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- Also, updates on Advance America, Alcoa, Calgon Carbon, Hewitt, Lear, Playboy and Sonoco Products.

### The Short Advisor Portfolio

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**Seabridge Gold** (SA:Amex) has enjoyed the recent speculation in gold prices. As this stock was reaching \$8 a share in mid-December, talk about gold in general began to hit the airwaves. Financial media, newsletters and folks at barbershops all began to discuss buying gold again.

But when cab drivers and the barbershop crowd start talking about something, usually the end is near. This is what could be happening in Seabridge's stock price. After several months in 2005 of slow but steady price appreciation, the gold rush was on again into the end of the year.

Seabridge's stock price moved up rapidly, from about \$5 a share in October to more than \$10 in December. Typically, euphoric price moves like that are not sustainable.

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## Seabridge Gold (SA:Amex) -- Daily



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What happened next was a strong price rejection above \$10 in late December, which led to a move lower to \$8.70. Since that exhaustion move higher, volume has waned considerably as price tries to retest that former high. The combination of rising price accompanied by decreasing volume is usually a bearish scenario -- fewer investors are willing to support the stock price as it rises. Therefore, this stock has a higher probability to retrace under the \$8.70 level.

The setup for this trade will be for entry at \$10.10 with a stop at \$10.80. This offers 70 cents in risk. The profit targets will be placed at \$9.40 and \$7.50. The first profit target is based on the 1-to-1 reward/risk scenario, and both targets are at former resistance levels that should now serve as support. If the price moves under \$9 without first offering an entry, this trade is no longer valid.

### **Open Positions**

**Advance America** (AEA:NYSE) is still open with the entry at \$12.50 and the stop at \$14.10. The profit targets will be for a move into \$10.90 and then into \$9.60. Partial profits can be taken near \$10.90, and the rest of the position will be banked in full near the \$9.60 level.

**Alcoa** (AA:NYSE) set up this week with the entry at \$29.80. The stop is placed at \$32.40 for \$2.60 in risk. The first profit target is at \$27.20 for a 1-to-1 reward/risk ratio. The final target will be placed near the downtrend channel support near \$21-\$22.

**Hewitt Associates** (HEW:NYSE) set up with the entry at \$27.75, and the stop is a break above \$30. The first target is at \$25.50. If the support at that level breaks, the next target will be placed at \$22.25.

**Lear** (LEA:NYSE) is still open with an entry at \$30. The stop level should have been brought to break-even after the first profit target near \$28.80 was hit, satisfying the 1-to-1 reward/risk ratio. The second profit target will be placed at \$22-\$23. This would serve a near 7-to-1 reward/risk ratio on this trade setup.

**Playboy Enterprises** (PLA:NYSE) set up with an entry at \$14.40. The stop level is placed at \$16.10, just above the last resistance in 2005. With \$1.70 in risk, the profit target will be placed at \$12 support to satisfy the 1-to-1 reward/risk ratio.

## **Closed Positions**

**Sonoco Products** (SON:NYSE) hit the break-even stop on the remaining part of the position. This stock setup is no longer open.

#### **Watch List**

**Calgon Carbon** (CCC:NYSE) has not set up yet. The ideal entry for this setup is at \$7.80, with a stop at \$8.50 for 70 cents in risk. The profit target will be to see a move back down to \$7.10 to satisfy the 1-to-1 reward/risk ratio. Partial profits can be taken here. The final profit target will be for a move under \$6.

Should the price drop under \$6 without first offering an entry, this trade setup is no longer valid.



The Short Advisor Portfolio							
Company	Entry Date	Cost Basis	Stop- Loss	Targets*	Most Recent Price	% Gain/Loss	
Alcoa AA	12/29/2005	\$ 29.80	\$32.40	\$27.20 (1) \$21-\$22 (2)	\$ 28.95	2.85%	
Advance America AEA	11/30/2005	\$ 12.50	\$14.10	\$10.90 (1) \$9.60 (2)	\$ 12.61	-0.88%	
Amgen AMGN	1/12/2006	\$ 77.35	\$80.50	\$70	\$ 77.60	-0.32%	
Applebee's APPB	01/05/2006	\$ 22.22	\$23.10	\$20 (1) \$15 (2)	\$ 22.24	-0.09%	
Anheuser-Busch BUD	12/01/2005	\$ 43.65	\$45.15	\$40 (1) sub-\$40 (2)	\$ 42.65	2.29%	
Hewitt Associates HEW	12/30/2005	\$ 27.75	\$30.00	\$25.50 (1) \$22.25 (2)	\$ 27.29	1.66%	
Lear LEA	01/05/2006	\$ 30.00	\$31.20	\$28.80 (1) \$22-\$23 (2)	\$ 24.24	19.20%	
Playboy Enterprise PLA	01/05/2006	\$ 14.40	\$16.10	\$12	\$ 14.72	-2.22%	

<sup>\* (1)</sup> Indicates initial profit target; (2) Indicates final profit target.

## **The Short Advisor Watch List**

Company	Author	Date Published	Current Price	Entry Price	Stop-Loss	Targets*
Calgon Carbon (CCC:NYSE)	Schumacher	1/9/2006	\$7.18	\$7.80	\$8.50	\$7.10 (1) under \$6 (2)

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Average Return Open Positions	2.81%	Performance results listed here reflect values of stocks as of the close of the most recently completed trading day but do NOT		
Average Return Closed Positions	-0.63%	take into account dividends paid, interest earned or commissions.  Results are updated overnight and posted prior to the market		
Total Average Return	-0.51%	open the following business day. The Total Average Return figures reflect changes since inception on March 12, 2003.		

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