

14 February 20	013		Electronic Components					
	KCE		KCE Electronics					
Current	Previous	Close	2013 TP	Exp Return	Support	Resistance	CGR 2012	
BUY	T-BUY	11.50	14.30	+ 24.3%	11.20-11	11.70-11.90	ΔΔΔΔ	

Consolidated earnings									
BT (mn)	2011	2012	2013E	2014E					
Normalized profit	339	57	562	686					
Net profit	132	712	562	686					
EPS (Bt)-Normalized	0.72	0.12	1.19	1.45					
EPS (Bt)	0.28	1.51	1.19	1.45					
% growth y-y	-75.4	439.1	-21.1	22.1					
Dividend (Bt)	0.20	0.55	0.42	0.51					
BV/share (Bt)	5.01	6.23	6.96	7.85					
EV/EBITDA (x)	14.18	16.73	9.69	8.66					
PER (x) - Normalized	16.0	96.1	9.7	7.9					
PER (x)	41.1	7.6	9.7	7.9					
PBV (x)	2.3	1.8	1.7	1.5					
Dividend yield (%)	1.7	4.8	3.6	4.4					
YE no. of shares (mn)	472	473	473	473					
No. of share-fully diluted	500	492	500	500					
Par (Bt)	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0					
Source: Company data, FSS estimates									

Share data	
Close (13/02/2013)	11.50
SET Index	1,514.11
Foreign limit/actual (%)	49.00/4.28
Paid up shares (million)	472.60
Free float (%)	60.30
Market cap (Bt mn)	5,434.91
Avg daily T/O (Bt mn) (2013 YTD)	78.80
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Source: Setsmarts	



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Revise up 2013E normalized earnings to reflect prospects for further recovery

As expected, KCE's 4Q12 normalized earnings impressive gains of 300% Q-Q and 164% Y-Y to reach Bt132mn thanks to the fact that the company's production capacity returned to normal level during the quarter, which boosted its production efficiency and raised its 4Q12 gross margin to 20.5% (vs. 18.0% in 3Q12 and 19.4% in 4Q11). Looking ahead, we expect the uptrend for KCE's normalized earnings to continue in 1Q13E in light of the recovery that is taking place in the global semiconductor industry, which has prompted the company to adopt an aggressive revenue growth target for Given this upbeat outlook, we revise up our 2013E normalized earnings by 13% to Bt562mn (vs. its normalized earnings of Bt57mn in 2012). Following this upward revision, we also re-rerate our 2013E PE assumption for KCE to the preflood level of 12x (vs. 10x previously) to reflect the prospects that: (1) the recovery in the global semiconductor industry will continue; and (2) the company's earnings will continue to improve. Therefore, we raise our 2013E target price (TP) to Bt14.30 (vs. Bt11 previously), which implies an upside potential of 24,3% from the company's current share price. Furthermore, we expect KCE to pay a DPS of Bt0.35 for its 2H12E performance (vs. its 1H12 DPS of Bt0.2), which would raise its full-year DPS to Bt0.55 for an implied dividend yield of 4.8%. Hence, we upgrade our rating on KCE from Trading Buy to BUY.

4Q12 normalized earnings showed impressive gains

KCE's 4Q12 net profit amounted to Bt213mn for a drop of 12.3% Q-Q, but a turnaround from its net loss of Bt100mn in 4Q11. Excluding the booking of an FX gain of Bt32mn and a business interruption insurance claim of Bt49mn, KCE's 4Q12 normalized earnings amounted to Bt132mn for impressive gains of 300% Q-Q and 164% Y-Y. These increases can be attributed to: (1) the fact that its flood-hit KCE Tech factory has recovered and moved back into the black; and (2) the earnings contribution from its new subsidiary (i.e. Chemtronics Technology that was acquired on October 2, 2012). As a result, KCE's 4Q12 revenue grew by 6.3% Q-Q and 48.7% Y-Y to Bt1.87bn. Moreover, the rise in KCE's production capacity and the significant decrease in its defect rate to 4.8% as of end-2012 (vs. 8% - 9% in 2011) led to a widening of its 4Q12 gross margin to 20.5% (vs. 18% in 3Q12 and 19.4% in 4Q11). For full-year 2012, KCE's net profit surged by 439.3% Y-Y to Bt712mn. Excluding KCE's booking of flood insurance claims amounting to Bt497mn and an FX gain of Bt159mn, the company's 2012 normalized earnings amounted to Bt57mn (-83.3% Y-Y).



Revise up 2013E normalized earnings to reflect KCE's revenue target

Recent figures indicate that the recovery in the global semiconductor industry is still underway. For example, in December 2012, the IC and PCB book to bill ratios increased to 0.99x and 0.92x, respectively (vs. 0.95x and 0.79x in November 2012). Meanwhile, several research houses anticipate that the global semiconductor industry will see revenue growth of 4.5% Y-Y in 2013 and 5% Y-Y in 2014. Given such an upbeat outlook, KCE's management has announced an aggressive revenue growth of 25% Y-Y for 2013. We believe that KCE should come fairly close to achieving its revenue growth target for 2013 due to: (1) the prospects for an increase in orders, especially from its new customers; and (2) the anticipated full-year revenue contribution from Chemtronics Technology. In addition, we expect KCE's production efficiency to significantly improve in 2013E due to the fact that the company has already fully recovered from the floods and resumed its normal production rate thanks to the installation of new machinery and the receipt of more orders from its customers. Hence, we raise our gross margin estimate for 2013E to 21% (vs. 20% previously) and revise up our 2013E normalized earnings by 13% to Bt562mn (+894% Y-Y). Note that our 2013E normalized earnings forecast has yet to take into account additional flood insurance claims of ~Bt2bn that are likely to be booked during 3Q13-4Q13E.

Production capacity expansion plan likely to support 2014E earnings growth

KCE plans to expand the production capacity of its PCB factory in Ladkrabang from 600,000 sq.f. per month currently to 2mn sq.f. per month. The construction of the first phase of this factory's expansion, which aims to boost its production capacity by 700,000 sq.f. per month, is scheduled to begin in 3Q13, while the commercial start-up of this initial phase is expected to take place in 3Q14. With this additional production capacity, KCE's total production capacity for PCBs is likely to increase by 30% Y-Y to 3.1mn sq.f. per month in 2014E (vs. 2.4mn sq.f. per month currently). This positive factor should act as a driver for the company's 2014E normalized earnings. Note that KCE has prepared a CAPEX budget of Bt1.5-1.7bn for the first phase of this capacity expansion plan. The source of funds for this project will be the money that KCE receives from its flood insurance claims.

4Q12 Earnings Results

(Bt mn)	4Q12	3Q12	%Q-Q	4Q11	%Y-Y	2012	2011	%Y-Y
Sales revenue	1,868	1,757	6.3%	1,256	48.7%	6,478	7,201	-10.0%
Costs	1,486	1,441	3.1%	1,013	46.7%	5,232	5,957	-12.2%
Gross profit	382	316	20.9%	244	56.6%	1,246	1,244	0.2%
SG&A costs	237	248	-4.4%	329	-28.0%	1,075	1,074	0.1%
Interest charge	42	38	10.5%	37	13.5%	159	153	3.9%
Norm profit	132	33	300.0%	50	164.0%	57	339	-83.2%
Net profit	213	243	-12.3%	-100	nm	712	132	439.3%
EPS (Bt/share)	0.45	0.52	-13.5%	-0.21	nm	1.51	0.28	439.3%
Gross margin	20.5%	18.0%	2.5pps	19.4%	1.1pps	19.2%	17.3%	1.9pps
SG&A % of Sales	12.7%	14.1%	-1.4pps	26.2%	-13.5pps	16.6%	14.9%	1.7pps
Net margin	11.4%	13.8%	-2.4pps	-8.0%	nm	11.0%	1.8%	9.2pps

Source: Company Data



Income Statement (Consolidated)									
(Bt mn)	2010	2011	2012	2013E	2014E				
Revenue	7,236	7,201	6,478	7,836	9,237				
Cost of sales	5,815	5,957	5,232	6,190	7,251				
Gross profit	1,422	1,244	1,246	1,646	1,986				
SG&A costs	949	1,074	1,075	1,036	1,201				
Operating profit	472	170	170	610	711				
Other income	187	106	72	125	148				
EBIT	660	276	242	735	859				
EBITDA	1,249	828	730	1,273	1,447				
Interest charge	200	153	159	159	160				
Tax on income	2	2	20	6	9				
Earnings after tax	458	120	63	570	690				
Minority interests	8.8	-3.1	4.2	5.0	0.0				
Normalized earnings	452	339	57	562	686				
Extraordinary items	82	-207	656	0	0				
Net profit	535	132	712	562	686				

Cash Flow Statement (Consolidated)										
(Bt mn)	2010	2011	2012	2013E	2014E					
Net Profit	535	132	712	562	686					
Depreciation etc.	590	552	488	538	588					
Change in working capital	-174	-1,111	1,139	-97	19					
Other adjustments	-85	-9	-653	3	4					
Cash flow from operations	865	-435	1,686	1,006	1,297					
Capital expenditure	-279	521	-1,490	-1,000	-1,000					
Others	-9	4	-72	-4	-1					
Cash flow from investing	-287	525	-1,561	-1,004	-1,001					
Free cash flow	578	89	124	2	296					
Net borrowings	-222	572	-118	96	-24					
Equity capital raised	79	7	17	-1	0					
Dividends paid	-171	-278	-173	-197	-240					
Others	-277	3	12	51	0					
Cash flow from financing	-591	303	-262	-50	-265					
Net change in cash	-13	392	-137	-48	31					

Balance Sheet (Consolidated)										
(Bt mn)	2010	2011	2012	2013E	2014E					
Cash	145	538	400	352	383					
Accounts receivable	1,531	1,546	2,215	2,147	2,278					
Inventory	1,332	1,080	1,240	1,357	1,391					
Other current assets	181	1,708	840	862	924					
Total current assets	3,189	4,872	4,695	4,718	4,975					
Investments	77	82	79	79	79					
Plant, property & equipment	5,308	4,235	5,237	5,699	6,112					
Other assets	179	169	245	248	250					
Total assets	8,753	9,358	10,256	10,744	11,415					
Short-term loans	3,169	3,551	2,812	2,958	3,012					
Accounts payable	895	1,467	1,566	1,696	1,987					
Current maturities	503	404	1,393	1,235	1,187					
Other current liabilities	296	2	13	16	18					
Total current liabilities	4,863	5,424	5,784	5,905	6,204					
Long-term debt	1,245	1,364	1,327	1,276	1,189					
Other non-current liab.	0	62	67	71	83					
Total non-current liab.	1,245	1,426	1,394	1,347	1,272					
Total liabilities	6,108	6,850	7,178	7,251	7,476					
Registered capital	500	500	492	492	492					
Paid up capital	458	458	473	472	472					
Share premium	1,101	1,108	1,111	1,111	1,111					
Legal reserve	50	50	50	50	50					
Retained earnings	1,031	890	1,430	1,847	2,293					
Minority Interests	-8	-12	13	13	13					
Shareholders' equity	2,632	2,494	3,077	3,493	3,939					

Important Ratios (Con	solidated	d)			
	2010	2011	2012	2013E	2014E
Growth (%)					
Sales	25.8	nm	-10.0	21.0	17.9
EBITDA	36.5	nm	-11.9	74.3	13.7
Net profit	211.6	nm	439.6	-21.1	22.1
Normalized earnings	501.9	nm	-83.3	894.0	22.1
Profitability Ratios (%)					
Gross profit margin	19.6	17.3	19.2	21.0	21.5
EBITDA margin	17.3	11.5	11.3	16.2	15.7
EBIT margin	9.1	3.8	3.7	9.4	9.3
Normalized profit margin	6.3	4.7	0.9	7.2	7.4
Net profit margin	7.4	1.8	11.0	7.2	7.4
Normalized ROA	5.2	3.6	0.6	5.2	6.0
Normalize ROE	17.1	13.5	1.8	16.2	17.5
Normalized ROCE	17.0	7.0	5.4	15.2	16.5
Risk (x)					
D/E	2.3	2.7	2.3	2.1	1.9
Net D/E	2.3	2.5	2.2	2.0	1.8
Net debt/EBITDA	4.8	7.6	9.3	5.4	4.9
Per share data (Bt)					
EPS - Reported	1.13	0.28	1.51	1.19	1.45
EPS - Normalized	0.96	0.72	0.12	1.19	1.45
EBITDA	2.65	1.75	1.54	2.69	3.06
FCF	1.23	0.19	0.26	0.00	0.63
Book value	5.28	5.01	6.23	6.96	7.85
Dividend	0.45	0.20	0.55	0.42	0.51
Par	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Valuations (x)					
P/E	10.1	41.1	7.6	9.7	7.9
P/E - Normalized	12.0	16.0	96.1	9.7	7.9
P/BV	2.2	2.3	1.8	1.7	1.5

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EV/EBTDA

Dividend yield (%)

Source: Company data, FSS research



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HOLD The latest close is below our target price and the estimated upside is 0-10%.

SELL The latest close is above our target price.

TRADING BUY

The latest close is above our target price but the price is expected to be driven by short-term positive factors

OVERWEIGHT The estimated return is higher than the market average.

NEUTRAL The estimated return is the same as the market average.

UNDERWEIGHT The estimated return is lower than the market average

Note: The expected return may change as market risks increase or decline.



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