ModernGraham Valuation

Company Name:

AutoNation, Inc.



Company Ticker AN Date of Analysis

9/1/2018

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.

 Adequate Size of the Enterprise 	Market Cap > \$2Bil	\$4,119,282,216 Pass
2. Sufficiently Strong Financial Condition	Current Ratio > 2	0.86 Fail
3. Earnings Stability	Positive EPS for 10 years prior	Pass
Dividend Record	Dividend Payments for 10 years prior	Fail
	Increase of 33% in EPS in past 10 years using 3 year averages at	
Earnings Growth	beginning and end	191.70% Pass
Moderate PEmg Ratio	PEmg < 20	10.69 Pass
7. Moderate Price to Assets	PB Ratio < 2.5 OR PB*PEmg < 50	1.65 Pass

Enterprising Investor; must pass 4 out of the following 5 tests, or be suitable for the Defensive Investor.

1. Sufficiently Strong Financial Condition	Current Ratio > 1.5	0.86 Fail
2. Sufficiently Strong Financial Condition	Debt to NCA < 1.1	-2.53 Fail
3. Earnings Stability	Positive EPS for 5 years prior	Pass
4. Dividend Record	Currently Pays Dividend	Fail
5. Earnings Growth	EPSmg greater than 5 years ago	Pass
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45 82%

Score

Suitability

MG Opinion

Defensive No Enterprising No

Stage 2: Determination of Intrinsic Value

EPSmg	\$4.24
MG Growth Estimate	7.42%
MG Value	\$98.97
MG Value based on 3% Growth	\$61.50
MG Value based on 0% Growth	\$36.05
Market Implied Growth Rate	1.10%
Current Price	\$45.35

% of Intrinsic Value Opinion Undervalued MG Grade

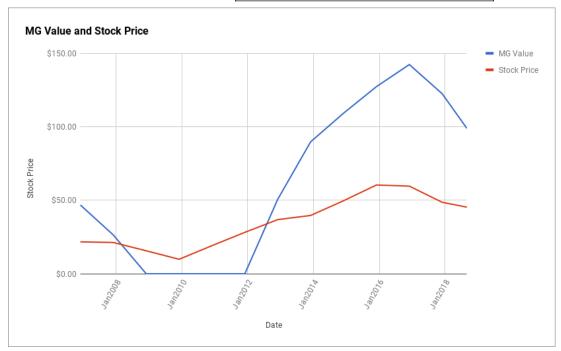
Stage 3: Information for Further Research

Net Current Asset Value (NCAV)	-\$33.82
Graham Number	\$50.79
PEmg	10.69
Current Ratio	0.86
PB Ratio	1.65
Current Dividend	\$0.00
Dividend Yield	0.00%
Number of Consecutive Years of Dividend	
Growth	0

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EPS History		EPSmg History	
Next Fiscal Year			
Estimate	*****	Next Fiscal Year Estimate	\$4.24
Dec2017	\$4.43	Dec2017	\$4.03
Dec2016	\$4.15	Dec2016	\$3.70
Dec2015	\$3.89	Dec2015	\$3.31
Dec2014	\$3.52	Dec2014	\$2.84
Dec2013	\$3.04	Dec2013	\$2.33
Dec2012	\$2.52	Dec2012	\$1.32
Dec2011	\$1.91	Dec2011	\$0.40
Dec2010	\$1.43	Dec2010	-\$0.35
Dec2009	\$1.12	Dec2009	-\$0.91
Dec2008	-\$6.99	Dec2008	-\$1.33
Dec2007	\$1.39	Dec2007	\$1.52
Dec2006	\$1.38	Dec2006	\$1.57
Dec2005	\$1.85	Dec2005	\$1.58
Dec2004	\$1.59	Dec2004	\$1.37
Dec2003	\$1.67	Dec2003	\$1.18
Dec2002	\$1.19	Dec2002	\$0.92
Dec2001	\$0.69	Balance Sheet Information	6/1/2018
Dec2000	\$0.91	Total Current Assets	\$4,703,900,000
Dec1999	\$0.66	Total Current Liabilities	\$5,476,400,000
Dec1998	\$1.06	Long-Term Debt	\$1,958,100,000
		Total Assets	\$10,288,600,000
		Intangible Assets	\$2,087,400,000
		Total Liabilities	\$7,788,000,000
		Shares Outstanding (Diluted Average)	91,200,000





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