

## "Accounting and Auditing: New Market Requirements from the Investor's Perspective"

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## What do Managers & Investors Need to Decide On?

### Some Basic Questions/Decisions

How does the entity create or provide value?

What resources does it have?

How are they being used (sustainability, growth, prospects)?

What obligations exist, and more generally how is the entity funded?

How (and when) are the obligations being paid and serviced, are there (cash) liquidity risks?

How is revenue generated, is it sustainable, are their growth opportunities in volume or price?

What is the service/product being provided, who is the actual customer?

How are the products and services provided/distributed and paid for?

What costs are incurred to create and deliver the products or services?

How well is management performing, and how should they be compensated?

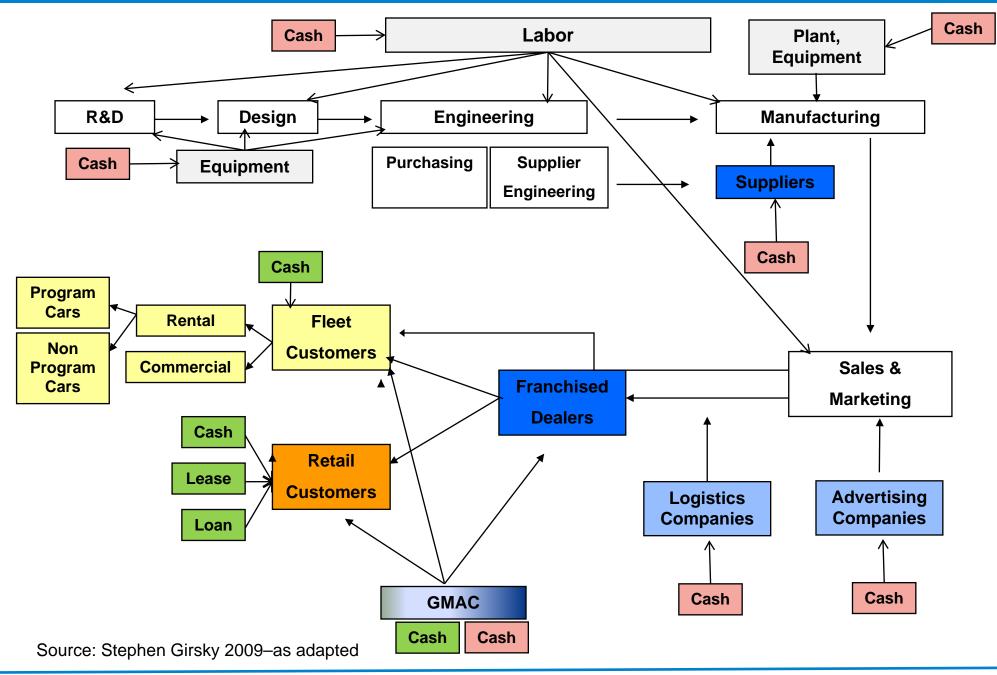
Where should the incremental capital resources be allocated?

Where are the risks and opportunities (volume, price, cost, supply, credit, competition, ..)?

Is the entity a going concern?

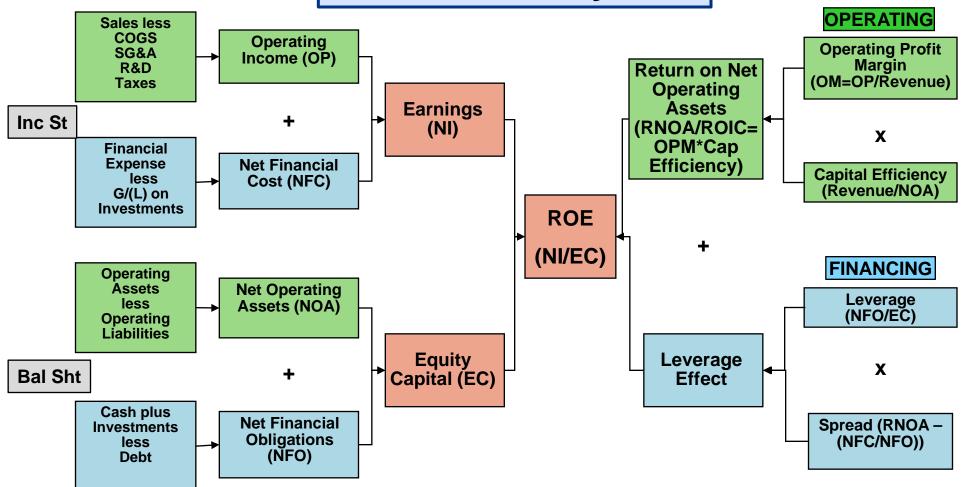
All these require us to look ahead and make a forecast  $\rightarrow$  Uncertainty

### General Motors Operating Cycle: The Picture we are Trying to Measure and Understand



# The Basic Connection Between Financial Statements and Performance Metrics

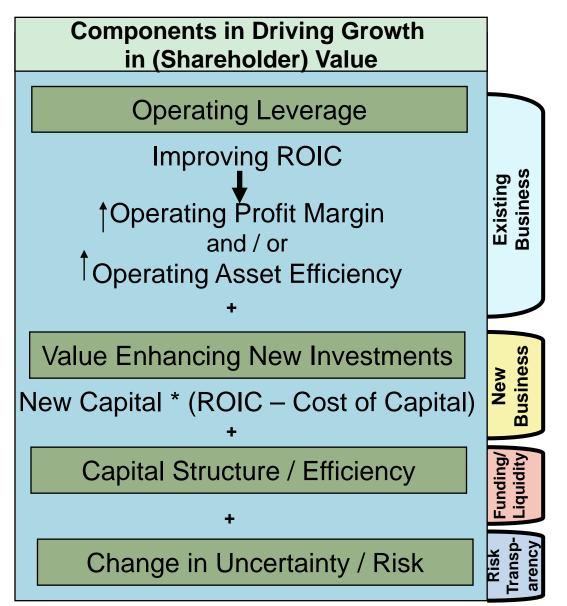
### The Profitability Tree



Source : Morgan Stanley Research; "The Apples to Apples Earnings Monitor" Trevor Harris, December 10, 2000

### What Drives Value and Price:

### **Related to Questions Managers and Investors Should Address**



### Some Key Questions to Consider:

- 1. What are the primary sources of revenue and revenue growth?
- 2. How sustainable is the revenue and growth?
- 3. Where and how can costs be reduced or fixed costs leveraged?
- 4. What activities are most effectively using existing capital?
- 5. Where should we invest new capital or release trapped capital?
- 6. How do liquidity needs and tail-risks impact the capital structure, and risk?
- 7. What is the impact of existing or new businesses on firm profitability and risk (marginal analysis matters)?

## **Examples Using YPF SA: Assets**

### YPF SOCIEDAD ANONIMA AND CONTROLLED AND JOINTLY CONTROLLED C CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2010, 2009 AND 2008

(Amounts expressed in million of Argentine pesos – Note 1.a)

	2010	2009
Current Assets		
Cash	570	669
Investments (Note 3.a)	1,957	1,476
Trade receivables (Note 3.b)	3,322	2,831
Other receivables (Note 3.c)	3,089	2,490
Inventories (Note 3.d)	3,865	3,066
Total current assets	12,803	10,532
Noncurrent Assets		
Trade receivables (Note 3.b)	28	22
Other receivables (Note 3.c)	1,587	527
Investments (Note 3.a)	594	661
Fixed assets (Note 3.e)	31,567	27,993
Intangible assets	10	12
Total noncurrent assets	33,786	29,215
Total assets	46,589	39,747

### YPF SOCIEDAD ANONIMA AND CONTROLLED AND JOINTLY CONTROLLED CO CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010, 2009 AND 2008

(Amounts expressed in million of Argentine pesos, except for per share amounts in Argentine peso

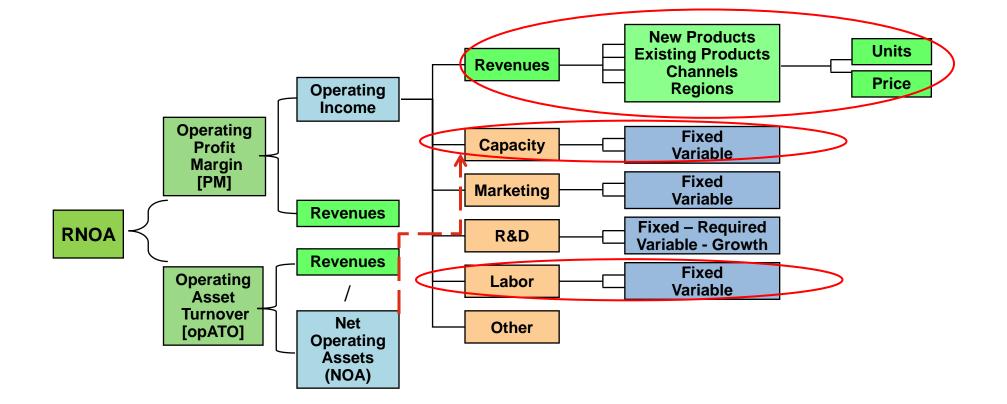
		2010	2009
11	Net sales (Note 3.k)	44,162	34,320
How	Cost of sales (Note 15.d)	(29,899)	(23,177)
Useful	Gross profit	14,263	11,143
are	Selling expenses (Note 15.f)	(3,015)	(2,490)
These	Administrative expenses (Note 15.f)	(1,429)	(1,102)
These?	Exploration expenses (Note 15.f)	(344)	(552)
	Operating income	9,475	6,999
	Income (loss) on long-term investments	79	(9)
	Other (expense) income, net (Note 3.i) Financial income (expense), net and holding gains (losses):	(155)	159
	Gains (losses) on assets	118	109
	Interests Exchange differences	202	109
Or	Holding gains (losses) on inventories	676	(11)
These?	Losses on liabilities		
	Interests	(931)	(958)
	Exchange differences	(444)	(564)
	Net income before income tax	9,020	5,907
	Income tax (Note 3.j)	(3,230)	(2,218)
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# **Key Questions to Ask When Analyzing Expenses**

- •What are the key costs?
- •How/Where are they sourced?
- •What is the **mix** of capacity, labor, materials and technology?
- •How do these **compare** with others in the industry?
- •For each cost what portion is **fixed:** over what period &/or volume (capacity)?
- •How are costs expected to change and why (productivity versus price)?

•The Key in analyzing costs is to understand how to get operating efficiency which feeds into operating margins and/or greater efficiency (revenue per \$ spent) in the use of resources (operating assets)

### **Relating the Profitability Tree to More Detailed Analysis**



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### **GM Expenses Breakdown Summary**

#### **PRODUCTION COSTS**

		2005		2006		2007
	Materials and parts	96,225	1	.00,589	1	.06,237
	per unit manufactured	\$ 10,631	\$	10,956	\$	11,441
	Labor	32,120		28,828		27,221
	per unit manufactured	\$ 3,549	\$	3,140	\$	2,931
	Depreciation (Capacity)	9,591		8,768		8,709
1	per unit manufactured	\$ 3,549	\$	3,140	\$	2,931
/	Warranty expenses	16,602		18,009		18,974
	per unit manufactured	\$ 1,834	\$	1,969	\$	2,013
	Other	666		906		5,140
	per unit manufactured	\$ 74	\$	<i>99</i>	\$	553

	2005	2006	2007		
Production Costs	155,203	157,100	166,280		
per unit manufactured	\$ 17,147	\$ 17,119	\$ 17,876		
Selling Expenses	7,152	7,508	7,927		
per unit sold	\$ 779	\$ 826	\$ 846		
G&A	5,851	6,143	6,485		
per unit manufactured	\$ 646	\$ 669	\$ <b>698</b>		

#### SELLING EXPENSES

	2005	2006		2007
Labor	880		713	684
per unit sold	\$ <del>96</del>	\$	78	\$ 73
Advertising	5,800		5,400	5,500
per unit sold	\$ <b>632</b>	\$	<b>594</b>	\$ 587
Depreciation (Capacity)	161		168	173
per unit sold	\$ 18	\$	18	\$ 18
Bad Debt Expense	73		56	-
per unit sold	\$ 8	\$	6	\$ -
Other	238		1,182	1,556
per unit sold	\$ 26	\$	129	\$ <b>168</b>
G&A EXPENSES				
	2005		2006	2007
Labor	5,720		3,563	3,420
per unit manufactured	\$ <u>632</u>	\$	388	\$ 368 -
Depreciation (Capacity)	107		112	115
per unit manufactured	\$ 12	\$	12	\$ 12
1	24		2,468	2,950
Other				

#### LABOR EXPENSES 2005 2006 2007 Wages: Hourly employees 14,256 14,317 13,376 Salaried employees 11,000 7,125 6,840 Pension/healthcare 2,214 1,815 4,921 11,250 9,846 Legacy costs 6,188 38,720 33,103 31,325 Total

→ Due to a huge reduction of over 30% in the salaried workforce between 2005 and 2006

## **More Details on Cost of Sales**

d) Cost of sales

	2010	2009
Inventories at beginning of year	3,066	3,449
Purchases for the year	9,631	5,873
Production costs (Note 15.f)	20,391	16,932
Holding gains (losses) on inventories	676	(11)
Inventories at end of year	(3,865)	(3,066)
Cost of sales	29,899	23,177

### From Argentine GAAP disclosures and MD&A only

## "Cost of sales

Our cost of sales accounted for 67.7%, 67.5% and 68.9% of our consolidated net sales in 2010, 2009 and 2008, respectively. Our cost of sales increased between 2008 and 2010, mainly as a result of: increased purchases of crude oil from third parties, driven by our efforts to maintain our high refinery utilization rates in light of our declining production; increased purchases of natural gas and diesel from third parties; higher labor costs; higher costs related to the renegotiation of certain service contracts; and inflation."

Cost of Sales in		2010					
Detail		Production costs	Administrative expenses	Selling expenses	Exploration expenses	Total	
	Salaries and social security taxes Fees and compensation for	1,710	442	293	67	2,512	
From Argentine GAAP	Other personnel expenses Taxes, charges and	222 488	- + -	57 26	8 12	718 623	
disclosures only	contributions Royalties and easements Insurance	351 2,970 150		555 8 20	11	952 2,989 177	
	Rental of real estate and equipment Survey expenses	487	4	80	 98	571 98	
	Depreciation of fixed assets Industrial inputs, consumable materials and supplies Operation services and other	5,036 825		129 59	3	5,273 895	
	service contracts Preservation, repair and	2,228	70	172	—	2,470	
Major Costs	maintenance Contractual commitments Unproductive exploratory	2,955 411	38		13	<u>3,084</u> 411	
Related to Capacity	drillings Transportation, products and	—	—	—	112	112	
Capacity	charges Allowance (recovery) for	1,037	4	1,346		2,387	
	doubtful trade receivables Publicity and advertising expenses	_		24 94	_	24 192	
	Fuel, gas, energy and miscellaneous	1,521	76	74	20	1,691	

Total 2010 .....

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1,429 3,015

344

25,179

20,391

## **Segment Data for the Major Components**

	Exploration and Production	Refining and Marketing	Chemical
Year ended December 31, 2010			
Net sales to unrelated parties	4,611	34,209	2,445
Net sales to related parties	981	917	_
Net intersegment sales	17,428	1,668	1,871
Net sales	23,020	36,794	4,316
Operating income (loss)	6,210	3,313	874
Income on long-term investments	<mark>6</mark> 9	10	_
Depreciation	4,497	551	105
Acquisitions of fixed assets	6,790	1,826	712
Assets	26,245	14,043	2,779

### How can we relate this to the detailed disclosures?

## What Can we Really Learn About Capacity?

			Cost					
Main account	Amounts at beginning of year	Net translation effect <sup>(5)</sup>	Increases	Net decreases, reclassifications and transfers	Amounts at the end of year			
Land and buildings	3,206	_	17	162	3,385			
Mineral property, wells and related equipment Refinery equipment and	61,501	14	936	4.079	66,530			
petrochemical plants	10,847		7	588	11,442			
Transportation equipment Materials and equipment in	1,973	$\searrow$	ģ	15				
warehouse	814	<b>—</b>	1,572	(1,069	) 1,317			
Drilling and work in progress	3,640	_	6,553	(4,619				
Exploratory drilling in progress	119	—	266	(137				
Furniture, fixtures and installations	884 💊	-	9	48				
					Depreciation			
Main	account		Accumulated at beginning of year	Net decreases, reclassifications and transfers	Depreciation rate I	ncreases	Accumulated at the end of year	Net book value
Land	d and buildings .		. 1,219	(16)	2%	79	1,282	2,103
Mine	eral property, we	ells and related						
	uipment		45,162	(5)	(4)	4,442	49,599	16,931
	nery equipment		5.100		4 100/			2.020
	trochemical plan		-		4 - 10%	513	7,614	3,828
	sportation equip erials and equip		. 1,433	(10)	4 - 5%	65	1,488	509
	arehouse		_	_		_	_	1,317
	ling and work in			_		_	_	5,574
	loratory drilling	* *		_	_ 1	_	_	248
-	niture, fixtures ar			_	10%	87	761	180
	ng equipment			(2)	10%	62	1,236	296
	er property			(8)	10%	25	339	683
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# **Some Other Issues that Complicate Usefulness**

- How Much Do Auditors Consider the Business vs. the Rules?
- Treatment of Significant Interests Joint Ventures
  - Argentinian GAAP Proportional
  - US GAAP Equity Accounting
- How to Relate Details in MD&A to Reported Numbers and Where Uncertainties Lie especially re:

## **Volume \* Price**

- Choice of Functional Currency
  - Argentinian GAAP Peso
  - US GAAP US Dollar

### What is "Real" Cash Flow for Multinationals?

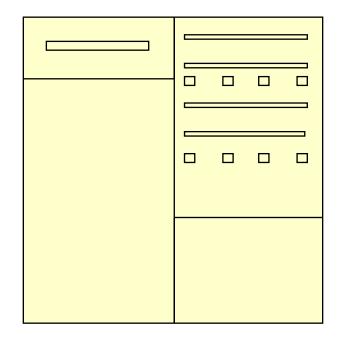
Date	Cash Euro (€)	Exchange Rate	Cash – US\$ Option 1: ∆ \$ Cash	Cash – US\$ Option 2: Conversion	Cash – US\$ Option 3: ∆€Cash
Jan. 1	€10,000	1.46	\$14,600		
Feb. 10	10,200	1.50		15,300	
Mar. 1	(10,500)	1.43		(15,015)	
Mar. 31 (actual)	€9,700	1.48	\$14,356		
"Cash Flow"	€(300)		\$(244)	\$185	\$(444)
Change in Cash	€(300)		\$(244)	\$(244)	\$(244)
Exchange Gain/(Loss)	0			\$(429)	\$200

Question: Which \$ cash flow measure should be used for evaluating the business (or a DCF based valuation)?

# What Lies Ahead? Investor Analysis

### Speech in 1984:

### 2001 an Accounting Odyssey





### **Company Ledger**

**Investor / Analyst** 



# What Lies Ahead? Investor Analysis (cont'd)

