

Renewable Energy Group Inc

REGI
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Schwab Equity Ratings® Report

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A Strongly Outperform
Data as of 12/04/2020

SCHWAB EQUITY RATING

A Strongly Outperform
Percentile Ranking: 5
Data as of 12/04/2020

Last week's rating: **A** Strongly Outperform
Percentile Ranking: 4
Data as of 11/27/2020

A	1-10	Strongly Outperform	BUY
B	11-30	Outperform	BUY
C	31-70	Marketperform	HOLD
D	71-90	Underperform	SELL
F	91-100	Strongly Underperform	SELL

Schwab Equity Ratings is a quantitative measure of the equity's prospects for stock price appreciation over the next twelve months in relation to its market peers.

For more details about the quantitative model's design and intent, please review the Schwab Equity Foundations document.

For more information on important disclosures please visit page 4 within this report.

PRICE VOLATILITY OUTLOOK

High Above average price volatility
Data as of 12/04/2020

Last week's rating: High
Data as of 11/27/2020

High	Above average price volatility
Medium	Average price volatility
Low	Below average price volatility
N/A	Volatility score not available

Price Volatility Outlook measures the degree of variance typically demonstrated by the equity in relation to its peers within the same A-F ratings group. The outlook's measurement is based on a six month forecast.

Investment suitability is partially dependent on your portfolio risk tolerance. Positive or negative connotations associated with the price volatility outlook score should mirror your personal risk appetite. For more information, please consult Managing a Portfolio Using Schwab Equity Ratings.

RATIONALE BEHIND OUR **A** RATING ON REGI

For details about inputs to Schwab Equity Rating, see "Schwab Equity Ratings Foundations" in the "Stocks" article library under Market Insight.

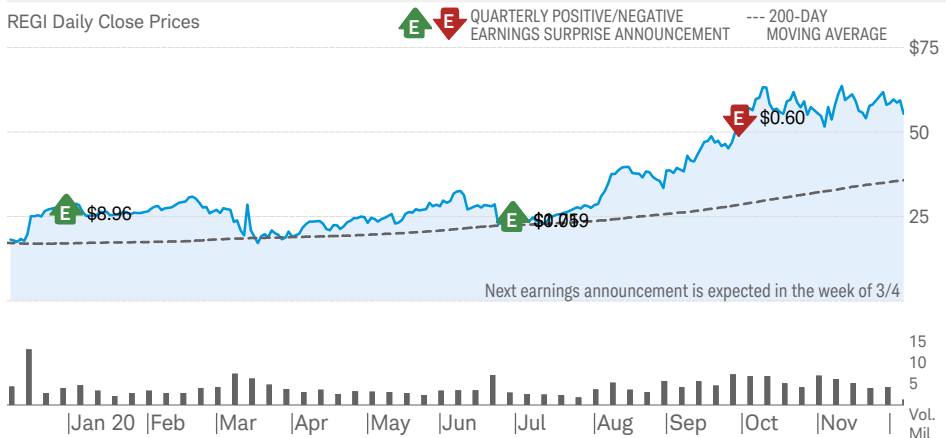
▲ IMPROVED VS. PREVIOUS WEEK
▼ DECLINED VS. PREVIOUS WEEK

	THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	AVERAGE IMPORTANCE
A Growth Grade	Positive	Positive	Medium
C Quality Grade	Neutral	Neutral	High
B Sentiment Grade	Positive	Positive	High
C Stability Grade	Neutral	Neutral	Low
A Valuation Grade	Positive	Positive	Medium

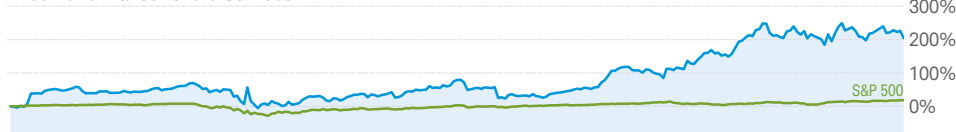
PRICE & VOLUME HISTORY

REGI Daily Close Prices

Data source: Refinitiv



Price Performance vs. the S&P 500



BUSINESS SUMMARY

Source: Reuters

Renewable Energy Group, Inc. is focused on providing cleaner, lower carbon intensity products and services. The Company is a producer of biomass-based diesel in North America. Its segments include Biomass-based diesel, Services, Renewable Chemicals a...

For more details, see page 2.

OVERVIEW

Source: Reuters

Price as of 12/4/20	\$59.34
Market Capitalization	\$2.2 Billion
Asset Class	Small Cap
Beta	1.16

SECTOR/INDUSTRY

Source: S&P Global

Sector	Energy
Industry	Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels
Sub-Industry	Oil & Gas Refining & Marketing

Schwab Sector Viewpoint	Marketperform
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METRICS

Source: Refinitiv

VALUE METRICS	REGI	S&P 500
P/E last 4Q	5.2	35.6
P/E forecast EPS	18.3	41.0
P/Free Cash Flow last 4Q	4.4	24.2
P/Sales last 4Q	.89	2.71
Price/Book	2.0	14.5
Dividend Yield(%)	--	1.8

GROWTH METRICS (%)

1 year sales growth	22.2	-1.0
3 year sales growth	9.0	12.3
1 year EPS growth	584.0	-28.0
3 year EPS growth	80.9	22.4
1-year forecast EPS growth	-65.5	23.1
Long term growth rate 3-5 years	16.9	12.6
1 year dividend growth	--	9.1
3 year dividend growth	--	12.5

MOMENTUM METRICS (%)

4 week stock price change	10.6	5.4
26 week stock price change	86.3	15.8

FINANCIAL METRICS (%)

Gross margin	28.9	43.8
Net margin	23.2	7.6
Return on assets	48.7	2.8
Return on equity	65.5	11.3
Return on invested capital	60.3	11.2
Long-term debt/capital	.05	.44

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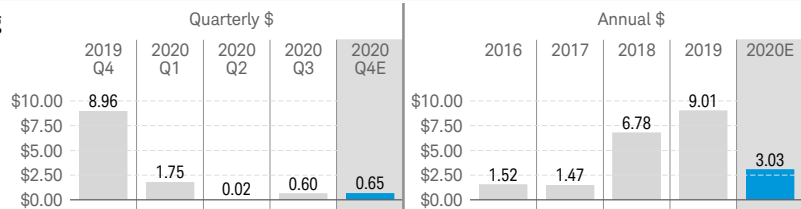
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EARNINGS PER SHARE

Earnings data source: Refinitiv

Fiscal Year ending
in December



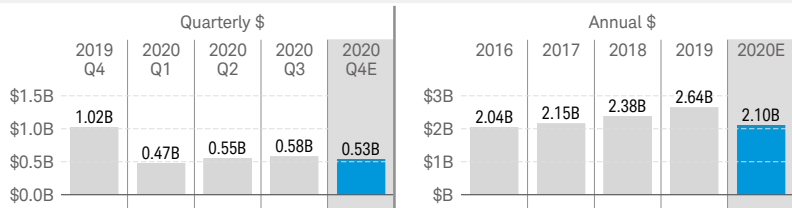
vs. prior year (%)	3384.8	248.3	101.2	246.3	--	144.2	-3.2	360.4	32.9	--
Earnings Surprise(%)	348.9	73.4	--	-21.3	--	-9.4	-22.7	--	2816.9	--
# of analysts	4	5	6	8	7	2	3	2	3	7

Next earnings announcement is expected in the week of 3/4

REVENUE

Revenue data source: Refinitiv

Fiscal Year ending
in December



vs. 1 year ago (%)	97.4	-0.7	-2.6	-1.4	--	47.0	5.7	10.6	10.8	--
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ANNUAL EARNINGS FORECAST

Source: Refinitiv

	MEAN FORECAST	CONSENSUS CHANGE IN LAST 30 DAYS	FORECAST RANGE	NUMBER OF FORECASTS
12/31/2020	\$3.03	\$-0.31	\$2.78-\$3.20	7
12/31/2021	\$4.92	\$-0.55	\$3.19-\$5.79	7
Next 5 Yr. Growth Rate	-16.9%	-0.3%	-16.9%--16.9%	1

DIVIDENDS

Dividends data source: Refinitiv

This company does not pay a dividend.

OTHER OPINIONS

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Recommendation

RATING NOT AVAILABLE

Morningstar Rating

RATING NOT AVAILABLE

Credit Suisse Rating

RATING SINCE 09/01/2020

UNDERPERFORM

NEUTRAL

OUTPERFORM

Argus 12 Month Rating

RATING NOT AVAILABLE

Ned Davis Rating

RATING NOT AVAILABLE

Market Edge Second Opinion®

RATING SINCE 07/27/2020

AVOID

NEUTRAL

LONG

Reuter's Average Rating

RATING SINCE 12/03/2020

NO
OPINION

SELL

UNDER-
PERFORM

HOLD

OUT-
PERFORM

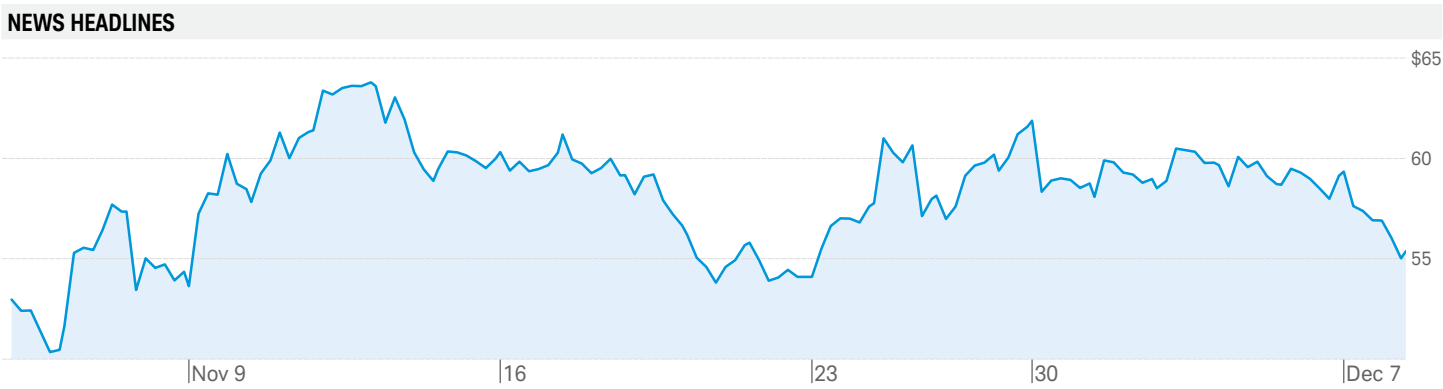
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BUSINESS DESCRIPTION

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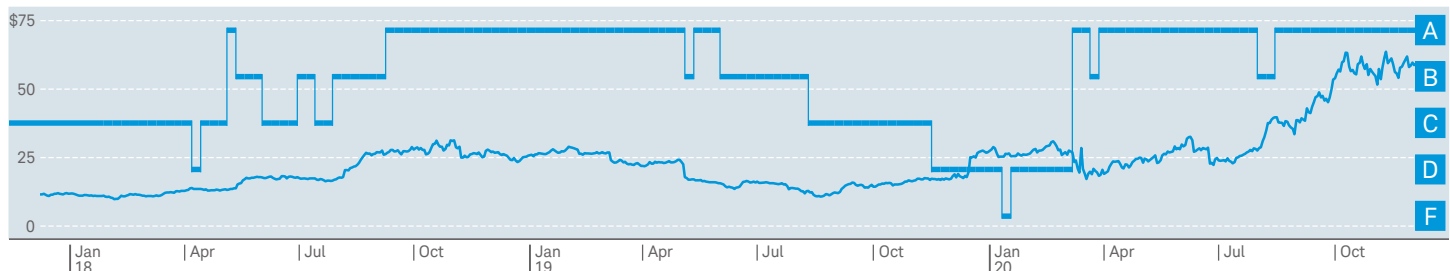
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Price History for REGI

Schwab Equity Rating History for REGI



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Schwab Equity Ratings Distribution

Schwab Equity Rating	Percentile Ranking Distribution	Distribution	12 Month Return Outlook	General Buy/Hold/Sell Guidance*
A	1 - 10	Top 10%	Strongly Outperform	Buy
B	11 - 30	Next 20%	Outperform	Buy
C	31 - 70	Next 40%	Marketperform	Hold
D	71 - 90	Next 20%	Underperform	Sell
F	91 - 100	Bottom 10%	Strongly Underperform	Sell

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