

NAOS Emerging Opportunities Company (NCC)

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MONTHLY INVESTMENT REPORT AND NTA UPDATE

NAOS

KEY CHARACTERISTICS

1. Genuine Exposure to Undervalued Emerging Companies with an Industrial Focus

Regardless of market capitalisation and/or liquidity, NCC seeks to provide investors with exposure to high quality, undervalued emerging companies (market capitalisation generally <\$250 million) in a transparent and concentrated structure that has the competitive advantage of being a nimble closed ended structure with no liquidity constraints.

2. Sustainable Growing Fully Franked Dividends

NCC's dividend has grown every year since inception with dividends usually paid on a six-monthly basis. To date all dividends have been fully franked.

3. Focus on Quality of Companies Not Quantity or Size

Our primary focus is on developing a deep understanding and appreciation of the companies in our portfolio. We believe the best way to achieve this is to focus on a select number (target 0-15) of high quality investment ideas in order to capitalise on our 'long term knowledge & liquidity advantage'. We target an Internal Hurdle Rate of 20% p.a. over a rolling three-year period for all our investment holdings.

4. Portfolio Flexibility with a Benchmark Unaware Approach

This means we are not forced holders of stocks with large benchmark/index weightings that we are not convinced are attractive investment propositions. NCC can also hold up to 100% cash. It has been proven that holding cash offers the 'best hedge' during times of crisis.

5. Significant Alignment of Interests with Shareholders

NAOS employees/directors own over 10 million NCC shares, providing shareholders with a significant alignment of interests.

6. Environmental, Social and

Governance (ESG) NAOS adopts an ESG screen across its investments.

Net Tangible Asset Value Breakdown as at 28 February 2018

Pre Tax NTA:	\$1.37
Post Tax & Pre Unrealised Gains Tax NTA:	\$1.34
Post Tax NTA:	\$1.29
Share Price:	\$1.43
Historical Fully Franked Dividend Yield	5.07%

Investment Portfolio Performance & Market Insight

The NCC investment portfolio produced a return of -1.52% compared to the Benchmark Small Ordinaries Accumulation Index which returned +0.03%. This brings the performance since inception of 5 years to +127.54% vs. the Benchmark which has returned +36.48%. February brought with it both the 5-year anniversary of NCC, as well as the half-year update for many of the investments held within the investment portfolio. Historically, reporting season tends to be a time when the NCC investment portfolio springs to life, and it was somewhat disappointing this reporting season did not provide the same lift. In saying that, there are a number of catalysts that may well eventuate prior to the end of the financial year; the recent transaction by Wingara (ASX: WNR) highlights our belief that share price movements are often the last variables (or output) to change.

In our opinion, the companies in the portfolio which provided the more disappointing market updates included BSA Limited (ASX: BSA) and Big River Group (ASX: BRI). The major disappointment regarding BSA's results were the losses generated from what we believe is the non-core legacy construction division, which offset the excellent performance of the telecommunications division. With regard to BRI, the core distribution business provided a solid result with excellent margin growth, though this was offset by poor performance in the manufacturing division, mainly relating to the manufacturing of Formply and competition from cheaper, lower quality imported products. Importantly, both companies have core businesses that should provide significant growth over the medium to long term, but are currently discounted by the market due to non-core operations that don't exhibit the same characteristics.

A number of companies in the portfolio provided excellent market updates, these include CML Group (ASX: CGR) which continues to grow organically well ahead of market expectations. Eneo Group (ASX: EGG) showed excellent cash conversion and acquired an agency with a technology skill set based in Australia, which will be highly complementary to the existing EGG businesses that arguably do not have the technological offering to compete against some of their peers. Finally, Wingara announced a significant acquisition which we will comment further on in next month's report.

	1 Month	1 Year	3 Years (p.a.)	4 Years (p.a.)	5 Years (p.a.)	Inception (p.a.)	Inception (nom.)
NCC Investment Portfolio Performance*	-1.52%	+7.92%	+13.66%	+12.84%	+17.87%	+17.85%	+127.54%
S&P/ASX Small Ordinaries Accumulation Index (XSOAI)	+0.03%	+20.81%	+10.80%	+8.83%	+6.22%	+6.41%	+36.48%
Outperformance Relative to Benchmark	-1.55%	-12.89%	+2.86%	+4.01%	+11.65%	+11.44%	+91.06%

*Investment Portfolio Performance is post all operating expenses, before fees, taxes and initial IPO and placement commissions. Performance has not been grossed up for franking credits received by shareholders. Since inception (p.a. and nom.) includes part performance for the month of February 2013. Returns compounded for periods greater than 12 months.

Positive Stock Contribution Analysis

(Contribution is what has attributed to NCC's performance since inception of 1 March 2013)

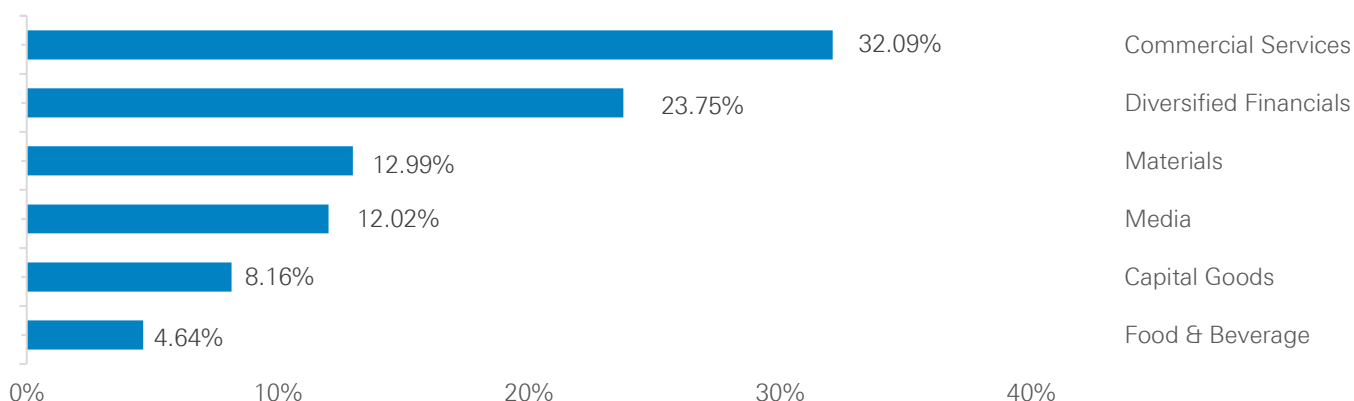
The table below lists the top positive contributors to NCC's total return since inception. The purpose of the information is to illustrate that the performance the investment team derive over time is not simply from one or two positions but from a variety of positions, even with a highly concentrated portfolio of investments that is often 0 -15 securities at any one time. We will disclose securities in which NCC has a current substantial holding, or when we have exited the position.

Investment	Contribution to Return (%NAV)	Investment	Contribution to Return (%NAV)
BSA Limited	+27.21%	Lindsay Australia Limited	+10.65%
Calliden Group	+16.50%	MNF Group Limited	+10.48%
Capitol Health Limited	+16.04%	Tamawood Limited	+9.19%
Consolidated Operations Group	+12.76%	Village Roadshow Limited	+8.69%
CML Group Limited	+12.73%	Sirtex Medical Limited	+8.67%

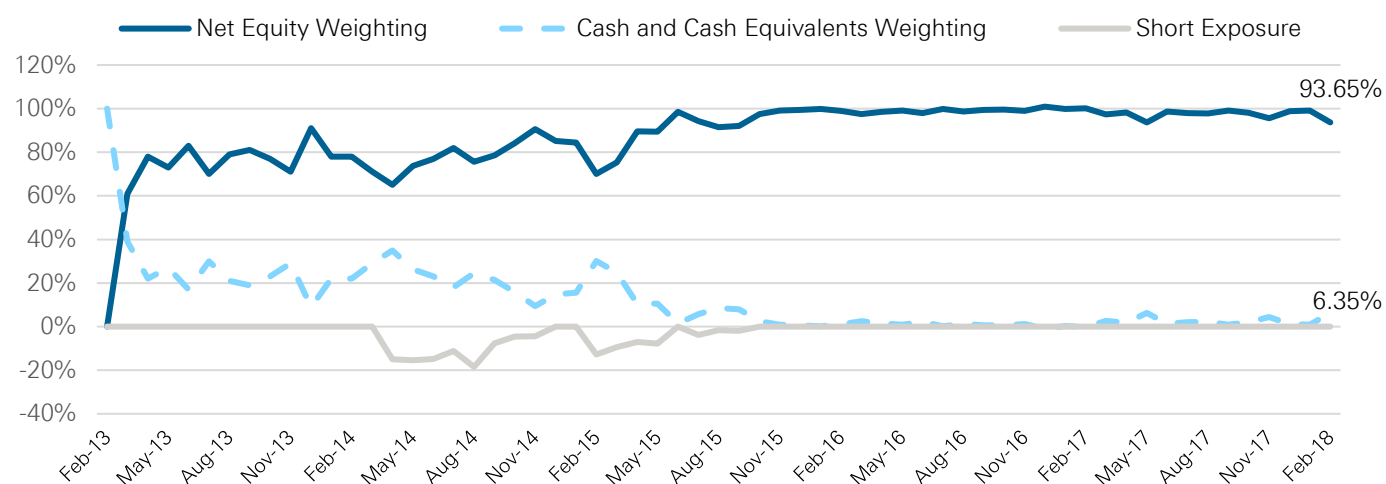
Portfolio Positioning as at 28 February 2018

As at 28 February 2018, the portfolio's net equity exposure was ~93.65% with a subsequent cash weighting of +6.35%. The core holdings in the portfolio did not change over the course of the month. As at month end, the portfolio was comprised of 9 long positions and no short positions. There were also no income instruments in the portfolio.

Net Industry Exposure



Net Equity Exposure



Company Meetings

The NAOS investment philosophy is based around the belief that for an emerging company to succeed and generate strong returns for shareholders it must be led by a motivated, proven and experienced management team. This is why the NAOS investment team has direct contact with many listed and unlisted emerging companies across a wide range of industries. A selection of the companies the team had contact with during the month were as follows:

- HRL Holdings Ltd (HRL AU)
- Axesstoday Ltd (AXL AU)
- Consolidated Operations Group (COG AU)
- Fiducian Group Ltd (FID AU)
- Temple & Webster Group Ltd (TPW AU)
- Selfwealth Ltd (SWF AU)
- Threat Protect Australia Ltd (TPS AU)
- NZME Ltd (NZM AU)
- Australian Whiskey Holdings (AWY AU)
- 3P Learning Ltd (3PL AU)

Portfolio Characteristics – Summary Data as at 28 February 2018

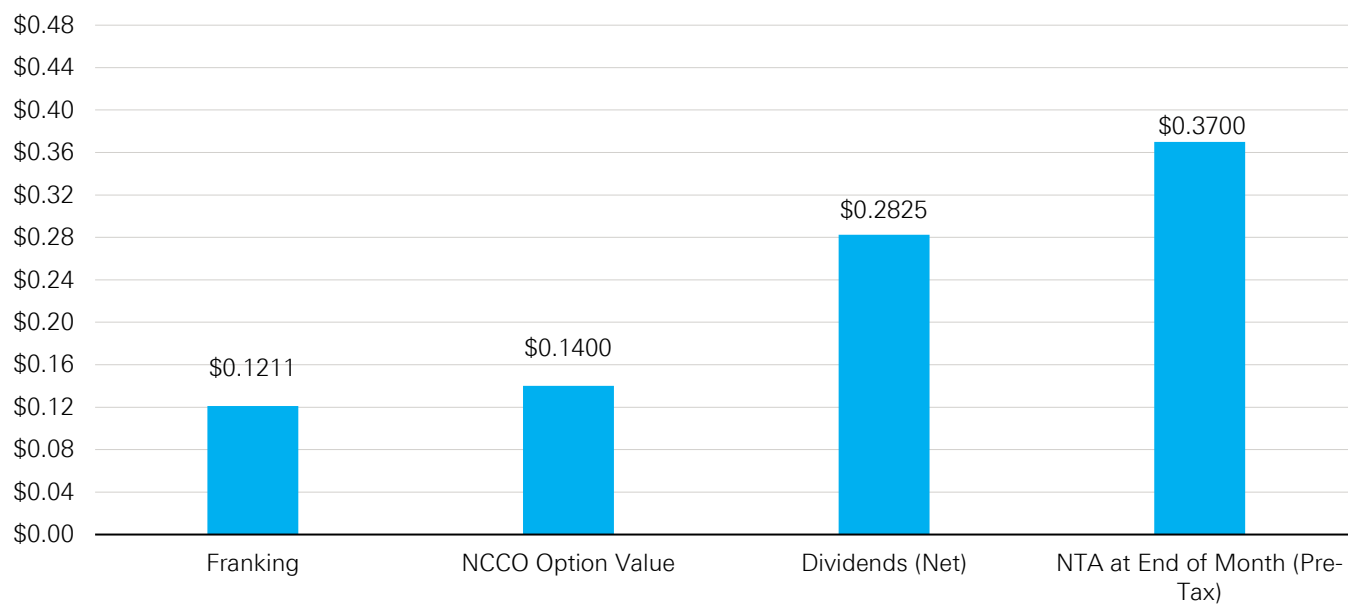
Below are a number of historical portfolio risk measures. Our aim in providing these metrics is to demonstrate to investors how NCC is placed from a risk adjusted basis to meet its objective, being to outperform the benchmark over the long term, and to also preserve investors' capital. A glossary of the terms used below and the method used for calculating them can be found on the last page of this report.

Average Market Capitalisation of the Portfolio's Equity Holdings	\$98 million
Percentage of Positive Months (NCC)	70%
Percentage of Positive Months (XSOAI)	58%
Standard Deviation of Returns (NCC)	10.69%
Standard Deviation of Returns (XSOAI)	13.18%
Correlation of Returns to XSOAI	0.54
Sortino Ratio	3.32
Downside Deviation (NCC)	4.69%
Downside Deviation (XSOAI)	6.96%
Current Estimated Portfolio Beta (6 Month Historical)	0.17

Capital Structure – Summary Data as at 28 February 2018

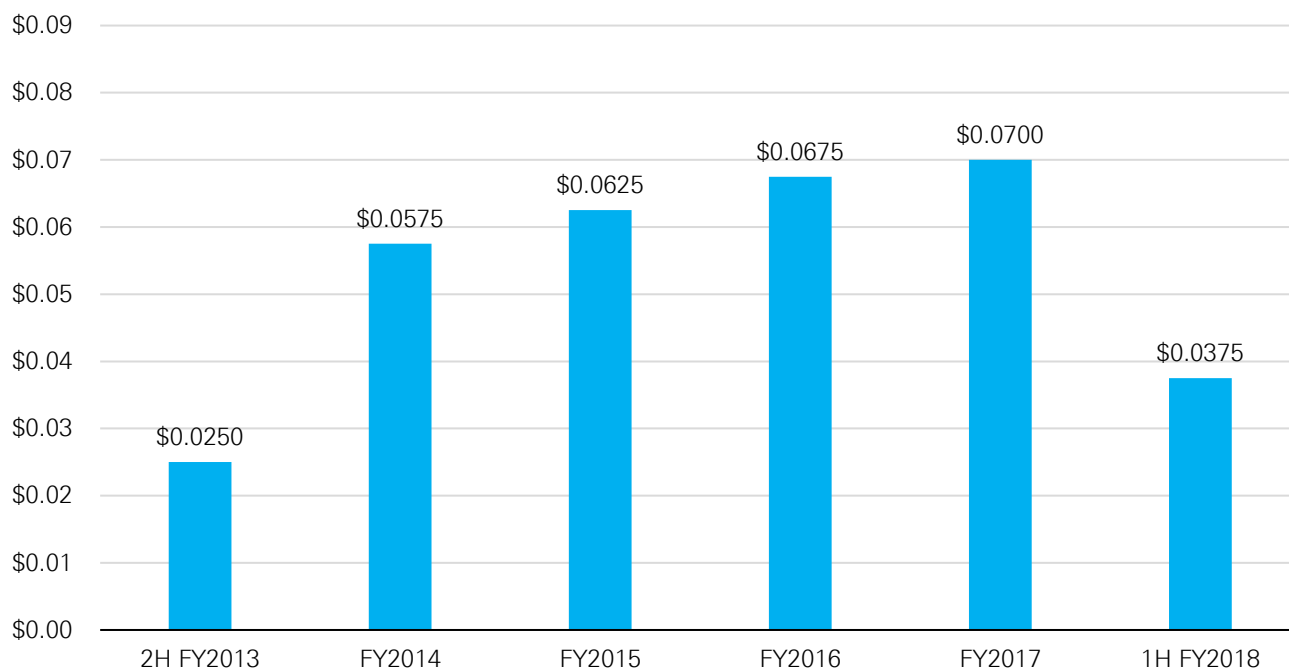
Share Price	\$1.43
Premium/(Discount) to NTA (Pre-Tax)	4.38%
Shares on Issue	59,404,890
NCC Directors Shareholding (Ordinary Shares)	3,871,889

Historical Shareholder Return Breakdown



*Assumes an intrinsic NCCO value of \$0.14 cents per option at expiry (1 February 2015), based on pre-tax NTA on this date diluted for remaining options.

Dividend Profile - Historical Fully Franked Dividends (Cents per Share)



A Description of Statistical Terms/Glossary

Average Market Capitalisation of the Portfolio's Equity Holdings – The sum of, the percentage of each individual position relative to the total value of all Equity Holdings multiplied by each company's respective market capitalisation (Cash and Income/Debt securities are excluded).

Standard Deviation of Returns – A historical analysis of the volatility in monthly returns also known as historical volatility.

Correlation of Returns – A statistical measure of how two variables move in relation to each other. In this case the two variables are NCC and XSOAI. If the correlation is 1 then the two securities should have the same monthly returns and if the correlation is -1 and XSOAI had a return of -1.00% then NCC would be expected to have a return of +1.00%

Sortino Ratio – A modification of the Sharpe ratio that differentiates harmful volatility from general volatility by taking into account the standard deviation of negative asset returns, called downside deviation. A large Sortino Ratio may potentially indicate that there is a low probability of a large capital loss. Returns less than that of the benchmark (Small Ordinaries Accumulation Index - XSOAI) are classified as negative asset returns.

Downside Deviation - A measure of downside risk that focuses on returns that fall below a minimum threshold or minimum acceptable return (MAR). For our calculations, we use returns negative to zero for the calculation of portfolio downside deviation.

Portfolio Beta – A measure of the volatility, or systematic risk of a portfolio or security. A beta of 1 indicates a portfolio/security's price will move with the market. A beta of less than 1 indicated that a security/portfolio should be less volatile than the market.

XSOAI – S&P/ASX Small Ordinaries Accumulation Index

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