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#### LOTCHEM: Earnings to plunge by 7% YoY to settle at PKR 1.74/share in 1HCY24

Lotte Chemical Pakistan (LOTCHEM) is slated to reveal its financial results for the 1HCY24 on 21st Aug'24 where we expect earnings to clock in at PKR 2,642mn (EPS: PKR 1.74), showcasing a decline of 7% YoY. On quarterly basis, we expect that the company to post bottom line of PKR 1,744mn (EPS: PKR 1.15) for 2QCY24, registering a jump of 4.6x YoY. During 2QCY24, we foresee sales to experience a 104% YoY jump, due to higher volumetric sales as the plant remained operational throughout the quarter while a 10-day plant shutdown was observed in the previous quarter. In addition, the company's gross margins are expected to decline by 350bps to 8.7% in 2QCY24. This decline in gross margins is primarily due to 15% YoY decline in international PTA margins and an increase in gas prices. Furthermore, the finance cost is expected to plummet by 37% YoY to clock in at PKR 88mn on account of the absence of exchange loss in 2QCY24. Alongside the result, we expect the company to payout PKR 0.5/share dividend during the outgoing quarter (PKR 1.0 in 1HCY24).

#### Exhibit: Financial Highlights

(PKR mn)	1HCY24e	1HCY23a	YoY	2QCY24e	2QCY23a	YoY	QoQ	
Net Sales	65,782	38,543	71%	33,505	16,430	104%	96%	
Cost of Sales	61,188	32,103	91%	30,595	14,430	112%	100%	
Gross Profit	4,594	6,439	-29%	2,910	2,000	45%	58%	
Gross Margins	7.0%	16.7%		8.7%	12.2%			
Other Income	839	1,184	-29%	488	598	-19%	72%	
Other Expense	341	458	-26%	229	161	42%	49%	
Finance Cost	311	895	-65%	88	140	-37%	252%	
PAT	2,642	2,854	-7%	1,744	311	460%	51%	
EPS (PKR)	1.74	1.88		1.15	0.21			
DPS (PKR)	1.00	2.00		0.50	-			
Source (s): Company Financials, AHL Research								

#### SGF: Earnings of PKR 2.18/share expected during 2QCY24

Service Global Footwear Limited (SGF) is set to reveal its financial results for the 1HCY24 on 24th Aug'24. We expect the company to post a PAT of PKR 800mn (EPS: PKR 3.88) for the 1HCY24, up by 84% YoY. On a quarterly basis, the company is expected to register a profit of PKR 448mn (EPS: PKR 2.18) up by 142% YoY, owed to surge in export sales, and a contribution of PKR 398mn from Service Long March (SLM). A surge in topline of PKR 5.2bn (35% YoY) is expected on the back of higher volumetric sales of shoes. Alongside the result, we expect the company to announce a cash dividend of PKR 2.00/share (PKR 2.00/share in 1HCY24).

#### **Exhibit:** Financial Highlights (PKR mn) 1HCY24e 1HCY23a 2QCY24e 2QCY23a QoQ YoY YoY Net Sales 9,702 7,414 31% 35% 13% 5,157 3,826 Cost of Sales 7,789 5,817 34% 4,096 2,940 39% 11% Gross Profit 1,912 1,597 20% 1,061 886 20% 25% Other Expense 46 40 15% 27 24 14% 51% Other Income 101 430 -76% 51 -77% 224 0% **Finance Cost** 419 504 -17% 214 293 -27% 4% PAT 800 436 84% 448 185 142% 27% EPS (PKR) 0.90 3.88 2.12 2.18 DPS (PKR) 2.00 2.00 Source (s): Company Financials, AHL Research

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LOTCHEM	HOLD
Target Price	19.43
Last Closing	17.07
Upside	13.8%
PSX Code	LOTCHEM
Bloomberg Code	LOTCHEM PA

#### Relative Performance



Source (s): PSX, AHL Research	
SGF	BUY
Target Price	92.45
Last Closing	68.00
Upside	36.0%
PSX Code	SGF
Bloomberg Code	SGF PA

#### Relative Performance



### Source (s): PSX, AHL Research

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- Discounted Cash Flow (DCF)
- Dividend Discount Model (DDM)
- Sum of the Parts (SoTP)
- Justified Price to Book (JPTB)
- Reserved Base Valuation (RBV)

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- Market risk
- Interest Rate Risk
- Exchange Rate (Currency) Risk

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