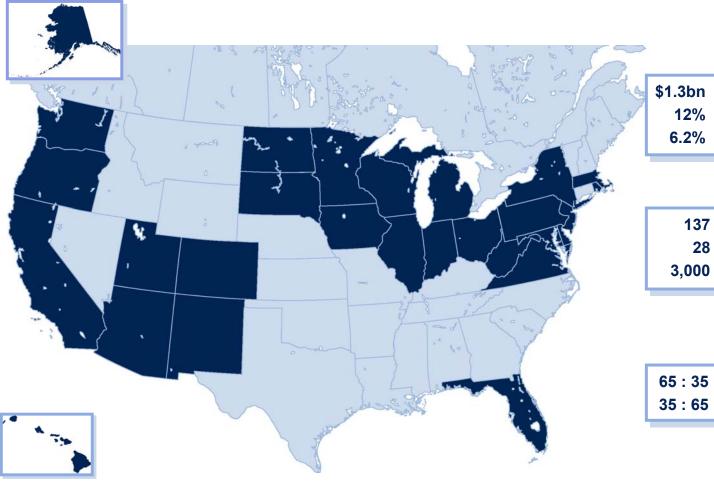
Oldcastle Distribution

Michael Lynch CEO





Overview



\$1.3bn Sales (2004)

12% 5-yr Sales CAGR

6.2% Op. Margin (2004)

137 Branches

28 US States

3,000 Employees

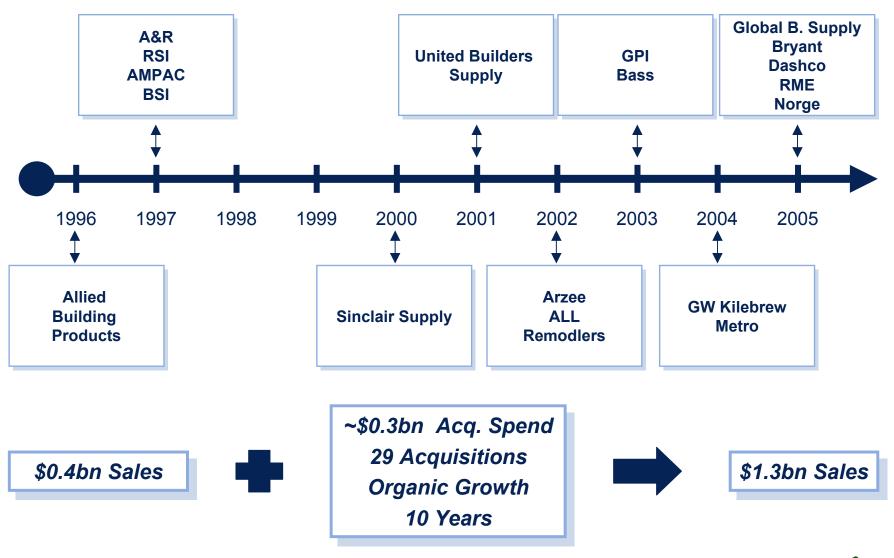
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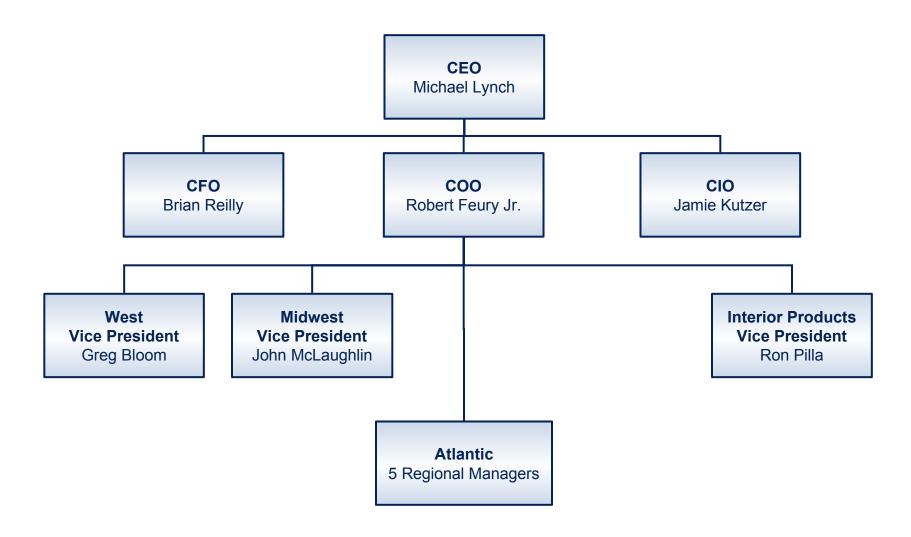
Development History







Organization





Distributor to Specialist Contractor Groups

Our value proposition:

- Professional sales team with extensive product knowledge
- Provide credit to credit-worthy contractors
- Job-site or roof-top delivery
- Stock a full range of products

Roofing & Siding (85%)	
Residential Roofing (Shingles)	55%
Commercial Roofing	21%
Vinyl Siding/Windows	18%
Waterproofing/Accessories/Supplies	6%

Interior Products (15%)	
Gypsum Wallboard	74%
Acoustical Ceiling Systems	12%
Metal Studs	11%
Accessories	3%





Roofing & Siding





Roofing & Siding

Residential Roofing

- Asphalt shingles >80% of US market
- >80% US roofing spend is RMI
- Average roof is replaced every 19 yrs
- US Shingle 20-year volume CAGR 3.5%

Vinyl Siding

- 40% of US cladding market
- 60% of US RMI market
- Vinyl siding is replaced every 20 yrs

US Housing Stock

- c. 125m units
- Average 35+ years and growing older
- Underpins Roofing/Siding RMI growth

Market Structure

- Total market \$20bn
- Top 5 30%; market still fragmented
- Oldcastle Distribution in Top 3

Specialist distributors require scale;
Deliver good returns in metro markets where service is key





Interior Products



Wallboard

Acoustical Ceilings





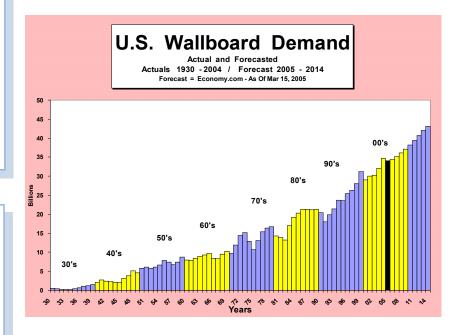
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Interior Products

Gypsum Wallboard - End Use				
	New	RMI	Total	
Construction				
Residential	50%	20%	70%	
Commercial	13%	17%	30%	
	63%	37%	100%	



- Total market \$12-15bn
- Top 6 30%; rapid consolidation
- Oldcastle Distribution #6



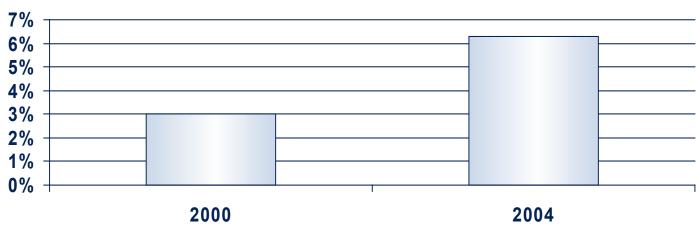
Wallboard is the predominant product Good growth prospects





Sustaining Good Performance

Distribution EBITA margin



- Organization
 - → Professional management team, good commercial instincts industry-best
 - → Recruit talent, train well, incentivize and retain
 - Centralized support functions
 - → Central pricing department has a major role in improving profitability
- Top-of-the-line IT System
 - → Specialist building materials distribution ERP system
 - → Supports product mix, purchasing and pricing management





Strategy

- To be a distributor to various specialist contractor groups
- Build leadership positions in metropolitan areas
 - → Premium on service in metro areas
 - → Locate in high-contractor traffic environments
 - → Greenfield opportunistically for infill
- Continue acquisitive growth strategy; exploit consolidation trend
- Hire, train, motivate and retain leaders
- Leverage top-of-the-line IT system to optimize business performance





Compelling Business Proposition

Oldcastle Distribution is competing in attractive markets, with

- high RMI demand underpinned by continuous roofing & siding replacement/upgrade
- excellent growth opportunities
- streamlined operations and a solid infrastructure
- and a strong management team delivering good profitability

Leveraging the skills learned in Allied.....
..... We now have confidence to pursue
other Distribution platforms as
opportunities arise



