

3 Stocks Trading at 52-Week Lows — Is This the Bottom?

Description

Another week of 2014 is in the books, and for these three companies trading at 52-week lows, it was a atermark week to forget.

Bombardier (TSX:BBD.B)

The fallout from the announced delays to the C-Series aircraft continues to raise concern among investors, who have lost some faith in the company. This fallout came to an impasse on February 13 when the stock hit a new 52-week low of \$3.44. Adding to the woes is a cut by management to their 2014 EBIT margin target in both the rail and aviation segments. While net income had increased from \$470 million in 2012 to \$572 million this year, the concern of further costs attached to the C-Series continues to erode the stock's value.

Dundee Corp. (TSX:DC.A)

The independent Canadian asset management company took the plunge on February 13 when it hit a new 52-week low of \$17.49. The company is divided into five segments: real estate development, oil and gas mining, beef production, asset management and investment banking. With hands in so many pockets the risk of one industry dragging down the books is a concern, and recently Dundee raised its stake of Goodman Gold Trust to 25%. This new low is a far cry from its 52-week high of \$37.88 and has erased all gains made since December 2012.

Fortress Paper (TSX:FTP)

A producer of specialty pulp, specialty papers, bank note, and security papers faced a new low this week when it fell to \$3.35 on February 13, the same day it announced its Q4 release date. Fortress is facing the reality of a new 13% security deposit being imposed by the Chinese government on dissolving paper products. This levy stems from the release of a "anti-dumping investigation against dissolving pulp imports". This led to a 10-week temporary shut down of its Thurso, Québec plant, which is set to reopen at the end of the month.

Foolish bottom line

The market is full of highs and lows and savvy investors know when to jump on a good deal. A bad week for companies could actually turn into an opportunity for potential investors to jump in at bargain prices.

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