





# Malaysia

### ADD (no change)

Sell 0 Buy 11 Hold 3 Consensus ratings\*: Current price: RM3.95 RM5.50 Target price: Previous target: RM4.90 Up/downside: 39.4% CGS-CIMB / Consensus: 22.9% UMWS.KL Reuters: **UMWH MK** Bloombera: US\$1,040m Market cap: RM4,615m US\$0.63m Average daily turnover: RM2.77m Current shares o/s: 1,168m Free float: 37.8% \*Source: Bloomberg

#### Key changes in this note

- FY23F EPS increased by 12.8%.
- FY24F EPS increased by 12.4%.
- Introduce FY25F EPS.



		Source: B	loomberg
Price performance	1M	ЗМ	12M
Absolute (%)	4.5	18.3	27.4
Relative (%)	7.3	20.4	36
Major shareholders			% held
Permodalan Nasional E	3hd		42.1
EPF			12.0

# **UMW Holdings**

# High dividend payout a positive surprise

- FY22 core net profit was in line at 97%/95% of our/ Bloomberg consensus FY22 forecasts. Core net profit in FY22 jumped 63% yoy.
- UMW declared an 11.2 sen final DPS for 4Q22, bringing FY22 DPS to 14.2 sen (40% payout), its highest since 2015 and ahead of our expectations.
- Reiterate Add with a higher RM5.50 TP, still based on 14x CY24F P/E.

#### Sequentially stronger auto and aerospace sales in 4Q22

Revenue in 4Q22 rose 7.8% qoq, driven by higher contribution from automotive (+7.8%), and manufacturing & engineering, M&E (+10.4%). UMW-Toyota (UMWT) and Perodua registered 21% and 24% gog sales volume growth in 4Q22, respectively. In addition, the group attributed the stronger M&E sales to higher aero fan case shipment volume in 4Q22. We learnt UMW Aerospace has returned to profitability since Nov 2022. UMW's core net profit grew 4.6% gog. The group also declared a higher-than-expected 11.2 sen/share final DPS for 4Q22, bringing the FY22F DPS to 14.2 sen/share, its highest payout since 2015.

#### FY22 sales and core net profit rose 43% and 63% you

Revenue in FY22 surged 43% yoy to RM15.8bn, driven by higher contributions from all divisions – automotive (+47%), equipment (+16%) and M&E (+36%). The group attributed the stronger automotive revenue to higher sales volume from UMWT, which grew by 40% yoy to 101k units. In addition, the group also benefited from a turnaround in Aerospace division, driven by a recovery in global air travel demand. Overall, UMW's FY22 core net profit jumped 63% to RM421m, from RM259m core net profit in FY21.

#### Strong backlog orders and new launches to sustain 2023F sales

We expect UMWT and Perodua's sales volume to fall 5% and 4% yoy in 2023F, respectively, given the expiry of the sales tax holiday and softer consumer sentiment. Nevertheless, we still see upside to our earnings forecast given Perodua's management is targeting 11.3% yoy sales volume growth to 314k units in 2023F, driven by 1) robust backlog orders, and 2) new launches, such as Axia and Alza. Meanwhile, UMWT is guiding for an 8% yoy drop in sales volume to 93k units; however, the group is cautiously optimistic that it could beat its target given the new launches, such as the upcoming new Vios in Mar 2023. UMWT's order backlog stood at 50k units at end-Dec, of which 9k units fall under the sales and service tax exemption bookings, which are due for delivery by 31 Mar 2023. Despite the lower yoy sales forecast, we are still positive on UMW in view of 1) favourable forex movement following the appreciation of ringgit vs. US\$ YTD, 2) absence of prosperity tax in 2023F vs. 2022, and 3) higher fan case shipments, driven by a recovery in air travel.

#### Reiterate Add with a higher RM5.50 TP

We raise our FY23-24F EPS in view a narrowing drop in sales volume and higher M&E contribution. Reiterate Add with a higher RM5.50 TP, still based on 14x P/E, in line with target sector P/E. The stock also offers a decent FY23-25F dividend yield of 3.8%-4.3%.

Financial Summary	Dec-21A	Dec-22A	Dec-23F	Dec-24F	Dec-25F
Revenue (RMm)	11,061	15,814	15,012	15,898	16,922
Operating EBITDA (RMm)	627	940	867	1,033	1,058
Net Profit (RMm)	268.2	415.0	438.9	459.4	495.6
Core EPS (RM)	0.22	0.36	0.38	0.39	0.42
Core EPS Growth	(9.1%)	62.5%	4.3%	4.7%	7.9%
FD Core P/E (x)	17.82	10.96	10.51	10.05	9.31
DPS (RM)	0.06	0.14	0.15	0.16	0.17
Dividend Yield	1.47%	3.59%	3.80%	3.95%	4.30%
EV/EBITDA (x)	11.43	6.54	8.73	7.40	7.30
P/FCFE (x)	17.21	3.81	NA	9.00	9.17
Net Gearing	(3.1%)	(17.6%)	(0.5%)	(3.0%)	(5.2%)
P/BV (x)	1.15	1.06	1.02	0.97	0.93
ROE	6.6%	10.1%	9.9%	9.9%	10.2%
% Change In Core EPS Estimates			12.8%	12.4%	
CGS-CIMB/Consensus EPS (x)			1.14	1.15	1.18

SOURCES: CGS-CIMB RESEARCH, COMPANY REPORTS

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# Key catalysts and risks ➤

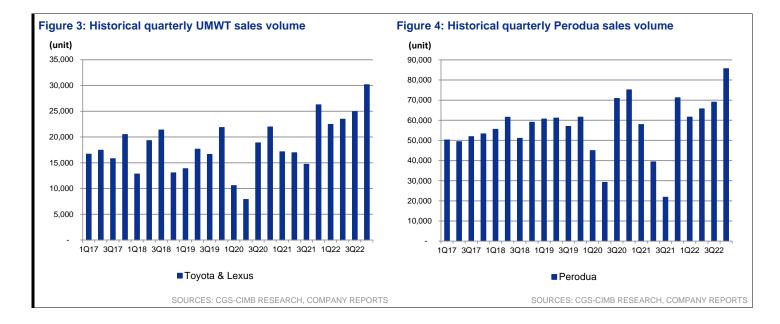
We see a higher take-up for new CKD launches, a pause in interest rate hikes, stronger demand recovery in the M&E and aerospace divisions, and strengthening of the ringgit vs. US\$ as potential re-rating catalysts. Delays in new CKD launches, abolishment of the petrol subsidy programme, a drag from its equipment and M&E divisions and a weakening ringgit vs. US\$ are key downside risks to our call.

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FYE Dec (RM m)	4Q22	4Q21	yoy %	3Q22	qoq %	4Q22	4Q21	yoy %		Comments
			chg		chg	Cum	Cum	chg	FY22F	
Revenue	4,375	3,645	20.0	4,057	7.8	15,814	11,061	43.0	15,938	Higher yoy vehicles sales volume from UMW-Toyota
Operating costs	(4,134)	(3,434)	20.4	(3,805)	8.7	(14,863)	(10,453)	42.2	(14,866)	
EBITDA	241	211.1	14.2	253	(4.5)	951	608	56.6	1,073	Below expectation
EBITDA margin (%)	5.5	5.8		6.2		6.0	5.5		6.7	
Depn & amort.	(86)	(92)	(6.4)	(89)	(3.1)	(341)	(344)	(0.9)	(369)	Below expectation
EBIT	154.7	118.9	30.2	163.5	(5.3)	610.9	264.0	> 100	703.3	
Interest expense	(28)	(30)	(4.6)	(21)	32.7	(114)	(108)	5.5	(112)	Total borrowings of RM1.55bn as at end-Dec 2022
Interest & invt inc	24	14	66.3	17	43.8	71	50	42.2	65	Total cash of RM2.8bn as at end-Dec 2022
Associates' contrib	68	161	(57.9)	73	(6.9)	335	268	25.0	381	Higher contribution from Perodua
Exceptionals	0.7	7	(90.1)	-	n.m.	(6)	9	> 100	0	Related to forex loss on liquidation of a subsidiary
Pretax profit	219	271	(19.3)	231	(5.6)	896	483	85.7	1,037	Above expectation
Tax	(46)	109	> 100	(72)	(35.6)	(219)	33	> 100	(311)	In line
Tax rate (%)	21.3	(40.3)		31.2		24.4	(6.8)		30.0	
Minority interests	(66)	(140)	(52.8)	(59)	12.9	(263)	(247)	6.2	(291)	
Net profit	106.0	240	(55.8)	100.7	5.2	415	268	54.7	435	
Core net profit	105.3	233	(54.9)	100.7	4.6	421	259	62.5	435	In line
EPS (sen)	9.1	20.5	(55.8)	8.6	5.2	35.5	23.0	54.7	37.3	FY22 core net profit made up 97% of CGS-CIMB and
Core EPS (sen)	9.0	20.0	(54.9)	8.6	4.6	36.0	22.2	62.5	37.3	95% of Bloomberg consensus full-year estimates
DPS (sen)	11.2	5.8	93.1	3.0	> 100	14.2	5.8	> 100	8.0	Above expectation
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Revenue	4Q22	4Q21	yoy %	3Q22	qoq %	4Q22	4Q21	yoy %	
(RM m)			chg		chg	Cum	Cum	chg	
Automotive	3,695	3,062	20.7	3,428	7.8	13,310	9,030	47.4	Toyota and Perodua sales volume rose 40% and 48% yoy in 2022
Equipment	395	365	8.3	394	0.2	1,528	1,313	16.3	Higher equipment rental, parts and service rendered
Manufacturing & Engineering	279	226	23.3	252	10.4	984	726	35.5	Higher lubricants, auto components and fan case shipments
Others	7	(8)	> 100	(17)	> 100	(8)	(9)	(16.8)	
Total	4,375	3,645	20.0	4,057	7.8	15,814	11,061	43.0	
PBT	4Q22	4Q21	yoy %	3Q22	qoq %	4Q22	4Q21	yoy %	
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			chg		chg	Cum	Cum	chg	
Automotive	183	269	(32.1)	184	(0.5)	775	477		
Automotive Equipment	183 36	269 29		184 50					
			(32.1)		(0.5)	775	477	62.5	
Equipment	36	29	(32.1)	50	(0.5) (28.7)	775 153	477 107	62.5 42.8	Driven by higher sales volume



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	Pre	vious			Revised		C	Changes	
	2023F	2024F	2025F	2023F	2024F	2025F	2023F	2024F	2025F
Revenue	13,824	14,544	na	15,012	15,898	16,922	8.6%	9.3%	na
EBITDA	1,022	1,017	na	867	1,033	1,058	-15.2%	1.6%	na
Pretax Profit	898	923	na	837	968	1,028	-6.8%	4.9%	na
Net Profit	389	409	na	439	459	496	12.8%	12.4%	na
EPS	33	35	na	38	39	42	12.8%	12.4%	na

Figure 6: Sector c	omparison														
Company	Ticker	Recom.	Price	Target Price	Mkt Cap	P/E	(x)	P/B\	' (x)	Recurring	ROE (%)	EV/EBI	TDA (x)	Dividend Y	ield (%)
			(RM)	(RM)	(US\$ m)	CY23F	CY24F	CY23F	CY24F	CY23F	CY24F	CY23F	CY24F	CY23F	CY24F
Bermaz Auto Berhad	BAUTO MK	Add	2.13	2.80	560	11.1	10.6	3.3	3.0	31.3%	29.5%	5.3	4.8	5.7%	6.0%
DRB-Hicom	DRB MK	Hold	1.47	1.76	641	9.7	8.5	0.4	0.4	3.9%	4.3%	4.0	5.2	1.4%	1.4%
Tan Chong Motor	TCM MK	Reduce	1.15	0.97	169	na	61.3	0.3	0.3	-0.2%	0.5%	8.0	6.7	1.3%	1.3%
UMW Holdings	UMWH MK	Add	3.95	5.50	1,040	10.5	10.0	1.0	1.0	9.9%	9.9%	8.7	7.4	3.8%	3.9%
Sime Darby Bhd	SIME MK	Hold	2.29	2.35	3,519	14.5	13.3	0.9	0.9	6.6%	7.0%	5.5	4.9	4.9%	5.3%
Sector average						13.0	11.9	0.8	0.8	6.4%	6.8%	5.6	5.5	4.3%	4.6%
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#### ESG in a nutshell

UMW Holdings is ranked in the top 26-50% among FBM EMAS PLCs by FTSE Russell in terms of ESG. UMW Holdings has four pillars to guide its sustainability journey – 1) Innovative and high performance culture, 2) Dynamic workforce, 3) Environmental stewardship, and 4) Nurturing the community and society. We deem UMW Holdings as having one of the best policies to tackle environmental aspects among Malaysian automakers, riding on its principal partner, Toyota.

#### Keep your eye on

Global automakers are increasing their efforts to achieve cleaner exhaust emissions and improve fuel economy in order to reduce CO2 emissions and the world's dependence on fossil fuels. The Malaysian government's decision to waive import duty, excise duty, sales tax and road tax for EVs over 2022-2025 are positive moves to promote EV adoption in the domestic market.

#### **Implications**

The structural shift from internal combustion engines (ICE) to hybrid and EVs will pose major long-term challenges for domestic players. UMW-Toyota is investing RM270m into local manufacturing of hybrid EVs at its Bukit Raja plant. This is part of the group's initiatives towards carbon neutrality and to offer cleaner vehicle options to Malaysian consumers. Meanwhile, Perodua is conducting a feasibility study on electrification and hybrid technology viability.

### **ESG** highlights

UMW-Toyota aims to achieve zero emission and net positive environmental impact by 2050, which is based on the Toyota Environmental Challenge 2050. Under this strategy, the group has installed 4.15 MWp solar PV systems that generate 7,907 GJ of solar energy per year at Toyota ASSB Shah Alam and the Bukit Raja plant, KYB-UMW and UMW Aerospace.

#### **Implications**

The group increased its solar energy generation by 22% in in 2020 compared to 2019 following the commissioning of the Toyota ASSB Bukit Raja plant. Overall, the group generated 5% of its energy consumption in 2021 from renewable sources.

### **Trends**

The group relies on 9,471 suppliers globally to ensure smooth daily operations. UMW spent 33.6% or RM1.6bn of its procurement budget on local suppliers, which represented 44.5% of its total suppliers. The group aims to include more social and governance aspects into its procurement process in order to develop a sustainable supply chain for long-term value creation.

#### **Implications**

We believe supporting local suppliers will help to foster growth of its domestic vendor ecosystem and contribute to the local economy. UMW-Toyota is also incentivised to increase local content adoption for its completely-knocked down (CKD) programme. This will allow the group to benefit from higher excise duty waivers under the industrial linkage programme.

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## **BY THE NUMBERS**



(RMm)	Dec-21A	Dec-22A	Dec-23F	Dec-24F	Dec-25F
Total Net Revenues	11,061	15,814	15,012	15,898	16,922
Gross Profit	1,770	2,530	2,252	2,544	2,708
Operating EBITDA	627	940	867	1,033	1,058
Depreciation And Amortisation	(344)	(341)	(343)	(354)	(365)
Operating EBIT	283	600	524	679	693
Financial Income/(Expense)	(59)	(44)	(3)	(44)	(41)
Pretax Income/(Loss) from Assoc.	268	335	315	333	376
Non-Operating Income/(Expense)	0	0	0	0	0
Profit Before Tax (pre-EI)	492	891	837	968	1,028
Exceptional Items	(9)	6	0	0	0
Pre-tax Profit	483	896	837	968	1,028
Taxation	33	(219)	(192)	(232)	(252)
Exceptional Income - post-tax					
Profit After Tax	516	678	644	736	776
Minority Interests	(247)	(263)	(205)	(277)	(281)
Preferred Dividends					
FX Gain/(Loss) - post tax					
Other Adjustments - post-tax					
Net Profit	268	415	439	459	496
Recurring Net Profit	259	421	439	459	496
Fully Diluted Recurring Net Profit	259	421	439	459	496

Cash Flow					
(RMm)	Dec-21A	Dec-22A	Dec-23F	Dec-24F	Dec-25F
EBITDA	627.0	940.1	866.8	1,032.7	1,058.1
Cash Flow from Invt. & Assoc.					
Change In Working Capital	(232.4)	524.8	(1,558.5)	(235.7)	(272.0)
(Incr)/Decr in Total Provisions					
Other Non-Cash (Income)/Expense					
Other Operating Cashflow	364.5	369.5	342.8	353.8	364.8
Net Interest (Paid)/Received	(59.5)	(44.0)	(2.5)	(43.8)	(40.6)
Tax Paid	(74.0)	(139.1)	(192.4)	(232.4)	(251.9)
Cashflow From Operations	625.7	1,651.4	(543.8)	874.7	858.3
Capex	(406.2)	(509.9)	(400.0)	(400.0)	(400.0)
Disposals Of FAs/subsidiaries					
Acq. Of Subsidiaries/investments					
Other Investing Cashflow	48.7	70.2	78.6	38.2	44.8
Cash Flow From Investing	(357.5)	(439.8)	(321.4)	(361.8)	(355.2)
Debt Raised/(repaid)					
Proceeds From Issue Of Shares					
Shares Repurchased					
Dividends Paid	(67.8)	(165.9)	(175.2)	(182.3)	(198.6)
Preferred Dividends					
Other Financing Cashflow	(69.9)	(69.9)	(70.0)	(70.0)	(70.0)
Cash Flow From Financing	(137.6)	(235.7)	(245.2)	(252.3)	(268.6)
Total Cash Generated	130.6	975.9	(1,110.5)	260.6	234.5
Free Cashflow To Equity	268.2	1,211.6	(865.2)	512.9	503.1
Free Cashflow To Firm	376.4	1,325.7	(784.1)	594.9	588.6

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Balance Sheet					
(RMm)	Dec-21A	Dec-22A	Dec-23F	Dec-24F	Dec-25F
Total Cash And Equivalents	2,941	2,808	1,591	1,793	1,994
Total Debtors	1,052	1,232	2,310	2,446	2,604
Inventories	1,752	2,046	2,483	2,630	2,799
Total Other Current Assets	635	280	280	280	280
Total Current Assets	6,380	6,365	6,664	7,149	7,676
Fixed Assets	2,545	2,706	2,763	2,810	2,845
Total Investments	270	209	209	209	209
Intangible Assets	0	0	0	0	0
Total Other Non-Current Assets	2,977	3,137	3,137	3,137	3,137
Total Non-current Assets	5,793	6,052	6,109	6,155	6,190
Short-term Debt	638	212	212	212	212
Current Portion of Long-Term Debt					
Total Creditors	2,249	3,293	3,250	3,297	3,352
Other Current Liabilities	133	97	97	97	97
Total Current Liabilities	3,020	3,602	3,559	3,607	3,661
Total Long-term Debt	2,095	1,340	1,340	1,340	1,340
Hybrid Debt - Debt Component					
Total Other Non-Current Liabilities	295	335	335	335	335
Total Non-current Liabilities	2,390	1,675	1,675	1,675	1,675
Total Provisions	0	0	0	0	0
Total Liabilities	5,410	5,277	5,234	5,282	5,336
Shareholders' Equity	4,005	4,350	4,544	4,751	4,978
Minority Interests	2,758	2,790	2,995	3,272	3,552
Total Equity	6,763	7,140	7,539	8,023	8,530

Key Ratios					
	Dec-21A	Dec-22A	Dec-23F	Dec-24F	Dec-25F
Revenue Growth	15.8%	43.0%	(5.1%)	5.9%	6.4%
Operating EBITDA Growth	(11.9%)	49.9%	(7.8%)	19.1%	2.5%
Operating EBITDA Margin	5.67%	5.94%	5.77%	6.50%	6.25%
Net Cash Per Share (RM)	0.18	1.07	0.03	0.21	0.38
BVPS (RM)	3.43	3.72	3.89	4.07	4.26
Gross Interest Cover	2.62	5.25	6.46	8.28	8.11
Effective Tax Rate	0.0%	24.4%	23.0%	24.0%	24.5%
Net Dividend Payout Ratio	27.7%	26.4%	27.8%	26.3%	26.6%
Accounts Receivables Days	36.95	26.35	43.05	54.74	54.46
Inventory Days	62.69	52.18	64.77	70.06	69.70
Accounts Payables Days	26.14	20.53	23.59	22.66	22.54
ROIC (%)	4.14%	9.11%	8.72%	8.90%	8.77%
ROCE (%)	3.61%	7.36%	6.78%	7.68%	7.51%
Return On Average Assets	4.67%	7.60%	6.66%	7.76%	7.87%

Key Drivers					
	Dec-21A	Dec-22A	Dec-23F	Dec-24F	Dec-25F
USDMYR	4.4	4.4	4.2	4.1	4.1

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