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# **Emerging Growth UPDATE REPORT**

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### Byrna Technologies Inc. (NASDAQ: BYRN)

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**Neutral: 25% Domestic Capacity Expansion.** 

Byrna announced a 25% capacity expansion, from 10,000 units per month (one shift) to 12,500 units at its Ft. Wayne manufacturing facility. The company's marketing strategy, which eschews the major social media channels whose policies had become increasingly arbitrary, has been replaced with more targeted digital advertising and endorsements from media influencers like Sean Hannity, Jeanine Pirro and Glenn Beck.

Fiscal 2023 was a transition year for Byrna's marketing strategy as the company responded to the opaque and arbitrary policies of its social media partners, by redirecting its marketing spend to more targeted digital advertising and endorsements from select influencers such as Sean Hannity, Jeanine Pirro and Glenn Beck. The result has been a rapid turnaround in sales and expected fiscal Q4 23 sales almost matching fiscal Q4 22 sales.

The company announced a 25% capacity expansion at its Ft. Wayne manufacturing facility from 10,000 launchers per month (one shift) to 12,5000 per month, as the company has enough confidence the new strategy will lead to further growth.

Byrna will host a conference call next week, on Wednesday the 14th, to discuss fiscal Q4 results. Previously, it had pre-announced Q4 revenue of \$15.6 million. We expect the call to focus on the potential for growth in fiscal 2024, which we have estimated at \$51 million, almost 20% greater than fiscal 2023.

The shares trade at 3.5x our FTM sales estimate, a significant premium to the group median of 1.46x. The EV/Sales multiple is also near the high mark since December 2021.

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Current Price						\$8.89
Price Target						NA
Estimates	F2	2022A	F	2023E	F2	024E
Revenues (\$Ms)	\$	48.0	\$	42.6 E	\$	50.9
1Q February	\$	8.0	\$	8.4 A	\$	10.7
2Q May	\$	11.6	\$	11.5 A	\$	11.5
3Q August	\$	12.4	\$	7.1 A	\$	11.8
4Q November	\$	16.0	\$	15.6 E	\$	16.9
	F2	2022A	F	2023E	F2	024E
EBITDA (\$Ms)	\$	(0.6)	\$	2.6 E	\$	5.8
1Q February	\$	(1.9)	\$	(0.3)A	\$	0.4
2Q May	\$	(0.5)	\$	1.0 A		8.0
3Q August	\$	0.3	\$		\$	0.9
4Q November	\$	1.6	\$	3.4 E	\$	3.7
EV/Sales		NM		4.3 x		3.6 x
EV/EBITDA		NM		69.4 x		31.6 x
Stock Data						
52-Week Range		\$2.19		-		\$9.70
Shares Outstanding (mil.)						22.0
Market Capitalization (mi	l.)					\$195
Enterprise Value (mil.)						\$184
Debt to Capital						5%
Cash & Equivalents (mil.)						\$13.7
Cash/Sh.						\$0.62
Average Three Months Tr	adin	g Volum	ie (	K)		55
Insider Ownership						21.5%
Institutional Ownership						23.5%
Short interest (mil.)						2.6%
Dividend / Yield				-	50.0	0/0.0%
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Source: Byrna Technologies Inc. Investor Presentation

#### Valuation

The median EV/Sales for the group is 1.46x, and Byrna is trading at a significant premium to the group.

		Price		EPS	P/E		TEV		Sales	EV/ Sales	E	BITDA	EV/ EBITDA
AOUT-US	American Outdoor Brands, Inc.	\$ 8.94	\$	0.45	20.0	\$	131.9	\$	205.9	0.64	\$	13.2	10.0
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POWW-US	AMMO Inc	2.21		0.10	23.2		221.0		150.9	1.46		26.7	8.3
AXON-US	Axon Enterprise Inc	269.00		4.25	63.3	•	19,676.4		1,921.4	10.24		427.5	46.0
SSTI-US	SoundThinking, Inc.	20.35		0.01	1,914.8		262.8		107.5	2.44		25.2	10.4
SWBI-US	Smith & Wesson Brands, Inc.	13.67		0.77	17.8		683.6		534.7	1.28		88.2	7.7
RGR-US	Sturm, Ruger & Company, Inc.	44.43		3.47	12.8		670.3		565.8	1.18		100.6	6.7
VTSI-US	VirTra, Inc.	11.88		0.71	16.7		123.6		40.3	3.07		13.1	9.4
WRAP-US	Wrap Technologies, Inc.	4.33					178.8						
	Median				20.0					1.46			9.4
BYRN-US	Byrna Technologies Inc.	\$ 8.89	\$	(0.12)	(76.6)	\$	183.7	\$	52.5	3.50	\$	6.4	28.6

Source: FactSet and Dawson James Securities estimates



Exhibit 1. Income Statement (\$ in 000's except per share data)

		0-Nov-20 FY2020	0-Nov-21 FY2021	)-Nov-22 Y2022A	-Feb-23 Q1 23A		-May-23 Q2 23A		-Aug-23 Q3 23A	)-Nov-23 Q4 23E	O-Nov-23 Y2023E	 )-Nov-24 Y2024E
Revenue COGS Gross Profit	\$	16,566 9,058 7,508	\$ 42,160 19,270 22,890	\$ 48,036 21,758 26,278	\$ 8,411 3,165 5,246	\$	11,508 5,309 6,199	\$	7,085 3,927 3,158	\$ 15,591 7,250 8,341	\$ 42,595 19,651 22,944	\$ 50,861 23,650 27,210
Opex Operating Income	\$	45.3% 11,817 (4,309)	54.3% 26,181 (3,291)	\$ 54.7% 33,733 (7,455)	62.4% 7,240 (1,994)	\$	53.9% 7,015 (816)	\$	7,267 (4,109)	\$ 53.5% 7,267 1,074	\$ 53.9% 28,789 (5,845)	\$ 53.5% 30,521 (3,311)
Interest & Other, total		(7,952)	(152)	(196)	(218)		(283)		(109)	(7)	(517)	(28)
Pretax Income Taxes Net Income Preferred Dividends	\$ \$	(12,261) 293 (12,553)	\$ (3,443) (160) (3,283) 1,043	\$ (7,651) 234 (7,885)	\$ (2,212) (59) (2,153)	\$ \$	(1,099) 17 (1,116)	\$	(4,218) (124) (4,094)	\$ 1,067 53 1,014	\$ (6,362) (113) (6,249)	\$ (3,339) (167) (3,172) 0
Net to Common	\$	(12,553)	\$ (4,326)	\$ (7,885)	\$ (2,153)	\$	(1,116)	_	(4,094)	\$ 1,014	\$ (6,249)	\$ (3,172)
Basic Shares Diluted Shares		12,679 12,679	19,610 19,610	22,364 22,364	21,860 21,860		21,866 21,866		21,960 21,960	21,977 22,077	21,916 21,916	22,088 22,088
Basic EPS Diluted EPS	\$	(0.98) (0.98)	 (0.22) (0.22)	(0.35) (0.35)	 (0.10) (0.10)		(0.05) (0.05)		(0.19) (0.19)	 0.05 0.05	\$ (0.29) (0.29)	 (0.14) (0.14)
D&A Stock/Incentive Comp Other		242 1,252 0	487 3,150 1,300	855 5,424 557	276 1,464 0		306 1,487 0		339 1,738 600	544 1,738 0	1,465 6,427 600	2,176 6,952 0
EBITDA Margin		(2,814) -17.0%	1,646 3.9%	(619) -1.3%	(254) -3.0%		977 8.5%		(1,432) -20.2%	3,356 21.5%	2,647 6.2%	5,817 11.4%

Source: Byrna Technologies, Inc. and Dawson James Securities estimates



Exhibit 2. Balance Sheet and Cash Flow Statement (\$ in 000's)

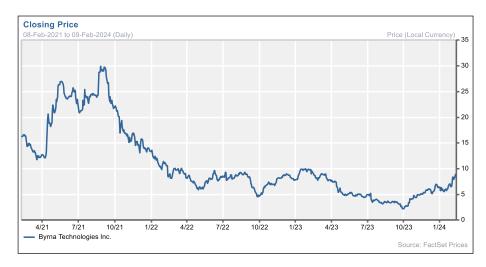
	30-Nov-20	30	-Nov-21	30	)-Nov-22	30	-Nov-23	30-Nov-24				
	FY2020A	F	Y2021A	F	Y2022A	F	Y2023E	F	Y2024E			
Cash & ST Investments Restricted Cash A/R Inventory Prepaid Expenses & Other Current Assets	3,175 6,389 834 4,817 1,391 \$ 16,606	\$	56,308 92 1,658 6,613 1,490 66,161	\$	20,068 0 5,915 15,462 1,200 42,645	\$	11,228 0 7,796 23,199 2,119 44,343	\$	23,634 0 8,463 16,570 2,301 50,968			
Patent rights Deposits for equipment Right-of-use asset PP&E Goodwill Restricted Cash Investment in JV Loan to JV Other	811 619 1,200 1,220 651 92 0 0		3,668 1,293 1,086 1,972 816 0 0 318		3,872 2,269 2,424 3,309 2,258 0 0 0 272		3,583 1,520 1,747 3,488 2,258 0 0 1,451 449		3,340 1,520 1,059 2,888 2,258 0 0 1,451 487			
Total Assets	\$ 21,216	\$	75,314	\$	57,049	\$	58,838	\$	63,972			
A/P Operating Lease Deferred revenue Convertible notes Notes payable Accrued Interest Current Liabilities	6,629 258 4,902 0 75 0 \$ 11,864	\$	6,996 463 720 0 0 0 8,179	\$	7,708 757 458 0 0 0 8,923	\$	10,030 653 1,433 0 0 0 12,116	\$	10,889 653 1,555 0 0 0 13,098			
Convertbile N/P NP Deferred revenue Operating Lease	0 115 0 828		0 0 405 632		0 0 340 1,792		0 0 306 1,367		0 0 332 1,367			
Equity	8,409		66,098		45,994		45,050		49,175			
Total Liabilities & Equity	\$ 21,216	\$	75,314	\$	57,049	\$	58,838	\$	63,972			
	30-Nov-20 FY2020A		-Nov-21 Y2021A		)-Nov-22 Y2022A		-Nov-23 Y2023E		-Nov-24 Y2024E			
Net Income Depreciation Stock and Incentive Comp Other Working Capital Operating CF	(12,553) 242 1,252 8,873 4,723 \$ 2,538	\$	(3,283) 487 3,150 63 (4,854) (4,437)	\$	(7,885) 855 5,424 814 (13,034) (13,826)	\$	(6,249) 1,465 6,427 1,876 (9,397) (5,879)	\$	(3,172) 2,176 6,952 (12) 6,762 12,705			
Capx Acquisitions Other Investing Activities	(1,426) (489) (80) \$ (1,995)		(1,700) (4,044) (138) (5,882)	\$	(3,253) (1,883) 0 (5,136)	\$	(492) 0 (2,076) (2,568)	\$	(600) 0 0 (600)			
Equity Debt Financing	7,714 54 \$ 7,768	\$	57,333 (81) 57,252	\$	(17,500) 456 (17,044)	\$	(381) 0 (381)	\$	300 0 300			
FX	\$ 171	\$	(189)	\$	(326)	\$	88	\$	-			
Change in Cash	\$ 8,482	\$	46,744	\$	(36,332)	\$	(8,740)	\$	12,405			

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Price target and ratings changes over the past three years:

Initiated – Buy – April 26, 2022 – Price Target \$12

Update – Buy – May 18, 2022 – Price Target \$12

Update – Buy – June 15, 2022 – Price Target \$12

Update – Buy – June 24, 2022 – Price Target \$12

Update – Buy – June 30, 2022 – Price Target \$12

Update – Buy – July 8, 2022 – Price Target \$12

Update – Buy – July 8, 2022 – Price Target \$12

Price Target Change – Buy – September 8, 2022 – Price Target Changed from \$12 to \$9.50

Update - Buy - October 4, 2022 - Price Target \$9.50

Update – Buy – October 6, 2022 – Price Target \$9.50

Update – Buy – December 7, 2022 – Price Target \$9.50

Update – Buy – February 10, 2023 – Price Target \$9.50

Update – Buy – April 17, 2023 – Price Target \$9.50

Price Target Change – Buy – July 12, 2023 – Price Target Changed from \$9.50 to \$7.25

Rating Change – Neutral – September 27, 2023 – Price Target NA

Update - Neutral - October 16, 2023 - Price Target NA

Update - Neutral - November 15, 2023 - Price Target NA

Update - Neutral - February 9, 2024 - Price Target NA

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