**EQUITY RESEARCH - COMPANY REPORT** 

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# **BJC TB**

# Expect 3Q24 core profit growth y-y

- We expect a 3Q24 core profit of THB918m, down 24% q-q due to seasonality but up 37% y-y due to higher sales and GPM.
- Maintain a 2024E core profit of THB4.4b (-6% y-y).
- Retain a BUY call at our 2025 DCF-TP of THB31.

## Expect a 3Q24 core profit close to our previous estimate

We anticipate a 3Q24 net profit of THB758m (-38% q-q, +9% y-y). Excluding an expected after-tax FX loss of THB160m (before-tax projected at THB200m), we expect a core profit of THB918m, plummeting 24% q-q due to seasonal factors but jumping 37% y-y from an increase in sales, improved GPM, and effective cost control, particularly utility and personal expenses. Total sales should grow 3% y-y, driven by consumer supply chain (CSC), health care and technical supply chain (H&TSC), and modern retail supply chain (MSC), while packaging supply chain (PSC) would decline.

#### **GPM** could expand y-y

We expect a consolidated 3Q24 GPM of 19.7%, dropping 60bps q-q from PSC, CSC, and MSC, while H&TSC could expand due to higher medical equipment sales. However, GPM should surge 50bps y-y from lower raw material costs in the manufacturing sector. Also, BigC's GPM could increase by 10bps y-y from focusing on fresh food. SG&A to sales would decline by 60bps y-y to 20.6% due to lower electricity usage and a freeze on headcount.

#### Maintain our 2024E core profit of THB4.4b (-6% y-y)

If 3Q24 meets expectations, 9M24 core profit would account for 70% of our 2024 forecast (vs 64% in 2023). We reaffirm our 2024 core profit forecast for BJC at THB4.4b (-6% y-y). Early signs from the first three weeks of Oct. showed a recovery in SSSG to 3-4%. For 2025-26, we estimate a core profit growth of 16% y-y and 7% y-y, respectively, assuming SSSG of 3% for BigC while the manufacturing supply chain should grow by 1-3%. Also, we project GPM growth of 10bps y-y to 20.2% in 2025 and 20bps y-y to 20.4% in 2026.

#### Retain a BUY call at our 2025 DCF-TP of THB31

We reiterate our BUY call at our 2025 DCF-based TP of THB31, implying a forward P/E of 24.3x and a forward PBV of 1.0x. BJC currently trades below its book value with a P/BV of 0.8x and a 2025E P/E of only 19x, lower than the commerce sector's average of 22x and its five-year average of 31.7x.









**UNCHANGED** 

TARGET PRICE THB31.00
CLOSE THB23.80
UP/DOWNSIDE +30.3%
PRIOR TP THB31.00
CHANGE IN TP UNCHANGED
TP vs CONSENSUS +12.0%

#### **KEY STOCK DATA**

YE Dec (THB m)	2023	2024E	2025E	2026E
Revenue	167,902	172,331	179,087	186,094
Net profit	4,795	3,858	5,109	5,447
EPS (THB)	1.20	0.96	1.27	1.36
vs Consensus (%)	-	(13.6)	(3.3)	(7.4)
EBITDA	20,608	22,260	23,621	25,051
Recurring net profit	4,710	4,419	5,109	5,447
Core EPS (THB)	1.18	1.10	1.27	1.36
Chg. In EPS est. (%)	-	-	-	-
EPS growth (%)	(6.0)	(6.2)	15.6	6.6
Core P/E (x)	20.3	21.6	18.7	17.5
Dividend yield (%)	3.4	2.7	3.6	3.8
EV/EBITDA (x)	12.8	12.1	11.6	11.3
Price/book (x)	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8
Net debt/Equity (%)	128.5	129.3	131.2	133.0
ROE (%)	4.0	3.7	4.2	4.4



Share price performance	1 Month	3 Month	12 Month
Absolute (%)	(2.1)	15.5	(14.2)
Relative to country (%)	(2.9)	2.9	(17.8)
Mkt cap (USD m)			2,833
3m avg. daily turnover (USD m)			6.4
Free float (%)			25
Major shareholder	TC	CC Corpora	tion (74%)
12m high/low (THB)		3	0.25/19.20
Issued shares (m)			4,007.80

Sources: Bloomberg consensus; FSSIA estimates



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#### Investment thesis

BJC, one of Thailand's oldest companies, provides an integrated supply chain with upstream, midstream, and downstream operations, with its modern trade supply chain (Big C) contributing c65% of total revenue in 2023. The large-store transformation to modernize store interiors and expand stores in tourist destinations has driven store locations from 25 to 60 by the end of 2023. By modifying store layout and product assortments, BJC has improved its appeal to tourists, supporting a gradual improvement in SSSG. The second revenue contributor, the packaging supply chain (16%), is estimated to deliver a higher GPM in 2024 due to low raw material costs, such as natural gas and soda ash. Moreover, with the introduction of new products and a focus on the fresh food and private label segments, we expect the 2024 GPM to stay above 20% (vs 19.4% in 2023).

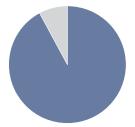
# Company profile

BJC is a fully integrated consumer company with a strong presence in Thailand and ASEAN. It is part of the TCC group, the largest beverage company in Thailand. BJC operates several businesses, including packaging, manufacturing consumer products, healthcare, and modern trade. In 2016, it acquired a 98% stake in Big C.

www.bjc.co.th

# Principal activities (revenue, 2023)

Sales of goods/services - 92.1 %



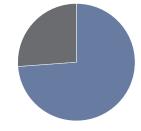
Other income - 7.9 %

Source: Berli Jucker

# Major shareholders

■ TCC Corporation - 73.8 %

■ Others - 26.2 %



Source: Berli Jucker

# **Catalysts**

Thailand's economic recovery, increased consumer confidence, and government stimulus packages.

#### Risks to our call

Key downside risks to our DCF-based TP include 1) competition with Lotus which could impact its sales and gross margin; and 2) higher raw material prices.

### **Event calendar**

Date	Event
7 Nov 2024	3Q24 results announcement

# Key assumptions

	2023	2024E	2025E	2026E
	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)
Revenue growth	2.6	2.6	3.9	3.9
- Packaging	0.7	3.0	3.0	3.0
- Consumer	(1.3)	3.0	3.0	3.0
- Healthcare	2.2	2.0	2.0	2.0
- Modern retailing (Big C)	4.3	2.7	4.7	4.7
Gross margin	19.4	20.1	20.2	20.4
- Packaging	19.3	21.2	21.3	21.4
- Consumer	18.2	19.1	19.2	19.3
- Healthcare	30.6	30.0	30.1	30.2
- Modern retailing (Big C)	18.1	18.5	18.7	18.9
SG&A to sales	20.5	20.5	20.4	20.4

Source: FSSIA estimates

#### Earnings sensitivity

- For every 1% increase in SSSG, we estimate 2025 EPS would rise 0.7%, and vice versa, all else being equal.
- For every 0.1% increase in GPM, we estimate 2025 EPS would rise 2.6%, and vice versa, all else being equal.
- For every 0.1% increase in SG&A to revenue, we estimate 2025 EPS would fall 2.6%, and vice versa, all else being equal.

Source: FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 1: BJC - 3Q24 results preview

	3Q23	4Q23	1Q24	2Q24	3Q24E	Cha	nge		9M24E		2024E	Change
YE Dec 31	(THB m)	(q-q%)	(y-y%)	(THB m)	(y-y%)	(%24E)	(THB m)	(y-y%)				
Total revenue	41,139	43,244	41,868	43,044	42,305	(2)	3	127,217	2	74	172,331	3
Sales revenue	37,901	39,849	38,633	39,739	39,067	(2)	3	117,439	2	74	158,904	3
Cost of sales	(30,625)	(31,804)	(30,924)	(31,679)	(31,371)	(1)	2	(93,974)	1	74	(126,963)	2
Gross profit from sales	7,276	8,046	7,710	8,060	7,696	(5)	6	23,465	7	73	31,941	6
Other income	3,239	3,395	3,235	3,305	3,239	(2)	0	9,778	(1)	73	13,427	1
Gross profit	10,514	11,441	10,944	11,365	10,934	(4)	4	33,243	4	73	45,368	5
Operating costs	(8,026)	(8,042)	(7,817)	(8,070)	(8,048)	(0)	0	(23,935)	1	74	(32,503)	3
Operating profit	2,489	3,398	3,127	3,295	2,886	(12)	16	9,308	13	72	12,865	11
interest income	8	17	11	15	10	(34)	27	36	39	74	49	13
Interest expense	(1,358)	(1,447)	(1,427)	(1,433)	(1,418)	(1)	4	(4,278)	10	75	(5,712)	7
Profit before tax	1,139	1,968	1,711	1,877	1,478	(21)	30	5,066	16	70	7,202	14
Tax	(210)	40	(456)	(416)	(328)	(21)	56	(1,200)	121	72	(1,656)	229
Equity income	(23)	(59)	(45)	18	0	(100)	(100)	(27)	(81)	13	(209)	5
Minority interests	(236)	(277)	(221)	(276)	(232)	(16)	(2)	(729)	14	79	(917)	0
Non-recurring items	24	(35)	(561)	25	(160)	(742)	(766)	(696)	(681)	124	(561)	(760)
Reported net profit	693	1,638	428	1,228	758	(38)	9	2,414	(24)	63	3,858	(20)
Recurring net profit	669	1,673	989	1,203	918	(24)	37	3,111	2	70	4,419	(6)
EPS (THB)	0.17	0.41	0.11	0.31	0.19	(38)	9	0.60	(24)	63	0.96	(20)
Recurring EPS (THB)	0.17	0.42	0.25	0.30	0.23	(24)	37	0.78	2	70	1.10	(6)
Key Ratios	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(ppt)	(ppt)	(%)	(ppt)		(%)	(ppt)
Gross margin from sales	19.2	20.2	20.0	20.3	19.7	(0.6)	0.5	20.0	0.8		20.1	0.7
Operating margin	6.6	8.5	8.1	8.3	7.4	(0.9)	0.8	7.9	0.8		8.1	0.6
Net margin	1.8	4.1	1.1	3.1	1.9	(1.1)	0.1	2.1	(0.7)		2.4	(0.7)
Recurring net margin	1.8	4.2	2.6	3.0	2.4	(0.7)	0.6	2.6	0.0		2.8	(0.3)
SG&A / Sales	21.2	20.2	20.2	20.3	20.6	0.3	(0.6)	20.4	(0.2)		20.5	(0.0)
Effective tax rate	18.5	(2.0)	26.6	22.2	22.2	0.0	3.7	23.7	11.2		23.0	15.1
SSSG (%)	2.1	(0.5)	0.1	(1.9)	0.5						1.0	

Sources: BJC; FSSIA estimates

# Exhibit 2: BigC's SSSG

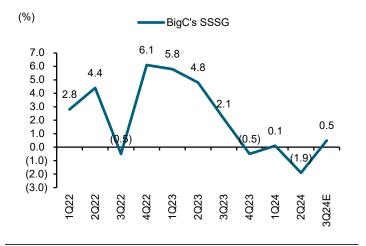
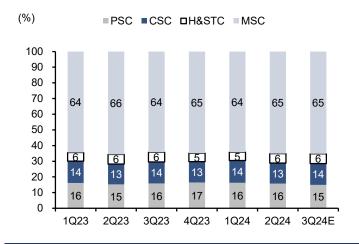


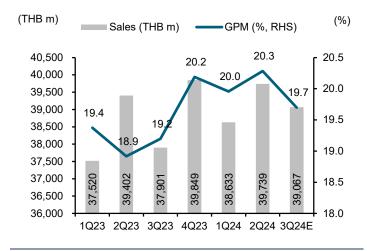
Exhibit 3: Sales contribution by supply chain



Sources: BJC; FSSIA estimates

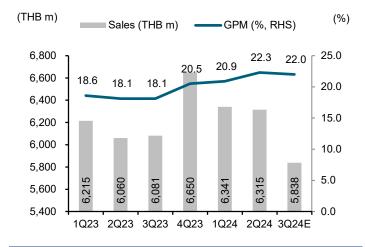
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#### **Exhibit 4: Quarterly sales and GPM**



Sources: BJC; FSSIA estimates

### **Exhibit 6: PSC performance**



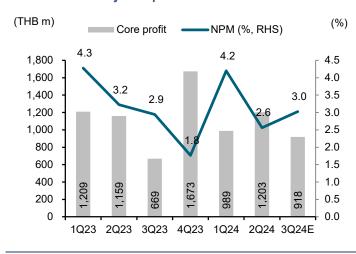
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## **Exhibit 8: H&TSC performance**



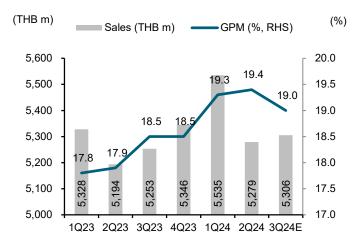
Sources: BJC; FSSIA estimates

**Exhibit 5: Quarterly core profit and NPM** 



Sources: BJC; FSSIA estimates

#### Exhibit 7: CSC performance



Sources: BJC; FSSIA estimates

## Exhibit 9: MSC performance\*



\*Note; excluded rental and other income Sources: BJC; FSSIA estimates

# Exhibit 10: Rolling one-year forward P/E band



Exhibit 11: Rolling one-year forward P/BV band



Sources: Bloomberg; FSSIA estimates

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Exhibit 12: Commerce peers as of 24 October 2024

Company	BBG	Rec	Share price M		Market	PE		R	DE	PBV		EV/ EBITDA		
			Current	Target	Upside	Сар	24E	25E	24E	25E	24E	25E	24E	25E
			(LCY)	(LCY)	(%)	(USD m)	(x)	(x)	(%)	(%)	(x)	(x)	(x)	(x)
Consumer Staple														
CP All	CPALL TB	BUY	64.25	83.00	29	17,144	23.6	20.8	20.9	21.3	5.1	4.5	19.2	16.8
CP Axtra	CPAXT TB	BUY	33.25	42.00	26	10,299	33.2	26.7	3.5	4.3	1.2	1.2	11.4	9.9
Berli Jucker	BJC TB	BUY	23.80	31.00	30	2,833	21.6	18.7	3.7	4.2	8.0	0.8	12.1	11.6
Consumer Staple average						30,277	26.1	22.1	9.4	9.9	2.4	2.2	14.2	12.8
Consumer Discretionary									•					
Com7	COM7 TB	BUY	26.75	24.00	(10)	1,871	20.2	18.7	36.1	33.2	6.7	5.7	13.7	12.2
Central Retail Corp	CRC TB	BUY	31.25	40.00	28	5,598	22.1	20.1	12.2	12.4	2.6	2.4	9.4	8.9
Home Improvement														
Index Living Mall	ILM TB	BUY	17.60	26.70	52	264	11.3	10.4	12.9	13.5	1.4	1.4	6.2	5.7
Home Product Center	HMPRO TB	BUY	9.75	13.20	35	3,809	19.9	18.9	24.6	24.8	4.8	4.6	11.5	10.9
Siam Global House	GLOBAL TB	HOLD	16.10	17.30	7	2,488	32.9	28.3	10.6	11.7	3.4	3.2	25.3	22.0
Dohome	DOHOME TB	HOLD	9.95	10.50	6	955	50.6	34.6	5.1	7.0	2.5	2.4	20.2	17.4
Home Improvement avg.						7,515	28.7	23.1	13.3	14.2	3.0	2.9	15.8	14.0
Consumer Discretionary avg.						14,985	26.2	21.8	16.9	17.1	3.6	3.3	14.4	12.9
Total average						45,262	26.2	21.9	14.4	14.7	3.2	2.9	14.3	12.8

Source: FSSIA estimates

# **Financial Statements**

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Profit and Loss (THB m) Year Ending Dec	2022	2023	2024E	2025E	2026E
Revenue	163,572	167,902	172,331	179,087	186,094
Cost of goods sold	(122,707)	(124,628)	(126,963)	(131,838)	(136,885)
Gross profit	40,865	43,274	45,368	47,248	49,209
Other operating income	0	0	0	0	0
Operating costs	(29,891)	(31,650)	(32,503)	(33,783)	(35,111)
Operating EBITDA	19,983	20,608	22,260	23,621	25,051
Depreciation	(9,009)	(8,984)	(9,396)	(10,155)	(10,953)
Goodwill amortisation	0	0	0	0	0
Operating EBIT	10,974	11,624	12,865	13,465	14,098
Net financing costs	(4,723)	(5,295)	(5,663)	(5,657)	(5,855)
Associates	(15)	(200)	(209)	(220)	(231)
Recurring non-operating income	(15)	(200)	(209)	(220)	(231)
Non-recurring items	0	85	(561)	0	0
Profit before tax	6,236	6,214	6,431	7,588	8,012
Tax	(435)	(503)	(1,656)	(1,562)	(1,649)
Profit after tax	5,801	5,712	4,774	6,026	6,364
Minority interests	(790)	(917)	(917)	(917)	(917)
Preferred dividends	0	0	0	0	0
Other items	0	0	0	0	0
Reported net profit	5,010	4,795	3,858	5,109	5,447
Non-recurring items & goodwill (net)	0	(85)	561	0	0
Recurring net profit	5,010	4,710	4,419	5,109	5,447
Per share (THB)					
Recurring EPS *	1.25	1.18	1.10	1.27	1.36
Reported EPS	1.25	1.20	0.96	1.27	1.36
DPS	0.80	0.80	0.64	0.85	0.91
Diluted shares (used to calculate per share data)	4,008	4,008	4,008	4,008	4,008
Growth					
Revenue (%)	9.1	2.6	2.6	3.9	3.9
Operating EBITDA (%)	5.5	3.1	8.0	6.1	6.1
Operating EBIT (%)	11.2	5.9	10.7	4.7	4.7
Recurring EPS (%)	46.2	(6.0)	(6.2)	15.6	6.6
Reported EPS (%)	39.8	(4.3)	(19.5)	32.5	6.6
Operating performance					
Gross margin inc. depreciation (%)	25.0	25.8	26.3	26.4	26.4
Gross margin exc. depreciation (%)	30.5	31.1	31.8	32.1	32.3
Operating EBITDA margin (%)	12.2	12.3	12.9	13.2	13.5
Operating EBIT margin (%)	6.7	6.9	7.5	7.5	7.6
Net margin (%)	3.1	2.8	2.6	2.9	2.9
Effective tax rate (%)	7.0	7.9	23.0	20.0	20.0
Dividend payout on recurring profit (%)	64.0	68.1	58.4	66.9	66.9
Interest cover (X)	2.3	2.2	2.2	2.3	2.4
Inventory days	73.1	73.7	70.0	69.6	69.8
Debtor days	40.2	41.3	41.6	41.3	41.3
Creditor days	103.0	105.0	103.2	102.6	103.0
Operating ROIC (%)	14.5	15.1	13.9	15.1	15.8
ROIC (%)	3.4	3.5	3.2	3.4	3.5
ROE (%)	4.3	4.0	3.7	4.2	4.4
ROA (%)	3.1	3.1	2.8	3.0	3.1
* Pre-exceptional, pre-goodwill and fully diluted					
Revenue by Division (THB m)	2022	2023	2024E	2025E	2026E
Sales of goods/services	150,338	154,672	158,904	165,313	171,965
Other income	13,234	13,230	13,427	13,774	14,130
Sources: Berli Jucker: FSSIA estimates	,	-,	-,	-,	-,

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Cash Flow (THB m) Year Ending Dec	2022	2023	2024E	2025E	2026E
Recurring net profit	5,010	4,710	4,419	5,109	5,447
Depreciation	9,009	8,984	9,396	10,155	10,953
Associates & minorities	(362)	(544)	0	0	(
Other non-cash items	750	1,144	864	972	92
Change in working capital	(1,516)	1,559	(568)	(216)	(436
Cash flow from operations	12,892	15,853	14,111	16,021	16,884
Capex - maintenance	(7,676) 0	(10,683) 0	(9,250) 0	(9,713) 0	(10,198
Capex - new investment Net acquisitions & disposals	(4,010)	(2,694)	(6,301)	(8,860)	(9,186
Other investments (net)	(4,010)	(2,094)	(0,301)	(8,800)	(9,100
Cash flow from investing	(11,686)	(13,377)	(15,551)	(18,573)	(19,384
Dividends paid	(3,206)	(3,206)	(2,580)	(3,417)	(3,642
Equity finance	612	(215)	69	69	(0,012
Debt finance	1,147	1,639	3,951	5,900	6,074
Other financing cash flows	0	0	0	0	(
Cash flow from financing	(1,447)	(1,782)	1,440	2,552	2,500
Non-recurring cash flows	· · · · · ·	-	-	-	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Other adjustments	0	0	0	0	(
Net other adjustments	0	0	0	0	(
Movement in cash	(241)	695	0	0	(
Free cash flow to firm (FCFF)	5,958.63	7,814.37	4,271.93	3,154.26	3,403.25
Free cash flow to equity (FCFE)	2,352.86	4,115.69	2,510.85	3,348.06	3,573.58
Per share (THB)					
FCFF per share	1.49	1.95	1.07	0.79	0.85
FCFE per share	0.59	1.03	0.63	0.84	0.89
Recurring cash flow per share	3.60	3.57	3.66	4.05	4.32
Balance Sheet (THB m) Year Ending Dec	2022	2023	2024E	2025E	2026E
Fangible fixed assets (gross) Less: Accumulated depreciation	105,611	111,435	120,685	130,397	140,596
Fangible fixed assets (net)	(44,601) <b>61,010</b>	(48,581) <b>62,854</b>	(57,827) <b>62,858</b>	(67,828) <b>62,570</b>	(78,622 <b>61,97</b> 4
ntangible fixed assets (net)	01,010	02,034	02,030	02,370	01,57-
Long-term financial assets	0	0	0	0	(
nvest. in associates & subsidiaries	3,001	2,774	2,874	2,974	3,074
Cash & equivalents	4,162	4,857	4,857	4,857	4,857
A/C receivable	18,574	19,377	19,889	20,668	21,477
nventories	24,388	22,338	22,756	23,630	24,535
Other current assets	1,002	843	858	881	905
Current assets	48,126	47,416	48,360	50,036	51,773
Other assets	223,908	225,926	231,886	240,976	250,406
Total assets	336,045	338,970	345,979	356,557	367,227
Common equity	118,291	119,665	121,012	122,773	124,646
Minorities etc.	5,857	6,230	7,147	8,064	8,98
Total shareholders' equity	124,149	125,896	128,159	130,837	133,627
_ong term debt	137,030	129,749	142,673	136,425	146,312
Other long-term liabilities	12,398	11,880	12,351	12,835	13,33
Long-term liabilities	149,428	141,629	155,023	149,260	159,649
A/C payable	33,569	32,947	33,564	34,853	36,187
Short term debt	27,951	36,870	27,898	40,045	36,232
Other current liabilities	948	1,628	1,335	1,562	1,532
Current liabilities	62,468	71,445	62,797	76,459	73,95
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	336,045	338,970	345,979	356,557	367,227
Net working capital	9,447	7,984	8,605 306,223	8,765	9,19
nvested capital Includes convertibles and preferred stock which is bei	297,366 ing treated as debt	299,538	300,223	315,285	324,65
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Per share (THB)					
ook value per share	29.52	29.86	30.19	30.63	31.1
angible book value per share	29.52	29.86	30.19	30.63	31.10
Financial strength	400 =	400.5	400.0	404.0	100
Vet debt/equity (%)	129.5	128.5	129.3	131.2	133.
Net debt/total assets (%)	47.9	47.7	47.9	48.1	48.
Current ratio (x)  CF interest cover (x)	0.8 1.5	0.7 1.8	0.8 1.4	0.7 1.6	0. <sup>-</sup> 1.
/aluation	2022	2023	2024E	2025E	2026
Recurring P/E (x) *	19.0	20.3	21.6	18.7	17.
Recurring P/E @ target price (x) *	24.8	26.4	28.1	24.3	22.
Reported P/E (x)	19.0	19.9	24.7	18.7	17.
Dividend yield (%)	3.4	3.4	2.7	3.6	3.
Price/book (x)	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.
Price/tangible book (x)	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8
EV/EBITDA (x) **	13.1	12.8	12.1	11.6	11.3
		440	42.2	12.9	12.
EV/EBITDA @ target price (x) ** EV/invested capital (x)	14.6 0.9	14.2 0.9	13.3 0.9	0.9	0.9

Sources: Berli Jucker; FSSIA estimates

# Berli Jucker PCL (BJC TB)



# Exhibit 13: FSSIA ESG score implication

71.33 /100

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 14: ESG – peer comparison

	FSSIA			Domes	stic ratings	;			Global ratings						Bloomberg		
	ESG score	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		
BJC	71.33	Υ	Υ	Υ	4.00	4.00		Medium	55.09	Α		65.19	89.00	2.16			
COM7	61.78		Υ	Υ	5.00	5.00	Certified	Low	47.75			52.68	21.00	4.40	43.59		
CPALL	78.53	Υ	Υ	Y	5.00	5.00	Certified	Medium	47.38	Α	34.00	59.95	82.00	3.74			
CPAXT	59.46				5.00	5.00	Certified	Low	52.81			74.64	63.00	3.77			
CRC	64.49		Υ	Υ	5.00	5.00	Certified	Medium		BBB		60.98	73.00	2.90	47.27		

Sources: <u>SETTRADE.com</u>; FSSIA's compilation

Exhibit 15: ESG score by Bloomberg

FY ending Dec 31	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022
ESG financial materiality scores - ESG score	0.96	0.97	1.54	1.56	1.62	2.64	2.59	2.60
BESG environmental pillar score	0.69	0.69	0.76	0.73	0.77	2.37	2.05	1.73
BESG social pillar score	0.16	0.16	1.08	1.11	1.25	2.34	2.34	2.58
BESG governance pillar score	3.13	3.19	3.48	3.54	3.42	3.48	3.62	3.62
ESG disclosure score	30.47	30.47	43.34	48.52	50.41	62.23	61.10	58.67
Environmental disclosure score	0.91	0.91	9.15	24.71	30.38	50.20	44.85	41.71
Social disclosure score	9.22	9.22	33.34	33.34	33.34	42.74	44.71	40.54
Governance disclosure score	81.10	81.10	87.36	87.36	87.36	93.62	93.62	93.62
Environmental								
Emissions reduction initiatives	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Climate change policy	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Climate change opportunities discussed	No							
Risks of climate change discussed	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
GHG scope 1	_	_	357	466	483	417	503	507
GHG scope 2 location-based	_	_	699	699	715	603	616	609
GHG Scope 3	_	_	_	_	_	_	292	_
Carbon per unit of production	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Biodiversity policy	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
Energy efficiency policy	Yes							
Total energy consumption	_	_	_	2,978	3,108	3,303	2,903	2,875
Renewable energy use	_	_	0	2	24	42	53	58
Electricity used	_	_	_	1,423	1,485	1,207	1,322	_
Fuel used - natural gas	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_

Sources: Bloomberg; FSSIA's compilation

**Exhibit 16: ESG score by Bloomberg** (cont.)

FY ending Dec 31	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022
Fuel used - crude oil/diesel	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Waste reduction policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Hazardous waste	_	_	_	_	2	1	_	_
Total waste	_	_	121	129	137	73	100	84
Waste recycled	_	_	_	37	37	33	20	28
Waste sent to landfills	_	_	_	_	94	39	74	54
Environmental supply chain management	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Water policy	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Water consumption		_		2,380	3,106	4,550	3,840	4,150
Social	NI-	NI-	NI-	NI-	NI-	V	V	V
Human rights policy	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Policy against child labor	No	No No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Quality assurance and recall policy	No No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Consumer data protection policy	No	No No	No	No No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes Yes
Equal opportunity policy	No No	No No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	
Gender pay gap breakout	No	No	No 56	No 57	No 50	No	Yes	Yes
Pct women in workforce Pct disabled in workforce	_	_	56	57	59	60	61	60
Business ethics policy	— Yes	Yes	— Yes	— Yes	Yes	— Yes	— Yes	Yes
Anti-bribery ethics policy	Yes Yes	Yes Yes	Yes Yes	Yes Yes	Yes Yes	Yes Yes	Yes Yes	Yes
	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Health and safety policy	162	162	1	0	0	1	0	0
Lost time incident rate - employees  Total recordable incident rate - employees	_	_	ļ	U	U	1	U	U
	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Training policy Fair remuneration policy	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Number of employees – CSR	11,572	10,597	37,954	40,294	40,491	35,400	37,980	34,046
Employee turnover pct	11,572	10,391	66	73	40,491	62	48	34,040 45
Total hours spent by firm - employee training	_	_	3,339,950	3,889,880	3,494,120	2,255,330	4,405,680	4,187,660
Social supply chain management	No	No	0,009,900 No	0,009,000 No	0,494,120 No	2,200,000 Yes	4,405,000 Yes	4,107,000 Yes
Governance	140	140	140	140	140	103	103	103
Board size	15	15	15	16	16	16	16	17
No. of independent directors (ID)	5	6	8	8	8	8	8	9
No. of women on board	3	2	2	3	3	3	3	4
No. of non-executive directors on board	13	12	13	13	13	13	14	14
Company conducts board evaluations	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
No. of board meetings for the year	9	30	6	6	5	6	6	4
Board meeting attendance pct	75	89	93	96	97	99	99	99
Board duration (years)	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Director share ownership guidelines	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Age of the youngest director	38	39	41	42	43	45	46	46
Age of the oldest director	73	74	74	76	77	78	79	79
No. of executives / company managers	9	6	6	6	7	6	10	10
No. of female executives	3	2	1	1	1	1	5	5
Executive share ownership guidelines	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Size of audit committee	4	3	3	3	3	3	4	4
No. of ID on audit committee	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	4
Audit committee meetings	5	8	7	5	5	5	8	6
Audit meeting attendance %	95	95	100	93	100	100	90	100
Size of compensation committee	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
No. of ID on compensation committee	1	1	2	2	1	2	2	2
No. of compensation committee meetings	2	5	4	2	3	3	3	3
Compensation meeting attendance %	100	93	100	100	100	100	100	100
Size of nomination committee	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
No. of nomination committee meetings	2	5	4	2	3	3	3	3
Nomination meeting attendance %	100	93	100	100	100	100	100	100
Sustainability governance								
• •	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes

Sources: Bloomberg; FSSIA's compilation

# Disclaimer for ESG scoring

ESG score	Methodolog	у			Rating							
The Dow Jones Sustainability Indices ( <u>DJSI</u> ) By S&P Global	process bas from the ann	ed on the comp nual S&P Globa	transparent, rules-based panies' Total Sustainabil al Corporate Sustainabili anies within each industr	ity Scores resulting ty Assessment (CSA).	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 nvestment List (THSI) by The Stock Exchange of Thailand (SET)	managing be Candidates 1) no irregul float of >150 up capital. S 70%; 2) inde wrongdoing	usiness with tra must pass the ar trading of the shareholders, some key disque ependent direct related to CG,	lity in Environmental and ansparency in Governand preemptive criteria, with e board members and es and combined holding in alifying criteria include: tors and free float violatic social & environmental in arnings in red for > 3 year	ce, updated annually. two crucial conditions: xecutives; and 2) free nust be >15% of paid- 1) CG score of below on; 3) executives' mpacts; 4) equity in	To be eligible for <b>THSI inclusion</b> , 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. <b>SETTHSI Index</b> 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 nstitute of Directors Association Thai IOD)	annually by Thailand (St	the Thai IOD, v	n in sustainable developr with support from the Sto s are from the perspectiv s.	ck Exchange of	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 nvestors Association (TIA) with support from the SEC	treatment ar transparent out of five th criteria cove date (45%), circulation of s exercised. The and verifiability	e incorporated and sufficiently e CG componer AGM procedu and after the nation information information in the second assessey; and 3) openned	which shareholders' rights into business operations or disclosed. All form impoents to be evaluated annures before the meeting in the discount of the discount	s and information is ortant elements of two ually. The assessment (45%), at the meeting ssesses 1) advance ing how voting rights can be leetings; 2) transparency s the meeting minutes that	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.							
Fhai CAC By Thai Private Sector Collective Action Against Corruption CAC)	establishme policies. The (Companies of Declaration of Certification, in managers and	nt of key control c Certification is eciding to become Intent to kick off including risk asset	Checklist include corruptions, and the monitoring as good for three years. He a CAC certified member st an 18-month deadline to subsessment, in place of policy are ablishment of whistleblowing at stakeholders.)	nd developing of  art by submitting a  mit the CAC Checklist for  nd control, training of	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	based on an risk is unma	assessment on aged. <i>Sources</i>	sk rating provides an ove of how much of a compar of to be reviewed include corp- ier media, NGO reports/webs	A company's ESG risk rating score is the sum of unmanaged risk. The more risk is unmanaged, the higher ESG risk is scored.								
		ompany feedback uality & peer revi	k, ESG controversies, issuer : ews.	feedback on draft ESG	<b>NEGL</b> 0-10	<b>Low</b> 10-20	Medium 20-30	<b>High</b> 30-40	Severe 40+			
ESG Book	positioned to the principle helps explai over-weighti	o outperform ov of financial ma n future risk-ad	ustainable companies the ver the long term. The materiality including inform lijusted performance. Math higher materiality and rly basis.	ethodology considers ation that significantly teriality is applied by	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.											
	AAA	8.571-10.000	)	to a discount to the decades of the sec-		·:64-F00	-1 1					
	AA	7.143-8.570	Leader:	leading its industry in m	anaging the most s	igninicant ESG fi	sks and opportunitie	55				
	Α	5.714-7.142										
	BBB	4.286-5.713	Average:		a mixed or unexceptional track record of managing the most significant ESG risks and opportunities relative to industry peers							
	ВВ	2.857-4.285										
	В	1.429-2.856	Laggard:	lagging its industry based on its high exposure and failure to manage significant ESG risks								
	ccc	0.000-1.428	99****	55 ·5 ··- ··· · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	g., s.,poc		gg3di					
Moody's ESG olutions	Moody's assesses the degree to which companies take into account ESG objectives in the definition and implementation of their strategy policies. It believes that a company integrating ESG factors into its business model and relatively outperforming its peers is better positioned to mitigate risks and create sustainable value for shareholders over the medium to long term.											
Refinitiv ESG ating	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. (Score ratings are 0 to 25 = poor; >25 to 50 = satisfactory; >50 to 75 = good; and >75 to 100 = excellent.)											
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.											
Bloomberg	ESG Score  Bloomberg score evaluating the company's aggregated Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) performance. The score is based on Bloomberg's view of ESG financial materiality. The score is a weighted generalized mean (power mean) of Pillar Scores, where the weights are determined by the pillar priority ranking. Values range from 0 to 10; 10 is the best.											
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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) "CG Score"; 2) "AGM Level"; 3) "Thai CAC"; and 4) THSI. The ratings are updated on an annual basis. FSSIA does not confirm nor certify the accuracy of such ratings.

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Company	Ticker	Price	Rating	Valuation & Risks
Berli Jucker	BJC TB	THB 23.80	BUY	Key downside risks to our DCF-based TP could come from 1) competition with Lotus which could impact its sales and gross margin; and 2) a higher in raw material prices.
CP All	CPALL TB	THB 64.25	BUY	The key downside risks to our DCF-derived TP include 1) lower-than-expected SSSG, 2) lower-than-expected gross margin, and 3) higher-than-expected SG&A to sales ratio.
CP Axtra	СРАХТ ТВ	THB 33.25	BUY	Key downside risks to our DCF-based TP include 1) a lower-than-expected SSSG, 2) a lower-than-expected GPM, 3) higher-than-expected SG&A expenses, and 4) an operating loss from its overseas units.
Com7	СОМ7 ТВ	THB 26.75	BUY	Risks to our P/E-based TP include 1) lower/higher domestic consumption and purchasing power, 2) store cannibalization/expansion, and 3) lower/higher-than-expected gross margin.
Central Retail Corp	CRC TB	THB 31.25	BUY	Downside risks to our DCF-based TP include 1) a decline in domestic purchasing power, 2) lower-than-expected tourist arrivals, 3) an absence of the government's stimulus, and 4) a slower-than-expected economic recovery in Vietnam.
Index Living Mall	ILM TB	THB 17.60	BUY	Risks to our DCF-based TP include 1) a lower-than-expected SSSG; 2) a lower-than-expected GPM; and 3) a higher-than-expected SG&A.
Home Product Center	HMPRO TB	THB 9.75	BUY	Key downside risks to our DCF-based TP include: 1) lower-than-expected SSSG; 2) slower-than-expected recovery in domestic consumption and tourist arrivals, and 3) operating losses from overseas units.
Siam Global House	GLOBAL TB	THB 16.10	HOLD	Key risks to our DCF-based TP are 1) lower/higher farm income, which would affect purchasing power in the agricultural sector, 2) government disbursement, 3) a lower/higher private brand mix and margin, 4) higher/lower expenses than expected, and 5) a higher/lower impact than expected from the El Nino.
Dohome	DOHOME TB	THB 9.95	HOLD	Key risks to our DCF-based TP are 1) lower/higher farm income, which would affect purchasing power in the agricultural sector, 2) government disbursement, 3) a lower/higher private brand mix and margin, 4) higher/lower expenses than expected, and 5) a higher/lower impact than expected from the El Nino.

Source: FSSIA estimates

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#### 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%.

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\* 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.

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Neutral. The analyst expects the fundamental conditions of the sector to be maintained over the next 12 months.

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