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TARGET PRICE THB36.00
CLOSE THB28.75
UP/DOWNSIDE +25.2%
TP vs CONSENSUS +0.5%

2Q24 results at first glance

2Q24 profit reached a new high as expected

Highlights

- NSL reported a 2Q24 net profit of THB131m (+3% q-q, +58% y-y), in line with our estimate. Excluding an impairment loss on its investment in Pen 1 of THB3.3m, its core profit equaled THB135m (+6% q-q% +62% y-y), reaching a new high.
- Total revenue in 2Q24 was impressive, reaching THB1.4b (+4.8% q-q, +21% y-y), driven by strong growth in the bakery segment (+4.4% q-q, +16% y-y) and the NSL brand segment (including BAW) (+12% q-q, +833% y-y).
- The gross margin softened as expected to 20.7%, a slight decrease from 21% in 1Q24 but higher than 18.4% in 2Q23, which still reflects overall good performance.
- The share of losses from joint ventures increased to THB4.62m, consisting of a THB3.3m impairment loss and an operational loss from Pen 1 of another THB1.3m. NSL's board resolved to cease operations of Pen 1 Food and Beverage (in which NSL holds a 33% stake with an investment of THB15m) and recognized the total impairment in 2Q24.

Outlook

- We view this positively, despite indicating that the company has not succeeded in its new business investment, as Pen 1 has been consistently loss-making. In 2023, the loss share was THB8.8m (2.4% of NSL's total annual profit). Therefore, NSL will stop recognizing losses from Pen 1 from 3Q24 onwards.
- NSL's 1H24 net profit equaled THB259m (+63% y-y), accounting for 60% of our full-year estimate. The profit trend for 3Q24 may soften q-q due to seasonality, but should accelerate and set another new high in 4Q24, as it is the high season.
- We are reviewing our profit estimate and target price from the current THB36, reflecting better-than-expected growth.
- NSL has announced a dividend payment for 1H24 of 0.35 baht per share, yielding 1.2%, and will XD on 23 August.

KEY STOCK DATA

YE Dec (THB m)	2023	2024E	2025E	2026E
Revenue	4,793	5,707	6,535	7,402
Net profit	333	434	508	588
EPS (THB)	1.11	1.45	1.69	1.96
vs Consensus (%)	-	(11.4)	(11.2)	(9.6)
EBITDA	557	676	797	925
Recurring net profit	333	434	508	588
Core EPS (THB)	1.11	1.45	1.69	1.96
EPS growth (%)	12.1	30.2	17.1	15.8
Core P/E (x)	25.9	19.9	17.0	14.7
Dividend yield (%)	2.3	2.9	3.4	4.0
EV/EBITDA (x)	15.6	12.4	10.5	8.9
Price/book (x)	5.5	5.0	4.4	3.9
Net debt/Equity (%)	1.4	(15.7)	(14.1)	(16.6)
ROE (%)	22.5	26.3	27.5	28.4



Share price performance	1 Month	3 Month	12 Month
Absolute (%)	(9.4)	4.5	25.0
Relative to country (%)	(7.9)	10.4	47.3
Mkt cap (USD m)			245
3m avg. daily turnover (USD m	n)		1.2
Free float (%)			0
Major shareholder	Mr. Somcha	ai Asavapiya	non (72%)
12m high/low (THB)		3	5.00/17.30
Issued shares (m)			300.00

Sources: Bloomberg consensus; FSSIA estimates



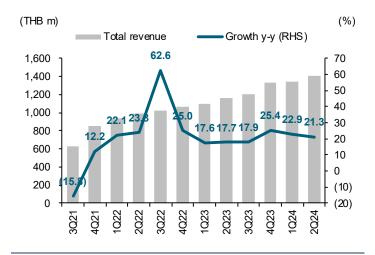
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Exhibit 1: NSL - 2Q24 results summary

	1Q23	2Q23	3Q23	4Q23	1Q24	2Q24	Cha	nge	2024E	Change	% 1H24
	(THB m)	(q-q%)	(y-y%)	(THB m)	% Y-Y	to 2024E					
Sales	1,095	1,163	1,201	1,333	1,346	1,411	4.8	21.3	5,707	19.1	48.3
Cost of sales	892	949	988	1,081	1,064	1,118	5.1	17.8	4,634	18.5	47.1
Gross profit	204	214	212	253	282	293	3.7	36.6	1,073	21.5	53.6
SG&A	107	109	117	129	126	130	3.2	19.6	548	18.6	46.8
Operating profit	98	108	98	132	161	168	4.3	55.0	536	22.7	61.3
Interest expense	3	3	2	3	2	2	(15.3)	(33.1)	6	(46.0)	67.8
Profit (loss) sharing	(1)	(2)	(4)	(3)	(0)	(5)	nm	nm	(3)	nm	169.6
Tax expense	19	21	19	27	32	30	(5.2)	44.5	96	11.9	64.6
Reported net profit	75	83	73	102	128	131	2.9	57.8	434	30.2	59.6
Core profit	78	83	73	102	128	135	5.5	61.9	434	30.2	60.4
Key ratios (%)							(ppt)	(ppt)			
Gross margin	18.6	18.4	17.7	19.0	21.0	20.7	(0.2)	2.3	18.8	0.0	
SG&A / Sales	9.8	9.4	9.7	9.7	9.4	9.2	(0.1)	(0.1)	9.6	0.0	
Operating margin	9.0	9.3	8.2	9.9	12.0	11.9	(0.1)	2.6	9.4	0.0	
Net margin	6.9	7.1	6.1	7.6	9.5	9.3	(0.2)	2.2	7.6	0.6	
Core margin	7.2	7.1	6.1	7.6	9.5	9.5	0.1	2.4	7.6	0.6	
Operating statistics (THB m)											
Bakery sales	1,004	1,066	1,060	1,152	1,186	1,238	4.4	16.1	5,031	17.5	48.2
Food service sales	68	69	64	75	66	68	2.7	(1.3)	287	4.0	46.7
Snack sales (NSL brands)	10	10	45	45	82	91	11.9	832.7	334	105.0	51.9
OEM sales	14	19	19	17	9	10	9.6	(44.6)	45	(34.3)	43.8
Franchise sales	0	0	1	3	3	3	(2.8)	nm	11	150.0	57.2

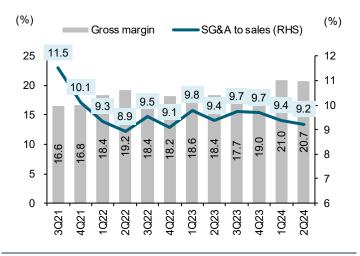
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Exhibit 2: Total revenue and growth



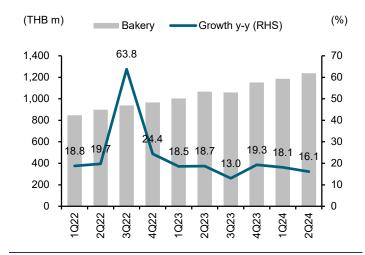
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Exhibit 3: Gross margin and SG&A to sales



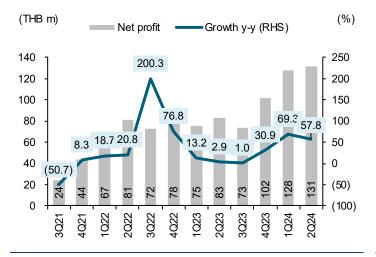
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Exhibit 4: Revenue from bakery segment and growth



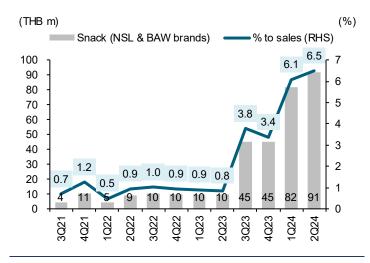
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Exhibit 6: Net profit and growth



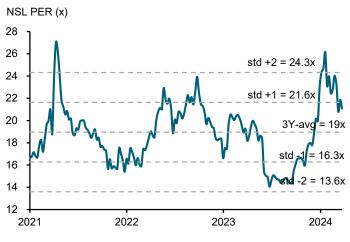
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Exhibit 5: Revenue from NSL and BAW brands



Sources: NSL, FSSIA's compilation

Exhibit 7: Historical P/E band



Sources: Bloomberg; FSSIA estimates

Financial Statements

NSL Foods

Profit and Loss (THB m) Year Ending Dec	2022	2023	2024E	2025E	2026E
Revenue	4,001	4,793	5,707	6,535	7,402
Cost of goods sold	(3,259)	(3,910)	(4,634)	(5,294)	(5,981)
Gross profit	742	883	1,073	1,242	1,421
Other operating income	8	17	11	13	15
Operating costs	(369)	(462)	(548)	(627)	(711)
Operating EBITDA	484	557	676	797	925
Depreciation	(102)	(120)	(140)	(170)	(200)
Goodwill amortisation	Ò	Ó	Ô	0	Ô
Operating EBIT	382	437	536	627	725
Net financing costs	(10)	(11)	(6)	(5)	(5)
Associates	-	-	-	-	-
Recurring non-operating income	0	(9)	(3)	2	3
Non-recurring items	0	0	0	0	0
Profit before tax	372	418	528	625	724
Tax	(74)	(85)	(96)	(119)	(137)
Profit after tax	298	332	432	506	586
Minority interests	0	1	2	2	2
Preferred dividends	-	_	_	-	_
Other items	-	_	_	-	_
Reported net profit	298	333	434	508	588
Non-recurring items & goodwill (net)	0	0	0	0	0
Recurring net profit	298	333	434	508	588
Per share (THB)					
Recurring EPS *	0.99	1.11	1.45	1.69	1.96
Reported EPS	0.99	1.11	1.45	1.69	1.96
DPS	0.55	0.65	0.85	0.99	1.15
Diluted shares (used to calculate per share data)	300	300	300	300	300
Growth					
Revenue (%)	31.7	19.8	19.1	14.5	13.3
Operating EBITDA (%)	40.0	15.1	21.4	17.9	16.1
Operating EBIT (%)	53.3	14.5	22.7	17.0	15.6
Recurring EPS (%)	41.5	12.1	30.2	17.1	15.8
Reported EPS (%)	41.5	12.1	30.2	17.1	15.8
Operating performance					
Gross margin inc. depreciation (%)	18.5	18.4	18.8	19.0	19.2
Gross margin exc. depreciation (%)	21.1	20.9	21.3	21.6	21.9
Operating EBITDA margin (%)	12.1	11.6	11.9	12.2	12.5
Operating EBIT margin (%)	9.5	9.1	9.4	9.6	9.8
Net margin (%)	7.4	7.0	7.6	7.8	7.9
Effective tax rate (%)	19.9	20.4	18.1	19.0	19.0
Dividend payout on recurring profit (%)	55.4	58.5	58.5	58.5	58.5
Interest cover (X)	37.1	40.2	92.8	139.9	153.3
Inventory days	26.4	26.1	26.6	29.1	29.3
Debtor days	49.8	50.5	48.4	46.8	47.1
Creditor days	58.5	58.2	57.3	58.1	58.5
Operating ROIC (%)	25.9	27.2	30.6	32.4	33.8
ROIC (%)	22.3	21.3	26.6	30.3	31.7
ROE (%)	22.4	22.5	26.3	27.5	28.4
			16.6		18.2
ROA (%) * Pre exceptional, pre-goodwill and fully diluted	13.9	14.2	10.0	17.5	10.2
Revenue by Division (THB m)	2022	2023	2024E	2025E	2026E
Bakery and appetizers	3,643	4,282	5,117	5,884	6,696
Food Services	288	276	303	328	354
NSL snack	35	110	127	139	150
OEM & bread wastes	35	68	89	107	120

Sources: NSL Foods; FSSIA estimates

Financial Statements

NSL Foods

Cash Flow (THB m) Year Ending Dec	2022	2023	2024E	2025E	2026
Recurring net profit	298	333	434	508	588
Depreciation	102	120	140	170	200
Associates & minorities	-	-	-	-	
Other non-cash items	0	26	4	(1)	(3
Change in working capital	(54)	(36)	(52)	(51)	(54
Cash flow from operations	346	443	526	625	73:
Capex - maintenance	(146)	(200)	(200)	(300)	(300
Capex - new investment	-	-	-	-	
Net acquisitions & disposals	-	-	-	-	
Other investments (net)	(301)	28	190	(6)	(6
Cash flow from investing	(448)	(172)	(10)	(306)	(306
Dividends paid	(144)	(180)	(254)	(297)	(344
Equity finance	0	0	0	0	
Debt finance	(100)	(93)	(35)	(25)	
Other financing cash flows	(242)	20 (252)	31	(20) (342)	
Cash flow from financing	(243)	(252)	(258)	(342)	(331
Non-recurring cash flows	0	0	0	0	
Other adjustments	0	0	0	0	
Net other adjustments Movement in cash		19	258	-	9
	(344)	281.68		(24)	
Free cash flow to firm (FCFF)	(91.06) (200.65)	198.69	521.94 511.67	323.30	430.7 439.6
Free cash flow to equity (FCFE)	(200.65)	190.09	511.67	273.55	439.0
Per share (THB)					
FCFF per share	(0.30)	0.94	1.74	1.08	1.4
FCFE per share Recurring cash flow per share	(0.67) 1.33	0.66 1.60	1.71 1.93	0.91 2.26	1.4 2.6
recurring cash now per share	1.33	1.60	1.93	2.20	2.0.
Balance Sheet (THB m) Year Ending Dec	2022	2023	2024E	2025E	2026
Fangible fixed assets (gross)	1,738	1,896	2,024	2,227	2,40
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(768)	(846)	(914)	(987)	(1,066
Tangible fixed assets (net)	970	1,050	1,110	1,240	1,34
ntangible fixed assets (net)	6	47	47	47	4
ong-term financial assets	301	214	0	0	
nvest. in associates & subsidiaries	0	6	6	6	
Cash & equivalents	115	134	392	368	46
VC receivable	595	732	782	895	1,01
nventories	267	274	381	435	49
Other current assets	3	7	3	3	
Current assets	980	1,147	1,557	1,702	1,97
Other assets	32	36	57	65	7
Fotal assets	2,290	2,500	2,777	3,060	3,44
Common equity	1,406	1,560	1,740	1,951	2,19
Minorities etc.	0	17	18	18	1
Fotal shareholders' equity	1,406	1,576	1,758	1,969	2,21
Long term debt	80	14	0	35	4
Other long-term liabilities	30	49	86	65	7
ong-term liabilities	110	64	86	100	11
A/C payable	559	650	762	870	98
Short term debt	167	141	115	55	5
Other current liabilities	47	68	57	65	7
Current liabilities	774	859	934	991	1,11
Fotal liabilities and shareholders' equity	2,290	2,500	2,777	3,060	3,44
Net working capital	259	295	347	398	45
nvested capital	1,568	1,648	1,566	1,756	1,91
Includes convertibles and preferred stock which is bein		1,010	,,000	.,. 00	.,0.
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Per share (THB)	4.69	5.20	5.90	6.50	7.3
Book value per share	4.67	5.04	5.80 5.64	6.50 6.35	7.3 7.1
Fangible book value per share	4.07	5.04	5.04	0.33	7.1
Financial strength					
Net debt/equity (%)	9.4	1.4	(15.7)	(14.1)	(16.6
Net debt/total assets (%)	5.8	0.9	(10.0)	(9.1)	(10.7
Current ratio (x)	1.3	1.3	1.7	1.7	1.
CF interest cover (x)	(18.5)	19.7	90.0	61.8	93.
/aluation	2022	2023	2024E	2025E	2026
Recurring P/E (x) *	29.0	25.9	19.9	17.0	14.
Recurring P/E @ target price (x) *	36.3	32.4	24.9	21.3	18
Reported P/E (x)	29.0	25.9	19.9	17.0	14.
Dividend yield (%)	1.9	2.3	2.9	3.4	4
Price/book (x)	6.1	5.5	5.0	4.4	3
Price/tangible book (x)	6.2	5.7	5.1	4.5	4
EV/EBITDA (x) **	18.1	15.6	12.4	10.5	8
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EV/EBITDA @ target price (x) ** EV/invested capital (x)	5.6	5.3	5.3	4.8	4.

Sources: NSL Foods; FSSIA estimates

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18-Jan-2023 18-Oct-2023	BUY BUY	26.00 24.00	05-Feb-2024 02-Apr-2024	BUY BUY	26.00 30.00	26-Apr-2024	BUY	36.00

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Price and TP are in local currency

Source: FSSIA estimates

Company	Ticker	Price	Rating	Valuation & Risks
NSL Foods	NSL TB	THB 28.75	BUY	Downside risks to our DCF-based TP include 1) a slower-than-expected consumption recovery; 2) high volatility in raw material prices; 3) the failure of new products; and 4) changing consumer demand and lifestyles.

Source: FSSIA estimates

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Target price history, stock price charts, valuation and risk details, and equity rating histories applicable to each company rated in this report is available in our most recently published reports. You can contact the analyst named on the front of this note or your representative at Finansia Syrus Securities Public Company Limited.

All share prices are as at market close on 09-Aug-2024 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.

Neutral (N). Over the next 12 months, the analyst expects the market to score positively on one 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.

Underweight (U). Over the next 12 months, the analyst does not expect the market to score positively on any 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.