

A Unique System Optimization and Growth Opportunity

Acquisition of Victory Packaging



We are Architects of Packaging Solutions

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What Are We Buying? "Architects of Packaging Solutions"

- Victory Packaging ("Victory") is a large, national distributor of all types of packaging specializing in providing unique solutions for its clients founded in 1976
- Often services customers that have complex needs that are not attractive to other integrated box manufacturers
- > 65 distribution centers in the United States, Mexico and Canada
- Outstanding management team committed to continue current roles under KapStone ownership
- Strong sales and profit growth
 - Net sales increased to \$953 million in 2014 from \$557 million in 2010, a 14.3% 4 year CAGR
 - Adjusted EBITDA increased to \$55 million in 2014 from \$32 million in 2010, a 14.6% 4 year CAGR
- Invested heavily in future
- Victory purchases over 370,000 tons of corrugated products
- Long history between two companies
- Minimal capital required to sustain and grow the business

What Are We Buying? "Architects of Packaging Solutions"

- Distribution services/vendor managed inventory programs
 - Optimizing customer inventory
 - Warehousing for customer packaging requirements
- Engineering and design capabilities with 52 packaging engineers at 16 design labs
- Just-In-Time Programs
 - Frequent, multiple transactions to minimize working capital required and alleviate floor space requirements for inventory
- Contract Packaging and Fulfillment
 - Outsourcing of entire packaging function from order to delivery
- One size does not fit all





Highly Diversified Services and Customers

- Highly diversified services lead to highly diversified customer base
 - Approximately 6,200 active customers in the following end markets: manufacturing, distribution, food and beverage, retail, transportation/moving and storage
- Top four customers comprise 37 percent of net sales. Each of these customers and the products and services they receive from Victory are very different
 - Major Logistics Operator Customer since 2013
 - Provides logistics and fulfillment on shipping boxes, bags, and envelopes
 - Processes daily on average 70,000 75,000 orders and delivers to superregional distribution centers
 - Moving and Moving Supply Customer since 1980
 - Supplies stores with most products for retail operations
 - More than 3,500 deliveries per week though out the U.S.
 - Auto Parts Manufacturer Customer since 2003
 - Provides just-in-time delivery of packaging to operations in U.S. and Mexico and provides design services for the ever changing car designs
 - Large Department Store Chain Customer since 2004
 - Provides logistical services for both retail stores and e-commerce sales by providing boxes, tissue and bags

Victory's Facilities



Victory locations KapStone Box Plants KapStone Sheet Plants KapStone Sheet Feeders KapStone Paper Mills KapStone Lumber Mill KapStone Warehouses

- > More than 65 warehouses and distribution facilities in the United States, Canada and Mexico
- Sheet plant with 10,000 tons of capacity
- Great overlap with 10 of KapStone's converting operations
- Opportunity for future synergies in regions not currently serviced by Kapstone
- Workforce of 1,500 employees

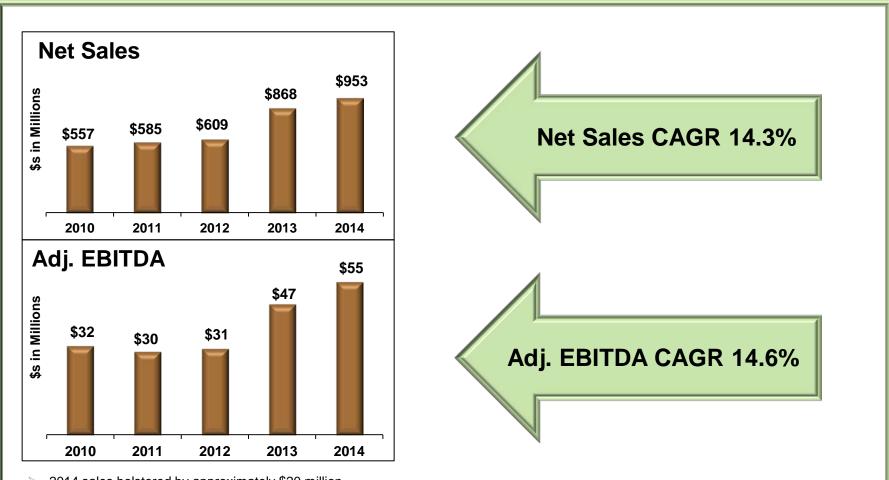
Deal Metrics

- KapStone will acquire Victory Packaging on a cash-free, debt-free basis for \$615 million
 - The structure of the transaction will enable Kapstone to realize a tax benefit that has an estimated net present value of approximately \$100 million
 - Taking this benefit into account, the net purchase price is about \$515 million
 - Additionally, two contingent earnouts
 - Shareholder earnout of \$25 million based on continued strong performance due in two and a half years
 - Management earnout of \$20 million contingent upon accelerated growth of earnings due in four years
- KapStone expects to realize a minimum of \$30 million in synergies within 24 months
 - In 2014, Victory directly purchased over 370,000 tons of corrugated products with only 6,200 tons sourced from KapStone

Significant Value Enhancing Synergies

- Unique strategic fit that could simultaneously "fill the converting assets" and "fill the mills" with an expected annual run rate for synergies of \$30 million
- "Fill the converting assets"
 - Opportunity to fully utilize KapStone converting assets by sourcing more of Victory's corrugated box purchases of over 370,000 tons annually from KapStone's converting facilities
 - KapStone could supply an incremental 115,000 tons to Victory while still relying heavily on Victory's current supplier base
 - Current 5 year capital plan supports this growth at converting facilities
- "Fill the mills"
 - The mill vertical integration benefits are obtained by sourcing additional linerboard tons needed for increased converting operations from our mills and diverting those linerboard tons away from export
 - Provides additional opportunities for ultra high performance linerboard to improve economics and enhance sustainability
 - Ability to consume more medium, where KapStone has some mill capacity

Victory's Impressive Growth Record



- 2014 sales bolstered by approximately \$20 million from three small acquisitions
- Organic growth driven significantly by the win of major contract in 2013

Transaction Summary

\$'s in Millions	12 Months Ended December 31, 2014*			
Net Sales	\$ 953	*Not included in analysis are two		
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 55	contingent earn out payments		
		 First payment potentially due in two and a half warrs of \$25 		
Purchase Price *	\$ 615	in two and a half years of \$25 million will be accounted for as		
Less: Tax step-up at present value	\$ 100	purchase priceSecond payment potentially		
Adjusted Purchase Price	\$ 515	due in four years of \$20		
Purchase Price Multiple	9.4 X	million will be reflected as operating expense when		
		appropriate		
Adjustments to EBITDA				
Synergies to be Realized in 24 Months	\$ 30**	**Timing of synergy realization:		
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 85	\$5 million in 2015, \$22 million in 2016, full realization in 2017		
Adj. EBITDA Purchase Price Multiple*	6.1 X			

Sources and Uses of Funds

\$'s in millions							
<u>Sources</u>			<u>Uses</u>				
Revolving Credit Facility	\$	31	Purchase Price	\$	615		
Add-on term loan		600	Transaction Costs 16		16		
			Cash at Closing		0		
Total Sources	\$	631	Total Uses	\$	631		
 Expect to have amended senior credit facility put in place by closing of Victory in 2Q 2015 including \$600 million add-on loan to current bank credit agreement Debt to Adjusted EBITDA ratio with synergies expected to be 3.3X Average blended cash interest rate expected to be 2 percent 							

Why – Transforms and Strengthens KapStone

- Creative growth allows KapStone to optimize synergies
 - Brings impressive, profitable growth track record
 - Helps de-risk KapStone's operations by providing higher level of integration
 - Enhances the use of ultra performance liners addressing sustainability and economic value through the supply chain
- Significant synergies of \$30 million expected in 24 months
 - Increases the utilization of the converting assets
 - Increases the utilization of the mills removing less valuable, more volatile sales
- > Important first step towards expanding Longview mill and utilizing excess pulping capacity
- Additional opportunities for growth
 - Incremental converting expansion opportunities in strategic locations
 - Organic and M&A growth in packaging fulfillment
- Strengthens KapStone's design and packaging solutions capabilities
 - Triples field sales presence
 - Experienced, successful management team retained and incented with earn-out
- > Victory and its management are well known to Matt Kaplan, a previous board member of Victory
- Accretive Day 1