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# **PWR Holdings** (PWH)

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## Recommendation

Hold (Buy)
Price
\$7.75
Target (12 months)

\$7.75 (previously \$8.00)

#### Sector

**Automobiles and Components** 

Expected Return	
Capital growth	0.0%
Dividend yield	0.8%
Total expected return	0.8%
Company Data & Ratio	os
Enterprise value	\$787.4m
Market cap	\$779.4m
Issued capital	100.6m
Free float	90%
Avg. daily val. (52wk)	\$2.8m
12 month price range	\$5.96 - \$11.77

Price Performance							
	(1m)	(3m)	(12m)				
Price (A\$)	7.87	6.87	9.90				
Absolute (%)	7.05	22.63	-14.90				
Rel market (%)	4 30	14 75	-27 88				



SOURCE: IRESS

# Revenue in line, narrow miss at EBITDA and NPAT

FY25 revenue of \$130.1m was in line with our forecast of \$130.3m while statutory EBITDA and NPAT of \$25.5m and \$9.8m were 2% below our forecasts of \$26.1m and \$10.0m. Cash flow was strong with a conversion ratio of 136% driven by a \$7m reduction in working capital. Net debt at 30 June was \$8.1m. The final dividend of 2.0c was below our forecast of 4.8c and the payout ratio on the total was 41%.

# Weaker guidance on margin than expected

PWR does not provide guidance but in general terms said it expects revenue growth in FY26 for both Motorsports and Aerospace & Defence (A&D) – but stable or muted growth for OEM and Aftermarket – and "modest improvement" in the NPAT margin. We had forecast around a 550bp increase in the FY26 NPAT margin so this was below our expectations. PWR called out that the margin in FY26 was being impacted by US tariffs (\$1.5m), US cyber accreditation (\$0.8m) and CEO transition (\$0.5m).

# **Downgrades**

We have modestly downgraded our revenue forecasts in FY26 and FY27 by 3% and 5% largely driven by reductions in our OEM and Aftermarket forecasts. We have also downgraded our statutory EBITDA forecasts by 14% and 16% driven by the reduction in our revenue forecasts as well as a reduction in our margin forecasts. And we have downgraded our NPAT forecasts by 27% and 26% and now forecast an NPAT margin in FY26 of 10.0% (compared to 9.5% underlying in FY25).

## Investment view: PT down 3% to \$7.75, Down to HOLD

We have increased the multiples we apply in the PE ratio and EV/EBITDA valuations from 35x and 17.5x to 45x and 20x and also reduced the WACC we apply in the DCF from 9.4% to 9.2% given the outlook remains positive but the margin recovery is taking longer than we expected. The net result is a 3% decrease in our PT to \$7.75 which is only a modest premium to the share price so we downgrade our recommendation to HOLD. In our view the stock is looking reasonably priced on an FY26 PE of c.50x.

Earnings Forecast									
Year end 30 June	2025	2026e	2027e	2028e					
Total revenue (A\$m)	130.1	154.6	176.6	196.7					
EBITDA (A\$m)	25.5	39.4	48.6	58.0					
NPAT (A\$m)	9.8	15.5	21.3	27.3					
EPS (diluted) (cps)	9.7	15.4	21.2	27.1					
EPS growth (%)	-61%	59%	37%	28%					
PER (x)	79.8	50.3	36.6	28.6					
Price/CF (x)	30.9	32.2	23.1	18.8					
EV/EBITDA (x)	30.9	20.0	16.2	13.6					
Dividend (¢ps)	4.0	6.5	9.5	12.5					
Yield (%)	0.5%	0.8%	1.2%	1.6%					
ROE (%)	9.7%	13.9%	17.0%	19.2%					
Franking (%)	100%	100%	100%	100%					

SOURCE: BELL POTTER SECURITIES ESTIMATES

# **Forecast and Valuation Changes**

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A summary of the changes in our key forecasts is below.

Figure 1 - Change in key fo	orecasts								
Year end 30 June		FY25			FY26e			FY27e	
	Old	New	Change	Old	New	Change	Old	New	Change
Total revenue (A\$m)	130.3	130.1	-0.2%	159.9	154.6	-3.4%	185.9	176.6	-5.0%
EBITDA	26.1	25.5	-2.3%	45.6	39.4	-13.5%	57.6	48.6	-15.7%
NPAT	10.0	9.8	-2.3%	21.2	15.5	-26.8%	28.7	21.3	-25.8%
Diluted EPS	9.9c	9.7c	-2.3%	21.0c	15.4c	-26.7%	28.5c	21.2c	-25.8%
DPS	6.8c	4.0c	-41.2%	10.8c	6.5c	-39.8%	14.3c	9.5c	-33.6%

SOURCE: BELL POTTER SECURITIES ESTIMATES

## 3% Decrease in PT to \$7.75

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Figure 2 - PT calculation

				New (as at 22-Aug-25)			
Valuation per share	% weighting	Price target	Valuation per share	% weighting	Price target		
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>		<u> </u>			
\$7.41	33%	\$2.47	\$6.93	33%	\$2.31		
\$7.89	33%	\$2.63	\$7.76	33%	\$2.59		
\$8.71	33%	\$2.90	\$8.57	33%	\$2.86		
		\$8.00			\$7.75		
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SOURCE: BELL POTTER SECURITIES ESTIMATES

Our updated PT of \$7.75 is only a modest premium to the share price so we downgrade our recommendation to HOLD. In our view the stock is looking reasonably priced on an FY26 PE of c.50x.

# **PWR Holdings**

# **Company Description**

PWR Holdings (PWR) is a leading provider of customised cooling solutions to the global motorsports market as well as the wider automotive industry. The key products of the company are radiators, intercoolers, oil coolers and heat exchangers for various elite motorsports series including Formula One, NASCAR and Supercars. The company also engineers cooling solutions for automotive OEMs (original equipment manufacturers) and is diversifying into emerging technology applications where cooling solutions are required.

PWR was established in 1998 and head office is in Ormeau, Queensland. Manufacturing is split between Ormeau and a facility in Indianapolis, Indiana. The company also has sales and distribution centres in both the US and the UK. Approximately 85% of the company's revenue is generated outside of Australia.

## **Investment Thesis**

We downgrade our recommendation on PWR from BUY to HOLD. Our investment thesis is based on:

- Valuation: Our 12 month price target on PWR is \$7.75. The price target is generated
  from a blend of three valuation methodologies we apply to the company: PE ratio,
  EV/EBITDA and DCF. The price target is consistent with the current share price and
  the total expected return (which includes the forecast dividend yield) is 1%.
- Resumption of growth in FY26: FY25 was a transition year as PWR as it moved into a new factory in Queensland and also invested in new staff ahead of an anticipated material uplift in A&D contracts. As a result, earnings declined in FY25 but the guidance is for a resumption of growth in FY26 driven by both top line growth and margin expansion.
- Diversifying outside of motorsports: PWR is diversifying its revenue base and
  increasing its exposure to areas outside of motorsports. For example, the three
  divisions of OEM, Aftermarket and A&D together represented almost half of total
  revenue in FY25 led by A&D with a 21% share.

## **Key Risks**

Key downside risks to our estimates and valuation include (but are not limited to):

- Customer risk: PWR operates on a purchase order basis with its customers. The loss
  of, or significant reduction in purchases by, one or more key customers or the cessation
  of a leading motorsports series or team could lead to a reduction in PWR's revenue and
  earnings.
- Product risk: PWR regularly develops new products and upgrades existing products and any product failures, defects or recalls could affect PWR's reputation, revenue and earnings.
- Currency risk: Adverse movements in the GBP or USD against the AUD could have
  an adverse impact on performance. The approximate unhedged sensitivity to NPAT on
  a full 12 month basis is +/- 1 pent = -/+ \$0.6m and +/- 1 cent = -/+ \$0.1m. PWR tends
  to hedge approximately half its exposure to the GBP but tends not to hedge against its
  USD exposure.

# PWR Holdings as at 22 August 2025

RecommendationHoldPrice\$7.75Target (12 months)\$7.75

Table 1 - Financial sun	nmary										
PWR Holdings (PWH)						Share price: No. of issued shares:	\$7.75 100.6m		arget price:		\$7.75 \$779.4m
						No. of Issued Shares:	100.6m	, N	flarket cap:		\$119.4m
Profit & Loss (A\$m)						Valuation data					
Year end 30 Jun	2024	2025	2026e	2027e	2028e	Year end 30 Jun	2024	2025	2026e	2027e	2028e
Revenue	139.4	130.1	154.6	176.6	196.7	NPAT (A\$m)	24.8	9.8	15.5	21.3	27.3
Change	18%	-7%	19%	14%	11%	Diluted EPS (cps)	24.7	9.7	15.4	21.2	27.1
a						Change	14%	-61%	59%	37%	28%
Other income	2.2	2.0	1.5	1.3	1.0	P/E ratio (x)	31.4	79.8	50.3	36.6	28.6
COGS	-27.9	-27.6	21.6	25.7	20.2	CFPS (cps)	32.7	25.1 <b>30.9</b>	24.0	33.5 <b>23.1</b>	41.3
Gross profit	-27.9 <b>113.7</b>	104.6	-31.6 <b>124.4</b>	-35.7 <b>142.2</b>	-39.3 <b>158.3</b>	Price/CF (x) DPS (cps)	<b>23.7</b> 14.0	4.0	<b>32.2</b> 6.5	<b>23.</b> 1 9.5	<b>18.8</b> 12.5
Gross margin	81.5%	80.4%	80.5%	80.5%	80.5%	Yield	1.8%	0.5%	0.8%	1.2%	1.6%
Cross margin	01.070	00.470	00.078	00.070	00.070	Franking	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Opex (excl. D&A, int.)	-68.5	-79.1	-85.0	-93.6	-100.3	EV/EBITDA (x)	17.4	30.9	20.0	16.2	13.6
% of revenue	-49.1%	-60.8%	-55.0%	-53.0%	-51.0%	EV/EBIT (x)	22.5	58.5	31.5	23.9	19.1
						NTA per share (cps)	84.0	84.4	96.3	111.4	129.5
EBITDA	45.2	25.5	39.4	48.6	58.0	Price/NTA (x)	9.2	9.2	8.1	7.0	6.0
Depreciation	-7.3	-9.0	-11.2	-12.4	-13.3						
Amortisation	-2.8	-3.0	-3.2	-3.3	-3.5	Performance ratios					
EBIT	35.1	13.5	25.0	32.9	41.3	Year end 30 Jun	2024	2025	2026e	2027e	2028e
Net interest (expense)/revenue	-0.3	-0.1	-3.4	-3.1	-3.1	EBITDA margin	32.4%	19.6%	25.5%	27.5%	29.5%
Pre-tax profit	34.8	13.4	21.7	29.8	38.2	NPAT margin	17.8%	7.5%	10.0%	12.1%	13.9%
Income tax expense	-10.0	-3.6	-6.2	-8.5	-10.9	Return on assets	17.8%	5.2%	7.7%	10.5%	13.3%
NPAT	<b>24.8</b> 14%	9.8 -61%	<b>15.5</b> 59%	<b>21.3</b> 38%	<b>27.3</b> 28%	Return on equity	<b>24.7%</b> 46.9%	<b>9.7%</b> 14.4%	<b>13.9%</b> 21.4%	<b>17.0%</b> 26.0%	<b>19.2%</b> 32.1%
Change	14%	-01%	59%	30%	20%	ROIC Payout ratio	46.9% 56.7%	41.2%	42.2%	44.9%	32.1% 46.2%
Cash Flow (A\$m)						Effective tax rate	-28.7%	-26.9%	-28.5%	-28.5%	-28.5%
Year end 30 Jun	2024	2025	2026e	2027e	2028e	Elicolive laxiate	-20.770	-20.570	-20.570	-20.570	-20.570
EBITDA	45.2	25.5	39.4	48.6	58.0	Leverage ratios					
Change in working capital	-6.5	9.2	-5.6	-3.1	-2.2	Year end 30 Jun	2024	2025	2026e	2027e	2028e
Gross cash flow	38.7	34.7	33.9	45.5	55.8	Net debt/(cash) (A\$m)	-21.7	8.1	13.8	2.7	-12.6
Interest paid	-0.7	-0.8	-3.5	-3.3	-3.3	Net debt/equity	NM	8%	12%	2%	NM
Income tax paid	-5.2	-8.7	-6.2	-8.5	-10.9	Gearing	NM	7%	11%	2%	NM
Operating cash flow	32.9	25.2	24.2	33.7	41.6	Net debt/EBITDA (x)	NM	32%	35%	5%	NM
Grant received	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Net interest cover (x)	NM	123.5x	7.5x	10.7x	NM
Interest received	0.5	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.2						
Acquisition of subsidiary	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Segmentals (A\$m)			2222		
Payments for intangibles	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Year end 30 Jun	2024	2025	2026e	2027e	2028e
Proceeds from sale of PPE Payment for PPE	0.0 -12.3	0.0 -40.6	0.0 -21.0	0.0 -11.0	0.0 -11.5	Revenue (A\$m)	67.3	70.1	82.3	90.6	97.4
Investing cash flow	-12.3 -11.8	-40.8 - <b>40.3</b>	-21.0 - <b>20.9</b>	-11.0 - <b>10.8</b>	-11.3 -11.3	Motors ports Automotive OEM	28.0	15.7	16.1	18.5	19.9
Proceeds from issue of shares	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Automotive OEW Automotive Aftermarket	19.5	16.2	17.0	17.9	18.8
Payments for cost of IPO	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Aerospace & Defence	21.0	26.9	37.6	48.0	58.8
Dividends paid	-13.8	-11.3	-5.0	-7.6	-10.6	Other	3.5	1.2	1.5	1.7	1.8
Proceeds from borrowings	0.0	12.5	7.5	-10.0	-10.0	Total	139.4	130.1	154.6	176.6	196.7
Repayment of borrowing	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0						
Loans to related parties	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Growth					
Repayment of finance leases	-3.3	-3.4	-4.0	-4.3	-4.5	Motorsports	8%	4%	18%	10%	8%
Financing cash flows	-17.0	-2.2	-1.5	-21.8	-25.1	Automotive OEM	9%	-44%	3%	15%	8%
Net change in cash	4.0	-17.2	1.8	1.1	5.2	Automotive Aftermarket	9%	-17%	5%	5%	5%
Cash at start of period	17.6	21.7	4.4	6.2	7.3	Aerospace & Defence	100%	28%	40%	28%	23%
Exchange rate impact	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Other	67%	-65%	20%	15%	10%
Cash at end of period	21.7	4.4	6.2	7.3	12.6	Total	18%	-7%	19%	14%	11%
Balance Sheet (A\$m)						Interims (A\$m)					
Year end 30 Jun	2024	2025	2026e	2027e	2028e	Year end 30 Jun		1HFY24	2HFY24	1HFY25	2HFY25
Cash	21.7	4.4	6.2	7.3	12.6	Revenue		64.2	75.2	62.9	67.2
Current receivables	23.1	20.1	23.2	25.6	27.5	Change		22%	14%	-2%	-11%
Inventories	20.0	21.8	22.4	24.7	26.5						
Other current assets	2.7	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9	Other income		1.1	1.0	0.9	1.2
PPE	55.9	122.3	130.5	127.5	124.0						
Intangibles - Goodwill	4.9	5.1	5.1	5.1	5.1	COGS		-13.6	-15.0	-13.8	-13.4
Intangibles - Other	11.0	11.0	9.4	7.8	6.0	Gross profit		51.7	62.0	49.9	54.6
Other non-current assets	0.2	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	Gross margin		80.5%	82.4%	79.4%	81.3%
Total assets	139.4	189.0	201.1	202.2	205.9	_ ,					
Payables	8.9	13.5	11.6	13.2	14.7	Expenses (excl. D&A, int.)		-33.3	-35.2	-39.0	-40.1
Current borrowings	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	% of revenue		-51.9%	-46.8%	-61.9%	-59.7%
Current employee benefits	4.6	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	EDITOA		40.4	20.0	44.0	44-
Current provisions	6.7 0.0	3.0	3.0 20.0	3.0 10.0	3.0 0.0	EBITDA Depreciation		<b>18.4</b> -3.4	<b>26.8</b>	<b>11.0</b> -4.0	<b>14.5</b> -5.0
Mon current horrowings	0.0	12.5 0.7	0.7	0.7	0.0	Depreciation Amortisation		-3.4 -1.5	-3.9 -1.3	-4.0 -1.5	-5.0 -1.5
Non-current employee benefits	0.0		3.7	3.7	3.7	EBIT		-1.5 <b>13.5</b>	-1.3 <b>21.6</b>	-1.5 <b>5.4</b>	-1.5 <b>8.0</b>
Non-current employee benefits	2.5			5.1	5.1			13.5	41.0	0.4	0.0
Non-current employee benefits Non-current provisions	2.5 <b>39 1</b>	3.7 88 1		77 1	64.1	Net interest (expense)/revenue		-n o			-∩ Ω
Non-current employee benefits Non-current provisions Total liabilities	39.1	88.1	89.7	<b>77.1</b> 28.0	<b>64.1</b> 28.0	Net interest (expense)/revenue Pre-tax profit		-0.2 <b>13.3</b>	-0.1	0.7	
Non-current employee benefits Non-current provisions <b>Total liabilities</b> Issued capital	<b>39.1</b> 27.3	<b>88.1</b> 28.0	<b>89.7</b> 28.0	28.0	28.0	Pre-tax profit		13.3	-0.1 <b>21.5</b>	0.7 <b>6.1</b>	7.2
Non-current employee benefits Non-current provisions Total liabilities	39.1	88.1	89.7			,			-0.1	0.7	-0.8 <b>7.2</b> -1.5 <b>5.7</b>

SOURCE: BELL POTTER SECURITIES ESTIMATES

### **Recommendation structure**

**Buy:** Expect >15% total return on a 12 month view. For stocks regarded as 'Speculative' a return of >30% is expected.

**Hold:** Expect total return between - 5% and 15% on a 12 month view

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