

DATE

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SECTORS

Industrials
Aerospace, Defense &
Government Services

DEAL TYPE

M&A Advisory
Debt Advisory &
Restructuring

DEAL LOCATIONS



DEAL TEAM



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DC Advisory advised Sun European Partners on the sale of Wescom Signal & Rescue to Albion River



Background

- Wescom Signal & Rescue (Wescom) is a global leader in the manufacturing and distribution of highly engineered pyrotechnic products for the marine and defence industries, serving customers in over 123 countries
- Wescom was originally a corporate carve-out of the Drew Marine group, constituting approximately 20% of the conglomerate prior to Sun European Partners, LLP's (Sun European) acquisition in February 2020
- Sun European is a leading private investment advisory firm, focused on partnering with outstanding management teams to accelerate value creation
- Albion River is a private direct investment firm focused on acquiring companies that produce highly technical defence products and services

Process

- DC Advisory was exclusively engaged by Sun European to provide sell-side M&A and debt advice to support the sale of Wescom
- DC Advisory ran a tailored process, leveraging its sector expertise and senior relationships to identify and engage a competitive transatlantic bidder group capable of supporting Wescom's organic and acquisitive growth strategy
- DC Advisory provided comprehensive M&A and debt advisory services, including bespoke lender education, process strategy and tactics, sector insight, and close support in negotiation and transaction documentation



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Outcome

- The transaction signed in Q1 2025 and Albion River completed the acquisition of Wescom on 31 July 2025
- With the support of Albion River, the business will focus on both organic and acquisitive growth in markets which have compelling long-term growth dynamics
- This transaction showcases DC Advisory's strong expertise in the Safety and Protection, and Defence sectors
- Financial terms of the transaction were not disclosed

“DC Advisory prepared for and executed a strong, competitive process, which has delivered a great result for all shareholders. Their ability to identify transatlantic interest was key to finding the ideal partner for Wescom.”

Alexander Wyndham, Managing Director, Sun European

“I am extremely grateful for the comprehensive and professional support provided by the DC Advisory team from start to finish. As a management team, we knew we could count on DC Advisory to deliver on all fronts.”

Ross Wilkinson, CEO, Wescom

“We have longstanding relationships with the Wescom management team and the Sun European team and are very pleased to have worked alongside them on this transaction. The sale to Albion River represents another successful deal for our market leading Safety sector franchise”

Andrew Cunningham, Managing Director, DC Advisory

“The Defence sector is poised for a wave of investment and this transaction demonstrates DC Advisory's transatlantic capability in the sector. We are delighted to have delivered a fantastic exit for Sun

European and a great partner for the management team moving forwards.”

Gary Hancock, Managing Director, DC Advisory

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