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Microsoft Corporation (MSFT-US) Software

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- MSFT continues to focus on incorporating Artificial Intelligence (Al) across its product lines.
- MSFT's Bing search engine continues to gain market share.
- MSFT's Strong balance sheet and cash flow will continue to drive greater cash to shareholders.

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Research Action:
Rating Upgrade

Float:

NOPAT:

Rating: Buy
Prior Rating: Buy
Price 05/05/2017: \$69.00
52 Week High / \$69.71
Low: \$48.04

Key Data: (TTM as an of Mar-17)

Excess Cash per Share: \$18.38

Annual Dividend: \$1.56

Dividend Yield: 2.26%

Ave. Volume (30 Day): 23.9M

Shares Outstanding: 7,720.5M

Equity MV: \$532,715.9M Sales TTM: \$86,833.0M Beta: 1.13 EBITDAR: \$41,645.8M

7,530.0M

\$18,237.4M

Total Invested Capital: \$161,572.0M

Return on Capital: 13.15%

Cost of Capital: 6.72%

Economic Profit: \$8,917.1M

Market Value Added: \$411,104.4M

Current Operations Value: \$271,403.1M

Future Growth Value: \$301,273.4M

- We reiterate our buy rating on MSFT and believe further upside in the shares exists. Business Performance continues to accelerate, driven by continued strength in Office 365, growth of Azure, the integration of LinkedIn and its dominant enterprise position. MSFT's acquisition of LinkedIn will expand its corporate focused social media presence. Its dominant position in gaming and Bing search engine along with its Cortina personal assistant and cloud platform will help expand its presence in the Internet of things. MSFT is well-positioned to continue to grow Economic Profit along with its ongoing return of capital will continue to drive increasing shareholder value creation.
- Business Performance continues to accelerate, driven by continued strength in Office 365, growth of Azure, the integration of LinkedIn and its dominant enterprise position. Y/Y revenue growth increased only slightly from \$86.43 billion to \$86.83 billion over the LTM. Increases in cloud services and office 365 subscriptions were offset by the decline in personal computing and Surface sales. We estimate an increase of 17% to \$101.6 billion over the NTM driven by increases in Office 365 subscriptions, increasing cloud services and the integration of LinkedIn. Economic Operating Cash Flow (EBITDAR) increased Y/Y 3.9% from \$43.2 billion to \$44.9 billion over the LTM. Contributions from higher margin cloud services and LinkedIn will increase EBITDAR 15.2% to \$51.7 billion over the NTM. Net Operating Profit After Tax (NOPAT) increased 16.2% from \$16.373 billion to \$19.43 billion over the LTM driven by growth of higher margin businesses and greater operating efficiencies. We forecast an increase of 13% to \$22 billion over the NTM. Y/Y Return on Capital increased from 13.07% to 13.31% and see a further increase to 14.7% over the NTM. Economic Profit increased 9.82% Y/Y from \$9.46 billion to \$10.34 billion over the LTM. We forecasted increase of 10.4% to \$11.46 billion over the NTM. The increase in Economic Profit, along with MSFT's ongoing return of capital to shareholders should continue to drive a significant increase in shareholder value.



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- Sales of cloud-based products continue to be the primary driver of MSFT's revenue growth. Azure currently has an annual run rate of over \$15 billion and is growing more than 100% a year. MSFT's hybrid cloud strategy is a major differentiator against Amazon's (AMZN-US, Buy rated) Web services (AWS) currently the largest public cloud operator. MSFT's Azure Stack will continue to accelerate the adoption of hybrid clouds. MSFT is focusing on large enterprise corporate operators with current on premise architecture that are slowly moving applications to the cloud. MSFT is focusing on engaging companies that are in the process of moving to the cloud but still maintain their own in-house server platform. Currently 85% of the Fortune 500 companies are now using some form of MSFT's cloud services.
- MSFT will continue to expand its cloud platform to support the Internet of Things (IoT). MSFT has partnered with a number of auto manufacturers to provide a cloud-based information services platform for the connected car as auto manufacturers continue to expand its infotainment systems and create a more personalized in-car experience. By increasing connectivity to the car, auto manufacturers diagnose problems in real time and push upgrades to a car's onboard computer reducing the need for expensive recalls and alert drivers of potential problems.
- MSFT continues to focus on incorporating Artificial Intelligence (AI) across its product lines. MSFT launched its personal assistant Cortina with Windows 10. Cortina has cognitive abilities so it learns user behavior to improve its results. Cortina's features are increasingly being used across MSFT's product line. MSFT is offering a platform for clients to build cognitive capabilities using the Cortina Intelligence suite. This provides data management, machine learning, visualization, and preconfigured algorithms to clients looking to develop AI-based solutions. This also helps MSFT expand its Azure cloud infrastructure platform.
- MSFT's Bing search engine continues to gain market share. Bing is gaining market share from smaller search rivals and is also benefiting from strategic partnerships including Yahoo (YHOO-US, Neutral Rated), HP (HPQ-US, Neutral Rated) and Facebook (FB-US, Strong Buy Rated). HP incorporates Bing in its PCs as the default search engine and FB uses Bing to support its graph search. Bing is also the default search engine for the world's largest and dominant operating system, Microsoft Windows. Bing is also the default engine for Apple's (AAPL-Us, Strong Buy rated) personal assistant Siri.



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MSFT's Strong balance sheet and cash flow will continue to drive greater cash to shareholders. MSFT currently has \$129 billion, \$16.71 a share, in excess cash and we expect it to generate \$51.7 billion of Economic Operating Cash Flow (EBITDAR) over the NTM which will continue to fund acquisitions and return cash to shareholders through ongoing dividend increases and share repurchases. MSFT currently yields 2.27% which is slightly below the S&P average and has increased its dividend 15.8% over the past five years. In September 2016, MSFT announced an open market purchase of \$40 billion worth of stock. This comes after it announced a \$40 billion repurchase in October 2013. Since 1993, MFST has announced repurchases of over \$342 billion worth of shares including a \$155 billion Dutch Auction in 2006.

Investment Thesis

MSFT continues to drive greater revenue through an evolving software as a service (SaaS) model through the launch of Office 365 and its Azure cloud platform. MSFT continues to expand its innovative capabilities to drive greater enterprise and in-home presence. MSFT is increasing margins through service-based offerings which will continue to drive greater economic profit and increasing shareholder value creation.



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Report Basis Reported Period Ending	LTM 03/31/2012	LTM 03/31/2013	LTM 03/31/2014	LTM 03/31/2015	LTM 03/31/2016	LTM 03/31/2017	NTM 03/31/2018	5 Yr Average	3 Yr Average	Current Trend
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Net Sales Revenue	\$73,229.0	\$75,841.0	\$83,193.0	\$94,463.0	\$86,425.0	\$86,833.0	\$101,568.2	\$85,351.0	\$89,240.3	\$94,200.6
Sales Growth	7.16%	3.57%	9.69%	13.55%	-8.51%	0.47%	16.97%	3.75%	1.84%	8.72%
Sales Growth Trend	10.68%	5.01%	7.24%	12.01%	0.31%	-3.12%	10.37%	4.29%	3.07%	3.63%
Operating Cash Flow (EBITDAR)	\$41,851.2	\$42,034.9	\$44,291.5	\$48,202.0	\$43,198.3	\$44,861.7	\$51,689.9	\$44,517.7	\$45,420.7	\$48,275.8
EBITDAR Margin	57.15%	55.43%	53.24%	51.03%	49.98%	51.66%	50.89%	52.27%	50.89%	51.28%
EBITDAR Growth	4.79%	0.44%	5.37%	8.83%	-10.38%	3.85%	15.22%	1.62%	0.77%	9.54%
Net Operating Profit Before Tax (NOPBT)	\$28,857.2	\$27,604.9	\$28,086.5	\$29,047.0	\$24,068.3	\$22,847.7	\$28,747.4	\$26,330.9	\$25,321.0	\$25,797.6
NOPBT Margin	39.41%	36.40%	33.76%	30.75%	27.85%	26.31%	28.30%	31.01%	28.30%	27.31%
NOPBT Growth	4.51%	-4.34%	1.74%	3.42%	-17.14%	-5.07%	25.82%	-4.28%	-6.26%	10.38%
Cash Operating Income Tax	\$4,992.0	\$6,308.7	\$5,087.5	\$7,402.4	\$7,343.1	\$3,422.1	\$6,800.8	\$5,912.8	\$6,055.9	\$5,111.4
Economic Tax Effective Rate	17.30%	22.85%	18.11%	25.48%	30.51%	14.98%	23.66%	22.39%	23.66%	19.32%
Net Operating Profit After Tax (NOPAT)	\$23,865.2	\$21,296.3	\$22,999.0	\$21,644.5	\$16,725.2	\$19,425.6	\$21,946.6	\$20,418.1	\$19,265.1	\$20,686.1
NOPAT Margin	32.59%	28.08%	27.65%	22.91%	19.35%	22.37%	21.61%	24.07%	21.55%	21.99%
NOPAT Growth	10.15%	-10.76%	8.00%	-5.89%	-22.73%	16.15%	12.98%	-3.05%	-4.16%	14.56%
Cash & Equivalents	\$68,597.0	\$85,676.0	\$103,217.0	\$107,457.0	\$116,867.0	\$133,399.0	\$147,233.3	\$109,323.2	\$119,241.0	\$140,316.1
Total Assets	\$118,010.0	\$134,105.0	\$156,119.0	\$176,683.0	\$181,869.0	\$225,017.0	\$248,352.6	\$174,758.6	\$194,523.0	\$236,684.8
Non - Interest Bearing Liabilities (NIBLs)	\$32,461.0	\$37,828.0	\$39,816.0	\$48,266.0	\$53,560.0	\$61,878.0	\$68,295.1	\$48,269.6	\$54,568.0	\$65,086.6
Net Assets	\$85,549.0	\$96,277.0	\$116,303.0	\$128,417.0	\$128,309.0	\$163,139.0	\$180,057.5	\$126,489.0	\$139,955.0	\$171,598.2
Economic Asset Adjustments	(\$134.1)	\$625.5	\$3,290.3	\$5,234.4	\$7,404.8	\$7,848.4	\$8,662.4	\$4,880.7	\$6,829.2	\$8,255.4
Net Operating Assets	\$85,414.9	\$96,902.5	\$119,593.3	\$133,651.4	\$135,713.8	\$170,987.4	\$188,719.9	\$131,369.7	\$146,784.2	\$179,853.6
Debt & Debt Equivalents	\$13,707.9	\$16,010.5	\$24,856.3	\$35,838.4	\$51,074.8	\$91,424.4	\$100,905.7	\$43,840.9	\$59,445.9	\$96,165.1
Equity & Equivalents	\$68,659.0	\$76,688.0	\$87,424.0	\$90,132.0	\$74,806.0	\$69,729.0	\$76,960.3	\$79,755.8	\$78,222.3	\$73,344.7
Total Capital - Financing Sources	\$82,366.9	\$92,698.5	\$112,280.3	\$125,970.4	\$125,880.8	\$161,153.4	\$177,866.0	\$123,596.7	\$137,668.2	\$169,509.7
Capital Adjustments	(\$1,904.0)	(\$1,190.0)	\$1,113.0	\$1,264.0	\$2,724.0	\$2,218.0	\$2,448.0	\$1,225.8	\$2,068.7	\$2,333.0
Net Capital Financing Sources	\$80,462.9	\$91,508.5	\$1,113.0	\$1,264.0	\$128,604.8	\$163,371.4	\$2,446.0	\$1,223.6	\$139,736.9	\$2,333.0
Net Capital Financing Sources	φου, 4 02.9	φ91,300.3	φ113,393.3	φ121,234.4	φ120,004.0	\$105,571.4	\$100,514.0	\$124,022.3	\$139,730.9	\$171,042.7
Net Working Capital	\$96.5	(\$1,189.0)	(\$707.3)	(\$2,155.9)	(\$4,195.8)	(\$11,578.4)	(\$12,779.1)	(\$3,965.3)	(\$5,976.7)	(\$12,178.7)
Cost of Net Working Capital	\$4.5	(\$31.3)	(\$62.4)	(\$86.7)	(\$179.6)	(\$486.4)	(\$536.9)	(\$169.3)	(\$250.9)	(\$511.6)
% of Revenue	0.01%	-0.04%	-0.08%	-0.09%	-0.21%	-0.56%	-0.53%	-0.20%	-0.29%	-0.54%
Operational Capital	\$10,091.4	\$9,830.5	\$13,241.0	\$16,189.6	\$17,316.0	\$16,014.1	\$17,674.9	\$14,518.2	\$16,506.6	\$16,844.5
Cost of Operational Capital	\$583.3	\$570.4	\$759.6	\$891.2	\$947.5	\$1,027.8	\$1,134.4	\$839.3	\$955.5	\$1,081.1
% of Revenue	0.80%	0.75%	0.91%	0.94%	1.10%	1.18%	1.12%	0.98%	1.07%	1.15%
Productive Capital	\$32,545.4	\$27,752.5	\$30,893.0	\$44,880.6	\$39,723.0	\$61,229.1	\$67,578.9	\$40,895.6	\$48,610.9	\$64,404.0
Cost of Productive Capital	\$1,640.9	\$1,726.3	\$1,930.7	\$2,294.5	\$2,392.4	\$3,113.0	\$3, <i>4</i> 35.8	\$2,291.4	\$2,600.0	\$3,274.4
% of Revenue	2.24%	2.28%	2.32%	2.43%	2.77%	3.59%	3.38%	2.68%	2.93%	3.48%
Total Operating Capital	\$20,479.4	\$15,018.5	\$20,536.0	\$30,917.6	\$23,168.0	\$41,930.1	\$46,278.5	\$26,314.0	\$32,005.2	\$44,104.3
Cost of Total Operating Capital	\$925.7	\$1,016.3	\$1,170.5	\$1,558.1	\$1,529.4	\$2,007.4	\$2,215.5	\$1,456.3	\$1,698.3	\$2,111.5
% of Revenue	1.26%	1.34%	1.41%	1.65%	1.77%	2.31%	2.18%	1.70%	1.91%	2.25%
Non - Operating Capital	\$64,935.6	\$81,884.0	\$99,057.4	\$102,733.9	\$112,545.8	\$129,057.4	\$142,441.4	\$105,055.7	\$114,779.0	\$135,749.4
Cost of Non - Operating Capital	\$3,611.5	\$4,203.4	\$5,957.0	\$6,110.6	\$6,087.6	\$7, <i>4</i> 50.1	\$8,222.7	\$5,961.7	\$6,549.4	\$7,836.4
% of Revenue	4.93%	5.54%	7.16%	6.47%	7.04%	8.58%	8.10%	6.96%	7.36%	8.34%
Total Capital	\$85,414.9	\$96,902.5	\$119,593.3	\$133,651.4	\$135,713.8	\$170,987.4	\$188,719.9	\$131,369.7	\$146,784.2	\$179,853.6
Cost of Total Capital	\$4,537.2	\$5,219.7	\$7,127.6	\$7,668.6	\$7,617.0	\$9, <i>4</i> 57.5	\$10,438.3	\$7,418.1	\$8,247.7	\$9,947.9
% of Revenue	6.20%	6.88%	8.57%	8.12%	8.81%	10.89%	10.28%	8.65%	9.27%	10.58%
Cost of Capital (WACC)	5.90%	5.73%	6.58%	6.06%	5.66%	6.17%	6.17%	6.04%	5.96%	6.17%
Capital Structure										
Debt & Debt Equivalents	\$13,707.9	\$16,010.5	\$24,856.3	\$35,838.4	\$51,074.8	\$91,424.4	\$100,905.7	\$43,840.9	\$59,445.9	\$96,165.1
Debt & Debt Equivalents % of Market Value	4.82%	6.26%	6.81%	9.80%	10.47%	15.23%	15.23%	10.57%	12.27%	15.23%
Preferred Equity	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0
Preferred Equity % of Market Value	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Market Value of Common Equity	\$270,644.3	\$239,602.5	\$340,246.7	\$329,834.0	\$436,830.8	\$508,935.1	\$561,714.7	\$371,089.8	\$425,200.0	\$535,324.9
Common Equity % of Market Value	95.18%	93.74%	93.19%	90.20%	89.53%	84.77%	84.77%	89.43%	87.73%	84.77%
Total Economic Market Value (MV)	\$284,352.3	\$255,612.9	\$365,103.0	\$365,672.5	\$487,905.6	\$600,359.6	\$662,620.4	\$414,930.7	\$484,645.9	\$631,490.0
Total %	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
Excess Cash	\$64,935.6	\$81,884.0	\$99,057.4	\$102,733.9	\$112,545.8	\$129,057.4	\$142,441.4	\$105,055.7	\$114,779.0	\$135,749.4
Economic Enterprise Value	\$219,416.7	\$173,729.0	\$266,045.7	\$262,938.6	\$375,359.8	\$471,302.2	\$520,179.0	\$309,875.1	\$369,866.9	\$495,740.6
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Average Capital Capital	\$72,288.0 \$16,349.8	\$85,985.7 \$11,045.5	\$102,450.9 \$21,884.9	\$120,313.9 \$13,841.1	\$127,919.6 \$1,370.3	\$145,988.1 \$34,766.7	\$171,842.7 \$16,942.6	\$116,531.6 \$16,581.7	\$131,407.2 \$16,659.4	\$158,915.4 \$25,854.6
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Return on Market Value (NOPAT / MV)	8.39%	8.33%	6.30%	5.92%	3.43%	3.24%	3.57%	5.44%	4.19%	3.40%
eturn on Enterprise Value (NOPAT / EV)	10.88%	12.26%	8.64%	8.23%	4.46%	4.12%	4.55%	7.54%	5.60%	4.34%
eturn on Capital (NOPAT / Average Capital)	33.01%	24.77%	22.45%	17.99%	13.07%	13.31%	14.69%	18.32%	14.79%	14.00%
cost of Capital (WACC)	5.90%	5.73%	6.58%	6.06%	5.66%	6.17%	6.17%	6.04%	5.96%	6.17%
conomic Return Spread	27.11%	19.04%	15.86%	11.93%	7.42%	7.14%	7.88%	12.28%	8.83%	7.51%
Capital Charge	\$4,265.3	\$4,923.5	\$6,745.9	\$7,286.6	\$7,234.5	\$9,003.4	\$9,937.1	\$7,038.8	\$7,841.5	\$9,470.3
conomic Profit (EP)	\$19,599.9	\$16,372.8	\$16,253.2	\$14,357.9	\$9,490.7	\$10,422.2	\$11,503.1	\$13,379.4	\$11,423.6	\$10,962.7
conomic Profit Improvment (EPI)	\$2,034.3	(\$3,227.2)	(\$119.6)	(\$1,895.2)	(\$4,867.2)	\$931.5	\$1,080.8	(\$1,835.5)	(\$1,943.6)	\$1,006.2
EP Growth	11.58%	-16.47%	-0.73%	-11.66%	-33.90%	9.81%	10.37%	-10.59%	-11.91%	10.09%
Economic Profit Margin on Sales	26.77%	21.59%	19.54%	15.20%	10.98%	12.00%	11.33%	15.86%	12.73%	11.66%
Economic Profit Per Share	\$2.31	\$1.95	\$1.94	\$1.73	\$1.16	\$1.32	\$1.45	\$1.62	\$1.40	\$1.38
GAAP Earnings Per Share Excess Cash Per Share	\$2.78 \$7.73	\$1.95 \$9.79	\$2.69 \$11.96	\$2.43 \$12.58	\$1.29 \$14.26	\$2.29 \$16.71	\$3.19 \$18.44	\$2.13 \$13.06	\$2.00 \$14.51	\$2.74 \$17.57
Performance Drivers										
ales Growth	7.16%	3.57%	9.69%	13.55%	-8.51%	0.47%	16.97%	3.75%	1.84%	8.72%
ales Growth Trend (ROC Sales Growth)	10.68%	5.01%	7.24%	12.01%	0.31%	-3.12%	10.37%	4.29%	3.07%	3.63%
BITDAR Margin	57.15%	55.43%	53.24%	51.03%	49.98%	51.66%	50.89%	52.27%	50.89%	51.289
BITDAR Growth	4.79%	0.44%	5.37%	8.83%	-10.38%	3.85%	15.22%	1.62%	0.77%	9.549
IOPBT Margin	39.41%	36.40%	33.76%	30.75%	27.85%	26.31%	28.30%	31.01%	28.30%	27.319
OPBT Growth	4.51%	-4.34%	1.74%	3.42%	-17.14%	-5.07%	25.82%	-4.28%	-6.26%	10.389
IOPAT Margin	32.59%	28.08%	27.65%	22.91%	19.35%	22.37%	21.61%	24.07%	21.55%	21.999
OPAT Growth	10.15%	-10.76%	8.00%	-5.89%	-22.73%	16.15%	12.98%	-3.05%	-4.16%	14.569
Economic Profit Margin on Sales (EP / Sales)	26.77%	21.59%	19.54%	15.20%	10.98%	12.00%	11.33%	15.86%	12.73%	11.66%
conomic Profit Growth	11.58%	-16.47%	-0.73%	-11.66%	-33.90%	9.81%	10.37%	-10.59%	-11.91%	10.099
conomic Return Spread (ROC-WACC)	27.11%	19.04%	15.86%	11.93%	7.42%	7.14%	8.52%	12.28%	8.83%	7.839
conomic Return Ratio (ROC / WACC)	559.52%	432.54%	340.94%	297.05%	231.19%	215.76%	238.13%	303.49%	248.00%	226.95%
conomic Profit Momentum (ΔΕΡ/Capital)	2.53%	-3.53%	-0.11%	-1.49%	-3.78%	0.57%	0.60%	-1.67%	-1.57%	0.589
conomic Profit Momentum Margin (ΔEP/Sales)	2.78%	-4.26%	-0.14%	-2.01%	-5.63%	1.07%	1.06%	-2.19%	-2.19%	1.079
Capital Growth	25.50%	13.73%	23.92%	12.21%	1.08%	27.03%	10.37%	15.59%	13.44%	18.709
Capital Turns	0.91X	0.83X	0.73X	0.74X	0.67X	0.53X	0.56X	0.70X	0.65X	0.55
EVC Acceleration Margin	2.98%	-4.41%	-0.16%	-2.28%	-5.15%	1.08%	1.24%	-1.81%	-2.28%	1.13%
EVC Acceleration Spread	3.53%	-4.46%	-0.14%	-1.85%	-4.05%	0.73%	0.74%	-1.07%	-1.67%	0.77%
Risk Factors										
Free Cash Flow (NOPAT - ∆ Capital)	\$7,515.4	\$10,250.8	\$1,114.1	\$7,803.4	\$15,354.9	(\$15,341.0)	\$5,004.0	\$3,836.4	\$2,605.8	(\$5,168.5
ree Cash Flow Rate (FCF / Capital)	9.34%	11.20%	0.98%	6.13%	11.94%	-9.39%	2.78%	4.17%	2.89%	-3.319
Free Cash Flow Yield (FCF / MV)	2.64%	4.01%	0.31%	2.13%	3.15%	-2.56%	0.76%	1.41%	0.91%	-0.90%
otal Debt / Total Capital	17.04%	17.50%	21.92%	28.17%	39.71%	55.96%	55.96%	32.65%	41.28%	55.969
otal Debt / EBITDAR	32.75%	38.09%	56.12%	74.35%	118.23%	203.79%	195.21%	98.12%	132.13%	199.509
xcess Cash	\$64,935.6	\$81,884.0	\$99,057.4	\$102,733.9	\$112,545.8	\$129,057.4	\$0.0	\$105,055.7	\$114,779.0	\$64,528.7
Financial Leverage ((Total Debt - Excess Cash) /	-18.02%	-25.77%	-20.32%	-18.29%	-12.60%	-6.27%	15.23%	-16.65%	-12.39%	4.489
Pension Leverage (Net Pension Liability / MV)	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.009
equity Risk Index (S&P 500 = 1.00)	0.92	0.92	0.92	0.93	0.94	0.94	0.94	0.93	0.94	0.94
Stock Price Volatility	3.23	3.03	3.11	3.63	3.60	2.77	2.77	3.23	3.33	2.77
Sales Index (NL Sales)	11.20	11.24	11.33	11.46	11.37	11.37	11.53	11.35	11.40	11.45
Market Value Index (NL Market Value)	12.56	12.45	12.81	12.81	13.10	13.31	13.40	12.89	13.07	13.35
Size Index (NL Sales: MV)	11.88	11.84	12.07	12.13	12.23	12.34	12.47	12.12	12.23	12.40
Beta	0.88	0.88	0.89	0.90	0.92	0.92	0.92	0.90	0.91	0.92
FP Adjusted Beta	0.92	0.92	0.92	0.93	0.94	0.94	0.94	0.93	0.94	0.94
Stock Price Volatility	3.23	3.03	3.11	3.63	3.60	2.77	2.77	3.23	3.33	2.77
/aluation Measures										
otal Economic Market Value (MV)	\$284,352.3	\$255,612.9	\$365,103.0	\$365,672.5	\$487,905.6	\$600,359.6	\$662,620.4	\$414,930.7	\$484,645.9	\$631,490.0
conomic Enterprise Value	\$219,416.7	\$173,729.0	\$266,045.7	\$262,938.6	\$375,359.8	\$471,302.2	\$520,179.0	\$309,875.1	\$369,866.9	\$495,740.6
Equity Market Value	\$270,644.3	\$239,602.5	\$340,246.7	\$329,834.0	\$436,830.8	\$508,935.1	\$561,714.7	\$371,089.8	\$425,200.0	\$535,324.9
otal Capital	\$85,414.9	\$96,902.5	\$119,593.3	\$133,651.4	\$135,713.8	\$170,987.4	\$188,719.9	\$131,369.7	\$146,784.2	\$179,853.6
Market Value Created MVC (MV - Capital)	\$198,937.3	\$158,710.5	\$245,509.7	\$232,021.0	\$352,191.8	\$429,372.1	\$473,900.5	\$283,561.0	\$337,861.6	\$451,636.3
MVC Margin (MVC / Sales)	271.66%	209.27%	295.11%	245.62%	407.51%	494.48%	466.58%	332.23%	378.60%	479.449
MVC Spread (MVC / Capital)	232.91%	163.78%	205.29%	173.60%	259.51%	251.11%	251.11%	215.85%	230.18%	251,119
Current EVC Value (EP / WACC)	\$332,181.5	\$285,939.3	\$246,840.7	\$237,074.0	\$167,813.5	\$168,994.1	\$186,519.7	\$221,589.9	\$191,681.9	\$177,756.9
Current Operations Value COV	\$404,469.6	\$371,925.0	\$349,291.6	\$357,387.9	\$295,733.2	\$314,982.2	\$358,362.5	\$338,121.5	\$323,089.1	\$336,672.3
current Operations Value Per Share	\$47.64	\$44.30	\$41.71	\$43.06	\$36.17	\$39.75	\$43.52	\$41.06	\$39.72	\$41.67
future Growth Value (MVC - EVA Value)	(\$120,117.3)	(\$116,312.1)	\$15,811.4	\$8,284.5	\$192,172.4	\$285,377.4	\$304,257.9	\$76,809.2	\$161,556.7	\$294,817.6
future Growth Value Reliance (FGV / MV)	-42.24%	-45.50%	4.33%	2.27%	39.39%	47.53%	45.92%	18.51%	33.34%	46.69%
Share Price	\$32.26	\$28.61	\$40.99	\$40.66	\$55.23	\$65.86	\$65.86	\$46.27	\$53.92	\$65.86
lividend Yield	2.36%	3.11%	2.61%	2.98%	2.52%	2.32%				
otal Shareholder Return (TTM)	29.39%	-8.20%	45.91%	2.16%	38.37%	21.57%	0.00%	-29.75%	16.53%	22.169
//V to IC Ratio	3.33X	2.64X	3.05X	2.74X	3.60X	3.51X	3.51X	3.16X	3.30X	3.51
V / EBITDAR Multiple	5.24X	4.13X	6.01X	5.45X	8.69X	10.51X	10.06X	6.96X	8.14X	10.27
V / NOPBIT Multiple	7.60X	6.29X	9.47X	9.05X	15.60X	20.63X	18.09X	11.77X	14.61X	19.22
V / NOPAT Multiple	9.19X	8.16X	11.57X	12.15X	22.44X	24.26X	23.70X	15.18X	19.20X	23.96
EV / EP Multiple	11.19X	10.61X	16.37X	18.31X	39.55X	45.22X	45.22X	23.16X	32.38X	45.22
Future Growth Value (% of MV)	-42.24%	-45.50%	4.33%	2.27%	39.39%	47.53%	45.92%	18.51%	33.34%	46.699
Current Operations Value (% of MV)	142.24%	145.50%	95.67%	97.73%	60.61%	52.47%	54.08%	81.49%	66.66%	53.319
Market Value (COV + FGV %)	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.009
Basic Shares Outstanding	8,490.0	8,396.0	8,375.0	8,299.0	8,177.0	7,925.0	8,234.4	8,234.4	8,133.7	8,079.7

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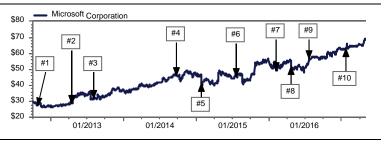
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#10	01/23/2017	Upgrade Rating	Buy	\$62.96	
#9	07/22/2016	Reiterate Rating	Neutral	\$56.57	
#8	04/25/2016	Reiterate Rating	Neutral	\$52.11	
#7	02/09/2016	Reiterate Rating	Neutral	\$49.28	
#6	07/22/2015	Reiterate Rating	Neutral	\$45.54	
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#4	09/23/2014	Reiterate Rating	Neutral	\$46.56	
#3	08/02/2013	Reiterate Rating	Neutral	\$31.89	
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#1	10/25/2012	Initiation of Coverage	Neutral	\$26.43	



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revenue

EBITDAR: Earnings Before Interest, Taxes, Depreciation, Amortization, and Restructuring and Rent Costs. This is especially

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NOPAT: Net Operating Profit after Tax. Represents a company's after-tax cash operating profit excluding financing costs.

Total Invested Capital: Total Invested Capital the total cash investment that shareholders and debt holders have made during the life of

company.

Return on Capital: Return on Capital equals NOPAT divided by Total Invested Capital. It is a key measure of operating efficiency. ROC

quantifies how well a company generates cash flow relative to the capital invested in its business.

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Current Operations Value: Current Operations Value is the portion of market value based on the discounted present value of the current earnings

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