

warding of air freight (45% of '09 revs.) and ocean freight (32%) as well as custom brokerage and import services (23%). Operates about 250 full-service offices, service centers or satellite offices, on six continents, and has over 47 contracts with independent agents

3.3% of common stock; T.Rowe Price, 7.6%; Morgan Stanley, 5.8%; BlackRock, 5.2% (3/10 Proxy). Chairman. & CEO: Peter J. Rose. Inc.: DE. Address: 1015 3rd Ave., 12th Fl., Seattle, WA 98104. Telephone 206-674-3400. Internet: www.expeditors.com

Current Liab. 670.4 708.4 864.5 Past ANNUAL RATES Past Est'd '07-'09 to '13-'15 of change (per sh) 5 Yrs. Revenues "Cash Flow" 15.0% 12.5% 11.0% 16.5% 18.5% 15.0% 12.0% Earnings 16.0% 12 5% 33.5% 19.0% 31.5% 16.0% 13.0% 11.5% **Book Value**

491.8

178<u>.6</u>

546.7

161.7

659.2

205.3

Accts Payable Debt Due

Cal- endar			ENUES (\$ Sep. 30		Full Year
2007 2008 2009 2010 2011	1119.0 1307.3 912.7 1201.1 1510	1258.6 1454.3	1411.0 1564.9 1037.3	1446.6 1307.4	5235.2 5633.9 4092.3 5940 6830
Cal- endar	EARNINGS PER SHARE A Mar.31 Jun. 30 Sep. 30 Dec. 31				Full Year
2007 2008 2009 2010 2011	.27 .30 .28 .28	.30 .32 .25 .42 . 43	.34 .39 .27 . 43	.32 .36 .32 . 42	1.21 1.37 1.12 1.55 1.75
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2006 2007 2008 2009 2010		.11 .14 .16 .19 .20		.11 .14 .16 .19	.22 .28 .32 .38

We have considerably raised our nearterm share-earnings estimates for Ex-International. Given pressive second-quarter revenue and income, we have lifted our 2010 figure by \$0.27, to \$1.55, and our 2011 forecast by \$0.25, to \$1.75.

The company is generating strong top-line growth behind strengthening export markets. Freight consolidation revenue out of Asia nearly doubled year over year in the June quarter, providing regional operating income growth of 46%. More than 50% of total revenues are derived from that continent. Additionally, the top-line contribution from U.S. operations advanced 48%, with domestic operating income climbing a robust 92%. In fact, volumes are on the upswing in each geographical market served, amidst improving global economic conditions.

A solid upturn in airfreight tonnage is largely to attribute for the positive results. Air volumes rose a hefty 54% in the June period. Expeditors is taking market share through new customer additions. The top-line impact was partly offset by a 14% decline in net revenue per kilo, as

more efficient capacity utilization by air carriers is allowing them to boost pricing. Ocean-related profits are also rising, albeit at a slower clip. Freight and services revenues from Ocean operations increased 16% in the June quarter. Freight consolidation revenues, comprising roughly half of the Ocean total, advanced just 8%. Expeditors is also facing weakened yields in Ocean. The remaining amount, from order management and forwarding services, is growing more rapidly.

Productivity improvements are alleviating the effect on margins of soft yields. Percentage revenue gains are far exceeding salary cost hikes, as Expeditors has restrained headcount increases.

The ongoing investigation into anti-competitive behavior has been extended to Brazil. It had previously been confined primarily to trade lanes between Asia and Europe during 2005 and 2006. Management, including CEO Peter J. Rose, is opposing the allegations. Related legal costs should remain immaterial.

Now timely, Expeditors stock is also an above-average long-term holding. Damon Churchwell September 3, 2010

(A) Basic earnings through 1996. Diluted thereafter. Next earnings report due early Nov. Excludes nonrecurring gain/(loss): 2005, \$0.10; 2009, (1¢). 2007 earnings do not sum due to

(C) Dividends historically paid in mid-June and mid-Dec.

rounding. **(B)** In millions, adjusted for stock splits. **(D)** Revenue figures after 2001 reclassified to reflect adoption of EITF D-103.

Company's Financial Strength Stock's Price Stability A+ 65 Price Growth Persistence **Earnings Predictability** 90

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