

Cash Assets 110804 109316 131943 Securities Owned Other 326298 474405 288660 458264 293004 436448 Total Assets 911507 856240 861395 ST Financings 44692 44540 42787 160965 627383 175422 556458 LT Borrowings 167571 Total Liab. 833040 773443 774667

ANNUAL RATES Past Past Est'd '13-'15 of change (per sh) 10 Yrs. 5 Yrs. to '19-'21 Revenues 6.0% 8.0% 5.5% 13.0% 11.5% 10.0% 18.5% Dividends 7.5% **Book Value** 18.5% 6.5%

Cal- endar			/ENUES (\$ Sep.Per		Full Year
2013	11773	10449	8280	10372	40874
2014	10885	10704	9635	8861	40085
2015		10556			39208
2016		11300			45500
2017	13000	11500	12000	12640	49140
Cal-	EARNINGS PER SHARE AB				Full
endar	Mar.Per	Jun.Per	Sep.Per	Dec.Per	
2013	4.29	3.70	2.88	4.59	15.46
2014	4.02	4.10	4.57	4.38	17.07
2015	5.94	4.75	2.90	4.68	18.32
2016		4.90			19.50
2017	5.00	4.50	5.00	5.50	20.00
Cal-	QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID C				Full
endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Year
2012	.35	.46	.46	.50	1.77
2013	.50	.50	.50	.55	2.05
2014	.55	.55	.55	.60	2.25
2015	.60	.65	.65	.65	2.55
2016	.65				

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Shares of Goldman Sachs have experienced uneven downward price pressure since our January report. The stock price likely declined due to mixed fourth-quarter results, as well as concerns about the company's performance in the first quarter of 2016. (Goldman is scheduled to report March-quarter earnings before the market opens on April 19th). In the fourth quarter, it saw a slight decline in net revenues (excluding interest expense) from those of the prior-year period. While the Investment Banking segment was strong, thanks to solid merger and acquisition activity, weakness in modities and equities markets hurt other operating segments. Goldman saw a steep decline in GAAP earnings, but after ex-cluding nonrecurring settlement provisions related to lawsuits stemming from the company's mortgage bond sales during the recession of 2007-2009, earnings rose slightly over those of the prior-year period. Revenue headwinds have continued into this year. Investment banks saw one of their most turbulent periods since the last recession in the first three months of 2016. The strong U.S. dollar continued to Spear, Leads, & Kellogg, 10/00. Has about 34,000 employees. Parties to Shareholders Agreement c/o G.S. own 7.8% of stock; BlackRock, 5.8%; State Street: 5.6%; off./dir., 3.1% (4/15 Proxy). Chairman/CEO: Lloyd C. Blankfein. President: Gary D. Cohn. Incorporated: DE. Address: 200 West St., New York, NY 10282. Telephone: 212-902-1000. Internet: www.gs.com.

hamper the top line, as this makes revenues earned abroad less valuable in dollar terms. Too, the combination of the strong dollar and concerns over China's economic slowdown sent commodity and equity prices tumbling during stretches of the first quarter. These factors likely hurt Goldman in the first quarter. As a result, we have lowered our first-quarter sales estimate from \$12.7 billion to \$12.0 billion, and our earnings-per-share estimate from \$5.00 to \$3.50.

We expect slow-but-steady growth over the next 3 to 5 years. Global economic and currency headwinds have shown signs of receding recently, and we think that the remainder of 2016 and 2017 will deliver modest growth for the company. Both revenues and earnings per share are likely to increase at high single-digit or low double-digit rates out to the end of this decade.

This equity offers solid appreciation potential out to the 2019-2021 stretch. However, these shares are ranked to underperform the broader market over the next year.

Adam J. Platt

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(A) Fiscal year ends on last Friday in Dec. Prior to fiscal 2009, year ended on last Friday in Nov. Data for stub period (Nov. 28, 2008 - Dec. 27, 2008) incl.: Revenues, \$1,185 million; earn-

ings, (\$2.15).
(B) Dil. egs. Excl. n/r gains/(losses): '00, (35¢);
(10, (\$1.72). Earnings may not sum due to changes in the number of shares out. Next egs.
(D) In millions.

report due late April.

(C) Div'd historically paid in late Feb., May, Aug., and Nov.

(D) In willions

Company's Financial Strength Stock's Price Stability 65
Price Growth Persistence 25
Earnings Predictability 40

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