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业绩符合预期, 分红、回购超预期

Results in Line with Expectations; Dividends and Share Repurchase Program Exceed Expectations

观点聚焦 Investment Focus

维持优于大市 Maintain OUTPERFORM 评级 优于大市 OUTPERFORM 现价 US\$21.02 US\$31.40 目标价 5.0-5.0-5.0 E-S-G: 0-5, (Please refer to the Appendix for ESG comments) 市值 US\$17.08bn 日交易额 (3 个月均值) US\$77.86mn 606.77mn 发行股票数目 自由流通股(%) 99% 1年股价最高最低值 US\$29.16-US\$16.08 注: 现价 US\$21.02 为 2024 年 3 月 22 日收盘价 Price Return — — MSCI China 115 100 85 70 55 Jul-23 Nov-23 Mar-23 资料来源: Factset 1mth 3mth 12mth 绝对值 10.7% 5.0% -24.6% 绝对值(美元) 10.7% 5.0% -24.6% 相对 MSCI China 11.3% 2.8% -9.2% (Rmb mn) Dec-23A Dec-24E Dec-25E Dec-26E 营业收入 38,419 42.849 48.794 55,126 (+/-) 9% 12% 14% 13% 净利润 9,803 11,301 12,610 9,000 (+/-) 29% 9% 15% 12% 全面摊薄 EPS 10.73 11.68 15.03 (Rmb) 30.6% 30.3% 毛利率 净资产收益率 15.8% 15.2% 15.0% 14.5% 市盈率 14 13 10 11

(Please see APPENDIX 1 for English summary)

公司发布 23Q4 及 23 年全年业绩:

23Q4 公司实现营业收入 106.2 亿元/+7.6%, 实现净利润 22.1 亿元/+3.8%, 调整后净利润 22.1 亿元/+4.4%。23 年全年公司营业收入384.2 亿元/+8.6%, 实现净利润 87.5 亿元/+31.5%, 调整后净利润90.06 亿元/+32.3%。

单票收入:公司 23Q4 单票快递收入为 1.19 元/-18.2%,同比下降 0.27 元,环比 23Q3 上涨 0.02 元。公司 23 年全年单票快递收入为 1.24 元/-11.3%,同比 22 年下降 0.16 元。

单票成本:公司 23Q4 单票成本为 0.83 元/-20.2%,同比下降 0.21 元,环比 23Q3 增长 0.01 元。23Q4 单票核心成本(运输+分拨)为 0.71 元/-15.5%,同比下降 0.13 元,环比 23Q3 增加 0.01 元。23 年全年单票成本为 0.86 元/-16.5%,同比下降 0.17 元。23 年单票核心成本(运输+分拨)为 0.72 元/-13.3%,同比下降 0.11 元,其中输成本为 0.45 元,同比下降 0.06 元,单票分拨成本为 0.27 元,同比下降 0.05 元。23Q4 及 23 全年单票成本下降明显,主要得益于精细化运营管理和规模效应。

单票调整后利润:公司 23Q4 单票调整后净利润为 0.25 元/-21.8%,同比下降 0.07 元,环比下降 0.06 元,单票利润略微下滑。23 年单票调整后利润 0.3 元/+7.1%,同比提升 0.02 元。

业务量及份额: 23Q4, 市场份额环比持平为 22.4%, 23 年全年公司实现了业务量增量 58亿件,同比增长 23.8%,市场份额扩大 0.8个百分点至 22.9%,同时也保持了优质的服务及客户满意度。业务量指引和市占率目标: 预计公司 2024年业务量达到 347.3亿至356.4亿件,同比增长 15%至 18%。

分红与回购:公司董事会已批准自 2024 年开始半年度定期现金股息政策,分红比例不低于 40%。同时公司或将股份回购计划扩大 5亿美元至 20 亿美元,并将生效时间延长一年至 2025 年 6 月 30 日。

盈利预测与投资建议: 我们预计 2024 年归母净利润同比增长 9.1%至 95.53 亿元,调整后净利润同比增长 8.9%至 98.03 亿元。我们认为公司的长期投资价值保持不变,给予公司 2024E 18X PE(原为17x),维持目标价 31.40 美元和"优于大市"的评级。

风险提示: 宏观经济增速低于预期,行业恶性价格战卷土重来,公司业务量增速不及预期,人力成本大幅提升。

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财务报表分析和预测

Key ratios	2023	2024E	2025E	2026E	IS (RMBm)	2023	2024E	2025	2026E
Profitability	2023	20246	20235	20202	Revenue	38,419	42,849	48,794	55,126
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Gross margin (%)	30.4%	30.6%	30.6%	30.3%	COGS	(26,756)	(29,756)	(33,858)	(38,417)
Net margin (non-GAAP)	23.4%	22.9%	23.2%	22.9%	GPM (%)	30.36%	30.56%	30.61%	30.31%
ROE (non-GAAP)	15.8%	15.2%	15.0%	14.5%	SG&A expense (ex-SBC)	(2,022)	(2,271)	(2,586)	(2,922)
ROA (non-GAAP)	10.8%	10.7%	11.1%	11.0%	EBIT (ex-SBC)	10,263	11,679	13,326	14,890
					Adj EBITDA	14,107	15,861	18,005	20,086
Growth (%)					Net financing income (expense)	417	353	555	605
Revenue growth	8.6%	11.5%	13.9%	13.0%	Taxation	(1,939)	(2,239)	(2,590)	(2,897)
EBIT growth (ex-SBC)	29.7%	13.8%	14.1%	11.7%	Effective tax rate (%)	18.1%	19.0%	19.0%	19.0%
Net profit growth (non-gaap)	29.4%	8.9%	15.3%	11.6%	Minority interests	-5.5	4.8	5.6	6.3
					Net income to ord equity	8,749	9,553	11,051	12,360
Balance Sheet					Adj. net income to ord equity	9,000	9,803	11,301	12,610
Debt ratio	31.9%	26.3%	24.8%	23.0%	Adj. basic EPS (RMB/share)	11.14	12.11	13.96	15.58
Net debt / (net cash)	(12,709)	(18,129)	(25,461)	(33,242)	Adj. diluted EPS (RMB/share)	10.73	11.68	13.47	15.03
Current ratio	1.3	1.6	1.9	2.3					
Quick ratio	1.0	1.2	1.5	1.8	Balance Sheet (RMBm)	2023E	2024E	2025E	2026E
					Cash	12,334	10,988	16,320	22,101
Operating metrics					Short-term investment	7,455	7,455	9,455	11,455
AR days	11.5	11.5	11.5	11.5	Account receivable	573	1,712	1,714	1,712
Inventory days	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	Other current assets	7,992	10,854	12,245	12,676
AP days	35.0	35.0	35.0	35.0	Total current assets	26,954	27,193	35,418	44,429
Cash cycle days	-22.5	-22.5	-22.5	-22.5	Property and equipment, net	32,181	35,948	38,101	39,851
					Land use rights, net	5,637	8,118	10,392	13,104
Valuation					Intangible assets	23	19	0	-4
P/E	13.64	12.55	10.88	9.75	Goodwill	4,242	4,242	4,242	4,242
P/B	1.9	1.6	1.4	1.2	Total non-current assets	61,512	67,936	72,731	77,585
					Total assets	88,465	95,129	108,149	122,014
					Account payable	2,557	3,150	3,344	4,024
Cash flow (RMBm)	2023E	2024E	2025E	2026E	Advances from customers	1,746	1,833	1,925	2,021
Net profit	8,754	9,548	11,046	12,354	Other current liabilities	7,992	10,854	12,245	12.676
Share-based compensation	255	250	250	250	Total current liabilities	20,061	16,837	18,513	19,721
Depreciation and amortization	2,875	3,628	4,074	4,540	Lease liabilities	456	500	500	500
Operating cash flow	13,361	13,644	15,089	17,035	Other long-term liabilities	7,668	7,719	7,774	7,833
Capex	(8,000)	(8,000)	(8,500)	(9,000)	Total non-current liabilities	8,124	8,219	8,274	8,333
Free cash flow (FCF)	5,361	5,644	6,589	8,035	Total liabilities	28,185	25,055	26,787	28,054
Investment cash flow	(12,253)	(8,250)	(9,750)	(11,248)	Share capital	0.5	0.5	0.0	0.0
					•				
Financing cash flow	(770)	(6,771)	(7)	(6)	Retain earnings reserves	36,301	45,854	56,905	69,265
Net cash change	448	(1,377)	5,332	5,781	Minority interests	479	474	468	462

22,787

Total shareholder's equity

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13,051

资料来源:公司数据,HTI



93,960

70,073

60,280

81,362

APPENDIX 1

Summary

In 4Q23, ZTO recorded revenue of Rmb10.62bn/+7.6%, and non-GAAP net profit of Rm2.21bn/+4.4%, with implying market share of 22.4%.

Earnings forecast and Investment recommendations. We forcast ZTO's FY24E non-GAAP net profit increase by 8.9% YoY to Rmb9803m and believe the company's long-term investment value remain intact. We give 18X 2024E PE and get a reasonable value of USD31.40 per share, and we maintain the "Outperform" rating.

Risks: Slower-than-expected macroeconomic growth, intensified price war, slower-than-expected parcel volume growth, and significant increase in labor cost.

APPENDIX 2

ESG Comments

Environmental:

 ${\tt JD\ Logistics\ released\ the\ Carbon\ Neutral\ Guide\ for\ Logistics\ Parks\ and\ initiated\ Supply\ Chain\ Decarbonization\ Action.}$

Social:

In 2022, JD Logistics' frontline employee benefit expenses reached RMB 44.6 bn, accounting for 32.5% of total revenue.

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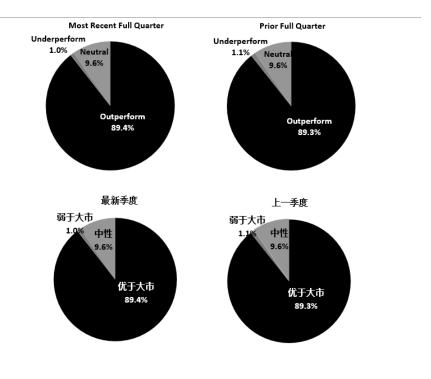
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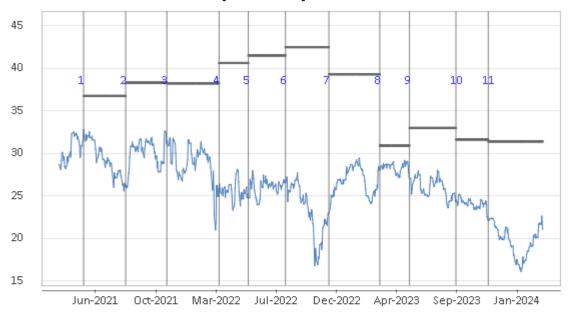
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- 1. 20 May 2021 OUTPERFORM at 31.79 target 36.75.
- 2. 23 Aug 2021 OUTPERFORM at 26.46 target 38.32.
- 3. 24 Nov 2021 OUTPERFORM at 31.12 target 38.24.
- 4. 22 Mar 2022 OUTPERFORM at 24.93 target 40.63.
- 5. 29 May 2022 OUTPERFORM at 24.77 target 41.52.
- 6. 19 Aug 2022 OUTPERFORM at 26.63 target 42.5.
- 7. 25 Nov 2022 OUTPERFORM at 22.9 target 39.31.
- 8. 20 Mar 2023 OUTPERFORM at 28.45 target 30.91.
- 9. 28 May 2023 OUTPERFORM at 27.04 target 32.98.
- 10. 10 Sep 2023 OUTPERFORM at 24.48 target 31.63.
- 11. 20 Nov 2023 OUTPERFORM at 22.55 target 31.4.

Source: Company data Bloomberg, HTI estimates

