

## EQUITY NOTE: PANNERGY NYRT. Recommendation: BUY Target price (12M): HUF 1,387

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### **Highlights**

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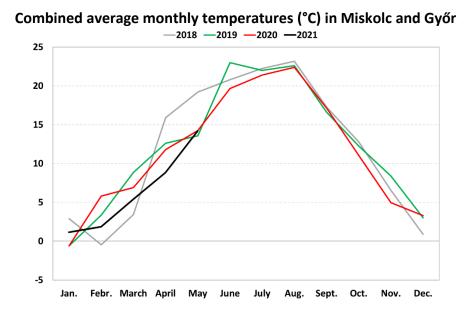
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# Overall the Q2 production report came above expectations due to the colder than usual weather. This effected mainly the heat sales in April, which was 47.3% higher than a year ago and higher than in any other year since 2017. Overall, heat sales in Q2 increased by almost 20%, surpassing the management expectations as well.

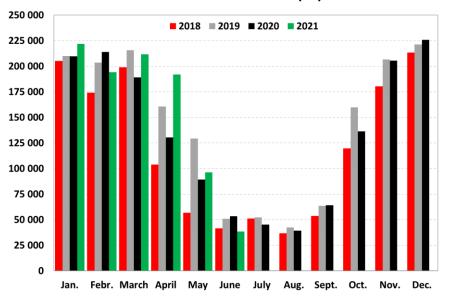
#### Highlights of the quarterly production report

In the second quarter of 2021, overall production was 326,981 GJ (+19.8% YoY), which is 12.6% higher than the management's target was. Looking at the monthly temperature chart it can be seen that the lower average temperature in Q2 was responsible for the higher heat sales, mainly in April.

Looking at the individual production sites, in Miskolc heat sales amounted to 162,958 GJ (+20% YoY) due to the positive weather effects. In Győr, productions was 161,121 GJ (+20% YoY). In Szentlőrinc, production was 2,786 GJ, 11.8% higher than a year ago. Other than the main production numbers, the Quarterly production report did not contain any material information. Due to the fact that the better than expected Q2 numbers are due to weather-related effects, there is no reason to change **our valuation**, which is **maintained at the previous HUF 1,387, with a continued Buy recommendation**.



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Consolidated heat sales (GJ)

#### Risks surrounding PannErgy's economic activity

1. **Price risk:** The administered price is set at a level that takes into account the cost of doing business and providing a fair profit. However, the administered price setting has inherent risks related to the administrative authority.

Moreover, at the moment PannErgy provides heat at a lower cost than its peers (natural gas). However, if natural gas prices fall significantly, then consumers who do not have mandatory purchase agreement with PannErgy could switch to other sources of heat.

2. **Environmental risks:** Extreme weather conditions during the heating season could harm the company's profit target. If the winter season is too short or too cold – due to global warming or other extreme weather conditions – the costs are higher, as the output from the drilling wells drops.

3. **Operational risks:** Maintenance costs increased significantly at the Győr Project in 2016 due to scaling issues concerning the tubing and pumps, and this has reduced production. Although the problem was addressed, we identify it as a source of risk in the future as well. This could be a risk to our depreciation forecast as well.

4. **Improving energy efficiency risk:** It is not necessarily a PannErgy-specific risk, but in the long term, the building of passive houses and the coming investment – which increases the energy efficiency of houses and flats – could decrease demand for heat.

5. **Pandemic risks:** Based on our current knowledge, covid-19 has no material effect on the company. However, the covid crisis and its economic effects may change rapidly and unpredictably in the future. This may pose some unforeseen risks for PannErgy as well.

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16/01/2020	BUY	HUF 1,196	Equity note
30/03/2020	BUY	HUF 1,196	Equity note
15/04/2020	BUY	HUF1,196	Equity note
20/07/2020	BUY	HUF 1,196	Equity note
20/07/2020	BUY	HUF 1,216	Equity note
16/10/2020	BUY	HUF 1,204	Equity note
18/01/2021	BUY	HUF 1,204	Equity note
29/03/2021	BUY	HUF 1,387	Equity note
19/04/2021	BUY	HUF 1,387	Equity note

Period	Recommendations	Percent of recommendation
	BUY	100%
2020Q1	HOLD	0%
	SELL	0%
	BUY	100%
2020Q2	HOLD	0%
	SELL	0%
	BUY	100%
2020Q3	HOLD	0%
	SELL	0%
	BUY	100%
2020Q4	HOLD	0%
	SELL	0%
	BUY	100%
2021Q1	HOLD	0%
	SELL	0%
	BUY	100%
2021Q2	HOLD	0%
	SELL	0%

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