

## press release

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### The forward look *from* The Share Centre

Nick Raynor, investment adviser at retail stockbroker, The Share Centre, gives his thoughts on what to expect from companies announcing results w/c 24 August.

■ Monday

#### **Petrofac (Interims)**

Petrofac is an oil and gas service provider, operating three divisions: engineering and construction, operations services and resources and designing and building facilities. Petrofac has had a tremendous run over the last six months, but their interim figures will need to back this up. Orders from the Middle East seem to be drying up, so investors will be hoping for news on future contracts. Petrofac still remains one of our favoured stocks in the oil sector, but the price is starting to look a bit high.

**We currently list Petrofac as a BUY**

#### **G4S (Interims)**

G4S beat expectations when Q1 figures were released and hinted that the rest of the year could be similar. With acquisitions and bond placing occurring since then, the share has been steady performer in a volatile market, hence our buy stance.

**We currently list G4S as a BUY**

■ Tuesday

#### **Admiral (Interim results)**

Admiral has performed well in the last two months, recording a near 25% gain, however results are going to have to back up this rally. An update on its planned move into the US will be welcomed. We believe we may see further weakness in the market in the short-term.

**We currently list Admiral as a HOLD**

■ Wednesday

#### **Antofagasta (Interims)**

Mining companies have been extremely volatile recently, so we expect the Antofagasta's results to have no bearing on performance in the short-term.

**We currently list Antofagasta as a HOLD**

#### **James Fisher (Interims)**

James Fisher has recently made a small acquisition that has had a big impact on its share price. The marine support service provider has been a long-term favourite and continues to be so.

**We currently list James Fisher as a BUY**

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## **Serco (Interims)**

Serco has positioned itself well by winning contracts for the 2012 Olympics and being selected to operate Boris Johnson's latest brainwave, The London Cycle Hire Scheme.

**We currently list Serco as a BUY**

## **Tullow Oil (Interims)**

Tullow Oil very rarely disappoints, with their quarter one results reporting positive updates of new oil finds, don't expect this update to be any different.

**We currently list Tullow Oil as a BUY**

■ Thursday

## **Premier Oil (Interims)**

Premier Oil has promised that there will be plenty to update on and that investors could be in for a pleasant surprise. We have liked Premier for sometime now because of its exploration programme and the fact they could be attractive for a takeover if the price is right.

**We currently list Premier Oil as a BUY**

## **Amec (Interims)**

Amec has many facets however, it is the company's nuclear division that is most attractive to us – there are plenty of contracts up for grabs at the moment for building and de-commissioning. Amec has created the perfect scenario for itself – take it down and build another somewhere else. These contracts are not short-term either and we hope next week's results will provide news on further developments in this area.

**We currently list Amec as a BUY**

■ Friday

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