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InterDigital, Inc. (IDCC-NASDAQ-US\$28.00)

Good quarter, but expiring license agreements and intended uses for cash balance keep us on the sidelines

RATING: Neutral **SECTOR:** Technology
TARGET PRICE: US\$NA **SECTOR RECOMMENDATION:** Market-weight
BASIS OF TARGET: NA

Expiring license agreements and intended uses for cash balance keep us on the sidelines. IDCC reported better than expected 2Q10 results with upside driven by revenues from new licensees and past infringement sales. While our 2010/2011 estimates move higher to reflect this improving performance, we remain cautious on the shares due to concerns over expiring license agreements and the intended uses for the cash balance.

Review of 2Q results. IDCC reported 2Q revenues and EPS of \$91 million and \$0.78, which exceeded our estimates for \$82 million and \$0.64. The top-line beat was driven by higher technology solutions revenues (\$3.5 million) and a past infringement payment (\$4.9 million) related to relicensing a handset manufacturer whose license expired back in mid 2009. Excluding these items, recurring patent license royalties grew 14% yr-yr and were in-line with our expectations.

Given the strong 2Q results, we are moving our 2010/2011 estimates higher. For 2010, our estimates increase to \$378 million and \$3.30 from \$362 million and \$3.06. For 2011, our estimates increase to \$295 million and \$1.95 from \$275 million and \$1.75.

Cash balance continues to grow, but company remains focused on large IP acquisitions. IDCC ended the quarter with \$485 million in net cash or \$10.90/share. Since quarter's end, the cash balance increased by another \$100 million due to the receipt of the final license payment from Samsung Electronics. While some of cash will be kept on hand for defensive purposes, management remains focused on using cash to make patent acquisitions within the wireless space.

In particular, management has expressed interest in the Nortel LTE portfolio that is being shopped around and mentioned they could partner with others to purchase the portfolio. Based on the valuation of this portfolio and uncertainty over the ability to monetize the patents, we are concerned the returns on this investment will not be attractive.

Valuation attractive, but remain on sidelines. IDCC shares currently trade at just 9x our 2010 EPS estimate of \$3.30 and at 6x our 2010 EPS estimate excluding cash of \$10.90 per share (June 30) and associated interest income. On 2011 estimates, the shares trade at 14x our EPS estimate of \$1.95 and 10x our 2011 estimate excluding cash and associated interest income. While the stock is admittedly cheap, we remain on the sidelines due to concerns over expiring license agreements and the returns the company will achieve on its intended uses for the cash balance.

RISK PROFILE: Above Average

RISK CONSIDERATIONS: invalidation of IP position, unsuccessful resolution of IP litigation, unfavorable royalty rates, volatility of earnings, competition

Disclosure Code: None

Important disclosures and analyst certifications are in the Disclosure Section.

Valuation Data (source: Baseline)

FYE Dec	2009A	2010E	2011E
Forecasted Revenue			
Estimates:	\$297.4	\$377.8	\$294.9

Projected

EPS:	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total
	\$0.34	\$0.59	\$0.69	\$0.62	\$2.21
	\$1.09	\$0.79	\$0.73	\$0.69	\$3.30
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Basis of Estimate: GAAP Net Income

Trading & Operating Data

52-Wk Range:	\$18.41-\$31.79
Volume 60-Day Avg (Th):	421.65
Avg. Shares O/S- LQ:	44.2
Market Value (\$M):	\$1,184.9
Institutional - % Held:	58.00%
Insider Ownership %:	0.00%
LT Debt /Capital LQtr %:	0.0%

Company Profile

InterDigital Inc. (IDCC) designs and develops wireless technologies for mobile voice and data communications. IDCC monetizes its technology position by licensing its IP to companies that make, use or sell products that conform to 2G and 3G wireless Standards. IDCC was founded in 1972 and is headquartered in King of Prussia, PA

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Financial Statements

(Dollars in millions, except per share data)

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Income Statement	2006A	2007A	2008A	1Q09A	2Q09A	3Q09A	4Q09A	2009A	1Q10A	2Q10A	3Q10E	4Q10E	2010E	2011E
Total revenues	\$ 480.5	\$ 234.2	\$ 228.5	\$ 70.6	\$ 74.9	\$ 75.5	\$ 76.4	\$ 297.4	\$ 116.2	\$ 91.2	\$ 85.9	\$ 84.5	\$ 377.8	\$ 294.9
<i>Growth</i>														
Operating expenses:														
S,G&A	27.6	30.1	33.5	8.3	6.0	4.9	5.6	24.8	7.5	7.0	6.2	6.3	27.1	28.9
Patent administration and licensing expense	51.1	71.5	63.5	12.1	15.6	13.3	15.1	56.1	17.8	14.7	14.5	15.2	62.3	69.3
Development expense	65.4	85.2	98.9	26.9	13.2	10.7	13.3	64.0	16.2	16.4	16.4	16.7	65.7	67.2
Repositioning expense	-	-	-	37.1	(0.1)	-	1.6	38.6	-	-	-	-	-	-
Arbitration and litigation contingencies	-	24.4	(3.9)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Expenses	144.1	211.2	191.9	84.3	34.7	28.9	35.6	183.5	41.5	38.1	37.1	38.3	155.0	165.5
<i>Growth</i>														
Operating income	336.4	23.1	36.5	(13.8)	40.2	46.6	40.8	113.9	74.7	53.1	48.8	46.2	222.8	129.5
<i>Growth</i>														
Net interest and other investment income	13.2	8.9	3.4	0.8	0.6	0.5	(3.2)	(1.2)	0.6	0.9	1.0	1.0	3.5	4.0
Earnings before income taxes	349.6	32.0	40.0	(12.9)	40.9	47.1	37.7	112.7	75.3	54.0	49.8	47.2	226.3	133.5
Income taxes	124.4	12.0	13.8	(4.2)	14.4	16.5	(1.2)	25.4	26.5	19.0	17.4	16.5	79.4	46.7
Tax Rate	35.6%	37.5%	34.4%	32.8%	35.3%	35.0%	-3.2%	22.6%	35.1%	35.2%	35.0%	35.0%	35.1%	35.0%
Insurance reimbursement (net of tax)	-	-	4.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net income (GAAP)	225.2	20.0	26.2	(8.7)	26.4	30.6	38.9	87.3	48.8	35.0	32.4	30.7	146.9	86.8
Net income (Non-GAAP)	225.2	35.3	23.4	15.4	26.4	30.6	27.1	97.3	48.8	35.0	32.4	30.7	146.9	86.8
EPS (GAAP)	\$ 4.04	\$ 0.40	\$ 0.57	\$ (0.20)	\$ 0.60	\$ 0.70	\$ 0.89	\$ 1.98	\$ 1.09	\$ 0.79	\$ 0.73	\$ 0.69	\$ 3.30	\$ 1.95
EPS (Non-GAAP)	\$ 4.04	\$ 0.71	\$ 0.51	\$ 0.35	\$ 0.60	\$ 0.70	\$ 0.62	\$ 2.21	\$ 1.09	\$ 0.79	\$ 0.73	\$ 0.69	\$ 3.30	\$ 1.95
<i>Growth</i>														
Shares outstanding	55.8	49.5	46.0	43.5	44.3	43.8	43.7	44.1	44.2	44.5	44.5	44.5	44.5	44.5
Margin Analysis														
S,G&A	5.7%	12.8%	14.6%	11.7%	8.0%	6.5%	7.3%	8.3%	6.5%	7.7%	7.2%	7.5%	7.2%	9.8%
Patent admin & licensing	10.6%	30.5%	27.8%	17.2%	20.8%	17.6%	19.7%	18.9%	15.3%	16.1%	16.9%	18.0%	16.5%	23.5%
Development	13.6%	36.4%	43.3%	38.1%	17.7%	14.1%	17.3%	21.5%	13.9%	18.0%	19.1%	19.8%	17.4%	22.8%
Operating margin	70.0%	9.8%	16.0%	-19.5%	53.7%	61.7%	53.4%	38.3%	64.3%	58.2%	56.8%	54.7%	59.0%	43.9%
EBITDA margin	73.1%	19.2%	28.6%	-	-	-	-	46.0%	-	-	-	-	64.8%	51.7%
Net margin	46.9%	8.5%	11.5%	-12.3%	35.3%	40.6%	50.9%	29.3%	42.0%	38.4%	37.7%	36.3%	38.9%	29.4%
Tax rate	35.6%	37.5%	34.4%	32.8%	35.3%	35.0%	-3.2%	22.6%	35.1%	35.2%	35.0%	35.0%	35.1%	35.0%

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1) 11/06/07	2) 11/27/07	3) 05/08/08	4) 03/30/09	5) 05/08/09	6) 10/30/09
Strong Buy \$34	Neutral \$19	Neutral NA	Buy \$30	Buy \$36	Neutral NA

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