

Pancon Acquires Sunstone Components Group; Continues Add-On Search

Radnor, PA, August 8, 2013 – Milestone Partners is pleased to announce that its portfolio company Pancon Corp. completed a highly strategic add-on acquisition of Sunstone Components Group on August 2, 2013.

Sunstone is a Temecula, CA based manufacturer of insert molded components and precision metal stampings. Sunstone's products include precision-made connector pins and terminals, switch and relay contacts, lead frames, sensors, other stamped parts for electronic applications, as well as a variety of insert molded components. Mike Kirkman, CEO of Pancon, noted, "The Sunstone acquisition expands Pancon's product offering and will allow us to design unique products for our customers."

Geoffrey Veale, Principal at Milestone Partners, added "Mike Kirkman and the Pancon management team are executing on their plan to build a diversified, global connector platform. Pancon remains committed to executing its add-on strategy and will continue to seek complementary businesses to augment its organic growth."

The law firm Drinker Biddle & Reath LLP advised Pancon on the acquisition.

For more information about the transaction, please contact <u>Geoffrey Veale</u> or <u>Jamie Greene</u> at Milestone Partners.

Pancon Corp. (<u>www.panconcorp.com</u>) is an innovative manufacturer of highly engineered connectors and multilayer polymer capacitors. With a global reach including two international facilities, Pancon has the inhouse design and production capabilities to service a broad variety of markets, including automotive, industrial, medical and telecommunications under the Pancon, Ark-Les and Paktron brand names.

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Company Size*:

- Revenue: \$15-\$150 million
- EBITDA: \$3-\$20 million

Transaction Size*:

- \$15-\$150 million

Equity Investment Size*:

- \$5-\$40 million (and higher with typical co-invest)

*Add-ons may be smaller

Sectors and Industries:

 Generalist approach; seeking high-margin, niche-market leaders in all industries

Geography:

- North America (may have overseas operations)

Key Business Characteristics:

- Clear competitive advantages
- High profit margins
- Compelling growth opportunities

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