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			2022	2023	2024E	
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Price [PLN]	10,4	P/E	14,6	11,4	22,2	Krzysztof Pac
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		EV/EBIT	12,4	3,5	12,7	(1-0) 512 550 25
		P/BV	1,3	1,2	1,2	

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#### Q4'24 preliminary results [million PLN]

	Q4'23	Q4'24E	y/y	Q4'24F BDM	dev.	2023	2024E	y/y
Sales	583,5	297,9	-48,9%	365,0	-18,4%	1 484,1	1219,4	-17,8%
Gross profit	25,8	16,0	-37,9%	12,4	29,5%	55,9	50,5	-9,7%
EBIT	17,2	5,7	-67,1%	4,2	34,5%	30,4	19,1	-37,2%
Net profit*	11,0	3,9	-64,3%	2,8	39,3%	21,1	10,8	-48,9%
Gross margin	4,4%	5,4%		3,4%		3,8%	4,1%	
EBIT margin	2,9%	1,9%		1,2%		2,0%	1,6%	
Net margin*	1,9%	1,3%		0,8%		1,4%	0,9%	

Source: Dom Maklerski BDM S.A., ZUE, \* before the excl. of minorities

### Wyniki za ostatnie kwartały [mln PLN]

	Q1'22	Q2'22	Q3'22	Q4'22	Q1'23	Q2'23	Q'323	Q4'23	Q1'24	Q2'24	Q3'24	Q4'24E
Sales	153,6	219,6	256,0	292,2	249,3	292,4	359,0	583,5	316,2	301,0	304,3	297,9
ZUE standalone	141,9	192,1	236,3	261,6	222,7	268,3	333,1	555,0	297,1	272,9	276,7	268,3
subsidiaries	11,7	27,5	19,8	30,5	26,6	24,2	25,9	28,4	19,0	28,1	27,6	29,6
Gross profit	8,3	12,7	9,0	12,8	8,5	10,3	11,4	25,8	12,6	14,9	7,0	16,0
ZUE standalone	7,4	8,6	5,7	7,4	6,9	7,3	10,2	23,9	11,0	13,2	5,5	13,4
subsidiaries	0,9	4,1	3,3	5,4	1,7	3,0	1,1	1,9	1,6	1,8	1,5	2,6
EBIT	3,6	5,3	3,0	6,2	1,9	4,1	7,2	17,2	5,7	6,6	1,2	4,2
Net profit*	3,8	5,8	1,8	5,9	1,2	3,1	5,9	11,0	0,9	6,2	-0,2	2,8
Backlog	1 498	1 523	1 532	1 832	1 666	1 458	2 053	1 731	1 647	1 467	1 227	
Gross margin	5,4%	5,8%	3,5%	4,4%	3,4%	3,5%	3,2%	4,4%	4,0%	5,0%	2,3%	5,4%
ZUE standalone	5,2%	4,5%	2,4%	2,8%	3,1%	2,7%	3,1%	4,3%	3,7%	4,8%	2,0%	5,0%
subsidiaries	8,1%	14,9%	16,7%	17,5%	6,3%	12,4%	4,4%	6,7%	8,2%	6,2%	5,6%	8,9%
EBIT margin	2,3%	2,4%	1,2%	2,1%	0,8%	1,4%	2,0%	2,9%	1,8%	2,2%	0,4%	1,4%
Net margin*	2,4%	2,7%	0,7%	2,0%	0,5%	1,1%	1,6%	1,9%	0,3%	2,1%	-0,1%	0,9%

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- The company has reported preliminary consolidated Q4'24 results.
- ZUE generated revenue of PLN 298m in Q4'24 (-49% y/y). We had expected PLN 365m. The y/y drop in revenue is mainly a consequence of a lower backlog (after Q3'24, it amounted to PLN 1.23bn, which was -40% y/y).
- Gross margin in Q4'24 (5.4%) surprised on the upside and is better q/q and y/y (2.3% in Q3'24 and 4.3% a year ago).
- EBIT amounted to PLN 5.7m (vs. PLN 17.2m a year ago), while net income (before minority income) was PLN 3.9m (vs. PLN 11.0m in Q4'23). This is 35% and 39% above our expectations for Q4'24, respectively. The y/y drop in earnings is a consequence of the aforementioned lower backlog, It should also be remembered that Q4'23 was heavily supported on revenues by the end of the 2014-20 EU funding settlement period.
- Trading company Railway gft Polska and road company Energopol generated positive net results for the full year 2024.
- The company will present its full report on 27 March 2025.

**BDM Comment:** Q4'24 results are above our expectations on profitability. This allowed the company to generate a net profit higher than our forecasts, despite a deeper decline in revenues. In Q4'24, the company was completing a large contract for the Annopol tram depot; the good results of the period may tentatively indicate that the contract did not take a toll on earnings (the company won this order at the end of 2021, so before the wave of cost increases). The negative y/y revenue growth will continue for the next few quarters in our view. The portfolio's ratio to revenue is the lowest it has been in more than a dozen years (the company did not provide the current value in the announcement, but it can be estimated that it is currently around PLN 1bn). The prospects for its strengthening have started to improve in recent months, with the pace of rail tenders indicating that new contracts may already have only a small impact on 2025 revenues.



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Hold	11,0	Hold	11,1	22.08.2024*	11:55 CEST	10,60	84 528
Hold	11,1	Accumulate	8,43	22.04.2024*	14:28 CEST	11,10	84 109
Accumulate	8,43	Buy	7,76	04.01.2024*	09:55 CEST	7,86	77 054
Buy	7,76	relaunch		12.09.2023*	13:45 CEST	5,62	66 241
Buy	11,8			17.02.2017	14:39 CEST	9,94	58 348

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