Morning Letter



Market Summary

DOW	16690.18	+228.86	PEYTO ENERGY	34.00	+.36	POLARIS	1.88	+.02
TSE	14446.27	+134.20	WESTERN FOREST	2.32	+.05	CANADIAN \$	0.8894	0004
S&P	19951.31	+24.20	CATALYST	2.35		EURO	1.2642	0006
NASDAQ	4447.07	+64.22	CANFOR	25.16	+.39	COPPER	3.04	+.02
TSX VENTURE	809.10	+1.10	REDSTAR GOLD	0.045		CRUDE OIL	81.42	+.90
SILVER	17.13	10	LUMBER	333.00		NATURAL GAS	3.78	04
GOLD	1228.10	-17.20	TIM HORTON'S	88.40	+.75	PRIME RATE	3.00%	

Market Commentary

· Business activity improves in China, euro zone but little sign of turnaround

Euro zone businesses performed much better than forecasters expected this month and China's vast factory sector grew a shade faster but there were worrying signs that the upturn could be short-lived.

Mirroring **U.S. markets**, stock pointed higher for **Canada's main stock index** after good earnings reports and better-thanexpected business activity data from euro zone and Germany boosted investor sentiment. **European shares** traded lower on weak corporate earnings and most **Asian shares** closed down. The **euro** recovered from a two-week low against the U.S. **dollar**. **Brent** crude **oil** rose while **gold** fell on a strong US dollar.

• Cenovus Energy Inc (CVE). The independent oil producer said its quarterly profit fell 4 percent, hurt by an unplanned outage at a refinery. Net income fell to C\$354 million, or 47 Canadian cents per share in the third quarter, from C\$370 million, or 49 Canadian cents per share, a year earlier. Operating profit rose 19 percent to C\$372 million, or 49 Canadian cents per share.

• Husky Energy Inc (HSE). The integrated oil company reported an 11.5 percent rise in third-quarter profit, helped by an increase in production. The company said net income rose to C\$571 million, for the quarter, from C\$512 million a year earlier. Net income was flat on a per share basis at 52 Canadian cents per share. The company said total production rose about 10 percent to 341,000 barrels of oil equivalent per day from 309,000 boepd, a year earlier.

• **IMAX Corp** (IMX). The company reported third-quarter earnings of 11 cents per share, one cent above average analysts' estimates. Revenue was \$60.7 million, compared with \$51.5 million, in the year ago quarter.

• Open Text Corp (OTC). Soaring demand for cloud services helped the business software maker more than double its firstquarter profit. Net income rose to \$64.6 million, or 53 cents per share, from \$30.6 million, or 26 cents per share, a year earlier.

• Potash Corp of Saskatchewan (POT). The fertilizer company narrowed its full-year earnings forecast and reported a lower-than-expected quarterly profit as income fell from its overseas investments. The company narrowed its 2014 forecast profit to \$1.75-\$1.85 per share from \$1.70-\$1.90. Potash Corp's net income fell 11 percent to \$317 million, or 38 cents per share, in the quarter ended Sept. 30. The company's profit was hurt also by a 34 percent rise in tax expenses. Revenue increased 8 percent to \$1.64 billion.

• Rogers Communications Inc (RClb). The company posted a 28 percent decline in third-quarter net income, but reaffirmed its profit targets for the year as it heralded the end of a corporate shuffle. Net income was C\$332 million, or 64 Canadian cents a share, in the quarter, compared with C\$464 million, or 90 cents a share, a year ago. Its revenue was up slightly at C\$3.25 billion.

ANALYSTS' RECOMMENDATIONS

• Mullen Group Ltd (MTL). Raymond James cuts price target to C\$25 from C\$27.50 based on lowered EBITDA and earnings forecasts.

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