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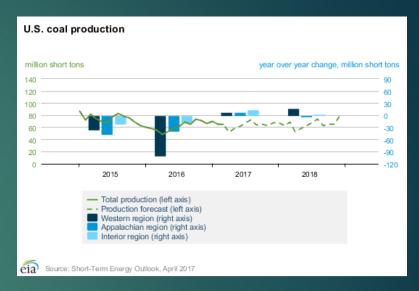
CNTE (PINK)
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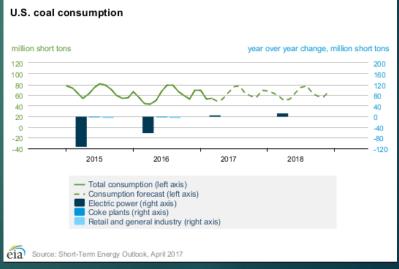
Contura Energy in Crayon

A coal company exits bankruptcy court with only good assets, a clean balance sheet, and commodity prices above the projections it used to satisfy creditors, and yet it is still priced at 3-4 EV/EBITDA when competitors sell for 5-6.

Why so cheap?

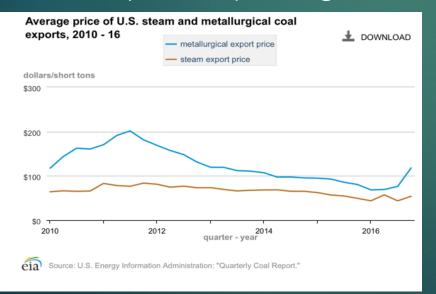
- Pink Sheet, low volume (30K/day), relatively small cap, minimal coverage.
- CNTE is in a declining industry
 - Low natural gas prices (and leverage!!!) drove coal producers into bankruptcy, the perception lingers, fear of Chapter 22.
- Reality is
 - Market now in balance, EIA projects 4%
 U.S. growth 2017, 2% 2018,
 - Leverage is low, post-Chapter 11.
 - U.S. electric generation from coal down to 30% (2016) but up to 31% (2017) due to \$3MMCF gas.
 - Thermal coal prices are up from 2016 lows but will drop if natural gas prices drop.
 - Long term met coal prices are volatile and best managed without excess leverage
 - Coal is a cyclical commodity business, but we are not in the stupid part of the cycle.





Will it always be cheap?

- Not if it becomes exchange traded.
 - Current (first lien) owners have registration rights.
- Not if it sells more inline with peers
 - ▶ Warrior Met Coal IPO'd April 12 at EV/EBITDA of 5.5
 - ▶ Peabody emerged this month from Chap 11 at 7 8
- Only if coal prices go back to mid-2015 prices





The Assets

- ► Powder River Basin (PRB) Mines
 - Low sulfur content coal for electrical generation
- Central Appalachian (CAPP)
 - Metallurgical coal
- Northern Appalachian (NAPP)
 - ► Thermal, Metallurgical coal
- Dominion Terminal
 - ▶ 65% owned by Contura Energy

Enterprise Value

Inputs	Description	Millions
Common Shares	10.3m @ \$68.50	\$706
Warrants	.81m strike @ 55.93 July 2023	
Net Cash		\$185
Debt	New loan at Libor +5 due 2024 replaced 10% BK financing	\$400
Pension Settlements & Reclamation Funding	Non-Discounted Discounted @10% (Company) Discounted @ 7% (estimate)	\$82.7 \$56.2 \$69
Contingent Liabilities	ANR credit exposure (35), Contingent VEBA funding (17.5), Environmental Groups (3.2), Contingent Reclamation (50) Discounted @7%	Est \$70.7 Est \$44.6
EV	706-185+400+69+44.6	\$1035

EBITDA

Tax Rate

2017 Guidance

in millions of tons	<u>Low</u>	<u>High</u>
CAPP	3.5	4.3
NAPP	7.6	8.2
PRB	29.0	34.0
Total Production	40.1	46.5
Contura Trading & Logistics	3.0	4.0
Total Shipments	43.1	50.5
Committed/Priced	Committed	Average Price
CAPP ⁽¹⁾	30%	\$101.13
NAPP	100%	\$42.31

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CAPP ⁽¹⁾	30%	\$101.13
NAPP	100%	\$42.31
PRB	94%	\$11.05
Costs per ton	<u>Low</u>	<u>High</u>
CAPP	\$63.00	\$68.00
NAPP	\$28.00	\$32.00
PRB	\$9.50	\$10.50
Margin per ton	Low	High
Contura Trading & Logistics	\$9	\$15
In millions (except taxes)	<u>Low</u>	<u>High</u>
SG&A	\$32	\$39
Idle Operations Expense	\$12	\$15
Cash Interest Expense	\$32	\$35
DD&A	\$125	\$150
Capital Expenditures	\$90	\$110

20%

30%

Estimates

2017 Estimates	Millions	EV/ EBITDA
Worst Case	\$183	5.6
Best Case	\$351	3.0
Midpoint	\$252	4.1

2016 actuals	Millions
1/1 to 7/21	\$80.0
7/22 to 12/31	\$147.6
Adj SG&A	\$35
2016 Pro Forma (used for bank loan)	\$192

Sell Factors

Good reasons

- When the stock rerates inline with peers as I am not interested in a long-term coal holding.
- IPO, up-listing

Not so good reasons

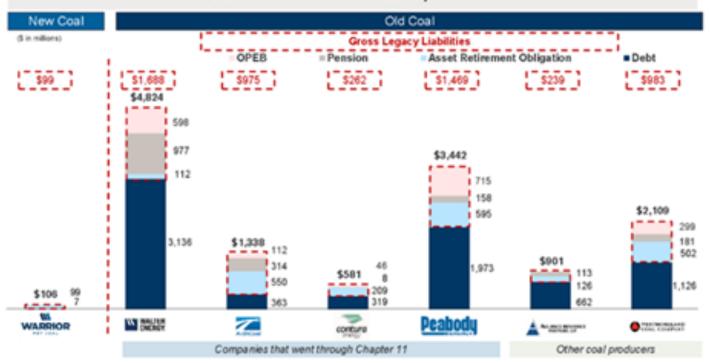
- Nat gas prices go below \$2.50/MCF
- China recession
- Management acquisition spree
- Competitors rerating lower instead of Contura Energy rating higher.

Appendix



Strong balance sheet complements flexible low cost structure

Clean balance sheet with no OPEB or pension liabilities



WARRIOR

Source: Company Filings as of March 31, 2017.

Pension liabilities shown are gross figures, with the exception of Peabody Energy, which only provided a net liability figure. All data sourced from most recently available 15-K flings, with the exception of Peabody Energy (sourced from Pediminary Estimated Results: dated 100/2017), Arch Coal ARIO obligation sourced from Petruary 2017 Inventor Presentation Surety Bond carrying value, Watter Energy sourced from 1201/2014 10-K; Cardian Energy sourced from preliminary, unaudated 2016 fourth quarter 2016 results.

U.S. Industry: Coal Expected to Remain Major Component of U.S. Generation Mix

 2017 utility coal consumption expected to respond to higher natural gas prices

 Utility demand projected to decline 5 to 15 million tons from 2016 to 2021

> ~50 GW of plant retirements expected by 2021, largely offset by higher plant operating levels

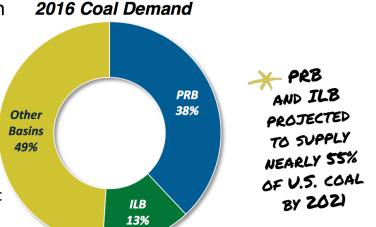
 Coal expected to continue to supply nearly 30% of U.S. electricity demand by 2021

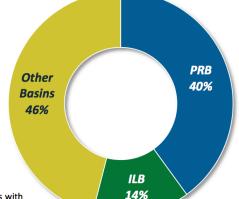
 PRB and Illinois Basin competitive against natural gas above:

SPRB: \$2.50 to \$2.75/mmBtu

- ILB: \$3.00 to \$3.50/mmBtu

CAPP: \$3.75 to \$4.25/mmBtu





Expected 2021 Coal Demand



Source: Industry reports and Peabody Global Energy Analytics. Competitiveness with natural gas is very plant specific and highly dependent on a number of factors, including transportation costs. CAPP stands for Central Appalachia.

Share of Electricity Generation by Fuel Type

