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# THAI OIL TOP TB

# คาดกำไรสุทธิ 3Q23 จะปรับขึ้น q-q และ y-y

- เราคาดว่ากำไรสุทธิ 3Q23 จะอยู่ในเกณฑ์ดีที่ 11.5พัน ลบ. กระโดดขึ้นจาก 1.1พัน ลบ.
   ใน 2Q23 และ 0.01พัน ลบ. ใน 3Q22
- ปรับเพิ่มประมาณการกำไรต่อหุ้น (EPS) ปี 2023-24 ขึ้น 41.3% และ 12.6% ส่วนมาก มาจากผลกระทบจากเหตุน้ำมันรั่วไหลที่น้อยกว่าคาดและกำไรจากสินค้าคงคลัง
- คงคำแนะนำซื้อที่ราคาเป้าหมาย 56.8 บาท

# คาดกำไรสุทธิ 3Q23 จะกระโดดเพิ่มเป็น 11.5พัน ลบ. จาก 1.1พัน ลบ. ใน 2Q23

เราคาดว่า TOP จะรายงานกำไรสุทธิ 3Q23 อยู่ที่ 11.5พัน ลบ. กระโดดเพิ่มจาก 1.1พัน ลบ. ใน 2Q23 และ 0.01พัน ลบ. ใน 3Q22 ส่วนมากจาก Diesel, Jet, และ Gasoline crack spread ที่สูงขึ้นประกอบกับราคาน้ำมันที่ปรับขึ้นในระหว่างไตรมาส Crack spread ที่ปรับขึ้นเกิดจาก ความต้องการน้ำมันเบนซินที่อยู่ในระดับสูงจากฤดูการขับขี่และการปิดโรงกลั่นนอกแผนใน เดือน มิ.ย. - ส.ค. 23 ซึ่งทำให้ Market GRM ปรับขึ้นเป็น USD12.2/bbl จาก USD4.5/bbl ใน 2Q23 และ USD6.7/bbl ใน 3Q22 นอกจากนี้เรายังคาดด้วยว่าราคาน้ำมันที่สูงขึ้นจะทำให้กำไร จากสินค้าคงคลังเพิ่มเป็น USD8.9/bbl หรือ ~9พัน ลบ. ใน 3Q23 จากที่เคยขาดทุนจากสินค้า คงคลัง USD2/bbl ใน 2Q23 และ USD9.6/bbl ใน 3Q22 เพราะฉะนั้นเราจึงคาด 3Q23 accounting GRM อยู่ที่ USD21.1/bbl ในขณะเดียวกันเราคาดว่าธุรกิจ Aromatics และ Lube base จะอ่อนตัวลงเล็กน้อย q-q จาก Product spread ที่อ่อนแอ ประมาณการ 3Q23 EBITDA ของเราอยู่ที่ 18.4พัน ลบ. เพิ่มขึ้นจาก 4.6พัน ลบ. ใน 2Q23 และ -0.5พัน ลบ. ใน 3Q22 ในขณะที่ประมาณการกำไรสุทธิในช่วง 9M23 ของเราคิดเป็น 92.3% ของประมาณการปี 2023

# ปรับเพิ่มประมาณการ EPS ปี 2023-24 ขึ้น 41.3% และ 12.6% ตามลำดับ

เราปรับเพิ่มประมาณการ EPS ปี 2023-24 ขึ้น 41.3% และ 12.6% ส่วนมากมาจากผลกระทบ จากเหตุน้ำมันรั่วไหลที่น้อยกว่าคาดและกำไรที่คาดว่าจะอยู่ในเกณฑ์ดีใน 3Q23 TOP คาด ค่าใช้จ่ายที่เกี่ยวข้องกับเหตุน้ำมันรั่วไหลไว้ที่ประมาณ 0.1พัน ลบ. (เทียบกับประมาณการเดิม ของเราที่ 1.7พัน ลบ.) และคาดค่าขนส่งเพิ่มเติม Ship-to-ship cost อยู่ที่ ~USD0.5/bbl ซึ่งต่ำ กว่าเป้าก่อนหน้าที่ USD1/bbl สำหรับประมาณการ EPS ในปี 2023 เราได้รวมผลกระทบจาก กำไร 3Q23 ที่ดีกว่าคาดจากค่าการกลั่น (GRM) และกำไรจากสินค้าคงคลังที่สูงขึ้น ในขณะที่ การปรับเพิ่มประมาณการกำไรปี 2024 ของเราปรับจากผลกระทบจากเหตุน้ำมันรั่วไหลที่น้อย กว่าที่คาดไว้

# แนวโน้มกำไร 4Q23 แข็งแกร่ง

จาก Petroleum product crack spread ที่ลดลงและราคาน้ำมันที่ทรงตัว QTD เราคาดว่ากำไร 4Q23 จะอ่อนลง q-q แต่ยังเพิ่มขึ้น y-y อย่างไรก็ดีเราเชื่อว่าบริษัทฯ จะรายงานกำไรที่ แข็งแกร่งและดีขึ้นเมื่อเทียบกับคู่แข่งจากโรงกลั่นที่มีโครงสร้างต้นทุนต่ำ เรายังชอบ TOP จาก แนวโน้มระยะกลางถึงยาวที่เกื้อหนุนจากการฟื้นตัวของธุรกิจปิโตรเคมี

# คงแนะนำซื้อที่ราคาเป้าหมาย 56.8 บาท

เราคงคำแนะนำซื้อที่ราคาเป้าหมายเดิมที่ 56.8 บาทซึ่งคิดเป็น 0.74x ของค่า 2024E P/BV เทียบเท่า -1.5SD ของค่าเฉลี่ยระยะยาว



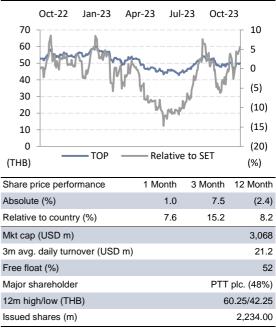
# BUY

UNCHANGED

TARGET PRICE	THB56.80
CLOSE	THB50.00
UP/DOWNSIDE	+13.6%
PRIOR TP	THB56.80
CHANGE IN TP	UNCHANGED
TP vs CONSENSUS	-7.1%

# **KEY STOCK DATA**

YE Dec (THB m)	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
Revenue	529,589	451,706	461,321	572,611
Net profit	32,668	18,571	13,280	18,801
EPS (THB)	15.29	8.31	5.94	8.42
vs Consensus (%)	-	17.2	(5.6)	(7.1)
EBITDA	52,014	33,641	24,384	33,899
Recurring net profit	32,668	18,771	13,080	18,800
Core EPS (THB)	15.29	8.40	5.86	8.42
Chg. In EPS est. (%)	-	41.3	12.6	0.2
EPS growth (%)	147.9	(45.0)	(30.3)	43.7
Core P/E (x)	3.3	6.0	8.5	5.9
Dividend yield (%)	7.4	8.3	5.9	8.4
EV/EBITDA (x)	4.4	5.7	8.0	5.8
Price/book (x)	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.6
Net debt/Equity (%)	71.0	45.7	45.9	45.1
ROE (%)	23.6	11.7	7.8	10.6



Sources: Bloomberg consensus; FSSIA estimates



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### **Investment thesis**

We believe the refinery and petrochemical business will recover in 2H23, led by the acceleration of China's economic activities. We expect it to boost diesel and petrochemical product demand, thus driving the product spreads.

In addition, as a low-cost structure complex refinery, we expect TOP to stand as a winner from its earnings resilience relative to local refinery peers during this shoulder period (refinery spreads are normalising while the petrochemical business is passing its bottom).

Long-term, we anticipate that the CFP project (ECOD in 1Q25) will allow TOP to enhance its profit maximisation from higher feedstock flexibility and upgrading product yields toward more high-value middle distillate products. In addition, the CAP2 expansion project (ECOD in 2026; Chandra Asri Petrochemical holds 15.38%), an olefin investment in Indonesia, will help support and diversify TOP's earnings in the long term.

# **Company profile**

TOP operates the largest single-site refinery in Thailand, which is one of the most complex refineries in the Asia-Pacific region with a nameplate capacity of 275 kbd. It also undertakes power generation, petrochemical production, and oil and petrochemical product transportation.

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# Principal activities (revenue, 2022)

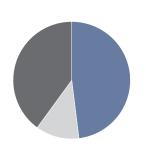
- Oil refinery 85.4 %
- Lubed base oil refinery 3.8 %
- Petrochemical 5.2 %
- Power generation 1.2 %
- Marine transportation services 0.0 %

Source: Thai Oil

# **Major shareholders**

- PTT plc. 48.0 %
- Thai NVDR 12.0 %

Others - 40.0 %



Source: Thai Oil

# Catalysts

Potential catalysts are 1) a faster-than-expected resumption of economic activity in China in 4Q23, which would boost diesel and aromatics product demand and send product spreads higher; 2) lower-than-expected crude premiums; 3) a sharp rise in oil prices; and 4) a lower-than-expected extra cost from the oil spill incident and a faster-than-expected reopening of SBM-2.

# **Risks to our call**

Downside risks to our P/BV-based TP are 1) a sharp fall in oil prices; 2) weaker demand for refined oil products; 3) GRM volatility; 4) unplanned refinery shutdowns; and 5) longer-than-expected maintenance of SBM-2.

# **Event calendar**

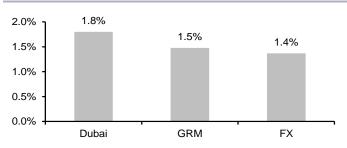
Date	Event
8 Nov 2023	3Q23 financial results announcement
15 Nov 2023	3Q23 analyst meeting

# Key assumptions

(USD/bbl)	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
Marketing GRM	2.2	12.0	8.3	6.1	6.5
Stock gain/loss	4.7	1.0	0.9	-	-
Accounting GRM	6.9	13.0	9.1	6.1	6.5
Crude premium	1.8	7.1	3.1	3.0	2.5
Diesel-Dubai	6.7	34.3	20.0	14.0	13.0
Gasoline-Dubai	11.1	18.8	16.0	15.0	15.0
Capacity utilisation rate	100%	107%	108%	110%	95%
PX-ULG95	177	124	200	220	260
BZ-ULG95	232	50	104	125	150

Source: FSSIA estimates

### **Earnings sensitivity**



• For every 1% increase in Dubai, GRM and FX, we estimate earnings will increase according to the above chart, and vice versa, all else being equal.

Source: FSSIA estimates

# **Focus charts**

# Exhibit 1: TOP's 3Q23 results preview

	3Q22			3Q23E		2023E	% of FY in 9M23E
	(THB m)	(THB m)	(THB m)	(q-q%)	(y-y%)	(THB m)	(%)
Revenue	127,901	108,662	123,037	13.2	(3.8)	451,706	77.2
Operating costs	(131,685)	(103,310)	(102,186)	(1.1)	(22.4)	(414,302)	76.1
EBITDA	(568)	4,618	18,408	298.6	(3,340.8)	33,641	98.8
EBITDA margin (%)	(0.4)	4.2	15.0	nm	nm	7.4	
Depn & amort.	(1,850)	(1,286)	(1,404)	9.2	(24.1)	(7,520)	61.1
EBIT	899	1,700	14,504	753.3	1,513.8	26,121	90.1
Interest expense	(940)	(1,081)	(901)	(16.7)	(4.1)	(3,774)	77.0
Interest & invt inc	260	279	260	(6.9)	(0.0)	2,213	34.3
Associates' contrib	(294)	16	50	204.8	(117.0)	300	55.7
Exceptionals	3,216	(734)	(2,444)	232.8	(176.0)	(2,200)	92.1
Pretax profit	3,141	180	11,469	6,274.1	265.2	22,660	86.2
Тах	156	523	(2,040)	(489.9)	(1,410.6)	(3,852)	86.2
Tax rate (%)	(5.0)	(290.8)	17.8	nm	nm	17.0	
Minority interests	(103)	(25)	(100)	306.7	(2.9)	(236)	71.6
Net profit	12	1,117	11,462	926.1	97,800.4	18,571	92.3

Sources: TOP, FSSIA's estimates

# Exhibit 2: Quarterly earnings assumptions

	1Q22	2Q22	3Q22	4Q22	1Q23	2Q23	3Q23E	Chg. q-q	Chg. y-y
Quarterly key drivers	(USD/bbl)								
Marketing GIM	7.6	25.6	8.8	11.1	12.0	6.1	13.2	7.1	4.4
Refinery - Mkt GRM	6.3	24.8	6.7	9.3	10.0	4.5	12.2	7.7	5.5
Aromatic&LAB	0.7	0.0	0.2	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.6	(0.3)	0.4
Lube base	0.6	0.8	1.9	1.0	1.1	0.8	0.4	(0.4)	(1.5)
Accounting GIM	23.6	33.4	(0.7)	1.5	8.3	4.1	22.1	18.0	22.8
Refinery - Acct GRM	22.6	32.9	(2.9)	(0.3)	6.4	2.5	21.1	18.6	24.0
Stock gain/loss	16.2	7.8	(9.6)	(9.7)	(3.6)	(2.0)	8.9	10.9	18.5
Crude premium	4.0	7.4	10.5	7.0	5.0	2.8	1.8	(1.0)	(8.7)
Diesel-Dubai	19.5	43.1	35.2	39.3	25.2	14.6	26.9	12.3	(8.3)
Gasoline-Dubai	17.8	35.0	13.2	9.4	18.7	16.6	18.9	2.3	5.7
Refinery run rate (%)	109	112	104	103	112	113	110		
PX-ULG95 (USD/t)	124	44	152	178	193	228	175	(53.4)	22.8
BZ-ULG95 (USD/t)	110	23	42	24	89	71	1	(69.5)	(40.9)

Sources: TOP, FSSIA's estimates

# Exhibit 3: Changes in FY earnings assumptions

Key assumptions	2021	2022	202	3E	202	24E	202	25E
			New	Old	New	Old	New	Old
	(USD/bbl)							
TOP's GIM (Excl. stock g/l)	5.50	13.4	9.9	8.7	8.2	8.0	10.0	9.2
Refinery - Market GRM	2.2	11.9	8.3	6.5	6.1	5.7	7.2	6.5
Aromatics & LAB GIM	1.7	0.4	0.9	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.7	1.6
Lube base GIM	1.6	1.1	0.8	1.2	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.1
Accounting GIM (Incl. stock g/l)	10.1	14.3	10.8	8.7	8.2	8.0	10.0	9.2
Stock gain/loss	4.7	1.0	0.9	-	-	-	-	-
Crude premium	1.8	7.1	3.1	3.3	3.0	1.8	2.5	1.4
Diesel-Dubai	6.7	34.3	20.0	17.0	14.0	13.0	13.0	13.0
Gasoline-Dubai	11.1	18.8	16.0	17.0	15.0	15.0	15.0	15.0
Capacity utilisation rate (%)	100	107	108	108	110	110	95	95
PX-ULG95	177	124.3	200	200	220	220	260	260



BZ-ULG95	232	50.0	104	104	125	125	150	150

Sources: TOP, FSSIA's estimates



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# **Financial Statements**

Thai Oil

2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025
345,496	529,589	451,706	461,321	572,61
(319,555)	(481,137)	(421,822)	(440,823)	(547,645
25,941	48,452	29,884	20,499	24,96
-	-	-	-	
(3,056)	(4,182)	(3,763)	(3,718)	(573
30,309	52,014	33,641	24,384	33,89
(7,424)	(7,744)	(7,520)	(7,603)	(9,506
0	0	0	0	
22,885	44,270	26,121	16,781	24,39
(9,523)	(1,733)	(3,561)	(1,453)	(1,345
1,675	(513)	300	1,000	1,00
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0	0	(200)	200	
15,037	42,024	22,660	16,528	24,04
(2,034)	(8,918)	(3,852)	(2,810)	(4,810
13,003	33,106	18,807	13,718	19,23
(425)	(438)	(236)	(438)	(438
0	0	0	0	
-	-	-	-	
12,578	32,668	18,571	13,280	18,80
0	0	200	(200)	(1
12,578	32,668	18,771	13,080	18,80
6.17	15.29	8.40	5.86	8.4
6.17	15.29	8.31	5.94	8.4
2.60	3.70	4.16	2.97	4.2
2,040	2,137	2,234	2,234	2,23
39.4	53.3	(14.7)	2.1	24.
nm	71.6	(35.3)	(27.5)	39.
nm	93.4	(41.0)	(35.8)	45.
nm	147.9	(45.0)	(30.3)	43.
nm	147.9			41.
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7.5	9.1	6.6	4.4	4.
9.7	10.6	8.3	6.1	6.
8.8	9.8	7.4	5.3	5.
6.6	8.4	5.8	3.6	4.
3.6	6.2	4.2	2.8	3.
13.5	21.2	17.0	17.0	20.
42.2	24.2	49.5	50.8	50.
2.6	25.2	7.4	12.2	18.
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19.1	18.0	20.7	18.1	16.
19.0	37.5	52.6	38.5	35.
10.0	16.2	9.6	6.0	8.
8.1	11.5	7.5	5.2	6.
10.6	23.6	11.7	7.8	10.
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0	0.0	0	0.0	
2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025
284,019	452,096	370,297	376,145	487,43
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			23 680	22 60
18,826 24,461	20,078 27,752	23,926 27,719	23,689 31,724	23,68 31,72
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Sources: Thai Oil; FSSIA estimates

## Financial Statements Thai Oil

cash Flow (THB m) Year Ending Dec	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
ecurring net profit	12,578	32,668	18,771	13,080	18,800
epreciation	7,424	7,744	7,520	7,603	9,506
ssociates & minorities	-	-	-	-	
ther non-cash items	-	-	-	-	
hange in working capital	(14,344)	30,043	(20,320)	(644)	(7,457
ash flow from operations	5,659	70,455	5,971	20,039	20,849
apex - maintenance apex - new investment	(33,174)	(28,076)	(14,364)	(14,304)	(14,298
et acquisitions & disposals	(33,174)	(20,070)	- (14,504)	- (14,504)	(14,200
ther investments (net)	(7,417)	(8,103)	30,000	(15,000)	(30,000
ash flow from investing	(40,591)	(36,179)	15,636	(29,304)	(44,298
ividends paid	(5,304)	(8,265)	(9,286)	(6,640)	(9,401
quity finance	0	0	0	0	(
ebt finance	(1,219)	(550)	(16,357)	(6,551)	(21,551
ther financing cash flows	17,908	(11,581)	25,979	14,829	32,390
ash flow from financing	11,384	(20,396)	336	1,638	1,439
on-recurring cash flows	-	-	-	-	
ther adjustments	0	0	0	0	(
et other adjustments	(22 5 48)	0	0	0	(22.010
ovement in cash	(23,548)	13,880	<b>21,944</b> 25,381.84	(7,627)	(22,010)
ee cash flow to firm (FCFF) ee cash flow to equity (FCFE)	(31,337.86) (18,244.02)	38,136.16 22,145.45	31,229.27	(5,577.04) (987.46)	(19,846.50 <b>(12,609.45</b>
	(10,244.02)	22,140.40	51,225.27	(307.40)	(12,003.45
e <b>r share (THB)</b> CFF per share	(14.03)	17.07	11.36	(2.50)	(8.88
CFF per share	(14.03) (8.17)	9.91	13.98	(2.50)	(0.00) (5.64
ecurring cash flow per share	9.80	18.91	11.77	9.26	12.67
alance Sheet (THB m) Year Ending Dec	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
angible fixed assets (gross)	320,167	355,988	370,352	384,656	398,954
ess: Accumulated depreciation angible fixed assets (net)	(141,768) <b>178,399</b>	(149,512) <b>206,476</b>	(157,033) <b>213,319</b>	(164,636) <b>220,020</b>	(174,142 <b>224,81</b> 2
tangible fixed assets (net)	0	200,470	213,319	220,020	224,012
ong-term financial assets	-	-	-	-	
vest. in associates & subsidiaries	55,412	32,603	32,903	33,903	34,903
ash & equivalents	29,696	43,576	65,520	57,893	35,883
C receivable	23,415	28,759	22,585	23,066	28,63
ventories	39,576	55,343	52,853	53,979	67,000
ther current assets	8,552	26,150	8,000	8,000	8,000
urrent assets	101,239	153,828	148,959	142,937	139,514
ther assets	27,094	51,674	14,525	21,820	21,136
otal assets	362,144	444,581	409,706	418,680	420,365
ommon equity	120,881	156,034	165,320	171,960	181,360
inorities etc.	2,213	2,623	2,823	3,023	3,223
otal shareholders' equity	123,094	158,657	168,143	174,983	184,583
ong term debt	163,343	151,442	136,635	131,635	111,635
ther long-term liabilities	37,230	30,809	30,809	30,809	30,809
ong-term liabilities /C payable	<b>200,574</b> 23,001	<b>182,250</b> 74,154	<b>167,444</b> 45,171	<b>162,444</b> 46,132	<b>142,44</b> 4 57,262
nort term debt	23,001	4,776	45,171 5,712	6,648	57,26
ther current liabilities	13,334	24,743	20,000	25,000	25,000
urrent liabilities	38,476	103,673	70,882	<b>77,780</b>	23,000 89,844
otal liabilities and shareholders' equity	362,144	444,581	406,469	415,206	416,872
et working capital	35,209	11,355	18,268	13,913	21,370
vested capital	296,114	302,108	279,016	289,655	302,22
ncludes convertibles and preferred stock which is be	eing treated as debt				
r share (THB)					
ook value per share	59.25	69.85	74.01	76.98	81.19
angible book value per share	59.25	69.85	74.01	76.98	81.19
nancial strength					
et debt/equity (%)	110.3	71.0	45.7	45.9	45.1
et debt/total assets (%)	37.5	25.3	18.8	19.2	19.
urrent ratio (x)	2.6	1.5	2.1	1.8	1.0
interest cover (x)	2.6	30.0	13.8	10.2	2.3
luation	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025
ecurring P/E (x) *	8.1	3.3	6.0	8.5	5.
ecurring P/E @ target price (x) *	9.2	3.7	6.8	9.7	6.
eported P/E (x)	8.1	3.3	6.0	8.4	5.
vidend yield (%)	5.2	7.4	8.3	5.9	8.4
ice/book (x)	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.6
ice/tangible book (x)	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.0
//EBITDA (x) ** //EPITDA @ target price (x) **	7.9	4.4	5.7	8.0	5.8
V/EBITDA @ target price (x) ** V/invested capital (x)	8.4 0.8	4.7 0.8	6.1 0.7	8.6 0.7	6.3 0.7

Sources: Thai Oil; 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>

The CG Score indicates corporate governance (CG) strength in the sustainable development of Thai listed companies. Annually, the Thai IOD, with support from the Stock Exchange of Thailand (SET), surveys and assesses the CG practices of companies and publishes the results on the <u>Thai IOD website</u> in a bid to promote and enhance the CG of Thai listed companies in order to promote compliance with international standards for better investment decisions. The results are from the perspective of a third party, not an evaluation of operations, as of the date appearing in the report, and may be changed after that date.

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).

#### Corporate Governance Report Disclaimer

The disclosure of the survey result of the Thai Institute of Directors Association ("IOD") regarding corporate governance is made pursuant to the policy of the Office of the Securities and Exchange Commission. The survey of the IOD is based on the information of companies listed on the Stock Exchange of Thailand and the Market of Alternative Investment disclosed to the public and able to be accessed by a general public investor at <u>Thai IOD website</u>. The result, therefore, is from the perspective of a third party. It is not an evaluation of operation and is not based on inside information.

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#### AGM Checklist by the Thai Investors Association (TIA)<sup>2</sup>

The "<u>AGM Checklist</u>" quantifies the extent to which shareholders' rights and equitable treatment are incorporated into business operations and the extent to which information is sufficiently disclosed and the level of its transparency. All the considered factors form important elements of two out of five the CG components. Annually, the TIA, with support from the SEC, leads the project to evaluate the quality of Annual General Meetings of Shareholders (AGMs) and to rate quality of the meetings.

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).

#### CAC certified member by the Thai Private Sector Collective Action Against Corruption (CAC)<sup>3</sup>

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>Environmental (environmental environmental)</u> 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.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 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.

Thai Private Sector Collective Action against Corruption (<u>CAC</u>) was founded in 2010 and is 100% privately funded. It is an initiative by the Thai private sector to take part in tackling corruption problems via collective action. The CAC promotes the implementation of effective anti-corruption policies in order to create a transparent business ecosystem by developing a unique certification program for large/medium/small companies to apply for and to control corruption risk systematically and efficiently. The CAC's operations are sponsored by the US-based Center for Private Enterprise (CIPE) and the UK Prosperity Fund.

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 01-Jun-2023

Price and TP are in local currency

Source: FSSIA estimates

Company	Ticker	Price	Rating	Valuation & Risks
Thai Oil	TOP TB	THB 50.00	BUY	Downside risks to our P/BV-based TP are 1) a sharp fall in oil prices; 2) weaker demand for refined oil products; 3) GRM volatility; 4) unplanned refinery shutdowns; and 5) longer-than-expected maintenance of SBM-2.

### Source: FSSIA estimates

### **Additional Disclosures**

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All share prices are as at market close on 17-Oct-2023 unless otherwise stated.

### **RECOMMENDATION STRUCTURE**

### Stock ratings

Stock ratings are based on absolute upside or downside, which we define as (target price\* - current price) / current price.

BUY (B). The upside is 10% or more.

HOLD (H). The upside or downside is less than 10%.

REDUCE (R). The downside is 10% or more.

Unless otherwise specified, these recommendations are set with a 12-month horizon. Thus, it is possible that future price volatility may cause a temporary mismatch between upside/downside for a stock based on market price and the formal recommendation.

\* In most cases, the target price will equal the analyst's assessment of the current fair value of the stock. However, if the analyst doesn't think the market will reassess the stock over the specified time horizon due to a lack of events or catalysts, then the target price may differ from fair value. In most cases, therefore, our recommendation is an assessment of the mismatch between current market price and our assessment of current fair value.

### **Industry Recommendations**

**Overweight.** The analyst expects the fundamental conditions of the sector to be positive over the next 12 months. **Neutral.** The analyst expects the fundamental conditions of the sector to be maintained over the next 12 months. **Underweight.** The analyst expects the fundamental conditions of the sector to be negative over the next 12 months.

### **Country (Strategy) Recommendations**

**Overweight (O).** Over the next 12 months, the analyst expects the market to score positively on two or more of the criteria used to determine market recommendations: index returns relative to the regional benchmark, index sharpe ratio relative to the regional benchmark and index returns relative to the market cost of equity.

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