ModernGraham Valuation

Company Name:

Company Ticker WLTW Date of Analysis

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Stage 1: Is this company suitable for the Defensive Investor or the Enterprising Investor?

Defensive Investor; must pass 6 out of the following 7 tests.

	1. Adequate Size of the Enterprise	Market Cap > \$2Bil	\$20,847,850,672	Pass
	2. Sufficiently Strong Financial Condition	Current Ratio > 2	1.11	Fail
	3. Earnings Stability	Positive EPS for 10 years prior		Fail
	4. Dividend Record	Dividend Payments for 10 years prior		Pass
	5. Earnings Growth	Increase of 33% in EPS in past 10 years using 3 year averages at beginning and end	-1.53%	Fail
	6. Moderate PEmg Ratio	PEmg < 20	26.51	Fail
	7. Moderate Price to Assets	PB Ratio < 2.5 OR PB*PEmg < 50	1.95	Pass
Enterprising Investor; n	nust pass 4 out of the following 5 tests, or be s	suitable for the Defensive Investor.		
	1. Sufficiently Strong Financial Condition	Current Ratio > 1.5	1.11	Fail
	2. Sufficiently Strong Financial Condition	Debt to NCA < 1.1	2.50	Fail
	3. Earnings Stability	Positive EPS for 5 years prior		Pass
	4. Dividend Record	Currently Pays Dividend		Pass
	5. Earnings Growth	EPSmg greater than 5 years ago		Pass
		Score		
Suitability				
	Defensive	No		
	Enterprising	No		

Stage 2: Determination of Intrinsic Value

	EPSmg		\$5.97
	MG Growth Estimate		15.00%
	MG Value		\$229.67
	MG Value based on 3% Growth		\$86.50
	MG Value based on 0% Growth		\$50.71
	Market Implied Growth Rate		9.00%
MG Opinion			
	Current Price		\$158.13
	% of Intrinsic Value		68.85%
	Opinion	Undervalued	
	MG Grade	D+	

Stage 3: Information for Further Research

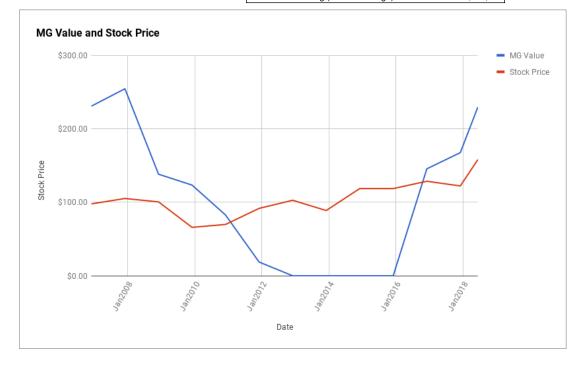
Net Current Asset Value (NCAV)	-\$43.64
Graham Number	\$127.98
PEmg	26.51
Current Ratio	1.11
PB Ratio	1.95
Current Dividend	\$2.12
Dividend Yield	1.34%
Number of Consecutive Years of Dividend Growth	1

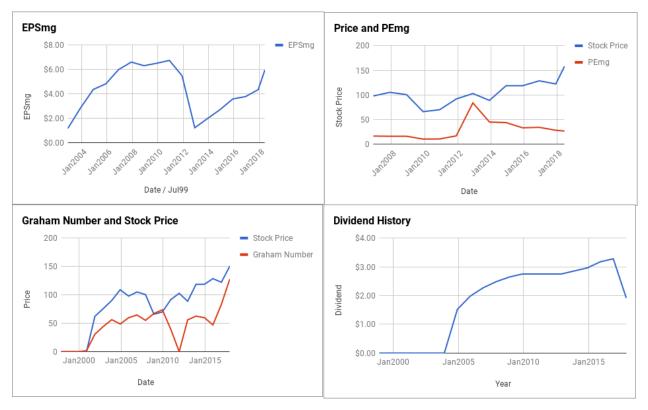
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EPS History		EPSmg History	
Next Fiscal Year			
Estimate	\$9.50	Next Fiscal Year Estimate	\$5.97
Dec2017	\$4.18	Dec2017	\$4.35
Dec2016	\$3.04	Dec2016	\$3.78
Dec2015	\$5.41	Dec2015	\$3.59
Dec2014	\$5.32	Dec2014	\$2.72
Dec2013	\$5.37	Dec2013	\$1.98
Dec2012	-\$6.83	Dec2012	\$1.23
Dec2011	\$3.07	Dec2011	\$5.49
Dec2010	\$7.05	Dec2010	\$6.7
Dec2009	\$6.86	Dec2009	\$6.5
Dec2008	\$5.43	Dec2008	\$6.3 ⁻
Dec2007	\$7.36	Dec2007	\$6.6
Dec2006	\$7.52	Dec2006	\$6.00
Dec2005	\$4.56	Dec2005	\$4.83
Dec2004	\$6.41	Dec2004	\$4.36
Dec2003	\$5.75	Dec2003	\$2.85
Dec2002	\$3.39	Dec2002	\$1.17
Dec2001	\$0.03	Balance Sheet Information	3/1/2018
Dec2000	\$0.19	Total Current Assets	\$17,606,000,000
Dec1999	\$0.00	Total Current Liabilities	\$15,804,000,000
Dec1998	\$0.00	Long-Term Debt	\$4,507,000,000
		Total Assets	\$34,212,000,000
		Intangible Assets	\$14,316,000,000
		Total Liabilities	\$23,410,000,000
		Shares Outstanding (Diluted Average)	133,000,000





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