



Strandline Resources Ltd (STA.ASX)

On the verge

Event:

- Review post equity raising; Price target upgrade.

Investment Highlights:

- Equity raising readies company for early work.** Strandline Resources Ltd's (STA) recent \$18.5M equity raising bolstered its cash to \$23M, allowing it to maintain momentum as it seeks to finalise financing by its October FID target. Funds provide readiness for early works, front end design, and long lead procurement.
- Early works that the company is preparing for include the 43km access road connecting Coburn to the North West Coastal Highway, bulk earthworks, pads, and other site roads.** This work has been awarded to leading mining contractor Macmahon Holdings Ltd.
- Further offtake agreement likely.** 100% of STA's rutile and 30% of its premium zircon have not yet been contracted for, and we believe that one or both of these may be finalised prior to FID. Some of the potential customers for these, as well as Coburn existing offtakers, may be in the mix for any strategic equity component of Coburn funding.
- Commercial debt and FID still on track.** STA has been progressing its finance negotiation and documentation with banks, specialist funds, and other debt instrument providers to close the debt funding for Coburn, a precursor to determine its equity requirement for the project. We expect this to be completed prior to the October 2020 FID target. We assume a further \$90M of equity and \$200M debt (inclusive \$130M NAIF) in our forecasts.
- Tanzania progressing albeit not the priority.** While understandably FID and development of Coburn is STA's priority, it continues to negotiate with the Tanzanian Government over finalising Fungoni. A scoping study on the much larger Tajiri is scheduled to be completed end September 2020, which should highlight the material option value Tanzania presents to STA shareholders.
- Deferral of Toliara FID to tighten mineral sands market, positive for STA.** Base Resources Ltd (BSE) recently announced it has deferred its FID on its Madagascar Toliara project to no earlier than September 2021, due to COVID and fiscal terms not yet finalised. This was one of the few sources of new supply and now it seems unlikely to come onstream before mid-2020s. Its delay should be positive for timing of Coburn and mineral sand prices.

Earnings and Valuation:

- We have made no material change to earnings.**
- Risked valuation increases to \$0.53 from \$0.42.** We now assume less dilutive future equity raising, and we have lowered our risking of the Coburn project (0.8x NPV vs 0.7x previously) due to its advanced stage.

Recommendation:

- We maintain our Buy and increase 12-month PT to \$0.53 from \$0.42, in-line with our risked nominal NPV₁₀.**
- Catalysts for the share price include:** 1) Remaining Coburn offtake agreements; 2) Commercial debt financing for Coburn; 3) Coburn FID; 4) Commencement of Coburn construction; 5) Start of production; and 6) Progress on Fungoni.

Disclosures

The analyst owns 156,000 STA shares.

Foster Stockbroking and associated entities (excluding Cranport Pty Ltd) own 156,000 STA shares.

Cranport Pty Ltd owns 8,024,852 STA shares.

Refer details end of report.

Recommendation	Buy
Previous	Buy
Risk	High
Price Target	\$ 0.53
Previous	\$0.42
Share price (A\$)	\$ 0.20
ASX code	STA
52 week low-high	\$0.067-\$0.29
Valuation - risked (A\$/share)	\$ 0.53
Methodology	risked NPV

Capital structure

Shares on Issue (M)	523
Market cap (A\$M)	105
Net cash (debt) (A\$M)	23
Performance rights (M)	10
Options (M)	11
Diluted EV (A\$M)	86
Ave daily volume ('000)	463

Earnings Y/e Jun A\$M	FY19a	FY20e	FY21e	FY22e
Sales	0	0	0	10
EBITDA adj	-8	-8	-9	-20
NPAT reported	-7	-7	-9	-34
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EPS adj. \$*	-0.03	-0.02	-0.01	-0.04
PE x	nm	nm	nm	nm
EV/EBITDA x	nm	nm	nm	nm

* Adj =underlying

Substantial shareholders

Ndovu Capital VII BV & Tembo Capital Mining Fund IILP	31%
C&H International Investment Ltd	8%

Board

Didier Murcia	Non-Executive Chairman
Luke Graham	CEO and Managing Director
Peter Watson	Executive Director
John Hodder	Non-Executive Director
Mark Hancock	Non-Executive Director
Tom Eadie	Non-Executive Director

Share price graph



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