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**Accounting and Finance Basics:
Key Characteristics in Analyzing
Distressed Companies**

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Session Objectives

- **To Improve financial acumen**
- **To discuss accounting and financial concepts**
- **To examine the balance sheet, income statement and cash flow statement**
- **To use financial ratios to evaluate the financial condition of the firm and pre-cursors to financial distress**
- **To review the value drivers of a firm: growth, risk management, profitability, asset efficiency and leverage.**
- **To analyze the components of firm free cash flow as an introduction into business valuation concepts**



Accounting's Role

- The role of the accounting function is to provide information about the past performance to company executives and investors.
- This information is communicated in the financial statements
 - Balance Sheet
 - Income Statement
 - Statement of Cash Flows
 - Statement of Shareholders' Equity
- Accountants are responsible for **reporting, controlling and budgeting** activities.





Finance's Role

- The role of the ***finance function*** is to analyze information about the past to make investment, financing and operating decisions that improve the company's performance in the future.
 - **Investment Decisions** (Capital Budgeting) to maximize return and includes: make vs. buy decisions, working capital management, treasury operations and asset acquisitions and divestitures.
 - **Financing Decisions** to minimize the cost of capital and includes: debt vs. equity financing, dividend policy and share repurchases.
 - **Operating Decisions** that improve efficiencies and includes: pricing and product mix, purchasing and supply chain decisions, controlling expenses and risk management.



Financial Management

- The goal of finance is to create wealth and maximize firm value.
- Wealth is created by making **economic profit** - where the rate of return on investments exceed the cost of capital
- The cost of capital is a function of the risk.
- There are two kinds of risk: (1) **business** (market) **risk** that affect the variability of future cash flows and (2) **financial risk** from the source of capital used.
- Thus, finance is the study of the trade-offs between risk and return. Firms compete for both customers and capital and must produce risk adjusted returns for investors to be able to attract and keep capital.



Financial Management Decisions

The Accounting Balance Sheet

Assets

Short-term assets
Long-term assets

Liabilities + SE

Short-term liabilities
Long-term liabilities
Stockholder equity

The Economic Balance Sheet

Exchange value of assets (A)
Wealth created (W)

Market value of debt (D)
Market value of equity (E)



Investment Decisions

What projects to pursue
What assets to obtain



Financing Decisions

Financing the asset
purchases



Accrual vs Cash

- **Two parallel views of the company’s “flows”**

Accrual Accounting

Resources
Revenue
- Expense
Profit

Cash Basis Accounting

Cash
Inflows
- Outflows
Net Cash Flow

Accrual accounting records revenues when they are earned and expenses are matched with the revenues as incurred. However, profits can be much different than the cash flow of the company based on the cash received and disbursed. The Statement of Cash Flows converts accrual accounting back to cash flow.



Revenue Recognition

- **What is Revenue?**
 - Average Selling Price x Quantity Sold
 - But when do we record it, when sold or paid?
- **Revenues are recognized (recorded) when they are both**
 - **Earned – The goods and services have been substantially provided**
 - Realized or Realizable – One of the following has been received
 - Cash
 - A claim to cash (accounts receivable)
 - Something that can be readily converted into cash



Revenue Recognition

- **In some cases it can be difficult to determine whether revenue has been sufficiently “earned” to warrant recognition**
- **This presents an opportunity to exercise discretion that can lead to aggressive recognition of revenue**
- **To reduce abuse of revenue recognition and to narrow the variation in practice, in 1999 the SEC issued Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 101 (SAB 101) and modified it in December 2003 by issuing SAB 104.**



Revenue Recognition

- **In this document, the SEC says that revenue should not be recognized unless all of the following occur**
 - Persuasive evidence of an arrangement exists
 - Delivery has occurred or services have been rendered
 - The seller's price to the buyer is fixed or determinable
 - Collectability is reasonably assured
- **A reserve for non-collectability of accounts receivable (bad debt) is recorded at the time of sale based on historical bad debt percentage.**



Expense Recognition

- When should an expenditure be written off?
 - When Incurred?
 - When Paid for?
 - When Used?
- Why are some expenditures capitalized and put on the balance sheet as an asset instead of expensing against revenues?
- Why is inventory shown in current assets and not subject to depreciation but new equipment is in long term assets and depreciated?
- Who determines the length of time over which the property is depreciated? And what is the difference between depreciation, amortization and depletion?



Expense Recognition

- **Expenses are recognized (recorded)**
 - By matching
 - Direct Materials, Direct Labor, Commissions
 - In the period in which they occur
 - Rent, Salaries
 - By allocating over several periods
 - Depreciation, Insurance, Warranty Expense

- **An expenditure to buy fixed assets or to add to the value of an existing fixed asset with a useful life that extends beyond the taxable year is “capitalized” by placing the asset on the balance sheet and depreciating the asset over its economic life.**



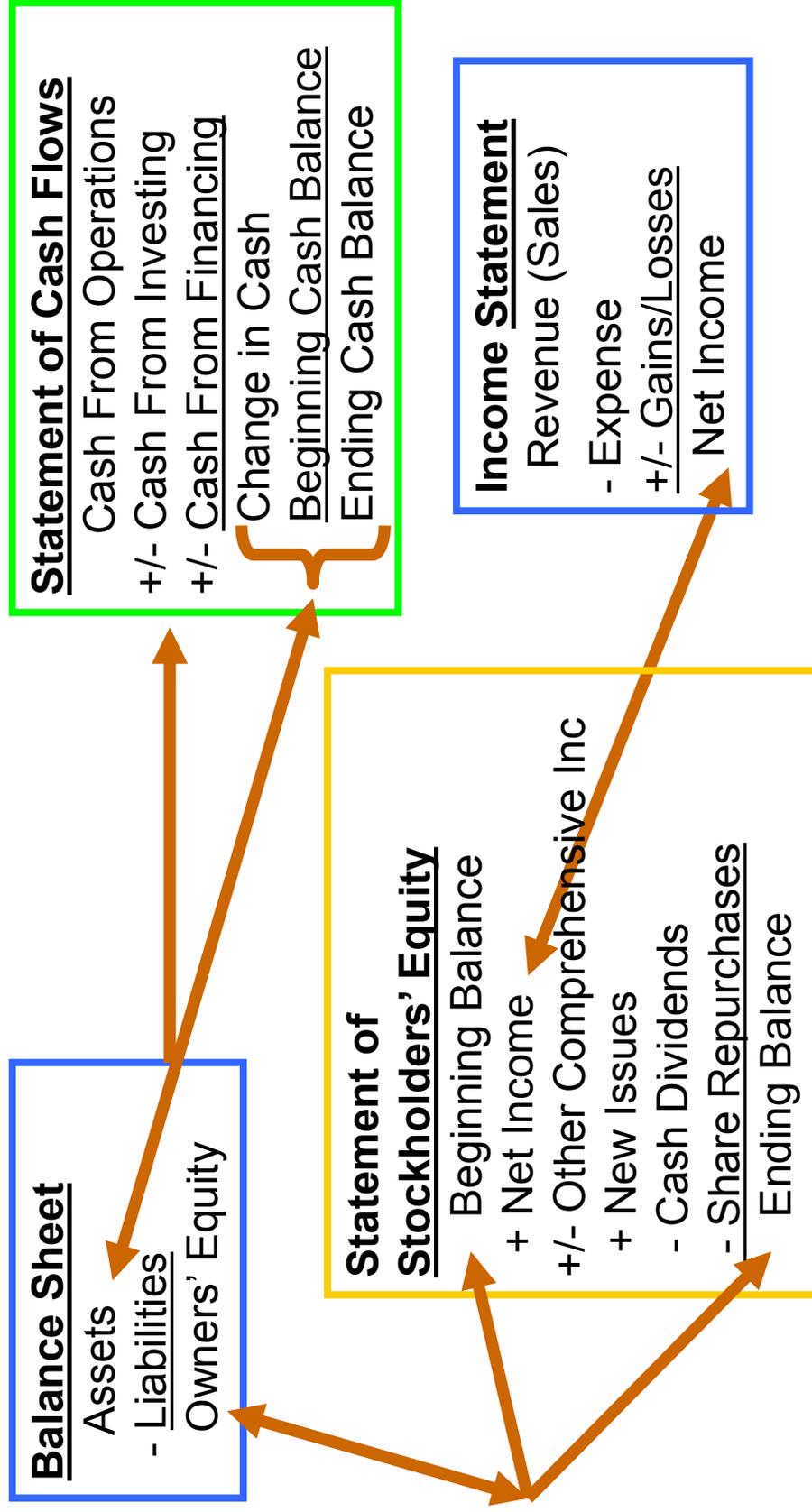
Revenue and Expense Recognition Summary

- **Revenues are recognized as “earned”**
 - An arrangement exists
 - Delivery has occurred
 - Price is fixed
 - Collectability is reasonably assured

- **Expenses are recognized as “incurred”**
 - Contributed to revenue production this period
 - Will not contribute to revenue production in future
 - Matched, Period, Allocated

- Shared Expenses are usually pooled and then allocated to profit centers based on the activity that created the expense (headcount, sq. footage, etc.)

Financial Statements





Balance Sheet

Assets (Investments)

Cash

Accounts Receivable

Inventory

Prepaid Expenses

Total Current Assets (Working Capital < 1 yr.)

Property Plant & Equipment (Fixed Assets/CAPEX)

Less: Accumulated Depreciation

Net Fixed Assets

Other Assets (Intangibles)

Total Assets



Balance Sheet (continued)

Liabilities & Owner's Equity

Accounts Payable (Vendor Credit)

Accrued Expenses (Taxes, etc.)

Short-term Debt (Lines of Credit)

Current Portion of Long-Term Debt

Total Current Liabilities (claims due < 1 yr.)

Long-Term Debt (claims due > 1 yr.)

Total Liabilities (Total Claims on Assets)

Owner's Capital

Retained Earnings

Owner's Equity (Net Worth or Stockholder's Equity)

Includes: Common
Stock, Paid-in-Capital
Preferred Stock,
Treasury Stock, Profits
Less Dividends Paid

Total Liabilities & Owner's Equity



Income Statement (Profit/Loss Statement)

- Sales (Revenues or Turnover)
- Cost of Goods Sold (Variable Costs, Direct Costs)
- Gross Profit (Gross Contribution)
- Operating Fixed Costs (SG&A, Overhead or OPEX)
- Earnings Before Depreciation, Interest & Taxes (EBITDA)**
- Depreciation & Amortization (Non-cash expenses)
- Net Operating Income (NOI or EBIT)**
- Interest Expense
- Earnings Before Tax (EBT, PBT, NIBT, Taxable Income)
- Corporate Income Taxes

Earnings After Tax (EAT, NIAT, PAT)

Common Adjustments to
Net Income:
Minority Interests
Non-Recurring Items

Dividends to Shareholders Retained and Reinvested



The Cash Flow Statement

- **Operating Cash Flows**
 - Net Income After Taxes
 - Plus: Depreciation/Amortization (Non-Cash Expenses)
 - Plus: Non-Cash Operating Expenses (Options, Unrealized (Gains)/Losses)
 - Less: Change in Net Working Capital (Changes in Receivables, Inventory, Payables and Accruals)
- **Investing Cash Flows**
 - Less: Increase in Fixed Assets (CAPEX)
- **Financing Cash Flows**
 - Borrowing and Repayment of Debt
 - Issuance & Re-purchase of Equities
 - Dividend Payments
- **Effects of Currency**

= Change in Cash Position



Energy Future Holdings 12/31/13

In millions USD

Income Statement

Revenue	\$5,899
COGS	2,848
Gross Profit	\$3,051
	GPM 51.7%
Other Op. Exp.	1,010
SG&A (OPEX)	747
Depr./Amort.	1,355
Op. Inc.	(\$61)
	OPM (1.03%)
Net Interest. Exp. (2,703)	
Income-Affiliates	335
Other Non-Op Inc	8
Taxable Inc.	(2,421)
Unusual Exp.	(1,175)
- Corp. Tax	(1,271)
Net Inc. - Company (2,325)	
Minority Int.	107
Net Income	(\$2,218)
	NPM (37.6%)
EPS (fully diluted)	(\$1.33)
# Shares - 1.67 Billion	

Balance Sheet

Cash & Mkt. Sec.	\$1,217
Net Receivables	718
Tax Def. Asset/Other	1,121
Inventory	399
Other Cur. Assets	1,012
Total Current Assets	\$4,467
Gross Fixed Assets	24,514
Accum Deprec.	(7,056)
PP&E, net	\$17,458
Long-term Invest	5,961
Goodwill & Intangibles	3,952
Deferred Tax Assets	2,012
Other Long-term Assets	2,590
Total Assets	\$36,445
Current Liabilities	\$43,506
Long term Debt	0
Other L-T Liabilities	6,195
Total Liabilities	\$49,701
S/H Equity	(\$13,255)
Liabilities & Equity	\$36,445

Statement of Cash Flows

Net Income	(\$2,218)
+ Deprec. & Amort	1,512
+ Operating Exp Adj. (1)	153
+/- Dec/(Inc) in NWC	50
Cash From Operations (\$503)	
CAPEX	(497)
Other Invest Activity	500
Cash from Investing \$3	
Debt Repaid	(187)
Other Financing	(9)
Cash From Financing \$(196)	
Net Change Cash	(\$696)
Begin. Cash	1,913
Ending Cash	\$1,217

\$39,238MM in current liabilities is the current maturities of Long-term Debt



Financial Analysis

- **Historical Performance is analyzed over three to five years using ratio analysis.**
 - Common Sized Statements
 - Trend Analysis
 - Benchmarking against industry/competitors

- **This Historical Analysis is filtered through:**
 - The current economic conditions
 - The industry
 - The competitive landscape
 - The Company analysis
 - Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats
 - It's Business Model and Strategy



EFH P&L History

For the Fiscal Period Ending	Reclassified				LTM	
	12 months Dec-31-2009	12 months Dec-31-2010	12 months Dec-31-2011	12 months Dec-31-2012	12 months Dec-31-2013	12 months Sep-30-2014
Currency	USD	USD	USD	USD	USD	USD
Revenue	9,546.0	8,235.0	7,040.0	5,636.0	5,899.0	6,058.0
Fuel & Purchased Power	2,878.0	4,371.0	3,396.0	2,816.0	2,848.0	2,929.0
Ops. and Maintenance	1,598.0	837.0	924.0	888.0	881.0	856.0
Selling General & Admin Exp.	1,068.0	751.0	742.0	674.0	747.0	747.0
Depreciation & d.	1,754.0	1,407.0	1,455.0	1,373.0	1,355.0	1,318.0
Other Operating Exp.	(1,405.0)	(2,060.0)	(926.0)	(309.0)	129.0	306.0
Total Operating Exp.	5,893.0	5,306.0	5,591.0	5,442.0	5,960.0	6,156.0
EBITDA	5,758.0	4,640.0	3,156.0	1,743.0	1,451.0	1,364.0
Operating Income	3,653.0	2,929.0	1,449.0	194.0	(61.0)	(98.0)
Net Interest Exp.	(2,867.0)	(3,544.0)	(4,292.0)	(3,506.0)	(2,703.0)	(2,085.0)
Income/(Loss) from Affiliates	-	277.0	286.0	270.0	335.0	356.0
Other Non-Operating Inc. (Exp.)	23.0	3.0	2.0	(274.0)	8.0	11.0
EBT Excl. Unusual Items	809.0	(335.0)	(2,555.0)	(3,316.0)	(2,421.0)	(1,816.0)

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EFH Unusual Items

For the Fiscal Period Ending	Reclassified	12 months	12 months	12 months	12 months	LTM
	12 months	Dec-31-2009	Dec-31-2010	Dec-31-2011	Dec-31-2012	12 months
Currency	USD	USD	USD	USD	USD	USD
Total Merger & Rel. Restruct. Charges	(7.0)	(5.0)	-	-	-	-
Impairment of Goodwill	(90.0)	(4,100.0)	-	(1,200.0)	(1,000.0)	(1,000.0)
Gain (Loss) on Sale of Invest.	-	37.0	-	-	-	-
Gain (Loss) On Sale Of Assets	-	44.0	-	(4.0)	-	2.0
Asset Writedown	(34.0)	-	(427.0)	(70.0)	(177.0)	(147.0)
Total Insurance Settlements	-	6.0	7.0	2.0	2.0	0
Total Legal Settlements	(3.0)	-	-	-	-	(519.0)
Other Unusual Items	100.0	1,930.0	(28.0)	(4.0)	-	(720.0)
EBT Incl. Unusual Items	775.0	(2,423.0)	(3,047.0)	(4,592.0)	(3,596.0)	(4,200.0)
Income Tax Expense	367.0	389.0	(1,134.0)	(1,232.0)	(1,271.0)	(1,176.0)
Earnings from Cont. Ops.	408.0	(2,812.0)	(1,913.0)	(3,360.0)	(2,325.0)	(3,024.0)
Minority Int. in Earnings	(64.0)	-	-	-	107.0	107.0
Net Income	<u>344.0</u>	<u>(2,812.0)</u>	<u>(1,913.0)</u>	<u>(3,360.0)</u>	<u>(2,218.0)</u>	<u>(2,917.0)</u>

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EFH Balance Sheet (Assets)

Balance Sheet as of:	Dec-31-2009	Dec-31-2010	Dec-31-2011	Dec-31-2012	Dec-31-2013	Sep-30-2014
Currency	USD	USD	USD	USD	USD	USD
ASSETS						
Cash And Equivalents	1,189.0	1,534.0	826.0	1,913.0	1,217.0	3,606.0
Short Term Investments	425.0	-	-	-	-	-
Trading Asset Securities	60.0	95.0	142.0	134.0	67.0	-
Accounts Receivable Other Receivables	1,260.0	999.0	767.0	718.0	718.0	923.0
Accounts Receivable, Total	1,260.0	999.0	767.0	718.0	718.0	923.0
Inventory	485.0	395.0	418.0	393.0	399.0	370.0
Deferred Tax Assets, Curr.	5.0	-	-	-	105.0	102.0
Restricted Cash	48.0	33.0	129.0	680.0	949.0	4.0
Other Current Assets	2,654.0	2,863.0	3,021.0	1,675.0	1,012.0	285.0
Total Current Assets	6,126.0	5,919.0	5,303.0	5,513.0	4,467.0	5,290.0
Gross Property, Plant & Equipment	36,311.0	23,558.0	23,910.0	24,281.0	24,514.0	26,161.0
Accumulated Depreciation	(6,633.0)	(3,545.0)	(4,803.0)	(5,937.0)	(7,056.0)	(9,100.0)
Net Property, Plant & Equipment	29,678.0	20,013.0	19,107.0	18,344.0	17,458.0	17,061.0

EFH Balance Sheet (Continued)

For the Fiscal Period Ending	Reclassified				LTM	
	12 months Dec-31-2009	12 months Dec-31-2010	12 months Dec-31-2011	12 months Dec-31-2012	12 months Dec-31-2013	12 months Sep-30-2014
Currency	USD	USD	USD	USD	USD	USD
Regulatory Assets	1,959.0	-	-	-	-	-
Goodwill	14,316.0	6,152.0	6,152.0	4,952.0	3,952.0	3,952.0
Other Intangibles	2,876.0	2,400.0	1,845.0	1,755.0	1,679.0	1,589.0
Long-term Investments	527.0	5,550.0	5,724.0	5,852.0	5,961.0	6,109.0
Other Long-Term Assets	3,750.0	6,001.0	5,626.0	4,193.0	2,596.0	1,883.0
Total Assets	59,662.0	46,388.0	44,077.0	40,970.0	36,446.0	35,884.0
LIABILITIES						
Accounts Payable	896.0	681.0	574.0	394.0	401.0	446.0
Accrued Exp.	528.0	566.0	628.0	579.0	573.0	112.0
Short-term Borrowings	1,569.0	1,221.0	774.0	2,136.0	2,054.0	-
Curr. Port. of LT Debt	1,104.0	1,447.0	834.0	781.0	39,290.0	132.0
Def. Tax Liability, Curr.	-	11.0	54.0	48.0	-	-
Other Current Liabilities	2,967.0	2,677.0	2,750.0	1,330.0	1,188.0	584.0
Total Current Liabilities	7,064.0	6,603.0	5,614.0	5,268.0	43,506.0	1,274.0

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EFH Balance Sheet (continued)

For the Fiscal Period Ending	Reclassified				LTM	
	12 months Dec-31-2009	12 months Dec-31-2010	12 months Dec-31-2011	12 months Dec-31-2012	12 months Dec-31-2013	12 months Sep-30-2014
Currency	USD	USD	USD	USD	USD	USD
Long-Term Debt	42,059.0	35,209.0	37,108.0	39,354.0	-	43,323.0
Pension & Other Post-Retire. Benefits	1,711.0	1,895.0	1,664.0	1,035.0	1,057.0	278.0
Def. Tax Liability, Non-Curr.	6,168.0	5,350.0	3,989.0	2,828.0	3,433.0	2,835.0
Other Non-Current Liab., Total	4,496.0	3,242.0	3,459.0	3,408.0	1,705.0	2,770.0
Total Liabilities	61,498.0	52,299.0	51,834.0	51,893.0	49,701.0	50,480.0
Common Stock	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
Additional Paid In Capital	7,914.0	7,937.0	7,947.0	7,959.0	7,962.0	7,969.0
Retained Earnings	(10,854.0)	(13,666.0)	(15,579.0)	(18,939.0)	(21,157.0)	(22,491.0)
Comprehensive Inc. and Other	(309.0)	(263.0)	(222.0)	(47.0)	(63.0)	(76.0)
Total Common Equity	(3,247.0)	(5,990.0)	(7,852.0)	(11,025.0)	(13,256.0)	(14,596.0)
Minority Interest	1,411.0	79.0	95.0	102.0	1.0	-
Total Equity	(1,836.0)	(5,911.0)	(7,757.0)	(10,923.0)	(13,255.0)	(14,596.0)
Total Liabilities And Equity	59,662.0	46,388.0	44,077.0	40,970.0	36,446.0	35,884.0

EFH Cash Flow Statement

For the Fiscal Period Ending	12 months	12 months	12 months	12 months	12 months	
	Dec-31-2009	Dec-31-2010	Dec-31-2011	Dec-31-2012	Dec-31-2013	
					12 months Sep-30-2014	
Net Income	344.0	(2,812.0)	(1,913.0)	(3,360.0)	(2,218.0)	(2,917.0)
Depreciation & Amort., Total	2,105.0	1,711.0	1,707.0	1,549.0	1,512.0	1,462.0
Other Amortization	275.0	228.0	380.0	270.0	270.0	207.0
(Gain) Loss On Sale Of Invest.	(517.0)	213.0	836.0	(160.0)	(1,49.0)	(219.0)
Total Asset Writedown	149.0	4,100.0	471.0	1,271.0	1,177.0	1,147.0
(Income) Loss on Equity Invest.	-	(108.0)	(170.0)	(123.0)	(122.0)	(163.0)
Stock-Based Compensation	14.0	19.0	13.0	11.0	7.0	7.0
Provision & Write-off of Bad debts	113.0	108.0	56.0	26.0	33.0	40.0
Change in Acc. Receiv.	(125.0)	258.0	176.0	21.0	(33.0)	(33.0)
Sale/Securitization of Acc. Receivable	(33.0)	(383.0)	-	-	-	-
Change In Inventories	(59.0)	(6.0)	(23.0)	19.0	(6.0)	(6.0)
Change in Acc. Payable	(141.0)	(93.0)	(120.0)	(142.0)	11.0	11.0
Change in Other Net Operating Assets	105.0	(36.0)	543.0	(968.0)	45.0	125.0
Other Operating Activities	(519.0)	(2,093.0)	(1,115.0)	768.0	(130.0)	372.0
Cash from Ops.	1,711.0	1,106.0	841.0	(818.0)	(503.0)	33.0

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EFH Cash Flow Statement (cont)

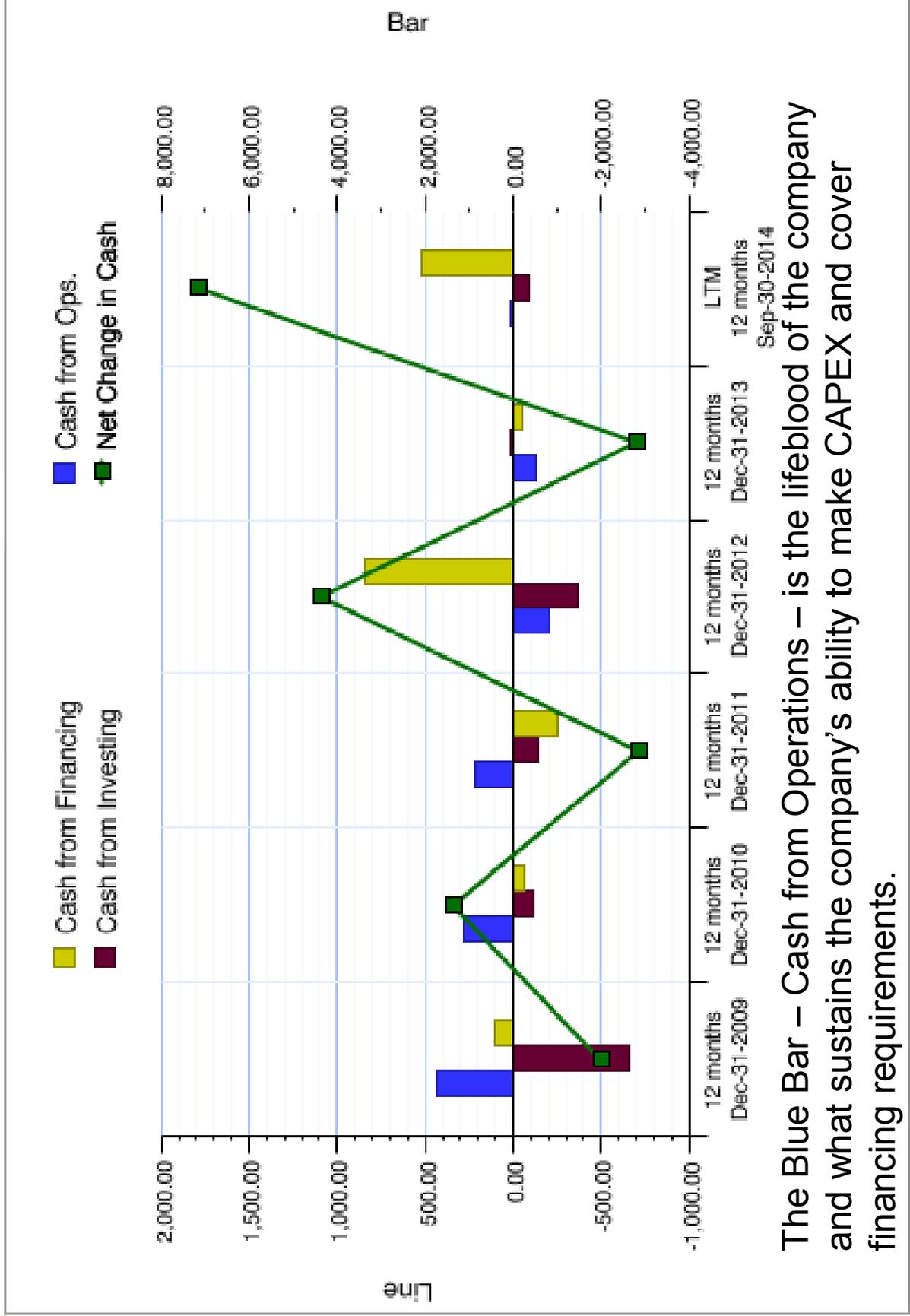
For the Fiscal Period Ending	12 months	12 months	12 months	12 months	12 months
	Dec-31-2009	Dec-31-2010	Dec-31-2011	Dec-31-2012	Dec-31-2013
Capital Expenditures	(2,348.0)	(838.0)	(552.0)	(664.0)	(541.0)
Sale of Property, Plant and Equipment	42.0	147.0	52.0	2.0	4.0
Purchase/Sale of Intangibles	0	(18.0)	(7.0)	(25.0)	(16.0)
Nuclear Fuel Expenditures	(197.0)	(106.0)	(132.0)	(213.0)	(116.0)
Cont. To Nuclear Decomm. Trust	(3,080.0)	(990.0)	(2,436.0)	(122.0)	(191.0)
Net Cash from Investments	142.0	-	-	-	-
Total Other Investing Activities	2,808.0	1,337.0	2,540.0	(446.0)	863.0
Cash from Investing	(2,633.0)	(468.0)	(535.0)	(1,468.0)	3.0
Total Debt Issued	854.0	1,121.0	1,758.0	3,652.0	-
Total Debt Repaid	(396.0)	(1,388.0)	(1,925.0)	(242.0)	(187.0)
Other Financing Activities	(36.0)	3.0	(847.0)	(37.0)	(9.0)
Cash from Financing	422.0	(264.0)	(1,014.0)	3,373.0	(196.0)
Misc. Cash Flow Adj.	-	(29.0)	-	-	-
Net Change in Cash	(500.0)	345.0	(708.0)	1,087.0	(696.0)
					1,790.0

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Energy Future Holdings Cash Flow

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The Blue Bar – Cash from Operations – is the lifeblood of the company and what sustains the company’s ability to make CAPEX and cover financing requirements.



The 13-Week Cash Flow Projection

- The primary tool of a restructuring firm is the rolling 13-week cash flow projection.

	Week 1		Week 2		Week 3		Week 4	
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
Inflows								
Customer A	\$ 12,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 23,000	\$ 15,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000		
Customer B	\$ 14,000	\$ 15,000	\$ 18,000	\$ 17,500	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000		
Line of Credit draw	\$ 5,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10,000				
Royalties	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000		
Misc	\$ 10,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 7,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000		
Total Inflows	\$ 42,500	\$ 41,000	\$ 49,000	\$ 48,500	\$ -	\$ 46,000		
Outflows								
Salary	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	\$ -	\$ -		
Debt Payment	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ -	\$ -		
Line paydown					\$ -	\$ 23,000		
Vendor 1	\$ 8,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 12,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000		
Vendor 2	\$ 7,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 3,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000		
Insurance	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,500		
Taxes					\$ -			
Misc.	\$ 7,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 4,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000		
Total Outflows	\$ 42,000	\$ 40,000	\$ 76,500	\$ 77,500	\$ -	\$ 45,500		
Net Inflows (outflows)	\$ 500	\$ 1,000	\$ (27,500)	\$ (29,000)	\$ -	\$ 500		
Liquidity								
Beginning Cash	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,500	\$ 51,000	\$ 23,000	\$ 22,000		
Net Outflows	\$ 500	\$ 1,000	\$ (27,500)	\$ (29,000)	\$ -	\$ 500		
Ending Cash	\$ 50,500	\$ 51,000	\$ 23,000	\$ 22,000	\$ 23,000	\$ 22,500		
LOC availability	\$ 95,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 95,000	\$ 90,000	\$ 95,000	\$ 113,000		
Liquidity	\$ 145,500	\$ 151,000	\$ 118,000	\$ 112,000	\$ 118,000	\$ 135,500		



Financial Statement Analysis - Financial Ratios

- **Solvency & Risk measurements**
- **Profitability & Return measurements**
- **Efficiency & Productivity measurements**
- **Valuation & Market measurements**



Financial Ratios:

Key Areas of Performance Measurement

- **Performance in several key areas must be considered when evaluating a firm's prospects for the future**
 - Operational analysis
 - Resource management
 - Profitability and Productivity
 - Investment returns
 - Market indicators
 - Risk - Liquidity, leverage, and debt service coverage

Source: Helfert, Erich A., "Techniques of Financial Analysis: A Guide to Value Creation," 10th Edition, Irwin McGraw Hill, Burr Ridge IL, 2000.



Common Size Statements

- **Financial analysis is about pattern recognition. You look for symptoms and then diagnose causes. You need to convert data to information.**
- **It is often useful to compute common size financial statements when analyzing a firm's financial performance**
- **Common Size financial statements**
 - **Income statement: All items in the income statement are restated as a percent of sales**
 - **Balance sheet: All balance sheet items are restated as a percent of assets**
 - **Provide insights concerning trends in the firm's operating performance and financing**



Financial Ratios

- **Solvency & Risk Measurements**
 - Liquidity (Short-term Solvency)
 - Leverage (Long-term Solvency)
 - Debt Coverage (Ability to service financial obligations)

- **Profitability & Return Measurements**
 - Profitability (Return on Sales – Profit Margins)
 - Return (Profit Related to Investment)

- **Efficiency & Productivity Measurements**
 - Asset Turnover (Asset Efficiency/Utilization)
 - Cash Conversion Cycle
 - Sales per employee or Sales per sq. ft.

- **Market & Valuation Measurements**
 - Earnings per share (EPS) , P/E Ratio, Enterprise Value/EBITDA



Key Financial Terms

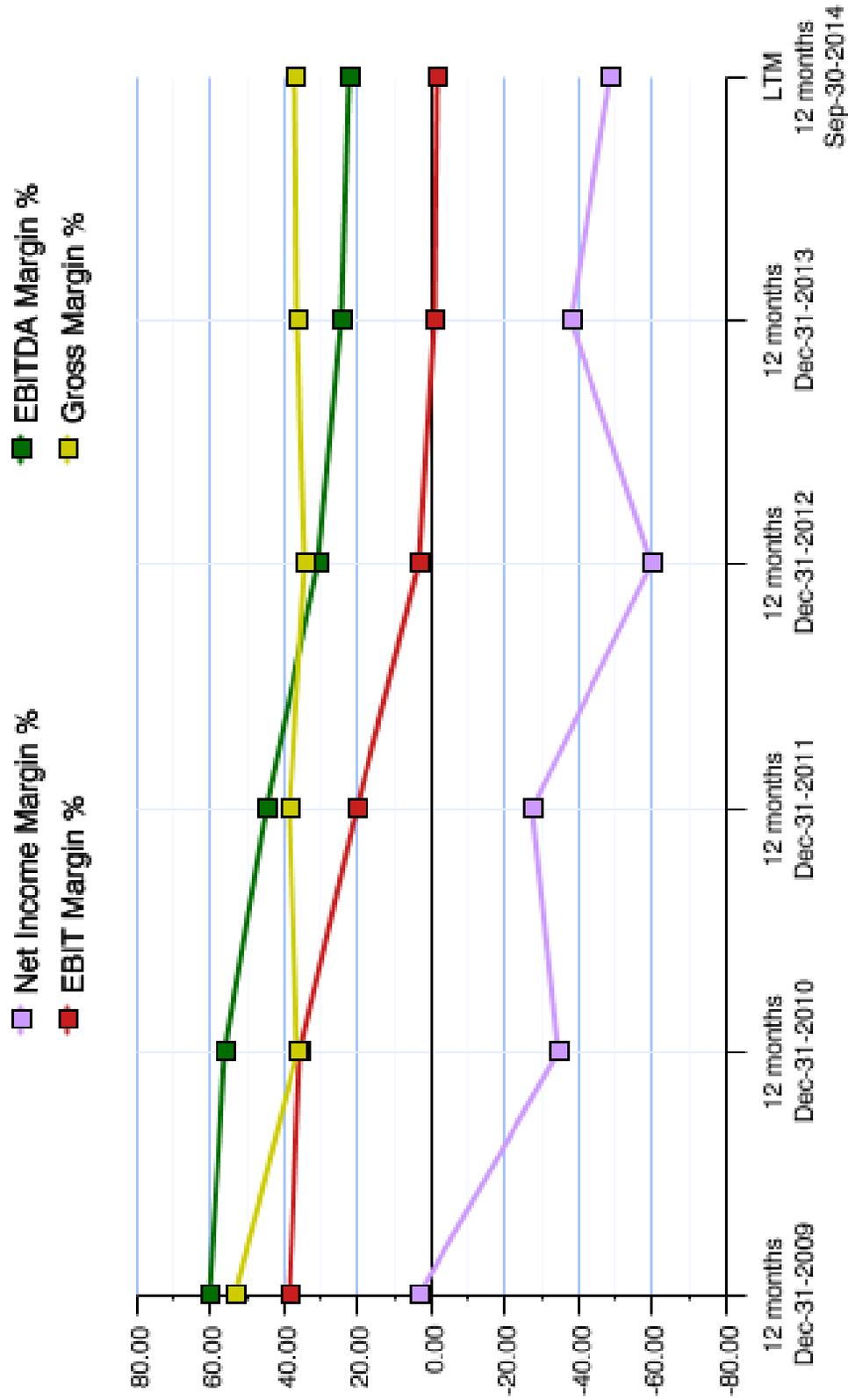
- Liquidity – The ability of the company to meet maturing obligations. Current Assets relative to Current Liabilities.
- Leverage – Long-term solvency ratio. The amount of debt capital used relative to equity (shareholder) capital. Debt to Equity to Debt to Total Assets.
- Coverage – The ability of the cash flow from operations to cover the annual debt service of the company. Cash Flow divided by annual debt service or EBIT/Interest Expense
- Profitability – The return on each sales dollar (margin). After the total costs of producing sales, how much money of left over. Measured by profit margins (profit/net sales).
- Asset Turnover– Utilization (Asset Turnover) measurement. Sales divided by Total Assets
- Rate of Return – some measure of profit divided by some measure of the investment. Return on Assets Profit divided by Assets.



Signs of Financial Distress

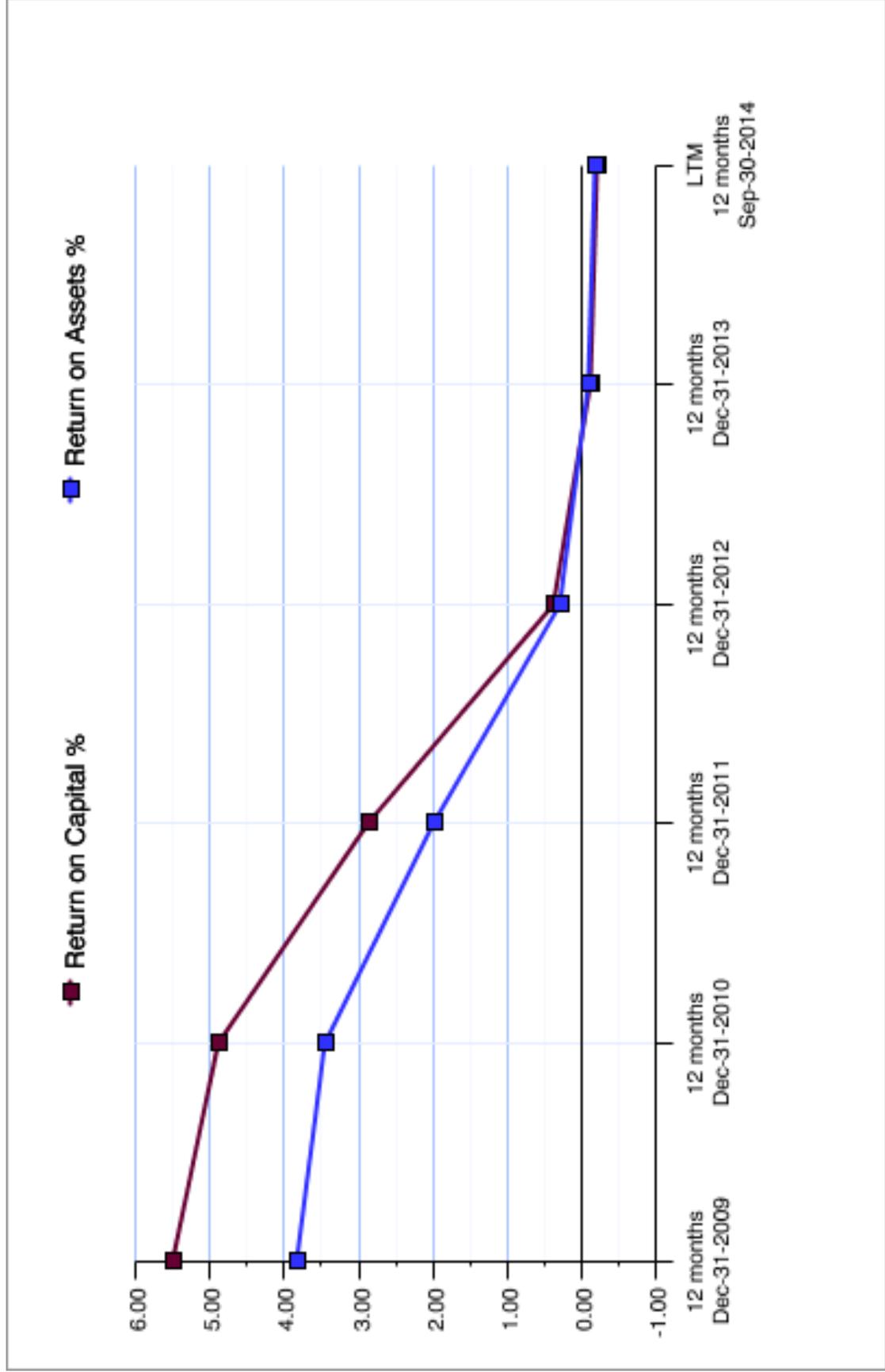
- **Declining ROA and ROIC**
 - Decline in profit margins and/or
 - Decline in asset turnover
 - Plant and Equipment Utilization (Lower CAPEX)
 - Working Capital Management
 - Increase in Days Sales Outstanding (DSO)
 - Increase in Days Sales Inventory (DSI)
 - Increase in Days Payable Outstanding (DPO) followed by decline in DPO (put on COD).
- **Decline in Liquidity Ratios**
 - Current Ratio, Quick Ratio and Net Working Capital
- **Increase in Leverage Ratios**
 - Debt to Assets, Debt to Equity, Debt to EBITDA
- **Decrease in Coverage Ratios**
 - Times Interest Earned, EBITDA/(Interest/Capex)
- **Decline in Operating Cash Flow**

Energy Future Holdings Profit Margins





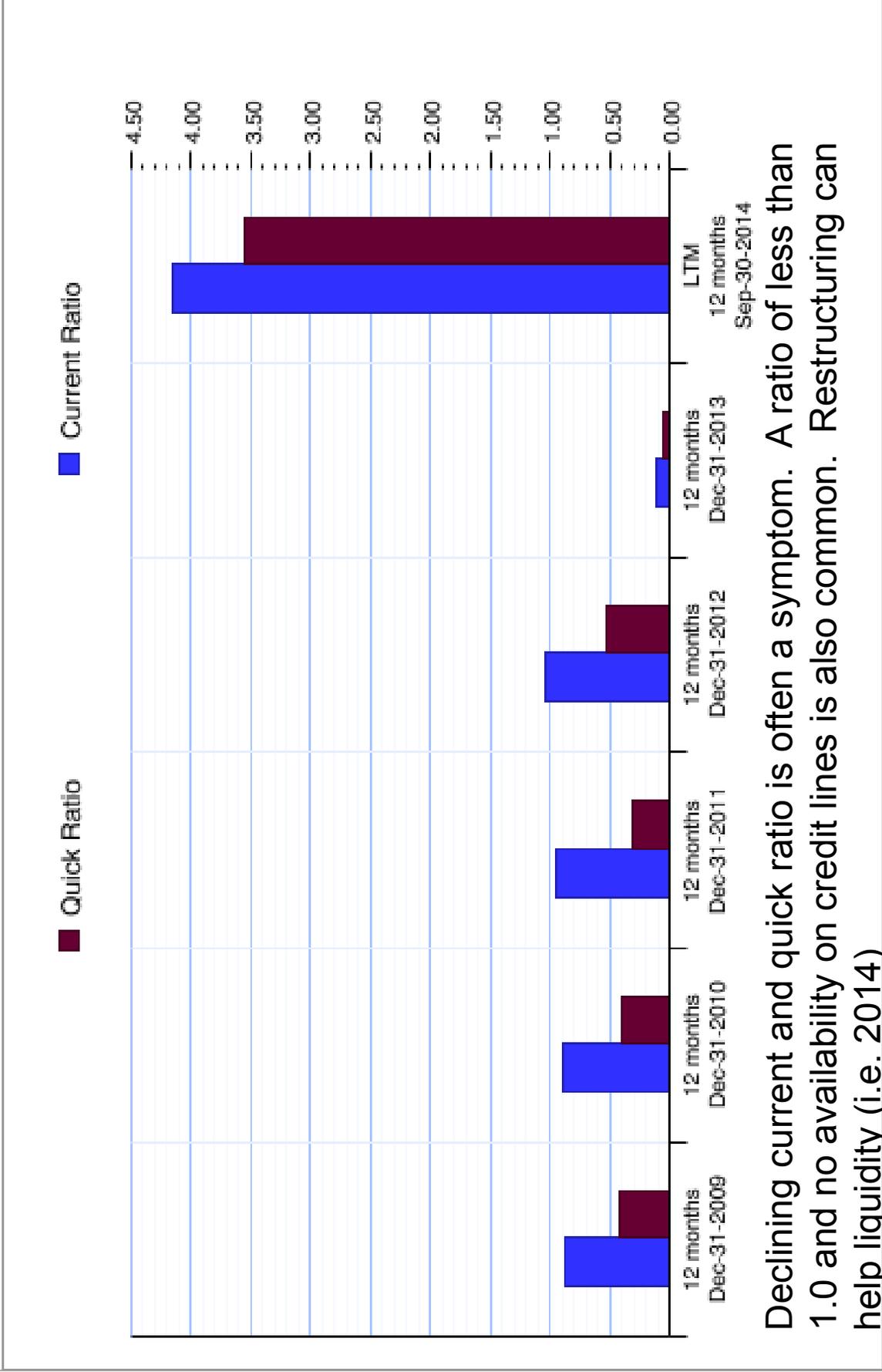
Energy Future Holdings ROA & ROIC





EFH Liquidity Ratios

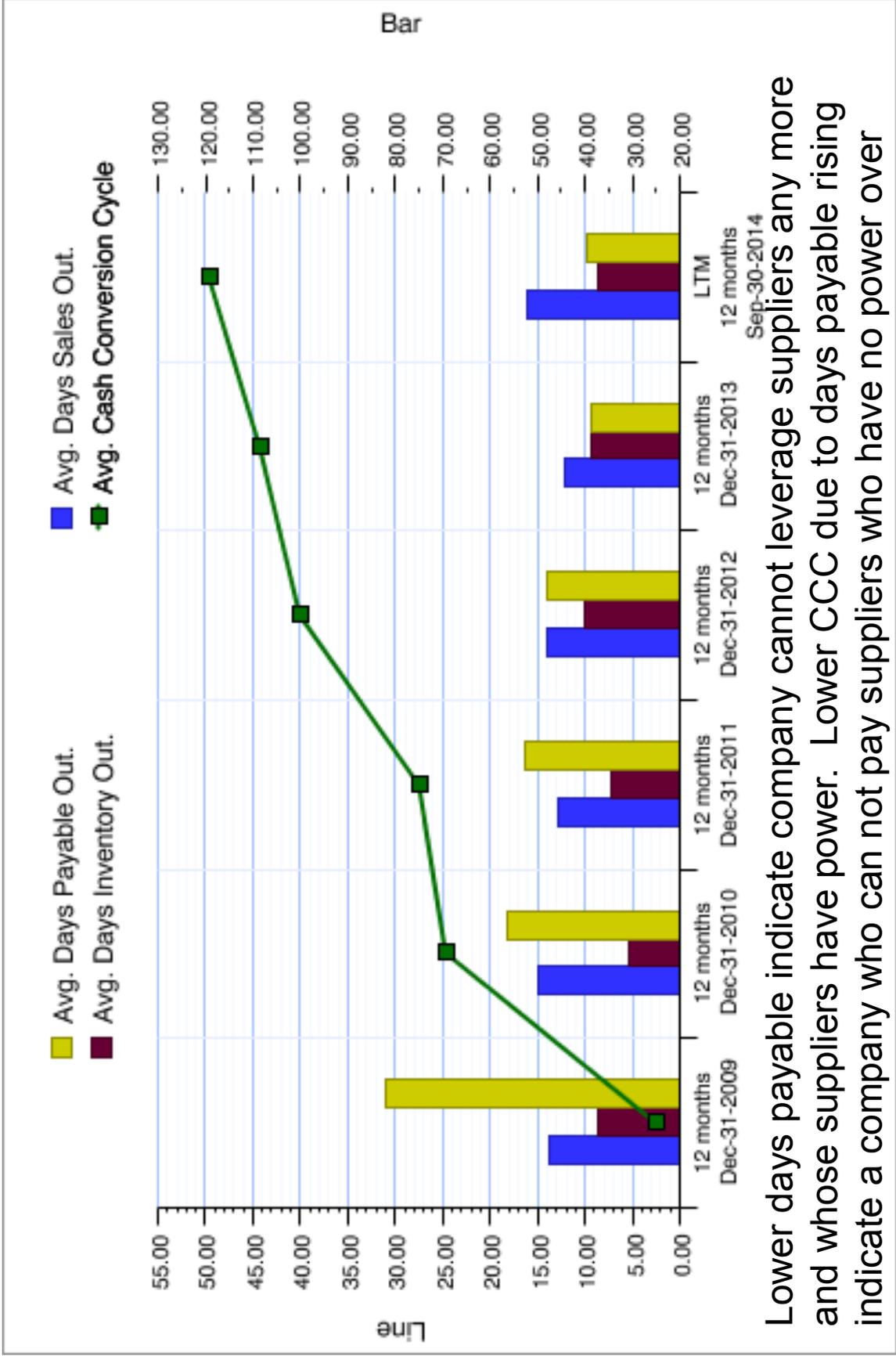
VALCON 2015



Declining current and quick ratio is often a symptom. A ratio of less than 1.0 and no availability on credit lines is also common. Restructuring can help liquidity (i.e. 2014)

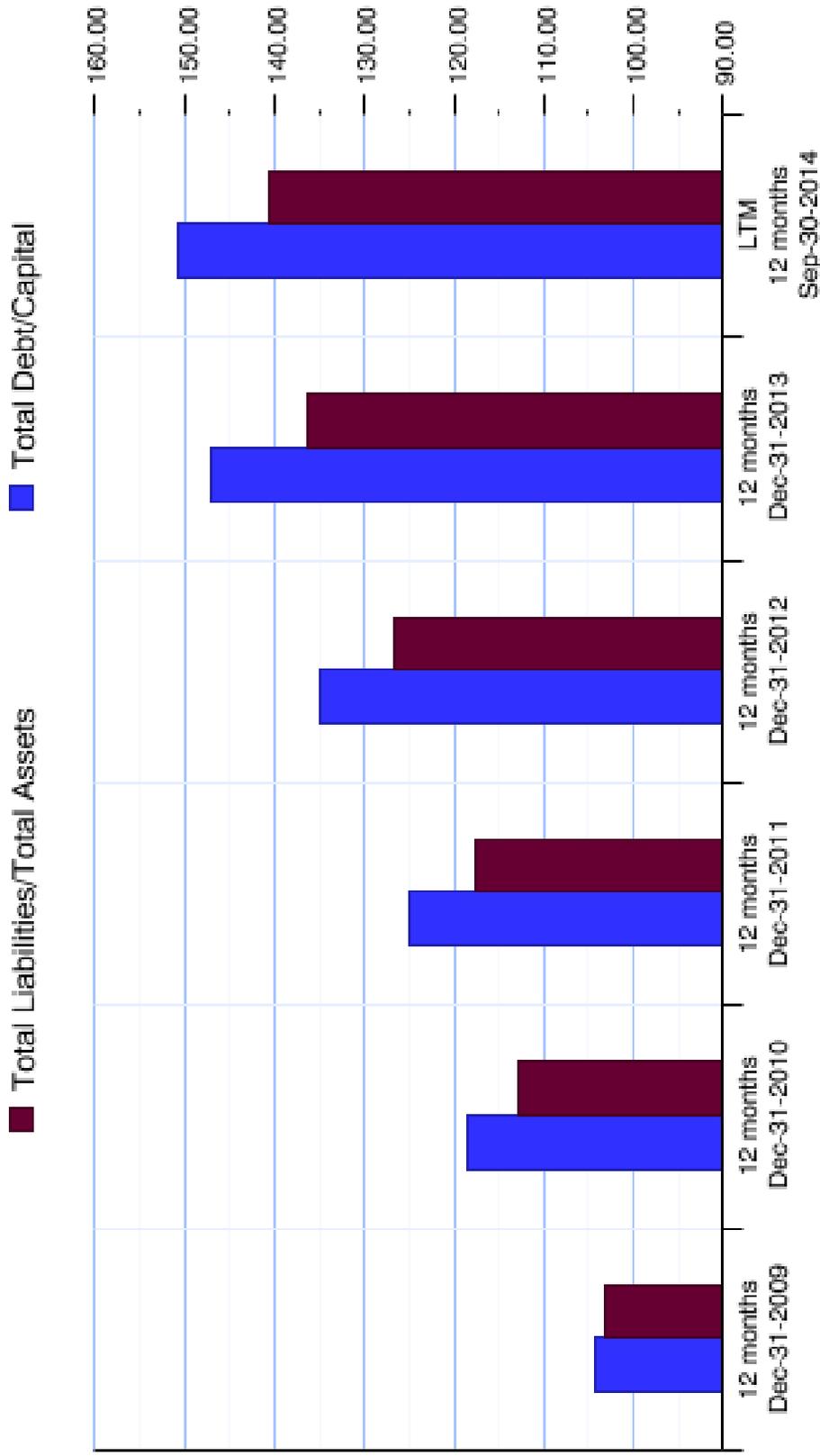


EFH Cash Conversion Cycle



Lower days payable indicate company cannot leverage suppliers any more and whose suppliers have power. Lower CCC due to days payable rising indicate a company who can not pay suppliers who have no power over company.

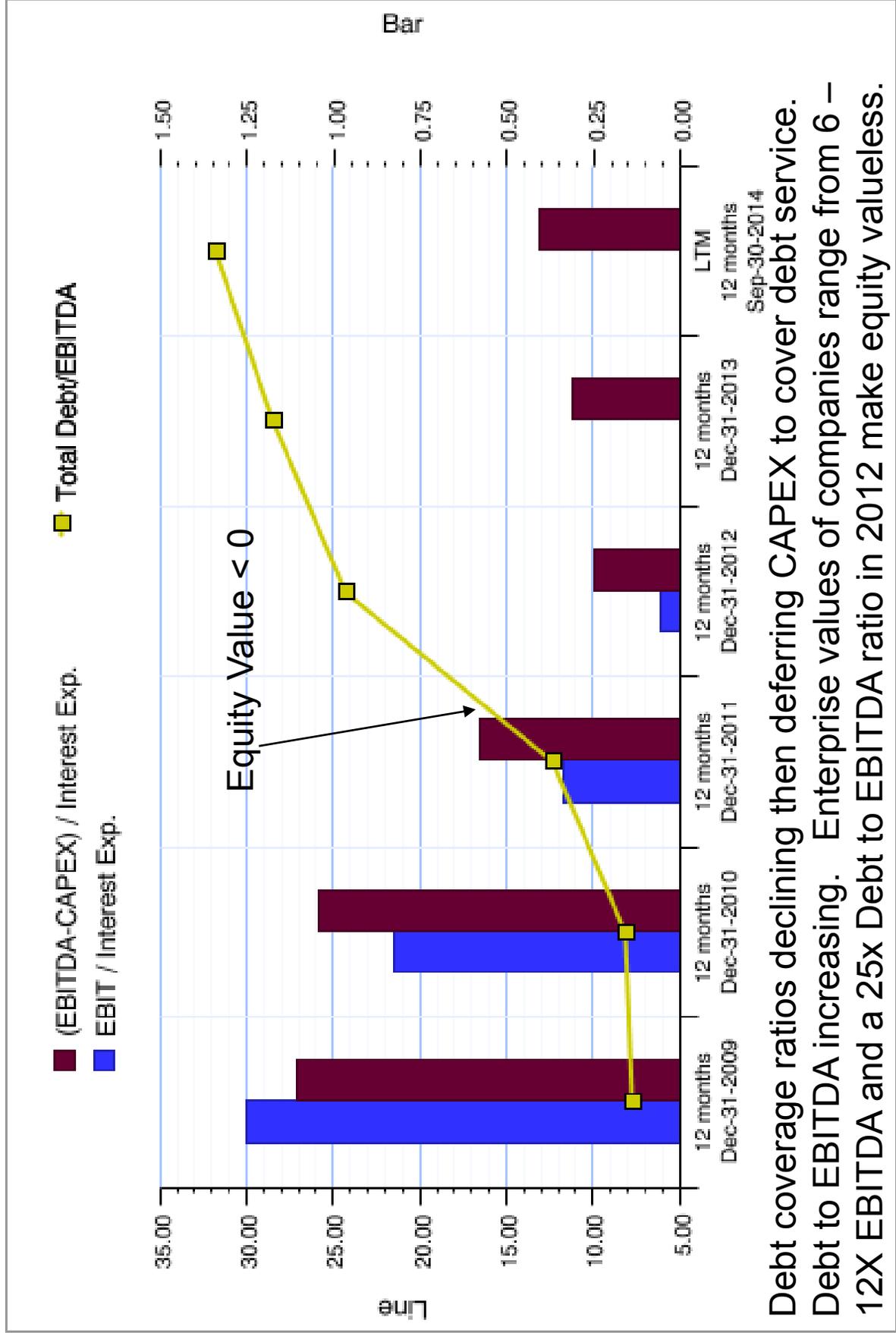
EFH Leverage Ratios



Increased borrowing to cover negative cash flows are causing leverage ratios to increase.



EFH Coverage Ratios



Debt coverage ratios declining then deferring CAPEX to cover debt service. Debt to EBITDA increasing. Enterprise values of companies range from 6 – 12X EBITDA and a 25x Debt to EBITDA ratio in 2012 make equity valueless.



Measuring Performance



Business Performance

- How should we measure the performance of a business?
 - Revenue Growth?
 - Market Share?
 - Profitability?
 - Earnings per share?
 - Stock Price?
- Return on Equity (ROE) is a very common measure of business performance (Return on Assets and Return on Invested Capital are other metrics).
- It measures the amount investors receive per dollar invested and is measured as:

$$ROE = \frac{\text{Net Income}}{\text{Owner's Equity}} = \frac{\text{Rev} - \text{Exp}}{\text{Assets} - \text{Liab}}$$



Business Performance

- Managers can increase the firm's value and it return to shareholders:

$$ROE = \frac{\text{Net Income}}{\text{Owner's Equity}} = \frac{\text{Rev} - \text{Exp}}{\text{Assets} - \text{Liab}}$$

- By increasing Revenue (Profitability/Growth)**
 - Increasing Average Selling Price (ASP) and/or Volume (Q)
 - Organic growth vs. acquisition ; New Products ; New Territories; Customer Acquisition, Development & Retention; New Channels
- By decreasing Expenses (Profitability)**
 - Decrease Avg. Unit Cost (AUC) through Supply Chain Management, Labor Productivity, OPEX control and Scaling Fixed Costs
- By decreasing Assets relative to Sales (Efficiency)**
 - Increasing Cash Conversion Cycle and Plant Utilization; Asset Divestitures; Sales increases without Asset Increases
- By increasing Liabilities (Leverage/Risk – other people's money)**
 - Higher returns come with higher financial risk if ROIC > Cost of Debt



Business Performance

- So ROE can be improved by managing:
 - The Income Statement – Profitability and Growth
 - The Balance Sheet – Efficiency and Leverage

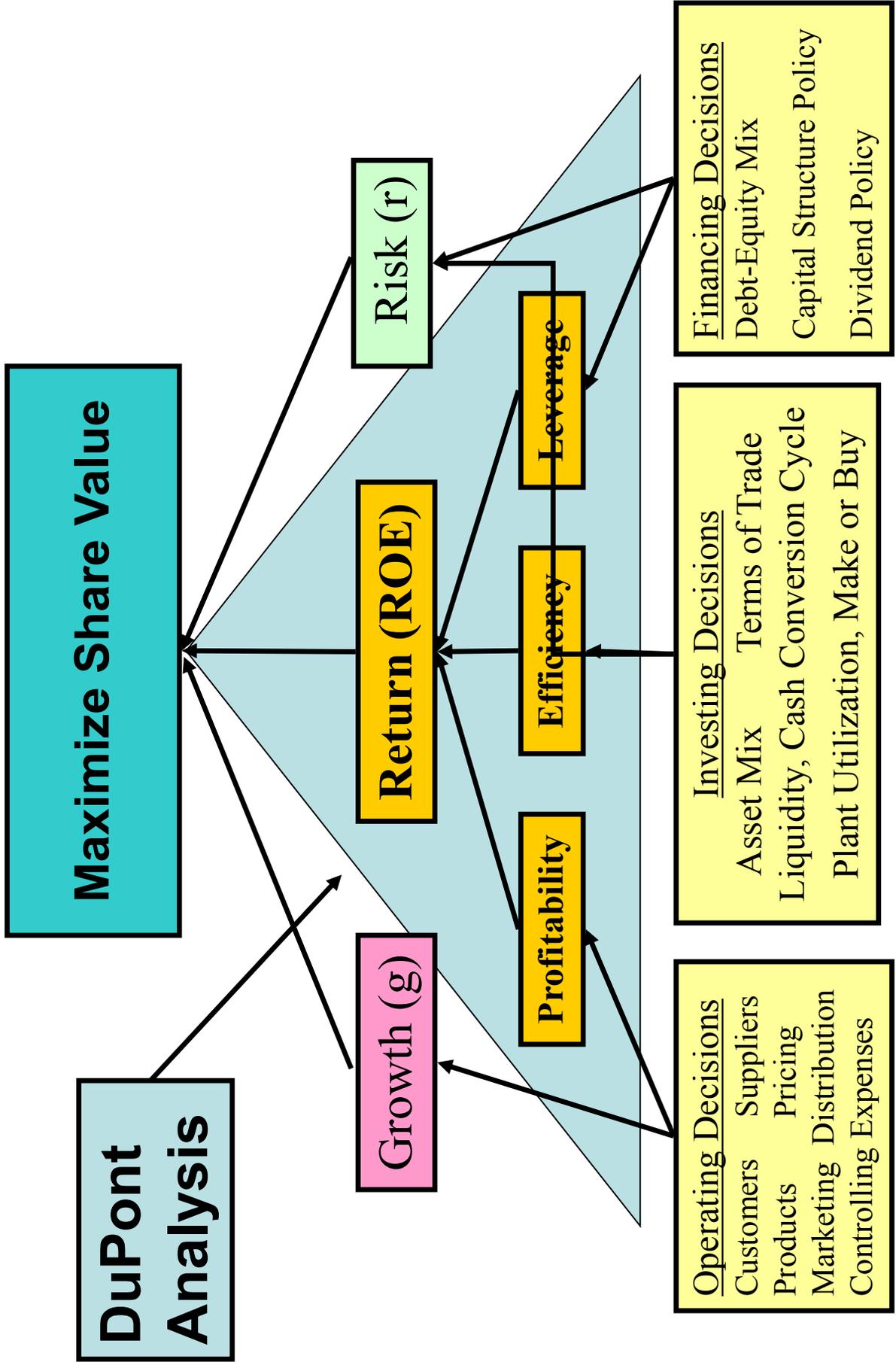
But why is ROE so important?

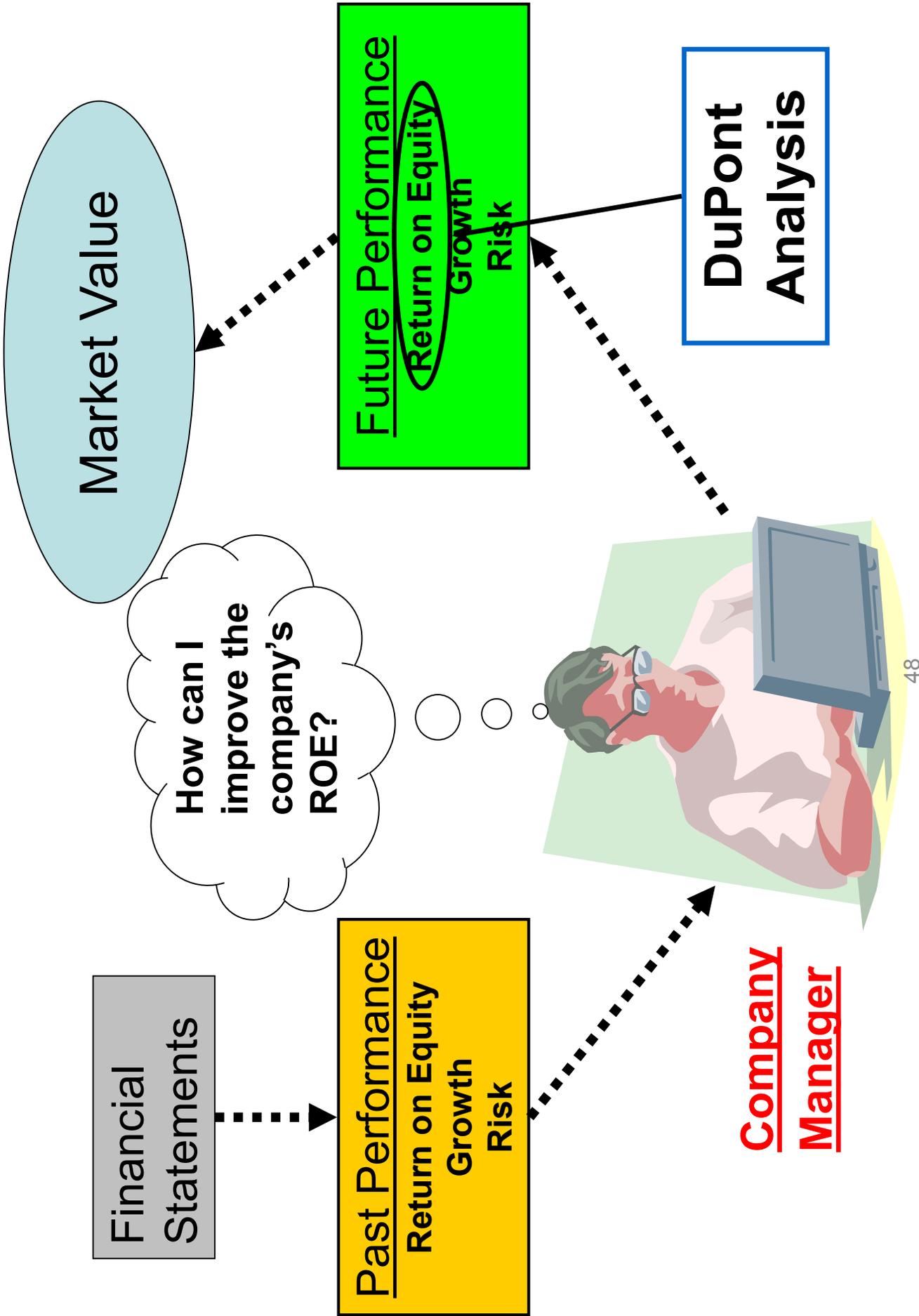
- ROE is accounting's way of measuring the value created for the shareholders and can reveal the financial strategy of the company. The first signs of distress can be a declining ROE.

A firm's sustainable growth rate is:

sustainable growth = ROE x Earnings Retention Rate

Financial Strategies







Financial Strategy

- **The financial goal (recognizing there are other stakeholders) is to maximize shareholder wealth.**
 - This is accomplished by investing in projects that exceed the firm's cost of capital
 - Cost of capital is a function of risk and opportunity costs
- **Firms can create value by using its competitive advantage in:**
 - Costs (power over suppliers, business model, OPEX control)
 - Pricing (power over customers)
 - Asset Utilization
 - Access and Cost of Capital
 - Growth (branding, distribution channels, marcom)
 - Risk Management (hedging, diversification, leverage)



Financial Strategies

■ **Companies employ different strategies and tactics to achieve the goal of maximizing shareholder wealth.**

- Some work off maximizing profit margins through differentiation or intellectual property (Software/ Pharmaceuticals)
- Some work off scope (Proctor & Gamble, Wal-mart)
- Some work off scale (Frito Lay, McDonalds)
- Some work off efficient asset utilization (Airlines, Cable)
- Some work off leverage (Insurance, Financial Services)
- Combinations are possible

What is Cintra's strategy and how does it generate its returns?



DuPont Analysis

$$ROE = \frac{Inc}{OE} = \frac{Rev - Exp}{Assets - Liab}$$

$$\frac{Inc}{OE} = \frac{Inc}{Sales} \times \frac{Sales}{Assets} \times \frac{Assets}{OE}$$

Profitability
on Sales

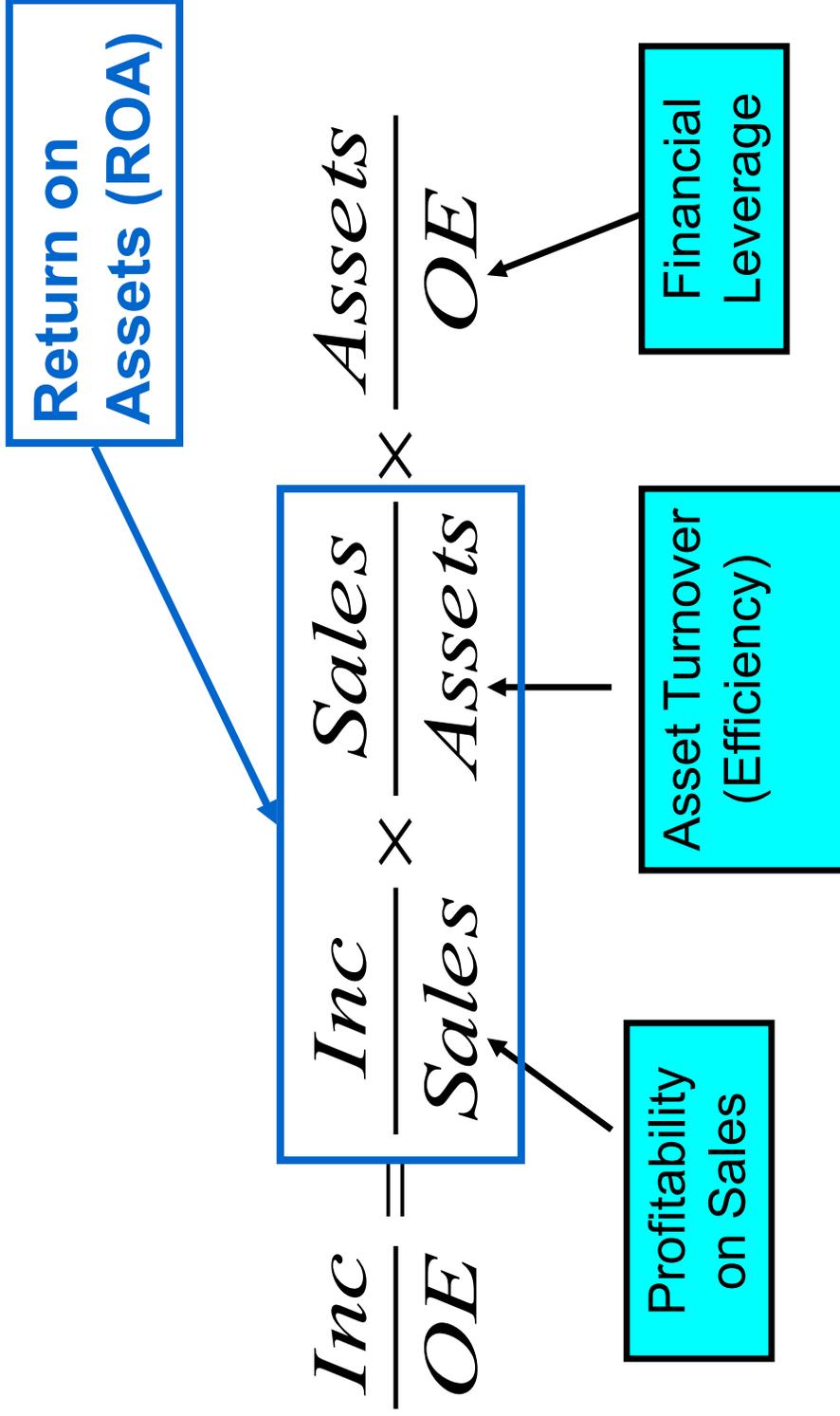
Asset
Turnover
(Efficiency)

Financial
Leverage



DuPont Analysis

$$ROE = \frac{Inc}{OE} = \frac{Rev - Exp}{Assets - Liab}$$



Note: The same factors affect ROC



DuPont Analysis

- **Let's compare some public companies in different industries**
- **Let's look at**
 - A Grocery Chain – **Whole Foods**
 - A general merchandiser – **Wal-Mart**
 - A software company – **Microsoft**
 - A computer company – **Apple**
 - A pharmaceutical (research) company – **Johnson & Johnson**
 - A financial institution – **Wells Fargo**
 - An insurance company – **Progressive**
- **What would you expect the return on equity to be for each of these companies given the risk of their industry to be able to attract capital?**
- **How do you think they generate their return? Through profit margins, asset efficiency or leverage**

DuPont Analysis

▪ Last Twelve Months

	Whole Foods	Wal-Mart	Microsoft	Apple	JNJ	Fargo	Progressive Insurance
ROE	15.1%	20.3%	26.2%	30.6%	23.7%	13.5%	17.2%
Profit Margin	4.1%	3.3%	25.4%	21.7%	23.3%	27.9%	6.2%
Turnover	2.5	2.37	0.55	0.9	0.60	0.051	0.75
Leverage	1.47	2.59	1.88	1.57	1.70	9.51	3.7

Note the different financial strategies the different companies take to produce a risk adjusted return that allows them to attract capital.

- Whole Foods and Wal-Mart works off volume and efficient asset turnover while leveraging their suppliers, but have small profit margins.
- Microsoft, Apple and JNJ have intellectual property and brand that enables them to have higher profit margins, but they have relatively low asset turnover (MSFT has \$84B, Apple has \$164B, & JNJ \$33B in cash & investments).
- Financial Service companies like Progressive and Wells Fargo have huge asset bases and low turnover, but work off other peoples money (leverage). Low investment returns, catastrophic losses, bad loans can affect ROE.



Using Accounting Information for Financial Decision-Making



The Limitations of Profit-based thinking

- **What are Profits?**
Profits = Sales – Expenses
- **Profits and Wealth**
Wealth is the “value” added to the company by investment decisions.
- **Are accounting profits the best way to measure wealth?**
 - What do accountants report or not report in the income statement that might affect “value”?
 - Interest is reported as an expense but where is the cost of equity?
 - Depreciation was recorded as an expense, but no check was written
 - That new equipment you bought on 12/31/13 required a cash payment, but no expense was recorded on the P&L
 - Some sales were reported but no cash was received (receivable)



Operating Cash Flows

Operating Income = Revenues (*R*) – Costs (*C*) – Depreciation (*D*)

Operating Cash Flow

$$\text{OCF} = R - C - \text{Tax Payments} \quad (1)$$

Since depreciation is tax-deductible,

$$\text{Tax Payments} = (R - C - D) (\text{Tax Rate}) \quad (2)$$

Substitute (2) into (1) and rearrange terms:

$$\text{OCF} = R - C - (R - C - D) (\text{Tax Rate}) \quad (3)$$

This can be further rearranged two ways:



Operating Cash Flows

$$OCF = (R - C - D)(1 - \text{Tax Rate}) + D \quad (4)$$

OR

$$OCF = (R - C)(1 - \text{Tax Rate}) + D (\text{Tax Rate}) \quad (5)$$

The second formulation illustrates the notion of a Depreciation Tax Shield

Why is interest expense not included as an operating expense?



The Firm's Total or "Free" Cash Flows

Assets (LHS) = Claims to Assets (RHS)

Cash Flows from LHS

Operating Cash Flows
(OCF)

CAPEX (purchases less
sales of fixed assets)

Additions to Net Working
Capital (NWC)

Cash Flows from RHS

Cash flows to Debt

- Interest
- + Debt retirement
- LT Debt Issues

Cash flows to Equity

- Dividends
- + Stock Repurchases
- New Equity Issues
- + Merger payoffs



Applying the Past to the Future

- **We can use our financial analysis of historical operations to forecast the future free cash flows of the business.**
 - Growth in revenues, expenses, operating margins and tax rates to arrive at expected operating profits after tax.
 - Depreciation expense
 - Changes in working capital (receivables, inventory, and payables) as revenues change
 - Capital expenditures and capacity constraints

- **We also have a feel for the variability of cash flows, historical capital structure decisions, industry and competitor information that will assist in determining the appropriate discount rate (WACC) for the riskiness of the cash flows**



Discounted Free Cash Flow

The total value of a project or business (firm), V_F , equals the present value of the project's or firm's free cash flows (FCFF) that it is expected to provide investors (both debt and equity), discounted by the firm's weighted average cost of capital (WACC).

$$V_F = \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \frac{FCFF_t}{(1 + WACC)^t}$$

where:

t is the period in which the cash flow is received.

Free cash flow looks like a cash flow statement but is missing the financing cash flows. Why?

The free cash flows from the firm are calculated as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Net Revenue} \\ & - \text{COGS \& Operating Expenses} \\ & \underline{\text{Earnings Before Interest, Taxes,}} \\ & \quad \text{Deprec \& Amort (EBITDA)} \\ & \underline{\text{Depreciation and Amortization}} \\ & \text{Operating Income (EBIT)} \\ & \times (1 - \text{Average Tax Rate}) \end{aligned}$$

- Net Operating Profit After Tax (NOPAT)**
- + Depreciation and Amortization**
- Capital Expenditures**
- Additions to Net Working Capital**
- Free Cash Flows from the Firm (FCFF)**



FCF and Firm Value

Our next session, led by Cesare Fracassi, will discuss business valuation and will use our calculation of a firm's free cash flow:

The value of a firm at time zero can be expressed by the Free Cash Flow Model

$$V_0 = \frac{FCF_1}{(1+r)^1} + \frac{FCF_2}{(1+r)^2} + \frac{FCF_3}{(1+r)^3} + \dots + \frac{TV_t}{(1+r)^t}$$

where

V_0 = Value at time zero

TV_t = Terminal Value at period t

r = Weighted Average Cost of Capital

Note: FCF is the Firm's Free Cash Flows

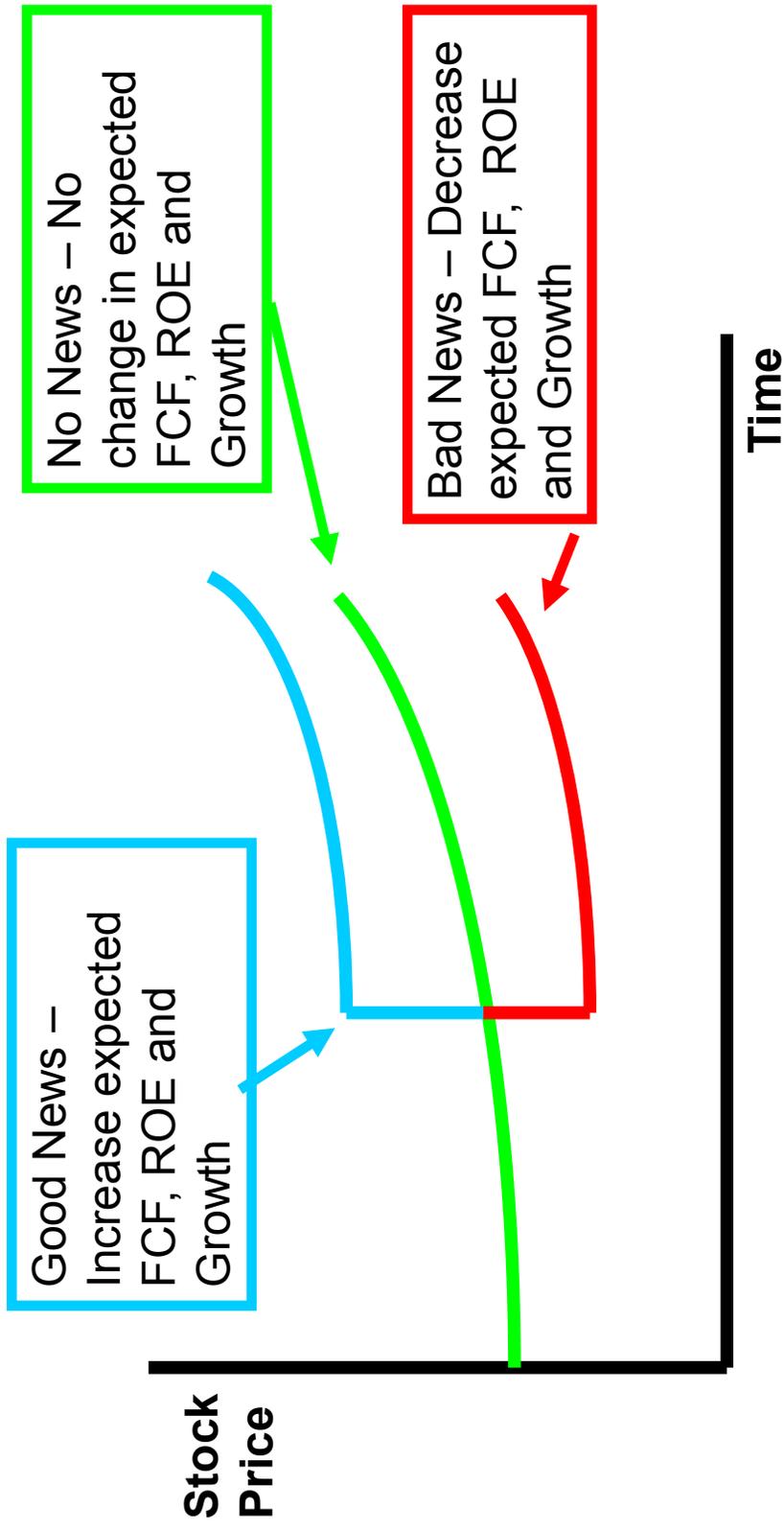


Stock Price Maximization

Cash Flows have three dimensions which can be exploited for stock price maximization:

- **Magnitude**
 - The dollar amount of the cash flow
- **Timing**
 - The time of inflow or outflow (today or in the future)
- **Risk**
 - The likelihood of occurrence (variance).

Accounting and Market Value



The next session that will cover:

Valuation Basis

Value Drivers

■ Value Levers

- Growth

- Risk

- Profitability

- Asset Efficiency

- Leverage

- Time



ROE

A sooner dollar and a safe dollar is worth more than a later dollar and riskier dollar.



Business Valuation

Businesses are valued similar to a real estate appraisal.

- **Cost Approaches**
 - Replacement cost of the assets – Value in Trade or Liquidation
- **Market Value Approaches**
 - Precedent Transaction and Guideline Public Comparable company multiples
 - P/E ratio, Price/Book, Enterprise Value/Revenues, Enterprise Value/EBITDA
- **Income or Discounted Cash Flow Approaches**
 - Present Value of the future Income or Free Cash Flow
 - Leverage Buyout Value



Reading List

- Finance and Accounting for Non-Financial Managers by William Droms
- Financial Intelligence: A Manager's Guide to Knowing What the Numbers Really Mean (Hardcover) by Karen Berman, Joe Knight & John Case
- Corporate Financial Strategy (Paperback) (new edition due 12/2013) by Ruth Bender – UK author but good applied principles

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