



## **Tech Alert – Crown Castle International (CCI) – BUY**

**Buy the Crown Castle International (CCI) July 2023  
\$100-\$105 in-the-money vertical BULL CALL spread at  
\$4.40**

**Opening Trade**

**6-14-2023**

**expiration date: July 21, 2023**

**Portfolio weighting: 10%**

**Number of Contracts = 25 contracts**

The debt ceiling has been raised by \$4 trillion, inflation is falling, and interest rate cuts are ahead, so happy days are here again.

Houston-based Crown Castle International is a real estate investment trust and provider of shared 5G cell phone towers in the United States. Its network includes over 40,000 cell towers approximately 85,000 route miles of fiber supporting small cells and fiber solutions.

The company offers shareholders a very attractive triple play.

(CCI) has been tarred by the REIT brush, which has been suffering mightily from high-interest rates. As a result, (CCI) shares have cratered 44% and are an extreme bargain here.

What happens next? Interest rates fall, causing REITS to rocket.

One thing is certain. Demand for 5G cell phone towers will continue to grow exponentially as the technology continues its global rollout. (CCI) also offers a very attractive 5.45% dividend yield handily beating 90-day T-bills at 5.25%.

So (CCI) is an interest rate play, a technology play, and a dividend play, all of which will do well from here. There aren't very many technology stocks still crawling off the bottom.

Therefore, I am buying the **Crown Castle International (CCI) July 2023 \$100-\$105 in-the-money vertical BULL CALL spread at \$4.40**

Don't pay more than \$4.60 or you will be chasing.

If you can't do options buy the stock. My long-term target for (CCI) is \$160, up 50%. To learn more about Crown Castle International (CCI) please visit the company's website at <https://www.crowncastle.com>

This is a bet that the (CCI) will not rise or fall below \$105.00 by the July 21 option expiration in 21 trading days.

Here are the specific trades you need to execute this position:

|   |                       |
|---|-----------------------|
| <b>Buy 25 July 2023 (CCI) \$100 call at.....</b>        | <b>\$16.00</b>        |
| <b>Sell short 25 July 2023 (CCI) \$105 call at.....</b> | <b><u>\$11.60</u></b> |
| <b>Net Cost:.....</b>                                   | <b>\$4.40</b>         |

Potential Profit:  $\$5.00 - \$4.20 = \$0.80$

$(25 \times 100 \times \$0.80) = \$2,000$  or 19.05% in 21 days

Statistics

Financial Instrument

CCI

Opt. Volume

866

Put/Call Volume

0.34

Opt. Volume Change %

52.358%

Hist. Vol. Close %

23.795%

IV Last

24.7%

Buttons

Add Underlying

Preview Order/Check Margin Impact

Close Strategy Positions

Close Position

Reverse Position

View Account

Trading

Orders

Log

Trades

Portfolio

Strategy Builder

Strategies

B/A: 7 4.30 5.00 4 Debit

Reverse

Add Stock

Make Delta Neutral

Bull Spread

| Action | Ratio | LastTrdDay | Strike | Type | Mltplr |                |
|--------|-------|------------|--------|------|--------|----------------|
| Buy    | 1     | JUL 21 '23 | 100    | Call | 100    | X Consolidated |
| Sell   | 1     | JUL 21 '23 | 105    | Call | 100    | X Consolidated |

+ Add Leg

X Clear All Legs

Place order:

25

DAY

LMT

4.40

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Transmit

Add to Quote Panel

Profile

Option Chains

JUN 16 '23

JUL 21 '23

OCT 20 '23

JAN 19 '24

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To see how to enter this trade in your online platform, please look at the order ticket below, which I pulled from **Interactive Brokers**.

If you are uncertain about how to execute an options spread, please watch my training video on **“How to Execute a Vertical Bull Call Spread”** by clicking here at <http://members.madhedgefundtrader.com/ltt-vbpds/>

The best execution can be had by placing your bid for the entire spread in the middle market and waiting for the market to come to you. The difference between the bid and the offer on these deep-in-the-money spread trades can be enormous.

Don’t execute the legs individually or you will lose much of your profit. Spread pricing can be very volatile on expiration months farther out.

Keep in mind that these are ballpark prices at best. After the alerts go out, prices can be all over the map.