

# **Thailand Utilities**

# ค่าไฟฟ้าจะเริ่มลดในเดือน ก.ย. 23

- คณะรัฐมนตรี (ครม.) ไทยอนุมัติราคาไฟฟ้าใหม่ที่ 4.10 บาท/kWh ลดลงจาก 4.45 บาท/kWh โดยให้มีผลใน รอบบิล ก.ย. 2023
- ราคาค่าไฟฟ้าใหม่ต่ำกว่าที่เราคาดไว้เล็กน้อยแต่ระยะเวลามีผลบังคับใช้เร็วกว่าที่เราเคยคาดไว้ในช่วง ม.ค. -เม.ย. 2024
- GULF น่าจะได้รับผลกระทบน้อยที่สุด อย่างไรก็ดีเราเลือก GPSC เป็นหุ้นเด่น

## ราคาค่าไฟฟ้าใหม่อยู่ที่ 4.10 บาท/kWh ลดลงจาก 4.45 บาท/kWh

เมื่อวันที่ 13 ก.ย. 2023 ครม. ใหม่ของไทยได้อนุมัติให้ปรับลดราคาค่าไฟฟ้าเป็น 4.10 บาท/kWh จาก 4.45 บาท/kWh โดยราคาค่าไฟฟ้าใหม่จะเริ่มมีผลในรอบบิล ก.ย. 2023

## ราคาใหม่ชี้ถึงค่าธรรมเนียมเชื้อเพลิง (Ft) ที่ลดลง 0.35 บาท/kWh ซึ่งมากกว่าที่เราคาดไว้เล็กน้อย

ราคาค่าไฟฟ้าใหม่บอกถึงการลดค่า Ft ลงประมาณ 0.35 บาท/kWh ซึ่งมากกว่าที่เราคาดไว้ที่ไม่เกิน 0.30 บาท/kWh อยู่เล็กน้อย อย่างไรก็ดี ครม. มีมติให้มาตรการดังกล่าวมีผลบังคับใช้ในทันทีซึ่งต่างจากที่เราคาดว่าจะมีผลในช่วงเดือน ม.ค. - เม.ย. 2024 ถือเป็น Downside อย่างมีนัยสำคัญต่อประมาณการกำไรปี 2023 ของเราสำหรับหุ้นสาธารณูปโภค

## GULF ได้รับผลกระทบน้อยที่สุด

เราคาดว่าในกลุ่มหุ้นที่เราศึกษา กำไรของ GPSC และ BCPG น่าจะได้รับผลกระทบมากที่สุดที่ 12-13% ในปี 2023 ตามด้วย BGRIM (8%) ในขณะที่ GULF น่าจะเกือบไม่ได้รับผลกระทบ (1%) (Exhibit 1)

## ได้เวลาสะสมหุ้นโดยมี GPSC เป็นหุ้นเด่น

เราเชื่อว่าข่าวดังกล่าวจะสร้างกระแสเชิงลบต่อราคาหุ้นสาธารณูปโภคโดยเฉพาะอย่างยิ่งสำหรับโรงไฟฟ้าขนาดเล็ก (SPP) อาทิเช่น BGRIM และ GPSC ซึ่งมีความอ่อนไหวสูงสุดต่อการเปลี่ยนแปลงของค่า Ft อย่างไรก็ดีเราคาดว่า มาตรการดังกล่าวจะมีผลกระทบแค่ในระยะสั้นและมี Downside จำกัดเนื่องจากราคาหุ้นของ SPP ปรับตัวได้ต่ำกว่า เพื่อนและตลาดในรอบ 3 เดือน (Exhibit 2) เพราะฉะนั้นเราจึงเชื่อว่าราคาได้สะท้อนผลกระทบส่วนมากจากข่าว ดังกล่าวไปแล้ว ด้วยเหตุดังกล่าวเราจึงคิดว่าขณะนี้เป็นเวลาในการสะสมหุ้นโดยมี GPSC เป็นหุ้นเด่นเนื่องจาก แนวโน้มการฟื้นตัวของกำไรที่คาดไว้ในช่วง 2H23 ดีที่สุดแม้ว่าค่า Ft จะลดลงและเราคาดว่าหุ้นดังกล่าวจะรายงาน กำไรต่อหุ้น (EPS) โตในระดับที่น่าสนใจที่ 31-33% ในปี 2024-25 จากอัตรากำไรของ SPP ที่ปรับตัวดีขึ้นและส่วนแบ่ง กำไรที่สูงขึ้นจากการลงทุนในธุรกิจพลังงานหมุนเวียนในต่างประเทศ



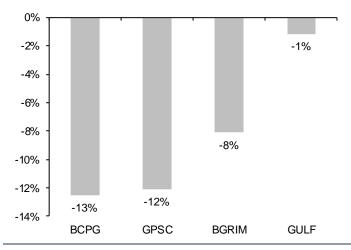
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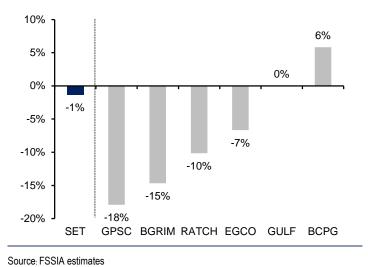
บทวิเคราะห์ฉบับนี้แปลมาจากต้นฉบับภาษาอังกฤษ ที่ออกรายงานเมื่อวันที่ 13 กันยายน 2023

# Key charts

Exhibit 1: % 2023E earnings impact from the new electricity price



## Exhibit 2: 3M share price performance



Sources: Bloomberg, FSSIA estimates

## Exhibit 3: Summary of key valuations

Company	BBG	Share price		Up	Recurring profit			- EPS growth -		P/E			DivYld	ROE	PBV
	code	Current	Target	side	22A	23E	24E	23E	24E	23E	24E	25E	23E	23E	23E
		(THB)	(THB)	(%)	(THB m)	(THB m)	(THB m)	(y-y%)	(y-y%)	(x)	(x)	(x)	(%)	(%)	(x)
Gulf Energy Development	GULF TB	46.75	52.30	12	12,637	16,409	19,874	29.9	21.1	33.4	27.6	22.0	1.5	14.2	4.6
B.Grimm Power	BGRIM TB	33.00	45.00	36	(1,244)	2,558	3,026	(305.6)	18.3	33.6	28.4	26.3	1.3	7.6	2.3
BCPG	BCPG TB	10.10	15.10	50	2,066	1,731	1,986	(16.2)	14.7	17.0	14.8	13.5	2.4	5.8	1.0
Global Power Synergy	GPSC TB	50.00	60.30	21	2,779	4,434	5,803	59.5	30.9	31.8	24.3	18.3	2.6	4.2	1.3

Share prices as of 12 Sep 2023 Source: FSSIA estimates

#### Public disclosures related to sustainable development evaluation of Thai listed companies

Rating regarding the sustainable development of Thai listed companies, both on the SET and MAI, are publicly available on the website of the Securities and Exchange Commission of Thailand (SEC). Currently, ratings available are 1) "<u>CG Score</u>" by the Thai Institute of Directors Association (Thai IOD); 2) "<u>AGM Checklist</u>" by the Thai Investors Association (TIA), a "<u>CAC certified member</u>" of the Thai Private Sector Collective Action Against Corruption (CAC); and 3) <u>Sustainability Investment List (THSI)</u> by the Stock Exchange of Thailand. The ratings are updated on an annual basis. FSS International Investment Advisory Company Limited does not confirm nor certify the accuracy of such ratings.

#### CG Score by the Thai Institute of Directors Association (Thai IOD)<sup>1</sup>

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The five underlying categories and weighting used for the CG scoring in 2022 include the rights of shareholders and equitable treatment of shareholders (weight 25% combined), the role of stakeholders (25%), disclosure and transparency (15%), and board responsibilities (35%).

The CGR report rates CG in six categories: 5 for Excellent (score range 90-100), 4 for Very Good (score range 80-89), 3 for Good (Score range 70-79), 2 for Fair (score range 60-69), 1 for Pass (score range 60-69), and not rated (score below 50).

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The <u>Checklist</u> contains the minimum requirements under law that companies must comply with, or best practices according to international CG guidance. Representatives of the TIA will attend the meetings and perform the evaluation. The assessment criteria cover AGM procedures before the meeting (45%), at the meeting date (45%), and after the meeting (10%). The first assesses 1) advance circulation of sufficient information for voting; and 2) facilitating of how voting rights can be exercised. The second assesses 1) the ease of attending meetings; 2) transparency and verifiability; and 3) openness for Q&A. The third involves the meeting minutes that should contain discussion issues, resolutions and voting results.

The results are classified into four categories: 5 for Excellent (score 100), 4 for Very Good (score 90-99), 3 for Fair (score 80-89), and not rated (score below 79).

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A <u>CAC certified member</u> is a listed company whose Checklist satisfies the CAC Certification's criteria and is approved by the CAC Council. The core elements of the Checklist include corruption risk assessment, establishment of key controls, and the monitoring and developing of policies. Note that the CAC does not certify the behaviour of the employees nor whether the companies have engaged in bribery, and Certification is good for three years.

Companies deciding to become a CAC certified member <u>start with</u> by submitting a Declaration of Intent signed by the Chairman of the Board to kick off the 18-month deadline for companies to submit the CAC Checklist for Certification. The 18-month provision is for risk assessment, in place of policy and control, training of managers and employees, establishment of whistleblowing channels, and communication of policies to all stakeholders.

The checklist document will be reviewed by the CAC Certification Committee for adequate information and evidence. It is worth noting that the committee consists of nine professionals in business law, corporate governance, internal audit, financial audit and experienced representatives from certified members.

A passed Checklist will move on to the <u>CAC Council</u> for granting certification approvals. The CAC Council consists of twelve prominent individuals who are highly respected in professionalism and ethical achievements. Among them are former ministers, a former central bank governor, the former head of the Thai Listed Companies Association, Chairman of Anti-Corruption Organizations (Thailand), Chairman of Thai Institute of Directors, and reputable academic scholars.

#### Sustainability Investment (THSI)<sup>4</sup> by the Stock Exchange of Thailand (SET)

Thailand Sustainability Investment (THSI) quantifies responsibility in <u>Environmental</u>, and <u>Social</u> issues, by managing business with transparency in <u>Governance</u>. The THSI serves as another choice for investors who desire to adopt a responsible investment approach, according to the SET.

Annually, the SET will announce the voluntary participation of the company candidates which pass the preemptive criteria, and whose two key crucial conditions are met, i.e. no irregular trading of the board members and executives and a free float of >150 by the number of shareholders, and combined holding must >15% of paid-up capital. Some key disqualifying criteria include a CG score of below 70%; independent directors and free float violation; executives' wrongdoing related to CG, social and environmental impacts, equity in negative territory, and earnings in the red for more than three years in the last five years. To become eligible for THSI, the candidate must pass three indicators in data declaration: <u>E</u>conomic (CG, risk management, customer relation management, supply chain management, and innovation); <u>E</u>nvironmental (environmental management, eco-efficiency, and climate risk); <u>S</u>ocial (human rights, talent attraction, operational health & safety, community development, and stakeholder engagement); and the incorporation of ESG in business operations.

To be approved for THSI inclusion, verified data must be scored at a 50% minimum for each indicator, unless the company is a part of the Dow Jones Sustainability Indices<sup>5</sup> (DJSI) during the assessment year. The scoring will be fairly weighted against the nature of the relevant industry and materiality.

Note that, from the <u>THSI list</u>, the SET further developed a sustainability <u>SETTHSI Index</u> in June 2018 from selected THSI companies whose 1) market capitalisation > THB5b (~USD150b); 2) free float >20%; and 3) liquidity >0.5% of paid-up capital for at least 9 out of 12 months. The SETTHSI Index is a market capitalisation-weighted index, cap 5% quarterly weight at maximum, and no cap for number of stocks.

Sources: SEC; Thai IOD; Thai CAC; SET; FSSIA's compilation

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Dow Jones Sustainability Indices – <u>Wikipedia</u> – Launched in 1999, DJSI evaluates the sustainability performance of companies based on corporate economic, environmental, and social performance.



Thai Institute of Directors Association (<u>Thai IOD</u>) was established in December 1999 and is a membership organisation that strives to promote professionalism in directorship. The Thai IOD offers directors certification and professional development courses, provides a variety of seminars, forums and networking events, and conducts research on board governance issues and practices. Membership comprises board members from companies ranging from large publicly listed companies to small private firms.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Thai Investors Association (<u>TIA</u>) was established in 1983 with a mission to promote investment knowledge and to protect the investment rights of Thai investors. In 2002, the association was appointed by the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) to represent individual shareholders. To obtain information for evaluation, the association recruits volunteer investors to join AGMs and score the meetings. Weightings for each meeting are at a 45:45:10 ratio. They have been applied since 2017 and subject to change.

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Sustainability Investment List (THSI), created by the Stock Exchange of Thailand in 2015, comprises the listed companies that conduct sustainable business operations.

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Kwanwaree Apichartsataporn started covering this stock from 23-Jun-2023

Price and TP are in local currency

Source: FSSIA estimates

### B.Grimm Power (BGRIM TB)



BUY

BUY

41.00

46.00

01-Nov-2022

10-Jan-2023

58.00

46.00

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BUY

BUY

Price and TP are in local currency

Source: FSSIA estimates

26-Oct-2021

09-Feb-2022



Kwanwaree Apichartsataporn started covering this stock from 07-Jun-2023

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Source: FSSIA estimates

## Global Power Synergy (GPSC TB)



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Source: FSSIA estimates

Company	Ticker	Price	Rating	Valuation & Risks
Gulf Energy Development	GULF TB	THB 46.75	BUY	The downside risks to our SoTP-based TP for GULF include 1) a lower-than-expected Ft; 2) a higher-than-expected gas cost; and 3) delays in project commercial operation dates.
B.Grimm Power	BGRIM TB	THB 33.00	BUY	The downside risks to our DCF-based TP include 1) the volatility of gas costs and Ft rates; 2) lower-than-expected industrial user demand; and 3) unplanned shutdowns.
BCPG	BCPG TB	THB 10.10	BUY	The downside risks to our SoTP-based TP include: 1) lower-than-expected demand for electricity in Thailand and the Philippines; and 2) government intervention by way of electricity tariff subsidies; 3) lower-than-expected gas prices for gas-fired plants in the US and; 4) abnormal solar and wind factors.
Global Power Synergy	GPSC TB	THB 50.00	BUY	The downside risks to our DCF-based TP on GPSC include 1) lower-than-expected demand for electricity in Thailand; 2) higher-than-expected energy price (i.e. coal and gas); and 3) lower-than-expected demand from industrial users.

Source: FSSIA estimates

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