Flow control

Industry Update

Q4 2023

Selected M&A highlights

- Dec-23: Motion & Control Enterprises, backed by Frontenac, acquired
 Filter Resources, a US based manufacturer of complete filtration
 systems, replacement filter elements and custom fabrication capabilities
- Dec-23: The Timken Company (NYSE:TKR) acquired Lagersmit Sealing Solutions, a Netherlands based manufacturer and supplier of sealing solutions
- Dec-23: IDT Holding acquired wpi Industriebedarf, a Germany based manufacturer of gaskets serving the chemical, petrochemical and power markets
- Dec-23: Hoerbiger Holding acquired Minor Industria Mecanica de Precisicao, a Brazil based manufacturer of rotary unions, swivel joints, gear pumps and quick couplers
- Dec-23: LAGERCRANTZ Group (STO:LAGR-B) acquired DP Seals, a UK based supplier of rubber sealings and mouldings
- Dec-23: IJssel acquired JD Techniek, a Netherlands based company engaged in repairing and delivering pumps, mechanical seals, safety relief valves, check valves, gear casings and other pipeline equipment
- **Dec-23: Harrington Industrial Plastics** acquired **PumpMan**, a US based provider of onsite maintenance, repair and replacement for all components in water and wastewater pumping systems
- Dec-23: Parlym acquired Colves Fluid Control, a China based manufacturer of valves for oil & gas, energy and other sectors
- Dec-23: Atlas Copco Group (STO:ATCO-A) acquired Kracht, a Germany based manufacture of high quality technologies including external gear pumps, fluid measurement, valves, hydraulic drives and dosing systems

- Nov-23: ITT (NYSE:ITT) acquired Svanehoj Group, a Denmark based manufacturer of pumps for the marine and oil & gas industries for USD 395m (EV/EBITDA: 12.0x)
- Nov-23: ITT (NYSE:ITT) signed a joint venture agreement with Technik Fluid Controls, an India based manufacturer of industrial valves and pumps
- Nov-23: Graham Corporation (NYSE:GHM) acquired P3 Technologies, a US based manufacturer of rotating machinery including pumps, compressors and turbines
- Nov-23: WILO acquired PLAD Equipment, a Canada based pump manufacturer serving HVAC, firefighting and irrigation markets
- Nov-23: OEM International (STO:OEM-B) acquired Unit-Pump, a Denmark based importer and distributor of pumps and mechanical seals
- Oct-23: Carco PRP acquired ROW Inc, a US based manufacturer of encapsulated O-rings and gaskets used in industrial applications in the filtration, fluid power, hydraulics and pharmaceutical industries
- Oct-23: Andritz (VIE:ANDR) acquired NAF (a subsidiary of Flowserve), a Sweden based provider of advanced control units, actuators and valves, primarily serving the paper & pulp industry
- Oct-23: IKM Gruppen acquired Flux Group, a Norway based supplier and service provider of umbilicals, valves, hoses and connectors for power and fluid management applications
- Oct-23: Renta Group acquired Ohiko, a Finland based specialist pumping company providing full service bypass solutions
- Oct-23: United Flow Technologies, backed by H.I.G. Capital, acquired lowa Pump Works, a US based technical distributor and service provider of pumps for the municipal water, wastewater and industrial markets

Flow Control - Focused								EV/Revenue Revenue (GBPm) Rତvenue growth		EV/EBITDA EBITDA (GBPm) EBITDA %			EV/EBIT EBIT (GBPm) EBIT %		2 Year CAGR 2022 2024		
Company	Country	Year end date	Market cap (GBPm)	Net debt / (cash)	Adj EV (GBPm)	Net debt / EBITDA (2021)	2022	2023	2024	2022	2023	2024	2022	2023	2024	Sales	EBITDA
Flowserve		Dec-22	4,246	799	5,076	2.0x	1.8x	1.5x	1.4x	20.6x	13.0x	11.2x	29.1x	15.7x	13.2x	12%	36%
	=						2,838	3,371	3,547	246	391	453	174	324	384		
							2%	19%	5%	9%	12%	13%	6%	10%	11%		
Gorman-Rupp		Dec-22	731	306	1,037	3.4x	2.5x	2.0x	1.9x	19.2x	11.6x	11.1x	27.8x	15.6x	14.2x	15%	31%
	=						409	515	542	54	89	93	37	66	73		
							38%	26%	5%	13%	17%	17%	9%	13%	14%		
IDEX		Dec-22	12,890	669	13,559	1.0x	5.4x	5.3x	5.2x	19.0x	19.5x	18.6x	21.9x	23.2x	22.1x	2%	1%
	=						2,498	2,551	2,598	713	697	730	619	584	615		
							15%	2%	2%	29%	27%	28%	25%	23%	24%		
IMI plc	<u></u>	Dec-22	4,352	770	5,123	1.5x	2.5x	2.3x	2.2x	11.8x	10.1x	9.5x	15.5x	12.6x	11.7x	5%	12%
	a 🖻						2,049	2,182	2,279	433	506	539	330	408	440		
							10%	6%	4%	21%	23%	24%	16%	19%	19%		
KITZ		Dec-22	603	60	670	0.5x	0.8x	0.7x	0.7x	6.7x	5.8x	5.6x	10.9x	8.7x	7.9x	5%	10%
							891	934	983	100	115	120	62	77	85		
							18%	5%	5%	11%	12%	12%	7%	8%	9%		
Rotork	<u></u>	Dec-22	2,782	(98)	2,685	n/a	4.2x	3.8x	3.5x	17.9x	15.0x	13.7x	20.9x	16.5x	15.0x	9%	14%
	A N						642	716	761	150	179	196	128	163	179		
							13%	11%	6%	23%	25%	26%	20%	23%	23%		
Spirax-Sarco		Dec-22	7,731	837	8,569	2.0x	5.3x	5.1x	4.8x	20.3x	20.9x	19.1x	24.1x	24.9x	22.4x	5%	3%
	A N						1,611	1,691	1,783	422	410	450	356	344	382		
							20%	5%	5%	26%	24%	25%	22%	20%	21%		
Min							0.8x	0.7x	0.7x	6.7x	5.8x	5.6x	10.9x	8.7x	7.9x	2%	1%
Mean							3.2x	3.0x	2.8x	16.5x	13.7x	12.7x	21.5x	16.7x	15.2x	8%	15%
Median							2.5x	2.3x	2.2x	19.0x	13.0x	11.2x	21.9x	15.7x	14.2x	5%	12%
Max							5.4x	5.3x	5.2x	20.6x	20.9x	19.1x	29.1x	24.9x	22.4x	15%	36%

Note: (a) Multiples are based on enterprise value as of 31-Dec-23 and historical and forecast sales, EBITDA and EBIT, calendarised to 31 December. "nmf": not meaningful; "n/a": not available

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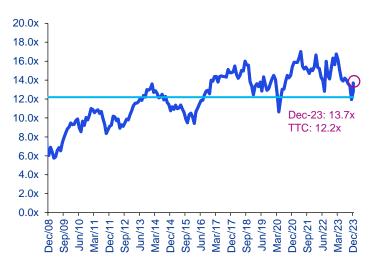
Flow Control		Diversified						EV/Revenue Revenue (GBPm) Revenue growth			EV/EBITDA EBITDA (GBPm) EBITDA %			EV/EBIT EBIT (GBPm) EBIT %			2 Year CAGR 2022 2024	
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Alfa Laval		Dec-22	13,016	1,041	14,084	1.1x	3.5x	2.8x	2.6x	19.0x	15.1x	13.5x	25.1x	17.7x	15.3x	15%	19%	
							4,070	4,970	5,399	742	934	1,047	562	795	921			
							27%	22%	9%	18%	19%	19%	14%	16%	17%			
Crane Co.		Dec-22	5,270	(10)	5,261	n/a	2.0x	3.2x	3.0x	10.4x	18.5x	16.5x	12.7x	20.5x	18.2x	nmf	nmf	
							2,650	1,628	1,732	508	284	319	415	257	289			
							(1%)	(39%)	6%	19%	17%	18%	16%	16%	17%			
Curtiss-Wright		Dec-22	6,689	800	7,489	1.7x	3.7x	3.4x	3.2x	17.1x	15.7x	14.7x	21.4x	19.6x	18.1x	8%	8%	
							2,007	2,196	2,330	437	477	510	349	382	413			
							2%	9%	6%	22%	22%	22%	17%	17%	18%			
Dover		Dec-22	16,892	2,252	19,144	1.6x	2.9x	2.9x	2.8x	14.1x	13.4x	12.6x	17.2x	16.4x	15.0x	2%	6%	
							6,680	6,675	6,909	1,354	1,425	1,516	1,112	1,170	1,279			
							8%	(0%)	4%	20%	21%	22%	17%	18%	19%			
Emerson		Sep-23	43,671	513	48,823	0.2x	4.4x	4.0x	3.5x	18.4x	15.5x	13.6x	24.2x	20.3x	17.0x	12%	16%	
	Ŧ						11,107	12,338	13,814	2,652	3,157	3,585	2,017	2,404	2,874			
							8%	11%	12%	24%	26%	26%	18%	19%	21%			
EnPro		Dec-22	2,573	258	2,845	1.3x	3.3x	3.4x	3.2x	15.0x	14.7x	13.4x	26.3x	42.1x	20.8x	2%	6%	
	Ŧ						863	843	899	189	194	213	108	68	137			
							31%	(2%)	7%	22%	23%	24%	13%	8%	15%			
Graco		Dec-22	11,497	(368)	11,129	n/a	6.6x	6.5x	6.3x	22.2x	19.7x	18.8x	24.8x	21.9x	21.0x	3%	9%	
	Ŧ						1,683	1,721	1,769	501	564	591	449	507	529			
							8%	2%	3%	30%	33%	33%	27%	29%	30%			
Halma		Mar-23	8,615	619	9,213	1.4x	5.2x	4.7x	4.4x	22.7x	20.3x	18.8x	28.9x	23.4x	21.0x	8%	10%	
	A D						1,772	1,950	2,073	406	453	490	319	394	439			
							20%	10%	6%	23%	23%	24%	18%	20%	21%			
Ingersoll Rand		Dec-22	24,578	1,231	25,861	0.9x	5.6x	4.8x	4.6x	25.1x	18.7x	17.4x	37.5x	25.2x	23.3x	10%	20%	
	Ŧ						4,645	5,360	5,669	1,030	1,381	1,485	690	1,026	1,111			
							15%	15%	6%	22%	26%	26%	15%	19%	20%			
ITT		Dec-22	7,691	(72)	7,591	n/a	3.2x	3.0x	2.8x	17.1x	14.5x	13.0x	21.2x	17.4x	15.5x	8%	15%	
	Ŧ						2,346	2,565	2,724	443	525	582	359	437	489			
							8%	9%	6%	19%	20%	21%	15%	17%	18%			
Kadant		Dec-22	2,576	41	2,619	0.3x	3.7x	3.5x	3.4x	17.9x	16.9x	16.4x	22.0x	20.4x	19.7x	4%	4%	
	=						710	744	765	147	155	160	119	129	133			
							15%	5%	3%	21%	21%	21%	17%	17%	17%			
Parker Hannifin		Jun-23	46,468	9,212	55,687	2.6x	4.1x	3.6x	3.5x	18.3x	15.7x	14.5x	22.3x	18.9x	17.0x	8%	12%	
	=						13,720	15,285	15,945	3,044	3,553	3,844	2,497	2,946	3,274			
							16%	11%	4%	22%	23%	24%	18%	19%	21%			
Sulzer	0	Dec-22	2,718	285	2,960	0.7x	1.0x	0.9x	0.9x	11.3x	7.1x	6.8x	18.7x	9.7x	9.1x	6%	29%	
							2,965	3,155	3,307	262	415	436	158	305	326			
							1%	6%	5%	9%	13%	13%	5%	10%	10%			
Xylem		Dec-22	21,644	1,308	22,961	1.2x	5.3x	4.0x	3.5x	33.2x	21.1x	17.6x	45.3x	27.4x	22.4x	23%	37%	
	Ŧ						4,335	5,731	6,601	692	1,089	1,306	506	838	1,026			
							6%	32%	15%	16%	19%	20%	12%	15%	16%			
Min							1.0x	0.9x	0.9x	10.4x	7.1x	6.8x	12.7x	9.7x	9.1x	2%	4%	
Mean							3.9x	3.6x	3.4x	18.7x	16.2x	14.8x	24.8x	21.5x	18.1x	8%	15%	
Median							3.7x	3.5x	3.3x	18.1x	15.7x	14.6x	23.3x	20.3x	18.2x	8%	12%	
Max							6.6x	6.5x	6.3x	33.2x	21.1x	18.8x	45.3x	42.1x	23.3x	23%	37%	

Source: CapIQ

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Public company valuations through the cycle (EV/LTM EBITDA)

Flow Control – Focused



Flow Control – Diversified



Source: CapIQ

Date	Target company	Country	Target Description	Acquirer company	Country	EV (m)	EV. EBITDA
Nov-23	Svanehoj Group	¢	Manufacturer of pumps for the marine and oil & gas industries	ITT	ê	USD 395	12.0>
Jun-23	CIRCOR	١	Provider of mission critical flow control products and services for the industrial and aerospace & defence markets	KKR & Co	١	USD 1,700	12.8
Jun-23	ARAG		Engaged in the development, production and supply of precision control systems and smart fluid components for agricultural spraying	Nordson	١	EUR 960	16.5
Mar-23	Pfeiffer Vacuum Technology (36% stake)	•	Manufacturer of vacuum components offering turbopumps, leak detectors and pumping stations	Pangea (Busch Group)	•	EUR 477	8.3
Feb-23 (Aborted)	Velan	(🌞)	Manufacturer of highly engineered valves serving nuclear, cryogenic and defence markets	Flowserve Corporation	١	USD 245	10.2
Sep-22	Muon Group		Manufacturer of precise flow paths for critical applications in medical technologies, semiconductor, food processing, digital printing and filtration	IDEX Corporation	١	EUR 700	15.2
Apr-22	Tuthill Corporation (Fill-Rite and Sotera Division)	١	Provider of rugged, high performance liquid transfer pumps and mechanical and digital meters and precision weights	Gorman-Rupp Company		USD 525	15.2
Dec-21	Acme Cryogenics	١	Manufacturer of precision engineered products for production and distribution of cryogenic liquids and industrial gases	Dover Corporation	١	USD 295	18.0
Dec-21	Engineered Controls International	١	Manufacturer of valves and regulators	Dover Corporation	Ē	USD 630	12.0
Dec-21	SPX Flow	١	Supplier of highly engineered flow components, process equipment and turn key systems along with the related aftermarket parts and services	Lone Star	١	USD 3,800	17.1
Jul-21	Neles	t	Flow control solutions and services company specialised in valves and valve automation technologies	Valmet	t	EUR 2,000	18.2
Jul-21 (Aborted)	SPX Flow	١	Supplier of highly engineered flow components, process equipment and turn key systems along with the related aftermarket parts and services	Ingersoll Rand		USD 3,528	17.2
Jun-21	BioDot (Artemis Capital Partners)	ŧ	Manufacturer of premium non-contact and quantitative fluid dispensing systems	ATS Automation Tooling Systems	(🌞)	USD 84	5.6
Jun-21	Tiger Filtration	*	Manufacturer of alternative in-line filter elements, vacuum pumps, separators, high pressure stainless steel filter housings	Xebec Adsorption	(🌞)	USD 17	10.6
Jun-21	Barber-Nichols		Manufacturer of turbomachines, compressors and pumps	Graham Corporation		USD 84	11.0
Jun-21	Airtech (EagleTree Capital)		Manufacturer of industry blowers, vacuums, pumps and valves	IDEX Corporation		USD 470	16.0>
Jun-21	Lydall Inc	Ĵ	Leader in the design and production of specialty filtration materials and advanced material solutions	Unifrax		USD 1,444	15.3
Dec-20	UTG Mixing Group	+	Global provider of mixing solutions	SPX Flow		EUR 34	19.8
Dec-20	Ham-Let	2	Israel-based manufacturer of compression fittings and valves	Ultra Clean		GBP 256	14.5
Jul-20 (Aborted)	Neles	+	Flow control solutions and services company specialised in valves and valve automation technologies	Alfa Laval		EUR 1,796	16.3
Jan-20	Flow Management Devices		Manufactures a comprehensive line of Unidirectional Captive Displacement Provers	IDEX Corporation		USD 125	10.4
Dec-19	Circor (Sampling Business)		Designs and manufactures highly engineered products and sub-systems	Crane	<u></u>	USD 172	10.0:
Nov-19	SPX Flow (Power & Energy)		Power and energy focused flow control business of SPX FLOW	Apollo		GBP 369	6.5

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Date	Target company	Country	Target Description	Acquirer company	Country	EV (m)	E\ EBITD
Aug-19	Circor (Spence & Nicholson product lines)	١	Manufacture of steam management products for the district heating market	Emerson		GBP 70	12.3
Aug-19	PBM Valves		Manufacture of high-quality industrial valves and flow control products	IMI		GBP 70	12.5
Jul-19	Velcora	÷	Manufacture of mechanical seals for rotating machinery and aseptic processing equipment	IDEX Corporation	١	USD 137	13.0
Jun-19 (Aborted)	Circor	١	Manufacture of engineered industrial products for various industrial end markets	Crane		USD 1,615	12.
Apr-19	Gardner Denver	•	Manufactures mission critical flow products	Ingersoll Rand		USD 15,369	11.
Feb-19	Rheinhutte Pumpen	•	Design and manufacture of centrifugal and axial flow pumps	ТТ		GBP 70	9.(
Feb-19	Precision Flow Systems	١	Design and manufacture positive displacement pumps and systems for the water, food & beverage, pharma and other markets	Ingersoll Rand	١	EUR 1,238	13.0
Feb-19	Weir (Flow Control)		Design and manufacture of engineered valves and pumps serving power, energy and general industrial markets	First Reserve		GBP 275	8.
May-18	Aventics	-	Manufacture of pneumatic components and systems	Emerson		GBP 460	11.9
Feb-18	Faster		Manufacture of couplings, check valves, multi fasters, casting solutions and accessories	Sun Hydraulics		GBP 431	14.
Dec-17	CEME		Manufacture of fluid control components for small appliances.	Invest-Industrial		GBP 333	19.3
Dec-17	BIMBA		Manufacture of pneumatic, hydraulic and electric motion solutions	IMI		GBP 147	14.9
Sep-17	COLFAX		Manufacture fluid-handling components and systems	Circor		GBP 637	12.3
Apr-17	Gestra	•	Design and production of valves and control systems for steam and fluid process control	Spirax Sarco		GBP 159	11.
Apr-17	Pentair (Valves and Controls)		Valves & Controls segment of Pentair involved design, manufacture and service of valves, fittings and controls systems	Emerson		GBP 2,259	14.
Feb-17	Inoxpa		Manufacturer of process equipment and flow handling systems for the food, cosmetics and pharmaceutical industries	Interpump Group		EUR 90	6.
Dec-16	Clarcor	ê	Manufacture of filtration products and systems as well as consumer and industrial packaging products	Parker	١	GBP 3,367	17.
Nov-16	Aflex House		Manufacture of PTFE-lined flexible hoses for the pharmaceutical, food, chemical and automotive industries	Spirax Sarco		GBP 61	10.
Oct-16	Critical Flow Solutions		Manufacture of critical severe-service decoking valves and fluid catalytic cracking valves	Circor		USD 210	8.
Aug-16	Sensus	١	Manufacture of regulators, water meters, flow sensors, valves and sensor reading devices	Xylem		USD 2,245	14.
Dec-15	Red Valve		Manufacture of pinch valves for mission critical applications in water, power and mining markets	Hillenbrand	ê	USD 132	10.
/lin							5.
Mean							12.
Median							12.
Max							19.8

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