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- •Low bottom-line results mask improving performance from the drilling segment GISS reported a net profit of QR0.743mn in 2Q2017, which was well below our modeled estimate. However, operating results were largely in-line with our model (please see page 2 for segment details) with gains in drilling and aviation offset by weakness in catering and insurance. The 1H2017 earnings miss vs. our estimate was predominantly due to an impairment charge (associated with drilling) of QR11mn and higher-than-expected SG&A expenses and finance costs.
- •Drilling segment may have turned a corner as we had expected with 1H2017 revenue better by 10% vs. our model along with upside in gross margins. We continue to remain optimistic about offshore rig deployments in 2017 with the entire fleet of nine rigs set to be deployed this year (all should be invoicing by 4Q2017) vs. only six rigs working in 2016. The aviation segment also surprised positively despite having to suspend a contract in one of the blockade countries under force-majeure. The catering segment weakened beyond our modeled estimates, impacted by demobilization of some of its major contracts in 2H2016. Finally, the general downturn in medical and general insurance business and rate reduction affected the insurance segment.
- •Recommendation & Risks: We rate GISS a Market Perform with a QR28/sh price target. GISS stock continues to remain in a "show me" mode. Risks: Volatile oil prices remain a substantial risk to regional equity prices. Further decline in rig rates/rig utilizations could pressure the stock. GISS also faces concentration risk given its exposure to QP/affiliates.



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In QR '000 Except Otherwise Noted			
	1H2017E	1H2017A	AVE
Total Revenue	1,283,213	1,255,575	-2.2%
Insurance	150,766	155,007	2.8%
% Revenue	11.7%	12.3%	
Aviation	255,866	277,850	8.6%
% Revenue	19.9%	22.1%	
Catering	355,307	251,573	-29.2%
% Revenue	27.7%	20.0%	
Drilling	521,275	571,145	9.6%
% Revenue	40.6%	45.5%	
COGS	1,089,362	1,059,756	-2.7%
Gross Profit	193,852	195,819	1.0%
GM %	15.1%	15.6%	
Insurance	42,214	33,191	-21.4%
GM %	28.0%	21.4%	
Aviation	97,229	105,710	8.7%
GM %	38.0%	38.0%	
Catering	39,608	23,201	-41.4%
GM %	11.1%	9.2%	
Drilling	14,800	33,717	127.8%



Recommendations

Based on the range for the upside / downside offered by the 12month target price of a stock versus the current market price

OUTPERFORM	Greater than +20%
ACCUMULATE	Between +10% to +20%
MARKET PERFORM	Between -10% to +10%
REDUCE	Between -10% to -20%
UNDERPERFORM	Lowerthan -20%

Risk Ratings

Reflecting historic and expected price volatility versus the local market average and qualitative risk analysis of fundamentals

R-1	Significantly lower than average
R-2	Lower than average
R-3	Medium / In-line with the average
R-4	Above average
R-5	Significantly above average

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