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Margin gains, volume losses

Suominen reports Q2 results next week, on Wed, Aug 7. In Q1 the company's gross margin improved to 8.1% (compared to the 6.2% low in Q4'18) as raw material costs remained stable and price hikes came into effect. We expect the gross margin improvement trend to continue throughout 2019, but the main question concerns volume losses following price hikes. We leave our previous estimates unchanged for now. Our target price still stands at EUR 2.85 per share; our new rating is BUY (HOLD).

Volume declines in focus following the hiking of prices

In our view Suominen's declining earnings trend bottomed out in $\Omega1$ as price hikes and stabilizing raw material costs drove improvement in gross margin. $\Omega1'19$ gross margin stood at 8.1%; we expect $\Omega2$ gross margin at 8.7%. However, the company lost significant delivery volumes. We estimate Suominen's delivery volume losses amounted to some 9% in $\Omega1$; we expect losses of similar magnitude for the remainder of 2019. Our expectation for $\Omega2$ is EUR 113m in revenue and EUR 3.3m in EBIT.

Expect flat input costs and price hikes to lift '19e earnings

While the EURUSD exchange rate has remained steady during the last three months, European softwood pulp prices have declined further, by about 10%. The development is beneficial from Suominen's point of view, softwood pulp being a key nonwovens raw material. Meanwhile polypropylene prices have increased by a roughly similar percentage. According to Lenzing, viscose and polyester prices remained stable during spring (development until Apr 15). All in all, raw material costs have been flat. We expect '19e revenue at EUR 436m and EBIT at EUR 13.3m, assuming stable input costs for the remainder of the year.

We leave our estimates intact ahead of the report

Suominen is valued at ca. 6.0x EV/EBITDA '19e (on our estimates) vs historical average of 6.5x. Suominen's peer group multiples have gained during the last three months, and although there is still uncertainty concerning delivery volumes, we consider the current valuation undemanding. We retain our TP of EUR 2.85 per share, and thus our updated rating is BUY (HOLD).



■ BUY □ HOLD ■ SELL

KEY FIGU	IRES										
	Sales EURm	EBIT EURm	EBIT %	Ptx profit EURm	EPS EUR	P/E (x)	EV/Sales (x)	P/CF (x)	EV/EBIT (x)	DPS EUR	
2017	426	15	3.5%	12	0.25	17.8	0.8	11.6	22.2	0.11	
2018	431	5	1.1%	-1	-0.03	-69.4	0.5	3.7	44.8	0.00	
2019E	436	13	3.1%	7	0.09	27.3	0.5	4.8	16.5	0.04	
2020E	456	18	4.0%	14	0.18	13.8	0.4	4.2	11.0	0.09	
2021E	472	24	5.1%	21	0.26	9.6	0.4	3.9	7.7	0.11	
Market ca	o, EURm		148 E	BV per share 201	9E, EUR		2.3 CAGR	EPS 2018-2	1, %	0.0	
Net debt 2	019E, EURm		72 F	Price/book 2019l	Ē		21, %	3.0			
Enterprise value, EURm 220			220 [Dividend yield 20)19E, %			4.1			
Total assets 2019E, EURm 325			325 1	Tax rate 2019E, %			26.0 ROCE 2019E, %				
Goodwill 2019E, EURm 15				Equity ratio 2019	9E, %		0.6				

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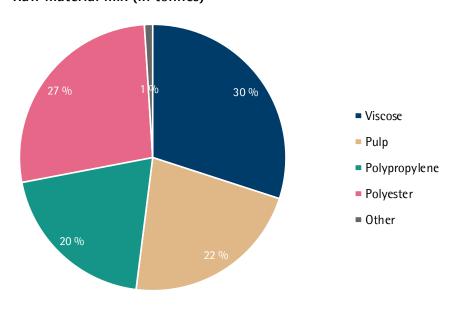
Estimates

SUOMINEN	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2018	2018	2018	2018E	2019	2019E	2019E	2019E	2019E	2020E	2021E
EURm	FY	FY	FY	FY	FY	Q1	02	Q3	Q4	FY	Q1	Q2 E	Q3E	Q4E	FY	FY	FY
Sales	374	402	444	417	426	107	110	105	110	431	110	113	105	108	436	456	472
Sales growth, %		8 %	11 %	-6 %	2 %	-6 %	-2 %	2 %	11 %	1 %	3 %	2 %	1 %	-2 %	1 %	5 %	3 %
FX			10 %	0 %	-1 %	-8 %	-5 %	1 %	2 %	-2 %	4 %	3 %	1 %	0 %	2 %	0 %	0 %
Price/mix (indicative)				-3 %	-1 %	0 %	4 %	4 %	9 %	4 %	8 %	9 %	8 %	6 %	8 %	2 %	1 %
Volume (indicative)				-3 %	4 %	2 %	-1 %	-2 %	0 %	-1 %	-9 %	-9 %	-9 %	-8 %	-9 %	3 %	2 %
Convenenience		369	412	379	389	98	100	96	103	396	101	103	97	95	397	415	429
Baby		165	178	158	175	42	41	40	46	168	40	42	37	37	157	157	160
Personal care		84	98	104	89	25	25	24	21	95	25	25	22	24	96	98	99
Household		68	75	75	81	21	22	21	22	86	22	23	21	22	87	96	101
Workplace		44	49	36	38	10	10	9	10	39	11	12	13	14	48	55	59
Other		8	12	5	5	0	2	1	4	8	4	1	4	-1	9	9	9
Care		32	32	37	38	9	10	9	7	35	9	9	8	13	39	41	42
Hygiene & Medical		32	32	37	38	9	10	9	7	35	9	9	8	13	39	41	42
By geography																	
Finland	2	3	3	2	3	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	3	3	3
Rest of Europe	138	140	160	158	161	41	39	37	36	153	39	39	35	35	150	157	162
Americas	224	249	272	246	252	63	68	66	71	268	68	71	67	70	274	287	298
ROW	9	11	10	10	10	2	3	1	1	7	2	2	2	2	9	9	9
COGS	-334	-352	-386	-365	-384	-99	-100	-98	-103	-400	-101	-103	-96	-98	-398	-412	-420
Gross Profit	40	50	58	52	42	8	10	7	7	31	9	10	9	10	38	45	51
Gross-%	10.7 %	12.4 %	13.1 %	12.5 %	9.9 %	7.4 %	9.1 %	6.3 %	6.2 %	7.3 %	8.1 %	8.7 %	8.9 %	8.9 %	8.7 %	9.8 %	10.8 %
SGA & R&D	-22.4	-24.6	-28.0	-27.9	-28.9	-6.9	-7.7	-7.0	-7.5	-29.2	-6.8	-7.1	-6.4	-6.9	-27.2	-29.2	-29.7
Other	1.7	0.8	1.8	1.3	1.7	0.6	0.6	0.9	0.4	2.5	0.8	0.6	0.9	0.4	2.7	2.7	2.7
EBIT	18.9	25.9	31.8	25.6	15.0	1.5	2.9	0.5	-0.4	4.6	3.0	3.3	3.9	3.1	13.3	18.4	24.1
IAC	-0.5	-1.0	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
EBIT ex IAC	19.4	26.9	31.2	25.6	15.0	1.5	2.9	0.5	-0.4	4.6	3.0	3.3	3.9	3.1	13.3	18.4	24.1
EBIT-% ex IAC	5.2 %	6.7 %	7.0 %	6.1 %	3.5 %	1.5 %	2.7 %	0.5 %	-0.3 %	1.1 %	2.7 %	2.9 %	3.7 %	2.9 %	3.0 %	4.0 %	5.1 %
Depreciation	-13.9	-15.6	-17.7	-18.5	-19.4	-5.0	-5.1	-5.3	-5.6	-21.0	-6.3	-5.5	-5.8	-6.0	-23.6	-21.4	-20.7
EBITDA ex IAC	33.3	42.5	48.9	44.2	34.3	6.5	8.0	5.8	5.2	25.6	9.3	8.8	9.7	9.1	36.9	39.8	44.8
EBITDA-% ex IAC	8.9 %	10.6 %	11.0 %	10.6 %	8.1 %	6.1 %	7.3 %	5.5 %	4.8 %	5.9 %	8.5 %	7.8 %	9.2 %	8.4 %	8.5 %	8.7 %	9.5 %

Note: Suominen restated 2016 figures which have a slight impact on the product groups' absolute numbers.

Source: Suominen, Evli Research

Raw material mix (in tonnes)



Total raw material consumption 134kt (2018)

Source: Suominen





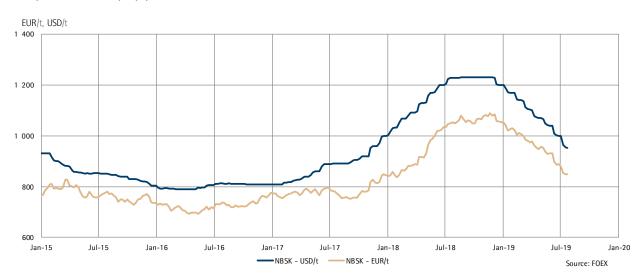
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Raw material price development

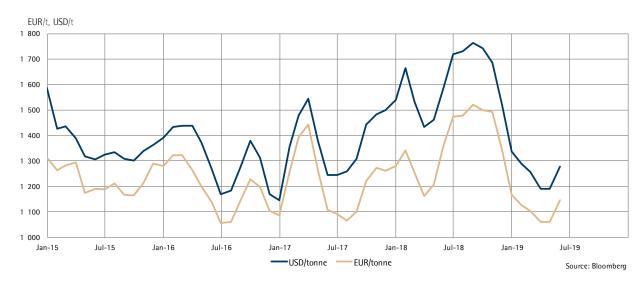
Fiber prices in China have declined by 10-20% from their 2018 highs but remained stable during spring



European softwood pulp prices have declined further so far this year



Polypropylene prices developed favorably from Suominen's perspective during the Q4'18-Q1'19 period





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Valuation

Note: EV-based comparisons are currently challenging to carry out, as peer multiples may not yet reflect the impact of IFRS 16. We have accounted for IFRS 16 in our estimates for Suominen - the company estimates that the carrying amounts of lease liabilities and right-of-use assets arising from IFRS 16 will be about EUR 15-17m.

	MCAP	EV/EBITDA	EV/EBITDA	EV/EBITDA	EV/EBIT	EV/EBIT	EV/EBIT	P/E	P/E	P/E	P/B	P/B	P/B
SUOMINEN PEER GROUP	local FX	19	20	21	19	20	21	19	20	21	19	20	21
Ahlstrom-Munksjo Oyj	1706	7.9x	6.4x	5.8x	15.0x	10.8x	9.5x	15.2x	11.1x	10.1x	1.4x	1.3x	1.2x
Berry Global Group Inc	7263	11.1x	9.7x	8.1x	18.0x	16.3x	15.8x	15.2x	13.9x	9.5x	4.0x	3.4x	2.5x
Kimberly-Clark Corporation	47586	13.0x	12.5x	12.1x	16.7x	15.9x	15.3x	20.2x	19.1x	18.2x			208.9x
Low & Bonar PLC	67	5.2x	4.3x	3.7x	11.5x	8.7x	7.3x	10.7x	6.2x	4.9x			
Neenah Inc	1069							18.2x	15.3x				
P. H. Glatfelter Company	749	8.5x	6.9x	5.8x	15.4x	11.2x	8.8x	23.0x	16.2x	12.8x	1.4x	1.3x	1.2x
PFNonwovens a.s.	6222												
Peer Group Median		8.5x	6.9x	5.8x	15.4x	11.2x	9.5x	16.7x	14.6x	10.1x	1.4x	1.3x	1.9x
Peer Group Average		9.2x	8.0x	7.1x	15.3x	12.6x	11.4x	17.1x	13.7x	11.1x	2.3x	2.0x	53.5x
Suominen (Evli est)		6.0x	4.9x	4.1x	16.5x	11.0x	7.7x	27.3x	13.8x	9.6x	1.1x	1.0x	1.0x
Suominen discount/premium to peer group me	dian	-30 %	-29 %	-30 %	7 %	-1 %	-19 %	63 %	-5 %	-5 %	-24 %	-23 %	-49 %
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		Div yield	Div yield	Div yield	EBIT-%	EBIT-%	EBIT-%	ROCE-%	ROCE-%	ROCE-%	ROE-%	ROE-%	ROE-%
SUOMINEN PEER GROUP	Ticker	19	20	21	19	20	21	19	20	21	19	20	21
Ahlstrom-Munksjo Oyj	AM1-FI	3.7%	4.0%	4.2%	5.9%	7.7%	8.1%	7.2%	9.5%	10.1%	9.4%	12.0%	12.3%
Berry Global Group Inc	BERY-US	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	11.1%	11.4%	11.7%	7.8%	8.1%	7.3%	26.5%	24.6%	26.7%
Kimberly-Clark Corporation	KMB-US	3.0%	3.1%	3.2%	17.8%	18.3%	18.6%	38.0%	38.8%	39.3%			1150.0%
Low & Bonar PLC	LWB-GB	5.5%	6.8%	7.8%	3.5%	4.4%	5.0%						
Neenah Inc	NP-US				8.4%	9.6%		11.3%	13.1%				
P. H. Glatfelter Company	GLT-US	3.1%	3.1%	3.1%	6.2%	7.4%	8.7%	5.8%	7.5%		6.0%	8.1%	9.7%
PFNonwovens a.s.	PEGAS-CZ												
Peer Group Median		3.1%	3.1%	3.2%	7.3%	8.6%	8.7%	7.8 %	9.5 %	10.1 %	9.4%	12.0%	19.5%
Peer Group Average		3.0%	3.4%	3.6%	8.8%	9.8%	10.4%	14.0 %	15.4 %	18.9 %	14.0%	14.9%	299.7%
Suominen (Evli est)	SUY1V-FI	1.6%	3.5%	4.2%	3.1%	4.0%	5.1%	5.4%	7.7%	10.4%	4.1%	7.6%	10.3%

Source: FactSet, Evli Research

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VALUATION RESULTS	BASE CASE DETAILS	VALUATION ASSUMPTIONS	ASSUMPTIONS FOR WACC	
Current share price	2.54 PV of Free Cash Flow	146 Long-term growth, %	2.0 Risk-free interest rate, %	2.25
DCF share value	3.44 PV of Horizon value	141 WACC, %	7.9 Market risk premium, %	5.8
Share price potential, %	35.4 Unconsolidated equity	0 Spread, %	0.5 Debt risk premium, %	2.8
Maximum value	3.8 Marketable securities	32 Minimum WACC, %	7.4 Equity beta coefficient	1.00
Minimum value	3.1 Debt - dividend	-118 Maximum WACC, %	8.4 Target debt ratio, %	20
Horizon value, %	49.1 Value of stock	200 Nr of shares, Mn	58.3 Effective tax rate, %	28

DCF valuation, EURm	2018	2019E	2020E	2021E	2022E	2023E	2024E	2025E	2026E	2027E	2028E	Horizon
Net sales	431	436	456	472	483	492	502	512	523	533	544	555
Sales growth, %	1.2	1.1	4.7	3.3	2.4	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
Operating income (EBIT)	5	13	18	24	27	25	25	26	26	27	27	28
EBIT margin, %	1.1	3.1	4.0	5.1	5.6	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
+ Depreciation+amort.	21	24	23	21	21	19	18	18	18	18	19	
- Income taxes	4	-3	-5	-6	-7	-6	-7	-7	-7	-7	-7	
- Change in NWC	6	-3	-2	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	
NWC / Sales, %	9.1	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.4	9.4	
+ Change in other liabs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
- Capital Expenditure	-15	-12	-12	-13	-13	-14	-16	-18	-20	-20	-21	-21
Investments / Sales, %	3.4	2.8	2.6	2.8	2.7	2.8	3.2	3.5	3.8	3.8	3.9	3.9
- Other items	-3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
= Unlevered Free CF (FCF)	17	19	23	25	27	22	20	18	16	17	17	289
= Discounted FCF (DFCF)		18	20	21	21	16	13	11	9	9	8	141
= DFCF min WACC		18	21	21	21	16	13	11	9	9	9	161
= DFCF max WACC		18	20	20	20	16	13	11	9	9	8	124

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INTERIM FIGURES

EVLI ESTIMATES, EURm	2018Q1	2018Q2	2018Q3	2018Q4	2018	2019Q1	2019Q2E	2019Q3E	2019Q4E	2019E	2020E	2021E
Net sales	107	110	105	110	431	110	113	105	108	436	456	472
EBITDA	7	8	6	5	26	9	9	10	9	37	41	45
EBITDA margin (%)	6.1	7.3	5.5	4.7	5.9	8.5	7.8	9.2	8.4	8.5	9.1	9.6
EBIT	2	3	0	0	5	3	3	4	3	13	18	24
EBIT margin (%)	1.5	2.7	0.5	-0.4	1.1	2.7	2.9	3.7	2.9	3.1	4.0	5.1
Net financial items	-2	-1	-2	-2	-6	-1	-1	-1	-1	-6	-4	-3
Pre-tax profit	0	2	-1	-2	-1	2	2	2	2	7	14	21
Tax	0	-1	0	0	-1	0	0	-1	0	-2	-4	-5
Tax rate (%)	-13.4	24.5	-0.6	-5.6	-78.6	26.0	26.0	26.0	26.0	26.0	26.0	26.0
Net profit	0	2	-1	-2	-2	1	1	2	1	5	11	15
EPS	-0.01	0.03	-0.02	-0.04	-0.03	0.02	0.02	0.03	0.02	0.09	0.18	0.26
EPS adjusted (diluted no. of shares)	-0.01	0.03	-0.02	-0.04	-0.03	0.02	0.02	0.03	0.02	0.09	0.18	0.26
Dividend per share	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.04	0.09	0.11
SALES, EURm												
Group	107	110	105	110	431	110	113	105	108	436	456	472
Total	107	110	105	110	431	110	113	105	108	436	456	472
SALES GROWTH, Y/Y %												
Group	-5.6	-1.8	2.3	11.2	1.2	3.0	2.4	0.6	-1.5	1.1	4.7	3.3
Total	-5.6	-1.8	2.3	11.2	1.2	3.0	2.4	0.6	-1.5	1.1	4.7	3.3
EBIT, EURm												
Group	2	3	0	0	5	3	3	4	3	13	18	24
Total	2	3	0	0	5	3	3	4	3	13	18	24
EBIT margin, %										·	•	
Group	1.5	2.7	0.5	-0.4	1.1	2.7	2.9	3.7	2.9	3.1	4.0	5.1
Total	1.5	2.7	0.5	-0.4	1.1	2.7	2.9	3.7	2.9	3.1	4.0	5.1

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INCOME STATEMENT, EURm	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019E	2020E	2021E
Sales	402	444	417	426	431	436	456	472
Sales growth (%)	7.5	10.5	-6.1	2.2	1.2	1.1	4.7	3.3
Costs	-359	-395	-373	-392	-406	-399	-415	-426
Reported EBITDA	42	49	44	34	26	37	41	45
Extraordinary items in EBITDA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
EBITDA margin (%)	10.6	11.0	10.6	8.1	5.9	8.5	9.1	9.6
Depreciation	-16	-18	-19	-19	-21	-24	-23	-21
EBITA	27	31	26	15	5	13	18	24
Goodwill amortization / writedown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Reported EBIT	27	31	26	15	5	13	18	24
EBIT margin (%)	6.7	7.0	6.1	3.5	1.1	3.1	4.0	5.1
Net financials	-8	-5	-3	-3	-6	-6	-4	-3
Pre-tax profit	19	26	22	12	-1	7	14	21
Extraordinary items	-6	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Taxes	-8	-9	-7	2	-1	-2	-4	-5
Minority shares	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Net profit	5	17	15	14	-2	5	11	15
BALANCE SHEET, EURm	5	17	15	14	-2	5	- 11	13
Assets								
Fixed assets	114	122	160	160	172	160	150	141
% of sales	28	28	38	37	40	37	33	30
Goodwill	2 <i>0</i> 15	<i>28</i> 15	<i>38</i> 15	15	15	15	33 15	3 <i>0</i> 15
% of sales								
	4	3	4	4	4	4	3	3
Inventory	32	33	43	44	52	48	50	52
% of sales	8	7	10	10	12	11	11	11
Receivables	50	53	56	66	63	64	67	69
% of sales	13	12	14	16	15	15	15	15
Liquid funds	47	64	38	35	32	35	37	38
% of sales	12	14	9	8	7	8	8	8
Total assets	265	292	316	326	337	325	321	318
Liabilities								
Equity	90	108	126	136	131	136	144	154
% of sales	22	24	30	32	30	31	32	33
Deferred taxes	9	11	11	15	12	12	12	12
% of sales	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	3
Interest bearing debt	103	115	111	110	118	107	91	75
% of sales	26	26	27	26	27	25	20	16
Non-interest bearing current liabilities	60	56	65	63	75	70	73	75
% of sales	15	13	16	15	17	16	16	16
Other interest free debt	2	2	2	1	0	0	0	0
% of sales	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total liabilities	265	292	316	326	337	325	321	318
CASH FLOW, EURm								
+ EBITDA	42	49	44	34	26	37	41	45
- Net financial items	-8	-5	-3	-3	-6	-6	-4	-3
- Taxes	-7	-8	-6	0	6	-2	-4	-5
- Increase in Net Working Capital	6	-8	-6	-8	6	-3	-2	-1
+/- Other	2	-1	0	-2	1	0	0	0
= Cash flow from operations	35	26	28	22	32	26	32	35
- Capex	-8	-22	-50	-34	-15	-12	-12	-13
- Acquisitions	-19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
+ Divestments	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
= Net cash flow	13	4	-21	-11	17	14	20	22
+/- Change in interest-bearing debt	10	11	-4	-1	8	-11	-16	-16
+/- New issues/buybacks	7	3	8	1	3	0	0	0
- Paid dividend	0	-2	-5	-6	-6	0	-2	-5
+/- Change in loan receivables	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Change in cash	30	16	-21	-17	21	3	2	1
Change in cash	30	10	.71	-17	۷ ۱	J	4	1

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KEY FIGURES	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019E	2020E	2021E
M-cap	312	214	258	119	148	148	148
Net debt	50	73	76	87	72	55	37
Enterprise value	362	287	333	206	220	203	185
Sales	444	417	426	431	436	456	472
EBITDA	49	44	34	26	37	41	45
EBIT	31	26	15	5	13	18	24
Pre-tax	26	22	12	-1	7	14	21
Earnings	16	15	14	-2	5	11	15
Book value	108	126	136	131	136	144	154
Valuation multiples							
EV/sales	0.8	0.7	0.8	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.4
EV/EBITDA	7.4	6.5	9.7	8.0	6.0	4.9	4.1
EV/EBITA	11.6	11.2	22.2	44.8	16.5	11.0	7.7
EV/EBIT	11.6	11.2	22.2	44.8	16.5	11.0	7.7
EV/operating cash flow	13.7	10.1	15.0	6.4	7.2	5.8	4.9
EV/cash earnings	9.7	8.2	9.4	10.5	7.6	6.0	5.0
P/E	19.0	14.0	17.8	-69.4	27.3	13.8	9.6
P/E excl. goodwill	19.0	14.0	17.8	-69.4	27.3	13.8	9.6
P/B	2.9	1.7	1.9	0.9	1.1	1.0	1.0
P/sales	0.7	0.5	0.6	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
P/CF	11.8	7.5	11.6	3.7	4.8	4.2	3.9
Target EV/EBIT	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	17.9	12.0	8.4
Target P/E	0.0	16.6	23.8	374.2	30.6	15.5	10.8
Target P/B	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.2	1.2	1.1
Per share measures							
Number of shares	50,302	51,666	58,259	58,259	58,259	58,259	58,259
Number of shares (diluted)	50,302	51,666	65,259	58,259	58,259	58,259	58,259
EPS	0.33	0.29	0.25	-0.03	0.09	0.18	0.26
EPS excl. goodwill	0.33	0.29	0.25	-0.03	0.09	0.18	0.26
Cash EPS	0.74	0.68	0.61	0.34	0.50	0.58	0.63
Operating cash flow per share	0.52	0.55	0.38	0.55	0.53	0.60	0.65
Capital employed per share	3.15	3.86	3.64	3.73	3.57	3.42	3.29
Book value per share	2.15	2.44	2.34	2.24	2.33	2.48	2.65
Book value excl. goodwill	1.84	2.14	2.07	1.97	2.07	2.21	2.39
Dividend per share	0.10	0.11	0.11	0.00	0.04	0.09	0.11
Dividend payout ratio, %	30.6	37.3	44.3	0.0	42.9	49.1	40.0
Dividend yield, %	1.6	2.7	2.5	0.0	1.6	3.5	4.2
Efficiency measures							
ROE	16.6	13.0	11.0	-1.3	4.1	7.6	10.3
ROCE	15.0	11.4	6.2	1.9	5.4	7.7	10.4
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Financial ratios	15.0						
Capex/sales, %	5.0	11.8	7.9	3.4	2.8	2.6	2.8
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Capex/sales, %	5.0	11.8	7.9	3.4			
Capex/sales, % Capex/depreciation excl. goodwill,%	5.0 125.5	11.8 265.0	7.9 173.4	3.4 70.7	50.7	52.3	60.9
Capex/sales, % Capex/depreciation excl. goodwill,% Net debt/EBITDA, book-weighted Debt/equity, market-weighted	5.0 125.5 1.0	11.8 265.0 1.7	7.9 173.4 2.2	3.4 70.7 3.4	50.7 2.0	52.3 1.3	60.9 0.8
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Capex/sales, % Capex/depreciation excl. goodwill,% Net debt/EBITDA, book-weighted Debt/equity, market-weighted Equity ratio, book-weighted Gearing	5.0 125.5 1.0 0.4 37.0	11.8 265.0 1.7 0.5 40.0	7.9 173.4 2.2 0.4 41.8	3.4 70.7 3.4 1.0 38.8	50.7 2.0 0.7 41.8	52.3 1.3 0.6 45.0	60.9 0.8 0.5 48.6
Capex/sales, % Capex/depreciation excl. goodwill,% Net debt/EBITDA, book-weighted Debt/equity, market-weighted Equity ratio, book-weighted	5.0 125.5 1.0 0.4 37.0 0.46	11.8 265.0 1.7 0.5 40.0 0.58	7.9 173.4 2.2 0.4 41.8 0.56	3.4 70.7 3.4 1.0 38.8 0.66	50.7 2.0 0.7 41.8 0.53	52.3 1.3 0.6 45.0 0.38	60.9 0.8 0.5 48.6 0.24

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COMPANY DESCRIPTION: Suominen is the globally leading producer of nonwovens for wipes. The company has operations in Europe, United States and Brazil.

INVESTMENT CASE:

OWNERSHIP STRUCTURE	SHARES	EURm	0/0
AC Invest two B.V.	13,953,357	35.442	24.0%
Oy Etra Invest Ab	7,770,000	19.736	13.3%
Varma Mutual Pension Insurance Company	4,500,000	11.430	7.7%
Nordea Bank ABP	3,914,182	9.942	6.7%
Ilmarinen Mutual Pension Insurance Company	3,546,892	9.009	6.1%
Elo Pension Company	3,024,651	7.683	5.2%
Oy H. Kuningas & Co Ab	1,500,000	3.810	2.6%
Nordea Life Assurance Finland Ltd.	1,128,317	2.866	1.9%
Evald and Hilda Nissi's Foundation	1,000,000	2.540	1.7%
Nordea Nordic Small Cap Fund	989,909	2.514	1.7%
Ten largest	41,327,308	104.971	71%
Residual	16,931,911	43.007	29%
Total	58,259,219	147.978	100%

EARNINGS CALENDAR

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DEFINITIONS

P/E	EPS
	Profit before extraordinary items and taxes
Price per share	
Earnings per share	— income taxes + minority interest
	Number of shares
P/Sales	DPS
Market cap	Dividend for the financial period per share
Sales	Situation for the infancial period per share
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P/BV	CEPS
Price per share	Gross cash flow from operations
Shareholders' equity + taxed provisions per share	Number of shares
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P/CF	EV/Share
Price per share	Enterprise value
Operating cash flow per share	Number of shares
operating cash non-per share	Trainide of Shares
EV (Enterprise value)	Sales/Share
Market cap + net debt + minority interest at market value	Sales
 – share of associated companies at market value 	Number of shares
share of associated companies at market value	Trainide, or shares
Net debt	EBITDA/Share
Interest bearing debt – financial assets	Earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortisation
	Number of shares
EV/Sales	EBIT/Share
Enterprise value	Operating profit
Sales	Number of shares
EV/EBITDA	EAFI/Share
Enterprise value	Pretax profit
Earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortisation	Number of shares
EV/EBIT	Capital employed/Share
Enterprise value	Total assets — non interest bearing debt
Operating profit	Number of shares
Div yield, %	Total assets
<u>Dividend per share</u>	Balance sheet total
Price per share	
Payout ratio, %	Interest coverage (x)
Total dividends	Operating profit
Earningsbeforeextraordinaryitemsandtaxes-incometaxes+minority interest	Financial items
Not onch Chara	Accept turnous (v)
Net cash/Share	Asset turnover (x)
Financial assets – interest bearing debt	Turnover
Number of shares	Balance sheet total (average)
ROA, %	Debt/Equity, %
Operating profit + financial income + extraordinary items	Interest bearing debt
Balance sheet total — interest free short term debt	Shareholders' equity + minority interest + taxed provisions
 long term advances received and accounts payable (average) 	Shareholdes equity i himority interest i taxed provisions
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ROCE, %	Equity ratio, %
Profit before extraordinary items + interest expenses + other financial costs	Shareholders' equity + minority interest + taxed provisions
Balance sheet total — noninterest bearing debt(average)	Total assets – interest free loans
balance sheet total — nonlinterest bearing debit(average)	וטנמו שאבנא – ווונכוכאנ וולכוטמווא
ROE, %	CAGR, %
Profit before extraordinary items and taxes – income taxes	Cumulativeannual growthrate = Average growthper year
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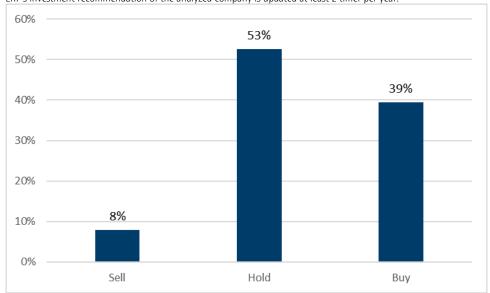
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