Westamerica Bancorporation (Tue, Apr 16, 2024)

Sell candidate since Apr 16, 2024

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/IV Long:	Sell
/IV Short:	Sell
Pivot:	Sell
/olume:	Buy
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Tech commentaries:

The Westamerica Bancorporation stock price fell by -1.79% on the last day (Tuesday, 16th Apr 2024) from \$46.45 to \$45.62. It has now fallen 3 days in a row. During the last trading day the stock fluctuated 1.74% from a day low at \$45.28 to a day high of \$46.07. The price has been going up and down for this period, and there has been a -3.59% loss for the last 2 weeks. Volume has increased on the last day by **39 thousand** shares but on falling prices. This may be an early warning and the risk will be increased slightly over the next couple of days. In total, **116** thousand shares were bought and sold for approximately \$5.31 million.

The stock lies in the middle of a wide and falling trend in the short term and further fall within the trend is signaled. Given the current short-term trend, the stock is expected to fall **-2.50%** during the next 3 months and, with a 90% probability hold a price between **\$42.54** and **\$47.43** at the end of this 3-month period.

There are few to no technical positive signals at the moment. The **Westamerica Bancorporation** stock holds sell signals from both short and long-term Moving Averages giving a more negative forecast for the stock. Also, there is a general sell signal from the relation between the two signals where the long-term average is above the short-term average. On corrections up, there will be some resistance from the lines at **\$47.09** and **\$47.14**. A break-up above any of these levels will issue buy signals. A sell signal was issued from a pivot top point on **Thursday, March 28, 2024**, and so far it has fallen -6.67%. Further fall is indicated until a new bottom pivot has been found. Furthermore, there is currently a sell signal from the 3 month Moving Average Convergence Divergence (MACD). Volume rose on falling prices yesterday. This may be an early warning and the stock should be followed more closely.

Westamerica Bancorporation finds support from accumulated volume at \$45.60 and this level may hold a buying opportunity as an upwards reaction can be expected when the support is being tested. On the upside the stock meets some resistance just above today's level from accumulated volume at \$47.81, \$49.79 and \$51.63.

In general the stock tends to have very controlled movements and with good liquidity the risk is considered very low in this stock. During the last day, the stock moved **\$0.790** between high and low, or **1.74%**. For the last week the stock has had daily average volatility of **2.08%**.

Westamerica Bancorporation holds several negative signals and is within a wide and falling trend, so we believe it will still perform weakly in the next couple of days or weeks. We therefore hold a negative evaluation of this stock. Due to some small weaknesses in the technical picture we have downgraded our analysis conclusion for this stock since the last evaluation from a Hold/Accumulate to a Sell candidate.

Risk: Low

Evaluation: Sell Candidate

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