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## Operating leverage persists into F2022; fair value increased to \$630 per share

- ✓ UHAL reported 1Q F2022 sales up ~49% to \$1.47 billion while operating income and EPS jumped to \$494.2 million and \$17.60, respectively, from \$\$154 million and \$4.47 in the prior year period. By our calculation, EBITDA almost doubled to \$615.9 million.
- ✓ At the core-Moving & Storage segment, sales increased ~50% to \$1.39 billion, reflecting a ~58% increase at Moving and a 26% rise at Storage. Operating income jumped ~220% to \$483 million.
- ✓ At quarter-end, UHAL had net debt of ~3.15 billion (compared with \$3.475 billion at the end of F2021 and ~\$4.13 billion at the end of F2020) and a net leverage ratio of less than 2.0x, by our calculation.
- ✓ As mentioned in previous notes, we think the recent, primarily pandemic-driven, slowdown in spending at UHAL, particularly on real estate, and the seeming two-year runway back toward "normalization" augurs well for continued improvements in profitability (and investor sentiment); to that end, capital spending at Storage, primarily aimed at footprint expansion, roughly halved in F2021, which, in part, drove a 26% increase in average occupied units in 1Q F2022 as well as an improvement in average monthly occupancy, which stood at 79.7% in 1Q F2022 (vs. 74.3% at the end of F2021 and 67.6% in 2Q F2021). These improvements, coupled with increases in utilization at Moving, resulted in operating margin expansion at the core-Moving & Storage segment to 34.6% in 1Q F2022 from 16.4% in the prior year period.
- ✓ Our fair value estimate is increased to \$630 per share, reflecting an ~8.5x multiple on F2022E Moving & Storage EBITDA of \$1.84 billion, the insurance assets at book value and net debt of ~\$3.15 billion (see Exhibit #1 on page 2).
- ✓ That said, we may make further adjustments following this morning's conference call at 11 a.m. (ET).

#### Amerco

(NASDAQ: UHAL)

Date (8/5/21)

Price \$584.11/share

Market capitalization ~\$11.45B

Moving & Storage: \$751/share

Moving: \$364/share

Storage: \$387/share

**Insurance:** \$37/share

Repwest: \$13/share

Oxford: \$24/share

Corporate/Net Debt: (\$159/share)

SOTP: \$630 per share\*

\*SOTP may not add due to rounding

(See the report dated 6/1/2018 and updates from 8/14/2018, 3/27/2020, 5/28/2020, 8/6/2020, 11/5/2020 and 2/4/21 for more info.)

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# **HIDDEN OPPORTUNITIES**

"Valuing possible breakups by providing sum-of-the-parts analysis."

### Exhibit #1 Amerco: Sum-of-the-Parts Fair Value

(\$ in millions, except per share figures)

					<u>Enterprise</u>		
_	<b>Moving</b>	<b>Storage</b>	<b>Eliminations</b>	<u>Insurance</u>	<b>Value</b>	Net Debt	Market Cap
2022E Revenue	\$3,800.4	\$670.1	(\$6.5)				
Operating margin	17.0%	70.0%					
Operating income	\$646.1	\$469.0	(\$2.5)				
EBITDA margin	<u>34.9%</u>	<u>77.0%</u>					
2022EEBITDA	\$1,325.3	\$516.3	(\$2.5)			(\$3,153.4)	
Applied multiple	<u>5.5x</u>	15.0x	<u>8.2x</u>			1.0x	
Enterprise value	\$7,289.1	\$7,743.9	(\$20.4)	\$741.8	\$15,754.4	(\$3,153.4)	<b>\$12,601.0</b>
Diluted shares	<u>20.0</u>	<u>20.0</u>	<u>20.0</u>	<u>20.0</u>		<u>20.0</u>	<u>20.0</u>
Per share basis	\$364.46	\$387.20	(\$1.02)	\$37.09		(\$157.67)	\$630.05
Bull (10x)	\$430.72	\$438.82	(\$1.18)	\$37.09		(\$157.67)	\$747.78
Base	\$364.46	\$387.20	(\$1.02)	\$37.09		(\$157.67)	\$630.05
Bear (7.5x)	\$298.19	\$335.57	(\$0.86)	\$37.09		(\$157.67)	\$512.32

Source: Company reports, Bloomberg, and Institutional Research Group estimates.