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Corning Inc. (GLW)

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Company Overview

- Headquartered in Corning, NY & founded in 1851
- Manufacturer of glass & ceramics for industrial & scientific applications
- Formerly best known for tableware & cookware in the 50's/60's





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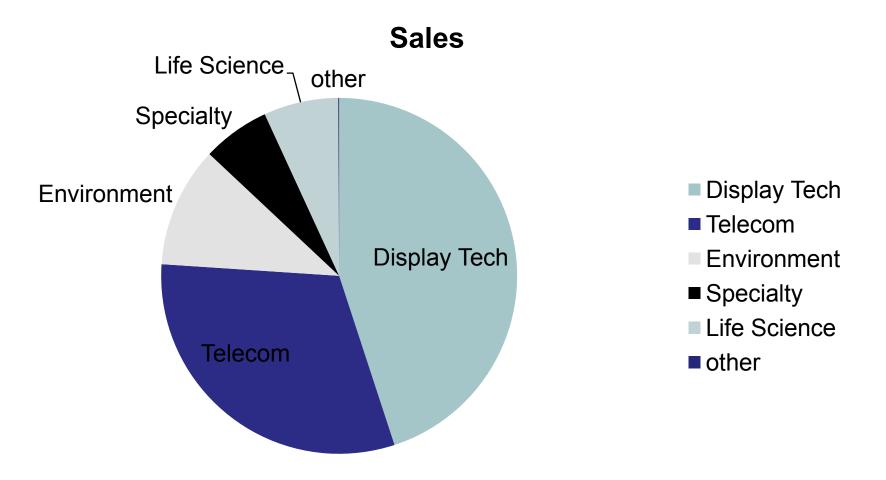


Company Overview

- Currently, 24,000 employees in 17 states & 24 different countries
- Changed its name in 1989 from Corning Glass Works to Corning Inc
- Current company structure:
 - Display technologies
 - Environmental Technologies
 - Life Sciences
 - Telecommunications
 - Specialty materials

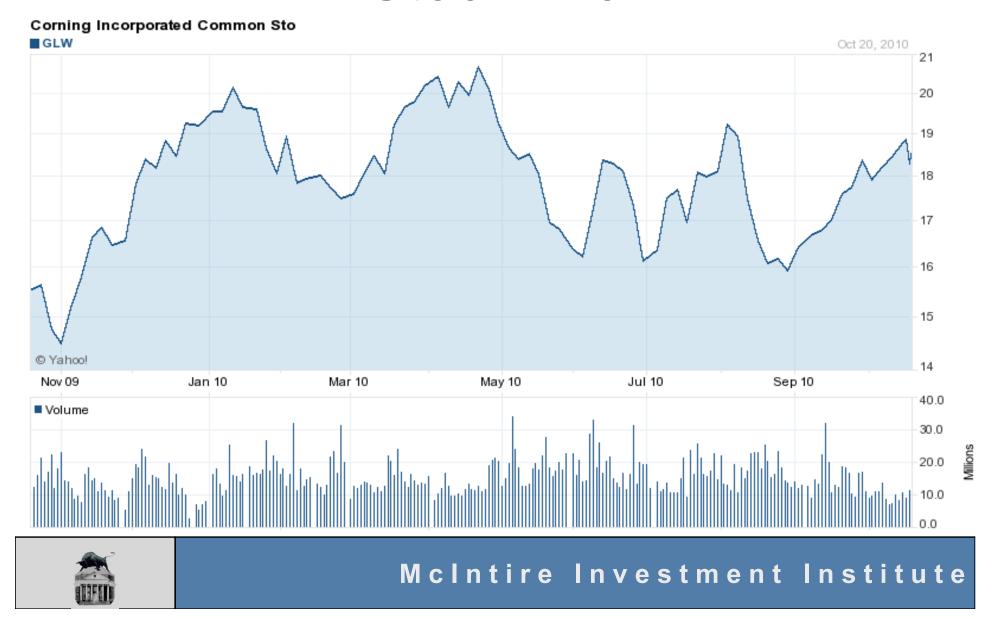


Company Structure





Stock info



Valuation

- Market Cap: 28.95B Beta: 1.39
- P/E: 9.39 PEG: 0.79
- Profit Margin: 49.59%
- ROE: 20.21% ROIC-12.61
- 52 Week Range: 14.14-21.10
- Debt/ Equity: 11.48
- FCF: 536M (Q2) 472M (Q1) 156M (2009)
- 1-yr revenue growth; 24.9%



GLW revenue and earnings break down by segments

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	Revenue		Earnings	
Segment	(in Million)	% of Total	(in Million)	% of Total
Display				
Technologies	2426	44.97%	1992	106.30%
Telecommunica				
tions	1677	31.08%	19	1.01%
Environmental				
Technologies	590	10.94%	-42	-2.24%
Specialty				
Materials	331	6.14%	-54	-2.88%
Life Sciences	366	6.78%	39	2.08%
All other	5	0.09%	-80	-4.27%
Total	5395	100%	1874	100.00%

^{*}information and data obtained from 10-K 2009



Investment Thesis

- Revolutionary Technology & current R&D potential/aspirations (& planned expansion)
- Relationship With Household Names & current significant market share
- High Growth Potential & appeal to emerging markets
- Healthy Human Capital
- Large Cash Position
- The Legend



Revolutionary Technology

- <u>EAGLE XG®</u>: for displays. **low density**, high chemical **durability**, advanced thermal properties, and a pristine surface ideal for the manufacture of large, high-resolution displays. No size limit! (2006)
- <u>EAGLE XG® Slim</u>: almost same as 0.4mm thick
- <u>Jade®</u>: for displays. higher-resolution displays with lower power consumption. Previously, no glass substrate fully optimized for lowtemperature polysilicon (LTPS) = brighter displays and reduced energy consumption



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Revolutionary Technology

Gorilla® Glass



http://www.youtube.com/corningincorporated#p/u/8/dLXaCR6 0U0



Gorilla® Glass

Superlative LCD display qualities

sonim

DIODDOES



- crisp
- clear
- strong
- durable
- scratch resistant
- impact resistant
- bendable? Yes!
- transportable











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Strong relationships

- Familiar names, huh?
- Any of these look familiar?
- Currently in over 20 brands & 225 devices







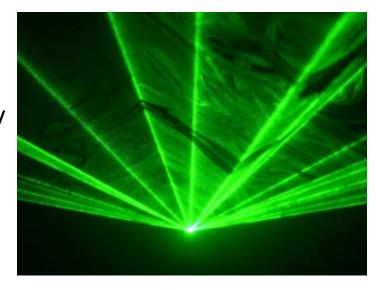


& the *near* Future

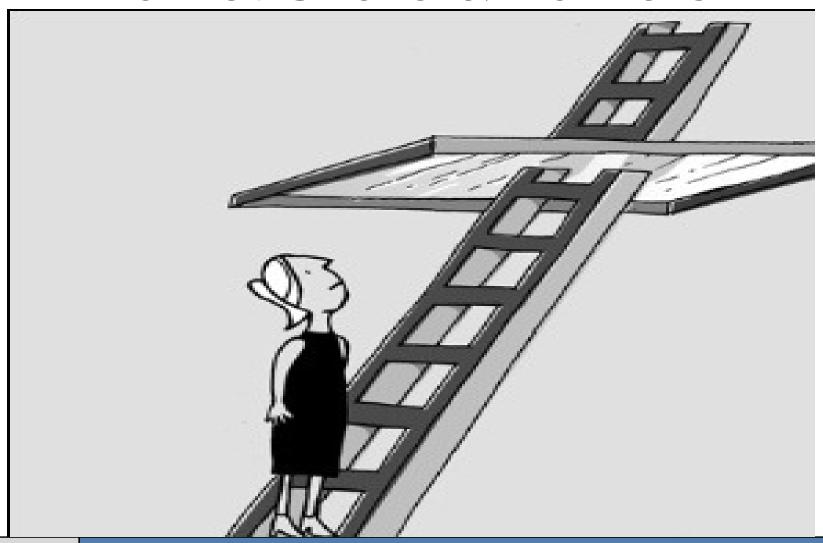
Green laser Technology

- currently, only blue & red lasers are readily available.

Micro projector devices need red+blue+green light. Green laser technology allows micro projectors in mobile phones = larger image view



Market Share & Barriers



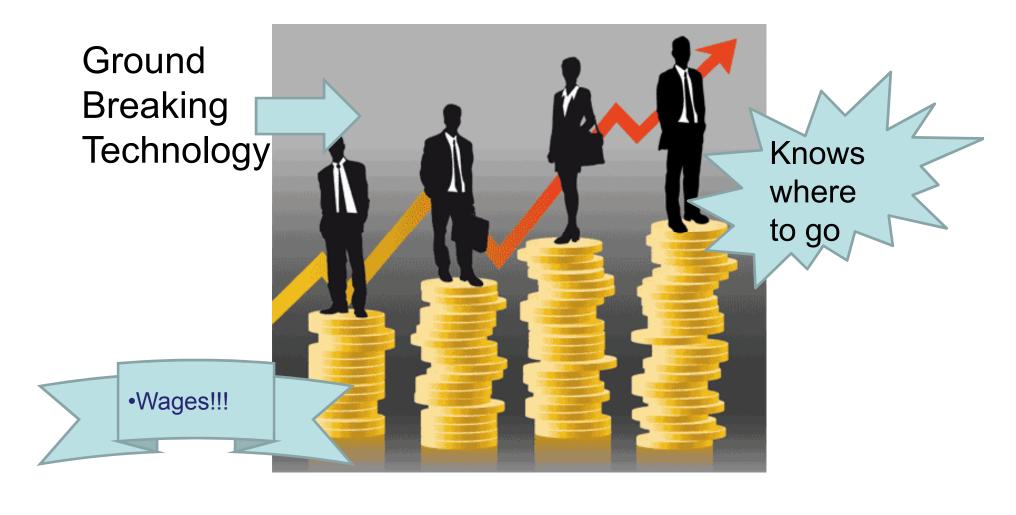


Market Share & Barriers

- Now with the introduction of specialized glass substrates, the only business that makes more LCD screens that Corning Inc. is Corning Inc.
- Most of the majors have pledged their loyalty with GLW & have seen immense success in doing so, moving away from **plastic LCD** screens.
- It appears as these companies battle for consumer popularity, GLW stands to gain no matter what the outcome maybe, therefore potentially causing more to flock to GLW for a chance at similar success.
- There was no previous significant market for LCD screens (only simple LCD's e.g. digital clocks existed). Product manufacturers made their own screens, but now use GLW
- Future competitors have a long way to go to catch up

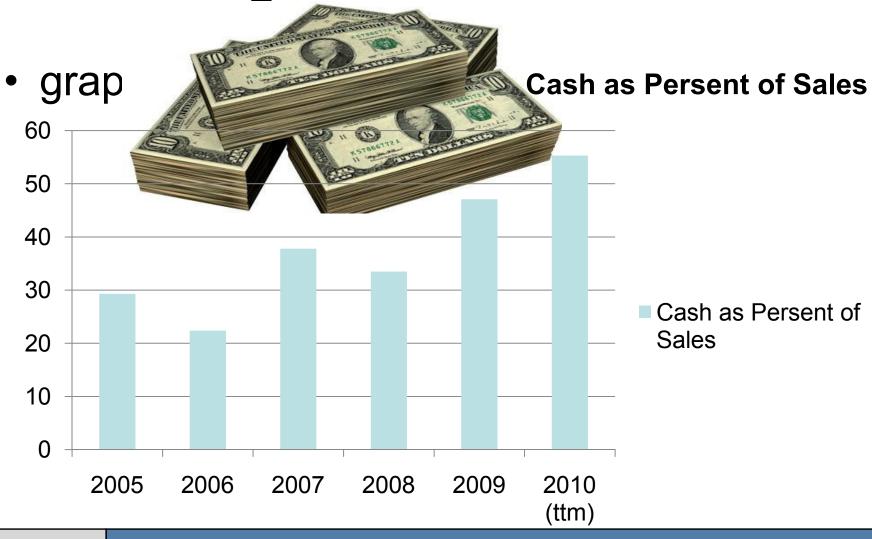


Human Capital





Large Cash Position





Large Cash Position Cont.

- Cash=4.26B Debt=1.95B
- Current ratio=4.43
- What do they use that for??!
- Acquisitions!
- Expansions!
- Stable Dividends- 1.10% annual yield
- Stock Repurchase-1.2B in total







Survey from the consumers!

- 135/150 responses
- From students to parents
- 22% have broken screens before
- 73% are bothered by scratches & smudges
- >80% put keys with screen-based products
- ~94% have no idea about screen glass
- >70% will go for the Gorilla screen



"Comments you want to leave?"

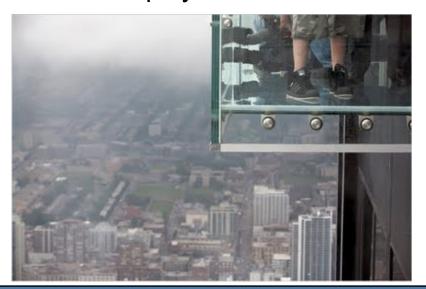
- "Love the new iPhone screen! And the iPad too!
 It's so scratch resistant and has virtually no
 fingerprints on it!" --Lindsey
- "Now that I know my screen is made of Gorilla, I will go for other products made of Gorilla!! No more plastic screens"--Carl
- "The new fancy products should all matched up with Gorilla glass." --Robert
- "Will keep looking for Gorilla glass screen products and will pay more to get them" --Katie



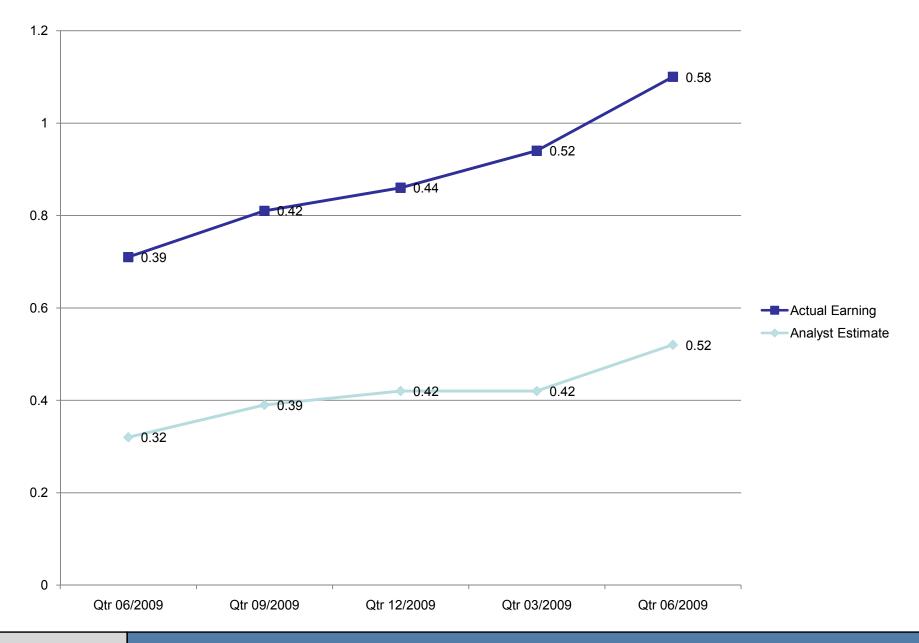
High Growth Potential

GLW's current primary product (Gorilla) **just** introduced into the market in 2009.

- Market/demand for LCDs = growing
- Multiple potential future uses, e.g. construction, medical field
- "Gorilla glass will do for display screens what steel did for buildings"









High Growth Potential Cont.

- Segment focus
- Screens!!!-phone/pc/TV set/ touch screen
- Solar-efficiency is no longer a dream
- Life science-promotes tech advancement
- Optical-wireless? Yes!
- And glass printing -----→



High Growth Potential Cont.

- Geographical growth
 - *38%W 22%EU 66%C 70%J 105%SA
- Manufacturing based in Japan and Korea
- Mainland China presence
 *LCD& Bio-engineering
- Strategic acquisition and growing presence in Europe



The Legend

- Produced Thomas Edison's light bulbs
- Is one of the main component of the iPhone 4's front and back
- Were the windows for every manned space vehicle
- Glass blank for mirror in Hubble Telescope
- Marketed & developed first optic fibers
- Also one of main component in iPad (fastest selling electronic device)



Risks

- Failed growth of LCD/smartphone market
- Over-optimism of expansion endeavors
- Fail to adjust volumes and fixed cost structure

Performance issues will let GLW suffer

Subject to international disruptions

Key Personnel matters

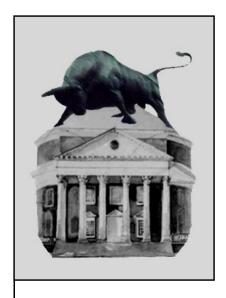




Recommendation

- Based on our research, we suggest that MII initiate a position of 4% at its current price.
- It's 3rd Quarter earnings report comes out Monday Nov 1st







Questions? Comments?