

billion) the world's largest manufacturer and servicer of elevators and escalators; UTC Climate (\$16.8 billion) makes heating, ventilating, and air-conditioning (HVAC) equipment; Sikorsky (\$6.2 billion)

Rock, 6.7% (3/14 proxy). Employs about 212,000. Chairman & CEO: Louis R. Chenevert. Inc.: DE. Address: One Financial Plaza, Hartford, CT 06103. Tel.: 860-728-7000. Internet: www.utc.com.

**ANNUAL RATES** Past Est'd '11-'13 Past 5 Yrs. 3.5% 6.0% 6.0% to '17-'19 5.5% 8.5% 9.0% of change (per sh) 10 Yrs. 8.0% 9.0% 10.0% Revenues "Cash Flow" Earnings Dividends Book Value 15.0% 11.5%

29610

6431

15731

23786

1624

29442

6965

15335

22800

500

**Current Assets** 

Accts Payable Debt Due

Current Liab.

29820

6949

15678

22931

304

Cal- endar	QUAR Mar.31		VENUES ( Sep.30		Full Year
2011	13344	15076	14804	14966	58190
2012	12416	13807	15042	16443	57708
2013	14399	16006	15462	16759	62626
2014	14745	16630	16325	17500	65200
2015	15500	17500	17200	18400	68600
Cal-	EARNINGS PER SHARE A				Full
endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Year
2011	1.11	1.45	1.47	1.47	5.49
2012	1.31	1.62	1.37	1.04	5.34
2013	1.39	1.71	1.57	1.60	6.21
2014	1.32	1.85	1.80	1.88	6.85
2015	1.60	2.00	1.95	2.05	7.60
Cal-	QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID B=				Full
endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Year
2010	.425	.425	.425	.425	1.70
2011	.425	.48	.48	.48	1.87
2012	.48	.48	.535	.535	2.03
2013	.535	.535	.535	.59	2.20
2014	50	50			l

United Technologies started the year on a fairly decent note, but things should pick up as 2014 wears on. Sales increased 2% in the March quarter, and share earnings slipped 5%. Much of the bottom-line decline was due to restructuring costs and net divestitures. That said, we still expect share net to advance more than 10% this year, to the high end of management's guidance range (\$6.65-\$6.85). All five of UTX's segments are performing well, and we think margins will expand handsomely yet again this year, offsetting the aforementioned restructuring charges and a likely higher tax rate.

Cash flow generation remains robust. UTX is spinning off lots of cash these days, despite an increased capital spending budget. The company bought back \$335 million worth of stock in the opening quarter, and continues to anticipate share repurchases, acquisitions, and debt reductions of \$1 billion each in 2014.

The company's Sikorsky Aircraft arm announced a new agreement with the Canadian Maritime Helicopter Program. As a result of the amended contract, Sikorsky will record sales of about

\$850 million and a charge of \$440 million in the second quarter. Management said the charge will be offset by other one-time gains that will occur over the course of the year, so UTX's bottom-line guidance remained unchanged.

This stock does not really stand out from its Dow-30 counterparts. Recent share-price momentum has not been great, and the March-quarter EPS comparison was lackluster, so UTX is ranked Below Average for Timeliness. Looking long term, the bottom line is expected to continue advancing at a swift pace between now and the end of the decade, but we think much of that growth is already reflected in the stock price. Moreover, the dividend yield is only about average, and the \$0.055 increase to the quarterly payout we are expecting to be announced in February, 2015 will not alter the yield much. The stock does get high marks for Price Stability and Earnings Predictability, which affords it our Highest Safety rank, but there are other similarly high-quality issues out there that investors would be better served looking at, for now. Erik M. Manning July 18, 2014

(A) Diluted EPS. Excludes discontinued operations: '99, 68¢, '04, 15¢, '05, 6¢, '12, 32¢, '13, 4¢. Quarterly figures may not sum due to rounding and/or changes in share count. Next | reinvestment plan available.

earnings report due late July. **(B)** Dividends historically paid in early March, June, September, and December. ■ Dividend (D) In millions, adjusted for stock split.

**(C)** Includes intangibles. In 2013: \$43.7 billion, \$47.67 a share.

Company's Financial Strength Stock's Price Stability A++ 90 Price Growth Persistence **Earnings Predictability** 95

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