

### Park City Group (PCYG) Summary

Supply chain management for the grocery industry

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### **Key Takeaways**

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Market Capitalization: \$187.4 million

- Founded by co-founder of Mrs. Fields Cookies. Randy Fields also founded Captiva Software. Created PCYG software to solve problems he found as a supplier to grocery stores.
- Insider ownership: Approx. 40%
- Acquired ReposiTrak a company involved in food safety compliance. Managers
  spoke most about this part of the business and of the regulatory tailwind it will enjoy
  over the next few years.

#### Overview

Company is set up to provide SAAS products to increase the visibility of supply chain issues. The original product focused on inventory management to reduce "out-of-stocks", improve cash conversion cycle by making working capital more efficient, and minimizing waste. The company has some very experienced people in management and on the board and has some very influential clients.

Basic premise behind the company is that Big Data can offer greater insights into supply chain, and thus can make grocery operators more efficient. The company uses a consultative approach to selling – offering to load the company's data into their system and show the prospective client's management the results. Strategy is to move into client relationships slowly – getting a foot in the door at first, and once proven to be helpful, work on selling a wider range of products. Largest client is Target (TGT). The system can be made more helpful if suppliers are also using the system, so there is a strong network effect. If Target's suppliers are on PCYG's system, Target's decision-making will improve, so suppliers will be incentivized (or mandated) to use the system.

Fields mentioned that Kroger (KR) is a world-class supply-chain manager, but was less complementary about Wal-Mart (WMT).

ReposiTrak is a subsidiary that maintains records about food safety compliance. FDA is claimed to be on the verge of mandating a new rule called FSMA – "the Sarbanes-Oxley" of the grocery business. Top managers are on the hook for product safety and records must be kept of all inputs. PCYG claims that its ReposiTrak is uniquely positioned to meet this requirement through a "Compliance Management System" and a "Track & Trace System". Company is selling subscriptions to this product very cheaply to try to become the industry standard. Endorsements from two industry groups: FMI and ROFDA. Fields thinks grocery selection will become more homogenized due to regulatory pressure – ties into KR thesis.

Long-run strategy is to combine food safety application with supply chain applications on a common platform and cross-sell clients on an integrated solution.

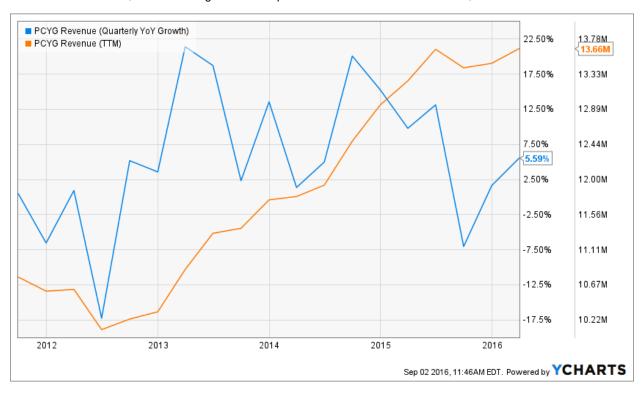
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## **Value Drivers**



### **Revenues**

Fields commented that if a customer the size of Target were to use the full suite of PCYG products, the total opportunity would be worth in the \$50 million range. Note that present TTM Revenues are around \$14 million.



### **Profits**



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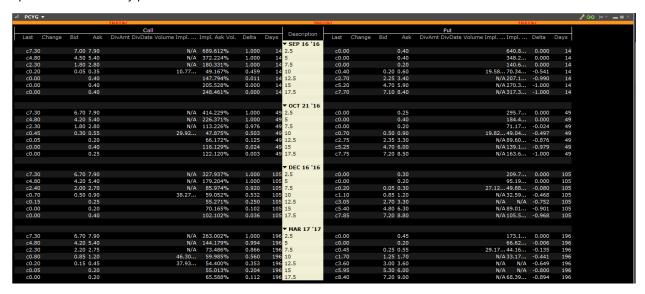
### **Price and PS Ratio**

PS Ratio looks high, but a \$50 million contract or two would drive it down very quickly...



## **Price and PS Ratio**

Option Market is illiquid and strictly short-tenor only. No LEAPS available and a very wide bid-ask spread. ITM options are ridiculously priced.



# **Next Steps**



- Regulatory angle and the people involved makes this an interesting story, so probably worth a closer look.
- Need to check fall off in profitability in 2014.
- Need to check insider ownership.
- Fields claimed that shares were not being issued for cash, but I recall seeing that clearly laid out in the financials must check that and ask.

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