

Business Development Companies

3rd Quarter 2013 Stock Performance and Valuation Summary

Stock price performance and related measures for 28 publicly traded BDCs are summarized in the adjacent table. BDC share prices shrugged off further increases in benchmark treasury yields, following stock indices higher instead. Median dividend yields for the group of BDCs fell to 8.7% at the end of the quarter, compared to 9.3% at the end of June. Advancing share prices outpaced growth in net asset value, pushing the median price/book ratio to 102.7% at September 30, 2013 from 100.5% at the prior quarter-end.

The bold line in the adjacent table divides the overall group into two sections, consisting of companies with share price appreciation above or below the median, respectively. Dividend performance continues to drive share prices for yield-hungry investors: four of the above-median performers increased dividends during the quarter, compared to only one of the below-median group. Shares of tech-heavy GSVC advanced nearly 90% during the quarter, likely boosted by the announced IPO plans for portfolio company Twitter.

Excluding realized and unrealized portfolio gains and losses, financial results released during the quarter improved modestly from the prior quarter, primarily as a result of marginally higher effective asset yields (11.2% compared to 10.7% in the prior quarter). Including both realized and unrealized components, the analyzed BDCs reported a net loss on portfolio investments of \$70.2 million, or -0.2% of total assets. Sequentially, the pace of investment activity recovered in the second quarter, increasing to \$5.0 billion from \$3.5 billion in the first quarter. As some BDCs begin reaching down the capital structure of portfolio companies to garner yield, investors will likely be keeping a close eye on credit performance in coming quarters.

	Ticker	Price for 6/28/13	Price for 9/30/13	% Change	NAV per Share	Indicated Dividend Rate	Prior Dividend Rate	% Change	Price to NAV	Indicated Dividend Yield
GSV Capital Corp	GSVC	\$7.86	\$14.82	88.5%	\$12.87	\$0.00	\$0.00	nm	115.2%	0.0%
NGP Capital Resources Co	NGPC	\$6.13	\$7.43	21.2%	\$9.13	\$0.64	\$0.64	0.0%	81.4%	8.6%
Hercules Tech. Growth Capital Inc	HTGC	\$13.94	\$15.25	9.4%	\$10.09	\$1.12	\$1.08	3.7%	151.1%	7.3%
American Capital Ltd	ACAS	\$12.67	\$13.75	8.5%	\$19.28	\$0.00	\$0.00	nm	71.3%	0.0%
Full Circle Capital Corp	FULL	\$7.90	\$8.55	8.2%	\$8.01	\$0.92	\$0.92	0.4%	106.7%	10.8%
Main Street Capital Corp	MAIN	\$27.69	\$29.93	8.1%	\$18.72	\$1.92	\$1.86	3.2%	159.9%	6.4%
Gladstone Capital Corp	GLAD	\$8.17	\$8.73	6.9%	\$8.60	\$0.84	\$0.84	0.0%	101.5%	9.6%
Triangle Capital Corp	TCAP	\$27.51	\$29.37	6.8%	\$15.62	\$2.16	\$2.16	0.0%	188.0%	7.4%
Saratoga Investment Corp	SAR	\$17.65	\$18.72	6.1%	\$23.78	\$0.00	\$0.00	nm	78.7%	0.0%
Apollo Investment Corp	AINV	\$7.74	\$8.15	5.3%	\$8.16	\$0.80	\$0.80	0.0%	99.9%	9.8%
MVC Capital Inc	MVC	\$12.59	\$13.06	3.7%	\$17.36	\$0.54	\$0.54	0.0%	75.2%	4.1%
Fidus Investment Corp	FDUS	\$18.71	\$19.40	3.7%	\$16.06	\$1.52	\$1.52	0.0%	120.8%	7.8%
Prospect Capital Corp	PSEC	\$10.80	\$11.17	3.4%	\$10.72	\$1.33	\$1.32	0.4%	104.2%	11.9%
THL Credit Inc	TCRD	\$15.19	\$15.61	2.8%	\$13.58	\$1.36	\$1.36	0.0%	114.9%	8.7%
PennantPark Investment Corp	PNNT	\$11.05	\$11.28	2.1%	\$10.43	\$1.12	\$1.12	0.0%	108.1%	9.9%
Medley Capital Corp	MCC	\$13.58	\$13.79	1.5%	\$12.65	\$1.48	\$1.44	2.8%	109.0%	10.7%
BlackRock Kelso Capital Corp	BKCC	\$9.36	\$9.48	1.3%	\$9.37	\$1.04	\$1.04	0.0%	101.2%	11.0%
TICC Capital Corp	TICC	\$9.62	\$9.74	1.2%	\$9.75	\$1.16	\$1.16	0.0%	99.9%	11.9%
Ares Capital Corp	ARCC	\$17.20	\$17.29	0.5%	\$16.21	\$1.52	\$1.52	0.0%	106.7%	8.8%
Golub Capital BDC Inc	GBDC	\$17.50	\$17.33	-1.0%	\$15.12	\$1.28	\$1.28	0.0%	114.6%	7.4%
Fifth Street Finance Corp	FSC	\$10.45	\$10.29	-1.5%	\$9.90	\$1.15	\$1.15	0.0%	103.9%	11.2%
Solar Senior Capital Ltd	SUNS	\$18.41	\$18.08	-1.8%	\$18.03	\$1.41	\$1.41	0.0%	100.3%	7.8%
PennantPark Floating Rate Capital Ltd	PFLT	\$14.14	\$13.78	-2.5%	\$13.98	\$1.05	\$1.05	0.0%	98.6%	7.6%
Horizon Technology Fin. Corp	HRZN	\$13.74	\$13.32	-3.1%	\$14.89	\$1.38	\$1.38	0.0%	89.5%	10.4%
MCG Capital Corp	MCGC	\$5.21	\$5.04	-3.3%	\$5.14	\$0.50	\$0.50	0.0%	98.1%	9.9%
Solar Capital Ltd	SLRC	\$23.09	\$22.18	-3.9%	\$22.40	\$1.60	\$2.40	-33.3%	99.0%	7.2%
Gladstone Investment Corp	GAIN	\$7.35	\$7.05	-4.1%	\$8.70	\$0.60	\$0.60	0.0%	81.0%	8.5%
KCAP Financial Inc	KCAP	\$11.26	\$8.95	-20.5%	\$8.24	\$1.00	\$1.12	-10.7%	108.6%	11.2%
MEDIAN (Top Half of Group)				6.8%				4	105.5%	7.6%
MEDIAN (Bottom Half of Group)				-1.7%				1	100.7%	9.9%
OVERALL MEDIAN				2.4%				5	102.7%	8.7%

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