

Attention Value Investors: 3 Stocks to Buy Right Now

Description

As individual investors can attest, finding the right stock at the right price can be a very difficult task. In order to make things easier for you, I have compiled a list of three stocks that are trading at inexpensive forward valuations compared to their industry averages. Let's take a closer look at each to fault water see if any are a good fit for your portfolio.

1. Exco Technologies Limited

Exco Technologies Limited (TSX:XTC) is one of the world's leading manufacturers of dies, moulds, equipment, components, and assemblies to the die-cast, extrusion, and automotive industries. At today's levels, its stock trades at 16 times fiscal 2015's estimated earnings per share of \$1.02 and 12.8 times fiscal 2016's estimated earnings per share of \$1.27, both of which are inexpensive compared to the industry average multiple of 21.1. Additionally, the company pays a quarterly dividend of \$0.06 per share, or \$0.24 per share annually, giving its stock a 1.5% yield.

2. Empire Company Limited

Empire Company Limited (TSX:EMP.A) is one Canada's largest owners and operators of grocery stores. At current levels, its stock trades at 14.4 times fiscal 2016's estimated earnings per share of \$6.20 and 13.3 times fiscal 2017's estimated earnings per share of \$6.67, both of which are inexpensive compared to the industry average price-to-earnings multiple of 30.4. In addition, the company pays a quarterly dividend of \$0.30 per share, or \$1.20 per share annually, which gives its stock a 1.35% yield.

3. Fiera Capital Corp.

Fiera Capital Corp. (TSX:FSZ) is one of Canada's largest investment managers, with over \$90 billion in assets under management. At today's levels, its stock trades at 12.8 times fiscal 2015's estimated earnings per share of \$0.96 and 11.6 times fiscal 2016's estimated earnings per share of \$1.06, bothof which are inexpensive compared to the industry average price-to-earnings multiple of 56.5. Also, the company pays a quarterly dividend of \$0.13 per share, or \$0.52 per share annually, giving its stock a 4.2% yield.

Which of these value stocks belong in your portfolio?

Exco Technologies, Empire, and Fiera Capital are three of the top value plays in their respective industries. Foolish investors should take a closer look and strongly consider beginning to scale in to long-term positions in at least one of them.

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