

A close-up, low-angle shot of an HVAC unit, showing two large circular fans with metal grilles. The unit is mounted on a wall, and the background is a plain, light-colored surface. The image has a blue tint.

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HVAC INDUSTRY
VALUATION UPDATE
Q1 2026

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Introduction

We are pleased to share our HVAC Industry Valuation Multiples Update for Q1 2026.

At Seale & Associates, we are committed to providing process-driven solutions designed to optimize value and achieve our client’s strategic objectives in a range of transactions, including **Mergers, Acquisitions, Divestitures and Carve-Outs, Business Sales, Recapitalizations, and Joint Ventures**, among other corporate finance and strategy consulting services.

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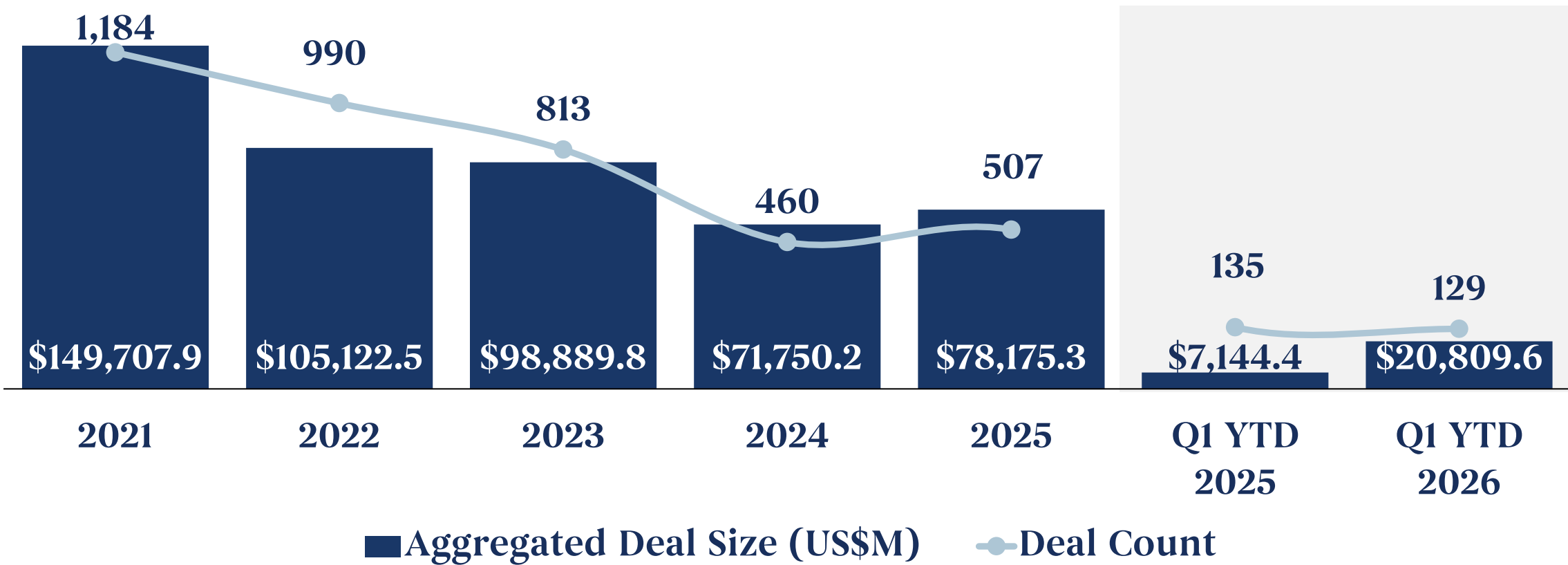
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HVAC Industry Overview

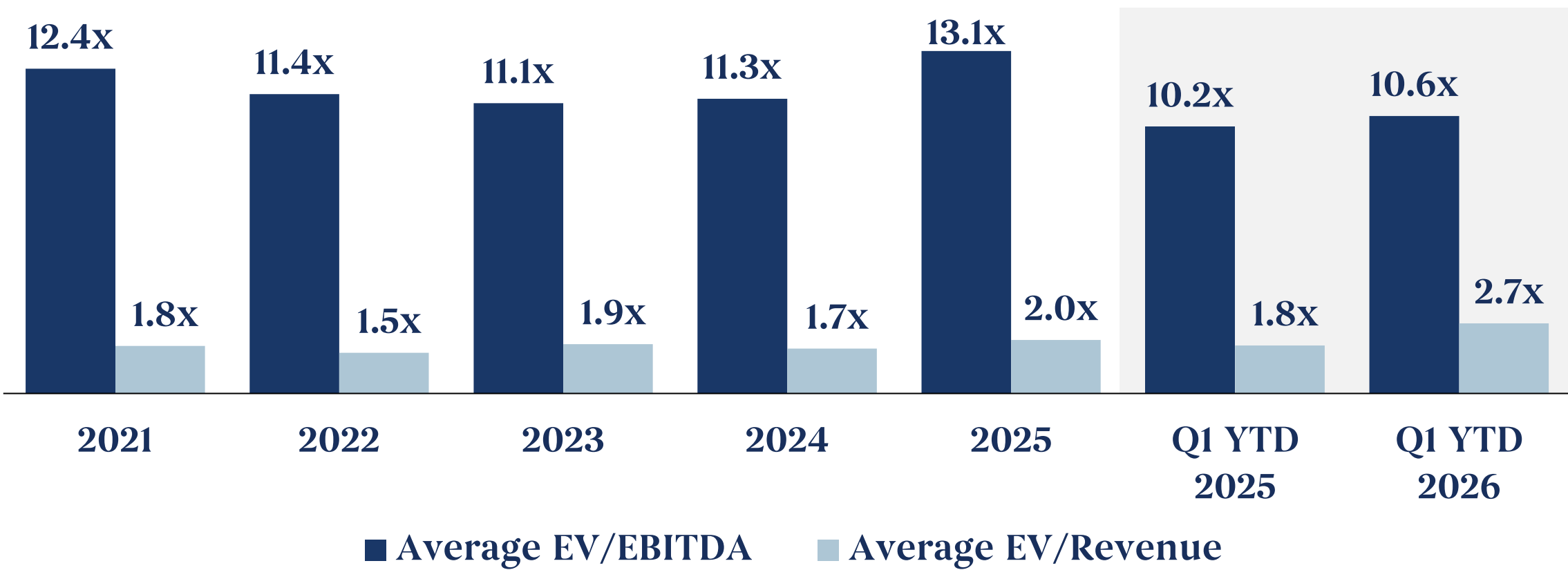
M&A Trends and Market Intelligence

- The **global HVAC system market** revenue was valued at approximately **US\$259.0B in 2025** and is projected to reach **US\$445.7B by 2033**, growing at a **CAGR of 7.0%** during the forecasted period
- **Market growth** continues to be driven by **increasing demand** for **energy-efficient buildings, smart infrastructure**, and **sustainable climate-control systems**, supported by stricter energy regulations and government incentive programs globally
- Growing integration of **IoT-enables monitoring, AI-driven optimization, smart thermostats**, and **advanced building automation systems** is transforming the industry and **improving energy efficiency, indoor air quality**, and **predictive maintenance capabilities**
- Increasing investments in **green buildings, data centers, healthcare infrastructure**, and **smart commercial facilities** continue to **support long-term industry growth**, alongside rising adoption of heat pumps, low-emission cooling technologies, and energy-efficient HVAC systems globally
- The HVAC equipment market has supported **active M&A activity**, driven by investments in **cooling technologies, advanced refrigerants**, and other innovations that enhance **energy efficiency** and meet the needs for data center, industrial, and commercial applications
- **Private buyers** continue to play a significant role in sector consolidation, pursuing acquisitions that offer **portfolio expansion, geographic reach**, and technology synergies, while public buyers have shown a more selective activity

HVAC Industry M&A Deal Size and Volume



HVAC Industry M&A Average EV/EBITDA and EV/Revenue



Source: Capital IQ, Grand View Research, Capstone Partners, and Other Industry Reports

Equipment Manufacturing – Global Comparable Public Companies (1/2)

The table below presents selected publicly traded companies in the sector, serving as benchmarks for valuation, scale, and operating performance across comparable business models

Company		Country	Market Cap. US\$M	Enterprise Value US\$M	Revenue US\$M	EBITDA Margin	Annual Average EV/EBITDA		First Quarter Mar. 31, 2026	
							2024	2025	EV/ EBITDA	EV/ Revenue
Carrier Global Corporation		USA	\$47,043	\$58,205	\$21,870	17.3%	20.2x	16.4x	15.4x	2.7x
Daikin Industries		JPN	\$34,417	\$34,595	\$31,545	13.1%	10.2x	8.2x	8.3x	1.1x
Haier Smart Home		CHN	\$27,209	\$25,804	\$43,047	9.5%	9.4x	8.0x	6.3x	0.6x
Johnson Controls International		IRL	\$80,150	\$89,332	\$24,433	16.9%	14.0x	17.9x	21.6x	3.7x
Lennox International		USA	\$16,153	\$17,889	\$5,258	24.6%	18.9x	16.8x	13.8x	3.4x
Midea Group		CHN	\$83,176	\$81,741	\$66,649	11.4%	9.9x	10.8x	10.8x	1.2x

Equipment Manufacturing – Global Comparable Public Companies (2/2)

Company	Country	Market Cap. US\$M	Enterprise Value US\$M	Revenue US\$M	EBITDA Margin	Annual Average EV/EBITDA		First Quarter Mar. 31, 2026 EV/EBITDA		EV/Revenue
						2024	2025	2024	2025	
NIBE	 SWE	\$8,175	\$9,972	\$4,292	15.3%	19.9x	19.9x	15.2x		2.3x
Resideo Technologies	 USA	\$5,099	\$8,449	\$7,472	12.6%	6.0x	7.2x	8.9x		1.1x
SPX Technologies.	 USA	\$10,032	\$10,246	\$2,349	20.8%	20.0x	19.9x	21.0x		4.4x
Systemair	 SWE	\$1,546	\$1,633	\$1,285	12.5%	12.0x	11.9x	10.2x		1.3x
Trane Technologies	 IRL	\$92,238	\$95,936	\$21,603	20.8%	22.1x	22.1x	21.3x		4.4x
Excluded from mean					Mean	14.9x	14.4x	12.9x		2.1x
					Median	14.0x	16.4x	13.8x		2.3x

Equipment Distribution – Global Comparable Public Companies

The table below presents selected publicly traded companies in the sector, serving as benchmarks for valuation, scale, and operating performance across comparable business models

Company		Country	Market Cap. US\$M	Enterprise Value US\$M	Revenue US\$M	EBITDA Margin	Annual Average EV/EBITDA		First Quarter Mar. 31, 2026 EV/ EBITDA		EV/ Revenue
							2024	2025			
Beijer Ref		SWE	\$6,861	\$7,869	\$3,858	12.1%	22.2x	19.6x	16.8x		2.0x
Reece Limited		AUS	\$5,598	\$7,083	\$6,330	8.3%	19.0x	12.8x	13.4x		1.1x
Watsco		USA	\$13,828	\$14,014	\$7,241	12.6%	18.9x	17.8x	15.3x		1.9x
W.W. Grainger		USA	\$51,628	\$54,310	\$18,378	16.7%	17.4x	16.8x	17.7x		3.0x
■ Excluded from mean						Mean	19.4x	16.8x	15.8x		2.0x
						Median	19.0x	17.3x	16.1x		2.0x

Service Firms – Global Comparable Public Companies

The table below presents selected publicly traded companies in the sector, serving as benchmarks for valuation, scale, and operating performance across comparable business models

Company		Country	Market Cap. US\$M	Enterprise Value US\$M	Revenue US\$M	EBITDA Margin	Annual Average EV/EBITDA		First Quarter Mar. 31, 2026 EV/EBITDA EV/Revenue	
							2024	2025		
Comfort Systems USA		USA	\$48,426	\$47,893	\$10,136	16.2%	16.9x	18.2x	29.2x	4.7x
EMCOR Group		USA	\$32,879	\$32,242	\$17,747	12.8%	11.5x	11.9x	14.2x	1.8x
Clayax Acquisition		FRA	\$8,406	\$11,009	\$12,097	10.6%	9.5x	10.1x	8.6x	0.9x
Bravida Holding		SWE	\$2,115	\$2,393	\$2,981	8.1%	8.4x	9.5x	9.9x	0.8x
Tutor Perini		USA	\$4,075	\$3,855	\$5,686	6.2%	13.5x	47.2x	10.9x	0.7x
■ Excluded from mean						Mean	10.7x	10.5x	10.9x	1.1x
						Median	11.5x	11.9x	10.9x	0.9x

Control Modules – Global Comparable Public Companies

The table below presents selected publicly traded companies in the sector, serving as benchmarks for valuation, scale, and operating performance across comparable business models

Company		Country	Market Cap. US\$M	Enterprise Value US\$M	Revenue US\$M	EBITDA Margin	Annual Average EV/EBITDA		First Quarter Mar. 31, 2026	
							2024	2025	EV/ EBITDA	EV/ Revenue
Emerson Electric		USA	\$73,633	\$85,959	\$18,316	33.3%	17.7x	16.0x	14.1x	4.7x
Honeywell International		USA	\$143,682	\$167,441	\$37,660	23.3%	16.5x	16.0x	19.1x	4.4x
Infineon Technologies		DEU	\$56,859	\$63,108	\$17,437	27.6%	9.2x	11.2x	13.1x	3.6x
Johnson Controls		IRL	\$80,150	\$89,332	\$24,433	16.9%	14.0x	17.9x	21.6x	3.7x
■ Excluded from mean						Mean	16.0x	15.3x	15.4x	4.1x
						Median	15.2x	16.0x	16.6x	4.1x

HVAC – Global Transactions (1/2)

The table below highlights selected global M&A transactions during Q1 2026, illustrating strategic acquisitions focused on scale, product diversification, or geographic expansion within the sector

Date	Target	Country	Description	Buyer	Seller	% Acquired	Size US\$M	EV/ EBITDA	EV/ Revenue
Mar-26		USA	Sylvester & Cockrum , a provider of HVAC and home services, acquired Mechanical Systems Technology , a provider of commercial HVAC and refrigeration services		-	100.0%	-	-	-
Mar-26		USA	SRS Distribution , a distributor of building products, acquired Mingledorff's , a distributor of HVAC equipment and supplies		-	100.0%	-	-	-
Mar-26		USA	Founders Home Service Group , a provider of home services, acquired The Air Guys , a provider of residential and commercial HVAC services		-	100.0%	-	-	-
Mar-26		USA	Red Dot Building Systems , a manufacturer of HVAC systems, acquired International Climate Systems , a manufacturer of off-road HVAC systems for vehicles			100.0%	-	-	-
Mar-26		USA	Seth Ray , an individual investor, acquired Ray and Son Heating and Air Conditioning , a provider of residential and commercial HVAC services	Individual Investor Seth Ray	-	100.0%	-	-	-
Feb-26		USA	Ally Services , a provider of HVAC services, acquired Tri-County Aire , a provider of commercial and residential HVAC and geothermal services		-	100.0%	-	-	-
Feb-26		USA	Ally Services , a provider of HVAC services, acquired Above & Beyond Services , a provider of HVAC contracting services		-	100.0%	-	-	-

Source: Capital IQ, Companies' Press Releases, Mergermarket

HVAC – Global Transactions (2/2)

Date	Target	Country	Description	Buyer	Seller	% Acquired	Size US\$M	EV/ EBITDA	EV/ Revenue
Feb-26*		FRA	Eiffage Énergie Systèmes , a provider of energy and engineering services, agreed to acquire a 70.0% stake in Quercy Refrigeration , a manufacturer of refrigeration and air conditioning equipment		-	70.0%	-	-	-
Feb-26		USA	Hajoca , a distributor of plumbing and HVAC products, acquired American Refrigeration Supplies , a distributor of HVAC and refrigeration products			100.0%	-	-	-
Jan-26		USA	Impact Climate Technologies , a provider of HVAC equipment and services, acquired Larry Wunsch & Associates , a distributor of HVAC and plumbing equipment		-	100.0%	-	-	-
Jan-26	Active Heating & Air Conditioning	CAN	PMC Energy , a provider of energy and HVAC services, acquired Active Heating & Air Conditioning , a provider of commercial HVAC services		-	100.0%	-	-	-
Jan-26		GBR	Nordic Climate Group , a provider of HVAC and refrigeration services, acquired All Cool NW , a provider of HVAC and refrigeration services		-	100.0%	-	-	-
Jan-26		USA	First Supply , a distributor of plumbing and HVAC products, acquired Able Distributors , a distributor of HVAC solutions	FIRST SUPPLY	-	100.0%	-	-	-
Jan-26		USA	Blackstone , a private equity firm, acquired Air Control Concepts , a provider of HVAC installation services for institutional buildings			ND	-	-	-

* Announced transaction pending approval and other customary closing conditions

ND: Not Disclosed

Source: Capital IQ, Companies' Press Releases, Mergermarket

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TARGET
Heritage Distribution Holdings

TRANSACTION TYPE
Buy-side advisory

INDUSTRIES
HVAC, Distribution

GEOGRAPHY
USA

SITUATION

Seale & Associates announced that it acted as an exclusive financial advisor to Beijer Ref AB (“Beijer Ref”) on its agreement to acquire Heritage Distribution Holdings (“Heritage Distribution”) from Gryphon Investors for **US\$1.275B**.

SEALE & ASSOCIATES’ APPROACH

Seale was retained by Beijer Ref to identify potential acquisition targets engaged in the distribution of HVAC/R equipment in North America, confidentially pre-qualify targets, and assist in the execution of the transaction.

OUTCOME

Beijer Ref successfully completed the acquisition of Heritage Distribution Holdings and was immediately margin accretive to the business. The acquisition represents Beijer Ref’s entry into the North American market and will establish the company as a leading HVAC/R distributor in the U.S. South/South East region, one of the most attractive regions for HVACR in North America.

“The North American market is currently undergoing a shift towards electrification and energy efficiency”

BEIJER REF

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HERITAGE
DISTRIBUTION HOLDINGS

"The acquisition of Heritage Distribution constitutes an important strategic step for Beijer Ref. The North American market is currently undergoing a shift towards electrification and energy efficiency, accelerated by regulatory changes. Also, the growing recognition of indoor air quality and climate change impacts has increased the demand for environmentally friendly and innovative HVAC technologies, which creates a great opportunity for our combined product offering."

Chris Norbye
CEO of Beijer Ref AB

RHEEM

TARGET

Heat Transfer Products Group (HTPG)

TRANSACTION TYPE

Buy-side advisory

INDUSTRIES

HVAC, Industrial machinery

GEOGRAPHY

USA

SITUATION

Seale was retained by Rheem Manufacturing Company to evaluate and execute strategic acquisitions across business lines. Seale advised Rheem on the successful acquisition of Heat Transfer Products Group (HTPG) in a competitive auction process. HTPG manufactures commercial refrigeration equipment for the food service, food retail and other non-consumables markets.

SEALE & ASSOCIATES’ APPROACH

Seale’s professionals’ knowledge and relationships in the HVAC and refrigeration industry allowed for a successful acquisition. Having previously sold the HTPG business to Monomoy Capital, Seale’s unique insights on the target provided invaluable knowledge about the business.

OUTCOME

The process resulted in a successful acquisition of HTPG on buyer-friendly pricing terms. HTPG has resulted in a very successful business for Rheem to combine an extensive knowledge of heat transfer technology to develop innovative new products.

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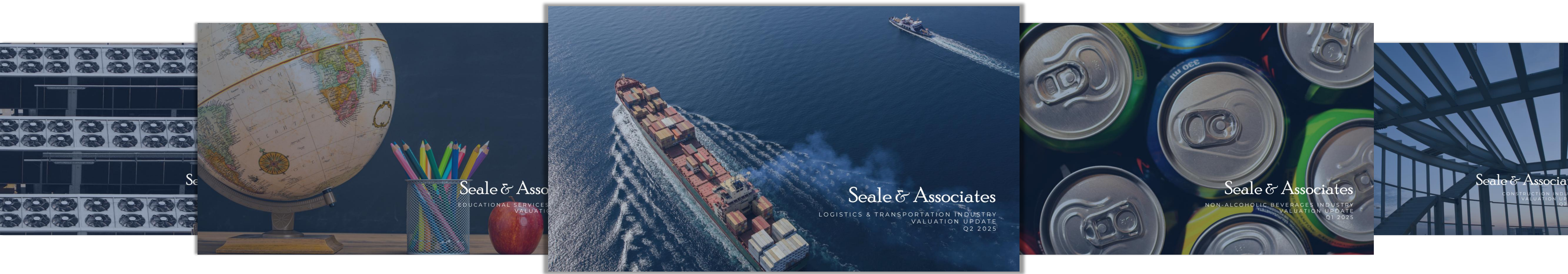


“Seale had in-depth knowledge of the HVAC space as well as extensive relationships with key executives from around the world, which they used to help us identify and close on the perfect deal for our company. The Seale team consists of committed professionals with significant transaction experience, but they also have strong backgrounds in accounting, tax, finance, and law, which allow them to provide value added advice where most other advisors cannot.”

J.R. Jones, CEO, Rheem Manufacturing Company

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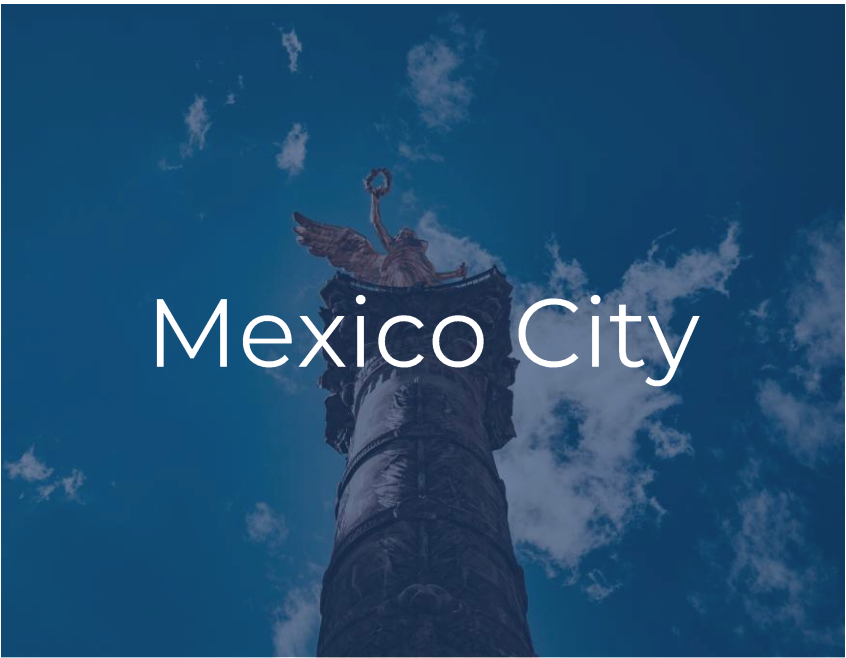
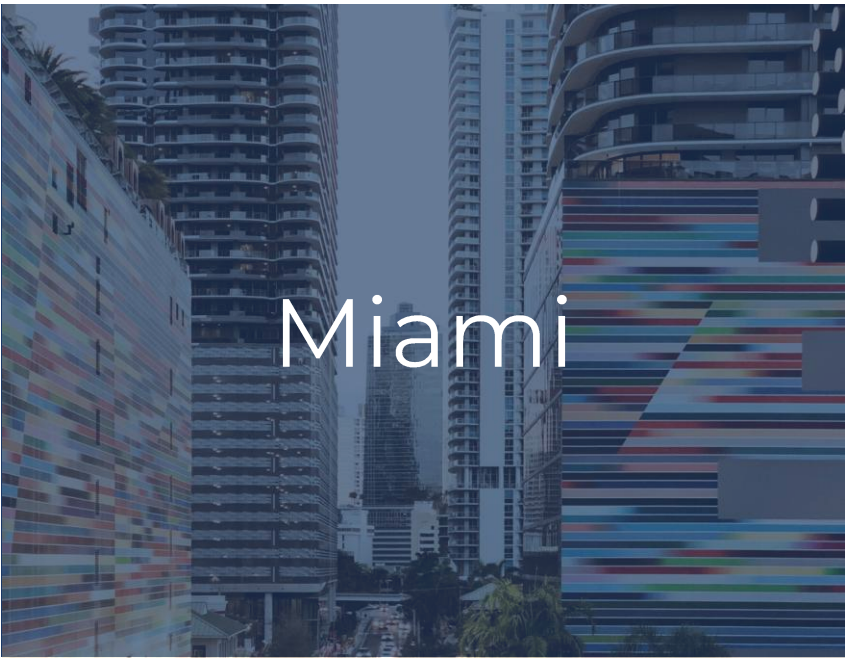


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