

iHeartMedia, Inc.

Turning the dial to CY24

Reiterate Rating: UNDERPERFORM | PO: 2.50 USD | Price: 2.85 USD

4QE preview: Choppy macro environment

We anticipate IHRT's 4Q23E results will reflect continued macro headwinds. We maintain our 4Q23E revenue of \$1,049mn (-7% y/y) which is in-line with company guidance of high-single digit revenue declines. Key drivers include: (1) Broadcast adv. revenue estimate of \$469mn (-10% y/y) as the macro environment remains challenged, (2) Digital revenue of \$323mn (+7% y/y) reflecting solid underlying trends, (3) Networks rev. of \$116mn (-11% y/y), (4) Sponsorship and Events revenue of \$73mn and (5) Audio and Media Services rev. of \$66mn.

Positioning for CY24 advertising recovery

The advertising market, finally, appears to be stabilizing. Local advertising is currently outperforming national. Visibility into CY24 is limited. However, our view is that brands will need to come back after more than a year at massively reduced ad spending. In addition, political advertising should help IHRT return to revenue growth in CY24. Furthermore, while IHRT has already implemented several cost saving initiatives, we believe there are additional cost saving measures the company can take if macro trends remain soft.

Maintain our 4QE and CY24E forecasts

We maintain our 4QE revenue/adj. EBITDA forecasts of \$1,049mn/\$210mn. For CY24E, we maintain our revenue, adj. EBITDA and FCF estimates of \$4,000mn, \$925mn and \$250mn, respectively. Given their elevated leverage levels, we expect IHRT will utilize excess FCF to buy back debt in the public markets.

Reiterate Underperform and \$2.50 PO

We reiterate our Underperform rating and \$2.50 PO for IHRT. We believe the current macro environment coupled with IHRT's capital structure (>\$5.0bn in debt or \sim 6x Net Debt:EBITDA and \sim 43% floating rate) will weigh on shares in the near term. Absent a significant re-acceleration in the macro environment, we believe IHRT will struggle to generate a substantial amount of free cash flow to effectively de-lever the balance sheet.

Estimates (Dec) (US\$)	2021A	2022A	2023E	2024E	2025E
EPS	(1.09)	(1.79)	(7.52)	0.44	0.35
EPS Change (YoY)	91.7%	-64.2%	-320.1%	NM	-20.5%
Consensus EPS (Bloomberg)			(7.54)	0.05	0.16
DPS	0	0	0	0	0
Valuation (Dec)					
P/E	NM	NM	NM	6.5x	8.1x
EV / EBITDA*	8.2x	7.0x	9.5x	7.2x	7.5x
Free Cash Flow Yield*	34.9%	61.4%	28.5%	59.3%	61.6%
* For full definitions of <i>IQ</i> method SM measures, see page 7.					

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Stock Data

Price	2.85 USD
Price Objective	2.50 USD
Date Established	10-Nov-2023
Investment Opinion	C-3-9
52-Week Range	1.78 USD - 9.01 USD
Mrkt Val (mn) / Shares Out	422 USD / 148.1
(mn)	
Free Float	87.2%
Average Daily Value (mn)	3.20 USD
BofA Ticker / Exchange	IHRT / NAS
Bloomberg / Reuters	IHRT US / IHRT.OQ
ROE (2023E)	-186.0%
Net Dbt to Eqty (Dec-2022A)	741.8%
ESGMeter™	Medium

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iQ method [™] – Bus Performance*					
(US\$ Millions)	2021A	2022A	2023E	2024E	20251
Return on Capital Employed	3.8%	5.8%	3.3%	4.8%	4.6%
Return on Equity	-17.5%	-33.5%	-186.0%	12.0%	9.5%
Operating Margin	-3.6%	1.5%	-4.6%	11.0%	100.0%
Free Cash Flow	147	259	120	250	260
iQmethod SM – Quality of Earnings*					
(US\$ Millions)	2021A	2022A	2023E	2024E	20251
Cash Realization Ratio	NM	NM	NM	5.1x	7.3>
Asset Replacement Ratio	0.4x	0.4x	0.2x	0.2x	0.3
Tax Rate	NM	NM	2.7%	31.4%	32.8%
Net Debt-to-Equity Ratio	588.2%	741.8%	900.3%	800.2%	784.9%
Interest Cover	1.0x	1.5x	0.7x	1.4x	1.3>
Income Statement Data (Dec)					
(US\$ Millions)	2021A	2022A	2023E	2024E	2025
Sales	3,558	3,912	3,734	4,000	3,844
% Change	20.7%	10.0%	-4.6%	7.1%	-3.9%
Gross Profit	3,558	3,912	3,734	4,000	3,844
% Change	20.7%	10.0%	-4.6%	7.1%	-3.9%
EBITDA	811	950	698	925	893
% Change	50.6%	17.2%	-26.5%	32.5%	-3.5%
Net Interest & Other Income	(492)	(747)	(1,428)	(402)	(388)
Net Income (Adjusted)	(159)	(265)	(1,121)	66	53
% Change	91.7%	-66.2%	-323.7%	NM	-19.9%
(US\$ Millions)	2021A	2022A	2023E	2024E	20251
Net Income from Cont Operations (GAAP)	(158)	(247)	(1,133)	53	40
Depreciation & Amortization	469	446 (54)	435 (72)	446	446
Change in Working Capital	(138) NA	(54) NA	NA	(96) NA	(40) NA
Deferred Taxation Charge Other Adjustments, Net	158	275	991	(63)	(61)
Capital Expenditure	(183)	(161)	(100)	(90)	(125)
Free Cash Flow	147	259	120	250	260
% Change	12.6%	76.0%	-53.6%	108.1%	3.9%
Share / Issue Repurchase	NA	NA NA	NA	NA	NA NA
Cost of Dividends Paid	0	0	0	0	C
Change in Debt	5,387	5,078	4,864	4,613	4,354
Balance Sheet Data (Dec)					
(US\$ Millions)	2021A	2022A	2023E	2024E	2025
Cash & Equivalents	352	336	275	165	65
Trade Receivables	1,030	1,038	941	1,008	969
Other Current Assets	90	99	108	116	111
Property, Plant & Equipment	782	695	556	401	281
Other Non-Current Assets	6,626	6,168	5,973	5,862	5,689
Total Assets	8,881	8,336	7,853	7,553	7,115
Short-Term Debt	1	1	1	1	1
Other Current Liabilities	849	831	803	850	822
Long-Term Debt	5,738	5,414	5,138	4,778	4,418
_	1 270	1,406	1,370	1,402	1,384
Other Non-Current Liabilities	1,378				
Other Non-Current Liabilities Total Liabilities	7,966	7,651	7,312	7,031	•
Other Non-Current Liabilities			7,312 540 7,852	7,031 577 7,608	6,625 555 7,179

Company Sector

Entertainment

Company Description

Through its portfolio of 848 live broadcast radio stations, IHRT is a leading US audio entertainment company, reaching 275 million monthly listeners across 160 U.S. markets (including 48 of the top 50 markets). IHRT generates revenue through its broadcast radio stations, digital platforms, media networks, sponsorships and live events, audio and media services, and other segments.

Investment Rationale

We view IHRT as a multiplatform audio company that deserves a premium to other radio peers given its unparalleled scale and differentiated business model.

However, we anticipate a tepid advertising market near term driven by macro concerns. Additionally, IHRT's financial leverage poses an increased risk amidst a rising interest rate environment. We do not expect IHRT will generate enough FCF to de-lever their balance sheet.

Stock Data

Average Daily Volume

Quarterly Earnings Estimates

	2022	2023
Q1	-0.33A	-1.50A
Q2	0.10A	-5.93A
Q3	-2.09A	-0.06A
Q4	0.54A	-0.04E



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Exhibit 1: IHRT - Variance Table

We maintain our 4Q23 and CY24 estimates

2024E 4Q23E Old Old Act. Est Est. Est. 2023E 2024E Fiscal Year Ends 12/31 Q4/22A Q4/23E Y/Y Q4/23E Y/Y 2024E Y/Y Y/Y D D IHRT: Actuals & BofA Estimates Broadcast Radio \$522 \$469 -10% \$469 -10% \$0 \$1.736 \$1.825 5% \$1,825 5% \$0 Networks \$131 \$116 -11% \$116 -11% \$0 \$462 \$489 6% \$489 6% \$0 Sponsorships and Events \$75 \$73 -2% \$73 -2% \$0 \$194 \$208 7% \$208 7% \$0 \$6 \$0 \$5 \$6 \$0 \$23 \$21 -8% \$21 -8% Other 10% 10% -9% \$0 \$2,415 5% \$0 + Multiplatform Group \$733 \$664 -9% \$664 \$2,543 \$2,543 5% Digital ex. Podcast \$188 \$194 3% \$194 3% \$0 \$669 \$706 6% \$706 6% \$0 Podcast \$113 \$129 14% \$129 14% \$0 \$405 \$463 14% \$463 14% \$0 + Digital Audio Group \$301 \$323 7% \$323 7% \$0 \$1,074 \$1,169 9% \$1,169 9% \$0 + Audio & Media Services Group \$66 -30% -30% \$0 \$300 18% \$300 18% \$0 \$95 \$66 \$255 (\$3) -1% (\$3) -1% \$0 17% 17% \$0 - Fliminations (\$3)(\$10)(\$12)(\$12)= Total Revenue \$1,126 \$1,049 -7% \$1,049 -7% \$0 \$3,734 \$4,000 **7**% \$4,000 **7**% \$0 YoY % change 6% -7% -7% 0% -5% 7% 0% + Multiplatform Group \$230 \$140 -39% \$140 -39% \$0 \$552 \$698 26% \$698 26% \$0 \$119 20% \$119 20% \$0 \$352 \$402 14% \$402 14% \$0 + Digital Audio Group \$99 + Audio & Media Services \$45 \$18 -60% \$18 -60% \$0 \$69 \$95 38% \$95 38% \$0 + Corporate and Other (\$58) (\$68) 16% (\$68) 16% \$0 (\$274)(\$270)-2% (\$270)-2% \$0 = Total Adj. EBITDA \$0 \$698 \$0 \$316 \$210 -33% \$210 -33% \$925 32% \$925 32% YoY % change 7% -27% -33% -33% 0% 32% 32% 0% Margin % 28% 20% 20% 0% 19% 23% 23% 0% **Operating Income** \$173 \$90 -48% \$90 -48% \$0 (\$787)\$441 -156% \$441 -156% \$0 YoY % change 41% -48% -48% 0% -1484% -156% -156% 0% 9% 0% 15% 9% -21% 11% 11% 0% Margin % **Consolidated Net Income** \$80 (\$6) NM (\$6) NM \$0 (\$1,121) \$66 -106% \$66 \$0

Source: BofA Global Research

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Exhibit 2: IHRT - Income Statement

We forecast \$925mn for CY24E Adj. EBITDA

2022A 2023E Fiscal Year Ends 12/31 2021A Q1A Q2A Q3A Q4A 2022A Q1A Q2A Q3A Q4E 2023E 2024E 2025E IHRT: Income Statement (mns) + Multiplatform Group \$2,489 \$571 \$633 \$660 \$733 \$2,597 \$529 \$596 \$626 \$664 \$2,415 \$2,543 \$2,365 + Digital Audio Group \$834 \$214 \$253 \$254 \$301 \$1,022 \$223 \$261 \$267 \$323 \$1,074 \$1,169 \$1,245 + Audio & Media Services \$248 \$61 \$71 \$78 \$95 \$304 \$61 \$66 \$62 \$66 \$255 \$300 \$246 + Eliminations (\$13)(\$3) (\$3)(\$3)(\$3)(\$11 (\$3)(\$3)(\$3)(\$3)(\$10)(\$12)(\$12)\$843 = Total Revenue \$3,558 \$954 \$989 \$1,126 \$3,912 \$811 \$920 \$953 \$1,049 \$3,734 \$4,000 \$3,844 -4% 19% -4% 21% 11% 7% 6% 10% -4% -7% -5% -4% - Total Operating Expenses \$2,747 \$698 \$717 \$737 \$810 \$2,962 \$718 \$729 \$749 \$839 \$3,035 \$3,075 \$2,951 + Multiplatform Group \$743 \$134 \$194 \$207 \$230 \$766 \$87 \$162 \$162 \$140 \$662 \$552 \$698 \$261 \$53 \$79 \$78 \$99 \$309 \$54 \$85 \$94 \$119 \$352 \$402 \$423 + Digital Audio Group \$17 \$18 + Audio & Media Services \$76 \$16 \$22 \$30 \$45 \$113 \$15 \$18 \$69 \$95 \$77 + Corporate and Other (\$269) (\$58)(\$58)(\$63) (\$58)(\$237) (\$63) (\$74)(\$69) (\$274)= Total Adj. EBITDA \$811 \$145 \$237 \$252 \$316 \$950 \$93 \$191 \$204 \$210 \$698 \$925 \$893 YoY 51% 42% 29% 10% 7% 17% -36% -19% -19% -33% -27% 32% -3% 22.8% 17.2% 24.9% 28.0% 24.3% 11.5% 20.8% 21.4% 20.0% 18.7% 23.1% Margin 25.5% 23.2% - Depreciation & Amortization \$469 \$114 \$111 \$109 \$112 \$446 \$109 \$108 \$106 \$112 \$435 \$446 \$446 \$58 \$1 \$0 \$310 \$0 \$311 \$4 \$961 \$1 \$0 \$965 \$0 \$0 - Impairment Charges \$1 (\$1) \$0 \$0 \$3 \$0 - Other Operating Expenses \$32 \$16 \$9 \$25 (\$0) \$3 \$0 - Share-based Compensation \$24 \$6 \$9 \$10 \$11 \$35 \$10 \$9 \$8 \$8 \$36 \$39 \$41 \$11 \$73 \$19 \$24 \$21 \$76 \$19 \$11 \$16 \$0 \$46 \$0 \$0 - Restructuring Expenses = Operating Income \$155 \$12 \$83 (\$211) \$173 \$57 (\$49) (\$897) \$69 \$90 (\$787) \$441 \$407 -109% -116% 195% -364% 41% -63% -496% -1183% -133% -48% -1484% -156% YoY -8% Margin 4.4% 1.5% 8.7% -21.4% 15.4% 1.5% -6.0% -97.5% 7.2% 8.6% -21.1% 11.0% 10.6% - Interest Expense, Net \$332 \$79 \$81 \$88 \$93 \$342 \$95 \$99 \$100 \$98 \$392 \$350 \$334 \$44 (\$2) \$10 (\$3)(\$5) (\$1) (\$7) (\$6) (\$7) \$0 (\$20) \$0 \$0 + Gain on Investments, Net (\$0) (\$0) (\$0) \$0 \$0 (\$0) (\$4) \$0 (\$4) \$0 + Equity in Loss of Nonconsolidated Assets (\$1)(\$0) \$0 \$0 + Gain on Extinguishment of Debt (\$8)\$0 \$8 \$7 \$15 \$30 \$5 \$23 \$24 \$51 \$0 \$0 (\$2) \$0 \$0 \$0 + Other Expense, Net (\$7) (\$0) (\$1) \$1 (\$2 (\$0) (\$0) (\$1) (\$1) Income (Loss) Before Income Taxes (\$150) (\$69) \$17 (\$296) \$90 (\$258) (\$146) (\$979) (\$18) (\$8) (\$1,151) \$91 \$73 (\$10) (\$24) + Income Tax Benefit / (Expense) \$20 (\$2)(\$13) (\$76)\$96 \$9 \$2 (\$20) (\$8)(\$5) \$32 Tax Rate (%) -6% -29% -11% 5% -11% -2% 52% -10% -51% 27% 3% 27% 27% (\$49) = Net Income (Loss) (\$158) \$15 (\$310) \$81 (\$263) (\$222) (\$883) (\$9) (\$6) (\$1,120) \$66 \$53 Less: Amount Attributable to Noncontrolling Interest \$2 (\$0) (\$49) (\$310) (\$222) = Net Income (Loss) Attributable to the Company (\$159) \$14 \$80 (\$265) (\$884) (\$9) (\$6) (\$1,121) \$66 \$53 Diluted EPS (\$0.33) \$0.10 (\$2.09) \$0.54 (\$1.79) (\$5.93) (\$0.06)(\$0.04) (\$7.52)\$0.44 \$0.35 (\$1.09) (\$1.50)Shares Outstanding 147 148 149 148 148 148 149 150 150 149 150 150

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Exhibit 3: IHRT – FCF StatementWe forecast \$250mn for CY24E FCF

			202	2A				202	3E				
Fiscal Year Ends 12/31	2021A	Q1A	Q2A	Q3A	Q4A	2022A	Q1A	Q2A	Q3A	Q4E	2023E	2024E	2025E
IHRT: Free Cash Flow & Leverage (mns)	2021	2022.1	2022.2	2022.3	2022.4	2022	2023.1	2023.2	2023.3	2023.4	2023	2024	2025
+ Adj. EBITDA	\$811	\$145	\$237	\$252	\$316	\$950	\$93	\$191	\$204	\$210	\$698	\$925	\$893
- Cash Taxes	\$10	\$34	\$34	\$34	\$34	\$135	\$3	\$7	\$2	\$3	\$15	\$139	\$134
- Cash Interest	\$332	\$79	\$81	\$88	\$93	\$342	\$102	\$94	\$109	\$86	\$390	\$350	\$334
- Working Capital & Other	\$138	\$84	(\$34)	\$27	(\$25)	\$54	\$82	\$34	(\$3)	(\$41)	\$72	\$96	\$40
= Operating Cash Flow	\$331	(\$52)	\$156	\$103	\$213	\$420	(\$94)	\$57	\$96	\$162	\$221	\$340	\$385
- Capital Expenditure	\$183	\$23	\$50	\$40	\$48	\$161	\$39	\$23	\$29	\$10	\$100	\$90	\$125
= Free Cash Flow	\$147	(\$75)	\$106	\$63	\$165	\$259	(\$133)	\$34	\$68	\$152	\$120	\$250	\$260
+ Net Proceeds from Real Estate Sales	\$22	\$3	\$20	\$8	\$1	\$32	\$0	\$5	\$0	\$0	\$5	\$0	\$0
= Company Defined FCF	\$169	(\$71)	\$127	\$70	\$166	\$291	(\$133)	\$39	\$68	\$152	\$125	\$250	\$260
YoY	30%	-235%	1239%	30%	213%	72%	86%	-69%	-4%	-8%	-57%	100%	4%
FCF Conversion	20.9%	-49.2%	53.4%	27.9%	52.5%	30.7%	-142.5%	20.2%	33.2%	72.2%	17.9%	27.0%	29.1%
Leverage Ratios													
+ Current Portion of Long-term Debt	\$1	\$1	\$1	\$1	\$1	\$1	\$1	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
+ Long-term Debt	\$5,738	\$5,739	\$5,627	\$5,553	\$5,414	\$5,414	\$5,395	\$5,316	\$5,228	\$5,138	\$5,138	\$4,778	\$4,418
= Gross Debt	\$5,739	\$5,740	\$5,627	\$5,554	\$5,414	\$5,414	\$5,395	\$5,316	\$5,229	\$5,139	\$5,139	\$4,779	\$4,419
- Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$352	\$280	\$295	\$295	\$336	\$336	\$188	\$165	\$213	\$275	\$275	\$165	\$65
= Net Debt	\$5,387	\$5,460	\$5,333	\$5,258	\$5,078	\$5,078	\$5,208	\$5,151	\$5,015	\$4,864	\$4,864	\$4,613	\$4,354
Adj. EBITDA (TTM)	\$811	\$854	\$907	\$929	\$950	\$950	\$898	\$852	\$804	\$698	\$698	\$925	\$893
Gross Leverage (TTM)	7.1x	6.7x	6.2x	6.0x	5.7x	5.7x	6.0x	6.2x	6.5x	7.4x	7.4x	5.2x	4.9x
Net Leverage (TTM)	6.6x	6.4x	5.9x	5.7x	5.3x	5.3x	5.8x	6.0x	6.2x	7.0x	7.0x	5.0x	4.9x

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Price objective basis & risk

iHeartMedia, Inc. (IHRT)

Our \$2.50 PO is based on an approximately 5x CY24E EV/EBITDA multiple, which is a premium to traditional radio comps trading at approximately 4.5x given its unparalleled scale and differentiated business model.

Upside risks to our PO are: better-than-anticipated revenue growth, macroeconomic improvement, market share gains, margin expansion and free cash flow generation.

Downside risks to our PO are: high leverage and if the recovery in the macro environment fails to materialize.

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	Fox Corporation	FOX	FOX US	Jessica Reif Ehrlich
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	Liberty SiriusXM Group	LSXMK	LSXMK US	Jessica Reif Ehrlich
	Sirius XM Holdings Inc	SIRI	SIRI US	Jessica Reif Ehrlich
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IQmethod[™] Measures Definitions

Business Performance	Numerator	Denominator
Return On Capital Employed	NOPAT = (EBIT + Interest Income) \times (1 – Tax Rate) + Goodwill Amortization	Total Assets — Current Liabilities + ST Debt + Accumulated Goodwill
		Amortization
Return On Equity	Net Income	Shareholders' Equity
Operating Margin	Operating Profit	Sales
Earnings Growth	Expected 5 Year CAGR From Latest Actual	N/A
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
Valuation Toolkit	Numerator	Denominator
Price / Earnings Ratio	Current Share Price	Diluted Earnings Per Share (Basis As Specified)
Price / Book Value	Current Share Price	Shareholders' Equity / Current Basic Shares
Dividend Yield	Annualised Declared Cash Dividend	Current Share Price
Free Cash Flow Yield	Cash Flow From Operations — Total Capex	Market Cap = Current Share Price × Current Basic Shares
Enterprise Value / Sales	EV = Current Share Price × Current Shares + Minority Equity + Net Debt +	Sales
	Other LT Liabilities	

EV / EBITDA Enterprise Value Basic EBIT + Depreciation + Amortization

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iHeartMedia (IHRT) Price Chart



B: Buy, N: Neutral, U: Underperform, PO: Price Objective, NA: No longer valid, NR: No Rating

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Coverage Universe	Count	Percent	Inv. Banking Relationships R1	Count	Percent
Buy	35	53.85%	Buy	15	42.86%
Hold	15	23.08%	Hold	8	53.33%
Sell	15	23.08%	Sell	7	46.67%

Equity Investment Rating Distribution: Global Group (as of 31 Dec 2023)

Coverage Universe	Count	Percent	Inv. Banking Relationships R1	Count	Percent
Buy	1895	53.62%	Buy	1083	57.15%
Hold	832	23.54%	Hold	454	54.57%
Sell	807	22.84%	Sell	383	47.46%
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