



CCC

Caribbean Cement Company
Limited (CCC),

Opening price— \$58.80

Price to book— 2.67 times;

P/E— 9.17 times

Week to Date: 3.16%



Month to Date: 0.02%



Quarter to Date: -4.23%



Our weekly pick features a stock currently held in the Mayberry Managed Equity Portfolio (MMEP). For more information on the MMEP, please contact your investment advisor today.

Caribbean Cement Company Limited (CCCL) is a publicly listed company which has been in operation since 1952 and is the sole manufacturer of Portland and blended cement in Jamaica. Its main plant and operations are situated in Rockfort, Kingston with additional quarry operation in both St. Andrew and St. Thomas. CCCL produces high quality products using 100% indigenous raw materials, all mined within 10 miles of its main plant.

Caribbean Cement Company Limited (CCC) for the nine months ended September 30, 2022 reported revenues amounting to \$19.68 billion, up from \$17.80 billion reported a year ago. For the quarter, revenues amounted to \$6.17 billion (2021: \$5.49 billion). Cost of Sales closed the period under review at \$10.84 billion. As such, gross profit totalled \$8.85 billion versus \$6.97 billion booked in the same period last year. Operating expenses recorded an 11% increase closing the nine months at 2.05 billion consequently, operating profit before income or loss amounted to \$6.80 billion for the year. Net profit for the period closed at \$4.25 billion relative to net profit of \$3.13 billion booked for the corresponding period in 2021, an increase of 36% year over year. Net profit for the quarter however amounted to \$1.21 billion relative to \$43.71 million, reported in 2021.

Management noted, "During the third quarter, plans were unveiled to expand CCCL's production capacity by up to 30 per cent. The initiative was officially announced at a ceremony attended by Prime Minister, the Most Hon. Andrew Holness and members of his Cabinet, and CEMEX and TCL Group officials, including CEMEX CEO, Fernando Gonzalez. A key result of this US\$40 million investment will be the optimization of heat consumption during the cement manufacturing process, effectively reducing the company's carbon footprint in Jamaica. The project is expected to be completed by the second half of 2024 and will strengthen the self-sufficiency of the national cement industry, while setting the basis to export in the region, reinforcing the CEMEX TCL Group's ability to serve CARICOM's growing construction need."

CCC (as at November 25, 2022) was trading at 2.67 times its book value with a P/E of 9.17 times.