discoverIE Group

Security and defence-focused acquisition

North American acquisition

Electrical components

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discoverIE has announced the acquisition of 90% of 3Gmetalworx (3G), a North American designer and manufacturer of electromagnetic shielding products for the electronics industry. This is the second recent acquisition focused on the security and defence market, after the Trival acquisition in April. The company is paying $67.5m/£50.0m in cash on a debt free, cash free basis, funded from existing debt facilities. The acquisition is subject to regulatory approvals in the US and Canada with completion expected in the next few months. The deal is expected to be immediately accretive to adjusted earnings and operating margin; we maintain our forecasts pending final completion.

Year end	Revenue (£m)	PBT (£m)	EPS (p)	DPS (p)	P/E (x)	Yield (%)
3/24	437.0	48.2	36.78	12.00	18.5	1.8
3/25	422.9	50.1	38.68	12.50	17.6	1.8
3/26e	442.1	51.6	39.79	12.95	17.1	1.9
3/27e	471.0	55.9	41.82	13.55	16.3	2.0

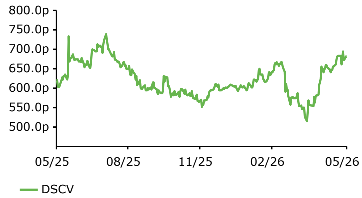
Note: PBT and EPS as per discoverIE's adjusted metric (excludes amortisation of acquired intangibles and exceptional items).

3G is a North American-based designer and manufacturer of electromagnetic shielding products for use in electronic equipment; its main markets are aerospace & defence, commercial space satellite and industrial. 3G has production and sales facilities in Toronto, Canada, and Florida and California in the US. 3G will join the Connectivity unit within the Sensing & Connectivity division and will retain its brand identity. It will work alongside MTC, discoverIE's existing electromagnetic shielding business. Other group businesses should benefit from access to 3G's customer base and sales channels, particularly in North America.

In CY25, 3G generated revenue of $19.6m/£14.5m and an adjusted operating margin well in excess of discoverIE's 17% medium-term target. From completion, the acquisition should be immediately accretive to adjusted earnings and operating margin. Pro forma consensus gearing at end FY26 increases from 1.7x to 2.2x (note that this also factors in the Trival acquisition, which closed in early H127) and is expected to fall to c 1.8x by the end of FY27 (our forecast is 1.4x before the 3G acquisition).

Price	**680.00p**
Market cap	**£662m**
Net cash/(debt) at end H126	£(90.7)m
Shares in issue	97.4m
Free float	96.0%
Code	DSCV
Primary exchange	LSE
Secondary exchange	N/A

Share price performance



Business description

discoverIE is a leading international designer and manufacturer of customised electronics to industry, supplying customer-specific electronic products and solutions to OEMs.

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