



## MARKET COMMENT

Year to date the markets have survived Unrest in the Middle East, Libya, the Japanese earthquake, Terrorists threats to

avenge Obama's killing, IMF scandal, rumors of Greece pulling out of the European Union and a selloff in commodities. The S&P 500 has risen 5.7% year to date and the TSX in Canada is unchanged. We continue to forecast positive gains in 2011 for markets.

#### American Tower (AMT) \$50 - A Buy Signal



The proliferation of Smart Phones, IPADS, Blackberries, cell phones have

created growing demand on wireless spectrum. Consequently this requires more cell phone towers to deliver the bandwidth and capacity. Twittering, voice data, video downloads will only add to the demand. One way to invest in the insatiable demand for spectrum is to buy shares of American Tower. American Tower is the largest independent operator of wireless communications and broadcast towers with 34,411 sires in the U.S., Mexico, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Peru and India. Customers representing 74% of revenue include AT&T, Sprint, Verizon and T- Mobile. Just recently AT&T is acquiring T-Mobile and the market has overacted by selling American Tower off in anticipation that the merged company will reduce duplication in leased spectrum. Growth oriented investors should take opportunity if the selloff to buy some American Tower. Our one year target is \$67.

### Potash- (POT) - \$51 - We all have to Eat!

**Potash Corp** located in politically stable Saskatchewan is the world's largest producer of potash, nitrogen and phosphate products



for

the fertilizer, feed and industrial markets. It produces 22% of the world's potash equal to 13.2 million tones in Nitrogen; it is the third largest producer and the third largest producer of phosphate. The rising population of China and India and demand for better quality crops and food directly benefits **Potash**. **Potash** reached a high of \$63.19 and currently at \$51; it represents good value for long term investors. Our one year target is **\$74**.

### Broadcom (BRCM) \$34

#### "Connecting Everything"

**Broadcom** is the tenth largest semiconductor company in the world, with a market capitalization of

~\$19.5 billion. It is a leader in making chips that enable connectivity between a device, a network, and the internet.

Its chips are generally classified into one of three categories:

- 1. Wireless (44% of 2010 revenue) Makes high performance chips that are used in smartphones, tablets, and other wireless devices. Chips include baseband, Wi-Fi, Blue tooth, GPS, NFC (near field communication), multimedia and application processing.
- 2. Broadband (32% of 2010 revenue) Makes "systems on a chip" used in consumer electronics that enable voice, video, and data to be communicated over wired and wireless home networks. These chips can

be found in Blu-ray players, DVR (digital video recorders), TV set-top boxes, modems, and home networking equipment.

3. Networking (24% of 2010 revenue) – Makes chips for infrastructure and equipment such Ethernet switches and storage networking that are used by telecom carriers, enterprises, and data center operators.

We believe the end markets above have strong growth prospects driven by significant product cycles, accelerating demand for multimedia such as video over the internet, and the increasing usage of data centers as more companies leverage the capabilities of virtualization and cloud computing.

**Broadcom** is a "fabless" company, meaning it outsources the manufacturing of its chips to foundries. It has relationships with four independent foundry subcontractors located in Taiwan, Singapore, and China. Rather than manufacturing its chips, **Broadcom** focuses instead on design and testing. This "fabless" model has been a trend within the semiconductor industry in recent years.

Broadcom generated almost 40% of its revenue in 2010 from its five largest customers. More specifically, **Broadcom** has two very important customers: Apple (11% of revenue) and Samsung (10% of revenue). Broadcom has components that can be found in most of Apple's products including the iPhone, iPad, iPad touch, Apple TV, Macbook Air, and Macbook Pro. We view Apple and Samsung as two of the most dominant designers and makers of consumer communication electronics, particularly in handheld devices like phones and tablets. We believe Apple and Samsung are both benefitting from strong product cycles and brand loyalty in mobile devices, and we expect them to remain key beneficiaries in the growth of mobile computing. Furthermore, Broadcom's other customers like Cisco, Huawei Technologies, LG, Motorola, Nokia, and Nintendo, offer exposure to companies with strong positions in their respective markets.

Growth in Connectivity Longer-Term

Interestingly, **Broadcom's** slogan is "Connecting Everything", and that may very well be the path we are heading towards over the long-term. The personal computer has historically been the electronic device that has been connected to company and home networks and the internet. However, with recent advancement in wireless and broadband communication, new devices such as televisions, phones, tablets, cameras, satellite systems, vehicles, and smart meters often communicate to internal and/or public networks such as the internet. Going forward, this trend is more than likely to continue with the potential for more devices, whether they are handheld, in our offices or in our homes, having the ability to send and receive signals from networks. The demand for increased communication will drive increased need for connectivity. As a key designer of wireless and broadband solutions, Broadcom is very well positioned for this ongoing evolution towards being connected.

Shares of BRCM have had a difficult year thus far. The weakness can be attributed to two factors: 1) higher spending associated with product ramps, acquisitions, and compensation; and 2) uncertainty with respect to component shortages as a result of the earthquake in Japan. This latter concern may have subsided to some degree as other companies in the semiconductor and IT supply chain have reported results recently and seen relatively limited impact from Japan. BRCM shares trade at forward P/E of 14.4x, well below its 5-year median forward P/E multiple of 22.9x. Our one year target for **Broadcom** is **\$48**.



## **Bill's Fortune:**

"The difference between a successful person and others is not a lack of strength, not a lack of knowledge, but rather a lack in will." -<u>Vince Lombardi</u>

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Canadian Stock	Price	Target	Yield	Current Rating
Bank of Montreal (BMO)	62.00	73.00	4.5	Buy
Canadian Natural Resources (CNQ)	40.00	55.00	0.9	Buy
Capital Power (CPX)	25.90	26.00	4.8	Hold
Daylight Energy (DAL)	10.00	10.50	6.0	Buy
Research in Motion (RIM)	44.00	55.00		Buy
Royal Bank (RY)	59.90	63.00	3.3	Buy
Suncor (SU)	39.60	46.00	1.2	Buy
TD Bank (TD)	84.00	86.00	3.1	Buy

U.S. Stocks	Price	Target	Yield	Current Rating
Bank of America (BAC)	12.30	16.00	0.3	Buy
Broadcom (BRCM)	34.00	49.00		Buy
Corning (GLW)	20.00	26.00		Buy
Microsoft (MFST)	24.60	33.00	0.22	Buy

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Best Rates		1.50%	2.10%	2.50%	2.80%	3.00%	
SHORT TERM G	GOV'T STRII	2S		30 DAYS	60 DAYS	90 DAYS	180 DAYS
Best Rates						1.10%	1.30%
BANKER'S ACC	EPTANCE			30 DAYS	60 DAYS	90 DAYS	180 DAYS
Minimum \$50,000	)			n/a	n/a	0.75%	1.00%
GIC'S			1 YEAR	2 YEAI	R 3 YEAR	A YEAR	5 YEAR
Best Rates			2.10%	2.60%	3.00%	3.20%	3.50%
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U.S. T-Bill, U.S. M	Ioney Market	<u>.</u>		0.10%		0.12%	
OTHER				PRICE		YIELD	
NorthWest Healt	hcare (NWH.	UN)			\$12.12	6.6%	
ETF (EXCHANGE			RICE	YIELD	TERMS	5	
BMO Emerging N Hedged to CDN S		Fund \$1	6.07	5.45%			

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