

## 11/07/2016 Company Visit Note DHG - PHARMACEUTICAL JSC

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Equity analyst

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**Business results.** In 9M2016, DHG's net revenue and profit before taxes was recorded VND 2,608 billion (+6% yoy) and VND 513 billion respectively, remained unchanged compared in the same period. It is noticeable that DHG's profit margin improved significantly, rising from 40% in 9M2015 to 45% in 9M2016. However, due to an increase in sales and marketing costs (put on the level in 2014), DHG's net profit margin from production and business activities experienced almost stable. Net income was VND 469 billion (+11% yoy) thanks to boost production and consumption at the A&G Pharma One-member Limited Company (A&G Pharma). DHG strives to complete the 2016 earning target that reaches the profit before taxes of VND 750 billion or net income of VND 679 billion, EPS 2016 is VND 7,011/share. The company set themselves a goal of sales growth and average earnings at 16%/year and 11%/year from 2016 to 2020 in turn.

**Promote production and consumption at DHG Pharma Ltd, 1**00% owed by DHG. DHG pharma Ltd holds 2 latest factories namely Nonbetalactam (capacity of 4 billion units/year) and Betalactam (capacity of 1 billion units/year, with first products from Q32016). As mentioned in the previous updated reports, the production activities in the two old factories No. I, II in Nguyen Van Cu have been transferred gradually to the new plant in order to enjoy tax incentives (0% for 2015-2018, 5% for 2019-2027 and 10% for 2028-2029). During the first half of 2016, DHG's total production output was 2.18 billion units, DHG Pharma Ltd produce 1.32 billion units, rising by 80.9% yoy (value of production in 9M2016, equivalent to the corporate income tax savings of VND 53 billion. It is likely that DHG Pharma Ltd will operate approximately 70% of design capacity by 2016 and grow that to 75% in 2017. Total corporate income tax savings from the factory is expected over VND 80 billion in 2016 and about VND 129 billion in 2017.

**Profit margins has a positive outlook**. DHG's gross profit margin went up from 42% in 6M2015 to 45% in 6M2016. (1) The proportion of manufacturing products increased from 79% in 6M2015 to 82% 6T2016. (2) Gross profit margin of manufacturing products rose from 51% in 6M2015 to 54% in 6M2016 after DHG reduced their ineffective direct wholesale segment. It is

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considerable that since 2016, there has been a sharp rise in DHG's administration and advertising costs compared to 2015 because of their business performance improvement. The pre-tax profit margin was 20% in 6M2016. We believe that, after the restructuring operations in 2015 help the sales volume rise more substantially, DHG continues to maintain this level of profit margins in the future.

**Taisho supports DHG's business activities**. At present, Taisho is the leading shareholder, accounting for 24.44% of shares, plans to raise up to 49% ownership in the company. As can be seen in the updated report DHG, Taisho will support DHG (1) Restructuring the product portfolio, (2) Promoting of scientific studies about the effectiveness of their product lines; (3) Developing export markets, (4) Production cooperation. Taisho is actively reviewing and consulting DHG including upgrade the drug lines at the factory Betalactam and Nonbetamlactam (Tan Phu Thanh) from GMP-WHO to PICs, instead of building a new factory under PICs standard as before.

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