

Featured Stock in June's Exec Comp & ROIC Model Portfolio

Four new stocks make June's Exec Comp Aligned with ROIC Model Portfolio, available to members as of June 15, 2023.

Recap from May Picks

Our Exec Comp Aligned with ROIC Model Portfolio (+10.0%) outperformed the S&P 500 (+6.1%) from May 12, 2023 through June 13, 2023. The best performing stock in the portfolio was up 20%. Overall, 13 out of the 15 Exec Comp Aligned with ROIC Stocks outperformed the S&P from May 12, 2023 through June 13, 2023.

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This report leverages our cutting-edge <u>Robo-Analyst technology</u> to deliver <u>proven-superior</u>¹ fundamental research and support more cost-effective fulfillment of the <u>fiduciary duty of care</u>.

This Model Portfolio includes stocks that earn an <u>Attractive or Very Attractive</u> rating and align executive compensation with improving ROIC. This combination provides a unique list of long ideas as the <u>primary driver</u> of shareholder value creation is return on invested capital (<u>ROIC</u>).

New Stock Feature for June: Paccar Inc. (PCAR: \$79/share)

Paccar Inc. (PCAR) is the featured stock in June's Exec Comp Aligned with ROIC Model Portfolio. We originally made Paccar a Long Idea in <u>June 2020</u> and the stock remains undervalued.

Paccar Inc. has grown revenue and net operating profit after tax (NOPAT) by 10% and 21% compounded annually, respectively, since 2016. The company's NOPAT margin improved from 7% in 2016 to 12% in the trailing twelve months (TTM), while invested capital turns rose from 2.0 to 2.6 over the same time. Rising NOPAT margins and invested capital turns drive the company's return on invested capital (ROIC) from 14% in 2016 to 32% in the TTM.

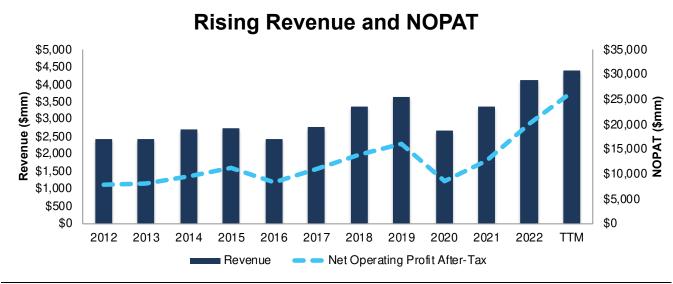


Figure 1: Paccar's Revenue & NOPAT: 2012 – TTM

Sources: New Constructs, LLC and company filings

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¹ Our research utilizes our <u>Core Earnings</u>, a more reliable measure of profits, as proven in <u>Core Earnings: New Data & Evidence</u>, written by professors at Harvard Business School (HBS) & MIT Sloan and published in <u>The Journal of Financial Economics</u>.

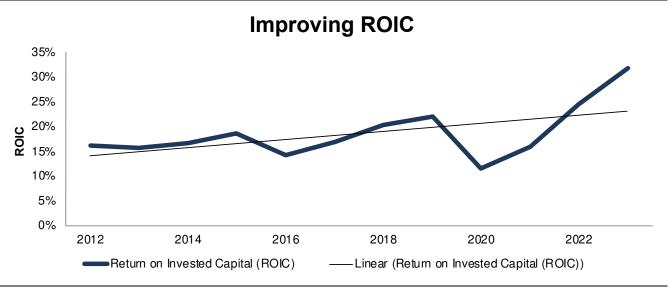


Executive Compensation Properly Aligns Incentives

Paccar's executive compensation plan aligns the interests of executives and shareholders by tying a portion of its long-term cash awards to return on capital according to the company's proxy <u>statement</u>.

The company's inclusion of return on capital, a variation on ROIC, as a performance goal has helped create shareholder value by driving higher ROIC and <u>economic earnings</u>. When we calculate ROIC using our <u>superior fundamental data</u>, we find that Paccar's ROIC has increased from 16% in 2012 to 31% in the TTM. Economic earnings rose from \$805 million to \$2.9 billion over the same time.

Figure 2: Paccar's ROIC: 2012 – TTM



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PCAR Has Further Upside

At the current price of \$79/share, PCAR has a price-to-economic book value (<u>PEBV</u>) ratio of 0.7. This ratio implies the market expects Paccar's NOPAT to permanently fall by 30%. This expectation seems overly pessimistic for a company that has grown NOPAT 13% compounded annually over the past decade.

Even if Paccar's NOPAT margin falls to 8% (5-year average, compared to 12% in the TTM) and the company's revenue grows 6% compounded annually over the next decade (equal to compound annual growth rate over past decade), the stock would be worth \$97/share today – a 25% upside. See the math behind this reverse DCF scenario. In this scenario, Paccar's NOPAT grows 4% compounded annually through 2032.

For reference, Paccar has grown NOPAT by 12% compounded annually over the past decade. Should the company grow NOPAT more in line with historical growth rates, the stock has even more upside.

Critical Details Found in Financial Filings by Our Robo-Analyst Technology

Below are specifics on the adjustments we made based on Robo-Analyst findings in Paccar's 10-K and 10-Qs:

Income Statement: we made \$212 million in adjustments with a net effect of removing \$130 million in <u>non-operating income</u> (<1% of revenue). Clients can see all adjustments made to Paccar's income statement on the GAAP Reconciliation tab on the Ratings page on our website.

Balance Sheet: we made \$6.7 billion in adjustments to calculate invested capital with a net decrease of \$4.5 billion. One of the largest adjustments was \$953 million (6% of reported net assets) in <u>other comprehensive</u> income. Clients can see all adjustments made to Paccar's balance sheet on the GAAP Reconciliation tab on the Ratings page on our website.

Valuation: we made \$5.4 billion in adjustments, with a net effect of increasing shareholder value by \$4.5 billion. The most notable adjustment to shareholder value was \$4.4 billion in <u>excess cash</u>. This adjustment represents



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11% of Paccar's market value. Clients can see all adjustments to Paccar's valuation on the GAAP Reconciliation tab on the Ratings page on our website.

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Best Fundamental Data in the World

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Key quotes from the paper:

- "[New Constructs'] Total Adjustments differs significantly from the items identified and excluded from Compustat's adjusted earnings measures. For example... 50% to 70% of the variation in Total Adjustments is not explained by S&P Global's (SPGI) Adjustments individually." – pp. 14, 1st para.
- "A final source of differences [between New Constructs' and S&P Global's data] is due to data collection
 oversights...we identified cases where Compustat did not collect information relating to firms' income
 that is useful in assessing core earnings." pp. 16, 2nd para.

Superior Models

A top accounting firm features the superiority of our ROIC, NOPAT and Invested Capital research to Capital IQ & Bloomberg's in <u>Getting ROIC Right</u>. See the <u>Appendix</u> for direct comparison details.

Key quotes from the paper:

- "...an accurate calculation of ROIC requires more diligence than often occurs in some of the common, off-the-shelf ROIC calculations. Only by scouring the footnotes and the MD&A [as New Constructs does] can investors get an accurate calculation of ROIC." – pp. 8, 5th para.
- "The majority of the difference...comes from New Constructs' machine learning approach, which leverages technology to calculate ROIC by applying accounting adjustments that may be buried deeply in the footnotes across thousands of companies." – pp. 4, 2nd para.

Superior Stock Ratings

Robo-Analysts' stock ratings outperform those from human analysts as shown in this <u>paper</u> from Indiana's Kelley School of Business. Bloomberg features the paper <u>here</u>.

Key quotes from the paper:

- "the portfolios formed following the buy recommendations of Robo-Analysts earn abnormal returns that are statistically and economically significant." pp. 6, 3rd para.
- "Our results ultimately suggest that Robo-Analysts are a valuable, alternative information intermediary to traditional sell-side analysts." pp. 20, 3rd para.

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