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# Research Report - Update

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## **DecisionPoint Systems, Inc.**

## **Speculative Buy**

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## **DPSI** \$5.52 — (**NYSE MKT**)

|                           | <u>2021A</u> | <u>2022A</u> | <u>2023E</u>  | <u>2024E</u> |
|---------------------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|
| Sales (millions)          | \$65.9       | \$97.4       | \$102.5       | \$112.2      |
| Earnings (loss) per share | \$0.19*      | \$0.41       | <i>\$0.28</i> | \$0.50       |

| 52-Week range                 | \$12.98 - \$3.34 | Fiscal year ends:        | December |
|-------------------------------|------------------|--------------------------|----------|
| Common shares out a/o 3/24/22 | 7.4 million      | Revenue per share (TTM)  | \$12.88  |
| Approximate float             | 5.6 million      | Price/Sales (TTM)        | 0.4X     |
| Market capitalization         | \$40.8 million   | Price/Sales (FY2024)E    | 0.4X     |
| Tangible book value/share     | \$0.21           | Price/Earnings (TTM)     | 13.5X    |
| Price/tangible book value     | 26.3X            | Price/Earnings (FY2024)E | 11.4X    |

All per share amounts reflect 1 for 2 split on 12/20/21. \*Includes a \$0.16 per share gain from the extinguishment of debt.

DecisionPoint Systems, headquartered in Laguna Hills CA, is a provider of enterprise mobility solutions and services. DPSI partners with hardware and software companies to combine enterprise-grade handheld computers, printers, tablets, and smart phones into solutions and services aimed at improving productivity and competitiveness.

#### Key investment considerations:

Reiterating our Speculative Buy rating and raising our 12-month price target to \$11.00 per share from \$10.00 based on our initial 2024 EBITDA projection.

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The company supplements its organic growth by identifying, acquiring, and integrating businesses that provide it with an opportunity to expand into new market verticals, as well as enhance cross-selling opportunities.

On April 3, 2023, DPSI acquired North Carolina based Macro Integration Services (MIS). This accretive acquisition expands the company's operations into food services, as well as scales its grocery, quick-service restaurant, and convenience stores verticals. MIS should contribute sales of at least \$10 million in 2023.

DPSI reported (on 3/29/23) 2022 sales increased 47.7% to \$97.4 million and EPS of \$0.41 versus \$0.19 in 2021. We projected sales of \$90.5 million and EPS of \$0.36.

We project 2023 EPS of \$0.28 on sales growth of 5.2% to \$102.5 million. We previously projected sales of \$96.2 million and EPS of \$0.43. Our revised projections reflect the acquisition of Macro Integration, higher than anticipated operating expenses, and interest expense stemming from increased borrowings.

We project 2024 sales growth of 9.5% to \$112.2 million and EPS of \$0.50 per share. Our projections reflect a full year of Macro Integration sales, organic growth from new and existing customers, and operating expense margin improvement to 21.8% from 22.2% in 2023, as well as gross margin expanding to 27.3% from 25.9% in 2023.

\*Please view our disclosures on pages 13 - 15.

#### Recommendation and Valuation

We are reiterating our Speculative Buy rating of DecisionPoint Systems, Inc. and raising our 12-month price target to \$11.00 per share from \$10.00 based on our initial 2024 EBITDA projection.

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Supporting rating is the company continually supplementing its organic growth by identifying, acquiring, and integrating new businesses that provide the opportunity to expand DPSI's operations into new market verticals, as well as enhancing cross-selling opportunities within its existing and new customer bases.

Our 12-month price target of \$11.00 per share implies shares have the potential to double over the next twelve months. DPSI trades at an EV/EBITDA multiple of approximately 10.9X while the industry trades at an average multiple of 15.9X. DPSI's multiple should trade near the industry average based on our EBITDA growth forecast. Applying an EV/EBITDA multiple of 12X to our 2024 EBITDA projection of \$8.9 million or \$1.15 per share implies a market capitalization of approximately \$107.7 million (adjusted for projected outstanding debt and cash) or \$13.98 per share based on over 7.7 million shares. Discounting for execution risk, we derive a twelvemonth price target of approximately \$11.00 per share.

We believe DecisionPoint Systems, Inc. is suitable for risk tolerant investors seeking exposure to a company expanding its footprint within the enterprise mobility market.

#### Recent Development

On April 3, 2023, DPSI acquired North Carolina based Macro Integration Services. This accretive acquisition expands the company's operating into food services, as well as scales its grocery, quick-service restaurant, convenience stores verticals. This acquisition is expected to generate revenue of at least \$10 million and EBITDA of \$1 million for the remaining three quarters of 2023.

This acquisition enhances the company sales mix toward higher margin service offerings and provides capabilities for digital signage and video systems, as well as point of sale, payments, mobility, and self-service offerings. Service sales accounts for approximately 70% of Macro Integration Services total sales.

The synergies this acquisition should bring to DPSI's operations is the expansion of services into the Southeastern region of the US, providing warehousing capacity on the East Coast, and cross-selling opportunities.

While terms were not disclosed, our projections assume the company paid for the acquisition in cash via borrowings and future contingent consideration.

#### **Business**

Headquartered in in Laguna Hills CA, DecisionPoint Systems is a provider of enterprise mobility solutions and services. The company partners with hardware and software companies to combine enterprise-grade handheld computers, printers, tablets, and smart phones into solutions and services aimed at improving an enterprises productivity and competitiveness.

DecisionPoint's software portfolio includes its Mobile Conductor Platform which provides a direct store delivery solution to the wholesale distribution market via its proof-of-delivery and route accounting applications. DPSI's ViziTrace platform provides customers with the ability to integrate radio frequency identification (RFID) technology into existing workflows. The company's managed services provide customers a way to implement,

manage, monitor, and maintain all these technologies for the lifetime of the implementation, while supporting and augmenting customer's IT teams.

Acquisitions have played a significant part in DPSI's growth strategy. In June 2018, DPSI acquired Royce Digital Systems, Inc., a provider of enterprise print and mobile technologies, deployment services and on-site maintenance. In December 2020, DPSI acquired ExtenData Solutions, LLC, a provider of software product development, mobile computing, identification and tracking solutions, and wireless tracking solutions for enterprise mobility. In 1Q22, DPSI acquired Advanced Mobile Group, LLC, and Boston Technologies. These acquisitions strengthen DPSI's position in the transportation and direct store delivery markets. In 2Q23, the

company acquired Macro Integration Services, which expands the company's operating into food services, as well as scales its grocery, quick-service restaurant, convenience stores verticals.

The company has built a significant roster of high profile customers (pictured on the right from the company's 1Q23 presentation) that



utilize its hardware deployments, as well more recently is recurring revenue service offering.

#### **Products and Services**

DecisionPoint offers mobile data collection devices such as tablets, computers, and vehicle mount computers, which can help organizations significantly improve efficiency to help meet customer expectations for speed and accuracy. The company also offers ruggedized mobile data collection solutions designed to perform in the most demanding environments. DPSI also offers hardware and software maintenance support.

The company offers wearable computers, barcode scanners, and accessories that enable hands-free operation for increased operational flexibility, improved ergonomics, and safety. The company's barcode equipment, systems, and supplies are designed to work even with damaged barcode labels.

DecisionPoint's Mobile Device Management offering allows for remote management of thousands of devices in a single interface and provides full visibility and reporting of those devices, including barcode equipment and systems. The company's professional services include consulting, staging, deployment, installation, repair and customer specified software customization.

The company's OnPoint<sup>TM</sup> Service Hub offered by the company is a real-time asset management and tracking information portal that provides customers with a 24/7 view of their technology assets being managed by DecisionPoint (see chart on the right).

DecisionPoint also offers "as a service" models that include devices, services, software and consulting in which



customers pay a recurring monthly fee.

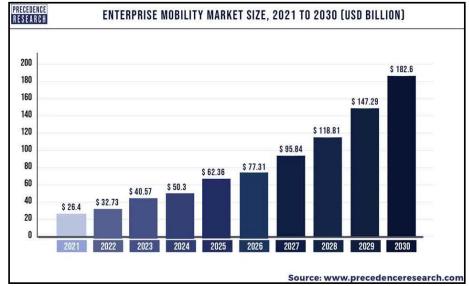
The company's offerings include software for direct store delivery management, electronic proof of delivery, and yard management to effectively track, monitor, and manage cargo from when it enters a location to when it leaves. DPSI also offers custom mobile application software to meet a customers unique requirements.

#### **Enterprise Mobility Market**

In October 2022, strategic market insights firm Precedence Research issued a report on the global enterprise

mobility market, which indicates the market could reach \$182.6 billion by 2030 from an estimated \$32.7 billion in 2022 for annualized growth of nearly 24%.

The report observed that growing mobile workforce and enterprise adoption of bring-your-own-devices initiatives to improve worker productivity, permitting employees to work from anyplace, at any time, and obtaining corporate information on the go. This has surged the demand for enterprise mobility solutions.



The bring-your-own-devices and enterprise mobility market is likely to be driven by small and medium size enterprises that continue to adopt cloud-based services. Reduced hardware costs, increased penetration of smartphones and the rising demand for enterprise mobility software in large enterprises are also driving growth in the BYOD and enterprise mobility market.

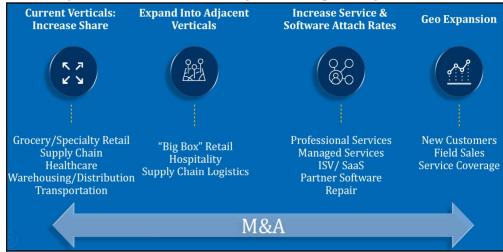
High demand for BYOD and Enterprise Mobility solutions from various sectors such as energy and utility, healthcare and life sciences, media and entertainment, retail and consumer goods, IT and telecommunication, and transportation and logistics are expected to help drive strong growth. Significant opportunities in this market are expected in North American and Europe, attributed to the growing cloud-based applications in these regions.

#### **Growth Strategy**

The company's growth strategy includes increasing market share into existing market verticals, expand into adjacent verticals, and increase recurring service and software offering, as well as providing customers with new

service offerings. Growth will organically through the coordination of the company's existing sales and business development teams. Overlaying the company's strategy is making an annual acquisition to expand into new verticals and obtain cross-selling opportunities.

In 2023, the company added to its team of sales business development



professionals in order to enhance its reach within exiting verticals in order to increase its customer base.

Acquisitions have been an important element of DecisionPoint's growth strategy and are expected to be in the future. The company has supplemented its organic growth by identifying, and then acquiring and integrating those businesses which has resulted in a broader, more sophisticated portfolio of product offerings while simultaneously diversifying and expanding its customer base and markets. In 1Q22, DPSI acquired Advanced Mobile Group, LLC, and Boston Technologies and Macro Integration Services was acquired in 2Q23.

A new offering called VISION was developed in 2022. This new offering is intended to offer customers a customizable solution for monitoring actions on everything in their information technology (IT) infrastructure. DPSI can manage a customer's entire lifecycle of mobility and IT infrastructure in one view by providing real-time visibility to manage the health, location, and status of mission-critical IT assets by enabling clients to monitor the progress in major rollouts. This offering was developed to enable its customers to minimize downtime and simplifying the management of a large, distributed enterprise.

In 2023, the VISION portal offering will be launched to approximately 30 existing customers.

#### **Projections**

In 2023, we anticipate product sales will likely decrease by 5.2% to \$73.4 million due primarily to market condition in 1H23, but should rebound and grow 9.5% in 2024 as market condition improve and acquisition of Macro Integration Services will make a full year contribution compared to a three quarter contribution in 2023. We expect the April 2023 acquisition of Macro Integration Services will contribute approximately \$10 million to net sales in 2023 with 79% occurring in services, which should drive those sales to nearly \$29.2 million compared to \$18.3 million in 2022. In 2024, we anticipate service sales growth of 23.6% to \$36 million.

On April 3, 2023, the company announced it acquired Macro Integration Services but did not disclose the terms of the deal. Therefore, we made broad based assumptions as to the funding and expense profile impact to our forecasts. Those assumption are likely to be adjusted once terms of the deal and the expense profile of Macro Integration are determined. Our current forecasts assumes the company paid approximately 1.3X sales. The company funded the acquisition through cash and borrowings that should result in interest expense being recorded during the final three quarters of 2023 and all four quarters of 2023. In addition, we anticipate operating expense margin in 2023 increasing to 22.2% compared to 19.1% in 2022 as the integration and leveraging process is unlikely to be realized until 4Q23. In 2024, we anticipated operating expense margin improving to 21.8%.

#### **Economy**

In January 2023, the International Monetary Fund (IMF) revised its global economic growth estimates to an increase of 2.9% for 2023 and 3.1% for 2024. In October 2022, the IMF's prior projections called for growth of 2.7% in 2023 and 3.2% growth in 2024. The forecast reflects a rise global interest rates to fight inflation, particularly in in advanced economies, as well as negative effects from the war in Ukraine.

The IMF revised its economic growth estimate for the US to an increase of 1.2% for 2023 and 1.4% for 2024. In October 2022, the IMF projected US economic growth of 1.1% and 1.6% for 2023 and 2024, respectively.

The third estimate of US GDP growth (released on March 30, 2023) showed the US economy increased at an annual rate of 2.6% in 4Q22, down from growth of 3.2% reported for 3Q22. The 4Q22 US GDP estimate reflects a downward revision to exports and consumer spending.

#### Operations 2023

We project sales growth of 5.2% to \$102.5 million (prior was \$96.2 million) driven primarily by the April 2023 acquisition of Macro Integration Services that should contribute at least \$7 million to service sales over the last three quarters of the year. Excluding the acquisition, our forecast anticipated service sales growth of 20.8% to approximately \$22.2 million.

Gross profit should increase 14.8% due primarily to service sales growth and gross margins improving to 25.9% from 23.7% in 2022.

We anticipate operating income decreasing to \$3.8 million from \$4.4 million last year due primarily to the initial costs associated with the acquisition of Macro Integration Services over 2Q23 and 3Q23. As the integration process proceeds those costs should have less of an impact entering 4Q23. Our forecast anticipates G&A and sales and marketing expenses of \$12.6 million and \$10.1 million, respectively, compared to \$9.4 million and \$9.2 million, respectively in 2022.

We project interest expense of \$825,000 compared to \$15,000 in 2022 due to higher average debt balance that we anticipate were used to acquire Macro Integration Services, as announced on April 3, 2023.

We project net income of \$2.2 million or \$0.28 per share. We previously forecast net income of \$3.3 million or \$0.43 per share. The reduction in our forecast reflects a reduction in our prior product sales forecast and initial and likely one-time costs to acquire Macro Integration Services.

#### Finances 2023

We project \$6.3 million cash provided by operations that should be derived from cash earnings of \$6.9 million and a \$639,000 increase in working capital. We anticipate cash from operations and borrowing are unlikely to cover cash used to acquire Macro Integration Services and capital expenditures of \$2.5 million. Cash should increase by \$977,000 to \$6.7 million at December 31, 2023.

#### Operations 2024

We project sales growth of 9.5% to \$112.2 million driven by an additional quarter of sales from the acquisition of Macro Integration Services that occur last year and organic growth of the company's product and service offerings within the enterprise mobility market.

Gross profit should increase 15.3% to \$30.6 million from an estimated \$26.5 million in 2023. The increase in gross profit should be driven by sales growth and gross margins improving to 27.3% from an estimated 25.9% in 2023 stemming from a sale mix shift to higher margin recurring offerings.

We anticipate operating income increasing to \$6.1 million from an estimate \$3.8 million in 2023 as the integration process and cost rationalization related to the Macro Integration Services acquisition should be completed by 4Q23. Our forecast anticipates G&A and sales and marketing expenses of \$13.8 million and \$10.7 million, respectively, compared to estimates of \$12.6 million and \$10.1 million, respectively in 2023.

We project interest expense flat at \$825,000 due primarily to the company incurring an extra quarter of interest expense compared 2023. However, by the end of 2024 we anticipate the company will have repaid approximately \$5 million borrowing related to the acquisition of Macro Integration Services.

We project net income of \$3.9 million or \$0.50 per share after applying an estimated tax rate of 26.5%.

#### Finances 2024

We project \$8.7 million cash provided by operations that should be derived from cash earnings of \$7.4 million and a \$1.3 million decrease in working capital. We anticipate cash from operations should cover capital expenditures of \$1.5 million and repayment of approximately \$5 million in debt, as well as a contingent consideration payment related to the acquisition of Macro Integration Services. Cash should increase by \$1.2 million to \$7.9 million at December 31, 2024.

#### 2022 and 4Q22 Financial Results

#### 2022 Results

Net sales increased 47.7% to \$97.4 million primarily due to higher hardware sales to two large enterprise customers by approximately 23.1 million and an \$8.9 million increase in overall net sales associated with Advanced Mobile Group (AMG) which was acquired on January 31, 2022. Service sales increase 18.6% to \$18.3 million from \$15.5 million in 2021.

Gross profit increased 50.9% to \$23.9 million from \$15.3 million last year due primarily to sales growth and gross margin improvement to 23.7% from 23.2%. Gross margin improve due primarily to service sales expanding to 34% compared to 30.8% last year.

Operating income reached \$4.4 million from \$398,000 in 2021 as operating expense margin improved to 19.1% from 22.6% last year. Sales and marketing expense increase to \$9.2 million from \$7.4 million due primarily to a \$1 million increase in commissions on higher sales volume along with \$1.1 million in additional expenses related to the AMG operations (acquired on January 31, 2022), partly offset by a \$200,000 decrease in salary expense. G&A expense increased to \$9.4 million from \$7.6 million due to a \$2.4 million increase associated with the AMG acquisition, partly offset by a \$400,000 decrease in stock compensation expense.

Non-operating expense was \$71,000 compared to non-operating income of \$1.1 million. The current period included interest expense of \$56,000 compared to \$79,000 last year. Last year included a \$1.2 million gain on extinguishment of debt, which did not reoccur in the current period.

Net income was \$3.1 million or \$0.41 per share versus net income of \$1.4 million or \$0.19 per share. The results for 2022 included income tax expense of nearly \$1.3 million or a 28.9% income tax rate compared to an expense of \$116,000 last year. We projected sales of \$90.5 million and net income of \$2.8 million or \$0.36 per share.

#### 4Q22 Results

Net sales increased 48.5% to \$24.5 million from \$16.5 million in 4Q21 due primarily to hardware sales reaching \$19.8 million from \$12.6 million last year stemming from increased equipment orders by large enterprise customers.

Gross profit nearly doubled to \$6.3 million from \$3.8 million in the year-ago period due to revenue growth and gross margins expansion to 25.9% from 22.9% in 4Q21. Gross margin expansion reflects a positive sales mix shift.

Operating income improved to \$699,000 from a loss of \$921,000 in the year-ago period, as operating expense margin improved to 23% compared to 28.5% in 4Q21. Net income was \$425,000 or \$0.06 per share compared to a loss per share of (\$0.10).

<u>Liquidity</u> - As of December 31, 2022, the company had \$7.6 million cash, \$146,000 of debt (\$3,000 short-term), and shareholder's equity of \$16.6 million.

In 2022, cash provided by operations was \$12.3 million consisting of \$6.7 million cash earnings and a \$5.6 million decrease in working capital. Cash used in investing was \$6 million consisting of \$4.5 million cash paid for acquisitions and nearly \$1.5 million of capital expenditures. Cash used in financing of \$1.3 million was primarily for taxes paid on cashless exercises of stock options. Cash increased by nearly \$5.1 million to \$7.6 million at September 30, 2022.

Subsequent to December 31, 2022, DecisionPoint amended its line of credit with MUFG Union Bank to \$10 million from \$9 million with a maturity date of July 31, 2026. The line of credit bears interest at the Secured Overnight Financing Rate (SOFR) plus 2.5% or a base rate offered by the bank. As of December 31, 2022, the company had no outstanding borrowings under the line of credit. However, we assume the company used this facility to help pay for the acquisition of Macro Integration Services.

On March 27, 2023, the company entered into a \$5 million promissory note agreement with MUFG. Principal and interest payments on this note are due in quarterly installments of \$250,000 commencing June 30, 2023, with an interest rate based on Term SOFR. This note matures March 31, 2028. We assume the company used the cash from this borrowing to help pay for the acquisition of Macro Integration Services.

In August 2020, DecisionPoint received \$150,000 in connection with a promissory note from the SBA under the Economic Injury Disaster Loan (EIDL) program pursuant to the CARES Act. Under the terms of the EIDL promissory note, interest accrues on the outstanding principal at an interest rate of 3.75% per annum with a term of 30 years with equal monthly payments of principal and interest of \$731 beginning on August 27, 2021. As of December 31, 2022, the company had \$146,000 outstanding under this loan.

#### Competition

DecisionPoint's business is involved in automatic identification and data capture technology which refers to the methods of automatically identifying objects, collecting data about them, and entering them directly into computer systems.

The automatic identification and data capture (AIDC) business is one that is highly fragmented and covered by many competitors that range from a one-man shop to multi-billion-dollar companies. DecisionPoint attempts to separate itself from the competition with its expertise and ability to help a customer manage an entire project vs. buying a product.

The following companies are examples of competitors in the AIDC Industry: CDW, a provider of thousands of products as a general IT supplier, and Denali Advanced Integration, a full system integration company with services ranging from IT Consulting, Managed Services and Enterprise Mobility Solutions. Other competitors in the US are catalog and online equipment resellers that offer end-users deeply discounted, commodity-oriented products; however, they typically offer limited or no maintenance support beyond the manufacturer's warranty.

#### Risks

In our view, these are the principal risks underlying shares of DPSI.

<u>Supply chain issues</u> – Operation have been or could be in the future impacted by supply chain issues or inflation which adversely affect product availability and may result in supply-chain related hardware cost increases. While this has had an adverse impact on DPSI's short-term financial results, there can be no assurance that this will not adversely impact long-term financial results.

<u>Technological obsolescence</u> – Customer requirements for mobile computing products and services are rapidly evolving and technological changes in the industry occur rapidly. To keep up with new customer requirements and distinguish DPSI from its competitors, the company must frequently introduce new products and services and enhancements to its existing products and services. The company may not be able to launch new or improved products or services before its competition which could cause the company's business to suffer.

<u>Competition</u> – DPSI competes primarily with well-established companies, many of which have greater resources. Barriers to entry are not significant and start-up costs are relatively low, so competition may increase in the future. New competitors may be able to launch businesses similar to DPSI's and current competitors may replicate the company's business model. If the company is unable to effectively compete, it will lose sales to its competitors and revenues will decline.

DPSI's competitors include CDW, Denali Advanced Integration, and other companies in the automatic identification and data capture (AIDC) industry.

<u>Dependence on a small number of customers</u> - A significant portion of DPSI's revenue is dependent upon a small number of customers. The company had two customers who represented 28% and 24% of its net sales for 2022 and 2021, respectively. The loss of a significant customer could have a material adverse impact on the company.

<u>Dependence on key wireless carrier relationships</u> – DPSI has established key wireless carrier relationships with Sprint, T-Mobile, and Verizon. The company has an informal arrangement with these carriers pursuant to which they provide DPSI referrals of end users interested in field mobility solutions, and DPSI, in turn, provides

solutions which require cellular data networks. The company does not have any binding agreements with these carriers. If these carriers were to terminate or materially reduce their business relationships with DPSI, its operating results would be materially harmed.

<u>Liquidity risk</u> - Shares of DecisionPoint have risks common to those of the microcap segment of the market. Often these risks cause microcap stocks to trade at discounts to their peers. The most common of these risks is liquidity risk, which is typically caused by small trading floats and very low trading volume and can lead to large spreads and high volatility in stock price. There are 5.6 million shares in the float and the average daily volume is approximately 34,100 shares.

<u>Miscellaneous risk</u> - The company's financial results and equity values are subject to other risks and uncertainties including competition, operations, financial markets, regulatory risk, and/or other events. These risks may cause actual results to differ from expected results.

## Consolidated Balance Sheets (in thousands \$)

|  | 2020A  | 2021A  | 2022A  | 2023E  | 2024E  |
|--|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Cash   | 2,005  | 2,587  | 7,642  | 6,665  | 7,853  |
| Accounts receivable                            | 16,438 | 12,302 | 17,085 | 19,931 | 21,822 |
| Inventory                                      | 884    | 2,111  | 4,417  | 4,469  | 4,082  |
| Deferred costs                                 | 1,744  | 1,998  | 2,729  | 2,000  | 1,000  |
| Prepaid expenses and other                     | 67     | 336    | 399    | 450    | 465    |
| Total current assets                           | 21,138 | 19,334 | 32,272 | 33,515 | 35,221 |
| Operating lease assets                         | 583    | 329    | 2,681  | 2,681  | 2,681  |
| Property and equipment, net                    | 751    | 834    | 1,817  | 2,900  | 2,925  |
| Deferred costs                                 | 2,097  | 1,492  | 2,868  | 2,868  | 2,868  |
| Deferred tax assets                            | 1,973  | 1,999  | 848    | 848    | 1,850  |
| Intangible assets                              | 4,663  | 3,564  | 4,531  | 9,000  | 8,000  |
| Goodwill                                       | 8,128  | 8,128  | 10,499 | 20,000 | 20,000 |
| Other assets                                   | 22     | 50     | 41     | 41     | 41     |
| Total assets                                   | 39,355 | 35,730 | 55,557 | 71,853 | 73,586 |
|  |        |        |        |        |        |
| Accounts payable                               | 12,852 | 10,273 | 19,755 | 17,940 | 17,007 |
| Accrued expenses and other                     | 2,807  | 3,220  | 5,357  | 6,150  | 5,611  |
| Deferred revenue                               | 4,617  | 4,599  | 6,021  | 8,500  | 10,000 |
| Line of credit                                 | 1,206  | -      | -      | -      | -      |
| Current portion of debt                        | -      | 3      | 3      | 3      | 3      |
| Due to related parties                         | 34     | -      | -      | -      | -      |
| Current portion of operating lease liabilities | 261    | 257    | 529    | 452    | 452    |
| Total current liabilities                      | 21,777 | 18,352 | 31,665 | 33,045 | 33,074 |
| Deferred revenue                               | 3,140  | 2,510  | 4,331  | 5,000  | 6,000  |
| Promissory note                                | -      | -      | -      | 4,512  | 3,512  |
| Revolving credit facility                      | -      | -      | -      | 9,250  | 5,250  |
| Long-term debt                                 | 1,361  | 146    | 143    | -      | -      |
| Operating lease liabilites                     | 340    | 83     | 2,706  | 2,747  | 2,747  |
| Other  | 873    | 381    | 130    | 221    | 221    |
| Total liabilities                              | 27,491 | 21,472 | 38,975 | 54,775 | 50,804 |
| Total stockholders' equity (deficit)*          | 11,864 | 14,258 | 16,582 | 17,079 | 22,782 |
| Total liabilities & stockholders' equity       | 39,355 | 35,730 | 55,557 | 71,853 | 73,586 |

# Income Statements for the Fiscal Years Ended (in thousands \$)

|                            | 2020A  | 2021A  | 2022A  | 2023E   | 2024E   |
|----------------------------|--------|--------|--------|---------|---------|
| Product sales              | 50,673 | 50,480 | 79,079 | 73,350  | 76,200  |
| Service sales              | 12,687 | 15,463 | 18,336 | 29,150  | 36,025  |
| Net sales                  | 63,360 | 65,943 | 97,415 | 102,500 | 112,225 |
| Cost of product sales      | 40,129 | 39,943 | 62,214 | 57,895  | 59,685  |
| Cost of service sales      | 8,413  | 10,696 | 12,106 | 18,085  | 21,950  |
| Cost of sales              | 48,542 | 50,639 | 74,320 | 75,980  | 81,635  |
| Gross profit               | 14,818 | 15,304 | 23,095 | 26,520  | 30,590  |
| Sales and marketing        | 5,587  | 7,354  | 9,218  | 10,100  | 10,685  |
| General and administrative | 5,203  | 7,552  | 9,430  | 12,625  | 13,765  |
| Total operating expenses   | 10,790 | 14,906 | 18,648 | 22,725  | 24,450  |
| Operating income (loss)    | 4,028  | 398    | 4,447  | 3,795   | 6,140   |
| Other income (expense)     | 213    | 1,211  | (56)   | -       | -       |
| Interest (expense) income  | (319)  | (79)   | (15)   | (825)   | (825)   |
| Income (loss) before taxes | 3,922  | 1,530  | 4,376  | 2,970   | 5,315   |
| Income taxes / (benefit)   | 1,061  | 116    | 1,265  | 780     | 1,410   |
| Net income (loss)          | 2,861  | 1,414  | 3,111  | 2,190   | 3,905   |
| EPS                        | 0.37   | 0.19   | 0.41   | 0.28    | 0.50    |
| Shares Outstanding         | 7,811  | 7,593  | 7,562  | 7,710   | 7,748   |
| EBITDA                     | 5,129  | 2,996  | 6,856  | 7,255   | 8,940   |
| Adjusted EBITDA            | 5,003  | 3,117  | 7,845  | 8,505   | 9,625   |
| Margin Analysis            |        |        |        |         |         |
| Gross margin - product     | 20.8%  | 20.9%  | 21.3%  | 21.1%   | 21.7%   |
| Gross margin - service     | 33.7%  | 30.8%  | 34.0%  | 38.0%   | 39.1%   |
| Gross margin               | 23.4%  | 23.2%  | 23.7%  | 25.9%   | 27.3%   |
| Sales and marketing        | 8.8%   | 11.2%  | 9.5%   | 9.9%    | 9.5%    |
| General and administrative | 8.2%   | 11.5%  | 9.7%   | 12.3%   | 12.3%   |
| Operating margin           | 6.4%   | 0.6%   | 4.6%   | 3.7%    | 5.5%    |
| Net margin                 | 4.5%   | 2.1%   | 3.2%   | 2.1%    | 3.5%    |
| Taxrate                    | 27.1%  | 7.6%   | 28.9%  | 26.3%   | 26.5%   |
| Year / Year Growth         |        |        |        |         |         |
| Total Revenues             | 44.4%  | 4.1%   | 47.7%  | 5.2%    | 9.5%    |
| Product sales              | 58.4%  | (0.4)% | 56.7%  | (7.2)%  | 3.9%    |
| Service sales              | 6.6%   | 21.9%  | 18.6%  | 59.0%   | 23.6%   |

## Quarterly Income Statements 2022A - 2024E (in thousands \$)

|                            | 1Q22A  | 2Q22A  | 3Q22A  | 4Q22A  | 2022A   | 1Q23E    | 2Q23E   | 3Q23E  | 4Q23E  | 2023E   | 1Q24E  | 2Q24E  | 3Q24E  | 4Q24E  | 2024E   |
|----------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|----------|---------|--------|--------|---------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|
| Product sales              | 15,580 | 22,692 | 20,988 | 19,819 | 79,079  | 14,000   | 17,900  | 21,450 | 20,000 | 73,350  | 14,200 | 19,000 | 22,000 | 21,000 | 76,200  |
| Service sales              | 4,141  | 4,814  | 4,725  | 4,656  | 18,336  | 5,000    | 7,150   | 8,050  | 8,950  | 29,150  | 8,550  | 8,250  | 9,250  | 9,975  | 36,025  |
| Net sales                  | 19,721 | 27,506 | 25,713 | 24,475 | 97,415  | 19,000   | 25,050  | 29,500 | 28,950 | 102,500 | 22,750 | 27,250 | 31,250 | 30,975 | 112,225 |
| Cost of product sales      | 12,422 | 17,869 | 16,923 | 15,000 | 62,214  | 10,850   | 14,320  | 17,125 | 15,600 | 57,895  | 11,360 | 15,000 | 17,175 | 16,150 | 59,685  |
| Cost of service sales      | 2,625  | 3,310  | 3,036  | 3,135  | 12,106  | 3,150    | 4,485   | 4,990  | 5,460  | 18,085  | 5,275  | 5,050  | 5,600  | 6,025  | 21,950  |
| Cost of sales              | 15,047 | 21,179 | 19,959 | 18,135 | 74,320  | 14,000   | 18,805  | 22,115 | 21,060 | 75,980  | 16,635 | 20,050 | 22,775 | 22,175 | 81,635  |
|                            |        |        |        |        |         |          |         |        |        |         |        |        | 8,475  |        |         |
| Gross profit               | 4,674  | 6,327  | 5,754  | 6,340  | 23,095  | 5,000    | 6,245   | 7,385  | 7,890  | 26,520  | 6,115  | 7,200  | 8,475  | 8,800  | 30,590  |
| Sales and marketing        | 2,175  | 2,384  | 2,291  | 2,368  | 9,218   | 2,350    | 2,525   | 2,625  | 2,600  | 10,100  | 2,575  | 2,635  | 2,725  | 2,750  | 10,685  |
| General and administrative | 2,261  | 1,960  | 1,936  | 3,273  | 9,430   | 2,650    | 3,175   | 3,300  | 3,500  | 12,625  | 3,225  | 3,465  | 3,550  | 3,525  | 13,765  |
|                            |        |        |        |        |         |          |         |        |        |         |        |        |        |        |         |
| Total operating expenses   | 4,436  | 4,344  | 4,227  | 5,641  | 18,648  | 5,000    | 5,700   | 5,925  | 6,100  | 22,725  | 5,800  | 6,100  | 6,275  | 6,275  | 24,450  |
| Operating in some (less)   | 220    | 1,983  | 4 507  | 600    | 4 4 4 7 |          | E 4 E   | 4.460  | 1 700  | 2 705   | 245    | 1.100  | 2 200  | 0.505  | C 4 4 0 |
| Operating income (loss)    | 238    | 1,983  | 1,527  | 699    | 4,447   | -        | 545     | 1,460  | 1,790  | 3,795   | 315    | 1,100  | 2,200  | 2,525  | 6,140   |
| Other income (expense)     | 4      | (21)   | -      | (39)   | (56)    | -        | -       | -      | -      | -       | -      | -      | -      | -      | -       |
| Interest (expense) income  | (25)   | (9)    | (7)    | 26     | (15)    |          | (280)   | (275)  | (270)  | (825)   | (235)  | (215)  | (190)  | (185)  | (825)   |
| Income (loss) before taxes | 217    | 1,953  | 1,520  | 686    | 4,376   | -        | 265     | 1,185  | 1,520  | 2,970   | 80     | 885    | 2,010  | 2,340  | 5,315   |
| Income taxes / (benefit)   | (637)  | 1,232  | 409    | 261    | 1,265   | <u> </u> | 70      | 310    | 400    | 780     | 20     | 235    | 530    | 625    | 1,410   |
| Net income (loss)          | 854    | 721    | 1,111  | 425    | 3,111   | -        | 195     | 875    | 1,120  | 2,190   | 60     | 650    | 1,480  | 1,715  | 3,905   |
| EPS                        | 0.11   | 0.09   | 0.15   | 0.06   | 0.41    | - '      | 0.03    | 0.11   | 0.14   | 0.28    | 0.01   | 0.08   | 0.19   | 0.22   | 0.50    |
| Shares Outstanding         | 7,664  | 7,691  | 7,593  | 7,691  | 7,562   | 7,695    | 7,705   | 7,710  | 7,730  | 7,710   | 7,740  | 7,745  | 7,750  | 7,755  | 7,748   |
| EBITDA                     |        |        |        |        | 6,856   |          |         |        |        | 7,255   |        |        |        |        | 8,940   |
| Adjusted EBITDA            |        |        |        |        | 7,845   | 910      | 1,645   | 2,785  | 3,165  | 8,505   | 1,140  | 1,950  | 3,075  | 3,460  | 9,625   |
| Margin Analysis            |        |        |        |        | . ,0 .0 | 0.0      | .,0.0   | 2,.00  | 0,.00  | 0,000   | .,     | .,000  | 0,0.0  | 0,.00  | 0,020   |
| Gross margin - product     | 20.3%  | 21.3%  | 19.4%  | 24.3%  | 21.3%   | 22.5%    | 20.0%   | 20.2%  | 22.0%  | 21.1%   | 20.0%  | 21.1%  | 21.9%  | 23.1%  | 21.7%   |
| Gross margin - service     | 36.6%  | 31.2%  | 35.7%  | 32.7%  | 34.0%   | 37.0%    | 37.3%   | 38.0%  | 39.0%  | 38.0%   | 38.3%  | 38.8%  | 39.5%  | 39.6%  | 39.1%   |
| Gross margin               | 23.7%  | 23.0%  | 22.4%  | 25.9%  | 23.7%   | 26.3%    | 24.9%   | 25.0%  | 27.3%  | 25.9%   | 26.9%  | 26.4%  | 27.1%  | 28.4%  | 27.3%   |
| Sales and marketing        | 11.0%  | 8.7%   | 8.9%   | 9.7%   | 9.5%    | 12.4%    | 10.1%   | 8.9%   | 9.0%   | 9.9%    | 11.3%  | 9.7%   | 8.7%   | 8.9%   | 9.5%    |
| General and administrative | 11.5%  | 7.1%   | 7.5%   | 13.4%  | 9.7%    | 13.9%    | 12.7%   | 11.2%  | 12.1%  | 12.3%   | 14.2%  | 12.7%  | 11.4%  | 11.4%  | 12.3%   |
| Operating margin           | 1.2%   | 7.2%   | 5.9%   | 2.9%   | 4.6%    | 0%       | 2.2%    | 4.9%   | 6.2%   | 3.7%    | 1.4%   | 4.0%   | 7.0%   | 8.2%   | 5.5%    |
| Net margin                 | 4.3%   | 2.6%   | 4.3%   | 1.7%   | 3.2%    | 0.0%     | 0.8%    | 3.0%   | 3.9%   | 2.1%    | 0.3%   | 2.4%   | 4.7%   | 5.5%   | 3.5%    |
| Taxrate                    | NMF    | 63.1%  | 26.9%  | 38.0%  | 28.9%   | 0.0%     | 26.4%   | 26.2%  | 26.3%  | 26.3%   | 25.0%  | 26.6%  | 26.4%  | 26.7%  | 26.5%   |
| Year / Year Growth         |        |        |        |        |         |          |         |        |        |         |        |        |        |        |         |
| Total Revenues             | 22.7%  | 81.3%  | 41.1%  | 48.5%  | 47.7%   | (3.7)%   | (8.9)%  | 14.7%  | 18.3%  | 5.2%    | 19.7%  | 8.8%   | 5.9%   | 7.0%   | 9.5%    |
| Product sales              | 30.6%  | 96.1%  | 46.3%  | 56.9%  | 56.7%   | (10.1)%  | (21.1)% | 2.2%   | 0.9%   | (7.2)%  | 1.4%   | 6.1%   | 2.6%   | 5.0%   | 3.9%    |
| Service sales              | (0.1)% | 33.9%  | 22.1%  | 21.0%  | 18.6%   | 20.7%    | 48.5%   | 70.4%  | 92.2%  | 59.0%   | 71.0%  | 15.4%  | 14.9%  | 11.5%  | 23.6%   |

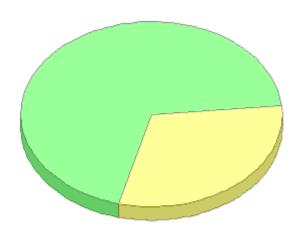
### Statement of Cash Flows for the Periods Ended (in thousands \$)

|  | 2020A   | 2021A   | 2022A   | 2023E            | 2024E       |
|--|---------|---------|---------|------------------|-------------|
| Net income (loss)                          | 2,861   | 1,414   | 3,111   | 2,190            | 3,905       |
| Depreciation & amortization                | 888     | 1,387   | 2,465   | 3,460            | 2,800       |
| Loss on fixed asset disposal               | _       | · -     | 22      | ,                | ,           |
| Gain on extinguishment of debt             | _       | (1,211) | _       | -                | _           |
| Amortization of deferred financing costs   | 157     | 24      | _       | -                | _           |
| Share-based compensation                   | 87      | 1,003   | 577     | 850              | 685         |
| Acquisition earn-out adjustment            | -       | (187)   | -       | -                | -           |
| Deferred taxes                             | 686     | (26)    | 254     | -                | -           |
| Provision for doubful accounts             | 25      |         | 249     | 400              |             |
| Cash earnings (loss)                       | 4,704   | 2,404   | 6,678   | 6,900            | 7,390       |
| Changes in assets and liabilities          |         |         |         | ·                | ·           |
| Accounts receivable                        | (5,853) | 4,136   | (3,630) | (2,846)          | (1,891)     |
| Inventory                                  | 2,945   | (1,227) | (2,177) | (52)             | 388         |
| Deferred costs                             | (382)   | 351     | (1,984) | 729              | 1,000       |
| Prepaid expenses and other                 | 254     | (294)   | (54)    | (51)             | (15)        |
| Other assets                               | (8)     | (28)    | -       | -                | -           |
| Accounts payable                           | 585     | (2,579) | 8,924   | (1,815)          | (932)       |
| Acrrued expenses and other                 | 294     | 277     | 914     | 248              | 248         |
| Due to related parties                     | (90)    | (34)    | -       | -                | -           |
| Operating lease liabilites                 | 6       | (7)     | 543     | -                | -           |
| Deferred revenue                           | 1,738   | (648)   | 3,095   | 3,148            | 2,500       |
| (Increase) decrease in working capital     | (511)   | (53)    | 5,631   | (639)            | 1,297       |
| Net cash provided by (used in) operations  | 4,193   | 2,352   | 12,309  | 6,261            | 8,687       |
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| Purchases of property and equipment        | (93)    | (371)   | (1,477) | (2,500)          | (1,500)     |
| Cash paid for acquisitions                 | (3,409) | (170)   | (4,525) | <u>(17,500</u> ) | <del></del> |
| Net cash provided by (used in) investing   | (3,502) | (541)   | (6,002) | (20,000)         | (1,500)     |
| Repayment of term debt                     | (646)   | -       | (3)     | -                | -           |
| Line of credit - revolving                 | (1,971) | (1,206) | -       | 10,000           | -           |
| Payment on revolving line of credit        | -       | -       | -       | (750)            | (4,000)     |
| Proceeds from issuance of promissory note  | -       | -       | -       | 5,000            | -           |
| Payment on promissory note                 | -       | -       | -       | (488)            | (1,000)     |
| Payment on contingent consideration        | -       | -       | -       | (1,000)          | (1,000)     |
| Proceeds from issuance of term debt        | 1,361   | -       | -       | -                | -           |
| Debt issuance costs                        | (53)    | -       | -       | -                | -           |
| Taxes paid in lieu of shares issued        | -       | (25)    | (1,403) | -                | -           |
| Proceeds from exercise of stock options    |         | 2       | 154     |                  |             |
| Net cash provided by (used in) Financing   | (1,309) | (1,229) | (1,252) | 12,763           | (6,000)     |
| Net change in cash                         | (618)   | 582     | 5,055   | (977)            | 1,187       |
| Cash - beginning of period                 | 2,620   | 2,002   | 2,587   | 7,642            | 6,665       |
| Cash - end of period                       | 2,002   | 2,587   | 7,642   | 6,665            | 7,853       |

#### **Price Chart**



**Taglich Brothers' Current Ratings Distribution** 



| 69.57 % Buy | 30.43 % Hold

| Investment Bankin | g Services for Companies Covered in the Past 12 | <u>Months</u> |
|-------------------|---|---------------|
| Rating            | <u>#</u>  | <u>%</u>      |
| Buy<br>Hold       | 5   | 26            |
| Sell<br>Not Rated |   |               |

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