

Republic Wealth Management Limited

Agostini's Limited (AGL)

31 March 2021 (Q2 2021)

| Last Price | \$24.40 | 52 Week Range | \$21.77 to \$26.00 | Market Cap | \$1,686.13 MM |
|----------------|---------|--------------------|--------------------|------------|---------------|
| Sector | Trading | Dividend Yield TTM | 3.28% | EPS (TTM) | \$1.91 |
| PE Ratio (TTM) | 12.77x | YTD Price Change | 1.71% | 2021E P/E | 9.79x |
| Payout Ratio | 32.31% | Total Return TTM | 12.04% | | |

Main revenue segments remain stable despite COVID-19 effects on economy

Quarterly Highlights/Key Update

- Agostini's Limited (AGL) is a limited liability company engaged in trading and distribution, interior building contracting and manufacturing/packaging of food products.
- On 15th April 2021, the Group's subsidiary, Smith Robertson & Company Limited completed the acquisition of Oscar Francois Limited and Intersol Limited leading to some acquisition and integration costs, however they expect the business to be accretive to earnings in the short term.
- Coreas Distribution Limited, a subsidiary of the Group, was scheduled to complete its new distribution centre in Diamond, St.
 Vincent by September 2021. However, the eruption of Mt. Soufriere will negatively impact the completion of the distribution centre as well as the normal operations of the company.

Table 1: AGL EPS. DPS and Dividend vield for fiscal year end

| | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 |
|---------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Earnings per share | \$1.34 | \$1.66 | \$1.76 | \$1.83 |
| Dividends per share | \$0.56 | \$0.61 | \$0.79 | \$0.80 |
| Dividend Yield | 2.78% | 2.66% | 3.29% | 3.40% |

Figure 1: AGL's Revenue performance by segment (TT\$ Billions)



Table 2: Peer group comparables

| | AGL | PHL | Group Average |
|----------------|-------------------|-----|---------------|
| P/E Ratio | 12.77x | N/A | N/A |
| P/B Ratio | 1.39x 1.72x 1.56x | | 1.56x |
| Dividend Yield | 3.28% | N/A | N/A |

• Compared to its peer group (Table 2), which consists of other locally listed companies in the Trading sector, undervalued P/B basis.

Performance Review/ Financials

| Highlights | Annual | | | 6-month end | |
|---------------------|----------|----------|----------|-------------|----------|
| (TT \$'Million) | Sep-20 | Sep-19 | Sep-18 | 6M 2021 | 6M 2020 |
| Revenue | 3,425.50 | 3,272.10 | 3,252.40 | 1,760.50 | 1,854.60 |
| EBIT (Reported) | 276 | 246.6 | 218.2 | 160.1 | 150.5 |
| Profit before Tax | 239.6 | 218.6 | 200.9 | 144.4 | 132.7 |
| Profit for the Year | 168.9 | 162.9 | 145.4 | 101.6 | 93.4 |
| Total Assets | 2,709.20 | 2,537.40 | 2,480.80 | 2,698.20 | 2,794.20 |
| Total Liabilities | 1,172.10 | 1,056.00 | 1,109.20 | 1,093.20 | 1,250.90 |
| Total Equity | 1,537.20 | 1,481.40 | 1,371.60 | 1,605.00 | 1,543.30 |
| EBIT Margin | 8.10% | 7.50% | 6.70% | 9.10% | 8.10% |
| NI Margin | 4.90% | 5.00% | 4.50% | 5.80% | 5.00% |
| Debt/Equity | 0.39x | 0.30x | 0.36x | NA | NA |
| ROA | 6.20% | 6.40% | 5.90% | 3.80% | 3.30% |
| ROE | 11.00% | 11.00% | 10.60% | 6.30% | 6.10% |

- For the half year ended March 2021, Group revenue declined by 5% to \$1.76B compared to \$1.85B over the same period of the prior year. The reduction in top line performance, particularly in Pharmaceutical and Fast moving consumer goods (FMCG) segments, is a reflection of the non-occurrence of the excessive purchasing during the second quarter in 2020 due to the onset of the Coronavirus pandemic.
- Despite the drop off in revenue, the Group had improved efficiencies and cost management across all segments resulting in a 6.40% growth in Operating Profit to \$160.1M for the first half of 2021 as compared to \$150.5M for the same period of 2020.
- The results of the improved operations filtered down into the bottom line as Net Profit increased by 8.76% to \$101.6M as compared to \$93.4M recorded for the first half of 2020.

Key Risks

- Domestic economic recovery remains tentative; the successful and sustained re-opening of the economy is reliant on the success of the Government's vaccination drive and the containment of the spread of COVID-19.
- Possible devaluation of the Trinidad and Tobago dollar together with limited supply of foreign exchange may negatively impact the FMCG and Pharmaceutical segments.

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Table 3: Historic Dividend Payments (TTD)

| | Payment Dates | Interim Dividends | Total Dividend per share |
|------|---------------|-------------------|--------------------------|
| | Jun-17 | \$0.22 | |
| 2017 | Jan-18 | \$0.34 | \$0.56 |
| 2010 | Jun-18 | \$0.23 | ¢0.61 |
| 2018 | Jan-19 | \$0.38 | \$0.61 |
| 2019 | Jun-19 | \$0.25 | \$0.79 |
| 2019 | Jan-20 | \$0.54 | \$0.79 |
| 2020 | Jun-20 | \$0.25 | \$0.80 |
| 2020 | Jan-21 | \$0.55 | \$0.80 |
| 2021 | Jun-21 | \$0.25 | \$0.25 |

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