

## PATTERSON-UTI ENERGY, INC.

### Pioneer Acquisition – Modest Negative

**Quick Take:** Modest Negative. PTEN acquired PES at 19.7x/9.8x pre/post synergies EV/EBITDA vs. PTEN trading at 16x 2021 EV/EBITDA. Deal can be interpreted accretive post synergies, but we prefer accretive deal on pre-synergy basis. Strategically, it provides PTEN international platform, but we are unsure of value add from U.S. business in an already oversupplied market. We look for more color.

**Action:** PTEN acquired Pioneer Energy Services Corp. (PES) for \$295M (\$30M cash and 26.3M shares). PES reported 1Q21 annualized adj. EBITDA of \$15M. After adding \$15M annualized synergies, it implies PTEN paid 19.7x/9.8x pre/post synergies EV/EBITDA vs. PTEN trading at 16x 2021 EV/EBITDA.

**PES Description:** PES has 17 A/C U.S. rigs, 8 SCR Colombia rigs, 123 well servicing rigs and 72 wireline units. At 1Q21 end, 16 rigs were working including 6/1 US/Colombia contracted rigs.

**Stock Reaction:** Modest Negative. The deal could be considered accretive/dilutive based on how investor treat synergies. We prefer accretive deal on pre-synergy basis. Strategically, this deal helps PTEN expand internationally, however we are not sure how this transaction helps domestically in the U.S. We believe there are enough super-spec rigs in the U.S. and even PTEN has 150 super spec rigs vs. only 76 total rigs working today.

**Backboard Plays:** We do not believe this transaction will result in a rash of transactions. PTEN was the only top three land driller that didn't have international exposure. HP, NBR, PDS already have international expansion. Additionally, PES has recently emerged from bankruptcy, which can be argued as somewhat unique situation.

#### Positives

- Provides international platform.
- Accretive deal at 9.8x post synergies vs. PTEN trading at 16x 2021 EV/EBITDA

#### Negatives

- Dilutive deal at 19.7x pre-synergies vs. PTEN trading at 16x 2021 EV/EBITDA
- We are unsure of value add from U.S. business but look for more color.

#### Questions to Ask

- Will service rigs and wireline units be sold? How much should we expect?
- What are margins for land rigs working in the U.S. and contract length?
- What are margins for land rigs working in Colombia. and contract length? How do those margins compare with 2013/14 and 2018/19 margins?

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