#### Rating

### Buy

North America United States

#### **TMT**

IT Hardware and Supply

#### Company

## **Dell Technologies**

Reuters Bloomberg Exchange Ticker
DELL.N DELL US NYS DELL

#### Date

30 November 2023

#### **Forecast Change**

Price at 30 Nov 2023 (USD)	75.87
Price target	80.00
52-week range	75.87 - 36.57

# F3Q Results: PC weakness masks Al strength and ISG recovery

#### Near-term weakness, but FY25 growth forecast is positive

F3Q revenue came in below expectations as PC demand weakened after a solid start to the quarter. The weakness is expected to persist in F4Q, leading to a revenue guide also below expectations. On a positive note, Al server momentum continued with \$500m of revenue shipped in F3Q. In addition, demand for traditional servers started to inflect, while storage demand showed normal seasonality. Importantly, DELL expects FY25 growth to be above the long-term target range of 3-4%, and Al server is a key growth driver. Post results, we lower F4Q estimates, but raise our growth assumptions for FY25 albeit at lower margins, resulting in an unchanged EPS estimate of \$7.30 that is above the Street's \$6.85. With potential for further upside from higher growth and share repurchases, we raise our target multiple by one turn, leading to an increase in our price target from \$75 to \$80. Maintain Buy.

#### Valuation & Risks

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Key changes			
TP	75.00 to 80.00	$\uparrow$	6.7%
EPS (USD)	6.30 to 6.63	$\uparrow$	5.3%
Revenue (USDm)	90,499.9 to 88,105.9	$\downarrow$	-2.6%
Source: Deutsche Bank			

#### What we liked

1) In F3Q, Al-optimized server demand nearly doubled sequentially, accounting for ~33% of total server orders in the quarter. After shipping \$500m of Al server revenues in F3Q, the company exited the quarter with \$1.6b in backlog and a multibillion-dollar sales pipeline. 2) In ISG, DELL saw an improving demand environment for traditional servers in F3Q, in addition to ASP expansion in traditional servers. The storage business also exhibited normal seasonality. DELL expects ISG revenues to increase by mid single-digits q/q in F4Q. 3) Looking beyond FY24, DELL expects revenue to return to growth in FY25 above its long-term financial framework (3-4% CAGR) on the back of strong Al demand, along with a rebound in traditional servers. 4) F3Q operating margin at 8.8% was better than DBe at 7.5%, with both segments exceeding our expectations. We believe the outperformance was driven by both gross margins (better ASP and deflationary costs) and opex (disciplined spending).

#### What we monitor

1) In CSG, revenues of \$12.3b, down -11% y/y, were significantly below DBe at -5% y/y, driven by lower-than-expected units, particularly in enterprise and North America. Management expects demand to remain soft and CSG revenue to be down low single-digits sequentially in F4Q. 2) F4Q revenue/EPS guidance of \$22.0b/\$1.70 at the mid-point is worse than our prior estimates at \$23.6b/\$1.80. DELL expects CSG revenue to decline q/q in F4Q (vs. prior DBe of up +2% q/q). The company called out a slow recovery in the PC market. 3) Despite better-than-expected operating margins in F3Q, DELL anticipates operating margin to decline

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sequentially in F4Q, largely due to an increasingly competitive pricing environment particularly in CSG going forward, as well as the potential for inflationary component costs.

#### Results and guide

F3Q (Oct) revenues of \$22.3b (down -10% y/y and down -3% q/q) were below DBe/Street at \$23b and the guidance of \$22.5-23.5b. CSG revs of \$12.3b were down -11% y/y (vs. DBe -5% y/y), ISG revs of \$8.5b were down -12% y/y (vs. DBe -12% y/y) and Others revs came in at \$1.5b (vs. DBe \$1.5b). Gross margins at 23.7% were above DBe of 22.6%, and operating margins at 8.8% were above DBe of 7.5%. The resulting EPS of \$1.88 came in above DBe/Street at \$1.45/\$1.46. DELL expects F4Q (Jan) revenue of \$21.5-22.5b (below prior DBe/Street of \$23.6b/\$23.9b) and EPS of \$1.70 +/- \$0.10 (below prior DBe/Street at \$1.80/\$1.81). Post results, we lower our EPS estimates for F4Q from \$1.80 to \$1.70, but raise our FY24E (CY23E) from \$6.30 to \$6.63 and maintain FY25E (CY24E) of \$7.30.

#### Valuation and risks

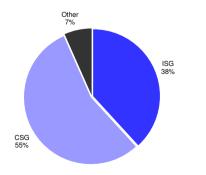
Our price target of \$80 (up from \$75) is based on a ~11x CY24E EPS (vs. ~10x prior), which is at a slight premium to its peers as we believe estimates for DELL are more de-risked. We raise our target multiple by one turn to reflect potential upside to our EPS estimates from higher growth and share repurchases. Key downside risks include a slowing IT spending environment and loss of market share in its core businesses (storage, networking, servers, PCs, virtualization).

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Figure 1: F3Q (Oct-23) results summary

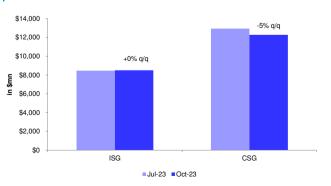
in \$m	Oct-23 DBe	Oct-23 Actual	Actual vs. DBe	Comments
Revenues	\$23,000	\$22,251	(\$749)	Weakness in CSG
q/q	0%	-3%		
y/y	-7%	-10%		
Gross Margin	22.6%	23.7%	113 bps	
Opex	3,459	3,312	(\$147)	
Operating Margin	7.5%	8.8%	129 bps	
Tax rate	22.5%	15.4%		Guide F4Q tax rate of 20%
EPS (adjusted)	\$1.45	\$1.88	\$0.43	Higher GM/lower opex more than offset lower revs
Revenue by Segment				
ISG	\$8,464	\$8,499	\$35	
ISG q/q	0%	0%		Guide F4Q up mid-single digit q/q
ISG y/y	-12%	-12%		
CSG	\$13,017	\$12,276	(\$741)	
CSG q/q	1%	-5%		Guide F4Q down low-single digit q/q
CSG y/y	-5%	-11%		
Other	\$1,519	\$1,476	(\$43)	Guide F4Q down low-20% q/q
Balance sheet				
Cash and marketable securities	\$10,345	\$9,592	(\$753)	Higher working capital and higher share repurchases
Account receivable	\$10,381	\$9,720	(\$661)	
Inventory	\$3,468	\$3,381	(\$87)	
LT debt	\$26,638	\$26,617	(\$21)	
Cash flow				
Cash flow from operations	\$2,515	\$2,152	(\$363)	Higher working capital
Capital expenditures	(\$697)	(\$704)	(\$7)	
Free cash flow	\$1,818	\$1,448	(\$370)	
Share repurchases	(\$400)	(\$744)	(\$344)	Repurchased ~11.2m shares
Dividend	(\$267)	(\$266)	\$1	
Source : Company Data, Deutsche Bank estimates				1

Figure 2: Segment revenue mix



Source : Company Data, Deutsche Bank

Figure 3: Q/Q growth by segment



Source : Company Data, Deutsche Bank

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#### **Guidance and Estimates**

DELL provided the following guidance for F4Q24 (Jan) and FY24:

F2Q23 (Jan)

Revenues: \$21.5-22.5bGross margin: down q/q

Diluted share count: 729-733m
 Non-GAAP EPS: \$1.70 +/- \$0.10

FY24 (ending Jan 2024)Tax Rate: 19.5%

Non-GAAP EPS: \$6.63 +/- \$0.10

#### Figure 4: Summary of estimate changes

Year end: Jan	Oct	t-23	Jan-	-24E	Apr-24E		FY24E	/CY23E	FY25E/CY24E		
(in \$m)	Old	Actual	Old	New	Old <b>New</b>		Old	New	Old	New	
Sales	23,000	22,249	23,644	22,001	22,406	21,169	90,500	88,108	93,749	91,081	
q/q growth	0%	-3%	3%	-1%	-5%	-4%					
y/y growth	-7%	-10%	-6%	-12%	7%	1%	-12%	-14%	4%	3%	
Gross margin	22.6%	23.7%	23.2%	23.6%	23.0%	23.4%	23.6%	24.0%	23.6%	23.6%	
Operating margin	7.5%	8.8%	8.6%	8.4%	7.9%	7.8%	8.1%	8.4%	8.6%	8.4%	
Adjusted EPS	\$1.45	\$1.88	\$1.80	\$1.70	\$1.53	\$1.50	\$6.30	\$6.63	\$7.30	\$7.30	

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Figure 5: DELL income statement summary

Year End January		FY2	023			FY20	24E			FY20	25E			FY20	26E						
	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	1Q	2Q	3Q	4QE	1QE	2QE	3QE	4QE	1QE	2QE	3QE	4QE	CY21	CY22	CY23E	CY24E	CY25E
\$ in millions	Apr-22	Jul-22	Oct-22	Jan-23	Apr-23	Jul-23	Oct-23	Jan-24	Apr-24	Jul-24	Oct-24	Jan-25	Apr-25	Jul-25	Oct-25	Jan-26	FY22	FY23	FY24E	FY25E	FY26E
Income Statement																	==> exclude \	/MW			
Non-GAAP Revenues	\$26,116	\$26,425	\$24,721	\$25.039	\$20,922	\$22,934	\$22,249	\$22,001	\$21,169	\$22.654	\$22.853	\$24,405	\$22,608	\$23.863	\$23,331	\$24,441		\$102.301	\$88,106	\$91.081	\$94,242
Q/Q Change	-7%	1%	-6%	1%	-16%	10%	-3%	-1%	-4%	7%	1%	7%	-7%	6%	-2%	5%	****	* ,	****	***,***	** .,= .=
Y/Y Change	16%	9%	-6%	-11%	-20%	-13%	-10%	-12%	1%	-1%	3%	11%	7%	5%	2%	0%	17%	1%	-14%	3%	3%
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Non-GAAP COGS	20,175	20,775	18,856	19,068	15,758	17,398	16,973	16,808	16,211	17,340	17,466	18,577	17,408	18,357	17,887	18,597	78,545	78,874	66,937	69,595	72,250
Non-GAAP Gross Profits	5,941	5,650	5,865	5,971	5,164	5,536	5,276	5,193	4,958	5,313	5,387	5,828	5,200	5,506	5,444	5,843	22,684	23,427	21,169	21,486	21,993
Non-GAAP Gross Margin %	22.7%	21.4%	23.7%	23.8%	24.7%	24.1%	23.7%	23.6%	23.4%	23.5%	23.6%	23.9%	23.0%	23.1%	23.3%	23.9%	22.4%	22.9%	24.0%	23.6%	23.3%
Non-GAAP Selling, General, and Administrative	3.125	3,072	2,808	3,006	2.878	2.854	2,620	2.666	2,639	2,692	2,746	2,911	2.794	2.794	2,822	2.977	12,570	12,011	11.018	10,988	11,388
Non-GAAP Research and Development	681	626	677	795	688	705	692	678	665	685	712	748	710	710	717	753	2.328	2,779	2.763	2.809	2,891
Non-GAAP Total Operating Expenses	3.806	3.698	3.485	3.801	3.566	3.559	3.312	3,344	3.304	3,377	3,458	3.658	3.504	3.504	3,539	3.730	14.898	14,790	13,781	13,796	14,278
% of Sales	14.6%	14.0%	14.1%	15.2%	17.0%	15.5%	14.9%	15.2%	15.6%	14.9%	15.1%	15.0%	15.5%	14.7%	15.2%	15.3%	14.7%	14.5%	15.6%	15.1%	15.2%
Non-GAAP Operating Income	2,135	1,952	2,380	2,170	1,598	1,977	1,964	1,849	1,655	1,937	1,930	2,169	1,695	2,001	1,905	2,113	7,786	8,637	7,388	7,690	7,714
Non-GAAP Operating Margin %	8.2%	7.4%	9.6%	8.7%	7.6%	8.6%	8.8%	8.4%	7.8%	8.5%	8.4%	8.9%	7.5%	8.4%	8.2%	8.6%	7.7%	8.4%	8.4%	8.4%	8.2%
Non-GAAP Interest and Other, Net	(358)	(371)	(353)	(383)	(353)	(366)	(322)	(294)	(252)	(241)	(231)	(231)	(209)	(201)	(191)	(194)	(1,724)	(1,465)	(1,335)	(955)	(796
Non-GAAP Pre-tax Income	1,777	1.581	2.027	1.787	1.245	1.611	1,642	1,555	1,402	1.696	1.698	1.939	1.486	1.800	1.713	1.919	6.062	7.172	6.053	6.735	6.918
Non-GAAP Pre-tax Margin%	6.8%	6.0%	8.2%	7.1%	6.0%	7.0%	7.4%	7.1%	6.6%	7.5%	7.4%	7.9%	6.6%	7.5%	7.3%	7.8%	6.0%	7,172	6.9%	7.4%	7.3%
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Non-GAAP Income Tax Expense (Benefit)	343	315	322	465	283	328	253	311	315	382	382	436	334	405	385	432	1.137	1.445	1.175	1,515	1.557
Non-GAAP Tax Rate	19.3%	19.9%	15.9%	26.0%	22.7%	20.4%	15.4%	20.0%	22.5%	22.5%	22.5%	22.5%	22.5%	22.5%	22.5%	22.5%	18.8%	20.1%	19.4%	22.5%	22.5%
Non-GAAP Net Income	1,434	1,266	1,705	1,322	962	1,283	1,389	1,244	1,087	1,314	1,316	1,503	1,152	1,395	1,328	1,487	4,925	5,727	4,878	5,220	5,362
Non-GAAP Net Margin %	5.5%	4.8%	6.9%	5.3%	4.6%	5.6%	6.2%	5.7%	5.1%	5.8%	5.8%	6.2%	5.1%	5.8%	5.7%	6.1%	4.9%	5.6%	5.5%	5.7%	5.7%
Adjusted Non-GAAP Net Income To Dell Tech	1.435	1,268	1,707	1,324	965	1.285	1,389	1,244	1.087	1,314	1,316	1,503	1.152	1.395	1,328	1.487	4.924	5,734	4,883	5,220	5.362
Non-GAAP Net Margin %	5.5%	4.8%	6.9%	5.3%	4.6%	5.6%	6.2%	5.7%	5.1%	5.8%	5.8%	6.2%	5.1%	5.8%	5.7%	6.1%	4.9%	5.6%	5.5%	5.7%	5.7%
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Non-GAAP EBITDA	2,609	2,449	2,946	2,775	2,204	2,595	2,579	2,466	2,252	2,562	2,523	2,793	2,286	2,615	2,475	2,705	9,051	10,779	9,844	10,131	10,080
Non-GAAP EBITDA Margin %	10.0%	9.3%	11.9%	11.1%	10.5%	11.3%	11.6%	11.2%	10.6%	11.3%	11.0%	11.4%	10.1%	11.0%	10.6%	11.1%	8.9%	10.5%	11.2%	11.1%	10.7%
GAAP Basic Shares Outstanding	754	739	728	716	724	726	722	709	702	696	689	683	676	669	662	656	762	734	720	693	666
Non-GAAP Diluted Shares Outstanding	780	755	742	735	737	738	740	732	725	718	711	705	698	691	684	677	792	753	737	715	687
CAAR Diluted ERO	64.07	60.00	60.00	00.04	60.70	<b>#0.00</b>	<b>64.00</b>	04.40	<b>04.04</b>	<b>#4.00</b>	<b>04.04</b>	<b>04.50</b>	04.44	04.44	A4 07	<b>04.00</b>	67.00	00.04	<b>#0.00</b>	<b>65.40</b>	<b>AF 50</b>
GAAP Diluted EPS Non-GAAP Diluted EPS	\$1.37 <b>\$1.84</b>	\$0.68 <b>\$1.68</b>	\$0.33 <b>\$2.30</b>	\$0.84 <b>\$1.80</b>	\$0.79 <b>\$1.31</b>	\$0.63 <b>\$1.741</b>	\$1.36 <b>\$1.88</b>	\$1.18 <b>\$1.70</b>	\$1.01 <b>\$1.50</b>	\$1.30 <b>\$1.83</b>	\$1.31 <b>\$1.85</b>	\$1.56 <b>\$2.13</b>	\$1.11 <b>\$1.65</b>	\$1.44 <b>\$2.02</b>	\$1.37 <b>\$1.94</b>	\$1.60 <b>\$2.20</b>	\$7.36 <b>\$6.22</b>	\$3.24 <b>\$7.61</b>	\$3.96 <b>\$6.63</b>	\$5.18 <b>\$7.30</b>	\$5.52 <b>\$7.80</b>
NOIFGAAF DIIUIEG EPS	\$1.84	\$1.08	\$2.30	\$1.80	\$1.31	\$1.741	\$1.88	\$1.70	\$1.50	\$1.83	\$1.85	\$2.13	\$1.05	\$2.02	\$1.94	\$2.20	\$0.22	\$7.01	\$0.03	\$1.30	\$7.80
Dividends per share	\$0.33	\$0.33	\$0.33	\$0.33	\$0.37	\$0.37	\$0.37	\$0.37	\$0.40	\$0.40	\$0.40	\$0.40	\$0.45	\$0.45	\$0.45	\$0.45	\$0.00	\$1.32	\$1.48	\$1.60	\$1.80
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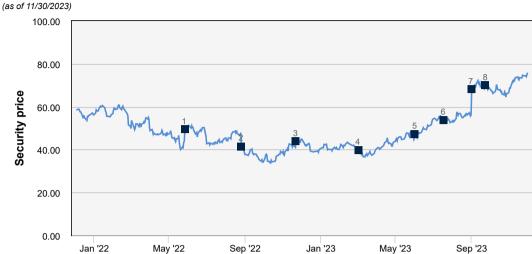
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#### Current Recommendations

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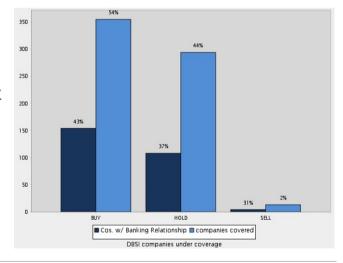
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