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j2 Global Communications (JCOM)

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

MARKET OUTPERFORM / SPECULATIVE RISK

EARNINGS UPDATE

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JCOM: 4Q04 AHEAD OF GUIDANCE

MARKET DATA		
JCOM	$33.99	2/3/2005
Target Price	$50	
Market	NASDAQ	
52 Wk Hi - Low	$36.35	- $18.82
Market Cap. (MM)	$877.2	
Shares Out (MM)	25.81	
Public Mkt Float (MM)	19.9	
Avg. Daily Vol (000)	533	

BALANCE SHEET METRICS (12/31/04)	
Cash (MM)	$93.6
LTD (MM)	$1.2
Debt/Capital	0.8%
Book Value/Share	$5.9

EARNINGS DATA			
FY - 12/31	**2003 A**	**2004 A**	**2005 E**
1Q - 03/31	$0.20	$0.25	$0.38
2Q - 06/30	$0.24	$0.29	$0.42
3Q - 09/30	$0.28	$0.32	$0.45
4Q - 12/31	$0.32	$0.37	$0.50
Full Year EPS	$1.04	$1.24	$1.75
Revenue (MM)	$71.6	$106.3	$148.5
EBITDA (MM)	27.3	46.0	61.6

VALUATION METRICS			
Price/Earnings	32.6x	27.3x	19.5x
Price/Revenue	12.2x	8.2x	5.9x
Price/EBITDA	32.2x	19.1x	14.2x

Source: BigCharts.com

REPORTS 4Q04 RESULTS Yesterday, j2 Global Communications reported 4Q04 results representing the company's 31st consecutive quarter of revenue growth. Total 4Q04 revenues of $29.8 MM were up 7% quarter over quarter, 46% year over year, and $0.3 MM ahead of our forecast and company guidance. 4Q04 EPS of $0.37 was ahead of our estimate of $0.32. With consistent, and strong growth, we believe JCOM continues to execute on its DID based business model.

DID REVENUES DRIVE GROWTH j2 added 38.7K net numbers, up 8% sequentially but slower than the 10% growth experienced in the previous quarter. We believe that seasonal factors such as holidays and vacations contributed to the slower growth during 4Q04. DID revenues for the quarter were 27.9 MM, comprising a stable 98% of total quarterly revenues. Recurring subscriber fees grew 8.9% quarter over quarter to $20.8 MM while usage charges grew 4.6% to $8.2MM. Gross margins and operating margins rose to 85.1% and 44% respectively, compared to 84.3% and 43% respectively during 3Q04. We are encouraged by the continued growth in j2 Global's core DID revenue base.

ENTERPRISE REVENUES COULD PROVIDE UPSIDE JCOM provided the following guidance for 2005:

1) Revenues between $145-148 MM
2) EPS between $1.70-$1.75
3) Tax rate between 25-28%

We believe JCOM could derive increasing revenues from the enterprise market, especially during 2H05. In our view, this could add an additional $5 MM to our current 2005 revenue estimate of $148.5 MM.

2005 ESTIMATES Our 2005 revenue estimate of $148.5 MM is largely unchanged and in line with management guidance. We have raised our 2005 EPS estimate to $1.75 from $1.50, to bring it in line with new guidance. In our view, the estimate revision reflects the effect of the lower expected tax rate of 25-28%.

RISKS Tight information technology budgets represent the greatest risk for J2 in our view

J2Global Communications
FY End Dec 31
Income Statement ($ MM) (except per share data)

	2003	1Q04	2Q04	3Q04	4Q04	2004	1Q05E	2Q05E	3Q05E	4Q05E	2005E	2006E
Revenues												
Subscriber	68.1	22.1	25.1	27.0	29.1	103.2	31.3	34.4	37.9	41.7	145.3	192.1
Advertising	2.7	0.8	0.6	0.7	0.7	2.7	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.7	2.9	4.0
Licensing & Other	0.8	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.4	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.4	0.4
Total Revenue	**$71.6**	**$22.9**	**$25.8**	**$27.8**	**$29.8**	**106.3**	**$32.2**	**$35.2**	**$38.7**	**$42.5**	**$148.5**	**$196.5**
Total Revenue YoY Change	*49%*	*51%*	*52%*	*47%*	*46%*	*48%*	*40%*	*36%*	*39%*	*42%*	*40%*	*32%*
Total Revenue QoQ Change		*12%*	*13%*	*8%*	*7%*		*8%*	*9%*	*10%*	*10%*		
COGS	13.3	3.6	4.1	4.4	4.4	16.5	5.1	5.6	6.2	6.8	23.8	31.4
Gross Profit	**58.3**	**19.3**	**21.8**	**23.4**	**25.4**	**89.8**	**27.0**	**29.6**	**32.5**	**35.7**	**124.8**	**165.1**
Gross Margin	*81%*	*84%*	*84%*	*84%*	*85%*	*84%*	*84%*	*84%*	*84%*	*84%*	*84%*	*84%*
Operating Expenses												
R&D	4.2	1.1	1.3	1.4	1.5	5.2	1.6	1.8	2.3	2.5	8.2	10.8
SG&A	26.9	8.3	9.5	10.1	10.7	38.5	11.9	13.0	14.3	15.7	55.0	70.8
% of Sales Research and Develop	*6%*	*5%*	*5%*	*5%*	*5%*	*5%*	*5%*	*5%*	*6%*	*6%*	*6%*	*5%*
% of Sales Selling, General and A	*37%*	*36%*	*37%*	*36%*	*36%*	*36%*	*37%*	*37%*	*37%*	*37%*	*37%*	*36%*
Total Operating Expense	31.0	9.3	10.8	11.5	12.2	43.8	13.5	14.8	16.6	18.3	63.2	81.6
Operating Income	27.3	10.0	11.0	11.9	13.1	46.0	13.5	14.8	15.9	17.4	61.6	83.5
Operating Margin	*38%*	*44%*	*43%*	*43%*	*44%*	*43%*	*42%*	*42%*	*41%*	*41%*	*41%*	*43%*
Net Interest Income (expense)	0.4	0.2	0.4	0.5	0.1	1.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.8	0.8
Earnings Before Taxes	27.7	10.2	11.4	12.4	13.2	47.2	13.7	15.0	16.1	17.6	62.4	84.3
Taxes	1.4	3.8	3.9	4.3	3.7	15.6	3.8	4.2	4.5	4.8	17.3	22.8
Tax Rate	*5%*	*37%*	*34%*	*35%*	*28%*	*33%*	*28%*	*28%*	*28%*	*27%*	*28%*	*27%*
Net Income	**26.3**	**6.4**	**7.5**	**8.1**	**9.6**	**31.6**	**9.9**	**10.8**	**11.6**	**12.9**	**45.1**	**61.6**
Net Margin	*37%*	*28%*	*29%*	*29%*	*32%*	*30%*	*31%*	*31%*	*30%*	*30%*	*30%*	*31%*
EPS	**1.04**	**0.25**	**0.29**	**0.32**	**0.37**	**1.24**	**0.38**	**0.42**	**0.45**	**0.50**	**1.75**	**2.37**
Shares	25.27	25.56	25.58	25.57	25.81	25.43	25.81	25.81	25.81	25.81	25.81	26.00

Source: Company documents, Rodman & Renshaw Research estimates

J2 Global Balance Sheet

$ in millions except for per share data

ASSETS	1Q03	2Q03	3Q03	4Q03	1Q04	2Q04	3Q04	4Q04
Cash and equivalents	38.7	46.5	46.3	46.9	47.0	50.9	42.3	39.9
Short-term investments	-	-	8.2	8.5	6.4	5.2	12.7	26.1
Accounts Receivable	4.8	5.2	5.9	5.9	7.5	8.1	8.8	8.2
Inventories	-	-						
Other Current Assets	1.2	1.2	2.3	12.6	9.3	12.3	7.8	5.0
Total Current Assets	**44.7**	**53.0**	**62.7**	**73.9**	**70.2**	**76.5**	**71.7**	**79.3**
PP&E Net	6.2	6.2	6.6	6.6	6.3	6.9	8.7	12.4
Goodwill & Other	17.4	17.4	18.0	17.9	15.6	19.1	20.0	20.2
Other Assets	1.0	1.0	0.4	14.5	27.7	26.9	41.9	41.5
Total Assets	**69.3**	**77.5**	**87.6**	**112.9**	**119.9**	**129.5**	**142.3**	**153.3**
LIABILITIES								
Accounts Payable	2.3	2.3	3.6	4.0	4.0	5.0	5.4	5.5
Current Portion of LTO	0.5	0.5	1.3	1.0	0.5	0.6	1.7	1.2
Deferred Revenues	2.9	2.9	3.7	4.7	5.1	5.3	5.6	5.4
Other Liabilities	0.3	0.3						0.4
Total Current Liabilities	**6.1**	**6.1**	**8.5**	**9.7**	**9.6**	**10.9**	**12.7**	**12.5**
Long Term Debt	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.3	1.0	0.9
Other L-Term Obligations	-	-	-					
Total Liabilities	**6.2**	**6.2**	**8.9**	**10.0**	**10.0**	**11.2**	**13.7**	**13.4**
EQUITY								
Shareholders' Equity	63.3	64.3	78.8	102.9	109.9	118.3	128.6	140.0
Total Liabilities and Equity	**69.4**	**70.4**	**87.6**	**112.9**	**119.9**	**129.5**	**142.3**	**153.3**

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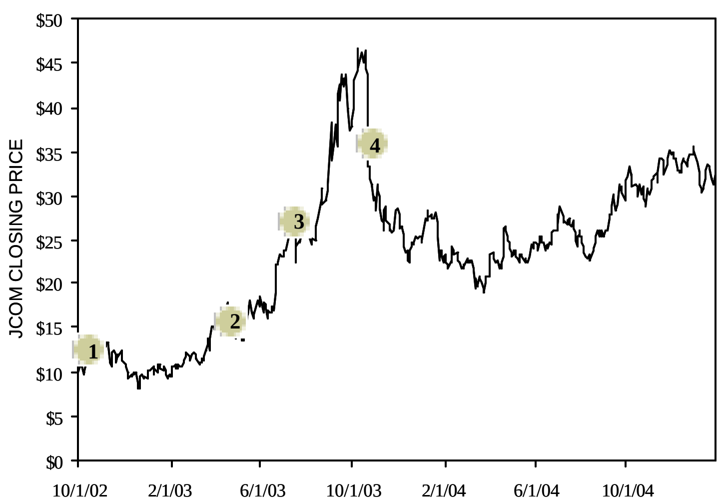

Date, Rating, Price Target
1. 11/01/02, Outperform, $19
2. 04/22/03, Outperform, $22.5
3. 07/11/03, Outperform, $36
4. 10/21/03, Outperform, $50

RATING SUMMARY

Rating	Research Coverage (Past 12 months)	Investment Banking Services Provided
Outperform	71%	49%
Perform	29%	44%
Underperform	0%	NA

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