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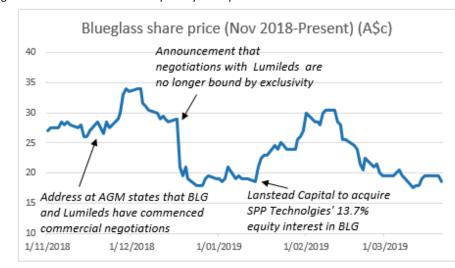
Timeframe to commercialisation still uncertain

Event

MD Giles Bourne, Chief Operations and Technology Officer Dr Ian Mann, and Brad Siskavich VP of Business Development, presented a Technology and Company update via a video presentation.

State One comment

A significant portion of the presentation was allocated to the group's latest breakthrough – the development of low temperature RPCVD tunnel junctions. These junctions allow LEDs to be stacked vertically on top of each other; these "cascade LEDs" are described by BLG as a potential game-changer for manufacturing smaller, cheaper and higher-performance LEDs. To date, functioning tunnel junctions, and therefore cascade LEDs, have been prohibitively difficult to produce. The presentation also covered the Silverwater facility upgrade and expansion, the group's revenue generating foundry service arm-EpiBlu, and BLG's ongoing progress in growing and strengthening its IP portfolio. However, while commercial negotiations with Lumileds are continuing (although no longer on an exclusive basis), we believe the presentation failed to clarify whether any progress had been made over the past four months i.e., since mid-November 2018 when it was announced that commercial negotiations with Lumileds had started. In addition, we do not know if BLG is also in commercial negotiations with any other parties i.e., another LED manufacturer or an equipment manufacturer. We suspect the market needs more visibility on these issues and some guidance on whether the apparent impasse is due to commercial issues (i.e., related to royalty fee/licencing fee/patent rights) or technology/product issues. The share price fell significantly (-28%) on 18 Dec 2018 after the announcement that exclusive negotiations with Lumileds had ended (see chart below). We believe that news flow around commercial negotiations will continue to be the primary share price driver in the short to medium term



Risk-weighted NPV-derived target price: A\$0.29ps (A\$0.43ps previously)

Our base-case remains that BLG will enter into a commercial agreement with Lumileds. However, because of the apparent lack of progress over the past quarter and continued poor visibility on the timing and metrics of any commercial agreement, we have increased our risk discount to 66% from our original 50%. See initiating coverage research "<u>At last...commercial negotiations now started</u>", 3 December 2018. As a result, our target price has fallen to 29cps from 43cps.

We maintain a Speculative Buy (Higher Risk) recommendation. Risks to our forecast earnings profile and target price include but are not limited to: global growth rates in LED demand, successfully entering into a technology licencing agreement, timing and royalty rates associated with this agreement, working capital requirement prior to first royalty payments, competition from alternative technology providers, key personnel risk.

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Share Price: A\$0.18 Target Price: A\$0.29 Target Upside: 61% Recommendation Speculative Buy Risk Assessment

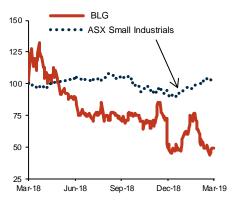
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BluGlass Limited	
ASX Code	BLG
52-week range (A\$))	A\$0.16-A\$0.53
Market Cap diluted (ASm)	80
Shares outstanding (m)	418
Av Daily Turnover (shares)	448,790
ASX All Ordinaries	6,254
FY19E BV per share (A\$)	0.05
FY19E EPS (A\$)	-0.01
FY19E Net (Debt)/Cash (A\$m)	7.5

Relative Price Performance



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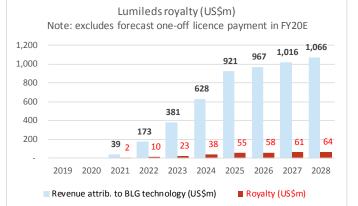
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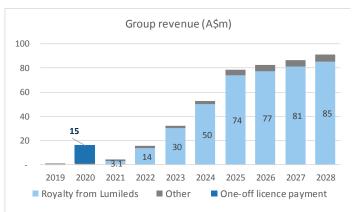
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Profit & Loss Statement (A\$M)	FY18A	FY19E	FY20E	FY21E	FY22E
Lumileds royalty (incl. FY20E licence)	0.0	0.0	15.0	3.1	13.8
Other revenue	0.7	1.00	1.25	1.50	1.75
Revenue (total)	0.7	1.0	16.25	4.6	15.6
Costs	(6.5)	(7.0)	(7.4)	(7.7)	(8.1)
EBITDA	(5.7)	(6.0)	8.9	(3.1)	7.5
Depreciation & Amortisation	(0.2)	(0.2)	(0.2)	(0.2)	(0.2)
Operating profit	(5.9)	(6.2)	8.7	(3.3)	7.3
Other (R&D rebates)	1.9	2.0	2.0	0.0	0.0
EBIT	(4.0)	(4.2) 0.5	10.7	(3.3)	7.3 0.3
Interest income	0.2		0.2	0.4	
Interest expense	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Tax expense Reported NPAT	0.0 (3.8)	0.0 (3.7)	0.0 10.9	0.0 (2.8)	0.0 7.6
Normalised NPAT	(5.8) (5.8)	(5.7) (5.7)	8.9	(2.8) (2.8)	7.6
	(0.0)	(0.1)	0.5	(2.0)	7.0
EBITDA Margin (%)	na	na	na	-66%	48%
Operating profit margin (%)	na	na	58%	-70%	47%
EPS Reported (A\$)	(0.01)	(0.01)	0.03	(0.01)	0.02
EPS Normalised (A\$)	(0.01)	(0.01)	0.02	(0.01)	0.02
EPS grow th (%)	nm	nm	nm	nm	nm
DPS - Declared (A\$)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Avg. no. of fully-diluted shares (m)	393	422	422	422	422
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Cash Flow Statement (A\$M)	FY18A	FY19E	FY20E	FY21E	FY22E
EBITDA	(5.7)	(6.0)	8.9	(3.1)	7.5
Investment in working capital	0.1	0.0	0.0	(0.2)	0.0
Tax expense	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Operating Cash Flow	(5.6)	(6.0)	8.9	(3.3)	7.5
Capex Other investments	(0.1)	(4.0)	(4.0)	(0.2)	(0.2)
	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Investing Cash Flow Net interest received / (paid)	(0.1) 0.2	(4.0) 0.5	(4) 0.2	(0) 0.4	(0.2) 0.3
Debt draw dow n / (repayment)	0.2	0.0	0.2	0.4	0.0
Dividends paid	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Equity raised / (repaid)	10.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Financing Cash Flow	10.0	0.5	0.2	0.4	0.3
Non-operating & Other	1.9	1.7	2.0	0.0	0.0
Inc/(Dec) in Cash	6.8	(7.9)	7.1	(3.0)	7.6
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Balance Sheet (A\$M)	FY18A	FY19E	FY20E	FY21E	FY22E
Cash & Equivalents	15.4	7.5	14.6	11.6	19.2
Receivables	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3
Inventories	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2
Other Current Assets	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
PPE and Exploration & Development	0.3	4.1	7.9	7.9	7.9
Deferred tax asset	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other Non Current Assets	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7
	26.7	22.6	33.5	30.7	38.3
Total Assets				10	1.0
Total Assets Payables and other current Liabilities	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	
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%	Date
13.7%	
4.8%	Aug-18
3.8%	
	13.7% 4.8%

Lumileds royalty calc	FY18A	FY19E	FY20E	FY21E	FY22E
Lumileds LED revenue (US\$m)	-	1,300	1,430	1,573	1,730
YoY grow th (%)	-	-	10%	10%	10%
% revenue attrib. to BLG technology	na	0%	0%	2.5%	10.0%
Revenue attrib. to BLG tech (US\$m)	na	0.0	0.0	39	173
Effective royalty rate (%)	na	6%	6%	6%	6%
Royalty (US\$m)	na	0.0	0.0	2.4	10.4
AUD/USD exchange rate	na	0.75	0.75	0.75	0.75
Royalty (A\$m)	na	0.0	0.0	3.1	13.8





Leverage	FY18A	FY19E	FY20E	FY21E	FY22E
Debt (A\$m)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Net Debt/Equity	cash	cash	cash	cash	cash
Interest Cover (x)	na	na	na	na	na
Valuation Ratios (x)	FY18A	FY19E	FY20E	FY21E	FY22E
Normalised P/E	na	na	8.5	na	10.0
Price/OP Cash Flow	-14	-13	9	-23	10.2
Book value per share (A\$)	0.06	0.05	0.08	0.07	0.09
EV/EBITDA	-11	-12	7	-22	8.0
_ROE (%)	-23%	-27%	27%	-10%	20%

Valuation	(A\$m)	(A\$/share)	Comment	
Estimated NPV 10 valuation	340	0.81	30-year Lumileds royalty	
Other BLG tech partnerships	17	0.04	Nominal 5% of royalty NPV	
Enterprise value	357	0.85		
FY19E Net cash / (debt) (A\$m)	7	0.02		
Equity value (unrisked)	365	0.86	Equity valuation - unrisked	
Risk discount	66%		Timing / operational / royalty	
Equity value (risked) & TP	124	0.29	Equity valuation - risked	
Note: Par share valuation based on 422 million shares (diluted)				

Source: Company, IRESS, State One Stockbroking forecasts



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