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Recommendation

Buy (unchanged)

Price

\$4.19

Target (12 months)

\$5.20 (previously \$5.00)

Sector

Materials

Expected Return

Capital growth 24.1%

Dividend yield 0.0%

Total expected return 24.1%

Company Data & Ratios

Enterprise value \$1,337m

Market cap \$1,383m

Issued capital 330m

Free float 74.1%

Avg. daily val. (52wk) \$6.1m

12 month price range \$2.02-5.19

Price Performance

	(1m)	(3m)	(12m)
Price (A\$)	3.36	3.71	2.21
Absolute (%)	28.6	16.4	95.5
Rel market (%)	28.6	18.8	90.4

Absolute Price



SOURCE: IRESS

Develop Global (DVP)

Keeps getting better

OceanaGold contract award

Develop Mining Services (DMS) has been awarded a contract by OceanaGold for the development of underground mine infrastructure at the Waihi North Project in the North Island of New Zealand. The contract value is A\$200m over a 5-year period commencing in 2H FY26. DMS will scale up a local workforce in conjunction with DMS' internal specialists.

We had not included any additional mining services contracts in our forecasts. Revenue generation from this contract over the next 5-years is therefore incremental to our estimates; that is, scaling up to ~\$40m per annum by FY27. Importantly, the OceanaGold contract improves DMS' revenue and earnings mix while building an important relationship with a global gold and copper producer that has a portfolio of four operating mines around the world. Today's contract award highlights DMS' expertise and capabilities to service large underground mine development work scopes and flexibility to grow the division through workforce deployment abroad.

DVP has recently flagged it is in advanced stages of contract negotiations with multiple prospective clients, implying potential for further near-term contract awards (in addition to the OceanaGold contract win today).

We have upgraded our EPS forecasts by +2% in FY26 and +3% in FY27 after incorporating the OceanaGold contract. We reiterate upside bias to our forecasts subject to timing and size of further DMS contracts in the near-term.

Investment thesis: Buy; TP\$5.20/sh (previously \$5.00/sh)

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Earnings Forecast

Year ending 30 June	2025a	2026e	2027e	2028e
Sales (A\$m)	231	420	589	793
EBITDA (A\$m)	25	131	215	313
NPAT (reported) (A\$m)	73	53	123	167
NPAT (adjusted) (A\$m)	(5)	61	123	167
EPS (adjusted) (¢ps)	(1.9)	18.7	37.2	49.7
EPS growth (%)	na	na	99%	34%
PER (x)	-217.8x	22.4x	11.3x	8.4x
FCF Yield (%)	-6%	3%	0%	11%
EV/EBITDA (x)	52.6x	10.2x	6.2x	4.3x
Dividend (¢ps)	-	-	-	-
Yield (%)	0%	0%	0%	0%
Franking (%)	-	-	-	-
ROE (%)	-1%	9%	16%	18%

SOURCE: BELL POTTER SECURITIES ESTIMATES

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Develop Global Limited (DVP)

Company description

Develop Global (DVP) operates under a hybrid model as an underground mining contractor and operator of two mining assets: The Woodlawn Zinc-Copper Mine; and The Sulphur Springs Zinc-Copper Project. DVP services a ~A\$400m mining contract delivering development and production activities at Bellevue Gold's (BGL; not rated) Bellevue Gold Mine over a circa 4-year contract life. The Woodlawn mine is a restart operation, with production resumption currently ongoing, and is expected to produce payable zinc, copper, lead, gold and silver metals.

Completion of the Essential Metals acquisition in early November 2023 has diversified DVP's position as a miner-developer of critical minerals with the addition of the Pioneer Dome lithium project, located 130km south of Kalgoorlie in the highly prospective 'lithium corridor' of Western Australia.

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Valuation methodology

Our DVP valuation is based on discounted cash flow models of the company's core assets and includes allowances for other assets and corporate costs. A WACC of 9.5% (real) has been applied to our asset DCF models.

Investment risks

Risks include, but are not limited to, for DVP are:

- **Commodity price and exchange rate fluctuations.** The future earnings and valuations of exploration, development and operating resources companies are subject to fluctuations in underlying commodity prices and foreign currency exchange rates.
- **Infrastructure access.** Bulk commodity producers are particularly reliant upon access to transport infrastructure. Access to infrastructure is often subject to contractual agreements, permits, and capacity allocations. Agreements are typically long-term in nature (+10 years). Infrastructure can be subject to outages as a result of weather events or the actions of third party providers.
- **Operating and capital cost fluctuations.** Markets for exploration, development and mining inputs can fluctuate widely and cause significant differences between planned and actual operating and capital costs. Key operating costs are linked to energy and labour markets.
- **Resource growth and mine life extensions.** Future earnings forecasts and valuations may rely upon resource and reserve growth to extend mine lives.
- **Sovereign risks.** Mining companies' assets can be located in countries other than Australia and are subject to the sovereign risks of that country.
- **Regulatory changes risks.** Changes to the regulation of infrastructure and taxation (among other things) can impact the earnings and valuation of mining companies.
- **Environmental risks.** Resources companies are exposed to risks associated with environmental degradation as a result of their exploration and mining processes. Fossil fuel producers (coal) may be particularly exposed to the environmental risks of end markets including the electricity generation and steel production industries.
- **Operating and development risks.** Mining companies' assets are subject to risks associated with their operation and development. Risks for each company can be heightened depending on method of operation (e.g. underground versus open pit mining) or whether it is a single operation company. Development assets can be subject to approvals timelines or weather events, causing delays to commissioning and commercial production.
- **Occupational health and safety risks.** Mining companies are particularly exposed to OH&S risks given the physical nature and human resource intensity of operating assets.
- **Funding and capital management risks.** Funding and capital management risks can include access to debt and equity finance, maintaining covenants on debt finance, managing dividend payments, and managing debt repayments.
- **Merger/acquisition risks.** Risks associated with value transferred during merger and acquisition activity.

Develop Global

as at 19 December 2025

Recommendation

Buy

Price

\$4.19

Target (12 months)

\$5.20

Table 1 - Financial summary

Date		19/12/25					Bell Potter Securities							
Price	A\$/sh	4.19						Joseph House (jhouse@bellpotter.com.au, +61 3 9235 1624)						
Target price	A\$/sh	5.20												
PROFIT AND LOSS														
Year ending 30 June	Unit	2024a	2025a	2026e	2027e	2028e	Year ending 30 June	Unit	2024a	2025a	2026e	2027e	2028e	
Revenue	\$m	147	231	420	589	793	VALUATION	A\$/sh	(5.3)	(1.9)	18.7	37.2	49.7	
Expenses	\$m	(134)	(206)	(288)	(374)	(480)	EPS (adjusted)	%	na	na	na	99%	34%	
Underlying EBITDA	\$m	13	25	131	215	313	EPS growth (Acps)	x	(79.2)	(217.8)	22.4	11.3	8.4	
Depreciation & amortisation	\$m	(22)	(29)	(51)	(67)	(119)	PER	x	-	-	-	-	-	
Underlying EBIT	\$m	(9)	(3)	80	148	194	DPS	A\$/sh	-	-	-	-	-	
Net interest expense	\$m	(2)	(1)	(10)	(12)	(10)	Franking	%	-	-	-	-	-	
Underlying PBT	\$m	(12)	(5)	70	136	184	Yield	%	-	-	-	-	-	
Tax expense	\$m	(0)	(0)	(9)	(12)	(17)	FCF/share	A\$/sh	(9.4)	(26.7)	11.6	0.0	44.3	
Underlying NPAT	\$m	(12)	(5)	61	123	167	FCF yield	%	-2%	-6%	3%	0%	11%	
Adjustments (post-tax)	\$m	-	78	(8)	-	-	EV/EBITDA	x	104.8	52.6	10.2	6.2	4.3	
Report NPAT	\$m	(12)	73	53	123	167	LIQUIDITY & LEVERAGE							
CASH FLOW STATEMENT														
Year ending 30 June	Unit	2024a	2025a	2026e	2027e	2028e	Net debt / cash	\$m	(1)	100	(67)	(43)	(179)	
OPERATING CASH FLOW							Net debt / Equity	%	0%	16%	-10%	-5%	-18%	
Receipts from customers	\$m	147	245	369	589	741	Net debt / Net debt + Equity	%	0%	14%	-11%	-6%	-22%	
Payments to suppliers and employees	\$m	(137)	(231)	(281)	(366)	(446)	Net debt / EBITDA	x	(0.1)	3.9	(0.5)	(0.2)	(0.6)	
Tax paid	\$m	-	(0)	(9)	(12)	(17)	EBITDA / net interest expense	x	5.5	17.5	12.8	17.9	30.3	
Net interest	\$m	1	(1)	(2)	(12)	(10)	PROFITABILITY RATIOS							
Other	\$m	-	-	-	-	-	EBITDA margin	%	9%	11%	31%	37%	39%	
Operating cash flow	\$m	11	13	77	199	268	EBIT margin	%	-6%	-1%	19%	25%	24%	
INVESTING CASH FLOW							Return on assets	%	-3%	-1%	6%	10%	12%	
Capex	\$m	(27)	(61)	(28)	(184)	(111)	Return on equity	%	-5%	-1%	9%	16%	18%	
Acquisition of development assets	\$m	2	-	-	-	-								
Payments for exploration and evaluation expenditures	\$m	(3)	(2)	(12)	(15)	(8)								
Disposal of assets	\$m	0	-	-	-	-								
Other	\$m	(4)	(22)	-	-	-								
Investing cash flow	\$m	(32)	(85)	(39)	(199)	(119)								
Free cash flow	\$m	(21)	(72)	38	0	149								
FINANCING CASH FLOW														
Debt proceeds / (repayments)	\$m	(5)	89	96	-	-								
Dividends paid	\$m	-	-	-	-	-								
Proceeds from share issues (net)	\$m	61	17	174	-	-								
Other	\$m	(15)	(17)	(24)	(19)	(19)								
Financing cash flow	\$m	41	89	246	(19)	(19)								
Change in cash	\$m	20	17	284	(19)	130								
BALANCE SHEET														
Year ending 30 June	Unit	2024a	2025a	2026e	2027e	2028e								
ASSETS														
Cash	\$m	41	59	343	324	454	Woodlawn underground Resource	Tonne (kt)	Zn (%)	Cu (%)	Pb (%)	Au (g/t)	Ag (g/t)	
Receivables	\$m	22	30	80	80	132	Measured		1,293	5.2	2.1	1.6	0.9	47.7
Inventories	\$m	8	27	57	56	89	Indicated		6,833	4.7	1.8	1.7	0.4	34.6
Capital assets	\$m	151	287	263	380	372	Inferred		3,135	8.5	1.6	3.3	0.5	70.0
Exploration and evaluation assets	\$m	217	192	204	219	226	Total		11,261	5.8	1.8	2.1	0.5	46.0
Other assets	\$m	32	304	167	191	205								
Total assets	\$m	471	898	1,114	1,250	1,479								
LIABILITIES														
Payables	\$m	26	59	88	88	146	Woodlawn underground Reserves	Tonne (kt)	Zn (%)	Cu (%)	Pb (%)	Au (g/t)	Ag (g/t)	
Contract liabilities	\$m	25	8	8	8	8	Proved		1,247	4.5	1.7	1.4	0.7	37.1
Borrowings	\$m	-	108	212	212	212	Probable		4,814	3.4	1.4	1.3	0.4	27.0
Provisions	\$m	25	35	35	35	35	Total		6,061	3.5	1.5	1.3	0.4	28.7
Lease liabilities	\$m	41	51	64	69	64								
Other liabilities	\$m	4	7	16	16	16								
Total liabilities	\$m	122	268	422	427	480								
NET ASSETS														
Share capital	\$m	429	725	725	785	785	Dome North Mineral Resource	Tonne (kt)	Li ₂ O (%)	Li ₂ O (kt)				
Reserves	\$m	136	48	56	4	12	Indicated		8,500	1.2	106			
Retained earnings	\$m	(216)	(144)	(90)	33	200	Inferred		2,600	0.9	23			
Total equity	\$m	349	630	691	822	998	Total		11,100	1.2	129			
Weighted average shares	m	226	270	328	332	337								
PAYABLE METAL PRODUCTION ASSUMPTIONS														
Year ending 30 June	Unit	2024a	2025a	2026e	2027e	2028e								
Zinc	kt	-	2.3	10.9	20.0	47.1								
Copper	kt	-	1.0	6.2	9.9	10.7								
Lead	kt	-	0.5	3.6	5.4	5.4								
Gold	koz	-	0.8	3.0	4.4	4.4								
Silver	koz	-	68.0	311.3	496.4	548.2								
Spodumene 5.7% Li ₂ O	kt	-	-	-	-	-								
METAL PRICE & FX ASSUMPTIONS														
Year ending 30 June	Unit	2024a	2025a	2026e	2027e	2028e								
Zinc	US\$/t	2,529	2,826	2,968	2,899	2,800								
Copper	US\$/t	8,614	9,305	10,396	10,692	10,847								
Lead	US\$/t	2,126	1,996	2,062	2,104	2,150								
Gold	US\$/oz	2,085	2,832	3,777	3,500	3,550								
Silver	US\$/oz	24.7	31.7	48.6	48.0	45.0								
Spodumene concentrate 6.0% Li ₂ O	US\$/t	1,774	810	875	975	1,050								
FX AUD/USD	US\$/A\$	0.66	0.65	0.66	0.68	0.70								
VALUATION														
Valuation break-down														
T+1 valuation														
Diluted shares on issue m														
Woodlawn development (ownership 100%)		1,078	0%	1,078	3.15									
Sulphur Springs (ownership 100%)		529	10%	476	1.39									
Pioneer Dome (ownership 100%)		113	15%	96	0.28									
Pioneer Dome exploration upside		9	0%	9	0.03									
Develop Underground Services (ownership 100%)		355	40%	213	0.62									
Total value of core assets						1,873	5.47							
Other assets						7	0.02							
Corporate & admin. costs						(173)	(0.50)							
Enterprise value						1,707	4.99							
Net debt / (cash)						(67)	(0.20)							
Equity value						1,774	5.18							

SOURCE: BELL POTTER SECURITIES ESTIMATES

Recommendation structure
Buy: Expect >15% total return on a 12 month view. For stocks regarded as 'Speculative' a return of >30% is expected.
Hold: Expect total return between -5% and 15% on a 12 month view
Sell: Expect <-5% total return on a 12 month view
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