

# Odesaoblenergo

# Risk of dilution is higher now

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# Tickers

Bloomberg	ODEN UZ
Market information	
Market price, USD	1.7
MCap, USD mln	354.5
No of shares, mln:	
Current	208.5
If add. issue is approved	608.5
Free float (current)	9.0%
Free float, USD mln	31.9

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#### Corporate Governance

Concorde Rating

\* The rating is based on Concorde Capital's corporate governance survey. O denotes quality corporate governance standards, AA above average standards, A - average, BA below average and P - poor.

#### **Shareholders**

NC ECU (State)	25.0%
VS Energy (Babakov)	54.8%
Zhevago Group	10.4%
Other	9.8%

#### Key financials and ratios

	Sales,	EBITDA	Net
	USD mln	margin	margin
2006	215.6	5.4%	0.4%
2007E	298.8	7.9%	0.4%
2008E	354.3	9.1%	0.6%
	EV/S	EV/EBITDA	P/E
2006	2.2	39.9	411
2007E	1.6	19.7	297
2008E	1.3	14.4	167

Current price: USD 1.65 (USD 0.61 diluted) 12M target (on a fully diluted basis): 0.68

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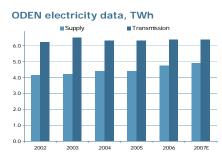
Yesterday, the government OK'd the privatization of a 25% stake in Odesaoblenergo. This makes it likely that its main shareholder, VS Energy, will increase its stake to 88% - enough to approve the results of a contentious additional share issue. On a fully diluted basis our 12M target (USD 0.68) implies a 59% downside. As most minorities had not subscribed, our recommendation is SELL.

#### **INVESTMENT CASE**

- High dilution risk: a 2.9 times charter fund increase was conducted in January 2007, but approval of the issue has been being blocked by the state. The company's privatization (VS Energy is the most likely buyer) could allow VS Energy to approve the issue, diluting the stakes of those who had not subscribed
- No bankruptcy risk: USD 160 mln in payables restructured as early as 2006
- The stock was relisted on the PFTS in December 2007

#### Odesa region on Ukrainian map





Source: Energobiznes, Concorde Capital estimates

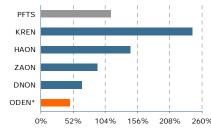
## **KEY FACTS ABOUT ODESAOBLENERGO**

- Transmits and supplies electricity to Odesa region, Ukraine's largest by area
- Total length of gridlines: 43.5 ths km
- Total transformer capacity: 5.6 GVA

## Performance, 12M



## Sector Performance, 12M



## **ODEN market. USD**



Source: PFTS \* ODEN 12M performance was calculated from Dec. 3, 2007. Note: Oblenergo Index is MCap-weighted, includes Dniprooblenergo (DNON), Kharkivoblenergo (HAON), Krymenergo (KREN) and Zaporizhiaoblenergo (ZAON).



# **Valuation summary**

Implied MCap of Odesaoblenergo, as derived in our December 6, 2007 report, is USD 400 mln, or USD 1.92 per share at the current number of shares. The implied share price on a fully diluted basis, after the approval of the share issue, is USD 0.68. Dilution effect is not factored into the market price yet – thus we expect a correction.

We believe dilution is realistic now that Odesaoblenergo is on the privatization list for 2008. There is high probability that VS Energy wins a privatization tender, accumulates a 88% stake, and approve results of the additional share issue at EGM. We thus set our 12M target on a fully diluted basis: USD 0.68 per share (59% downside), and recommend SELL.



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