

**Duratec Ltd** BUY

Industrials Construction & Engineering 20 May 2024

# FY24e guidance narrowed, increased tender activity, award delays

#### **EVENT**

Narrowed FY24e EBITDA guidance with revenue affected by award delays, although opportunity set remain: the company has issued FY24e guidance and now expects revenue range of \$550-565m and EBITDA of \$46-48m, revised from prior \$570-610m and \$45-52m. The revised guidance midpoint implies improved EBITDA profitability at 8.4% margin and revenue and EBITDA growth of 13% and 23%, respectively. The company noted strong project performance in 2H24 to date; delays in expected project awards have affected FY24e revenue guidance, though tendered opportunities remain with the company and awards are now expected to occur in 1H25.

Significantly increased tender activity, broadly stable orderbook: the orderbook stands at \$377m, down from \$388m at February'24 while the tender book has grown significantly (+44%) to \$1.47b from \$1.02b. Defence (32% or ~\$470m), and Buildings & Facades (B&F, 23% or ~ \$340m) together comprise a majority of tendered opportunities. Pipeline is \$3.95b, +\$200m from February'24.

Key sector updates show activity remains solid although key sectors have been affected by delays in contract awards in 2H24. In Defence, DUR has tendered \$450m+ (DUR 50% interest) potential works at Garden Island, excluding Parkes Wharf. The company expects news on Garden Island and Parkes Wharf in 1H25. Highlights from Mining & Industrial sector include Roy Hill Wharf and Port maintenance MSA, new remediation works for inpex in NT, re-established presence at Rio Gove operations, and identification of maintenance works with Rio post 3D modelling on wharf structures. Tendered activity in B&F is large, with management noting a strong sector outlook, especially in the medium-sized project space. Energy has also seen project award delays with the integration of A&B Welding on track as well as the commencement of decommissioning work in the North West Shelf.

#### **IMPACT**

We have revised FY24-26e EPS estimates 8.9/10.5/11.6cps (-16%/-11%/-8%), due to guidance revision in FY24e and rebased D&A charges in FY25-26e.

#### INVESTMENT VIEW

We maintain a Buy rating and decreased target price of \$1.50 (prior \$1.62). While the near term delays in project awards have pulled back FY24e revenue expectations, we remain encouraged by 1) better performed, higher margin projects; 2) significantly increased tender activity, broadly stable order book, and growing pipeline; 3) supportive operating environment with expanding asset base, sunk capex, and ageing infrastructure to drive demand for asset maintenance. Key catalysts include: 1) ongoing contract wins and continued conversion of tenders; 2) continued growth in MSA and recurring revenue work; 3) execution on rapidly growing Energy segment. DUR trades at 9.8x FY25 P/E.

Y/E JUN 30	2023a	2024e	2025e	2026e
EBITDA	38.1	47.0	52.8	56.0
EV/EBITDA	6.2x	5.0x	4.5x	4.2x
NPAT	19.8	21.8	25.8	28.3
EPS (Diluted) (¢)	7.8	8.9	10.5	11.6
P/E	13.3x	11.6x	9.8x	9.0x
EPS growth	169.5%	14.3%	18.2%	9.7%
DPS (¢)	4.0	3.5	5.3	5.3
Yield	3.9%	3.3%	5.1%	5.1%
DPS growth	100.0%	(13.7)%	52.6%	0.0%
Dividend payout ratio (%)	51.3%	38.7%	50.0%	45.6%

All figures are in AUD.

#### **COMPANY UPDATE**

Ticker	DUR
Stock Price	\$1.04
Target Price	\$1.50
Forecast Capital Return	44.9%
Forecast Dividend Yield	4.6%
Estimated Total Return - 12Mth	49.5%

#### **COMPANY MARKET DATA**

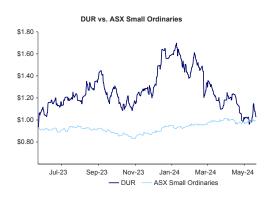
Market Cap	\$253.3m
Free Float (%)	26.1%
Enterprise Value	\$235.1m
Shares on issue	244.8m
52-wk Range	\$0.91 - \$1.72

#### ESTIMATE CHANGES 2023a 2024e 2025e 2026e

NPAT - new	19.8	21.8	25.8	28.3
NPAT - old	19.8	25.8	28.9	30.9
% Change	0.0%(	15.6)%(	10.6)%	(8.3)%
EPS (Dil.) (¢) - new	7.8	8.9	10.5	11.6
EPS (Dil.) (¢) - old	7.8	10.6	11.8	12.6
% Change	0.0%(	15.6)%(	10.6)%	(8.3)%
DPS (¢) - new	4.0	3.5	5.3	5.3
DPS (¢) - old	4.0	4.3	5.9	5.9
% Change	0.0%(	18.6)%(	10.2)%(	10.2)%

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## SHARE PRICE PERFORMANCE



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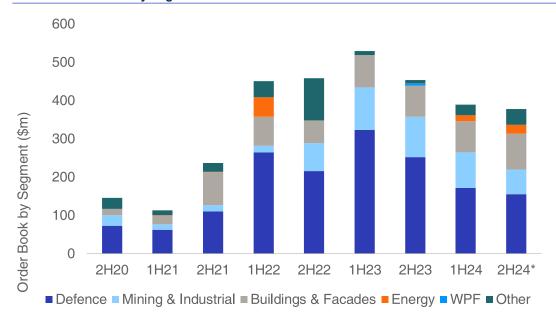


**Chart 1 - Tenders by Segment** 



Source: MA Moelis Australia, \* As per trading update May'24

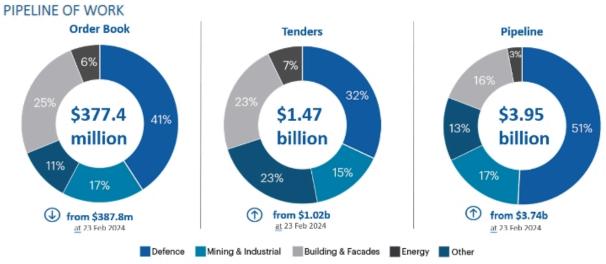
**Chart 2 - Order Book by Segment** 



Source: MA Moelis Australia, \* As per trading update May'24



# Chart 3 - Pipeline of Work



Figures include 49% share of DDR Australia Pty Ltd Revenue.
Tenders includes submitted and currently being tendered opportunities.
Pipeline regresents tangible opportunities identified in the market by the Durates group of companies.

Source: Company at May'24.



Target Price: \$1.50 Buy Y/E JUN 30 VALUATION SUMMARY PROFIT & LOSS (\$) 2022A 2023A 2024E 2025E 2026E 492.0 555.6 607.8 634.7 Market Cap \$253.3m Revenue 310.0 Growth 31.5% 58.7% 12.9% 9.4% 4.4% Shares on issue 244.8m **EBITDA** 56.0 Stock Price \$1.04 17.8 38.1 47.0 52.8 **Target Price** \$1.50 Growth 11.6% 114.5% 23.4% 12.3% 6.0% Dep'n & Amort. (6.8)(8.8)(14.2)(14.3)(14.6)Estimated Total Return - 12 Mth 49.5% 28.5 32.8 38.5 41.4 12 Mth Fwd Dividend Yield 4.6% **EBIT** 11.0 159.7% 14.9% 17.5% 7.4% Growth 2.8% **PERFORMANCE RATIOS** 2022A 2023A 2024E 2025E 2026E Net interest Expense (1.0)(0.7)(0.2)(1.7)(1.7)ROA 5.9% 11.3% 10.5% 11.8% 11.6% Interest Expense (0.8)(1.0)(2.6)(3.0)(3.0)ROE 25.3% 51.5% 44.5% 42.4% 36.5% **Profit Before Tax** 10.3 28.3 31.1 36.8 40.4 83.2% ROIC (106.8)% (279.3)% 144.9% 89.0% (3.1)(8.5)(9.3)(11.1)(12.1)ROCE 26.6% 51.4% 40.5% 36.8% 34.1% (30.0)% (30.0)%(30.0)% (30.0)% (30.0)%Tax Rate (%) Net Debt (Cash) (\$m) (43.5)(47.9)(18.3)(38.5)(51.6)Minorities / Abnormal items 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 Net Debt/EBITDA (x) (2.4)x(1.3)x(0.4)x(0.7)x(0.9)xNPAT (Underlying) 7.2 19.8 21.8 25.8 28.3 ND/(ND + Equity) (%) 347.7% 2,659.1% (54.6)% (122.7)% (152.9)% Growth 1.5% 175.1% 9.9% 18.4% 9.7% Interest Cover (x) 15.9x 131.5x 19.8x 22.9x 42.3x One-Off Items 0.6 0.1 (5.2)5.2 0.0 Working Capital (39.4)(51.9)(27.8)(35.1)(38.6)NPAT (Reported) 7.9 19.9 16.5 31.0 28.3 (10.5)%(5.0)%(5.8)%Working Capital/Sales (%) (12.7)%(6.1)%EPS Underlying (Diluted) (¢) 2.9 8.9 10.5 11.6 7.8 (6.3)% 169.5% 14.3% 18.2% 9.7% Growth **VALUATION RATIOS** 2022A 2023A 2024E 2025E 2026E EPS Underlying (Diluted) (¢) 2.9 7.8 8.9 10.5 11.6 **BALANCE SHEET (\$)** 2022A 2023A 2024E 2025E 2026E Growth (6.3)% 169.5% 14.3% 18.2% 9.7% Cash 58.3 66.2 52.9 73.1 86.2 P/E (x) 35.8x 13.3x 11.6x 9.8x 9.0x 0.6 Inventory 0.3 0.3 0.5 0.6 Small industrials (ex Fin's) 0.0x 20.1x 0.0x24.4x 21.3x Current Receivable 30.0 598 36.2 412 43 0 Premium / (Discount) 52.5% 54.0% 55.4% PPE 21.3 28.7 40 3 45 5 513 EV/EBITDA (x) 13.2x 6.2x 5.0x 4.5x 4.2x Intangibles 0.0 10.3 106 10.6 10.6 Small industrials (ex Fin's) 0.0x0.0x 12.9x 11.7x 10.9x Other 27.7 47 1 628 628 628 Premium / (Discount) 61% 62% 62% 254.5 Total Assets 137.6 212.4 203.4 233.8 DPS (¢) 2.0 4.0 3.5 5.3 5.3 **Current Payables** 84 7 39.4 82 1 699 798 Growth 33.3% 100.0% (13.7)%52.6% 0.0% ST Debt 0.0 5.1 68 0.0 0.0 Yield 1.9% 3.9% 3.3% 5.1% 5.1% 97 11.5 34 6 34 6 34 6 LT Debt Dividend Payout Ratio (%) 69.1% 51.3% 38.7% 50.0% 45.6% 11.3 **Provisions** 76 11 8 98 10.9 Franking (%) 100.0% 100.0% 100.0% 100.0% 100.0% Other 54.2 37.3 38.7 38.7 44 9 NTA 31.0 31.4 27.0 45.1 60.5 **Total Liabilities** 106.7 166.4 151.6 163.9 169.3 NTA/Share (\$) 0.12 0.12 0.11 0.18 0.25 69.9 **Net Assets** 31.0 46.1 51.8 85.3 27.1 29.1 30.4 30.4 30.4 Equity & Reserves **CASH FLOW METRICS** 2023A 2024E 2022A 2025E 2026E **Retained Profits** 3.8 17.0 21.3 39.5 54 9 FCF/Share (\$) 0.08 0.08 (0.02)0.13 0.11 31.0 46.1 Shareholders' Equity 51.8 69 9 85.3 Price/FCPS (x) 13.7x 12.7x (42.7)x8.0x 9.8x Minorities 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 Gross Cash Conversion (%) 159.6% 108.6% 69.2% 111.2% 106.2% Total Equity 31.0 46.1 51.8 69.9 85.3 Capex/Sales (%) 2.4% 2.6% 3.2% 2.8% 2.8% Capex/Depreciation (x) 1.4x 1.2x 1.2x 1.2x 1.1x CASHFLOW (\$) 2022A 2023A 2024E 2025E 2026E **EBITDA** 17.8 38.1 47.0 52.8 56.0 **MARGINS** 2022A 2023A 2024E 2025E 2026E Net Interest (0.5)(0.0)(1.9)(1.7)(1.0)**EBITDA** 5.7% 7.7% 8.5% 8.7% 8.8% (1.3)(6.5)(16.1)(5.8)(12.1)Tax **EBIT** 3.5% 5.8% 5.9% 6.3% 6.5% △ in Working Capital 1.7 16.5 9.0 5.9 3.5 **NPAT** 4.0% 4.2% 4.5% 2.3% 3.9% 0.0 89 (13.2)(23.5)0.0 **VALUATION METHODOLOGY Operating Cash Flow** 26.5 34.8 14.5 51.2 46.4 WACC 10 69% Growth 146.8% 31.4% (58.3)% 252.8% (9.4)% Sum-of-the-Parts Valuation/Share \$1.37 Capex (7.4)(13.0)(17.5)(17.0)(18.0)\$1.37 Acquisitions 0.0 Average Valuation/Share 0.0 (10.0)(8.5)0.0 **Target Price** \$1.50 Divestments 8.0 0.4 0.2 0.0 0.0 0.0 Other 1.5 0.4 0.0 0.0 (18.0)**Investing Cash Flow** (25.9)(17.0) (5.1)(22.2) **Equity Raised** 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 Dividends Paid (4.5)(5.5)(10.4)(11.5)(12.9)**Net Borrowings** 0.1 8.0 8.4 (2.4)(2.4)0.0 Other 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 **Financing Cash Flow** (4.4)(4.7)(1.9)(14.0)(15.3)FX / Non Cash items 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 Change in Cash 17.0 7.9 (13.3)20.2 13.0 Free Cash Flow 18.1 19.8 (5.9)31.8 25.9

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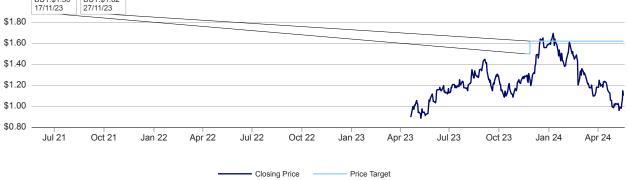
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