

**23 August 2006**
**BP Plastics Holding Bhd**
**Results Note**
**Stock Code: 5100**
**Price: RM1.14**
**Market Capitalisation: RM136.8m**
**Board: Main**
**Sector: Industrial**
**Recommendation: BUY**
**Key Stock Statistics**

<u>FYE Dec</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006F</u>
EPS (sen)	17.1	21.8
P/E (x)	6.7	5.2
Dividend/Share (sen)	7.0	7.0
NTA/Share (RM)	0.72	0.82
Book Value/Share (RM)	0.70	0.80
Issued Capital (mil shares)	120.0	120.0
52-weeks Share Price Range	RM0.90-RM1.49	

**Major Shareholders:**

	<u>%</u>
LG Capital	45

**Per Share Data**

<u>FYE Dec (RMm)</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006F</u>	<u>2007F</u>
Book Value (RM)	-	0.5	0.70	0.8	1.0
Cash Flow (sen)	-	1.1	24.8	28.6	29.3
Earnings (sen)	8.9	12.3	17.1	21.8	24.0
Dividend (sen)	-	-	7.0	7.0	7.0
Payout Ratio (%)	-	-	41.0	32.0	29.2
PER (x)	12.8	9.3	6.7	5.2	4.7
P/Cash Flow (x)	-	-	4.6	4.0	3.9
P/Book Value (x)	-	-	1.6	1.4	1.2
Dividend Yield (%)	-	-	6.1	6.1	6.1
ROE (%)	-	-	28.1	28.8	26.6
Net Gearing (%)	-	-	(8.5)	Net Cash	Net Cash

**P&L Analysis (RM m)**

<u>FYE Dec (RMm)</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006F</u>	<u>2007F</u>
Revenue	64.9	122.1	160.5	228.5	254.8
Operating Profit	12.6	17.3	22.4	31.0	33.3
Depreciation	-2.2	-3.2	-3.7	-4.7	-5.1
Interest Expenses	-0.2	-0.3	-0.4	-0.4	-0.4
Pre-tax Profit	12.9	17.9	23.4	31.6	34.7
Effective Tax Rate	17.5	17.7	12.5	17.0	17.0
Net Profit	10.7	14.7	20.5	26.2	28.8
Operating Margin	19.5	14.2	14.0	13.6	13.1
Pre-tax Margin	19.9	14.6	14.6	13.8	13.6
Net Margin	16.4	12.1	12.8	11.5	11.3

**Results Review & Earnings Outlook**
**1H06 results in line, margins down due to higher costs**

BPP's 1H06 results came in line with our expectations with revenue and net profit increasing by 29.8% and 13.0% yoy respectively. The surge in revenue was attributed to the increase in sales due to additional capacity. Recall that BPP increased its capacity by 56.25% to 60,000MT pa in Dec 05. However, as a result of higher raw material and operating costs, operating margins fell from 15.0% in 1H05 to 12.6%. This is in line with our expectations as higher resin prices are evident worldwide and resin constitutes more than 80% of raw material cost.

**Sequential improvement due to higher sales**

Sequentially, revenue was up 8.7% while net profit was up 8.3%. This increase was attributed to higher sales during 2Q06. As seen in the 1H06 results, there was a slight margins erosion (operating margins down from 12.7% in 1Q06 to 12.5%). The dip in margins can also be attributed to the change in product mix for stretch and blown films from 70:30 previously to 75:25, as there is higher demand for lower margin stretch film.

**1H06 seasonally weaker, annualised results thus lower**

Merely annualised, 1H06 revenue and net profit were 12.2% and 15.6% lower than our FY06 estimates. However, BPP usually has a seasonally stronger second half of the year. Also, there were higher start-up costs and teething problems with the new lines installed in Dec 05 as mentioned in our previous report.

**2H06 to be strong with growing demand for products**

Going forward, we are expecting 3Q06 and 4Q06 to be seasonally stronger. With sufficient capacity to meet growing demand and the new lines working efficiently, margins are expected to improve as economies of scale can be achieved. Consequently, we expect revenue and earnings to be stronger in 2H06 and therefore leaving our forecast unchanged.

**Valuation and Recommendation**

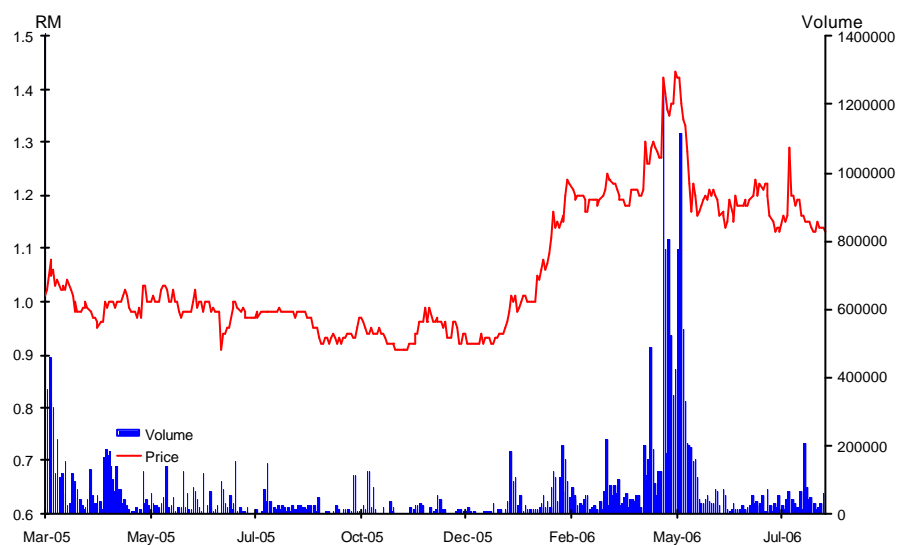
We are maintaining our **BUY** recommendation on BPP with an unchanged target price of **RM1.68**, which is derived from its peers' average PER of 7.7x. We continue to like the stock for its decent earnings growth, constant delivery of earnings, cheap valuations of 5.2x FY06 EPS and a decent net dividend yield of 6.1%.

**Figure 1: Quarterly Results Comparison**

	2QFY05	1QFY06	2QFY06	QoQ	YoY
Revenue	38.9	48.1	52.2	8.7%	34.4%
Operating Profit	5.7	6.1	6.5	7.2%	14.4%
Int expense	-0.1	-0.2	-0.2	5.3%	62.2%
Int income	0.2	0.2	0.1	-32.8%	-27.4%
Pre-tax Profit	5.8	6.1	6.5	6.0%	12.4%
Net Profit	4.9	5.3	5.8	8.3%	17.5%
Operating Margin	14.7%	12.7%	12.5%	nm	nm
Pre-tax Margin	14.9%	12.8%	12.5%	nm	nm
Net Margin	12.6%	11.1%	11.0%	nm	nm

**Figure 2: Cumulative Results Comparison**

	Ytd FY05	Ytd FY06	Ytd Chg
Revenue	77.2	100.3	29.8%
Operating Profit	11.6	12.7	9.4%
Int expense	-0.2	-0.3	0.0%
Int income	0.3	0.3	0.0%
Pre-tax Profit	11.7	12.7	8.4%
Net Profit	9.8	11.1	13.0%
Operating Margin	15.0%	12.6%	nm
Pre-tax Margin	15.1%	12.6%	nm
Net Margin	12.7%	11.0%	nm

**Figure 3: BPP's share price performance and volume**


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