



# Regional Express Holdings Limited (REX)

Initiation - Battered but still standing - 21 May 2013

Regional Express Holdings Limited (REX) offers scheduled air passenger and freight transportation services within Australia.

## Research Summary

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Regional Express Holdings (REX) is an Australian regional airline and is the sole operator on the majority of its routes. REX has stronger margins, ROE, yield and a healthier balance sheet than its ASX-listed airline peers, but it trades at a discount. However, REX's monopoly position on the majority of its routes does not make it immune from competition as it competes with other forms of transport (road and rail).

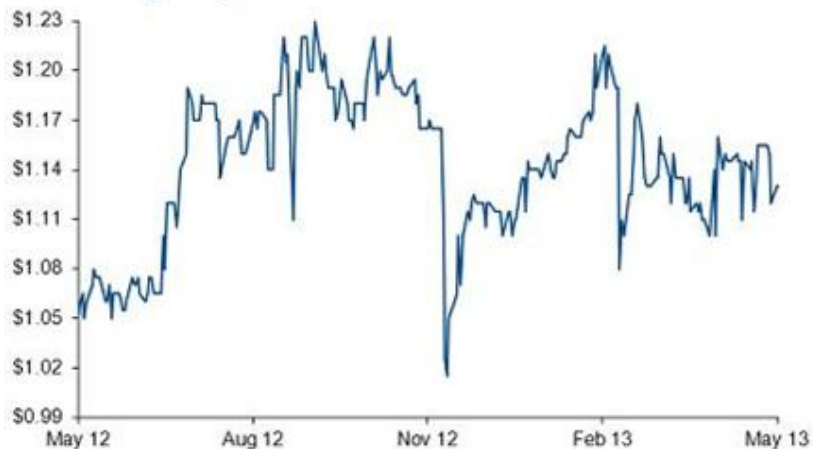
The removal of a government subsidy, the carbon tax and increased security requirements has resulted in REX expecting FY13 NPAT to be down 35-40% on FY12. Despite operating in a challenging industry, we expect REX to deliver resilient earnings going forward, although growth is likely to be limited. We initiate coverage with a BUY recommendation and A\$1.20/sh 12 month target price (7.8x FY14 EPS).

## BBY Technical View - as at 21 May 2013

Exit Price	\$1.20	Resistance	\$1.22
Trend	Reversing up	Support	\$1.05

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## REX share price performance



Contact your BBY advisor for valuation metrics including the company's financials such as Price-to-Earnings Ratio (PE), Dividend Returns and Return on Equity (ROE).

**BUY 1.0X**

CURRENT PRICE A\$1.13

TARGET PRICE A \$1.20

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