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Potential 4Q23 sales and margin growth

- Expect a 4Q23 core profit of THB620m (+4% q-q, +55% y-y), supported by the high sales season and higher margins after costs decreased.
- The 2023 core profit growth should end at 53% y-y as expected. Maintain our 2024 estimate of 2% y-y.
- Retain BUY rating at our TP of THB29.50 on a high upside.

TARGET PRICE	THB29.50
CLOSE	THB21.90
UP/DOWNSIDE	+34.7%
PRIOR TP	THB29.50
CHANGE IN TP	UNCHANGED
TP vs CONSENSUS	-12.5%

KEY STOCK DATA

YE Dec (THB m)	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
Revenue	20,649	22,438	23,315	24,019
Net profit	1,418	2,632	2,606	2,696
EPS (THB)	0.70	1.30	1.28	1.33
vs Consensus (%)	-	3.7	(5.3)	(8.7)
EBITDA	2,849	4,114	4,249	4,420
Recurring net profit	1,672	2,546	2,606	2,696
Core EPS (THB)	0.82	1.25	1.28	1.33
Chg. In EPS est. (%)	-	-	-	-
EPS growth (%)	(8.9)	52.2	2.4	3.4
Core P/E (x)	26.6	17.5	17.0	16.5
Dividend yield (%)	2.3	3.0	2.9	3.0
EV/EBITDA (x)	15.5	10.7	10.1	9.6
Price/book (x)	3.5	3.1	2.9	2.7
Net debt/Equity (%)	(7.2)	(8.9)	(12.7)	(16.0)
ROE (%)	13.3	18.9	17.7	16.8

4Q23 core profit should increase 4% q-q and 55% y-y

We expect a 4Q23 net profit of THB500m (-23% q-q, +75% y-y). Excluding one-time items, which had a negative impact of THB150m mainly from an FX loss after the Baht decreased, the core profit should increase by 4% q-q and 55% y-y to THB620m, close to our estimate. To elaborate, we project 4Q23 sales growth to THB5.7b (+6% q-q, +5% y-y) mainly from domestic sales growth of 5% y-y due to the high season of building material sales and repaint demand from tourism. Although international sales (15% of total sales) should be flat y-y, it signaled a q-q recovery in all countries. Therefore, we anticipate 2023 sales of THB22b, up 8% y-y, close to the guidance.

4Q23 margins should beat estimates due to oil-linked and TiO2

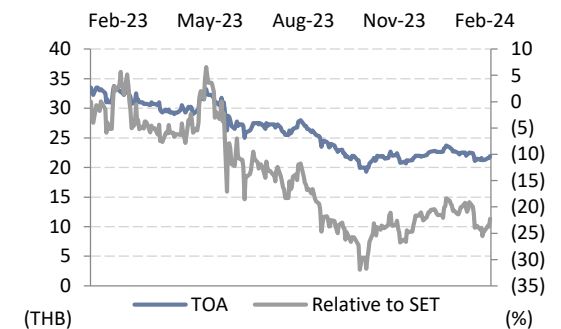
The cost outlook improved. Hence, we now expect a 4Q23 gross margin of 34.3% (vs 33.8% in 3Q23 and 29.1% in 4Q22), higher than our previous estimate of 33.0-33.5% and the guidance for a q-q loss of 50bps due to lower oil prices and the Baht strength late last year. Also, TOA had a TiO2 inventory with a price lower than the market. It should help offset a higher SG&A (+10% q-q, +9% y-y) due to employee bonuses and a provision. If 4Q23 matches our estimate, the 2023 core profit will end at THB2.56b (+53% y-y), close to our estimate.

Maintain 2024E profit (flat y-y) with a cautious view

We retain our 2024E core profit of THB2.6b (+2% y-y). It assumes conservative sales growth of 4% y-y, lower than the guidance of 8% y-y, mainly from an international sales recovery due to a low base, especially in Vietnam (7% of total sales), where the government has introduced property stimulus. In the domestic market, a struggle is likely amid economic uncertainties. We project a gross margin of 33.2% (vs. 2023E of 33.9%), still within the 33-34% guidance. The 1Q24 profit should remain strong as sales continue to benefit from seasonal factors. We anticipate a gross margin of 33.5-34.0%, based on 1Q24TD average Dubai crude of US\$79/bbl (vs US\$83/bbl and US\$80/bbl in 4Q23-1Q23) and a declining outlook of other raw material prices.

Maintain BUY call at our TP of THB29.50 on a high upside

We retain a BUY rating at our TP of THB29.50 (PER 23x). The stock has a high upside. It traded on a low 2024 PE of 17x, implying a discount of -2SD from its historical average.



Share price performance	1 Month	3 Month	12 Month
Absolute (%)	(3.9)	(0.9)	(35.1)
Relative to country (%)	(2.0)	(0.8)	(22.6)
Mkt cap (USD m)	1,229		
3m avg. daily turnover (USD m)	0.8		
Free float (%)	25		
Major shareholder	TOA Group Holding Co Ltd (30%)		
12m high/low (THB)	34.25/19.20		
Issued shares (m)	2,029.00		

Sources: Bloomberg consensus; FSSIA estimates



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Investment thesis

TOA is a leading Thai manufacturer and distributor of paints and coatings. It has well-recognized brands in Southeast Asia, including Vietnam, Indonesia, Myanmar, Cambodia, Laos, and Malaysia. With a long experience of over 58 years, TOA has strengths from its strong brands and solid distribution channels, with the highest share of 48.7% in the domestic market.

In 2022, revenue came mainly from decorative paints (60.2% of total revenue). The remaining 35.8% came from paints and coatings, and 4% from other products. By country, 83.4% of its revenue was from Thailand, 9.1% from Vietnam, and 7.5% from others.

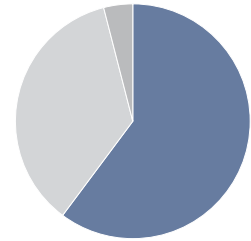
Company profile

Established in 1964, TOA began by importing paints from Japan. It later set up a factory in Thailand in 1977 to produce decorative paints under the TOA brand. It manufactures and distributes decorative and non-decorative paint and coating products through a comprehensive distribution network, including retail, modern trade, and others (such as project sales, exports, and affiliates).

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Principal activities (revenue, 2022)

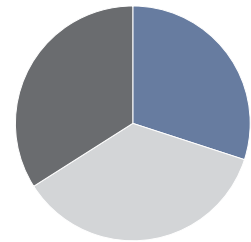
- Decorative paint and coating - 60.2 %
- Non-decorative paint and coating - 35.8 %
- Others - 4.0 %



Source: TOA Paint (Thailand)

Major shareholders

- TOA Group Holding Co Ltd - 30.0 %
- Tangkaravakoon Family - 36.0 %
- Others - 34.0 %



Source: TOA Paint (Thailand)

Catalysts

Key potential growth drivers include 1) domestic demand growth in line with the economy and consumption, 2) an international sales recovery from a low base, 3) a decline in raw material prices, especially TiO₂ and Oil-linked, and 4) increased product variety.

Risks to our call

Downside risks to our P/E-based TP include 1) slower-than-expected economic and purchasing power recoveries, 2) a lower-than-expected international sales recovery, especially in Vietnam, 3) raw material price and Baht fluctuation, and 4) fierce competition.

Event calendar

Date	Event
28 February 2024	4Q23 results announcement

Key assumptions

	2023E	2024E	2025E
Sales revenue (THB m)	14,921	15,575	16,045
GPM (%)	33.5	33.2	33.2
SG&A to sales (%)	19.3	19.2	19.1
Product volume (gallons m)	49.8	51.3	52.3
Average price (THB per gallon)	450	455	459

Source: FSSIA estimates

Earnings sensitivity

- For every 5% increase in sales revenue, we estimate 2024 net profit to rise by 7.2%, and vice versa, all else being equal.
- For every 0.5% increase in GPM, we estimate 2024 net profit to rise by 3.5%, and vice versa, all else being equal.
- For every 0.5% increase in SG&A to sales, we estimate 2024 net profit to fall by 3.6%, and vice versa, all else being equal.

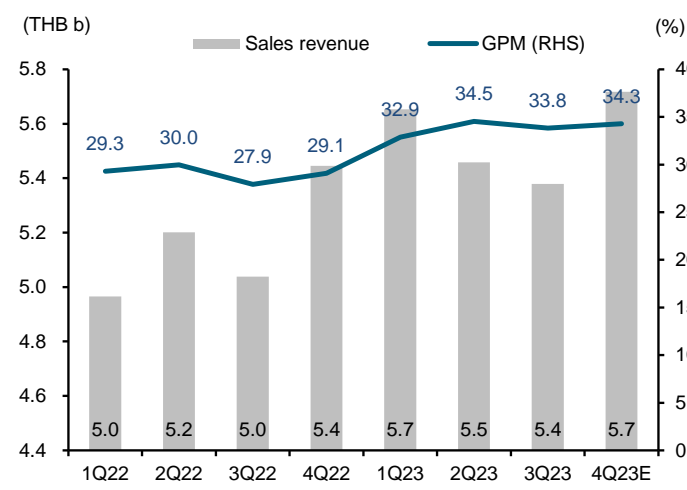
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Exhibit 1: 4Q23 results preview

	4Q22	1Q23	2Q23	3Q23	4Q23E	Change	
	(THB m)	(THB m)	(THB m)	(THB m)	(THB m)	(q-q%)	(y-y%)
Sales revenue	5,445	5,654	5,458	5,379	5,717	6.3	5.0
Cost of sales	3,862	3,795	3,573	3,560	3,756	5.5	(2.7)
Gross profit	1,583	1,859	1,885	1,819	1,961	7.8	23.9
SG&A	1,092	1,040	1,025	1,082	1,190	10.0	9.0
Operating profit	491	819	860	737	771	4.5	57.0
Interest expense	9	17	4	10	10	(3.7)	6.4
Tax expense	95	190	193	184	171	(6.8)	80.2
Reported net profit	287	632	741	651	500	(23.2)	74.6
Core profit	399	651	694	594	620	4.5	55.4
Key ratios (%)						(ppt)	(ppt)
Gross margin	29.1	32.9	34.5	33.8	34.3	0.5	5.2
SG&A / Sales	20.1	18.4	18.8	20.1	20.8	0.7	0.8
Operating margin	9.0	14.5	15.8	13.7	13.5	(0.2)	4.5
Net margin	5.3	11.2	13.6	12.1	8.8	(3.4)	3.5
Normalised margin	7.3	11.5	12.7	11.0	10.9	(0.2)	3.5

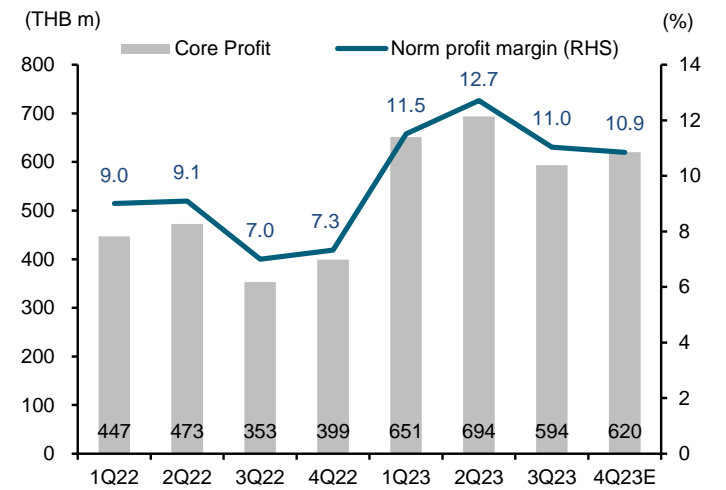
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Exhibit 2: Quarterly sales revenue and GPM



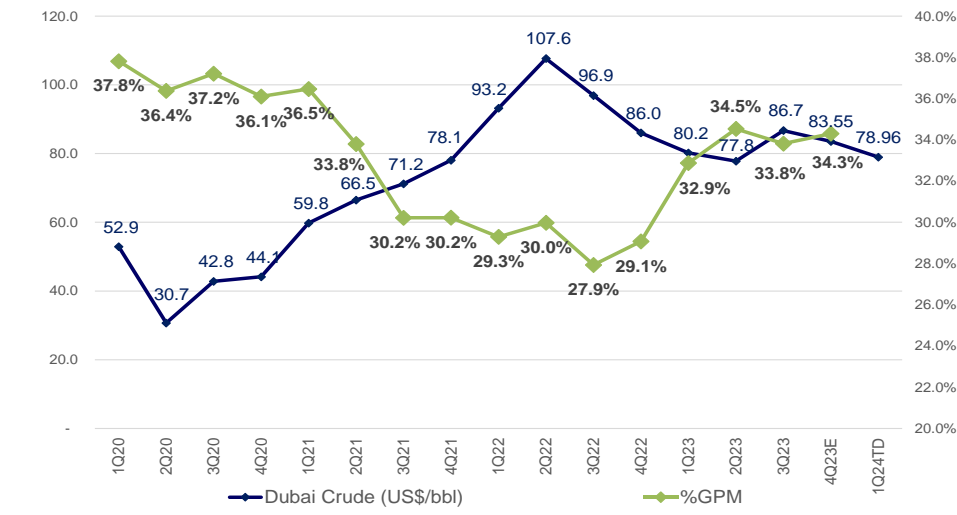
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Exhibit 3: Quarterly core profit and normalised profit margin



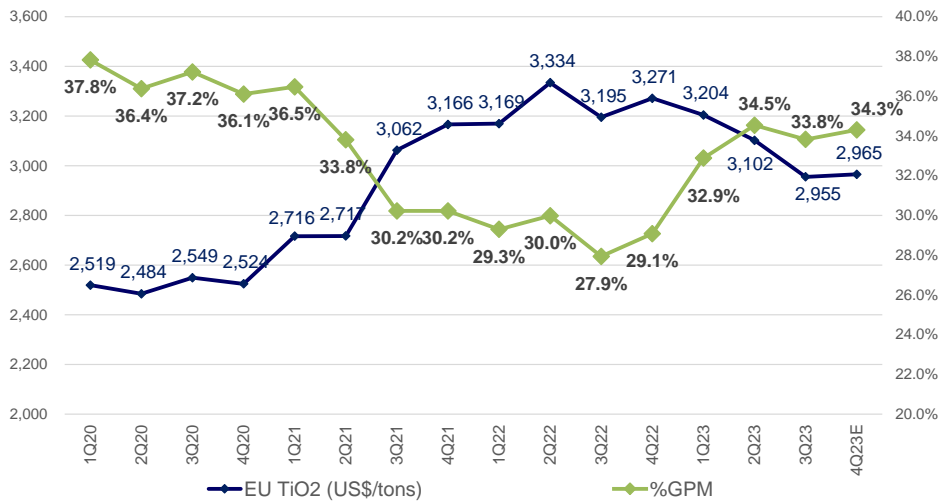
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Exhibit 4: Dubai crude vs GPM



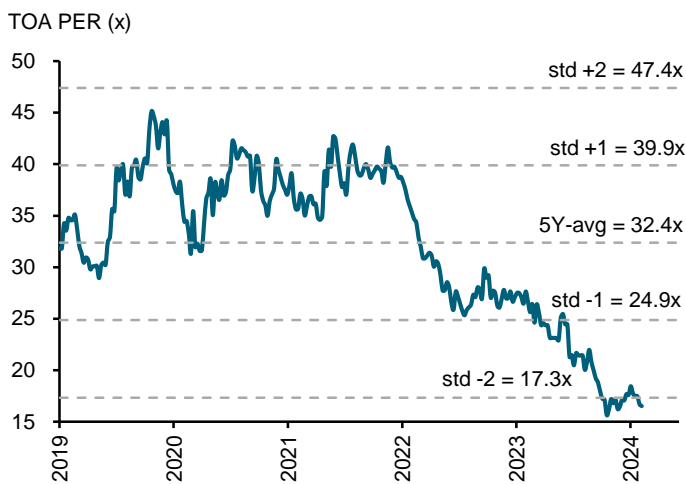
Sources: Aspen; FSSIA's compilation

Exhibit 5: EU TiO2 and GPM



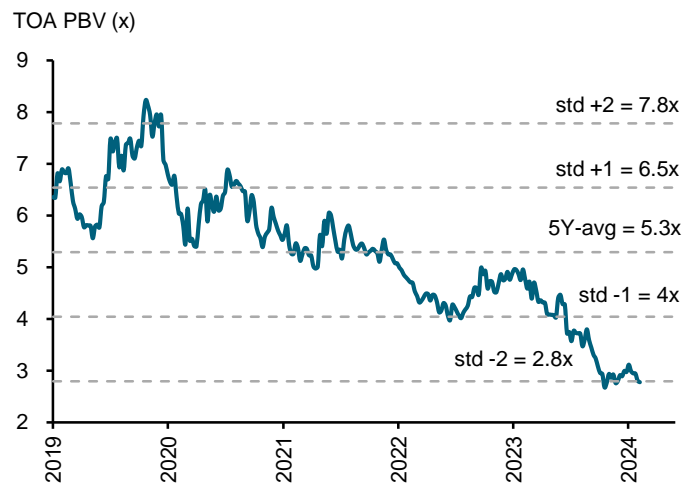
Sources: Aspen; FSSIA's compilation

Exhibit 6: Historical P/E band



Sources: Bloomberg; FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 7: Historical P/BV band



Sources: Bloomberg; FSSIA estimates

Financial Statements

TOA Paint (Thailand)

Profit and Loss (THB m) Year Ending Dec	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
Revenue	17,570	20,649	22,438	23,315	24,019
Cost of goods sold	(11,823)	(14,645)	(14,921)	(15,575)	(16,045)
Gross profit	5,747	6,004	7,517	7,741	7,974
Other operating income	138	177	212	213	213
Operating costs	(3,516)	(4,001)	(4,331)	(4,472)	(4,592)
Operating EBITDA	2,985	2,849	4,114	4,249	4,420
Depreciation	(615)	(670)	(716)	(767)	(823)
Goodwill amortisation	0	0	0	0	0
Operating EBIT	2,369	2,179	3,398	3,482	3,596
Net financing costs	(35)	(38)	(43)	(48)	(49)
Associates	0	0	0	0	0
Recurring non-operating income	0	0	0	0	0
Non-recurring items	120	(254)	86	0	0
Profit before tax	2,454	1,887	3,442	3,433	3,548
Tax	(528)	(453)	(735)	(752)	(777)
Profit after tax	1,926	1,435	2,707	2,681	2,771
Minority interests	29	(17)	(75)	(75)	(75)
Preferred dividends	0	0	0	0	0
Other items	-	-	-	-	-
Reported net profit	1,955	1,418	2,632	2,606	2,696
Non-recurring items & goodwill (net)	(120)	254	(86)	0	0
Recurring net profit	1,835	1,672	2,546	2,606	2,696
Per share (THB)					
Recurring EPS *	0.90	0.82	1.25	1.28	1.33
Reported EPS	0.96	0.70	1.30	1.28	1.33
DPS	0.50	0.50	0.65	0.64	0.66
Diluted shares (used to calculate per share data)	2,029	2,029	2,029	2,029	2,029
Growth					
Revenue (%)	7.8	17.5	8.7	3.9	3.0
Operating EBITDA (%)	(6.7)	(4.5)	44.4	3.3	4.0
Operating EBIT (%)	(10.3)	(8.0)	55.9	2.5	3.3
Recurring EPS (%)	(10.0)	(8.9)	52.2	2.4	3.4
Reported EPS (%)	(3.7)	(27.5)	85.6	(1.0)	3.4
Operating performance					
Gross margin inc. depreciation (%)	32.7	29.1	33.5	33.2	33.2
Gross margin exc. depreciation (%)	36.2	32.3	36.7	36.5	36.6
Operating EBITDA margin (%)	17.0	13.8	18.3	18.2	18.4
Operating EBIT margin (%)	13.5	10.6	15.1	14.9	15.0
Net margin (%)	10.4	8.1	11.3	11.2	11.2
Effective tax rate (%)	21.5	24.0	21.4	21.9	21.9
Dividend payout on recurring profit (%)	55.3	60.7	51.7	50.0	50.0
Interest cover (X)	68.1	57.1	79.7	72.2	73.9
Inventory days	77.9	77.2	85.4	84.6	85.3
Debtor days	65.0	61.8	63.0	64.5	64.7
Creditor days	110.8	100.7	99.7	97.7	98.6
Operating ROIC (%)	40.3	31.1	39.3	36.7	35.3
ROIC (%)	17.2	14.4	20.2	19.6	19.4
ROE (%)	15.5	13.3	18.9	17.7	16.8
ROA (%)	10.5	9.1	13.3	12.7	12.3
* Pre-exceptional, pre-goodwill and fully diluted					
Revenue by Division (THB m)					
Decorative paint and coating	11,078	12,431	13,238	13,756	14,171
Non-decorative paint and coating	5,938	7,392	8,302	8,627	8,887
Others	554	826	898	933	961

Sources: TOA Paint (Thailand); FSSIA estimates

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Cash Flow (THB m) Year Ending Dec	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
Recurring net profit	1,835	1,672	2,546	2,606	2,696
Depreciation	615	670	716	767	823
Associates & minorities	-	-	-	-	-
Other non-cash items	(29)	17	75	75	75
Change in working capital	(97)	(1,453)	(387)	(145)	(120)
Cash flow from operations	2,325	905	2,949	3,303	3,474
Capex - maintenance	-	-	-	-	-
Capex - new investment	(1,150)	(816)	(1,304)	(1,195)	(1,293)
Net acquisitions & disposals	-	-	-	-	-
Other investments (net)	-	-	-	-	-
Cash flow from investing	(1,150)	(816)	(1,304)	(1,195)	(1,293)
Dividends paid	(1,008)	(1,163)	(1,305)	(1,378)	(1,423)
Equity finance	247	507	0	0	0
Debt finance	177	(237)	(37)	11	11
Other financing cash flows	-	-	-	-	-
Cash flow from financing	(584)	(893)	(1,342)	(1,367)	(1,412)
Non-recurring cash flows	-	-	-	-	-
Other adjustments	0	0	0	0	0
Net other adjustments	0	0	0	0	0
Movement in cash	591	(803)	303	741	769
Free cash flow to firm (FCFF)	1,210.10	127.45	1,687.90	2,156.69	2,229.32
Free cash flow to equity (FCFE)	1,352.02	(147.52)	1,607.76	2,119.47	2,191.77

Per share (THB)

FCFF per share	0.60	0.06	0.83	1.06	1.10
FCFE per share	0.67	(0.07)	0.79	1.04	1.08
Recurring cash flow per share	1.19	1.16	1.64	1.70	1.77

Balance Sheet (THB m) Year Ending Dec	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
Tangible fixed assets (gross)	6,923	8,231	9,054	9,960	10,956
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(4,219)	(4,751)	(5,172)	(5,656)	(6,188)
Tangible fixed assets (net)	2,705	3,481	3,882	4,304	4,767
Intangible fixed assets (net)	1,608	1,474	1,660	1,666	1,673
Long-term financial assets	4,611	4,115	4,115	4,115	4,115
Invest. in associates & subsidiaries	-	-	-	-	-
Cash & equivalents	3,011	2,208	2,511	3,252	4,021
A/C receivable	3,296	3,701	4,039	4,197	4,323
Inventories	2,619	3,293	3,357	3,504	3,610
Other current assets	219	214	224	233	240
Current assets	9,145	9,416	10,131	11,186	12,195
Other assets	429	854	853	886	913
Total assets	18,497	19,338	20,641	22,157	23,662
Common equity	12,287	12,793	14,109	15,412	16,760
Minorities etc.	164	691	691	691	691
Total shareholders' equity	12,451	13,484	14,800	16,103	17,451
Long term debt	1,026	966	934	944	953
Other long-term liabilities	432	439	448	467	481
Long-term liabilities	1,458	1,406	1,382	1,411	1,435
A/C payable	3,831	3,882	3,880	4,049	4,172
Short term debt	448	271	266	267	269
Other current liabilities	309	296	314	326	336
Current liabilities	4,588	4,449	4,459	4,643	4,777
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	18,497	19,338	20,641	22,157	23,662
Net working capital	1,995	3,030	3,427	3,558	3,666
Invested capital	11,346	12,953	13,937	14,529	15,133

* Includes convertibles and preferred stock which is being treated as debt

Per share (THB)

Book value per share	6.06	6.31	6.95	7.60	8.26
Tangible book value per share	5.26	5.58	6.14	6.77	7.44

Financial strength

Net debt/equity (%)	(12.3)	(7.2)	(8.9)	(12.7)	(16.0)
Net debt/total assets (%)	(8.3)	(5.0)	(6.4)	(9.2)	(11.8)
Current ratio (x)	2.0	2.1	2.3	2.4	2.6
CF interest cover (x)	72.9	18.5	69.3	69.7	72.6

Valuation	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
Recurring P/E (x) *	24.2	26.6	17.5	17.0	16.5
Recurring P/E @ target price (x) *	32.6	35.8	23.5	23.0	22.2
Reported P/E (x)	22.7	31.3	16.9	17.0	16.5
Dividend yield (%)	2.3	2.3	3.0	2.9	3.0
Price/book (x)	3.6	3.5	3.1	2.9	2.7
Price/tangible book (x)	4.2	3.9	3.6	3.2	2.9
EV/EBITDA (x) **	14.4	15.5	10.7	10.1	9.6
EV/EBITDA @ target price (x) **	19.6	20.9	14.4	13.8	13.1
EV/invested capital (x)	3.8	3.4	3.1	3.0	2.8

* Pre-exceptional, pre-goodwill and fully diluted ** EBITDA includes associate income and recurring non-operating income

Sources: TOA Paint (Thailand); FSSIA estimates

TOA Paint Thailand PCL (TOA TB)

FSSIA ESG rating

55.60 /100
Exhibit 8: FSSIA ESG score implication

Rating	Score	Implication
★★★★★	>79-100	Leading its industry peers in managing the most significant ESG risks which not only better cost efficiency but also lead to higher profitability.
★★★★☆	>59-79	A mixed track record of managing the most significant ESG risks and opportunities relative to industry peers.
★★★☆☆	>39-59	Relevant ESG materiality matrix has been constructively addressed, well-managed and incorporated into day-to-day operations, in which targets and achievements are evaluated annually.
★★☆☆☆	>19-39	Relevant ESG materiality matrix has been identified with key management in charge for progress to be followed up on and to provide intensive disclosure. Most targets are conventional and achievable.
★☆☆☆☆	1-19	The company has adopted the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (UN SDGs), established sustainability management guidelines and fully complies with regulations or ESG suggested guidance from related organizations such as the SET and SEC.

Sources: FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 9: ESG – peer comparison

	FSSIA ESG score	Domestic ratings						Global ratings						Bloomberg	
		DJSI	SET THSI	THSI	CG score	AGM level	Thai CAC	Morningstar ESG risk	ESG Book	MSCI	Moody's	Refinitiv	S&P Global	ESG score	Disclosure score
SET100	69.20	5.34	4.40	4.40	4.76	4.65	3.84	Medium	51.76	BBB	20.87	58.72	63.91	3.72	28.17
Coverage	67.12	5.11	4.15	4.17	4.83	4.71	3.53	Medium	52.04	BB	16.97	56.85	62.09	3.40	31.94
TOA	55.60	--	Y	Y	5.00	5.00	--	Medium	61.82	--	--	57.46	30.00	3.79	49.04
EPG	59.63	--	Y	Y	5.00	4.00	Certified	Low	54.46	--	--	41.43	34.00	2.93	--
TASCO	47.02	--	--	--	5.00	4.00	Certified	Medium	63.65	--	--	61.51	49.00	--	--
SCCC	56.50	--	Y	Y	5.00	5.00	Certified	High	60.15	--	--	61.78	32.00	2.34	63.20
SCCC	56.50	--	Y	Y	5.00	5.00	Certified	High	60.15	--	--	61.78	32.00	2.34	63.20

Sources: SETTRADE.com; FSSIA's compilation
Exhibit 10: ESG score by Bloomberg

FY ending Dec 31	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022
ESG financial materiality scores - ESG score	2.53	3.02	2.95	3.18	3.34	3.79
BESG environmental pillar score	1.81	2.75	2.76	3.17	3.20	3.96
BESG social pillar score	1.79	1.77	1.71	1.70	2.09	2.26
BESG governance pillar score	4.90	5.06	4.82	5.00	5.07	5.26
ESG disclosure score	39.11	44.78	45.94	48.05	48.33	49.04
Environmental disclosure score	28.00	30.84	31.17	31.17	32.92	33.25
Social disclosure score	19.92	22.28	25.42	31.77	30.83	32.65
Governance disclosure score	69.30	81.10	81.10	81.10	81.10	81.10
Environmental						
Emissions reduction initiatives	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
Climate change policy	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Climate change opportunities discussed	No	No	No	No	No	No
Risks of climate change discussed	No	No	No	No	No	Yes
GHG scope 1	—	0	0	0	8	9
GHG scope 2 location-based	—	10	10	10	9	9
GHG Scope 3	—	—	—	—	30	250
Carbon per unit of production	—	—	—	—	—	—
Biodiversity policy	No	No	No	No	No	No
Energy efficiency policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Total energy consumption	—	—	—	—	—	—
Renewable energy use	—	—	—	—	—	—
Electricity used	14	14	14	14	14	17
Fuel used - natural gas	—	—	—	—	—	—

Sources: Bloomberg; FSSIA's compilation

Exhibit 11: ESG score by Bloomberg (cont.)

FY ending Dec 31	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022
Fuel used - crude oil/diesel	No	No	No	No	No	No
Waste reduction policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Hazardous waste	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total waste	—	—	—	—	—	—
Waste recycled	—	—	—	—	—	—
Waste sent to landfills	—	—	—	—	—	—
Environmental supply chain management	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Water policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Water consumption	128	117	119	113	—	—
Social						
Human rights policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Policy against child labor	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Quality assurance and recall policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Consumer data protection policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Equal opportunity policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Gender pay gap breakout	No	No	No	No	No	No
Pct women in workforce	—	—	18	20	22	19
Pct disabled in workforce	—	—	0	0	0	0
Business ethics policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Anti-bribery ethics policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Health and safety policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Lost time incident rate - employees	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total recordable incident rate - employees	0	0	0	0	0	0
Training policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Fair remuneration policy	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
Number of employees – CSR	4,838	4,940	5,047	5,106	5,106	5,774
Employee turnover pct	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total hours spent by firm - employee training	10,352	15,474	19,570	24,331	19,570	22,658
Social supply chain management	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Governance						
Board size	9	9	9	9	9	9
No. of independent directors (ID)	3	3	3	3	3	3
No. of women on board	4	4	4	4	4	4
No. of non-executive directors on board	7	7	7	7	7	7
Company conducts board evaluations	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
No. of board meetings for the year	10	8	10	10	10	9
Board meeting attendance pct	77	82	87	89	99	98
Board duration (years)	3	3	3	3	3	3
Director share ownership guidelines	No	No	No	No	No	No
Age of the youngest director	40	40	41	42	43	44
Age of the oldest director	74	74	75	76	77	78
No. of executives / company managers	11	5	7	6	6	6
No. of female executives	6	3	4	3	2	3
Executive share ownership guidelines	No	No	No	No	No	No
Size of audit committee	3	3	3	3	3	3
No. of ID on audit committee	3	3	3	3	3	3
Audit committee meetings	9	5	11	12	12	12
Audit meeting attendance %	93	100	94	100	100	100
Size of compensation committee	3	3	3	3	3	3
No. of ID on compensation committee	2	2	2	2	2	2
No. of compensation committee meetings	—	6	3	5	4	3
Compensation meeting attendance %	—	100	100	100	100	100
Size of nomination committee	3	3	3	3	3	3
No. of nomination committee meetings	—	6	3	5	4	3
Nomination meeting attendance %	—	100	100	100	100	100
Sustainability governance						
Verification type	No	No	No	No	No	No

Sources: Bloomberg; FSSIA's compilation

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ESG score	Methodology	Rating																				
The Dow Jones Sustainability Indices (DJSI) By S&P Global	The DJSI World applies a transparent, rules-based component selection process based on the companies' Total Sustainability Scores resulting from the annual S&P Global Corporate Sustainability Assessment (CSA). Only the top-ranked companies within each industry are selected for inclusion.	Be a member and invited to the annual S&P Global Corporate Sustainability Assessment (CSA) for DJSI. Companies with an S&P Global ESG Score of less than 45% of the S&P Global ESG Score of the highest scoring company are disqualified. The constituents of the DJSI indices are selected from the Eligible Universe.																				
Sustainability Investment List (THSI) by The Stock Exchange of Thailand (SET)	THSI quantifies responsibility in Environmental and Social issues by managing business with transparency in Governance, updated annually. Candidates must pass the preemptive criteria, with two crucial conditions: 1) no irregular trading of the board members and executives; and 2) free float of >150 shareholders, and combined holding must be >15% of paid-up capital. Some key disqualifying criteria include: 1) CG score of below 70%; 2) independent directors and free float violation; 3) executives' wrongdoing related to CG, social & environmental impacts; 4) equity in negative territory; and 5) earnings in red for > 3 years in the last 5 years.	To be eligible for THSI inclusion , verified data must be scored at a minimum of 50% for each indicator, unless the company is a part of DJSI during the assessment year. The scoring will be fairly weighted against the nature of the relevant industry and materiality. SETTHSI Index is extended from the THSI companies whose 1) market capitalization > 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.																				
CG Score by Thai Institute of Directors Association (Thai IOD)	An indicator of CG strength in sustainable development, measured annually by the Thai IOD, with support from the Stock Exchange of Thailand (SET). The results are from the perspective of a third party, not an evaluation of operations.	Scores are rated in six categories: 5 for Excellent (90-100), 4 for Very Good (80-89), 3 for Good (70-79), 2 for Fair (60-69), 1 for Pass (60-69), and not rated for scores below 50. Weightings include: 1) the rights; 2) and equitable treatment of shareholders (weight 25% combined); 3) the role of stakeholders (25%); 4) disclosure & transparency (15%); and 5) board responsibilities (35%).																				
AGM level By Thai Investors Association (TIA) with support from the SEC	It quantifies the extent to which shareholders' rights and equitable treatment are incorporated into business operations and information is transparent and sufficiently disclosed. All form important elements of two out of five the CG components to be evaluated annually. The assessment criteria cover AGM procedures before the meeting (45%), at the meeting date (45%), and after the meeting (10%). <i>(The first assesses 1) advance circulation of sufficient information for voting; and 2) facilitating 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.)</i>	The scores are classified into four categories: 5 for Excellent (100), 4 for Very Good (90-99), 3 for Fair (80-89), and not rated for scores below 79.																				
Thai CAC By Thai Private Sector Collective Action Against Corruption (CAC)	The core elements of the Checklist include corruption risk assessment, establishment of key controls, and the monitoring and developing of policies. The Certification is good for three years. <i>(Companies deciding to become a CAC certified member start by submitting a Declaration of Intent to kick off an 18-month deadline to submit the CAC Checklist for Certification, including risk assessment, in place of policy and control, training of managers and employees, establishment of whistleblowing channels, and communication of policies to all stakeholders.)</i>	The document will be reviewed by a committee of nine professionals. A passed Checklist will move for granting certification by the CAC Council approvals whose members are twelve highly respected individuals in professionalism and ethical achievements.																				
Morningstar Sustainalytics	The Sustainalytics' ESG risk rating provides an overall company score based on an assessment of how much of a company's exposure to ESG risk is unmanaged. <i>Sources to be reviewed include corporate publications and regulatory filings, news and other media, NGO reports/websites, multi-sector information, company feedback, ESG controversies, issuer feedback on draft ESG reports, and quality & peer reviews.</i>	A company's ESG risk rating score is the sum of unmanaged risk. The more risk is unmanaged, the higher ESG risk is scored.																				
ESG Book	The ESG score identifies sustainable companies that are better positioned to outperform over the long term. The methodology considers the principle of financial materiality including information that significantly helps explain future risk-adjusted performance. Materiality is applied by over-weighting features with higher materiality and rebalancing these weights on a rolling quarterly basis.	The total ESG score is calculated as a weighted sum of the features scores using materiality-based weights. The score is scaled between 0 and 100 with higher scores indicating better performance.																				
MSCI	MSCI ESG ratings aim to measure a company's management of financially relevant ESG risks and opportunities. It uses a rules-based methodology to identify industry leaders and laggards according to their exposure to ESG risks and how well they manage those risks relative to peers.																					
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Refinitiv ESG rating	Designed to transparently and objectively measure a company's relative ESG performance, commitment and effectiveness across 10 main themes, based on publicly available and auditable data. The score ranges from 0 to 100 on relative ESG performance and insufficient degree of transparency in reporting material ESG data publicly. <i>(Score ratings are 0 to 25 = poor; >25 to 50 = satisfactory; >50 to 75 = good; and >75 to 100 = excellent.)</i>																					
S&P Global	The S&P Global ESG Score is a relative score measuring a company's performance on and management of ESG risks, opportunities, and impacts compared to its peers within the same industry classification. The score ranges from 0 to 100.																					
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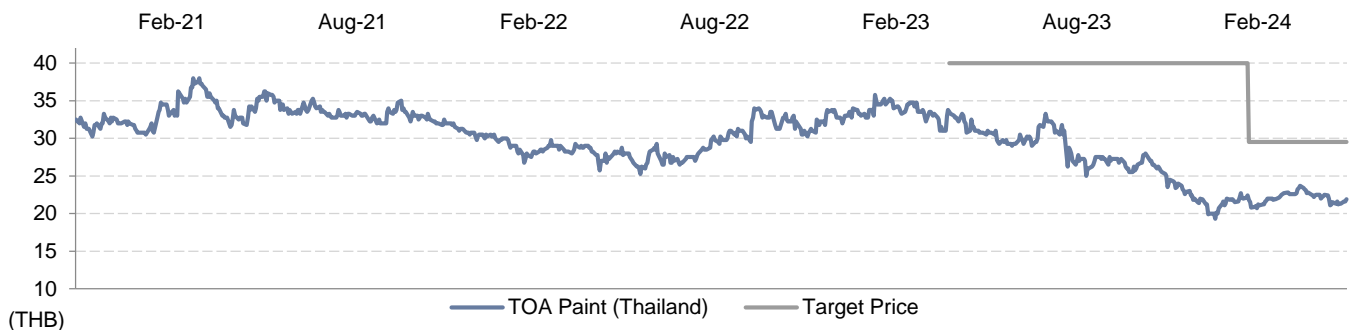
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TOA Paint (Thailand) (TOA TB)



Date	Rating	Target price	Date	Rating	Target price	Date	Rating	Target price
08-Mar-2023	BUY	40.00	21-Nov-2023	BUY	29.50	-	-	-

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Price and TP are in local currency

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Company	Ticker	Price	Rating	Valuation & Risks
TOA Paint (Thailand)	TOA TB	THB 21.90	BUY	Downside risks to our P/E-based TP include 1) a slower-than-expected economic recovery and weak purchasing power; 2) an increase in raw material costs, especially in relation to oil price movement and TiO2; 3) currency exchange fluctuation, as c13% of its raw materials are imported; and 4) the challenging situation in Vietnam.

Source: FSSIA estimates

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