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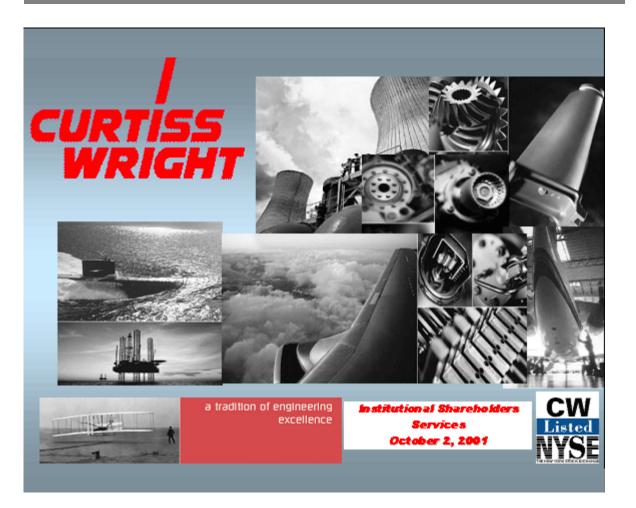
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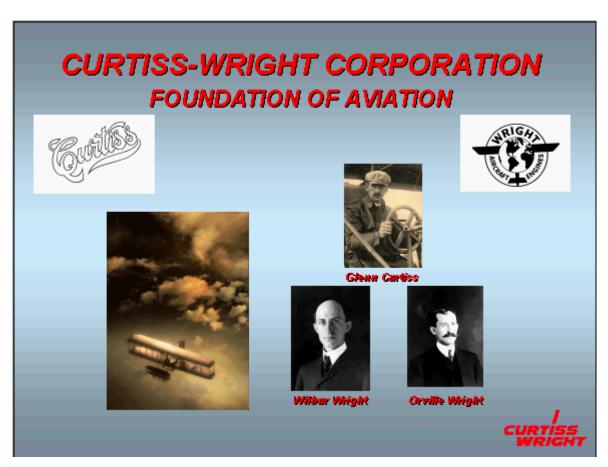
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CURTISS-WRIGHT CORPORATION CORPORATE PROFILE

 A Strategically Focused Multinational Provider of Highly Engineered Products and Services

•Strong Positions in Profitable Niche Markets Built Upon:

- Engineering and Technological Leadership
- Strong Relationship with our Customers
- Organized into three operating groups and reporting segments:

Metal Treatment

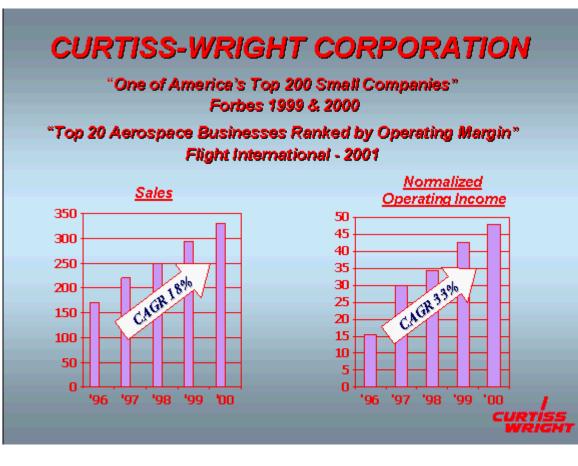
Motion Control

Flow Control









CURTISS-WRIGHT CORPORATION

VISION

To be the leading manufacturing and service concern at the high-end of the Motion Control, Metal Treatment and Flow Control markets. This will be done by building on our engineering and technological leadership positions utilizing both internally developed programs and a disciplined acquisition program.

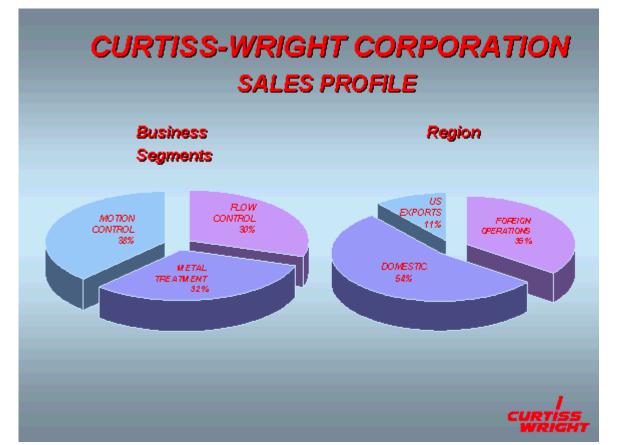
Objectives:

- Long-term 15% sales growth
- Maintain an ROC in excess of 12%

Financial Objectives

Metrics Driving Compensation	Objectives	5 Year Achievement
Annual Grow th Rate	15% >	17.9%
Return on Capital*	12% >	11.8%
Other Metrics		
Gross Margin	35% >	34.1%
Operating Margin	15%>	13.1%
EPS Growth	15%>	23.9%

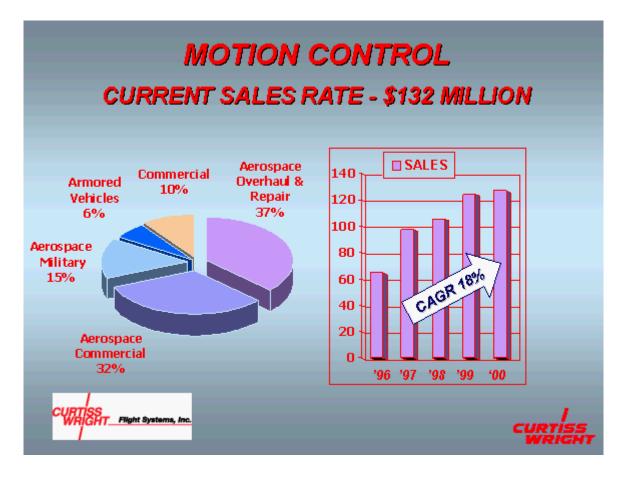
* Based upon normalized income and including surplus cash in the capital base



CURTISS-WRIGHT CORPORATION ACQUISITION CRITERIA

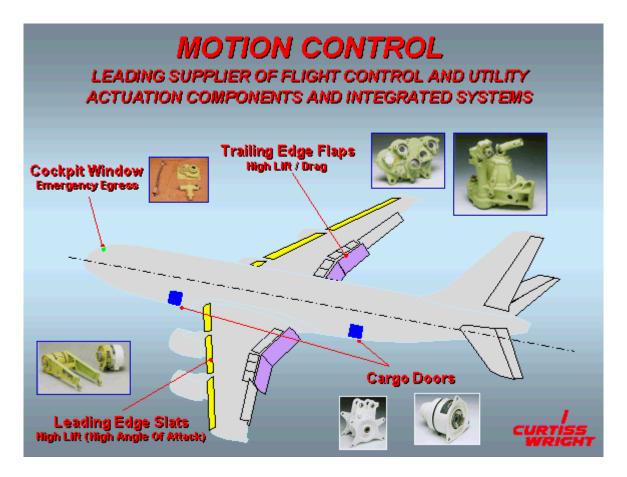
- COMPLEMENTARY TO EXISTING BUSINESSES
- HIGHLY ENGINEERED PRODUCTS AND SERVICES
- ACCRETIVE TO EARNINGS
- ACHIEVE OUR COST OF CAPITAL IN THE THIRD YEAR
- STRONG MANAGEMENT TEAM

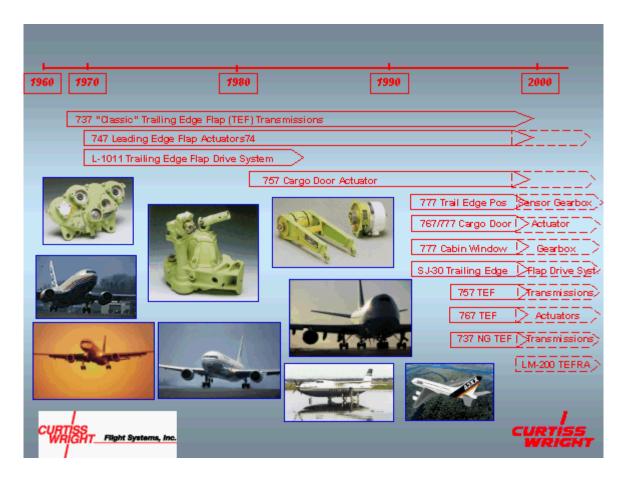


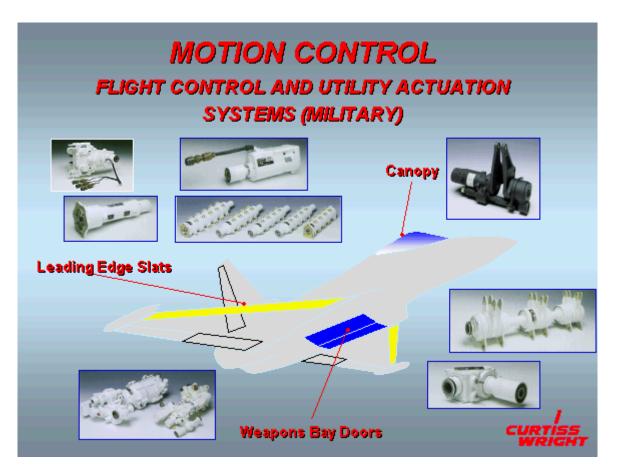


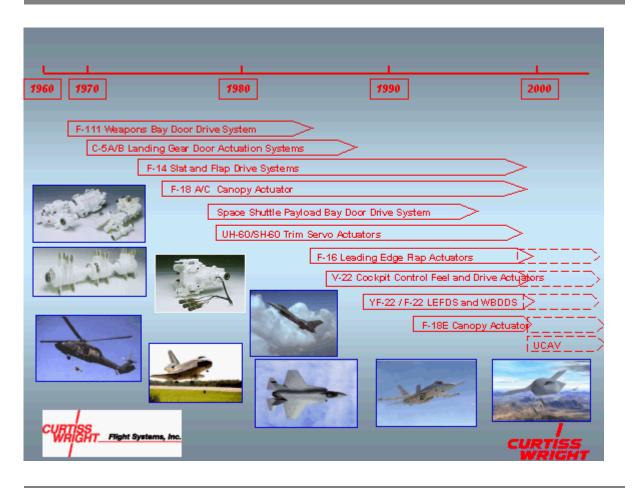
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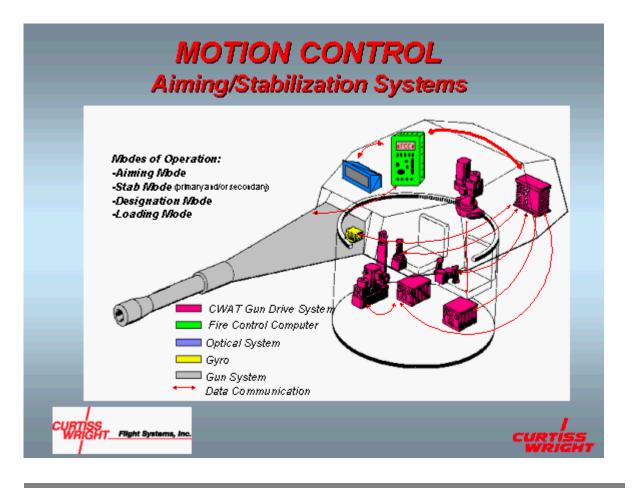












MOTION CONTROL OVERHAUL & REPAIR CAPABILITIES FOR OVER 9,500 COMPONENTS



Electrical Power Generation



Electronics





Servo Controls



Pneumatics

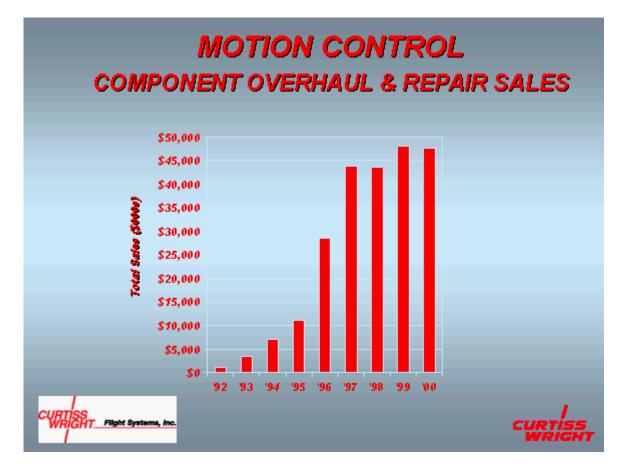


Hydraulics



Mechanical Transmissions





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METAL TREATMENT Metal Improvement Company, Inc.



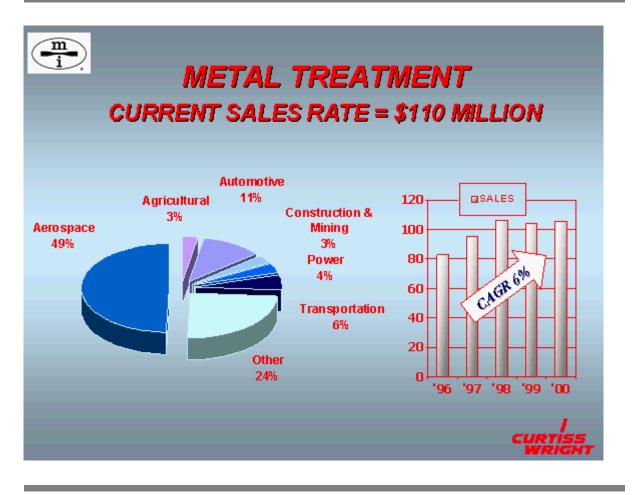
Applications Utilizing: Shot-peening Shot-peen forming Heat treating

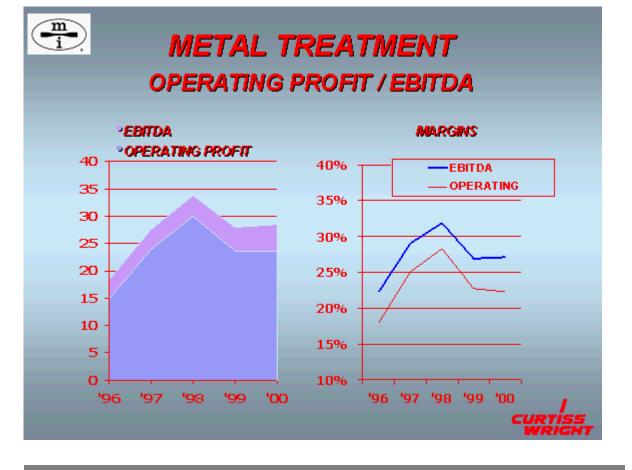
Benefits of the Processes: Extends product life and durability Increase hardness

Strengths:

Over 5,000 customers 39 facilitates in six countries Largest Shot-peening service provider

Provides the aerodynamic curvatures in today's aircraft.





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METAL TREATMENT





Aerospace Applications:

- Aircraft Components
- Wing Forming
- > Airframe Structural Components
- Landing Gear
- Jet Engines

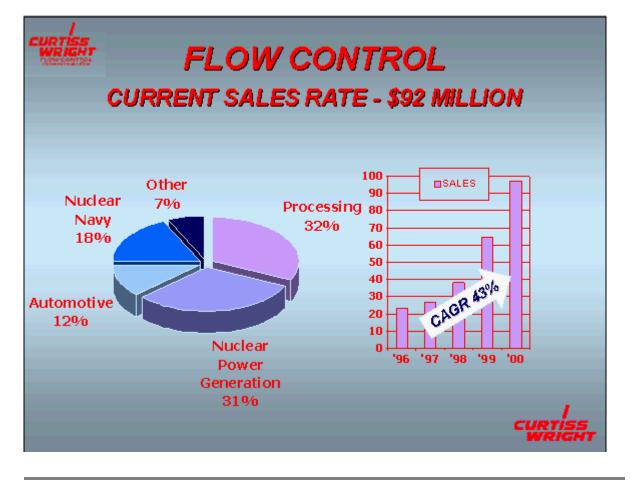
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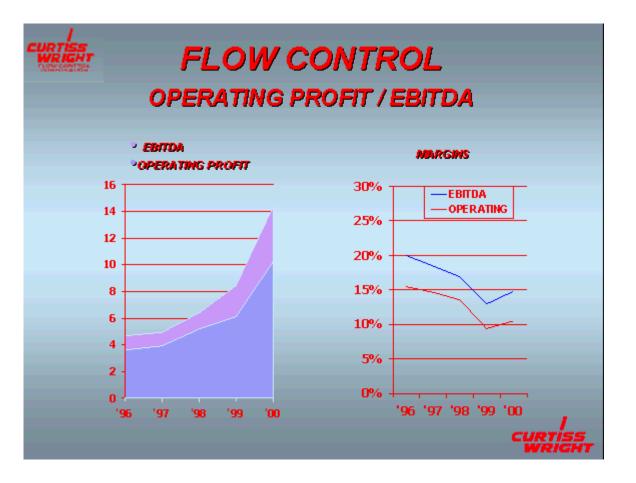
- > Engine Components
- Drive Shefts
- Springs
- Transmission Parts
- Turbine Components
- Drilling Tools
- Medical Implants



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FLOW CONTROL

Leakless Technology

California Air Resource Board certified that our Seal welded bonnet to body design is equivalent to pipe

Smart Valve Technology

Increase utilization of "smart valve" technology and flow control management systems.





FLOW CONTROL



- Expand our global distribution -cross selling product lines
- Build on our strong relationship with the Navy
- Participate as a provider of Flow Control Management Systems Smart and leakless Valves to the Navy, Nuclear Power and Process industries
- Increase in build rates for nuclear submarines
- Forecasted need for increased Oil and Gas Production and refining
- Forecasted need for Nuclear power:
 - New Nuclear Power Plants Being Built in Korea, Taiwan and China
 - Life Extension of U.S. Nuclear Power Plants



CURTISS-WRIGHT CORPORATION EARNINGS FROM OPERATIONS

		Year Ends	<u>ed</u>	<u>6 N</u>	<u>ionths</u>
Sales	<u>7998</u>	<u>7999</u>	2000	2000	2007
Metal Treatment	\$705,999	\$104,143	\$105,318	\$54,701	\$54,927
Motion Control	705, 400	724,755	126,771	53,650	65,685
Flow Control	<u>38.014</u>	<u>64.965</u>	<u>97.486</u>	<u>58.936</u>	<u>45.915</u>
Total Sales	<u>\$249.413</u>	<u>\$293,263</u>	<u>\$329.575</u>	<u>\$765.287</u>	\$166.521
Normalized Operating Incom	<u>te</u> *				
Metal Treatment	\$30,027	\$ 23,557	\$23,502	\$72,223	\$70,380
Motion Control	(560)	12,446	15,463	6,598	70,582
Flow Control	5,760	6,082	10,276	4,445	3,902
Corporate & Other	<u>(291)</u>	414	(1.257)	<u>(1.091)</u>	633)
Total Operating Income	\$34324	<u>\$ 42.563</u>	<u>\$47.984</u>	<u>\$22.175</u>	\$24.331
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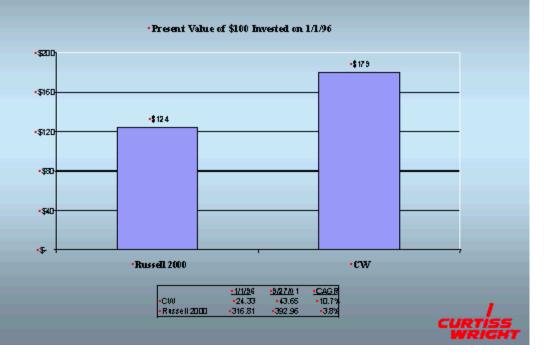
CURTISS-WRIGHT CORPORATION EARNINGS COMPONENTS *



CURTISS-WRIGHT CORPORATION OTHER VALUE CONSIDERATIONS

- CASH POSITION \$67.2 million at 6/30/01
- REAL ESTATE VALUES FMV > \$45 million after tax
 - WOOD-RIDGE, NEW JERSEY
 - FAIRFIELD, NEW JERSEY
- OVERFUNDED PENSION PLAN > \$140 million

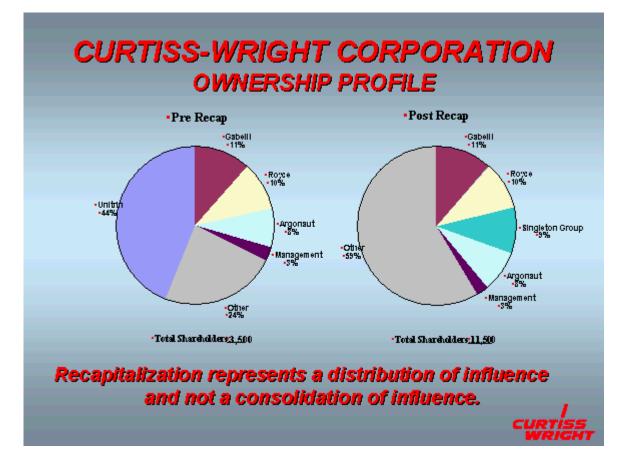
CURTISS-WRIGHT CORPORATION CW STOCK PERFORMANCE



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CURTISS-WRIGHT CORPORATION UNITRIN DISTRIBUTION

- Holds a 44% ownership position in Curtiss-Wright which confers substantial influence over corporate activities
- Proposes to distribute shares to its 8,000 shareholders in a tax-free transaction
- Requirements:
 - Approval by Internal Revenue Service requires the establishment of a second class of stock
 - Curtiss-Wright shareholder approval to establish Class B shares
 - Right to elect 80% of Board
 - Equal in all other respects
- Class B shares exchanged for Unitrin owned shares
- Unitrin distributes Class B shares to their shareholders



CURTISS-WRIGHT CORPORATION BENEFIT OF RECAPITALIZATION

- Broaden the Distribution of Substantial Influence
 - Substantial influence currently in hands of 1 shareholder which will now have its votes distributed to its 8,000 shareholders.
 - Objective of a 44% corporate shareholder may not be consistent with public shareholders.
- Enhance Market Awareness and Stimulate Demand from New Investors
 - Improve float-additional 4.4 million shares in the marketplace
 - Triple shareholder base
 - Improve analyst coverage-have gone from 3 to 5 since announcement
 - Increase number of institutional investors by 28%
 - . Pre-announcement 98
 - Post-announcement 125

• Advice of Experts

Outside Counsel and Bankers Provided Advice With Respect to the Adoption of Corporate Governance Measures Already Implemented by a Significant Proportion of the Company's Peers:

- Board Size
- Written Consent Limitations
- Special Meeting Limitations
- Supermajority Voting
- Classified Board of Directors
- Reaction to Shareholder Concerns

Company Eliminated Classified Board of Directors to Address Shareholder Concerns

Recapitalization Increases The Governance Role of Public Shareholders

Unitrin's 44% Holding Made it Unlikely that Any Person Could Gain Control of the Company Without Unitrin's Consent –The Elimination of Unitrin As A Shareholder Increases the Role of Public Stockholders in the Affairs of the Company

Benefits of Corporate Governance Proposals

Proposals Provide an Orderly Process For Maximizing or Enhancing Shareholder Value In Responding to Offers to Acquire Control of the Company



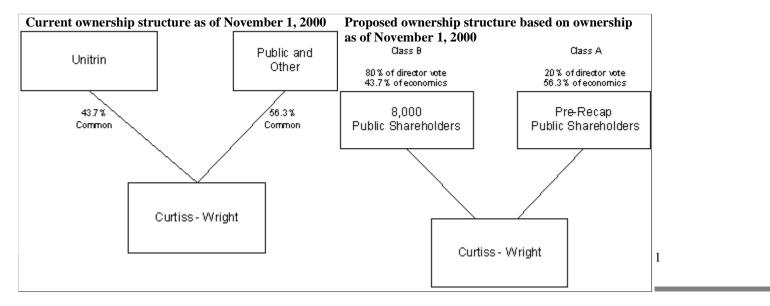
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Current vs. Proposed Structure



Comparable Company

Curtiss-Wright's public float and trading volume are significantly less than its peers.

(Shares and Dollars in millions) Company	Market Value of Public Float	Float as a % of Market Cap	Shares in Float	LTM Daily Average Volume of Shares	LTM Daily Average Trading % of Float
Alliant Techsystems Inc.	\$1,759	99%	21.1	0.278	1.32%
Teleflex Incorporated	1,128	80%	31.2	0.130	0.42%
Precision Castparts Corp.	1,087	100%	51.3	0.417	0.81%
Roper Industries, Inc.	1,051	94%	29.1	0.100	0.35%
Ametek, Inc.	741	93%	31.0	0.109	0.35%
Barnes Group Inc.	341	93%	17.3	0.018	0.10%
AAR Corp.	205	95%	25.7	0.078	0.31%
Sequa Corporation	186	38%	4.2	0.007	0.18%
Triumph Group, Inc.	175	48%	7.6	0.073	0.96%
MOOG Inc.	153	50%	6.7	0.026	0.25%
Herley Industries, Inc.	139	93%	9.8	0.069	0.71%
Aviall, Inc.	116	98%	18.2	0.093	0.51%
Heico Corporation	106	40%	7.2	0.024	0.51%
Ducommun Incorporated	78	90%	8.7	0.008	0.09%
Peer Group Median	\$ 195	93%	17.7	0.076	0.38%
Curtiss-Wright	\$ 230	55%	5.6	0.009	0.16%
Change from Peer Median(%)	17.7%	(37.7%)	(68.6%)	(88.1%)	(58.1%)

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Relative Equity Coverage

Low liquidity and institutional interest is reflected in Curtiss-Wright's low equity research coverage.

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LL Rank	Company	Curtiss- Wright	AAR	Alliant	Ametek	Aviall	Barnes	Ducomm	un HEICO	Herley	MOOG	Precision CastParts		
	Market Value of Float	\$230	\$205	\$1,759	\$741	\$116	\$341	\$78	\$106	\$139	\$153	\$1,087	\$1,051	\$
2	Merrill Lynch			Yes					Yes		Yes			
3	Lehman Brothers			Yes										
RU	SSB			Yes								Yes		
RU	CSFB			Yes								Yes		
NR	ABN Amro Inc.										Yes		Yes	
NR	Bear Stearns				Yes									
NR	BofA Montgomery												Yes	
NR	Deutsche Bank		Yes		Yes									
NR	First Union			Yes	Yes	Yes			Yes		Yes		Yes	
NR	Goldman Sachs		Yes									Yes		
NR	ING Barings													
NR	Janney Montgomery				Yes					Yes			Yes	
NR	JP Morgan			Yes										
NR	Lazard Freres													
NR	Legg Mason								X 7					
NR	Raymond James								Yes				X 7	
NR	Robert Baird												Yes	
NR	Robinson Humphrey										N 7		Yes	
NR	SG Cowen										Yes			
NR	UBS Warburg										N 7	N 7		
NR	Wasserstein		N 7								Yes	Yes		
NR	William Blair		Yes											
	Total Sell-Side Analysts	0	3	6	4	1	0	0	3	1	5	4	6	
	Total Buy-Side Analysts	5	2	1	3	1	0	2	1	2	1	5	1	

Note: Two buy-side analysts have initiated coverage of Curtiss-Wright following the announcement of the recapitalization-spinoff.

Source: First Call; dated as of 9/26/01 RU: Runner Up NR: Not Ranked

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CW vs. Peer 5 Year Share Price Performance

DAILY DATA — 9/26/1996 THROUGH 9/26/2001



Source: IDD Information Services

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Carve-Spin Sample

Set forth below are a number of spin-offs that had pre-spin trading histories "untainted" by announcement of a future spin-off at the time of the initial equity carve out.

(Dollars in millions) Parent	SpinCo.	Pre-spin Market Cap.	Pre-spin Public Float	Spin Size	Spin/ Market Cap	Date
Harcourt General	Neiman Marcus	\$ 1,323	\$ 609	\$ 579	43.8%(a)	10/22/99
IMS Health	Gartner Group	\$ 2,404	\$1,230	\$ 1,174	46.8%	7/27/99
Fingerhut Companies	Metris Companies	\$ 961	\$ 163	\$ 798	83.0%	9/25/98
Ford Motor Company	Associates First Capital	\$29,217	\$5,635	\$23,582(b) 80.7%	4/7/98
WMS Industries Inc.	Midway Games Inc.	\$ 871	\$ 115	\$ 756	86.8%	4/6/98
Enserch Corporation	EEX Corporation	\$ 1,009	\$ 169	\$ 840	83.4%	8/5/97
Trinity Industries, Inc.	Halter Marine Group Inc.	\$ 277	\$ 52	\$ 225	81.3%	3/31/97
Peter Kiewit & Sons	MFS Communications	\$ 2,698	\$ 944	\$ 1,754	65.0%	10/2/95
Sears, Roebuck and Co.	Allstate Corporation	\$14,962	\$2,975	\$11,987	80.3%	7/12/95
Freeport McMoRan Inc.	Freeport McMoRan Copper & Gold	\$ 5,076	\$2,099	\$ 2,977	58.7%	7/11/95

Source: Bloomberg; Company public filings

(a) Does not include 5.0 million Class A shares retained by Harcourt General

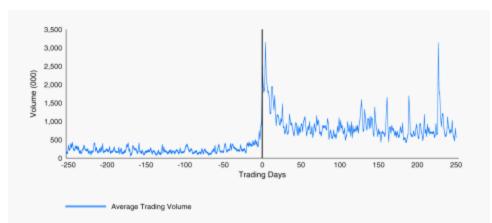
(b) Does not include cash distribution of \$3.2 billion in connection with the spin-off

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Carve-Spin Sample Volume

The stocks of the carve-sample exhibited significantly increased trading volume following the spin off.



Source: IDD Information Services.

Carve-Spin sample includes Neiman Marcus Group, Metris Companies, Associates First Capital, Midway Games, EEX Corp., Halter-Marine Group, MFS Communications, Allstate Corp., Freeport-McMoRan Copper Co., and Gartner Group.

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New Attention from Analysts

Company	Pre-spin coverage		Post-spin initiations (a)		
Neiman Marcus Group	Lehman Brothers CS First Boston Morgan Stanley Dean Witter Janney Montgomery	Goldman Sachs ING Barings Bear Stearns	ABN Amro Merrill Lynch		
Gartner Group	Salomon Smith Barney BT Alex. Brown Hanifen Imhoff Pacific Crest Securities Adams Harkness Stifel Nicolaus	CS First Boston Morgan Stanley Dean Witter Raymond James B of A Montgomery Securities William Blair	Piper Jaffray BancBoston Robertson Stephens Laidlaw		
Metris Companies	Bear Stearns & Co. Salomon Smith Barney SBC Warburg Dillon Read BT Alex. Brown	Sanford C. Bernstein DLJ Furman Selz	First Union Capital Markets		
Associates First Capital	DLJ Morgan Stanley, Dean Witter Merrill Lynch Lehman Brothers	Alex. Brown & Sons Bear Stearns & Co. Prudential Securities CS First Boston	ABN Amro Raymond James & Assoc.		
Midway Games	Furman Selz CIBC Oppenheimer	Wedbush Morgan Sec.	Wasserstein Perella Securities Glaser Capital Partners		
EEX Corporation	Prudential Securities Comvest Partners Merrill Lynch	Dean Witter Reynolds Bear Stearns & Co.	CIBC Oppenheimer Wasserstein Perella Sanders Morris Mundy Fahnestock/Christopher Inst.		
Halter Marine Group	Dean Witter Reynolds DLJ	Merrill Lynch	Morgan Keegan & Co. Freeman Reports Southcoast Capital Corp.		
MFS Communications	Salomon Smith Barney	Morgan Stanley	Merrill Lynch		

	Deutsche Bank Securities Bear Stearns & Co.	Gerard Klauer Mattison	Lehman Brothers
Allstate Corporation	Deutsche Morgan Grenfell DLJ Smith Barney CS First Boston Lehman Brothers	Merrill Lynch Dean Witter Reynolds A.G. Edwards Prudential Securities	Oppenheimer & Co. J.P. Morgan & Co.
Freeport-McMoRan Copper & Gold	Smith Barney Merrill Lynch	Morgan Stanley Prudential Securities	DLJ Deutsche Bank Securities Bear Stearns & Co. Lehman Brothers CS First Boston

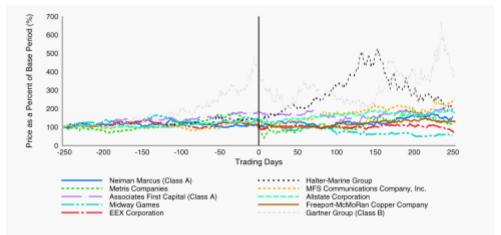
(a) Initiations within two years following the spin-off. Source: Investext; Bloomberg.

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Carve-Spin Sample Stock Performance

Individual stock price performance of the carve-spin sample did not follow a discernable trend following the spinoff.



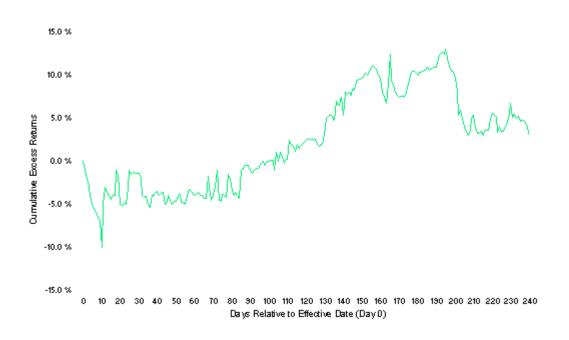
Source: IDD Information Services.

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Untainted Spin Sample Cumulative Excess Return Analysis

Following an initial period of dislocation that may be partially due to a shareholder shift, the untainted spin sample on average outperformed



Source: IDD Information Services.

Note: Cumulative excess return relative to the S&P500.

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