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1&A PROCESS

Standard components in a sell-side process

Illustrative timeline				
Weeks 1—3 Phase 1	Weeks 3—6 Phase 2	Weeks 6–10 Phase 3	Weeks 10–14 Phase 4	Weeks 14–16 Phase 5
Plan strategy and conduct due diligence Define objectives Review operations and financial performance	Prepare selling materials Define key selling points Prepare descriptive memorandum	Conduct formal marketing effort Contact buyers Distribute descriptive memorandum	Monitor buyer due diligence Select participants based on Price Terms	Receive final bids and negotiate Evaluate bids Cash/non-cash consideration Contract
Develop preliminary valuation	■ Evaluate buyers	■ Arrange data room	Management presentation	Negotiate final offers
Develop preliminary marketing strategySet process timeline	Finalize buyer listCustomize approach for buyers	Prepare management presentationReceive preliminary indications of	Distribute contractArrange due diligence visits	"Round 3" bids if necessaryAnnouncementHSR filing

Note: Time periods are averages and can vary materially in any given transaction



& A PROCESS

Standard components in a buy-side process

Illustrative timeli	ne for the auction o	f a privately held co	mpany or subsidiar	ry of a public compa	iny	
Initial contact by seller	Review descriptive memorandum	First round bids	Due diligence	Second round bids	Negotiate contract	Acquire target
1 week	3 weeks	1 week	4 weeks	1 week	2 weeks	8 weeks
 Reassess strategic direction Assess interest Sign confidentiality agreement 	 Perform initial valuation DCF Trading multiples Recent transactions Establish first round bid Determine other potential bidders 	 Place preliminary indication of interest Seller assesses bids Prepare for due diligence effort Receive purchase contract Assess financing alternatives May seek exclusivity Unlikely to be warranted unless bid is perceived to be preemptive and competition is limited 	 Assemble due diligence team Review data room Visit facility(ies) Attend management presentation Verify valuation assumptions Assess potential liability Revise bid if appropriate Confirm walkaway price Mark up purchase contract 	 Place binding bid Submit marked-up contract Seller assesses bids Obtain appropriate Board approvals 	 Reach definitive agreement H-S-R Develop strategy for communication to investors and rating agencies Make public announcement Obtain definitive Board approval 	 Secure financing Cash payment Close transaction Post-closing adjustments

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18A PROCESS

Key process elements of a public company merger

- Exchange and review detailed financial models
 - a) 5-10 year forecast
 - b) Consolidated and segment level detail (IS/BS/CF)
- 2) Begin development of data room
- Preliminary business and financial diligence
 - a) Initial follow-up due diligence questions
 - b) Informal presentations and Q&A
 - c) Follow-up conversations and meetings
- Initial meetings on regulatory/legal considerations
- 5) Detailed due diligence reviews
 - a) Emphasis on specific topics
 - b) Electronic data room
 - c) Small business team Q&A
- 6) Preliminary views on deal structure
 - a) Negotiate range of financial terms
 - b) Finalize key governance issues

- 7) Begin transaction documentation drafting and negotiation
 - a) Distribution of draft Merger Agreement
 - b) Discuss and negotiate basic language
- 8) Interim Board meeting updates
- 9) Finalize due diligence findings
 - a) Draft rating agency presentations
 - b) Assemble and begin PR/IR work plan
- Finalize valuation range and key transaction terms (financial and contractual)
- 11) Plan communication and integration strategy
 - Discuss transaction terms with rating agencies
- 12) Board Meetings
- 13) Sign Merger Agreement
- 14) Announce transaction

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Insurance valuation methodologies

comparable nalysis	Analyst price targets	 Range (or selected range) of analyst price targets Analysts will not have access to nonpublic information that may affect valuation
_	Comparable trading multiples	 Estimate value by assigning pricing multiples to company's metrics P/E, price/book value most commonly used for insurers, emphasis on P/B Simple and intuitive, but some times difficult to find perfectly comparable peers
Publicly-traded company a	ROE regression analysis	 Values the company based on P/B multiples at which comparable companies trade and the company's ROE Normally a high correlation between ROE and price/ book value
Intrinsic valuation	Dividend discount model	 Present value of projected future dividends Risks in cash flows and capital structure captured in discount rate Values a company based on its capacity to pay out dividends, subject to regulatory constraints and while maintaining target rating agency ratios Incorporates retention of earnings necessary to attain a predetermined ratings target Best theoretical approach
Change of control	Comparable transaction multiples	 P/E, price/book value most commonly used for insurers, emphasis on P/B Simple and intuitive, but some times difficult to find perfectly comparable transactions Transaction multiples tend to change over time - difficult to compare a current transactions with historical ones

Illustrative valuation summary



Source: Company filings, PowerData, I/B/E/S, SNL

Role of an actuary in the M&A process

