

EXPERIENCED OPERATORS INVESTING IN THE MIDDLE MARKET

TARGET MARKET

- **Geography**: Global exposure with North American or European HQ
- **Sectors**: B2B Industrials, Manufacturing, and Specialty Distribution
- **Special Thesis Areas:**
 - Mobility
 - Infrastructure
 - **Industry 4.0**
- **Exclusions:**
- >25% exposure to Big Box Retail
- **Turnarounds**

CHARACTERISTICS

- **Good business:**
 - End market growth
 - Historical growth at/above market
 - Market leading player
 - Strong FCF conversion
- Operationally underperforming peers/ benchmarks
- **Definable Value Creation Plan** prior to close

DEAL SIZE

- Equity Investment: \$20M to \$350M
- EBITDA: \$15M to \$100M
- Revenue: >\$75M
- Transaction Size: Up to \$500M

FUNDS

- Fund I: Flagship
- Fund II: Flagship
- MOF: Overage vehicle investing in EV, lightweighting, autonomous, and connected car technologies
- Fund III: Flagship
- Additional Co-Invest on every deal (\$1B+ to date)
- AUM: \$3.7B



Machine Vision

Munich, Germany Revenue: ~€135M Fund(s): Fund III Acquired: Nov 2024

helix

Electric Drive Systems Manufacturer

Milton Keynes, UK Fund(s): Fund II / MOF Acquired: July 2024

Starrett

Precision-Focused Tools Manufacturer

Athol, MA Revenue: ~\$256M Fund(s): Fund III Acquired: May 2024



Engineering Services

Valencia, Spain Fund(s): Fund II / MOF Acquired: Mar 2024



Metal Processing & Distribution

Carol Stream, IL Revenue: \$1B Fund(s): MiddleGround Carbon CV Acquired: Nov 2023



Automotive Transmission Thatcham, UK

Revenue: ~£82M Fund(s): Fund II / MOF Acquired: July 2023



Thermoplastic, Thermoset Injection

Molding Hopkins, MN Revenue: ~\$80M Fund(s): Fund I / MOF Acquired: Feb 2023





Quebec City, QC Revenue: ~\$13M Fund(s): Fund II Acquired: Jan 2023



Worker Safety & Access Solutions

Andrews, SC Revenue: ~\$150M Fund(s): Fund II Acquired: Nov 2022



Bicycle Parts & Accessories Distribution

Quebec City, QC Revenue: ~CAD \$170M Fund(s): Fund II Acquired Sep 2022





Distributor Baton Rouge, LA

Revenue: ~\$500M Fund(s): Fund II Acquired: July 2022



Powersports Aftermarket

Mentor, OH Revenue: ~\$325M Fund(s): Fund II Acquired: Nov 2021



Precast Concrete Manufacturer

Canal Fulton, OH Revenue: ~\$125M Fund(s): Fund II Acquired: Nov 2021



Mechanical Control Systems - Automotive

Ann Arbor, MI Fund(s): Fund II / MOF Acquired: Nov 2021



Automotive **Exterior Trim**

Oldcastle, ON Revenue: ~\$750M Fund(s): Fund I / MOF Acquired: Oct 2021



Garage Door Components Archbold, OH

Revenue: ~\$250M Fund(s): Fund I Acquired: Sept 2021



Steel Infrastructure Manufacturer

Kosciusko, MS Revenue: ~\$140M Fund(s): Fund I Acquired: Dec 2020



Lightweight Auto **Technologies & Auto** Electrification

Valley City, OH Revenue: ~\$1.2B Fund(s): Fund I / MOF I Acquired: Nov 2020



Steel Metal **Fabricator**

Hartford, WI Revenue: ~\$150M Fund(s): Fund I Acquired: May 2019



Precision Metal Components

Elyria, OH Revenue: ~\$220M Fund(s): Fund I Acquired: July 2018



Metal Processing & Distribution

Carol Stream, IL Revenue: ~\$300M Fund(s): Fund I Acquired: Dec 2019 Realized: Nov 2023



Southfield, MI Revenue: ~\$110M Fund(s): Fund I



Metal Springs Manufacturer

Acquired: April 2019 Realized: Sept 2023



*Revenue based on LTM at time of acquisition

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ADD-ON STRATEGY

Portfolio Company	Geography	Size	End Markets	Products/ Applications	Capabilities / Services	Completed Add-ons
Starrett	North America	>\$5M EBITDA/ positive FCF	Industrial, Manufacturing, Advanced Manufacturing	Precision and/or laser measurement hand tools, systems, and software	Designing and manufacturing tools, systems, and software	
Castle Metals	North America	>\$3M EBITDA/ positive FCF	Medical and Aerospace, Industrial	Bar (all types), Sheet, Coil Plate	Grinding, Slitting, Shearing, Plasma/Water Jet Cutting, Ultrasonic Testing, Heat Treating	Supra Alloys EDGE Supra Alloys WOODEN, Supra Alloys WOODEN, Supra Alloys
XTRAC	North America, Europe	>£10M revenue	Motorsport and High Performance Automotive	High-performance automotive applications	Designing and engineering automotive components and vehicles Consultancy and engineering support for motorsport / hypercar customers	
PRECISION IN PLASTIC	North America	>\$5M EBITDA/ positive FCF	Industrial, Aerospace, Medical, Consumer	Components/full assemblies	Primary Focus: Thermoset, Insert, 2-Shot	
MEGATECH	North America, Europe	Advanced/ Traditional \$2M-\$5M EBITDA Additive Manufacturing Flexible	Industrial, Aerospace & Defense, Electronics, Optics/Photonics, Robotics, Medical, Semiconductor	Focus on high complexity, high precision prototyping and low volume production	Primary Focus: CNC Machining, Precision Sheet Metal Fabrication, Additive Manufacturing Secondary Focus: Injection Molding, Urethane Casting	
SIXAXIS MANUFACTURING TECHNOLOGIS	North America, Europe	>\$3M EBITDA	Distribution/Warehousing, General Industrial, Marine, Power Generation, Transportation/Logistics, Commercial/Modular Buildings, Aerospace	Fall Protection Equipment, Slip Protection Equipment, Safety Barrier Systems, Safety Signage, Safe Access Systems	Strategic brands with a preference for a portion of consumable products focus and aftermarket exposure, Businesses benefiting from regulation driven purchasing dynamic, Geographic and product portfolio expansion	
HLC	North America, Europe	>\$10M sales	Cycling	Cycling parts, Components, Accessories brands and distributors, Select bike OEM's	Strategic brands with omnichannel presence and aftermarket exposure, Distributors with North American footprint and owned brands	ed
PVI HOLDINGS	North America, Europe	>\$15M Revenue	Distribution, Marine, Process MRO, Chemical, Energy, General Industrial, Fire Protection	Flow control valves, fittings & couplings, pipes, actuators, hydraulic pumps, pressure/ temperature gauges, fire protection	Strategic brands/ distributor with products/ geographies offering synergies to PVI as well as MRO applications.	Controls, Inc. SETPOINT INTEGRATED SOLUTIONS Wo
Lindsay	Texas, Florida, US - Southeast	>\$5M EBITDA	Solar, Transportation, Utilities, Water	Precast concrete structures for infrastructure and energy	Steel fabrication and other vertical integration a plus	Dutchland INCORPORATED
ATTALA STEEL IN DUSTRIES	North America; US- Southeast/Central	>\$5M EBITDA	Diversified Industrial, Solar, Infrastructure, Building Products, Food & Agriculture	Engineered / Fabricated Metal Products	Milling, cutting, heat treating, galvanizing with interest in W8 milling capabilities and ancillary services	
ARROW MOVING FORWARD	North America; West Coast, US - Southeast a plus	>\$3M EBITDA	Building Products- Residential and Industrial, Repair and remodel a plus	Springs, HVAC hardware, Exterior and interior metal hardware for residential and industrial buildings	Manufacturing, Kitting, Assembly Dealer/distributor or contrac channel preferred	otor
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