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International Game Technology (IGT - \$14.07- NYSE)

Earnings Update - Buy

FYE	E: 9/30 EPS	<u>P/E</u>	<u>PMV</u>	
201	5P \$1.30) 11.5	\$19	Dividend: \$0.44 Current Return: 3.1%
201:	5P 1.15	5 12.8	18	Shares O/S: 248.9 million
201	4E 1.00	13.8	17	52-Week Range: \$21.20- \$13.31
2013	3A 1.21	10.8		

COMPANY OVERVIEW

Reno, Nevada-based International Game Technology is a global gaming company specializing in the design, manufacture, and marketing of electronic gaming equipment and network systems, as well as licensing and services.

Reason For Comment – Second Quarter Results

On April 22, 2014, IGT reported second quarter FY 2014 (FYE 09/30) results:

- Adjusted EPS: \$0.20 vs. \$0.36, last year
- EBITDA: -33% to \$149.3 million
- Revenues: -15% to \$512.8 million
- Gaming Operations Revenues decreased 9% to \$230.4 million primarily due to lower jackpot revenue and gross margin was 61% vs. 62% last year. Average revenue-per-unit per day was down 5% to \$47.00 primarily due to lower jackpot yields but +4% due to seasonal gaming trends. Installed base totaled 53,400 down 6% yoy.
- Product Sales Revenues decreased 27% to \$202.6 million and gross margin was 51% vs. 52% with average selling price up 4% to \$14,700.
- Interactive -Social gaming revenues grew 27% to \$80 million, primarily driven by an increase in Daily Active Users (DAU) +5% and average bookings per DAU +16%.
- The company reiterated its FY2014 EPS guidance of \$1.00-\$1.10. On March 26, 2014, IGT reduced FY 2014 EPS guidance to \$1.00-1.10 from \$1.28-1.38 citing a sharp decline in North American gross gaming revenues and further degradation in the international currency, compliance and importation environment.
- The company has undertaken cost-cutting measures including the reduction of its global workforce by 7% to realize cost savings of \$30 million in the current fiscal year and an estimated \$50 million on an annual run-rate basis.
- Earlier in the quarter, IGT secured a global licensing agreement with Sony, which provides IGT with expanded franchise rights for Wheel of Fortune through 2024.
- On July 16, 2013, Bally Technologies (BYI) announced an agreement to acquire SHFL Entertainment at a price of \$23.25 in cash for a total consideration of \$1.3 billion, implying an 11.2x TTM EV/EBITDA multiple. This deal in the gaming equipment space highlights the value of intellectual property, product diversity and market share. As the market leader in slot machines – both product sales and gaming operations, IGT should benefit from multiple expansions underscored by deal activity. At current levels, IGT is trading at a reasonable valuation and is supported by a healthy balance sheet. We continue to recommend purchase of IGT shares.

Investment Case

- Given a tepid replacement cycle and anemic US gross gaming revenue trends, we believe FY 2014 will be a challenging year for IGT. However, we believe IGT's earnings growth 2015 onward will be driven by increased momentum from the strength of its strategy of leveraging its core business while broadening the distribution of its premier content.
- IGT remains a global industry leader and has grown North American ship share to 40% in 2013 from 36% in 2012.
- The company has the highest installed base of 53,400; its closest competitor, SGMS, has 40,295 units.
- IGT expects online social gaming revenue growth of 15%+ over the next 3-5 years driven by its strategy of Vegas-style gaming experience supported by premium content with the option of monetizing non-paying users.
- In online real money gaming (RMG), IGT expects 10%+ revenue growth over the next 3-5 years driven by the introduction of US online wagering and continued expansion of RMG internationally. In New Jersey RMG, 20 IGT slot games are offered on the state's gaming websites.
- The company's capital allocation priorities include funding growth in the business including investing in the business (R&D) and strategic outlays focused on talent, technologies, distribution and content as well as return of capital focused on

balance sheet management (maintaining investment grade credit rating), paying consistent dividends (supporting target minimum current return of 2%) and share buy backs.

In FY 2014, we expect IGT to generate \$2.1 billion in revenue, \$695 million in EBITDA and earnings per share of \$1.00. Applying a 7.5x multiple to Product Sales cash flow and 9x multiple to Gaming Ops, we calculate a FY 2015 PMV of \$18 per share. At current price levels, IGT is trading at 21% discount to our 2015 PMV and we continue to recommend purchase of the stock.

Table 1

International Game Technology Private Market Value Analysis 2013A-2018P

FYE 9/30 (in \$ millions except per share data)	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014E</u>	2015P	2016P	2017P	2018P
Product Sales						
Revenues	\$1,031	\$1,062	\$1,082	\$1,102	\$1,118	\$1,130
EBITDA	414.0	314.1	321.9	332.8	342.7	351.2
Valuation Multiple	6.0x	7.5x	7.5x	7.5x	7.5x	7.5x
Segment Value	\$2,484	\$2,356	\$2,414	\$2,496	\$2,570	\$2,634
Gaming Operations						
Revenues	\$1,079	\$1,111	\$1,145	\$1,179	\$1,215	\$1,252
EBITDA (margin)	502.4	381.3	395.1	413.2	431.9	451.3
Valuation Multiple	7.0x	9.0x	9.0x	9.0x	9.0x	9.0x
Segment Value	\$3,517	\$3,431	\$3,556	\$3,718	\$3,887	\$4,062
Total Private Market Value	\$6,001	\$5,787	\$5,970	\$6,215	\$6,457	\$6,696
Less: Debt	(1,343)	(1,354)	(1,061)	(1,096)	(1,104)	(1,083)
Less: Convertible Debt	(850)	(850)	(850)	(850)	(850)	(850)
Less: Options Payments (b)	-	-	-	(6)	(23)	(42)
Plus: Cash and Equivalents	713	356	-	-		-
Equity Private Market Value	\$4,521	\$3,940	\$4,058	\$4,263	\$4,481	\$4,722
Basic Shares Outstanding	262.6	238.2	228.2	218.8	210.0	201.7
PMV per share	\$ 17	\$ 17	\$ 18	\$ 19	\$ 21	\$ 23
Current Market - Discount to PMV	18.3%	14.9%	20.9%	27.8%	34.1%	39.9%

(a) Includes \$850MM 3.25% 2014 convert at face value

(b) After-tax payments to buy out option holders at Private Market Value

Source: Company filings and Gabelli & Company estimates

Other Companies Mentioned:

Bally Technologies (BYI - NYSE)Scientific Games (SGMS-NASDAO) (SNE - NYSE) Sony



Source: Public data. As of April 23, 2011 IGT was rated a BUY

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