

Tuesday, August 6, 2013

Zoetis (Outperform)

(ZTS-NYSE)

In Line Is Good for Now; Guidance Maintained

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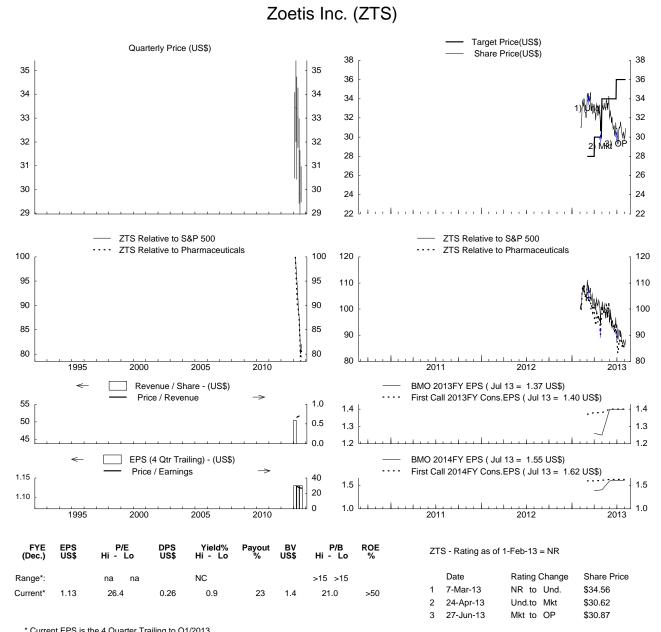
This morning Zoetis reported 2Q13 revenues of \$1.114Bn, 1.4% below consensus and 1.8% below our forecast. However, both SG&A and R&D were both below expectations allowing Zoetis to meet non-GAAP EPS consensus of \$0.36, which was also our forecast.

Our View:

- * Positive. The top-line miss compared with our forecasts was driven by lower-than-expected sales form the Europe/Africa/Middle East (EuAfME), which only grew 1% operationally. Sales of livestock products in EuAfME declined, primarily due to lower sales of cattle products resulting from cold weather conditions and overall economic weakness in Europe, partially offset by growth in swine and poultry products. Overall, companion animal product sales of \$444 million was also 4.5% below our forecast as the y/y growth of 3.5% was significantly lower than 7.9% seen in 1Q13. We'll look for more clarification on the call.
- * Importantly, Zoetis re-affirmed its 2013 guidance: including revenue between \$4.425 billion and \$4.525 billion and non-GAAP EPS of \$1.36-\$1.42. We believe Zoetis will likely come on the lower half of the guidance range: Current BMO forecast (pre-2Q13): revenues of \$4.473bn, EPS of \$1.37. Our longer-term forecasts are somewhat below consensus, which is very bullish, in our view.
- * Investors had many concerns going into this quarter, including the impact of the drought, a weak parasite season related to colder weather in Europe, aggressive re-launch of Novartis' (NVS, Not Rated) Sentinel, and timing of Zoetis' price increase. We believe these concerns had created a certain level of anxiety that has pressured ZTS shares since the completion of the split from Pfizer (PFE, \$29.19; Outperform). As such, we believe that this mostly in-line quarter should be viewed positively and should lead to a relief rally as new investors enter.
- * We reiterate our Outperform rating on ZTS shares. Conference call at 8:30 a.m. ET 866-952-1906.

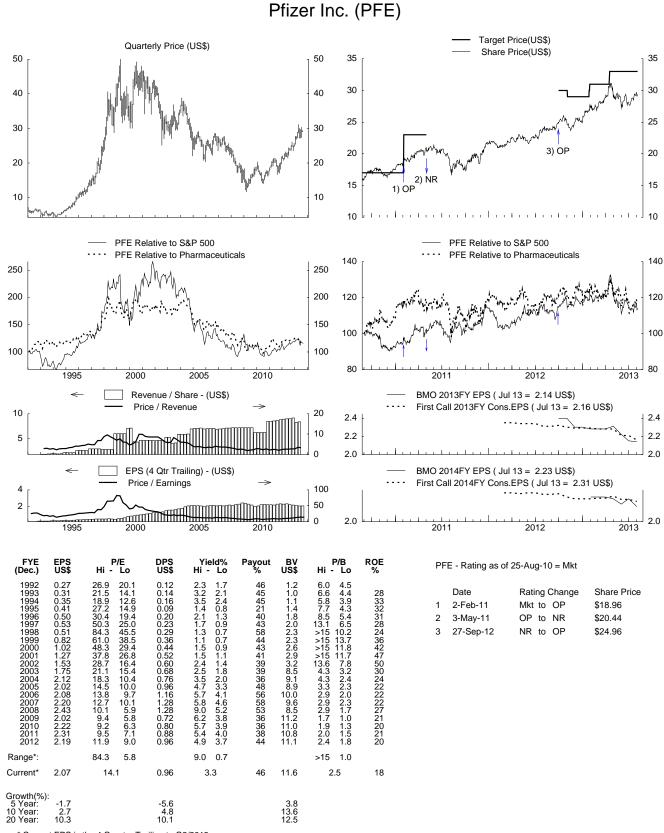
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Price/Rating/Target:	\$31.25/Outperform/\$36.00			
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^{*} Current EPS is the 4 Quarter Trailing to Q1/2013.
* Valuation metrics are based on high and low for the fiscal year.
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Methodology and Risks to Our Price Target

Methodology: DCF and P/E Multiple

Risks: Demand for animal health products could fluctuate and there are relatively low barriers to entry for competitors.

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Methodology: DCF: Free Cash Flow To Equity.

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