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Kingsrose Mining Ltd (KRM)

1H FY15 financial result

Recommendation

Buy (unchanged)

Price

\$0.24

Target (12 months)

\$0.45 (unchanged)

Expected Return

Capital growth	88%
Dividend yield	0%
Total expected return	88%

Company Data & Ratios

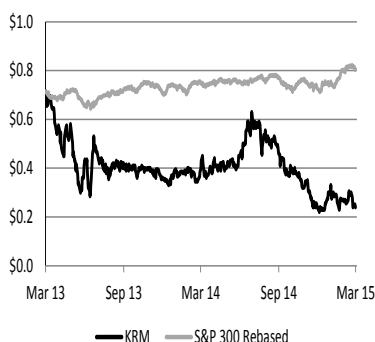
Enterprise value	\$92m
Market cap	\$86m
Issued capital	358.6m
Free float	55%
Avg. daily val. (52wk)	\$0.13m
12 month price range	\$0.22 - \$0.67
GICS sector	Materials

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Price Performance

	(1m)	(3m)	(12m)
Price (A\$)	0.26	0.38	0.38
Absolute (%)	5.9	-28.9	-28.9
Rel market (%)	-0.8	-34.3	-39.9

Absolute Price



SOURCE: IRESS

Large FX gain swells 1H FY15 NPAT

NPAT of \$6.6m was significantly higher than expected but it benefited from net foreign exchange gains of \$9.7m. Operating cash flow was modest at \$2.4m but was higher than expected from lower tax payments. Capex of \$3.1m was mainly directed to mine development and exploration.

Gold production in 1H FY15 was lower than originally expected from the adverse impacts of weaker ground conditions in the shallow levels of the mine, requiring additional ground support. Some of the more oxidised material mined had lower gold grades but production continues to be ramped up with mining targeting multiple ore zones. Sinking of the internal vertical shaft to the 5 Level is underway to provide earlier access to the high grade zones identified in previous drilling.

We have upgraded our FY15 earnings estimates to incorporate the FX gains but have retained our FY16 and FY17 earnings estimates.

Debt restructuring aids mine development and exploration

KRM's recent restructuring of its debt repayment profile (repayments commence in July 2015 with final payment now due in February 2017) enables accelerated mine development and important in- and near-mine exploration. We believe KRM is adequately funded for its current activities. The company had cash of \$6.1m and total borrowings of \$12.0m for net debt of \$5.9m at 31 December 2014. KRM's operating cash flow is expected to increase strongly over the repayment period, especially when it gains access to the higher grade zones on Levels 5 and 6.

Investment thesis – Buy, TP \$0.45/sh (unchanged)

Our Buy recommendation is based on valuation and the expectation that production and profitability will increase markedly as the mine gets deeper and into more competent, fresher rock. Ore grades are expected to increase significantly, especially when mining reaches the high grade zones on the 5 and 6 Levels. Our target price is based on a 12-month forward NPV.

Earnings Forecast

Year ending June	2014a	2015e	2016e	2017e
Sales (A\$m)	6	52	55	83
EBITDA (A\$m)	(32)	24	21	40
NPAT (reported) (A\$m)	(5)	11	8	18
NPAT (adjusted) (A\$m)	(21)	11	8	19
EPS (adjusted) (eps)	(6)	3	2	5
EPS growth (%)	na	na	-23%	126%
PER (x)	na	8.5	11.0	4.9
FCF Yield (%)	na	na	9%	28%
EV/EBITDA (x)	na	3.8	4.4	2.3
Dividend (eps)	-	-	-	1
Yield (%)	0%	0%	0%	4%
Franking (%)	0%	0%	0%	0%
ROE (%)	-29%	132%	9%	18%

SOURCE: BELL POTTER SECURITIES ESTIMATES

1H FY15 financial results summary

Table 1 - 1H FY15 financial result

Year to 30 June	1HFY14	1HFY15	1HFY15	Change on	Actual vs
	Actual	Actual	BP est	pcp (%)	BP est (%)
Gold production kozs Au Eq	0.9	12.6	12.6	1263%	
Gold sales kozs Au Eq	0.9	10.8	10.8	1070%	
Average realised gold price \$US/oz	1,284	1,238	1,238	-4%	
Average realised gold price \$A/oz	1,393	1,376	1,376	-1%	
Sales Revenue \$m	2.0	14.9	16.2	640%	-8%
Average C1 cash costs \$US/oz (by-product basis)	832	714	714	-14%	
EBITDA \$m	(3.6)	13.3	3.1	na	330%
Normalised NPAT \$m	(3.2)	6.6	0.3	na	2311%
Earnings Per Share (underlying) ¢/share	(1.1)	1.8	0.1	na	2244%
Dividend Per Share ¢/share	0.0	0.0	0.0	na	na
Operating cash flow \$m	(6.9)	2.4	(0.2)	na	na
Net capital expenditure \$m	(5.7)	(3.1)	(5.1)	-45%	-39%
Cash \$m	1.2	6.1	6.1	392%	0%
Total debt \$m	11.8	12.0	11.1	1%	7%
Net cash/(debt) \$m	(10.6)	(5.9)	(5.0)	-44%	17%

SOURCE: COMPANY DATA AND BELL POTTER SECURITIES ESTIMATES

The main features of the 1H FY2015 result were:

- Gold equivalent sales were estimated at 10.8koz in 1H FY15 compared with only 0.9koz in the previous, pre-production period. KRM achieved a virtually flat realised average gold price of A\$1,376/oz with the slight weakness in the Australian dollar almost matching the 4% fall in the US dollar gold price. C1 cash costs were higher than originally expected at US\$714/oz in the latest half as mining conditions were adversely affected by weaker ground conditions requiring additional support and generally lower ore grades in more oxidised material.
- NPAT of \$6.6m was significantly higher than expected, boosted by net foreign exchange gains of \$9.7m.
- Although only modest, KRM's operating cash flow was higher than expected at \$2.4m from lower than expected tax payments.
- Total capital expenditure in the latest half was lower than expected at \$3.1m, over half of which (\$1.6m) was for mine development with \$0.9m spent on exploration.
- KRM remains adequately funded for its current activities. The company had cash of \$6.1m and total borrowings of \$12.0m for net debt of \$5.9m at 31 December 2014. More recently, KRM has restructured its debt so that repayments now start in July 2015 and extend to February 2017. This restructuring will enable the company to accelerate mine development including the completion of the internal shaft to 5 Level and conduct important in- and near-mine exploration. KRM's operating cash flow is expected to increase strongly over the repayment period, especially when it gains access to the higher grade zones on Levels 5 and 6.

Earnings and valuation changes

Earnings upgrade for FY15 reflecting FX gain

We have upgraded our earnings forecasts for KRM in FY15 to reflect the foreign exchange gains. However, we have retained our FY16 and FY17 forecasts (Table 2).

Valuations retained

We have retained our valuations for DRM (Table 3).

Table 2 – Revised earnings estimates and valuations

Year ending 30 June	Previous			New			Change		
	2015e	2016e	2017e	2015e	2016e	2017e	2015e	2016e	2017e
Prices & currency									
Gold (Spot, US\$/oz)	1,208	1,175	1,225	1,208	1,175	1,225	0%	0%	0%
Silver (Spot, US\$/oz)	17	16	15	17	16	15	0%	0%	0%
US\$/A\$	0.85	0.80	0.80	0.85	0.80	0.80	0%	0%	0%
Production & costs									
Gold (koz)	32	40	58	32	40	58	0%	0%	0%
C1 cost (\$US/oz, by-product basis)	629	561	487	629	561	487	0%	0%	0%
All in sustaining costs (\$US/oz)	994	891	773	994	891	773	0%	0%	0%
Earnings									
EBITDA (\$m)	14	20	39	24	21	40	77%	2%	1%
EBIT (\$m)	9	15	34	19	16	35	112%	3%	1%
NPAT (adjusted) (\$m)	4	8	19	11	8	18	136%	0%	0%
EPS (adjusted) (cps)	1	2	5	3	2	5	137%	0%	0%
PER (x)	23.0	12.6	5.6	9.7	12.6	5.6	-58%	0%	0%
EPS growth (%)	na	83%	127%	na	-23%	126%	na	-106%	0%
DPS (reported) (cps)	-	-	1	-	-	1	na	na	0%
Yield	0%	0%	4%	-	-	4%	na	na	0%
NPV (\$/sh)	0.43	0.45	0.48	0.42	0.45	0.48	-2%	0%	0%
Price Target (\$/sh)	0.45			0.45			0%		

SOURCE: BELL POTTER SECURITIES ESTIMATES

Valuation of \$0.42/sh (\$0.43 previously)

Our valuation of KRM has been reduced slightly to account for slightly higher current debt. Our valuations are based on the sum-of-the-parts DCF-based estimates for the Way Linggo Gold Project and corporate costs using a discount rate of 10% and an allowance of \$56m for the company's attractive and expanding exploration assets.

Our risked valuation of KRM is based on the following parameters:

- A sum-of-the-parts valuation based on the net present value of discounted cash flow estimates for the Way Linggo Gold Project incorporating production from the Talang Santo mine, exploration and corporate costs using a discount rate of 10%.
- Key modelled assumptions are as follows:
 1. Talang Santo mine life of 7 years based on approximately 60% conversion of resources to reserves.
 2. C1 cash costs for Talang Santo mine of US\$629/oz in FY15; US\$561/oz in FY16 and US\$487/oz in FY17.
 3. Sustaining capital expenditure of around \$1.3m per annum and mine development expenditure at Talang Santo of around \$6m pa over the next three years.
 4. Annual exploration expenditure of around \$3.5m.
 5. Estimated valuation of \$48m for the remaining resource at the Way Linggo mine.
 6. Estimated valuation for exploration elsewhere in the Way Linggo Gold Project of \$56m.
 7. Repayment of the loan under the recently revised terms that sees it fully repaid by February 2017.

Table 3 - DCF-based valuation summary

DCF sum-of-parts valuation	Now		+12 months		+24 months	
	A\$m	\$/sh	A\$m	\$/sh	A\$m	\$/sh
Talang Santo mine	69	0.19	77	0.21	77	0.22
Way Linggo mine	48	0.13	48	0.13	48	0.13
Exploration	56	0.16	56	0.16	56	0.16
Corporate	(17)	(0.05)	(15)	(0.04)	(12)	(0.03)
Total enterprise value	156	0.43	166	0.46	169	0.47
Net cash & bullion/(debt)	(4)	(0.01)	(6)	(0.02)	1	0.00
Equity value	152	0.42	160	0.45	170	0.48

SOURCE: BELL POTTER SECURITIES ESTIMATES

Kingsrose Mining Ltd (KRM)

Company description

KRM is a specialist high grade, narrow vein gold miner and producer with a track record of successful low cost mine development and production in the Way Linggo Gold Project in South Sumatra, Indonesia. The company has been operating in Indonesia since 2008 but members of its Board and senior management have very extensive operating experience in mines in Indonesia and with similar styles of deposit and mines to those at the Way Linggo Gold Project. KRM's key asset is currently the high grade Talang Santo underground gold-silver mine where production was commenced in mid-2014 and is still being ramped up while the mine is successfully explored for multiple high grade mining areas. The Way Linggo mine ceased operations in 2013 but still contains a significant remnant gold-silver resource that is the subject of ongoing studies into its recovery. KRM's Way Linggo Project is held under a fourth generation Contract of Work covering an area of 105km² that is highly prospective for additional high sulphidation epithermal gold deposits and contains multiple prospects and target areas, which are the subject of ongoing exploration.

Investment thesis – Buy, TP \$0.45/sh (unchanged)

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Risks

The key risks include the following:

- 1. Sovereign risk:** Indonesia, where KRM has its mining operations, is regarded as being a country with much higher sovereign risk than Australia because of various factors. KRM seeks to mitigate the sovereign risk by ensuring it is fully compliant with all legal and statutory operational requirements and by engaging appropriately with and supporting the local communities in which it operates.
- 2. Regulatory and government approvals risk:** Changes to the regulatory regime of the mining industry (which includes taxation and environmental aspects) in the various jurisdictions that KRM operates can impact the returns generated and therefore the valuation of the company's assets. KRM's operations in Indonesia are largely governed by the Contract of Work under which KRM holds its interest in the Way Linggo Gold Project, which largely defines the terms and conditions, including taxation rates, under which KRM operates.
- 3. Commodity price and exchange rate risk:** The relatively liquid nature of gold makes it subject to wide fluctuations in price, particularly during more difficult economic times or major world events. Associated with gold price volatility are different gold price and foreign exchange rate outcomes to our forecasts;
- 4. Operational risk:** By their nature, high sulphidation epithermal gold deposits such as occur in the Way Linggo Gold Project and are represented by the Talang Santo mine can contain considerable geological and grade variability and metallurgical complexity, which can present operational challenges leading to different outcomes to those we are forecasting;

- 5. Lack of exploration success:** The exploration areas where KRM is currently directing its exploration focus to locate additional deposits of gold mineralisation are regarded as highly prospective because of the presence of economic gold mineralisation and the multiple targets for similar mineralisation that has been identified in them. There may be general geological complexity in these areas from the wide range of rock types that are often considerably altered and extensively metamorphosed and the tectonically disrupted nature of them. Areas containing gold mineralization may contain greater than expected geological complexities that may be difficult to resolve without extensive drilling programs and these issues may inhibit the definition of adequate resources and reserves;
- 6. Funding risk:** By its nature, the mining and exploration activities of KRM are capital intensive and the company needs to ensure that it has adequate funding to carry out its activities and to maintain its interests. KRM also needs to ensure that it is able to fund its share of capital expenditure commitments when required including when the cost to do so may be higher than expected from unexpected operational complications; and
- 7. Inappropriate acquisition risk:** The acquisition of other assets can be inappropriate because it can divert management effort from the current focus and may yield inadequate returns.

Other significant risks include regulatory, environmental and commercial ones, which are typical for natural resource projects. These aspects are usually well understood and readily managed by KRM and the competent and well experienced operational personnel it employs.

Table 4 - Financial summary

PROFIT AND LOSS							FINANCIAL RATIOS						
Year ending 30 Jun	Unit	2013a	2014a	2015e	2016e	2017e	Year ending 30 Jun	Unit	2013a	2014a	2015e	2016e	2017e
PROFIT AND LOSS							VALUATION						
Total Revenue	\$m	25.3	5.5	52.1	55.3	82.9	Normalised NPAT	\$m	1.5	(4.8)	10.6	8.2	18.5
Expense	\$m	(21.6)	(37.4)	(27.7)	(34.0)	(42.5)	Basic EPS	c/sh	0.9	(6.4)	3.0	2.0	5.0
Exploration	\$m	0.0	0.0	(0.5)	(0.6)	(1.0)	Basic EPS growth	%	-85%	na	na	-23%	126%
EBITDA	\$m	3.7	(31.9)	23.9	20.6	39.5	Fully diluted EPS	c/sh	0.9	(6.1)	2.8	2.2	4.9
Depreciation & amortisation	\$m	(4.8)	(1.9)	(5.2)	(5.0)	(5.0)	Full diluted EPS growth	%	-85%	na	na	-23%	126%
EBIT	\$m	(1.1)	(33.7)	18.6	15.6	34.5	PER	x	25.7x	na	8.5x	11.0x	4.9x
Net interest expense/income	\$m	(0.4)	(1.0)	(1.2)	(1.2)	(0.2)	DPS	c/sh	-	-	-	-	1
PBT	\$m	(1.5)	(34.7)	17.4	14.4	34.3	Franking	%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Tax expense	\$m	1.7	10.5	(4.9)	(4.8)	(12.6)	Yield	%	0%	0%	0%	0%	4%
Minority interests	\$m	(1.3)	(3.6)	1.9	1.4	3.3	FCF/share	c/sh	na	na	na	2	7
Reported NPAT	\$m	1.5	(20.6)	10.6	8.2	18.5	P/CFPS	x	na	na	na	11.8x	3.5x
Net Adjustments	\$m	0.0	15.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	EV/EBITDA	x	24.1x	na	3.8x	4.4x	2.3x
Normalised NPAT	\$m	1.5	(4.8)	10.6	8.2	18.5	PROFITABILITY						
CASH FLOW							EBITDA margin						
Year ending 30 Jun	Unit	2013a	2014a	2015e	2016e	2017e	EBIT margin						
OPERATING CASHFLOW							Return on assets						
Receipts	\$m	16.6	3.8	39.5	54.5	80.5	Return on equity						
Payments	\$m	(21.5)	(13.5)	(30.1)	(33.8)	(41.9)	LIQUIDITY & LEVERAGE						
Tax	\$m	(7.8)	3.0	(1.3)	0.1	(4.8)	Net debt / (cash)						
Net interest	\$m	(0.0)	(0.9)	(1.4)	(1.2)	(0.2)	ND / E						
Other	\$m	0.3	1.7	0.2	0.0	0.0	ND / (ND + E)						
Operating cash flow	\$m	(12.4)	(6.0)	6.9	19.6	33.6	EBITDA / Interest						
INVESTING CASHFLOW							ASSUMPTIONS - Production & costs						
Capex	\$m	(1.4)	(0.4)	(1.2)	(1.3)	(1.3)	Year ending 30 Jun	Unit	2013a	2014a	2015e	2016e	2017e
Investments	\$m	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Gold production						
Intangible assets	\$m	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Talang Santo Au Eq						
Exploration & evaluation	\$m	(3.1)	(1.8)	(2.4)	(3.5)	(4.0)	Way Linggo Au Eq						
Mine development	\$m	(9.8)	(7.4)	(4.6)	(7.5)	(4.0)	Total Au Eq						
Other	\$m	(0.0)	(0.1)	0.0	0.0	0.0	C1 cash costs (net of Ag credits)						
Investing cash flow	\$m	(14.3)	(9.7)	(8.2)	(12.3)	(9.3)	Talang Santo						
Free cash flow	\$m	(26.7)	(15.7)	(1.3)	7.3	24.4	Way Linggo						
FINANCING CASHFLOW							Group C1 cash costs						
Share issues/(buy-backs)	\$m	0.0	23.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	Group all in sustaining costs						
Debt proceeds/(repayments)	\$m	9.8	0.0	0.0	(6.9)	(5.1)	ASSUMPTIONS - Prices (nominal)						
Dividends	\$m	(12.6)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Year ending 30 Jun	Unit	2013a	2014a	2015e	2016e	LT-real
Other	\$m	0.6	(1.9)	0.0	0.0	0.0	Gold						
Financing cash flow	\$m	(2.2)	21.4	0.0	(6.9)	(5.1)	At spot						
Change in cash	\$m	(28.8)	5.7	(1.3)	0.5	19.3	Realised						
BALANCE SHEET							Silver						
Year ending 30 Jun	Unit	2013a	2014a	2015e	2016e	2017e	At spot						
ASSETS							Realised						
Cash & deposits	\$m	1.3	6.7	5.8	6.3	25.6	Currency						
Accounts receivable	\$m	5.5	5.4	12.2	12.5	14.6	\$US/\$A						
Inventory	\$m	3.6	3.1	4.8	4.8	4.8	Valuation						
Property, plant & equipment	\$m	9.8	8.1	8.5	8.6	8.6	Issued capital						
Exploration & evaluation assets	\$m	20.5	21.6	27.0	29.9	32.9	Shares on issue						
Mine development assets	\$m	39.1	26.2	31.7	36.0	36.0	Options						
Investments and other assets	\$m	8.2	15.3	15.7	15.3	15.8	Total diluted shares on issue						
Total assets	\$m	88.0	86.5	105.7	113.4	138.4	DCF sum-of-parts valuation						
LIABILITIES							Now						
Accounts payable	\$m	3.9	2.8	2.8	3.0	3.6	+12 months						
Borrowings	\$m	11.9	11.1	12.0	5.1	-	+24 months						
Other	\$m	2.5	1.8	4.5	9.3	20.5	A\$m						
Total liabilities	\$m	18.4	15.8	19.3	17.4	24.1	\$/sh						
SHAREHOLDER'S EQUITY							A\$m						
Share capital	\$m	62.8	84.9	84.9	84.9	84.9	\$/sh						
Reserves	\$m	2.1	3.4	4.1	4.1	4.1	Total enterprise value						
Retained earnings	\$m	1.8	(18.6)	(8.0)	0.2	15.1	Net cash & bullion/(debt)						
Total equity	\$m	69.6	70.7	86.5	96.1	114.2	Equity value						
Weighted average shares	m	290.8	325.3	358.6	358.6	358.6	Now						
							+12 months						
							+24 months						

SOURCE: COMPANY DATA AND BELL POTTER SECURITIES ESTIMATES

Recommendation structure

Buy: Expect >15% total return on a 12 month view. For stocks regarded as 'Speculative' a return of >30% is expected.

Hold: Expect total return between -5% and 15% on a 12 month view

Sell: Expect <-5% total return on a 12 month view

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