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General Motors Company: Making GM Our Top Pick, Price Target to \$42

Adam Jonas, CFA – Morgan Stanley

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We make GM our top pick in US autos as we update our model following management's 2017 guidance targeting \$6 to \$6.50 of EPS. We raise our 2017 est. to \$6.32 from \$6.09 on Brazil and a lower share count. 64% upside to \$60 bull case. Key changes to our earnings forecast. Raising our 2017 EPS forecast by +% to \$6.32 from \$6.09 previously, leaving our estimate slightly above the midpoint of the company's \$6 to \$6.50 target. Following this increase, our 2017 and 2018 forecasts are 4% and 1% above consensus respectively. Nearly all of our EPS forecast is driven by an incremental +1.5bn of share buybacks assumed, taking our combined return of capital to \$5bn for all of 2017 (\$3bn buybacks, \$2bn dividend). A modest increase in our US mix assumption (more trucks, less cars) rounds out our upward forecast revision. Company targets \$6bn of auto free cash flow in 2017. We see scope for \$7bn of automotive FCF. Our forecast includes \$9.2bn of capex, does not include discretionary Pension and PEB payments and assumes \$0.5bn of working capital outflow. We forecast GM to accumulate in excess of \$28bn of net auto cash by 2020, equal to nearly 60% of GM's market cap. Is this the ideal time to invest in auto stocks from a cyclical perspective? Not at all. Is the US auto cycle at some form of a peak? Probably. Are we concerned about a near-term cyclical collapse in US auto sales? Due to a variety of reasons (automotive credit, safety-driven replacement demand) we are not. Something has to give as we believe the stock market cannot ignore GM's fundamental performance for much longer. Raising price target by 5% to \$42 on higher earnings and removed cyclical discount to our valuation of DTAs. Roughly three quarters of the increase to our target is based on removing the 25% discount we had applied to our valuation of GM's deferred tax assets which we value on a DCF at +7.2bn (\$5/share) at a 9% WACC. While we see GM and its OEM peers producing substantially lower margins over time in the U

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