

1155.9 1172.2 Current Liab 641.5 **ANNUAL RATES** Past Est'd '19-'21 Past 10 Yrs. to '25-'27 17.5% of change (per sh) 5 Yrs. Sales 16.0% 'Cash Flow' 30.0% 24.5% 28.5% 23.5% Earnings Dividends Nil Book Value 10.5% 29.0% 24.0%

30.2 43.4

567.9

Accts Payable

Debt Due

Other

674.2 78.0 403.7

614.0 81.2

477.0

QUARTERLY SALES (\$ mill.) Cal-Mar.31 Jun.30 Sep.30 Dec.31 endar Year 2019 470.4 541.9 601.2 590.9 2204.4 2020 475.9 546.8 701.4 761.1 2485.2 2021 807.4 920.0 942.7 1067.1 3737.2 2022 1135.9 1291.4 1347.7 1405 5180 2023 1305 1400 1485 1560 5750 EARNINGS PER SHARE A Full Cal-Mar.31 Jun.30 Sep.30 Dec.31 endar Year 2019 .76 97 1.18 1.12 4.03 .67 1.02 1.97 5.48 2020 1.82 2021 2.32 2.01 1.93 8.30 3.27 2022 3.70 10.75 2023 3.80 4.10 QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID D Cal-Full Mar.31 Jun.30 Sep.30 Dec.31 endar 2018 2019 NO CASH DIVIDENDS 2020 **BEING PAID** 2021

kets. Its products are fueled by natural gas, liquid propane, diesel, and Bi-Fuel. Acquired Ottomotores, 12/12; Tower Light, 8/13; Country Home Prod., 8/15; and Pramac Group, 3/16. Generac's

Generac Holdings' core business continues to experience explosive growth. The manufacturer of backup power systems' core sales (which exclude the impact of acquisitions and currency exchange rates) soared 33% in the second quarter. In both domestic and international operations, residents and businesses continue to purchase secondary generating systems because of the increased global uncertainty of uninterruptible service of electricity.

Our main estimates for the company in 2022 are basically unchanged. The June interim's share net was less than we expected partially due to greater amortiza-tions costs and a strong U.S. dollar. Higher labor and raw material expenses along with some supply-side issues, also hurt margins. In any case, management provided similar guidance for the full year. All told, we think Generac's share earnings can rise a hefty 30%, to \$10.75.

Another large profit increase seems to be likely next year as well. The country is making a major shift away from fossil fuels highlighted by the recent passage of the Inflation Reduction Act. Even though

stock; BlackRock, 14.2%; The Vanguard Group, 8.6% (4/22 proxy). Inc.: DE. Address: S45 W29290 Highway 59, Waukesha, WI 53189. Tel: (262) 544-4811. Internet: www.generac.com.

the amount of nonpolluting sources of electricity are increasing, so too are the demands. The latest example is in California where state authorities are warning about potential blackouts due to high temperatures. Also, gas vehicles are to be phased out there by 2035. Electric cars will depend upon extra generating capacity to recharge their batteries. The addition of new green energy sources doesn't seem to be sufficient to meet the projected demand. Moreover, the war in Ukraine has left Europe vulnerable to energy shortages this winter, as countries that are heavily dependent upon Russian natural gas could face large shortages. Furthermore, it has been long documented that most industrial countries electrical grid systems are in need of upgrading. And finally, should natural disasters rise because of global warning, back up sources of dependable power will be sought out.

This stock may interest investors with a 2025-2027 horizon. Shares of Generac have performed poorly in 2022, but longterm capital appreciation potential is well above that of the average equity.

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(A) Diluted earnings. GAAP accounting. Next earnings report due early November.

(B) In millions. (C) Includes intangibles. On 6/30/22:

\$2.359 billion/\$36.96 a share. (D) Paid a special dividend of \$6.00 a share in June 2012, \$5.00 a share in June 2013. (E) 2014 numbers are pro forma.

Company's Financial Strength B++ Stock's Price Stability Price Growth Persistence 45 60 **Earnings Predictability**