

# Industrial Distribution

# Q2 2023 industry update

**July 2023** 



### Selected M&A highlights

Jun-23	BGF acquired Troy, an independent MRO
	(maintenance, repair and overhaul) product distributor

- May-23 Field Industries acquired RSD Supply, a distributor of flanges, pipe, butt weld fittings, forged steel, valves, studs and gaskets
- May-23 Rexel SA acquired Wasco Holding BV, a distributor and wholesaler of HVAC products and services
- May-23 Kohler Co acquired Recoup Energy Solutions Ltd, a distributor of certified waste water heat recovery systems
- May-23 VSE Corp acquired Desser Holding Co LLC, a distributor of specialty aviation tires, tubes, brakes, and batteries and a provider of component MRO services

- May-23 AFC Industries acquired Fastbolt Corporation, a distributor of fasteners and related electro-mechanical and wiring products
- May-23 Fluid System Components Inc acquired Norcan Fluid Power Company, a distributor of fluid power products
- Apr-23 RS Group acquired Distrelec Group, a European B2B distributor of electronic and technical components
- Apr-23 Franchise Brands plc acquired Pirtek Europe, a UKbased provider of on-site hydraulic hose replacement and associated services
- Apr-23 Röko acquired Godiva Bearings Ltd, a distributor of bearings, spare parts and other safety critical components

### **Public company valuations**

Industrial, MRO and safety

				EV/Revenue		EV/EBITDA			EV/EBIT			
Company	Country	LFY date	Market Cap (£m)	LFY	LFY+1	LFY+2	LFY	LFY+1	LFY+2	LFY	LFY+1	LFY+2
Applied Industrial Technologies		Jun-22	4,405	1.6x	1.4x	1.4x	14.7x	11.7x	11.6x	16.9x	13.0x	12.3x
Bossard Holding AG	+	Dec-22	1,345	1.6x	1.6x	1.5x	11.7x	11.3x	10.4x	13.1x	13.4x	12.4x
Diploma PLC		Sep-22	3,997	4.2x	3.5x	3.4x	20.1x	17.0x	16.3x	27.0x	19.0x	18.2x
DXP Enterprises, Inc.		Dec-22	498	0.7x	0.6x	0.5x	8.2x	6.0x	5.8x	10.6x	7.3x	6.9x
Fastenal Company		Dec-22	26,504	4.9x	4.6x	4.4x	20.9x	20.1x	19.0x	23.5x	22.3x	20.9x
Flowtech Fluidpower plc		Dec-22	58	0.7x	0.7x	0.6x	8.6x	6.3x	5.7x	11.2x	8.2x	7.3x
Global Industrial Company		Dec-22	831	0.9x	0.9x	0.9x	10.1x	12.4x	11.6x	10.5x	12.5x	10.4x
Klöckner & Co SE		Dec-22	764	0.2x	0.2x	0.2x	4.1x	5.7x	4.7x	5.4x	13.4x	9.2x
L'Air Liquide S.A.		Dec-22	73,618	3.3x	3.3x	3.1x	14.4x	12.6x	11.8x	21.2x	19.0x	17.6x
MRC Global Inc.		Dec-22	667	0.5x	0.5x	0.4x	9.9x	5.9x	5.4x	12.6x	7.3x	6.8x
MSC Industrial Direct Co., Inc.		Sep-22	4,203	1.6x	1.5x	1.4x	10.7x	10.0x	9.8x	12.2x	11.5x	11.3x
NOW Inc.		Dec-22	872	0.5x	0.4x	0.4x	5.8x	5.1x	5.0x	6.5x	6.5x	6.1x
TAKKT AG		Dec-22	778	0.8x	0.8x	0.7x	10.2x	8.0x	7.3x	11.6x	11.0x	10.0x
Watsco, Inc.		Dec-22	10,917	2.0x	1.9x	1.9x	17.2x	16.7x	16.2x	17.9x	17.2x	16.7x
W.W. Grainger, Inc.		Dec-22	31,131	2.8x	2.5x	2.4x	17.3x	15.2x	14.6x	19.0x	16.4x	15.7x
Min				0.2x	0.2x	0.2x	4.1x	5.1x	4.7x	5.4x	6.5x	6.1x
Median				1.6x	1.4x	1.4x	10.7x	11.3x	10.4x	12.6x	13.0x	11.3x
Mean				1.7x	1.6x	1.6x	12.3x	10.9x	10.4x	14.6x	13.2x	12.1x
Max				4.9x	4.6x	4.4x	20.9x	20.1x	19.0x	27.0x	22.3x	20.9x

Source: S&P Capital IQ as at 30/06/2023

Note: LFY = Last financial year

### **Public company valuations**

Electronics / electrical

				EV/Revenue			EV/EBITDA			EV/EBIT		
Company	Country	LFY date	Market Cap (£m)	LFY	LFY+1	LFY+2	LFY	LFY+1	LFY+2	LFY	LFY+1	LFY+2
Arrow Electronics, Inc.		Dec-22	6,367	0.3x	0.3x	0.4x	5.2x	6.7x	7.3x	5.7x	7.4x	8.1x
Avnet, Inc.		Jul-22	3,629	0.3x	0.3x	0.3x	7.1x	6.1x	7.8x	7.9x	6.6x	8.4x
Rexel S.A.		Dec-22	5,866	0.5x	0.5x	0.5x	6.9x	6.1x	6.0x	7.2x	7.9x	7.6x
RS Group plc		Mar-23	3,592	1.3x	1.2x	1.1x	9.0x	8.1x	7.6x	9.8x	9.6x	8.9x
WESCO International		Dec-22	7,224	0.7x	0.6x	0.6x	9.0x	7.9x	7.7x	9.8x	8.8x	8.5x
Min				0.3x	0.3x	0.3x	5.2x	6.1x	6.0x	5.7x	6.6x	7.6x
Median				0.5x	0.5x	0.5x	7.1x	6.7x	7.6x	7.9x	7.9x	8.4x
Mean				0.6x	0.6x	0.6x	7.5x	7.0x	7.3x	8.1x	8.0x	8.3x
Max				1.3x	1.2x	1.1x	9.0x	8.1x	7.8x	9.8x	9.6x	8.9x

Source: S&P Capital IQ as at 30/06/2023 Note: LFY = Last financial year

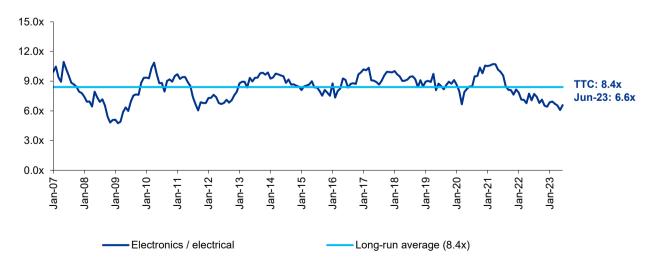
### **Public company valuations**

Through the cycle ('TTC') Enterprise Value / LTM EBITDA multiples

### Industrial, MRO and Safety



### **Electronics / electrical**



Source: S&P Capital IQ

Note: The companies used in the public company valuations tables make up the constituents of the TTC analysis

Note: LTM = Last twelve months

## **Selected M&A transaction history**

Date	Target	Country	Target Description	Acquirer	Country	EV (£m)	Reported EV/EBITDA
Apr-23	Pirtek Europe		Distributor of fluid power products	Franchise Brands plc		200	n/a
Mar-23	Madriferr	- 🙈	Specialist distributor of tools and maintenance products	Rubix Group		n/a	n/a
Mar-23	Hydraquip Group		Distributor and manufacturer of mobile hydraulic services	Finning International Inc	[+]	65	14.3x
Oct-22	Ecopac Power		Distributor of power supplies and LED drivers	TTI, Inc		n/a	n/a
Jul-22	Horizon Solutions LLC		Distributor of automation, electrical, industrial, energy and safety products and related services	Rexel USA, Inc		n/a	n/a
Apr-22	R&G Fluid Power		Distributor of a diverse range of industrial, hydraulic and pneumatic products.	Diploma Plc		108	16.1x
Jan-22	Hoskin Scientific	<b> + </b>	Value added distributor of essential test & measurement equipment	River Associates Investments*		n/a	n/a
Sep-21	Goodfellow		Distributor of high quality industrial materials	Battery Ventures		n/a	n/a
Mar-21	Incorporatewear		Distributor of workwear	Direct Corporate Clothing		n/a	n/a
Feb-21	Wolseley UK		Distributor of plumbing and heat products for contractors and the construction market	Clayton, Dubilier & Rice, LLC*		308	6.0x
Oct-19	The Fluid Power House	[+]	Distributor of hydraulic systems and solutions	Motion Canada	[+]	n/a	n/a
Feb-19	Ahlsell AB	+-	Industrial wholesaler of plumbing, heating, electrical, refrigeration and do- it-yourself products	CVC Advisers Ltd*		2,808	11.9x
Mar-19	Sanistal A/S (steel distribution business)	==	Steel distribution business of Sanistal A/S	Tibnor AB	-	53	n/a
Sep-18	Pirtek		Distributor of fluid power products	PNC Riverarch Capital*		n/a	n/a
May-17	Rubix		Distributor of industrial maintenance, repair and overhaul products and services	Advent International*		416	9.8x
Min							6.0x
Mean							11.6x
Max							16.1x

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