.9%	15.4%
Serica Energy	SQZ LN	UK	917.8	2.52	2.8	6.0	1.5	2.4	nm	29.0%	1.9%
Jadestone Energy	JSE LN	UK	634.5	1.01	5.9	6.6	2.0	2.0	nm	nm	1.5%
EnQuest	ENQ LN	UK	526.0	0.21	1.6	1.8	2.6	3.1	1.7	88.1%	nm
Hurricane Energy	HUR LN	UK	134.1	0.05	2.3	4.8	1.5	3.4	nm	nm	nm
Simple Average					11.8	9.3	2.6	3.1	2.3	37.5%	5.0%

Source: FactSet, Bloomberg, Company (as of 14 Feb); * formerly known as Cairn Energy PLC

Peer comparison (2P, 2C resources and EV/ 2P valuations)

Stock	Jurisdiction	2P reserves (m boe)	2C reserves (m boe)	Type of field	Location of field	EV (USD'm)	EV/2P (USD/boe)
Hibiscus	Malaysia	77.3	73.2	PSC, Concession (UK)	Malaysia, Australia/UK	795.5	6.7
Aker BP ASA	Norway	842.0	895.0	PSC	Norway	13,800.1	16.4
Lundin Energy AB	Norway	671.0	275.0	Concession	Norway	10,520.3	15.7
Harbour Energy	UK	569.0	417.0		United Kingdom	7,744.1	13.6
Capricorn Energy*	UK	32.9	1.2		United Kingdom	1,021.6	31.1
Serica Energy	UK	61.0	-		United Kingdom	919.0	15.1
Jadestone Energy	UK	37.1	15.2	PSC	Australia, Malaysia	608.1	16.4
EnQuest	UK	189.0	279.0		United Kingdom	2,298.1	12.2
Hurricane Energy	UK	7.1	125.7		United Kingdom	213.4	30.1

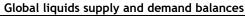
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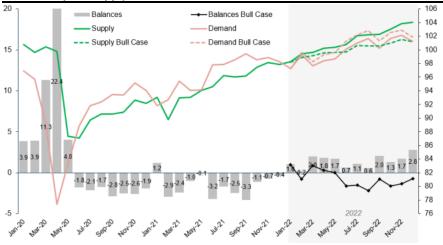
Hibiscus: Operating metrics

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FY Jun	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22F	FY23F	FY24F
Production (boe/ day)	8,356	9,120	9,107	25,494	24,711	22,837
- Anasuria	3,462	2,898	2,665	2,344	2,728	2,983
- North Sabah	4,894	6,222	6,442	5,755	5,827	6,790
- Repsol	-	-	-	17,395	16,156	13,064
OPEX (USD/ boe)						
- Anasuria	18.20	19.30	22.20	28.00	28.00	28.00
- North Sabah	14.60	12.60	14.20	21.20	21.20	21.20
- Repsol	-	-	-	23.47	21.65	22.50
Crude oil price (USD/ boe)						
- Anasuria	67.00	59.00	49.89	80.00	75.00	75.00
- North Sabah	72.81	56.52	51.75	80.00	75.00	75.00
- Repsol	-	-	-	80.00	75.00	75.00

Source: Maybank IBG Research

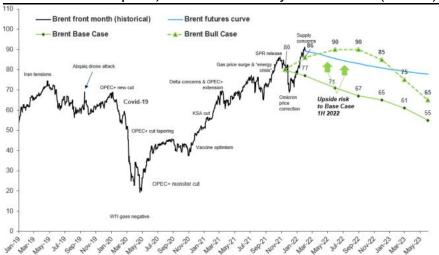






Source: Rystad Energy

Brent oil historical prices, futures curves and Rystad's estimates (USD/bbl)



Source: Rystad Energy



FYE 30 Jun	FY20A	FY21A	FY22E	FY23E	FY24E
Key Metrics	nm	10.1	7.8	4.9	4.8
P/E (reported) (x) Core P/E (x)	nm 14.7	11.4	7.8 7.8	4.9	4.8
P/BV (x)	0.9	0.8	1.3	0.7	0.5
P/NTA (x)	(7.4)	12.1	6.2	1.3	0.8
Net dividend yield (%)	0.0	2.2	0.0	0.0	0.0
FCF yield (%)	nm	16.3	24.0	13.4	12.7
EV/EBITDA (x)	3.2	2.7	2.2	1.4	1.3
EV/EBIT (x)	5.6	4.9	3.6	2.4	1.9
INCOME STATEMENT (MYR m)					
Revenue	646.5	804.8	1,649.8	2,191.4	2,085.9
EBITDA	335.3	381.8	950.7	1,251.0	1,166.9
Depreciation	(145.0)	(171.0)	(360.4)	(497.8)	(384.3)
Amortisation	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
EBIT	190.3	210.7	590.4	753.1	782.6
Net interest income /(exp)	(43.0)	(42.2)	(56.2)	(15.1)	(15.8)
Associates & JV Exceptionals	(0.4) (121.6)	(1.1) 0.1	(1.0) 0.0	(1.0) 0.0	(1.0) 0.0
Other pretax income	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Pretax profit	25.3	167.6	533.1	737.1	765.8
Income tax	(74.5)	(63.9)	(237.4)	(268.2)	(289.5)
Minorities	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Discontinued operations	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Reported net profit	(49.3)	103.7	295.7	468.8	476.3
Core net profit	72.4	103.6	295.7	468.8	476.3
BALANCE SHEET (MYR m)					
Cash & Short Term Investments	81.0	177.7	263.7	567.5	856.8
Accounts receivable	11.4	112.9	165.0	219.1	208.6
Inventory	68.1	49.5	101.4	199.2	189.6
Reinsurance assets	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Property, Plant & Equip (net)	587.4	604.8	2,010.4	2,928.3	3,732.6
Intangible assets	1,364.6	1,375.8	1,375.8	1,375.8	1,375.8
Investment in Associates & JVs	5.4	4.4	3.4	2.4	1.4
Other assets	308.2	463.0	746.2	746.2	746.2
Total assets	2,426.2	2,788.0	4,665.9	6,038.6	7,111.1
ST interest bearing debt Accounts payable	59.9 4.8	15.5 9.6	15.5 19.8	15.5 26.2	15.5 25.0
Insurance contract liabilities	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
LT interest bearing debt	14.4	11.2	53.0	50.4	47.8
Other liabilities	1,126.0	1,278.0	2,834.0	2,834.0	2,834.0
Total Liabilities	1,204.8	1,314.1	2,922.2	2,926.0	2,922.2
Shareholders Equity	1,221.3	1,473.9	1,743.7	3,112.5	4,188.8
Minority Interest	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total shareholder equity	1,221.3	1,473.9	1,743.7	3,112.5	4,188.8
Total liabilities and equity	2,426.2	2,788.0	4,665.9	6,038.6	7,111.1
CASH FLOW (MYR m)					
Pretax profit	25.3	167.6	533.1	737.1	765.8
Depreciation & amortisation	145.0	171.0	360.4	497.8	384.3
Adj net interest (income)/exp	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Change in working capital	(85.9)	(80.7)	859.1	(145.5)	18.9
Cash taxes paid	(74.5)	(63.9)	(237.4)	(268.2)	(289.5)
Other operating cash flow	402.5	445.1	801.0	901.0	601.0
Cash flow from operations	122.3	297.0	1,595.5	726.5	711.8
Capex Free cash flow	(252.9) (130.6)	(104.4) 192.6	(1,045.2) 550.2	(420.0) 306.5	(420.0) 291.8
Dividends paid	0.0	0.0	(25.9)	0.0	0.0
Equity raised / (purchased)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Change in Debt	74.3	(47.5)	41.7	(2.7)	(2.5)
Other invest/financing cash flow	(136.2)	(48.4)	(480.0)	0.0	0.0
Other myest/imancing cash flow					
Effect of exch rate changes	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0



FYE 30 Jun	FY20A	FY21A	FY22E	FY23E	FY24E
Key Ratios					
Growth ratios (%)					
Revenue growth	(34.6)	24.5	105.0	32.8	(4.8)
EBITDA growth	(39.0)	13.9	149.0	31.6	(6.7)
EBIT growth	(56.2)	10.7	180.1	27.6	3.9
Pretax growth	(93.5)	562.8	218.1	38.3	3.9
Reported net profit growth	nm	nm	185.2	58.5	1.6
Core net profit growth	(68.5)	43.1	185.5	58.5	1.6
Profitability ratios (%)					
EBITDA margin	51.9	47.4	57.6	57.1	55.9
EBIT margin	29.4	26.2	35.8	34.4	37.5
Pretax profit margin	3.9	20.8	32.3	33.6	36.7
Payout ratio	0.0	25.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
DuPont analysis					
Net profit margin (%)	nm	12.9	17.9	21.4	22.8
Revenue/Assets (x)	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.3
Assets/Equity (x)	2.0	1.9	2.7	1.9	1.7
ROAE (%)	(4.0)	7.7	18.4	19.3	13.0
ROAA (%)	3.0	4.0	7.9	8.8	7.2
Liquidity & Efficiency					
Cash conversion cycle	nm	nm	nm	nm	nm
Days receivable outstanding	21.2	27.8	30.3	31.6	36.9
Days inventory outstanding	nm	nm	nm	nm	nm
Days payables outstanding	nm	nm	nm	nm	nm
Dividend cover (x)	nm	4.0	nm	nm	nm
Current ratio (x)	0.9	1.4	0.5	0.7	0.9
Leverage & Expense Analysis					
Asset/Liability (x)	2.0	2.1	1.6	2.1	2.4
Net gearing (%) (incl perps)	net cash				
Net gearing (%) (excl. perps)	net cash				
Net interest cover (x)	4.4	5.0	10.5	50.0	49.5
Debt/EBITDA (x)	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Capex/revenue (%)	39.1	13.0	63.4	19.2	20.1
Net debt/ (net cash)	(6.7)	(150.9)	(195.2)	(501.7)	(793.5)

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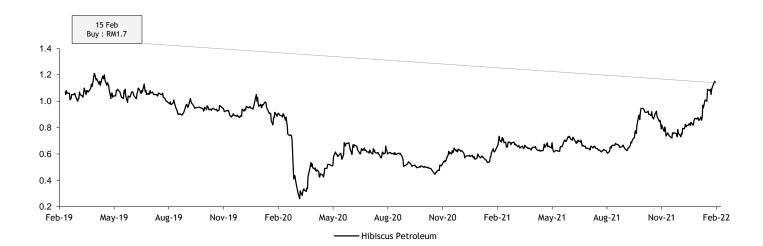
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