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Featured Stock: (WISYNCO)

 $\label{eq:wisynco} \begin{array}{c} \text{Wisynco Group Limited;} \\ \text{Opening price} - \$10.25 \, \text{Price to book} - \, 4.42 \, \text{times;} \\ P/E - 16.76 \, \text{times} \end{array}$

This week's stock pick is Wisynco Group Limited (WISYNCO). WISYN-CO's primary activities includes the bottling and distribution of purified water and beverages and the manufacturing and distributing of a wide range of plastic and foam packing and disposable products mainly used in the retail, food service and tourism industry.

WISYNCO'S performance for the year ended June 30, 2018 featured total revenue of \$24.54 billion, a 15% increase when compared with the \$21,38 billion reported for the same period in 2017. Total revenues for the guarter amounted to \$6.49 billion also reflecting an increase of 15% over the \$5.63 billion achieved in the corresponding guarter of the previous year. Gross profit rose 19% to close the year at \$9.12 billion compared to the \$7.68 billion a year earlier. Total expenses for the year ended rose 9% to close at \$6.37 billion (2017: \$5.87 billion). This led to a 12% growth in operating profit to \$285 billion (2017; \$2.55 billion). Profit before taxation amounted to \$2.77 billion, relative to \$2.54 billion reported in 2017, a 9% increase year over year. Taxation for the period amounted to \$513.83 million (2017; \$286.31 million), Net profit of \$2.29 billion (2017: \$2.45 billion) was posted for the year ended June 30, 2018, representing a 6% decline year over year. Net profit for the fourth quarter amounted to \$565.61 million relative to \$488.78 million in 2017, a 16% increase year over year.

WISYNCO, as a result of an equity investment in Worthy Park Estate Limited by its parent company, has negotiated a five (5) year exclusive distribution agreement with Worthy Park Estate Limited (WPEL) for the distribution of WPEL's spirits and sugar. Furthermore, WISYNCO has advised that the Company intends to construct its own 2 megawatt energy plant at its Lakes Pen, St. Catherine location to be run on liquefied natural gas (LNG).

Additionally, WISYNCO (as at Friday September 26, 2018) was trading at 4.42 times its book value with a P/E of 16.76 times.

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