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Delek Group (DELKG.TA - ILS 425.10) 3-Underweight

Operating Results

No Surprises from the Delek Group

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Investment Conclusion

□ Delek's Q2 results were negatively affected by higher cost of financing and weakness in the real estate and energy sectors. We are encouraged by the Group's constant search for new investments and believe that when opportunities arise mngmt will know when to act. At the same time, we see the potential ST catalyst from an IPO of the desalination business as remote. We maintain our PT and rating and are reviewing our model.

FY Dec	2007A	200	8E	200	9E	201	0E
Currency ILS	Actual	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New
Revenues	29657	30843	30843	32077	32077	N/A	N/A
Net Income (m)	947	1111	1111	1162	1162	N/A	N/A
EPS	81.11	95.08	95.08	99.50	99.50	N/A	N/A
DPS	48.9	57.4	57.4	60.0	60.0	N/A	N/A
Dividend Yield	11.5	13.5	13.5	14.1	14.1	N/A	N/A

Summary

- □ Refining margins in the US (we view the recent spike as temporary) will likely continue to be weak through the course of 2008 and 2009. We recently reiterated our bearish view on US refiners continue to be cautious on the stock and the sector.
- □ Delek Auto was the main bright spot in Q2 however; we believe that 2H 2008 will prove to be difficult for DLEA and that solid growth vs. 07 is already priced into the valuation.
- ☐ Catalysts from IPOs remain remote in our view as we believe that Delek's partners at IDE are reluctant to take the company public.

Stock Rating		Target Price		
New:	3-Underweight	New:	ILS 580.00	
Old:	3-Underweight	Old:	ILS 580.00	

Sector View: 2-Neutral

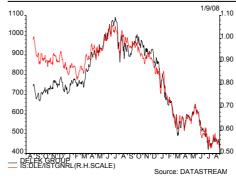
Market Data

Market Cap (m)	4918
Units Outstanding (m)	11.6
Float (%)	41
Net Distribution Yield (%)	11.50
Convertible	No
Shares per ADR	N/A

Financial Summary

Current BVPS	N/A
Net Debt (m)	N/A

Stock Overview



Reuters	DELKG.TA		
Bloomberg	DLEKG IT		
ADR			
Performance	1M	3M	12M
Absolute %	-2	-31	-54
Rel. Market %	0	-22	-48
Rel Sector %	-1	-14	-35
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52 Week Range 1004.00 - 420.00

The hunt for Catalysts

Historically Delek has realised shareholder value through IPOs. IDE, the water desalination business, remains the top candidate for an IPO and as stated in the Q2 report an offering has been delayed since the end of 2007 citing market conditions. We do not believe that market conditions will improve enough in 2008 that would allow the Group to IPO IDE.

Two of the Group's other assets (Delek Israel Fuel and Delek Energy) have filed shelf prospectus that would allow them to raise cash through either a debt or equity offering. Each of these assets are +88% owned by the Group and we believe that increased liquidity would help to boost the value of the assets. That being said, a secondary offering of shares would not provide the Group with a cash capital gain that could be used to pay dividends.

The final catalysts for Delek are growth through acquisition. Delek's subsidiaries Delek US and Delek Europe are both examining opportunities. In the US, Delek USA ended the possible acquisition of a fuel refinery, retail, wholesale and marketing operation saying that the asking price was too high. Similarly, Delek Europe's period of exclusivity to purchase gas stations in Europe ended without an

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agreement. We believe that the Group's management is acting prudently and will continue to search for attractive assets at attractive prices.

Results

Delek's Q2 results reflected the difficult environment for financial, real estate and energy assets which account for close to 60% of the Group's NAV. Additionally, financing expenses driven by higher than expected CPI. On the conference call management stated that in the long run it has benefitted from relatively low coupons of 4.5% - 5% and that short durations make it unaffordable and undesirable to hedge the exposure.

On an absolute basis revenues were up 44% in 1H 2008 vs. 1H 2007 and operating income up 3% in the same period. The main reason that operating income did not grow at the same rate was the consolidation of acquisitions in the Benelux region and the UK.

Delek announced an ILS 25 million dividend amounting to c50% of net income.

Figure 1: Delek Group Market Cap Based NAV Model

Public	Methodology	Value of Holding (NIS m) % of	Gross NAV	Tota
Energy				
Significant Energy Holdings				
Delek US	Market Price	1,089	8.3%	
Delek Energy	Market Price	1,033	7.9%	
Delek Israel Fuel	Market Price	1,732	13.2%	
Other Energy Holdings	Market Price	200	1.5%	
Total Public Energy Holdings				4,054
Real Estate				
Significant Real Estate Holdings				
Delek Real Estate	Market Price	577	4.4%	
Total Public Real Estate Holdings				577
Insurance and Financial Holdings				
Significant Insurance and Financial Holdings				
Phoenix	Market Price	953	7.3%	
Other Insurance and Financial Holdings	Market Price	36	0.3%	
Total Public Insurance and Financial Holdings				989
Automotive/Other				
Delek Automotive	Market Price	2,244	17.2%	
Other Holdings	Market Price	681	5.2%	
Total Public Automotive and Other Holdings				2,925
Sub-total				8,544
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Private	Methodology	Value of Holding (NIS m) % of	Gross NAV	
Energy		<u> </u>		
IDE (Desalinization)	1.5x '07 revenues	899	6.9%	
Delek Europe	Purchase price	747	5.7%	
Other Energy Holdings	Market Price	550	4.2%	
Total Private Energy Holdings				2,196
Other Holdings	Market Price	1273	9.7%	1273
Insurance and Financial Holdings	1.0x BV at Q2 2008	1,067	8.2%	1,067
Sub-total		·		4,536
Gross Asset Value				13,080
Net Debt (Cash)				4,365
Net Asset Value				8,715
				6,715 746
NAV per Share				
DELKG price				410
Discount to NAV				45%

Source: Lehman Brothers Estimates and Datastream

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ILS 425.10 (29-Aug-2008)

3-Underweight / 2-Neutral

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Currency=ILS

Date	Closing Price	Rating	Price Target
15-Jul-08	423.20		580.00
15-Jul-08	423.20	3 -Underweight	

Date	Closing Price	Rating	Price Target
02-Apr-08	558.00	1 -Overweight	

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