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Alere
The Right Strategy & Board Leadership to Create Long-Term Value
July 2013

#### Forward-Looking Statements

This presentation contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the federal securities laws. This includes all statements concerning or relating to anticipated improvements in revenue, margins and earnings, trends in chronic diseases, industry trends, changes in demand for our products and services, market responses to our strategy, anticipated cost savings, anticipated debt reduction, potential divestitures, product launches and the independence of our Board's director nominees. Such forward-looking statements are estimates reflecting management is best judgment based upon current information and involve a number of risks and uncertainties. Actual results and the timing of events could differ materially from those projected or contemplated by the forward-looking statements due to numerous factors, including without limitation our ability to successfully integrate our acquisitions and to recognize the expected benefits of restructuring and new business activities; our exposure to changes in interest rates and foreign currency exchange rates; our ability to successfully develop and commercialize products and services; the market acceptance of our products and services; continued acceptance of

health

management

services

by

payers,

providers

and

patients;

our

ability

to

develop

enhanced

health

management programs through the integrated use of innovative diagnostic and monitoring devices and to recognize the expected benefits of this strategy; the impact of healthcare reform legislation, as well as future reform initiatives; changes in patient behavior; unexpected expenses; the content and timing of regulatory decisions and actions, including the results and consequences of FDA inspections and the OIG subpoena, as well as the impact of changes in reimbursement policy and budgetary constraints, both in the United States and abroad; the effect of pending and future legal proceedings on our financial performance and the risks and uncertainties described in our periodic reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including our Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012. We undertake no obligation to update forward-looking statements.

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Who We Are and What Our Mission is

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Who we are:

Alere is specialized in the diagnosis and management of chronic diseases

Alere is a world leader in this industry, with growth driven by fundamental long-term trends in the incidence of chronic diseases

What our mission is:

Alere empowers individuals to take greater control of their health under the supervision of their healthcare providers

### Alere is a Global Industry Leader Poised for Growth

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Chronic diseases account for more than 60% of deaths worldwide Chronic diseases affect 45% of the U.S. population and are growing rapidly Adoption of molecular testing, which will improve performance, expand reimbursement and

increase usage of diagnostic testing

Demand

for

more

effective

chronic

disease

monitoring

and

management

of

at
home through the combination of diagnostics and disease management
Additional
diagnostics
sales
will
arise
by
connecting
physicians
and
patients
with
real
time diagnostic information to provide more effective home patient management
Alere is a global leader in the manufacture and development of point-of-care products for the
diagnosis and management of chronic diseases:
Cardiovascular Diseases
Infectious Diseases
Toxicology
Diabetes
Global trends that we believe will drive growth at Alere include:
The
increased worldwide adoption of diagnostics to provide early diagnosis and better
treatment outcomes for patients with chronic diseases

patients

#### **KEY FACTS**

Of worldwide deaths are caused by chronic disease 60%

Of the global annual GDP represents the economic burden associated with

chronic disease

4%

Of US GDP is spent on

healthcare, and chronic

disease

makes

up

75%

of

this expense

17%

Of the U.S. population is

affected by chronic

disease

45%

Of premature heart

disease, stroke, and
diabetes can be prevented
80%
Of adults over 20 living in
the US are overweight or
obese
68%
The Size of The Worldwide Chronic Disease Problem
4

We believe that the changing healthcare landscape will drive demand for more effective diagnosis and management of chronic disease patients by connecting physicians and patients with real time diagnostic information

In the US, these changes include the growing burden of healthcare regulations under the Affordable

Care

Act

that

has

caused

the

emergence

of

Accountable Care

Organizations,

which

tie

reimbursements to providers (physicians & hospitals) to achieving healthcare quality goals and patient outcomes

Globally, these changes include the growing need to produce better outcomes for chronic disease patients while reducing costs

In response to these changes, healthcare providers are seeking (i) real-time access to patient care information that is captured from all healthcare settings, (ii) better decision support tools and (iii) comprehensive care management programs

Alere has commercialized an integrated system comprised of point-of-care diagnostics, health information systems and chronic care management programs

We are well positioned to leverage our existing customer relationships and sales and marketing channels to deliver these solutions both in the US and on a global basis

We believe integrated systems like ours address current needs and increasingly will represent the future of healthcare, providing comprehensive, real-time healthcare information and programs to facilitate early intervention and management of chronic conditions

Our solutions will allow for reduction in overall healthcare costs and improvement in outcomes Alere is Well-Positioned to Take Advantage of Rapid

Changes in Healthcare

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**BUSINESS UNITS -**

**SALES** 

**REGIONAL MARKETS -**

**SALES** 

TOTAL NET SALES

2012: \$2.8 billion

Current View of Business

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Cardiology

16.7%

Toxicology

21.4%

Other

11.1%

Infectious Disease

22.8%

Heath Information

Services

18.8%

Diabetes

5.8%

Consumer Diagnostics

3.3%

North America

62.0%

Europe

18.0%

Asia Pacific

11.0%

LA & Africa

9.0%

Alere Has Put in Place Fundamental Changes to Address Past Performance

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Since our inception in 2001, Alere has executed a series of strategic acquisitions in an effort to apply its integrated solutions to the global challenges of chronic disease

With the formation of Alere largely completed, the Company has taken several steps since our 2012 annual meeting to implement changes that will continue to drive long-term value

Announced

new

strategy

in

November 2012 to drive organic growth, reduce costs and

deleverage

Stock price performance reflects positive reaction to new strategy

Recent quarterly performance shows improvement in core businesses

Declassified Board of Directors to provide greater accountability to stockholders

Management incentives remain closely aligned with stockholders via significant ownership

that is among highest insider ownership of peer group Nominated four new non-incumbent directors to Alere Board Significant move to remake our Board with 40% of directors replaced and 1/3 reduction in insider representation

New

directors

will

be

independent,

offering

fresh

perspective to guide future strategy

New three-point plan as of November 2012
Focus on organic growth
Operational improvement and cost
reductions
Deleveraging via cash flow and prudent
non-core divestitures
Giving Alere Stockholders a Clear Choice
Alere
Coppersmith
Strategy for
Alere

Long-term Value Creation

**Director Nominees** 

Alignment and

Accountability

Destroys Value and Ability to

Sustain Long-term Growth

Short-term strategy focused on financial

engineering

Delever at all costs

Divest a high growth core business

Fire sale/shutdown another core business

Substantial dilution to EPS

No specific ideas for cost savings

Highly qualified healthcare CEOs

Relevant management and Board

experience to guide Alere

Independent,

fresh

perspective

with

no

pre-

set agenda

No full-time healthcare CEO experience

Minimal Board experience

Pre-determined agenda by Coppersmith

Alere management aligned with stockholders

via significant ownership

Declassification of Board provides

accountability to stockholders with annual

elections

Short-term focus to detriment of long-term

value

Coppersmith not aligned with interests of all

stockholders

Coppersmith co-founder has poor track

record of stockholder value creation when

board candidates are elected

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New Strategy: Organic Revenue Growth

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New or Near Term Product Launches

Alere I

molecular diagnostic tests for Rapid flu on track for submission by year end 2013

Alere Q

molecular diagnostic tests for HIV, HCV and  $\ensuremath{\text{TB}}$ 

US launch of CD4 Analyzer

US launch of Determine Combo HIV screening test

Epoc Blood Analysis System

Commercial rollout of connected health software platform

Expansion of business in underpenetrated markets of Asia, Latin America and Africa

Continued recovery in health information solutions

Expansion

in

diabetes

diagnostic

sales

through

low

cost provider positioning

Alere expects to reestablish historic organic growth rates from several sources:

Growth in Existing Businesses

Growth in Triage product sales as manufacturing capacity constraints are eliminated and customers are recaptured

Expanding revenue from toxicology business as price adjustments annualize

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New Strategy: Focus on Expense Reduction

Company-wide focus on margin improvement and expense reduction to generate dependable, long-term cash flow

Simplify corporate structure and improve operational execution

Standardize key business processes and globalize shared services

Drive economies of scale by consolidating expenses across multiple business units

Aggressively relocate support functions and manufacturing to lower-cost geographic environments

Consolidation savings and automation implemented across Alere s global manufacturing footprint Redirecting R&D spending towards product enhancement and extensions with focus on near-term returns rather than long-term platform development

Appointed Namal Nawana as Chief Operating Officer

Former 15-year executive at Johnson & Johnson with global operational experience integrating large, complex acquisitions

Focused

on

improving

operational

execution

and
operating
expense
leverage
opportunities
throughout
Alere s business globally
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New Strategy: Focus on Deleveraging

Debt has been a highly attractive source of capital for growing our business

Current weighted average cost of debt of approximately 5%

Strong debt trading levels, and recent bond offering, reflect favorable view of Alere by debt markets

Alere is committed to achieving its goals for paying down debt in a manner that creates value for stockholders

With pace of acquisitions significantly reduced, deleveraging will naturally occur from internally generated cash flow

Selected divestitures of non-core businesses will also allow Alere to accelerate debt pay-down, but will be balanced against the resulting earnings dilution and potential reduction in organic growth

Will seek divestitures that create value by receiving an attractive purchase multiple for non-core businesses that are more highly-valued by a buyer

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4.0x Debt to EBITDA is our target by the end of 2015

#### 11/08/12

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Quarter earnings

Note: Stock price chart reflects price appreciation only, table reflects total return. Stock prices indexed to Alere share price.

Source: Bloomberg.

Alere

Recent Strength in Stock Price Performance

Alere s stock price has increased 44% since announcing its new strategy on November 8, 2012

Since 6/28/2012

Since 11/7/2012

YTD

Alere

50.7% 44.2% 50.8% **NYSE** Composite 29.9% 20.1% 15.2% DJ US HC Index 37.8% 29.4% 27.2% Over performance vs. NYSE Composite 20.8% 24.1% 35.6% Over performance vs. DJ US HC Index 12.9% 14.8% 23.6% 12 \$29 \$27 \$25 \$23 \$21 \$19 \$17 Jun-12 Aug-12 Sep-12 Oct-12 Nov-12 Dec-12 Jan-13 Feb-13 Mar-13 Apr-13 Jun-13 Jul-13 Alere **NYSE** Composite DJ US HC Index rd call: Announcement of new strategy

Total Return Through 07/18/2013

"In short, we believe many of the headwinds that have plagued performance over the past 18-24 months are set to turn i

Positive Views from Analysts of New Strategy and

Recent Performance

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tailwinds exiting 2013, with

should provide investors increased confidence

that the

turnaround, which

return to double digit **EPS** growth in 2014 and 2015 cost cutting initiatives play out, top-line returns growth with Triage recovery (domestic and abroad) and new products (iNat, among others), and interest expense declines with debt reductisales. While the story is not without some risks, execution has certainly improved as of late and continued leverage on the SG& bounce back in organic growth

is still early, remains on track. Raymond James on Jun 19, 2013 We would also caution against getting too excited about the potential for activist-driven change. We have seen activists get involved in the past, only to walk away frustrated. While we understand that different investors have different styles and levels of

persuasion,

we suspect that

current shareholders will want to give management some more time to execute on its divestiture and operating improvement strategy before rocking the boat. Craig-Hallum on May 14, 2013 We like that ALR is focusing more on operational efficiencies and balance sheet improvements. The firm already initiated some activities such as moving support

functions

to

lower-cost regions and sharing expenses. However, we are still waiting for targets to measure progress. We also like that Health Info Solutions posted a ~2.5% YoY top-line growth rate and a positive operating profit. Macquarie Capital (USA) on May 9, 2013 We believe growth should improve throughout 2013 as the company benefits from cost-cutting measures, R&D optimization, new product launches, and M&A accretion. Additionally, the hiring of a COO gives more

credibility

into management s recent discussions surrounding driving more profitable growth near-term (without large scale M&A). Raymond James on Dec 12, 2012 All emphasis added. Permission to quote or use the statements herein has not been sought or obtained from any party. This page presents only brief excerpts from selected analyst reports and does

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or any views expressed therein.

Management and directors incentives are closely aligned with stockholders

Overall beneficial ownership of our CEO as well as other executive officers and directors is near the top of our proxy peer group

Alere:

CEO Ownership: 5.2%

Ownership of all Directors and Officers: 8.9%

Proxy Peers (Average): CEO Ownership: 1.7%

Ownership of all Directors and Officers: 4.3% Alere s core executive team has driven stock price

performance of 49% since formation of the Company Same core executive team founded and built Inverness Medical Technology. Delivered total stockholder return of 364% from its 1996 IPO to its 2001 sale to Johnson & Johnson for \$1.3 billion Management & BOD Ownership Near Top of Peers Beneficial Ownership by Directors and Executive Officers as a % of Total Shares Outstanding 4.3% (1) Bio-Rad reflects Class A common shares. Varian Medical **Systems** CEO ownership equals 0.4% of total shares outstanding. Hologic, Inc. CEO ownership equals 0.5% of total shares outstanding. Becton Dickinson & Company CEO ownership equals 0.5% of

total shares outstanding.

Catamaran
Corporation
CEO
ownership
equals
0.3%
of
total
shares
outstanding.
Hospira,
Inc.
CEO
ownership
equals
0.1%
of
total
shares
outstanding.
(2)
From
November
23,
2001
through
July
18,
2013.
(1)
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Hospira, Inc.
Catamaran Corporation
Becton Dickinson & Company
Hologic, Inc.
LabCorp
Varian Medical Systems
Beckman Coulter
Life Technologies Corp
C.R. Bard, Inc.
PerkinElmer
IDEXX Labs
Edwards Lifesciences
Gen-Probe Inc.
ResMed

St. Jude Medical RehabCare Group Myriad Genetics Healthways, Inc. Alere Lincare Holdings Bio-Rad 1.1% 0.9% 1.0% 1.1% 1.6% 2.0% 1.8% 1.6% 2.8% 2.0% 2.3% 3.3% 5.2% 3.9% 1.8% 1.4% 0.9% 1.9% 1.6% 1.6% 1.5% 1.3% 0.9% 3.1% 2.2%1.6% 4.0% 4.7% 6.0% 12.7% 0.4%0.5% 0.8%1.9% 2.6% 3.7% 0.0%5.0% 10.0% 15.0%

Other Directors and Officers Notes:

CEO

#### Ownership % sourced from each company s most recently filed proxy except: Beckman Coulter was acquired by Danaher Corporation on June 30, 2011. Data reflects Beckman s most recent proxy filed on March 3, 2010. Lincare Holdings was acquired by The Linde Group on August 7,

2012.
Data
reflects
Lincare s
most
recent

proxy filed on March 26, 2012. RehabCare Group was acquired by Kindred Healthcare Inc. on June 1, 2011. Date reflects RehabCare s most recent proxy filed on March 23, 2010. Gen-Probe was acquired by Hologic Inc on August 1, 2012. Gen-Probe CEO ownership equals 0.7% of total shares outstanding.

Data reflects

### Gen-Probe s most recent proxy filed on June 29, 2012. Catalyst Health Solutions was merged into Catamaran Corporation on July 2, 2012.

Data reflects Catamaran s

latest proxy.

Alere s Independent Directors Provide Accountability

Refreshed Board Composition

Alere s slate of four non-incumbent, independent directors represents a 40% turnover in the

Board s composition in a single year

Alere s declassified Board enhances accountability to stockholders

By 2015, all of the Company s directors will be elected annually

Strong independent oversight

Independent directors to increase to eight from seven

In 2012, independent directors held 10 executive sessions without management present

Select one independent director to serve as presiding director at each session

Board of Directors actively engaged in overseeing management s execution of Alere s strategy

Governance structure and oversight practices designed to ensure management accountability

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Alere has nominated four non-incumbent directors to bring independent thinking and fresh perspectives as Alere moves into a new phase

New nominees to take objective and hard look at Alere s strategy and employ their breadth of experience to serve best interests of all Alere stockholders

Alere s Independent Nominees are Highly Qualified

Håkan Björklund, Ph.D.

Håkan Björklund, Ph.D. Stephen P. MacMillan

Brian A. Markison

Sir Thomas McKillop

Healthcare

Operating

Experience

Relevant

Operating

Experience

28 years

Relevant Board

Experience

Director, Coloplast A/S,

medical device company

Chairman, H. Lundbeck A/S,

Pharmaceuticals Company

Director, Atos Medical AB,

medical device company

Former Director, Danisco A/S,

food ingredients company

24 years

Former CEO and COO of

Stryker Corp (2003

2012)

Current CEO of sBioMed

LLC, infection control

products

Various executive roles at

Johnson & Johnson and

Pharmacia

Former Director, Texas

Instruments, semiconductor

company

31 years

Lead Outside Director of

Immunomedics,

biopharmaceuticals company

Chairman, Rosetta Genomics Ltd.,

diagnostics company

Chairman, Lantheus Medical

Imaging, diagnostics imaging

agents

Director, PharmAthene, medical

countermeasures to biological and

chemical threats

Former CEO of AstraZeneca

(1999

2005)

45+ years

Chairman, Evolva Holdings

Director, Theravectys

Director, Almirall SA

Director, UCB SA

Former Director, Nycomed

Amersham plc Former Chairman, Royal Bank of Scotland Group Former Director, BP plc Former Director, Lloyds TSB Group plc Sold to Takeda for \$13.8 billion Former CEO of Nycomed (1999 2011) Various management & R&D positions at business units of AstraZeneca Grew Nycomed from a small, predominately Scandinavian business into a major global pharmaceutical company Former CEO of King

Pharmaceuticals (2004 2011) Sold to Pfizer for \$3.9 billion Manufacturer of pharmaceuticals and medical devices

Sold to Sandoz, a division of

**Novartis** 

Former CEO of Fougera

Pharmaceuticals (2011-2012)

Various executive roles at Bristol-

Myers Squibb

Led merger of Zeneca plc

and Astra AB

Former CEO of Zeneca plc

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Stockholders Should Have Serious Concerns About

Coppersmith s Nominees

Curt Hartman

Senior executive experience mostly as a financial officer, with CEO operating experience limited to eight months as interim CEO; no public company board service

After

22-year

track

record

with

Stryker,

and

eight

months

as

interim

CEO,

Stryker

board

passed
over
Hartman
for
full
time
job
in
favor
of
another
internal
candidate
with
18
months
tenure
at
Stryker
Theodore Martin
Last executive position was approximately 15 years ago at a manufacturer of custom metal parts for aerospace
and industrial markets
Former family controlled company with small market capitalization (less than \$500 million) when Martin became
CEO
Only experience in healthcare industry is through Board-level oversight at two public companies, as opposed to
management level execution
Jerome Lande
Professional
investor
with
no
operating
experience
in
healthcare
and
no
public
company
board
experience
Coppersmith has already set forth a pre-determined agenda, which its paid nominees will be under pressure to
implement, focused on financial engineering and short-term stock price appreciation that we believe will destroy
long-term value
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Alere s Nominees Have the Right Qualifications to Provide Independent Guidance to Our Company in Sharp Contrast to Coppersmith s Nominees

Healthcare CEO

Experience

Public Board

Experience

Extensive CEO

Experience

Integrating

Acquisitions

Extensive CEO

Experience Driving

Growth in Foreign/

Emerging Markets

Extensive CEO
Experience Developing,
Getting FDA Approved &
Launching Medical
Products
Håkan Björklund,
Ph.D.
Stephen P. MacMillan
Brian A. Markison
Sir Thomas McKillop
Curt
Hartman
No
Theodore Martin
No
No
No
No
Jerome
Lande
No
*
Excludes
eight
months
as
interim CEO.
*
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Alere s Toxicology and HIS Businesses are
Core to Our Strategy
Addictive disease diagnostics is a large part of Alere s
core chronic disease strategy
Drug misuse is a major medical problem, with ~16
million people annually using drugs for non-medical
reasons in the US alone
Alere has a strong position with 80+ drug tests and
15% market share in this \$1.7 billion market
Recent developments that are driving Alere s growth in
Toxicology are:
Comprehensive program solutions for employers,
currently a \$500 million market with opportunity to
grow multi-fold with expanded products and services

Differentiated offering in global reagents market with

high growth and high margin opportunity

New products for roadside testing

A sale of Toxicology would materially impact Alere's long-term revenue and earnings growth and makes no strategic or financial sense
Proprietary products and technologies are critical to Alere's chronic disease strategy
Connects proprietary diagnostic devices to physicians, hospitals, accountable care organizations
Allows for comprehensive care management
Produces better outcomes at lower costs
Business has stabilized and is on a path to sustained profitability
Coppersmith itself suggested HIS has substantial value, but they would still shut it down to generate a tax loss
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Toxicology

**Health Information Solutions** 

Coppersmith s Plan Would Be Value Destructive Coppersmith Proposal Commentary

- 1. Sell non-core assets worth up to \$3 billion
- 2. Pay down debt with divestiture proceeds
- 3. Rationalize Alere s expense structure to generate cost savings

Health
Information
Solutions
and
Toxicology
are
CORE
Businesses
for Alere
Coppersmith
on
record
that
they
would
sell
or
shut
down
Health
Information
Solutions
Coppersmith s plan is to divest and deleverage at all costs
Coppersmith s approach is value destructive and reflects a lack of understanding of our
industry and our company
Selling
profitable
businesses
and
using
net proceeds
to
pay
down
low
cost
debt
is
extremely dilutive to earnings
Even with no tax leakage, the sale multiple must be 20x EBIT or greater to avoid
EPS dilution
Will also compromise our competitive advantage, dilute revenue growth and dilute
earnings growth
Alere outlined in Nov 2012 a strategy to simplify its corporate structure and improve
operational efficiencies to generate cost savings
Coppersmith s proposal contains few concrete ideas and mostly reiterates what
Alere has already publicly stated with only vague targets identified and no methods for
delivery provided:

Return

SG&A margins to 2010 levels

Restore

gross margins to 2010 levels

Adjust

corporate expense base following divestitures

Coppersmith believes

there are R&D savings

Alere has offered concrete steps to improve operating margins

(1)

Coppersmith letter filed 7/8/2013

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(1)

Coppersmith Offers No New Ideas to Generate Cost Savings
Alere s Public Statements
Coppersmith suggests that Alere should rationalize its experiments

Coppersmith suggests that Alere should rationalize its expense structure to generate cost savings February 15, 2013 Earnings Call

Completing the integration and rationalization of our business

Acquisition integration

Reducing redundant headcount

May 2, 2013 Earnings Call

A high level reorganization within the company, creating a governance structure which will better support tactical execution and operational effectiveness

should result in improved P&L accountability

Evaluating the matrix structure to ensure it appropriately

aligns management outcomes and incentives

Creation of a global shared services team

Creating shared services team

June 27, 2013 Letter to stockholders

Aggressively relocating support functions

to lower cost environments

Relocating support functions to low cost geographies

Reduce manufacturing costs through automation and

relocation to lower cost areas

Explore lower cost [manufacturing] geographies

Increase automation and other yield improvements

Aggregate expenses and activities across multiple business

units to obtain economies of scale

Implement shared materials sourcing initiatives

to generate scale

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Coppersmith s Ideas in July 8 Letter to stockholders

While Coppersmith has criticized Alere for half measures in this area, its own plan has few concrete ideas that mostly mirror Alere s public statements

Between November 2012 and late March 2013, Alere executives had 5 meetings or conference calls with Coppersmith or Scopia Capital

Coppersmith declined invitations for additional meetings at the JP Morgan Healthcare Conference in January 2013, and at our office in February 2013

Coppersmith never disclosed that throughout this period its founders owned 300 shares of Alere in total, and Scopia owned none

Coppersmith and Scopia also never expressed any concerns with Alere s strategy

On April 1, 2013, Messrs. Zwanziger and Teitel met with Coppersmith and Scopia at Alere s headquarters and learned for the first time that Coppersmith had concerns about the Company s strategy

Alere arranged for a follow-up call on April 11, focused on Health Information Solutions, but instead Coppersmith informed

the

Company on this call that it intended

to

initiate

proxy

contest

with

its

own

nominees

Alere initiated another meeting with Coppersmith and Scopia on April 30, and offered to enter into a non-disclosure agreement ( NDA ) to share information at the meeting, but Coppersmith declined to sign the NDA At the meeting, Coppersmith reiterated its position but refused to elaborate or offer support for their views In May 2013, Coppersmith declined our invitation to have its nominees interviewed by our Nominating and Corporate

Governance Committee, unless we agreed in advance to add its nominees to the Board

In June 2013, the parties entered into an NDA so that Alere could disclose its new independent nominees and seek Coppersmith s support

Coppersmith indicated the Company s slate was not sufficient for them to support, but refused to provide a counter position that they would support

Alere has been open to a constructive dialog with

Coppersmith

Throughout our dialogue with Coppersmith, Coppersmith has not been forthcoming about their ideas or their agenda nor have they expressed interest in engaging in a constructive dialog about building long-term stockholder value at Alere 22

Our Concerns About Coppersmith s Value-Destructive Strategy Are Further Evidenced by the Founder s Poor Track Record When Board Nominees are Elected

Company

**Board Member** 

Tenure Start Date

Tenure End Date

(1)

Total Return

(2)

Total Return

Relative to

Market Index

(3)

Total Return

Relative to

Edgal Filling. ALENE INC FOITH DEFA14A
Sector Index
(4)
DHT Holdings  Pale of N. Greener
Robert N. Cowen
5/14/2010
Current
(88.6%)
(140.1%)
(30.5%)
Unisys Corporation
Clay Lifflander
5/20/2008
12/7/2010
(44.0%)
(35.9%)
(51.1%)
Charles McQuade
5/20/2008
5/1/2012
(58.0%)
(66.7%)
(108.3%)
Brink s Company
Carrol Wetzel &
Robert Strang
5/2/2008
5/6/2011
18.4%
(3.8%)
(2.5%)
Average
Underperformance:
(70.2%)
(47.1%)
23
Source: Bloomberg using total stockholder return including dividends and stock splits. Board tenures from company filings.
(1)
DHT
Holdings:
Robert
N.
Cowen s
current
tenure
expires
in 2014:
2014;
returns
taken
as

of June

28, 2013.

Unisys

Corporation:

Clay

Lifflander

resigned

from

the

Board

on

December

7,

2010

and

Charles

McQuade

retired

on

May

1,

2012.

Brink s Company:

Carrol

Wetzel

and

Robert

Strang

served adjacent

terms

on

Brink s

Board.

Carrol

Wetzel

served

beginning

on

5/2/2008

and

left

on

10/31/2008

to

serve

on

Board of Brink s Home Security Holdings, Inc., which was sold to Tyco on 5/14/2010, while Robert Strang served beginning on 10/31/2008 and left on 5/6/2011. (2) Returns from Bloomberg and represents total stockholder returns including price appreciation, dividends and stock splits. Unisys Corporation does not pay

dividend and therefore

Total Return is price appreciation and stock splits. Brink s Total Return is based on market value weighted index return of combined Brink s from 5/2/2008 to 5/6/2011 and Brink s Home Security from 10/31/2008 spin-off from Brink's to 5/13/2010 close of sale to Tyco. (3) S&P 500 Index

is used as DHT

Holdings Market Index and the Total Return is 51.5% during Robert N. Cowen s tenure. S&P 500 Index is used as Unisys Corporation s Market Index and the Total Return is (8.1%)during Clay Lifflander s tenure and 8.7% during Charles McQuade s tenure. S&P Midcap 400 Index is used as Brink s

Company s Market

Index and the

Total

Return

is

22.2%

during

Carrol

Wetzel

and

Robert

Strang s

adjacent

tenure.

(4)

**VLCC** 

Time

Charter

Rates

is

used

as

DHT

Holdings

Sector

Index

and

the

Total Return

is

(58.1%)

during

Robert

N.

Cowen s

tenure.

S&P

500 IT

Services

Index

is

used

as

Unisys

Corporation s

Sector

Index

and the Total Return is 7.1% during Clay Lifflander s tenure and 50.3% during Charles McQuade s tenure. S&P Midcap 400 Commercial Services and **Supplies** Index is used as Brink s Company s Sector Index and the Total Return is 20.9% during Carrol Wetzel and Robert Strang s adjacent tenure.

Jerome Lande is co-founder of Coppersmith Capital. Coppersmith has no public record of any operating activities other than its activities related to Alere

Mr. Lande previously served as a Partner of MCM Capital Management, the general partner of MMI Investments, where he claims he was responsible for all areas of portfolio management

Since 2008, MMI obtained Board seats for its nominees at three companies following proxy contests

For 2 of these 3 investments, the stock price fell dramatically during the Board tenure of MMI s director candidates For all 3 of these investments, stockholder returns consistently underperformed the relevant market and sector indices for each company

New three-point plan as of November 2012
Focus on organic growth
Operational improvement and cost
reductions
Deleveraging via cash flow and prudent
non-core divestitures
Alere Stockholders Have a Clear Choice
Alere
Coppersmith
Strategy for
Alere

Long-term Value Creation

**Director Nominees** 

Alignment and

Accountability

Destroys

Value

and

Ability

to

Sustain Long-term Growth

Short-term strategy focused on financial

engineering

Delever at all costs

Divest a high growth core business

Fire sale/shutdown another core business

Substantial dilution to EPS

No specific ideas for cost savings

Highly qualified healthcare CEOs

Relevant management and Board

experience to guide Alere

Independent, fresh perspective with no pre-

set agenda

No full-time healthcare CEO experience

Minimal Board experience

Pre-determined agenda by Coppersmith

Alere management aligned with stockholders

via significant ownership

Declassification of Board provides

accountability to stockholders with annual

elections

Short-term focus to detriment of long-term

value

Coppersmith not aligned with interests of all

stockholders

Coppersmith co-founder has poor track

record of stockholder value creation when

board candidates are elected

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DHT Holdings stock price has declined 91% during the tenure of MMI s Board candidate 26
From May 14, 2010, when Robert
N. Cowen was appointed to the
Board of DHT Holdings, through
June 28, 2013, DHT stock price
declined 91%
Business Description
DHT Holdings, Inc. operates as an

independent crude oil tanker company. The company s fleet principally

**DHT Holdings** 

operates on international routes. The

company was incorporated in 2005 and

is headquartered in Hamilton,

Bermuda.

**Key Points** 

Timeline of Key Events

December 3, 2009:

March 2, 2010:

with underperformance of the shares, depressed valuation, poor acquisition track record, removal of dividend

Demanded reinstatement of \$0.10/share dividend

Demanded immediate addition of Robert N. Cowen to the Board of Directors

March 15, 2010:

Cowen for election to the Board of Directors

March 17, 2010:

the Board of DHT

May 14, 2010:

Investments

Board expanded from 4 to 5 members

MMI Investments terminated its proxy contest after the appointment

May 26, 2010:

March 21, 2011:

August 5, 2011:

June 25, 2012:

June 28, 2013:

MMI filed a 13D indicating an approximate 8.1% position in DHT stock

MMI Investments sent a letter to Erik Lind, Chairman of the Board of DHT Holdings, expressing frustration

MMI Investments, L.P. sent a letter to Erik A. Lind, Chairman of

the Board of DHT, nominating Robert N.

DHT declares dividend of \$0.10 / share

MMI Investments filed a definitive proxy statement to solicit proxies for the election of Robert N. Cowen to

DHT Holdings appoints Robert N. Cowen to their Board of Directors after signing agreement with MMI

Cancelled SAGA acquisition

DHT announced the acquisition of a VLCC from Samsung for \$67 million

Removed from Russell 3000 Index

Robert N. Cowen currently serves on the board of DHT Holdings

DHT Holdings (Cont d)

Stock price performance during tenure of MMI Board candidate

May 14, 2010:

MMI candidate Robert N.

Cowen appointed to

Board

Price: \$51.24

June 28, 2013:

Current share price:

\$4.48

May 26, 2010:

DHT declares dividend of

\$0.10/share

Price: \$49.08 March 21, 2011: DHT announced the acquisition of a VLCC from Samsung for \$67 million Price: \$57.00 June 25, 2012: Removed from Russell 3000 index Price: \$7.44 August 5, 2011: Cancelled SAGA acquisition Price: \$38.76 September 2, 2011: Filed shelf registration for \$300 million Price: \$33.48 Total Return (88.6%) (1) (1) Returns from Bloomberg and represents total stockholder return including price appreciation, dividends and stock splits. 27 \$80.00 \$70.00 \$60.00 \$50.00 \$40.00 \$30.00 \$20.00 \$10.00 \$0.00 May-10 Aug-10 Oct-10 Jan-11 Mar-11 Jun-11 Sep-11 Feb-12 May-12 Jul-12 Oct-12 Dec-12 Mar-13 Jun-13 Nov-11

Business Description
Unisys Corporation provides
information technology (IT) services,
software, and technology that solve
mission-critical problems for clients
worldwide. It operates in two segments,
Services and Technology.
Key Points
Unisys Corporation
Unisys stock price declined 58% during the tenure of MMI s Board candidates
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"Unisys CEO to step down No successor was named. Joseph W McGrath will stay until a new chief is selected." Philly.com (2

24/business/25247040\_1\_unisys-ceo-condo-tower-board-seat>. Revenue declined 25% from 2008 to 2012, the years that MMI Investments had a candidate on the Board November 16, 2006: MMI Investments started accumulating ~9.9% position in Unisys Corporation ( Unisys ) November 5, 2007: MMI Investments started dialogue with Unisys s Board of Directors and Management regarding MMI s concerns about the company, including: undervaluation, strategic configuration and strategic alternatives to increas e stockholder value January 7, 2008: MMI Investments sent letter to Board of Directors urging it to engage an investment bank to perform a review of all strategic alternatives, with particular focus on the potential realization of the U.S. Government business through a sale, tax-free spin-off or subsidiary IPO January 23, 2008: Unisys announced that it had postponed the date for stockholder notifications for its 2008 meeting to facilitate discussions with MMI Investments

May 20, 2008:

MMI Investments entered into a Governance and Cooperation Agreement with Unisys, under which Unisys appointed Clay Lifflander and Charles McQuade to Unisys s Board of Directors September 19, 2008:

Unisys CEO Joseph McGrath resigned, under pressure from MMI Investments October 7, 2008:

Unisys s Board elected J. Edward Coleman as Chairman of the Board and appointed him Chief Executive Officer. J. Edward Coleman had a corporate transformation and turnaround background November 19, 2008:

Unisys announced initiative to simplify its organizational structure and reduce operating expenses including cutting \$100 million in annual SG&A

December 4, 2008:

Unisys undertook reverse stock split in order to maintain its NYSE listing

December 22, 2008:

Unisys announced that it was taking actions to reduce annual costs by more than \$225 million January 19, 2010:

Unisys announced sale of Health Information Management business to Molina Healthcare for \$135 million

December 7, 2010:

Clay Lifflander resigned as a Director of Unisys

May 1, 2012:

Charles McQuade retired from the Board after attaining the mandatory retirement age of 70

Stock price decline of 58% during his tenure on the Board

Stock price decline of 44% during his tenure on the Board

(1)

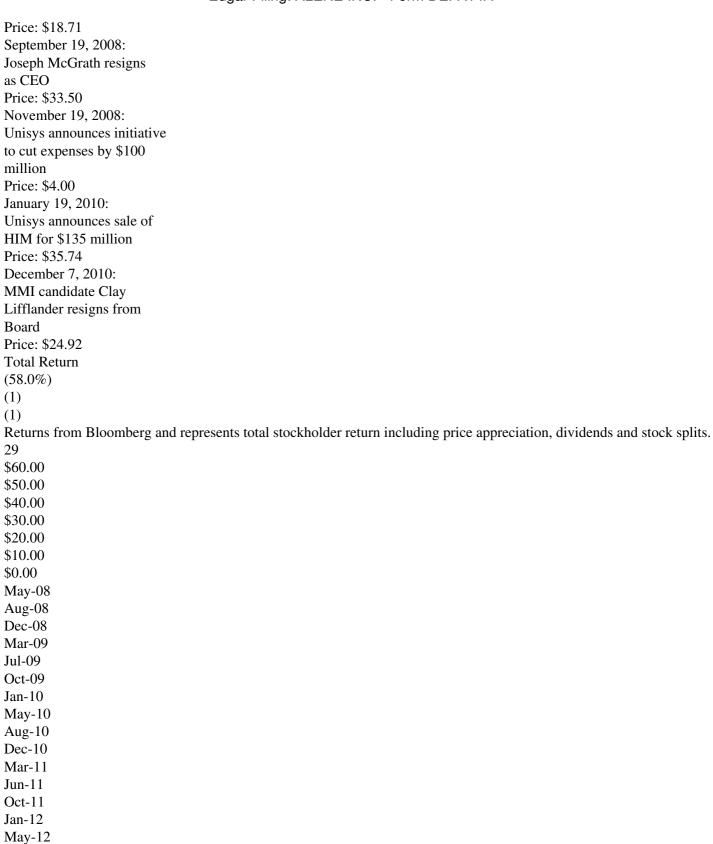
Timeline of Key Events

Unisys Corporation (Cont d)
Stock price performance during tenure of MMI Board candidates
May 20, 2008:
MMI candidates Clay
Lifflander and Charles
McQuade appointed to
Board
Price: \$44.50
May 1, 2012:

MMI candidate Charles

McQuade retires from

Board



**Business Description** 

**Key Points** 

The Brink s Company

Timeline of Key Events

Source: Company Filings.

(1) Total Return based on market value weighted index return of combined Brink's from 5/2/2008 to 5/6/2011 and Brink's Hon

(2) S&P Midcap 400 Index.

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Since MMI Investment s ( MMI )

investment in Brink's:

Brink s Home Security (BHS) was

spun off in 2008

Over the time of MMI nominated Board representation, from May 2, 2008 to May 6, 2011, Brink's stock had a total return of 18.4%

(1)

versus the S&P Midcap 400 Index

total return of 22.2%

The Brink's Company ( Brink s

or the

Company ) is a leader in security-related services including armored car

transportation, money processing, long-

distance transport of valuables and

vaulting.

February 6, 2004:

MMI

discloses

ownership

of

5.4%

in

Brink s

common

shares

via

13D

filing

April 20, 2005:

MMI writes a letter to Brink's board and says it is frustrated with Brink's poor stock performance and suggests the company sell its Bax Global Inc. unit

November 15, 2005:

Brink's announces the sale of BAX Global Inc to Deutsche Bahn AG

for approx. \$1.1B in cash

November 18, 2005:

MMI discloses it has increased its ownership of Brink's shares to 6.7%

December 18, 2006:

MMI files a presentation as a part of an amended 13D and recommends strategic alternatives such as splitting-off a business unit or selling the Company

February 19, 2008:

MMI files proxy statement nominating four director candidates for 2008 election

Argues Brink's should split-off either the armored-car business or the home-security business

February 25, 2008:

Brink's announces board approval to spin off the Brink's Home Security ( BHS ) unit

Reaches agreement with MMI to expand board and nominate one of MMI's nominees as a director at the 2008 annual meeting

In addition, agrees to nominate another one of MMI s nominees to serve as a director of BHS following the spin-off MMI withdraws its proxy filing

May 2, 2008:

Brink's appoints MMI nominee Carroll R. Wetzel, Jr., to its Board of Directors

October 31, 2008:

Brink's completes spin-off of BHS and appoints MMI nominees to each company s board Carroll R. Wetzel, Jr., joins the board of BHS

Robert J. Strang, CEO of Investigative Management Group, appointed to Brink's board November 17, 2010:

Brink's increases its stake in Servicio Pan Americano De Proteccion S.A. De C.V. ( SPP ), a Mexico based secure logistic company, from 21% to approximately 100% for approximately \$60 million May 6,2011:

Robert J. Strang s board representation term expires as he was not nominated by the Board for re-election The Brink s Company lagged the index

by 380 basis points during the tenure of MMI s Board candidates (2)

Price (\$)
October 17, 2008
Brink s Home Security
begins trading when
issued , spun-off on
October 31, 2008
Price: \$23.50
Stock price performance during tenure of MMI Board candidates
The Brink s Company (Cont d)
Oct 31, 2008:
Brink's completes spin-off of the BHS
unit and election of directors per
agreement with MMI

Carroll R. Wetzel, Jr. is switched to

BHS s board

Robert J. Strang is appointed to

Brink's board Price: \$48.49

May 6, 2011:

Robert J. Strang s term expires as he was not nominated by the

Board for re-election

Price: \$29.85 May 2, 2008:

Carroll R. Wetzel, Jr.,

joins the board Price: \$72.00 Oct 30, 2008:

Q3 2008 earnings

announcement Price: \$46.24

Nov 17, 2010:

Brink's increases its

stake in Servicio Pan Americano De

Proteccion to approx.

100%

Price: \$25.52 January 18, 2010 Tyco International

announces acquisition of

Brink s Home Security Price: \$31.42

Total Return 81.3%

(1)

Combined

Total Return

18.4%

(1)

Total Return

(21.0%)

(1)

Dec 17, 2008:

MMI reports stake in

Brink's reduced to

4.8%

Price: \$23.50 May 14, 2010

Brink s Home Security sold

to Tyco International

Price: \$42.61 (1) Returns from Bloomberg and represents total stockholder return including price appreciation, dividends and stock splits. 31 \$72 \$62 \$52 \$42 \$32 \$22 \$12 May-08 Jul-08 Sep-08 Dec-08 Feb-09 May-09 Jul-09 Sep-09 Dec-09 Feb-10 May-10 Jul-10 Sep-10 Dec-10 Feb-11 May-11 The Brink s Company

Brink s Home Security

**Combined Price**