

Enphase Energy

The long road to recovery winds on -**Reiterate Underperform**

Reiterate Rating: UNDERPERFORM | PO: 69.00 USD | Price: 100.51 USD

Sell-through demand remains elusive: recovery protracted

We reiterate our Underperform rating on shares of Enphase Energy (ENPH) coming out of the 4Q23 update as microinverter shipments continue to underwhelm, with more pain still ahead. Volumes for the quarter were down ~60% sequentially as mgmt. undershipped to sell-through demand by \$150Mn as it aims to starve a bloated channel. Guidance for 1Q24 calls for yet more under-shipping to the tune of \$130Mn, while 2Q24 is expected to see further right-sizing efforts, albeit at a lower amount. While prudent, considering the challenges wrought by an oversupplied channel, mgmt.'s estimate of underlying demand of \$400-500Mn is still well-below the prior peaks of \$700Mn+. With limited visibility to a full recovery, we remain cautious on the outlook. While signs of a recovery in Europe looks better than what we had thought, the US appears worse off, with California particularly strained by net metering (NEM 3.0) overhang. On balance, we bring down our revenue estimates for 1Q24 and FY24 by 10% and 5%, respectively. Reiterate Underperform on a still challenged outlook.

Revenue miss plus guiding to lower Q1 revs & shipments

ENPH reported its 4Q23 earnings with quarterly revenue totaling \$302.6mn, which fell at the lower end of guidance and below our estimates of \$392mn. The gross margin of 50.3%, including a net IRA benefit, aligned with the mid-point of the guidance range of 48-51% and was consistent with expectations. Looking ahead, Enphase offered revenue guidance for 1Q24, in the range of \$260-\$300mn. While our numbers are at the midrange of guidance, this is 14% below consensus estimates (\$318mn). Company guidance includes the shipment of 500,000 microinverters to customers from US manufacturing facilities, with an expectation of undershooting end-market demand by \$130mn in the first quarter. However, ENPH pointed to higher shipments in 2H.

Lowering PO on negative estimate revisions

We reduce our PO from \$72 to \$69 as we take down estimates to reflect the challenged outlook. We bring down our revenue estimates for 1Q24 and FY24 by 10% and 5%, respectively. We also reduce our expectations for tax credit benefits for 1Q24 and FY24 by 60% and 23% as the outlook for US-manufactured shipments comes in below our expectations.

Estimates (Dec) (US\$)	2022A	2023A	2024E	2025E	2026E
EPS	4.37	4.26	3.75	5.83	6.95
GAAP EPS	2.68	3.06	1.97	3.92	5.06
EPS Change (YoY)	113.2%	-2.5%	-12.0%	55.5%	19.2%
Consensus EPS (Bloomberg)			3.75	5.54	6.14
DPS	0	0	0	0	0
Valuation (Dec)					
P/E	23.0x	23.6x	26.8x	17.2x	14.5x
GAAP P/E	37.5x	32.8x	51.0x	25.6x	19.9x
EV / EBITDA*	19.8x	19.2x	25.1x	15.0x	12.4x
Free Cash Flow Yield*	5.4%	4.5%	4.3%	5.5%	6.6%
* For full definitions of <i>IQ</i> method SM measures, see page 10.					

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Equity

Key Changes		
(US\$)	Previous	Current
Price Obj.	72.00	69.00
2024E Rev (m)	1,705.6	1,620.6
2025E Rev (m)	2,146.0	2,097.2
2026E Rev (m)	2,848.4	2,883.4
2024E EPS	4.29	3.75
2025E EPS	5.81	5.83
2026E EPS	6.69	6.95

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Stock Data

Price	100.51 USD
Price Objective	69.00 USD
Date Established	7-Feb-2024
Investment Opinion	C-3-9
52-Week Range	73.49 USD - 247.00 USD
Mrkt Val (mn) / Shares Out	13,725 USD / 136.6
(mn)	
Free Float	96.7%
Average Daily Value (mn)	416.06 USD
BofA Ticker / Exchange	ENPH / NAS
Bloomberg / Reuters	ENPH US / ENPH.OQ
ROE (2024E)	42.6%
Net Dbt to Eqty (Dec-2023A)	102.2%
ESGMeter™	Medium

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iQprofile[™] Enphase Energy

iQmethod SM − Bus Performance*					
(US\$ Millions)	2022A	2023A	2024E	2025E	2026E
Return on Capital Employed	28.3%	24.4%	16.3%	21.6%	21.1%
Return on Equity	101.1%	67.7%	42.6%	43.8%	36.0%
Operating Margin	29.3%	32.2%	31.3%	43.3%	39.1%
Free Cash Flow	742	616	592	757	908
iQmethod [™] – Quality of Earnings*					
(US\$ Millions)	2022A	2023A	2024E	2025E	2026E
Cash Realization Ratio	1.2x	1.2x	1.2x	1.0x	0.9x
Asset Replacement Ratio	0.8x	1.3x	0.6x	0.7x	0.9x
Tax Rate	12.3%	14.5%	13.4%	10.6%	13.0%
Net Debt-to-Equity Ratio	99.0%	102.2%	27.6%	-14.9%	-37.8%
Interest Cover	NM	NM	39.2x	NM	NM
Income Statement Data (Dec)					
(US\$ Millions)	2022A	2023A	2024E	2025E	2026E
Sales	2,346	2,291	1,621	2,097	2,883
% Change	69.6%	-2.4%	-29.3%	29.4%	37.5%
Gross Profit	975	1,100	812	1,233	1,546
% Change	77.8%	12.9%	-26.1%	51.7%	25.4%
EBITDA	743	764	587	984	1,187
% Change	94.5%	2.9%	-23.3%	67.7%	20.6%
Net Interest & Other Income	(7)	66	63	(7)	(5)
Net Income (Adjusted)	635	612	528	834	1,013
% Change	116.9%	-3.6%	-13.8%	58.0%	21.5%
Free Cash Flow Data (Dec)					
(US\$ Millions)	2022A	2023A	2024E	2025E	2026E
Net Income from Cont Operations (GAAP)	389	439	2024L 277	562	738
Depreciation & Amortization	56	67	79	77	738 58
Change in Working Capital	123	64	50	(88)	(98)
Deferred Taxation Charge	0	(86)	0	0	(50)
Other Adjustments, Net	221	220	236	257	260
Capital Expenditure	(46)	(88)	(50)	(50)	(50)
Free Cash Flow	742	616	592	757	908
% Change	147.4%	-16.9%	-4.0%	28.0%	19.9%
Share / Issue Repurchase	0	0	0	0	0
Cost of Dividends Paid	0	0	0	0	0
Change in Debt	253	3	0	0	0
Balance Sheet Data (Dec)					
(US\$ Millions)	2022A	2023A	2024E	2025E	2026E
Cash & Equivalents	473	289	881	1,638	2,546
Trade Receivables	441	446	333	431	592
					1,742
Other Current Assets	1,350	1,709	1,648	1,656	1,/42
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Company Sector

Alternative Energy

Company Description

Enphase Energy sells micro-inverters, energy storage, and software solutions catered to residential (rooftop) solar applications.

Investment Rationale

We are Underperform rated on ENPH as the core business growth is uncertain and at risk of deceleration over the next two years. ENPH is a profitable, FCF-generating engine with a strong financial position, but we argue fundamentals are strained while shares face significant multiple compression risk. We look for further growth from international expansion and new strategic initiatives, but gradual materialization does not offset further negative re-rating catalysts in the near term.

Stock Data

Average Daily Volume 4,139,478

Quarterly Earnings Estimates

	2023	2024
Q1	1.32A	0.06E
Q2	1.42A	0.33E
Q3	0.99A	0.73E
Q4	0.53A	0.84E

Total Assets

Short-Term Debt

Long-Term Debt

Total Equity

Total Liabilities

Other Current Liabilities

Other Non-Current Liabilities

Total Equity & Liabilities * For full definitions of \emph{IQ} method $^{\text{SM}}$ measures, see page 10.

Channel inventory bottoms in Q2?

During the Q4 earning call Enphase management identified two main challenges: a channel inventory problem and a near-term demand issue. Mgmt. acknowledged a reduction in demand of approximately 30-35% compared to their overall expectation of end-customer demand, estimating it to be in the range of \$450 to \$500 million. In Q4, the company reported end-customer demand of around \$450 million but under shipped by approximately \$147 million, resulting in reported revenue of \$303 million. ENPH management outlined plans to under-ship by \$130 million in Q1, expecting a seasonal downturn of around 10%. However, they expressed optimism for Q2, anticipating improved sell-through numbers as they approach the seasonally better period. Additionally, there are positive developments in Europe, with countries like France showing signs of recovery, and the introduction of new products in various European markets.

Despite uncertainties, including the wildcard of California, Enphase expects sequential growth in revenue numbers in Q2, based on typical seasonality patterns and improving market conditions.

Consumer demand is projected to approach \$500 million in the second half of 2023, translating to around \$3.3 million microinverters. The company envisions potential growth, with a return to a \$700 million run-rate by 2045, expecting consumer demand to reach \$4.5 to \$5 million microinverters.

NEM 3.0 transition & microinverter challenges

In terms of pricing, Enphase is undergoing a supply chain transformation that may impact future microinverter pricing. Still mgmt. stresses it has maintained flat pricing and has no plans to reduce pricing in the near-term. ENPH anticipates a slight premium for US assembly, aligning with its strategy for manufacturing localization. Addressing the NEM 3.0 transition in California, Enphase noted a 7% overall sell-through decrease in Q4 compared to Q3, primarily attributed to the NEM 3.0 shift. While microinverter sell-through declined by 27%, battery sell-through increased by 58%, driven by the high attach rate of NEM 3.0 dose systems. Enphase expects a gradual transition for installers to NEM 3.0, which will affect sales normalization over the next few quarters.

ENPH is strategically transforming its operations, aiming to manufacture microinverters in the US and assemble batteries in China to capitalize on IRA benefits and reduce costs. The company highlighted two cell pack suppliers in China with sufficient capacity to support its ramp-up in 2024, underscoring its commitment to an efficient and reliable supply chain. In terms of capital allocation, Enphase (ENPH) disclosed that its Q4 Capex) amounted to \$20.1 million, a decrease from the \$23.8 million reported for Q3. This reduction was attributed to a decline in US manufacturing spending.

Expanding into more markets

Management discussed expanding its market presence by introducing its IQ8 microinverters and IQ Batteries in several European countries. In India, the company is shipping high-power IQ8HC and IQ8P microinverters, with the latter supporting up to 480 Watts DC. Enphase is also launching new products, including the IQ8P microinverter with a 650 Watts DC capacity, for specific countries, and a variant with a three-phase cabling system suitable for small commercial solar installations.



Estimates lower following 4Q update

Coming into earnings, we were already well below Consensus for shipments and revenue as we expected a muted recovery in both US and international volumes amid an oversupplied channel. Following the update, we reduce our forecast for shipments, revenue, and EBITDA through 2025 as the outlook for microinverter volumes appears more challenged than even we had anticipated. See below for a full view of our updated forecast vs. guidance and vs. Consensus. For 1Q24 mgmt. expects to under-ship to sellthrough demand by \$130Mn (down from \$150Mn in 4Q23). Under-shipments are expected to be weighted 60%/40% US/International in 1Q24, compared to 50%/50% in 4Q23. For 2Q24, mgmt. again expects to under-ship to demand, though at a lower (undisclosed) figure than 1Q24. Guidance implied sell-through demand of ~\$410Mn in 1Q24, which is down from ~\$450Mn in 4Q23 on seasonality and NEM 3.0 pressures. Guidance for tax-credit eligible shipments from US manufacturing facilities are expected at ~500Mn units in 1Q24, which is down ~50% from 4Q23 levels. Recall, ENPH has indicated its US manufacturing footprint can produce up to 5Mn microinverters per quarter. The outlook for US-manufactured shipments is below our prior expectations for >1Mn units, and thus our forecast for IRA credits is reduced.

Exhibit 1: ENPH earnings dashboard - BofAeUS shipments look to take another step down in 1Q24 while European volumes finally show life

	2022	1Q23	2Q23	3Q23	4Q23	2023	1Q24E	2Q24E	3Q24E	4Q24E	2024E	2025E
ey Metrics												
hipments & ASPs												
Microinverter Shipments (MWdc)	5,903.4	1,957.0	2,121.3	1,585.6	660.1	6,334.0	662.6	968.2	1,328.2	1,405.6	4,364.5	5,786.
Resi US	4,288.9	1,223.1	1,230.4	983.1	481.9	3,918.4	433.7	520.4	832.7	874.3	2,661.1	3,392.
Resi International	1,614.2	733.9	890.9	602.5	178.2	2,405.6	213.9	427.7	470.5	495.3	1,607.4	2,049.
Commercial	0.4	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	10.0	15.0	20.0	25.0	36.0	96.0	344.
Storage Shipments (MWh)	509.6	97.4	83.9	86.5	83.3	351.1	86.9	95.3	128.3	134.4	444.8	688.2
Microinverter Blended ASP (\$/W)	\$0.33	\$0.331	\$0.304	\$0.310	\$0.371	\$0.32	\$0.302	\$0.301	\$0.296	\$0.295	\$0.30	\$0.2
VA Consensus	\$0.33	\$0.33	\$0.31	\$0.30	\$0.30	\$0.31	\$0.29	\$0.29	\$0.29	\$0.29	\$0.29	\$0.2
Storage ASP (\$/kWh)	\$738	\$738	\$738	\$627	\$627	\$684	\$650	\$650	\$650	\$650	\$650	\$618
ncome Statement												
Resi US Revenue	1,422.7	399.6	376.6	311.0	182.9	1,270.1	134.4	161.3	254.0	266.7	816.4	988.
Resi International Revenue	516.9	229.0	268.0	180.8	61.7	739.5	63.1	126.2	134.1	141.2	464.5	562.
Commercial Revenue	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	2.7	3.6	4.5	6.5	17.3	58.
Storage Revenue	376.3	71.9	61.9	54.3	52.3	240.3	56.5	62.0	83.4	87.4	289.3	425.
EV Charging Revenue	30.0	6.1	4.7	5.0	5.7	21.5	6.8	7.4	8.8	10.2	31.4	61.
Total Revenue (\$mn)	\$2,346.0	\$726.0	\$711.1	\$551.1	\$302.6	\$2,290.8	\$263.5	\$360.6	\$484.8	\$511.8	\$1,620.6	\$2,097.2
YoY	69.6%	64.5%	34.1%	-13.2%	-58.2%	-2.4%	-63.7%	-49.3%	-12.0%	69.2%	-29.3%	29.49
Prior	\$2,346.0	\$726.0	\$711.1	\$551.1	\$329.2	\$2,317.4	\$291.5	\$353.3	\$502.8	\$558.1	\$1,705.6	\$2,146.0
Guidance		\$700-740	\$700-750	\$550-600	\$300-350		\$260-300					
VA Consensus	2,331	726	711	551	326	2,314	318	407	502	557	1,801	2,463
Non-GAAP Gross Profit	\$991.9	\$331.9	\$328.6	\$266.6	\$152.1	\$1,120.8	\$123.5	\$175.9	\$257.0	\$277.3	\$833.7	\$1,255.9
VA Consensus	993.8	\$332.0	\$328.7	\$266.7	\$159.2	1,086.3	\$154.3	\$197.3	\$251.9	\$281.9	889.1	1,254.2
% Margin	42.3%	45.7%	46.2%	48.4%	50.3%	48.9%	46.9%	48.8%	53.0%	54.2%	51.4%	59.99
VA Consensus (Implied)	42.6%	45.7%	46.2%	48.4%	48.8%	46.9%	48.6%	48.5%	50.1%	50.6%	49.4%	50.9%
Guidance (w/ IRA)					48-51%		44-47%					
Guidance (w/o IRA)		41-44%	42-45%	42-45%	40-43%		40-43%					
Baseline Target: 35%												
IRA Credits		-	\$1.2	\$14.5	\$25.8	\$41.5	\$12.4	\$18.6	\$43.3	\$50.1	\$124.4	\$326.7
Prior		-	1.2	14.5	24.8	40.5	30.9	37.1	43.3	50.1	161.5	326.7
Non-GAAP OpEx	305.5	98.4	98.2	99.0	86.6	382.2	81.2	80.4	81.1	81.7	326.3	348.6
VA Consensus	305.0	98.4	98.0	98.8	88.1	383.3	78.0	82.1	83.4	84.1	327.6	373.
% Revenue	13%	13.5%	14%	18%	29%	17%	31%	22%	17%	16%	20%	179
Guidance		\$100-104	\$98-102	\$101-105	\$85-89		\$80-84					
Guidance Post 1H24 Restructuring Baseline Target: 15% of Rev.								\$75-80				
Non-GAAP Operating Income	\$686.4	\$233.6	\$230.5	\$167.6	\$65.6	\$697.2	\$42.3	\$95.6	\$175.9	\$195.5	\$507.3	\$907.

Exhibit 1: ENPH earnings dashboard - BofAe

US shipments look to take another step down in 1Q24 while European volumes finally show life

	2022	1Q23	2Q23	3Q23	4Q23	2023	1Q24E	2Q24E	3Q24E	4Q24E	2024E	2025E
VA Consensus	688.8	233.5	230.2	167.4	70.2	701.0	73.9	113.1	164.8	194.3	546.0	880.3
% Margin	29%	32%	32%	30%	22%	30%	16%	27%	36%	38%	31%	43%
Baseline Target: >20%												
Adj. EBITDA (w/ IRA Credits)	\$742.5	242.6	248.3	187.0	86.4	\$764.4	62.1	115.4	195.7	215.4	\$586.6	\$984.0
Prior	\$736.4	\$242.6	\$248.3	\$187.0	\$81.5	\$759.5	\$80.0	\$128.1	\$203.4	\$231.6	\$654.9	\$1,001.3
Adj. EBITDA (w/o IRA Credits)	\$742.5	242.6	247.1	172.6	60.6	\$722.9	49.8	96.8	152.4	165.2	\$462.3	\$657.3
Prior	\$736.4	\$242.6	\$247.1	\$172.6	\$56.8	\$719.0	\$49.1	\$91.0	\$160.1	\$181.5	\$493.4	\$674.6
Margin, % (w/ IRA Credits)	32%	33%	35%	34%	29%	33%	24%	32%	40%	42%	36%	47%
Margin, % (w/o IRA Credits)	32%	33%	35%	31%	20%	32%	19%	27%	31%	32%	29%	31%
Non-GAAP EPS, Diluted (w/ IRA Credits)	\$4.37	\$1.32	\$1.42	\$0.99	\$0.53	\$4.26	\$0.44	\$0.75	\$1.26	\$1.37	\$3.75	\$5.83
Prior	\$4.37	\$1.32	\$1.42	\$0.99	\$0.67	\$4.41	\$0.69	\$0.88	\$1.31	\$1.47	\$4.29	\$5.81
VA Consensus	\$4.58	\$1.36	\$1.46	\$1.02	\$0.54	\$4.42	\$0.56	\$0.80	\$1.10	\$1.28	\$3.81	\$5.66

Source: Company filings, Visible Alpha, BofA Global Research estimates

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We are reducing top-line further, with mgmt's target \$700mn of quarterly run-rate guidance pushed out into the '26 timeframe (vs aspirations of '25 potentially). We appreciate that organic growth is indeed there for the sector and indeed we may well be setting the low bar. The risk at this point however is that competitive dynamics on the landscape could very well weigh on this outlook intermediating the sector recovery from ENPH specific factors. We continue to see competitive threats from Tesla Energy's Powerwall 3 and Hoymiles in a recovery scenario considering the acute backdrop from many dealers to find additional margin in the cost stack. While product quality, performance and efficiency issues will linger, we expect ramp to prove more meaningful on both of these products in the coming year. Expect adoption of competitors to prove obfuscated by elevated inventory in '24. We are increasingly confident in mgmt's decision to hold price through this downturn (given how far we are already into this cycle). This is the upshot to the backdrop with both SEDG and ENPH holding the line.

Exhibit 2: ENPH forecast - BofA vs. Consensus

We again reduce estimates and move further below Consensus on pressured microinverter shipments

	2022	1Q23	2Q23	3Q23	4Q23	2023	1Q24E	2Q24E	3Q24E	4Q24E	2024E	2025E
BofA vs. Consensus Forecast												
Microinverter Shipments (MWdc)												
BofAe	5,903.4	1,957	2,121	1,586	660	6,334.0	663	968	1,328	1,406	4,364.5	5,786.5
Visible Alpha	5,859.1	1,957	2,116	1,611	910	6,569.6	898	1,174	1,452	1,588	5,211.9	7,212.1
% Delta	1%	0%	0%	-2%	-27%	-4%	-26%	-18%	-9%	-11%	-16%	-20%
Revenue												
BofAe	2,346.0	726.0	711.1	551.1	302.6	2,290.8	263.5	360.6	484.8	511.8	1,620.6	2,097.2
Bloomberg	2,315.4	723.0	725.5	565.7	327.7	2,316.9	318.4	408.3	497.5	555.4	1,812.2	2,470.7
% Delta	1%	0%	-2%	-3%	-8%	-1%	-17%	-12%	-3%	-8%	-11%	-15%
Solar Revenue - BofAe	1,939.7	648.03	644.52	491.84	244.59	2,029.0	200.23	291.12	392.56	414.30	1,300.0	1,610.4
Solar Revenue - VA	1,920.1	641.69	647.11	490.57	260.46	2,042.6	255.90	340.60	419.95	457.24	1,489.8	2,020.8
% Delta	1%	1%	0%	0%	-6%	-1%	-22%	-15%	-7%	-9%	-13%	-20%
Storage Revenue - BofAe	376.3	71.86	61.90	54.25	52.28	240.3	56.47	61.99	83.40	87.39	289.3	425.1
Storage Revenue - VA	376.7	75.49	56.52	57.57	57.87	247.8	59.08	69.57	80.84	93.55	303.1	412.8
% Delta	0%	-5%	10%	-6%	-10%	-3%	-4%	-11%	3%	-7%	-5%	3%
Adj. EBITDA												
BofAe	742.5	242.6	248.3	187.0	86.4	764.4	62.1	115.4	195.7	215.4	586.6	984.0
Bloomberg	718.5	220.0	231.4	168.7	81.5	747.5	87.7	129.0	178.2	208.9	600.5	929.6
% Delta	3%	10%	7%	11%	6%	2%	-29%	-11%	10%	3%	-2%	6%

 $\textbf{Source:} \ \mathsf{Company} \ \mathsf{filings}, \mathsf{Bloomberg}, \mathsf{Visible} \ \mathsf{Alpha}, \mathsf{BofA} \ \mathsf{Global} \ \mathsf{Research} \ \mathsf{estimates}$

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PO to \$69 on estimate revisions

We reduce our PO to \$69 which reflects our reduced estimates through our forecast period. Our EV/EBITDA valuation moves to \$62/sh (weighted 75%) while our DCF valuation is unchanged at \$53/sh (weighted 25%). We roll forward our DCF one year following the close of 2023. Our IRA credit value moves down slightly as we reduce our expectations for FY24 US-manufactured shipments. See below for a complete summary of our valuation.

Exhibit 3: ENPH valuation summary

We arrive at a \$69 PO

ENPH Valuation

	<u>Value/Sh</u>	<u>Weight</u>	<u>Weighted Value</u>
EV/EBITDA	\$62.00	75%	\$46.50
DCF	\$53.00	25%	\$13.25
NPV: IRA Credit Value	\$9.64		
ENPH Value/Share			\$69.00
Share Price (As of 02/06/24)			\$100.51
Premium (Discount) to Unit Price			(31.4%)
2023E Dividend Yield			0.0%
Total Potential Return			-31.35%

Source: Company filings, Bloomberg, BofA Global Research

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Exhibit 4: ENPH EV/EBITDA valuation

We arrive at a \$62/sh EV/EBITDA valuation

Enphase EV/EBITDA Valuation	2024E	2025E
Revenues		
Microinverters	\$1,331	\$1,672
Storage	\$289	\$425
Gross Margin	\$812	\$1,233
EBITDA Ex-IRA Credits	\$462	\$657
BOS Peer Group (A)	10.5x	9.0x
Previous BOS Peer Group	11.0x	9.5x
Relative Premium to BOS (B) - Base on 1-Yr Trailing EV/EBITDA vs Peers	6.0x	4.0x
EV/EBITDA (BOS Peer + BOS Premium, A+B)	16.5x	13.0x
Previous EV/EBITDA	16.0x	13.0x
Consensus EV/EBITDA	22.0x	14.0x
Enterprise Value	\$7,627	\$8,545
Net (Debt) Cash (Adj for Converts)	\$401	\$401
Equity Value	\$8,029	\$8,946
Shares Outstanding	137	137
Valuation	\$59	\$65
EV/EBITDA Value vs. Current Share Px	-42%	-35%
EPS	\$4.26	\$3.75
Implied P/E (excl. Net Cash)	13.0x	16.5x
ENPH Share Price	\$101	\$101
Average Valuation	\$62	

Source: Company filings, Bloomberg, BofA Global Research estimates

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Exhibit 5: ENPH DCF valuation We arrive at a \$53/sh DCF valuation

ENPH - DCF Methodology	2020	2024E	2025E	2026E	2027E	2028E	2029E	2030E
DCF - less Stock Based Compensation and Debt Amortization								
Free Cash Flows (\$Mn)		\$467	\$431	\$561	\$708	\$930	\$1,041	\$1,232
Less: Stock Based Compensation		\$236	\$257	\$260	\$255	\$262	\$267	\$271
Less Tax Credit Value		\$124	\$327	\$346	\$429	\$396	\$363	\$247
Adjusted Free Cash Flows (\$Mn)		\$107	(\$153)	(\$45)	\$23	\$272	\$411	\$714
Free Cash Flows to Equity (\$Mn)		\$107	(\$153)	(\$45)	\$23	\$272	\$411	\$714
Discount Rate- Cost of Equity		13%	13%	13%	13%	13%	13%	13%
Discount Factor		0.89	0.79	0.70	0.62	0.55	0.49	0.44
Discounted Free Cash Flows		\$95	(\$121)	(\$31)	\$14	\$150	\$201	\$311

DCF Value through '30	\$620
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PV of Terminal FCFF Value	\$6.214
Terminal FCF Yield	5.0%
Implied Exit Multiple off 2030	20.0x
Terminal Value	\$14,273
Discount Factor	0.44
Terminal Multiple	20.00

\$401 **Net Cash**

Total FCFE DCF Value/Share	\$7,236 \$53.00
Shares O/S (Fully Diluted)	139.205
Debt Included Convertible Note Dilution	2.018
Adjusted Diluted Share Count	137.187
Price as of close 02/06/2024	\$100.51
DCF Value vs. Current Share Px	-47%

Discount Rate	12.6%
Discount Rate	12.6%

Source: Company filings, Bloomberg, BofA Global Research estimates

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Price objective basis & risk

Enphase Energy (ENPH)

Our \$69/share PO is based on an 75/25 weighted avg of EV/EBITDA and discounted cash flow (DCF) methodologies - DCF embedded at 25% to keep the valuation anchored to the intrinsic valuation and EV / EBITDA at 75% to reflect the investor sentiment on the Cleantech space and ENPH. Weighted EV/EBITDA/share value is \$62 and weighted DCF/share is \$53. We add an incremental \$10/share of NPV value from IRA credits (12.5% discount rate through 2033).

EV/EBITDA approach:

- Comps based on solar Balance of System (BOS) universe given more tech differentiation and somewhat similar margin profiles
- ENPH at a premium multiple using relative premium observed to the rest of the BOS comp universe
- Average value between '24 and '25 implied EV/EBITDA valuation of '24 at 16.5x and '25 at 13.0x respectively vs our EBITDA est.

DCF approach:

- Derive FCFE by removing the contribution from stock-based compensation to FCF through 2030 $\,$
- FCFE discounted by 12.5% given rising risk free rate expectations
- Given high growth and expanding opportunity set, we attribute a 20x terminal multiple

Downside risks: (1) execution risks around financial/growth targets, (2) product risks around performance, (3) competitive risk and ability to maintain share, (4) partner risk around reliance on contract manufacturers, (5) policy risk around shifts in subsidy and incentives for resi solar. Upside risks: (1) policy implementation supporting acceleration in solar adoption, (2) increase in organic US/Europe demand.

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Free Cash Flow	Cash Flow From Operations – Total Capex	N/A
Quality of Earnings	Numerator	Denominator
Cash Realization Ratio	Cash Flow From Operations	Net Income
Asset Replacement Ratio	Capex	Depreciation
Tax Rate	Tax Charge	Pre-Tax Income
Net Debt-To-Equity Ratio	Net Debt = Total Debt - Cash & Equivalents	Total Equity
Interest Cover	EBIT	Interest Expense
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Dividend Yield	Annualised Declared Cash Dividend	Current Share Price
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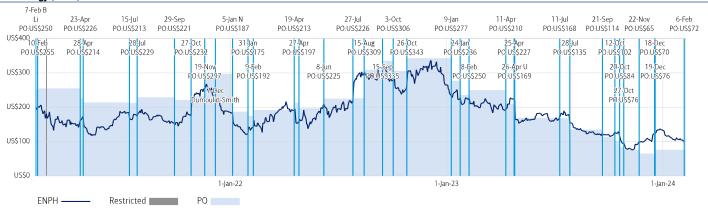
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