

INDUSTRY UPDATE - 22 December 2022

### **VALUATION MULTIPLES**

Forward EV / EBITDA Multiples (monthly to 12/12/2022) Source: FactSet Research Systems Inc.

Multiples in the Industrials sector have increased over the period. At the end of November, the sector traded on a forward EV / EBITDA multiple of 7.8x, compared to the ASX200 on 8.4x.



Average Values and Trading Multiples (as at 12/12/2022) Source: FactSet Research Systems Inc.

Subsector	Enterprise Value (\$ m)	EV/EBITDA FY2022	EV/EBIT FY2022	Price / Earnings FY2022
Chemicals and Plastics	16,425	6.2x	9.3x	13.7x
Construction and Building Materials	18,078	6.5x	9.0x	10.5x
Construction/Mining Services	19,076	6.3x	9.7x	13.3x
Engineering Services	11,296	7.6x	11.4x	15.6x
Industrial Products And Services	18,181	8.0x	11.4x	15.5x
Packaging	4,950	6.6x	NA	9.6x
Industrials	88,005	7.0x	10.3x	13.6x

Note: Multiples are based on the forward year of the unreported period, which for the majority of companies in the sector is FY2023. Difference in forward EV/EBITDA multiples between Figure and Table are representative of the timing difference between month-end result, and current day result.

Composition of companies in Sector Dashboards are updated every 6 months. Most recent update: April 2022.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The InterFinancial Industrials Index set is an unweighted index comprising Industrials sector related companies trading on the Australian Securities Exchange (ASX). Estimates are sourced from FactSet Research Systems Inc.



INDUSTRY UPDATE - 22 December 2022

#### **MERGER & ACQUISITION NEWS...**



Value: AUD 11.4m

**BPH Trust**, the Australia based company operating in Fund management is to acquire **Tubi**, the local listed manufacturer of high-density polyethylene pipes for oil and gas, irrigation, water, mining and infrastructure sectors.



Value: Not Disclosed

**Azelis Group NV**, the Belgium based manufacturer of food flavourings focusing on providing and distributing specialty chemicals and food ingredients, is to acquire **Chemiplas**, the Australia based private manufacturer of blown film for packaging and other industrial applications. The terms of the deal were undisclosed.







Value: Not Disclosed

Caisse des Depots et Consignations - CDC, the France based government financial organization supporting the economic development of France through its subsidiary Egis, the local consulting and engineering group, is to acquire Calibre Professional Services, the Australia based provider of end-to-end engineering and consulting services focused on urban development, water and roads, and building services and structures across Australia and New Zealand.



Value: AUD 85.0m





**MAAS Group Holdings**, the Australia based civil engineering, construction support and hire, and construction material distribution services provider, is to acquire **Dandy Premix**, the local Australian construction materials business. The consideration was AUD 85.0m (USD 57.43m), which consists of AUD 76.5m paid in cash, AUD 8.5m paid in common shares. The transaction is subject to various third-party consents and customary completion conditions. The transaction is expected to complete by the end of December 2022.



Value: Not Disclosed

**WSP Global [TSE:WSP]**, a Quebec-based professional services firm, announced an agreement to acquire **enstruct**, a 75-employee structural engineering firm with offices in Sydney, Melbourne, and Brisbane.



Value: >AUD 100m



**Colinton Capital Partners** is set to acquire a majority stake in **FYFE**, an Australia-based integrated engineering, environment, planning, and survey business. FYFE has over 350 staff and is expected to generate revenue of AUD 75m (USD 51m) and EBITDA of AUD 15m for FY23. Colinton is anticipated to value the company at less than AUD 100m.





Value: USD 132.2m

Brambles [ASX:BXB] has agreed to sell its CHEP China unit to Loscam (Greater China) Holdings for an enterprise value of USD 132.2m. Upon completion of the sale, Brambles will hold a 20% stake in the combined entity, with the remaining 80% stake to be owned by Loscam (Greater China) Co, which is the Greater China arm of Loscam Group. Loscam Group is owned by Sinotrans and two private equity firms, Trustar Capital, formerly known as CITIC Capital Partners, and FountainVest Partners.



INDUSTRY UPDATE - 22 December 2022

#### **GOING VIRAL...**

- Buyers for Ixom, an Australia-based chemicals business, are believed to be locked in price negotiations with the company's
  owners. Sources speculated that offers valued Ixom between AUD 1.5bn (USD 1bn) and AUD 2bn, but expectations that
  Ixom's owner, Keppel, will achieve a price close to AUD 2bn are low.
- Bingo Industries [ASX: BIN] has exited the auction for BMI, an Australia-based waste management business. Bingo's exit leaves private equity players competing for the business. BMI, owned by Balfour Irvine and family, was expected to sell for around AUD 500m (USD 340m).
- Lone Star Funds is among buyers interested in Jeld-Wen's [NYSE:JELD] Australian business. Lone Star joins Bain Capital, BGH Capital, and Allegro Funds in the auction for Jeld-Wen Australia. Second round offers for the business, which is expected to sell for AUD 1bn (USD 672m), are due in around two-and-a-half weeks.
- Cleanaway Waste Management [ASX:CWY] has announced that it remains interested in mergers and acquisitions (M&A). Cleanaway Waste Management has a market cap of USD 4.1bn.
- TaskPod, a privately held Australian technology hardware company, is planning to raise up to AUD 11m (USD 7.5m) in 2023 to back its domestic and overseas expansion plans. The Adelaide-headquartered company, which provides private working pods for remote-based workers, welcomes approaches from potential investors on an AUD 1m seed round and subsequent Series A, of between AUD 5m and AUD 10m, next year, noting that a stake of around 10% would likely be on offer in the Series A.
- **FIRM Construction**, an Australia-based construction group, has entered administration. Administrators will seek to restructure the business, which was generating revenue of nearly AUD 100m (USD 66m) two years ago. FIRM has been hurt by supply chain issues and labour shortages since COVID-19. Rising costs also exacerbated financial pressures in relation to fixed price projects taken on for the government and private clients last year.



INDUSTRY UPDATE - 22 December 2022

### **CONTACT DETAILS**

If you are interested in specific information regarding mergers and acquisitions in the Industrials sector, please contact Mark Steinhardt or Brad Shaw.

Name	Position	Phone	Email
Sharon Doyle	Executive Chair	(07) 3218 9122	sdoyle@interfinancial.com.au
Paul Keehan	Non-Executive Director	(07) 3218 9100	pkeehan@interfinancial.com.au
Anne-Marie Birkill	Non-Executive Director	(07) 3218 9100	
Rhyll Gardner	Non-Executive Director	(07) 3218 9100	
Brad Shaw	Chief Executive Officer	(07) 3218 9100	bshaw@interfinancial.com.au
Mark Steinhardt	Director – M&A	(07) 3218 9105	msteinhardt@interfinancial.com.au
David Hassum	Director	(07) 3218 9108	dhassum@interfinancial.com.au
Andrew Wheeler	Director	(07) 3218 9107	awheeler@interfinancial.com.au
Graeme McKellar	Director	(07) 3218 9100	gmckellar@interfinancial.com.au
Michael Kakanis	Associate Director	(07) 3218 9106	mkakanis@interfinancial.com.au
Anuk Manchanda	Associate Director	(07) 3218 9100	amanchanda@interfinancial.com.au
Nimerta Kumari	Associate Director	(07) 3218 9100	nkumari@interfinancial.com.au
Maggie Liu	Associate	(07) 3218 9100	mliu@interfinancial.com.au

### **DISCLAIMER**

This information has been sourced from the ASX, Mergermarket.com and various other public information sources. Forecasts are consensus forecasts sourced from FactSet Research Systems Inc.

Important Disclaimer – This may affect your legal rights: Because this document has been prepared without consideration of any specific person's financial situation, particular needs and investment objectives, a financial services licensee or investment adviser should be consulted before any investment decision is made. While this document is based on information from sources which are considered reliable, InterFinancial, its directors, employees and consultants do not represent, warrant or guarantee, expressly or impliedly, that the information contained in this document is complete or accurate. Nor does InterFinancial accept any responsibility to inform you of any matter that subsequently comes to notice, which may affect any of the information contained in this document. This document is a private communication to clients and is not intended for public circulation or for the use of any third party, without the prior approval of InterFinancial. This report does not constitute advice to any person.

**Disclosure.** InterFinancial has no interest in any of the securities mentioned in this publication. However, its directors, executives or consultants may have an interest in some of the securities, directly or indirectly, which are mentioned.

InterFinancial is a member of Clairfield International, an international corporate finance firm that provides advisory services in crossborder mergers and acquisitions. Clairfield is represented by over 400 people across 22 countries, closing over 100 transactions each year.

InterFinancial
Corporate Finance Limited
ABN: 49 136 969 491675
Level 2, 201 Charlotte Street
GPO Box 975
Brisbane Gueensland 4001
[07] 3218 9100
admin8interfinancial.com.au
www.interfinancial.com.au
www.interfinancial.com

