

## LOCAL STOCK MARKET: (JS)\*

| Stock Symbol                | JBG   | KW    | DOLLA   | BPOW   | JAMT   |
|-----------------------------|-------|-------|---------|--------|--------|
| Last Traded Price (\$)      | 36.20 | 31.00 | 2.92    | 5.05   | 2.11   |
| Trailing EPS (\$)           | 4.82  | 2.08  | 0.17    | 0.31   | 0.06   |
| P/E (times)                 | 7.59  | 14.88 | 17.18   | 15.13  | 35.01  |
| Projected P/E (times)       | 7.91  | 14.23 | 16.49   | 14.46  | 22.79  |
| Projected EPS (\$)          | 4.62  | 2.18  | 0.18    | 0.32   | 0.10   |
| Book Value per share (\$)   | 27.25 | 33.42 | 0.42    | 2.92   | 1.99   |
| Price/Book Value<br>(times) | 1.34  | 0.93  | 7.05    | 1.59   | 1.10   |
| Dividend Yield (2023)       | 2.52% | 2.52% | 2.44%   | 1.50%  | N/A    |
| Volumes                     | 1,458 | 3,340 | 537,502 | 16,438 | 66,191 |
| Recommendation              | BUY   | BUY   | HOLD    | HOLD   | SELL   |



## STOCK OF THE DAY: Jamaica Broilers Group Limited (JBG)

#### Unaudited financials for the six months ended October 28, 2024:

Jamaica Broilers Group Limited (JBG) for the six months ended October 28, 2024, reported a marginal increase in Revenue totaling \$47.00 billion compared to \$46.77 billion in the corresponding period last year. Cost of Sales amounted to \$35.80 billion (2023: \$35.29 billion), this represents an increase of 1% year over year. Consequently, gross profit decreased by 2% to \$11.20 billion compared to \$11.48 billion for the six months ended October 28, 2023.

Other gains decreased by 41% to close at \$152.14 million (2023: \$259.67 million), while Distribution Costs decreased by 1% from \$1.51 billion in 2023 to \$1.50 billion in the period under review. Also, administration and other expenses for the six months ended October 28, 2024, amounted to \$5.80 billion, a 1% increase relative to \$5.76 billion reported in 2023. Operating Profit for the six months ended October 28, 2024, amounted to \$4.05 billion, a 9% decrease relative to \$4.46 billion reported in 2023.).

Finance Costs totalled \$1.40 billion a 2% increase from the corresponding period last year. (2023: \$1.37 billion). Profit before taxation for the six months ended October 28, 2024, amounted to \$2.73 billion, a 14% decrease relative to \$3.16 billion reported in 2023. Taxation for the six months ended October 28, 2024, had a 17% increase to reach \$519.02 million (2023: \$625.70 million). As such, Net Profit for the six months amounted to \$2.21 billion, a 13% decrease from the \$2.53 billion reported in 2023.

Consequently, Earnings Per Share for the six months amounted to \$1.84 (2023: EPS: \$2.11). The number of shares used in these calculations was 1.199.276.400.

## FOREIGN EXCHANGE MARKET TRADING SUMMARY

|          | PURCHASE RATE |          |                          | SALES RATE |          |                          |
|----------|---------------|----------|--------------------------|------------|----------|--------------------------|
| Currency | Highest       | Lowest   | Weighted<br>Average Rate | Highest    | Lowest   | Weighted<br>Average Rate |
| USD      | 158.7000      | 123.7005 | 155.7807                 | 178.0600   | 127.0440 | 156.9978                 |
| CAD      | 111.8000      | 88.9700  | 110.2618                 | 125.9760   | 94.9304  | 112.7144                 |
| GBP      | 200.0000      | 162.0990 | 196.4749                 | 226.5475   | 176.0000 | 199.0348                 |
| EURO     | 167.3000      | 133.0040 | 164.8652                 | 188.1520   | 158.3500 | 167.4130                 |

#### **MONEY MARKET**

The Jamaican dollar fixed income market had very high liquidity, with overnight funds readily available, in today's (December 10, 2024) trading session. The overnight rate stood at 6.00% to 6.25%, while the 30-day rate ranged from 7.00% to 7.50%.

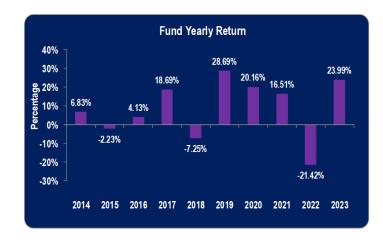
The US dollar fixed income market was moderately liquid, with shortterm funds available, during today's (December 10, 2024) trading session. The overnight market rates were quoted at 1.00% to 1.50%, while the 30-day market rates stood at 4.50% to 4.75%.

## OVER THE COUNTER FUNDS (CI FUNDS)

### CI Synergy American Corporate Class

This fund invests primarily in equity and equity-related securities of companies which are located in countries that have signed the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) (or its successor).

The fund has a 3-year return of 6.01 % and a 5-year return of 11.39%. The Fund also has a 10-year return of 9.03%. Rates are as of October 31, 2024.



### US Small-Business Optimism Soars to Three-Year-High After Trump Win

US small-business optimism surged in November to a more than threeyear high in anticipation of more favourable economic policies after Donald Trump sealed his return to the White House.

The National Federation of Independent Business optimism index jumped 8 points, the most on record, to 101.7 — the highest reading since June 2021.

https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2024-12-10/us-small-business-optimism-soars-to-three-year-high-after-trump-win?srnd=phx-economics-v2

#### ECB Officials to Lock Horns Over How Much Cuts Can Boost Economy

European Central Bank officials agree that lower interest rates are needed to buoy the region's shaky economy. How much they can help is hotly contested.

Some policymakers urge rapid cuts to encourage consumers to spend and businesses to invest. Others are more cautious, deeming challenges including high energy costs and a dearth of skilled workers to be beyond the remit of monetary policy.

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#### **PLATINUM PORTFOLIO**

| Platinum Portfolio Yield Measures as at December 02, 2024 |                |  |  |
|---|----------------|--|--|
|   | Percentage (%) |  |  |
| Yield to Maturity   | 7.22           |  |  |
| <b>Weighted Average Coupon</b>                            | 4.89           |  |  |
| <b>Current Yield</b>                                      | 6.39           |  |  |

The platinum portfolio has an effective maturity of 18.31 years and duration of 11.26 years.

# STRUCTURED PRODUCT

# **Mayberry Gold**

This portfolio is ideal for investors, both retail and corporate, seeking a conservative, short-term investment. The securities in the Gold are directly owned by the client and provide them with a safe investment option. Our Gold portfolio can also provide investors with coupon payments that can generate a positive income stream.

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**BUY**: We believe the stock is attractively valued. The company has sound or improving fundamentals that should allow it to outperform the broader market. We anticipate the stock will outperform the market over the next 12 months. The risk factors to achieving price targets are minimal.

**HOLD**: We believe the stock is fairly valued at the current price. The company may have issues affecting fundamentals that could take some time to resolve. Alternatively, company fundamentals may be sound, but this is fully reflected in the current stock price. The risk factors to achieving price targets are moderate. Some volatility is expected. In addition, technically it may be difficult to attain additional volume of the stock(s) at current price.

SELL: We believe the stock is overpriced relative to the soundness of the company's fundamentals and long-term prospects.

**SPECULATIVE BUY**: We believe the prospects for capital appreciation exist, however there is some level of uncertainty in revenue growth. Source: www.jamstockex.com, www.bloomberg.com, www.investopedia.com, www.tradewire.com















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