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Equity Research Division

Xylem Water Technology Provider

Target Price: \$ 76.34 Current Price: \$ 103,41 Downside Potential: -26.2%

Recommendation: **SELL** Investment Horizon: 1 year

Vienna, 27.01.2023

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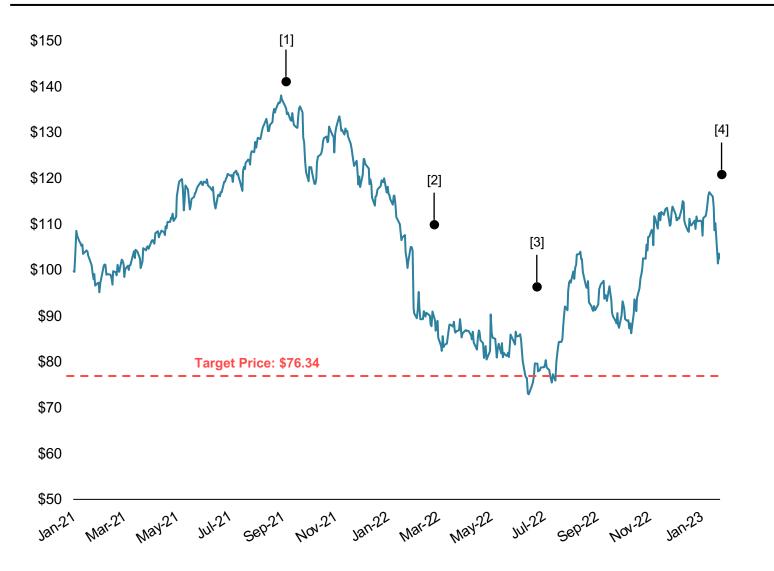
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Share Price Performance



Fluctuating company results coupled with global economic uncertainty is reflected in Xylem's volatile share price



Share Price – Major Events

- [1] September 2021 (+36%) A favorable Fed policy enabled momentum in the stock market pushes stocks higher
- [2] February 2022 (-32%) Disappointing results for Q4 2021 as well as a worsening US inflation outlook woes investors leading to a selloff in Xylem
- [3] June 2022 (-19%) Continued inflation, foreign currency headwinds, rising interest rates coupled with supply chain issues and the Russian-Ukrainian war further depress Xylem's performance
- [4] 23rd January 2023 (-12%) Xylem announces to acquire Evoqua in \$7.5 bn all-stock deal

Key Stats

- IPO: October 21st, 2011
- Ticker: XYL (NYSE)
- **52-week range:** \$72.08 \$118.58
- Price range since IPO: \$23.00 \$138.03
- Market Cap: \$20.905 bn

Agenda

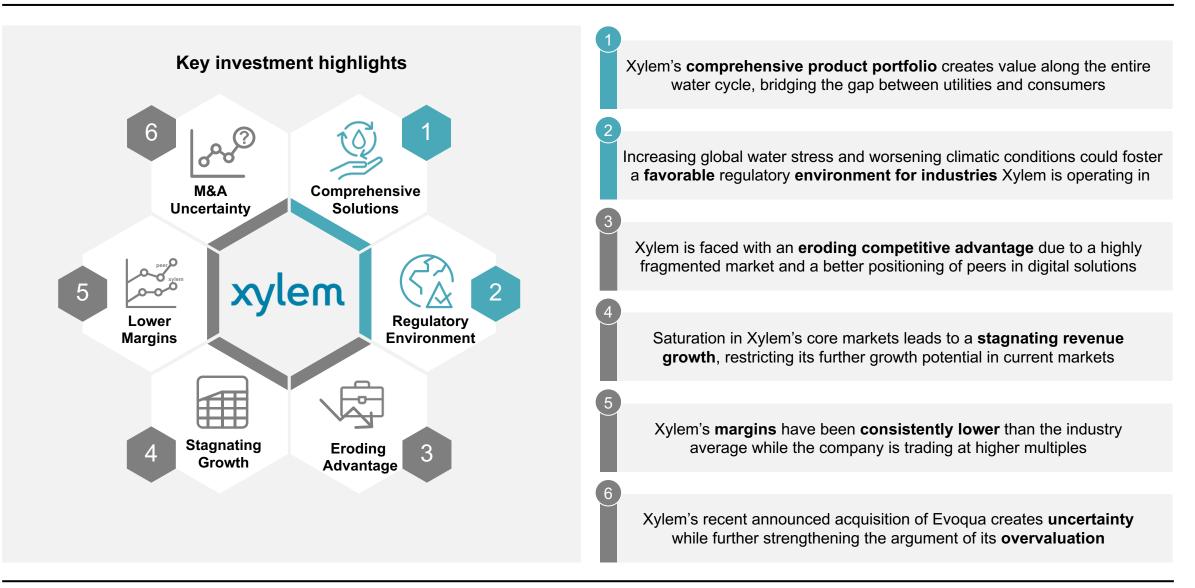


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Investment Thesis



A water industry incumbent struggling with stagnating revenues and fierce competition



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Business Overview

Company Overview



Franz Cerwinka

joined Xylem in 2020

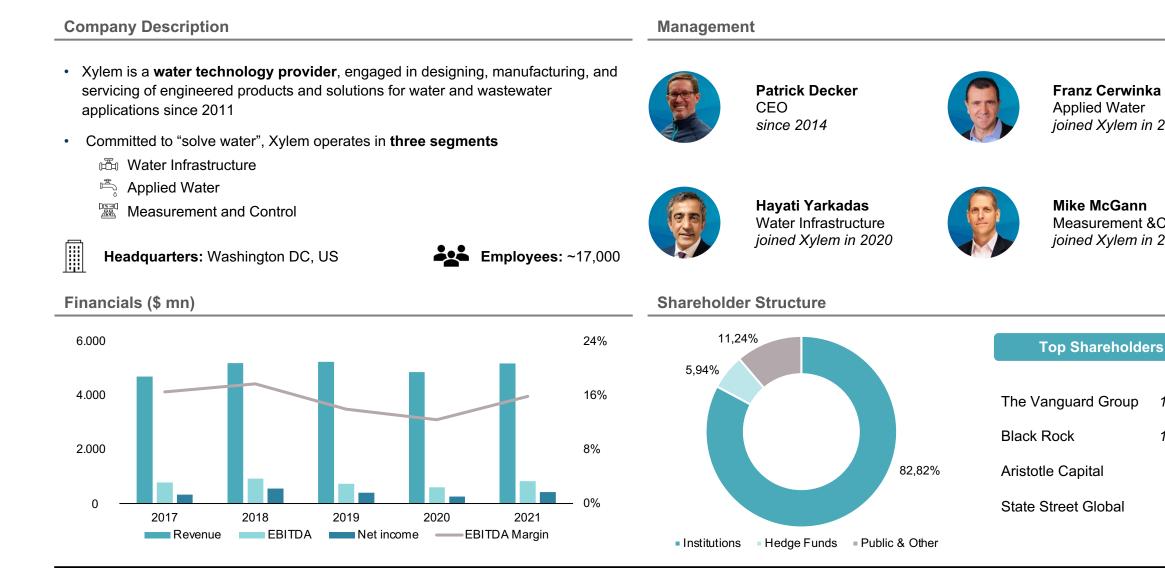
Measurement & Control

joined Xylem in 2011

Applied Water

Mike McGann

A US-based company striving to solve water issues using technological solutions



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10.37%

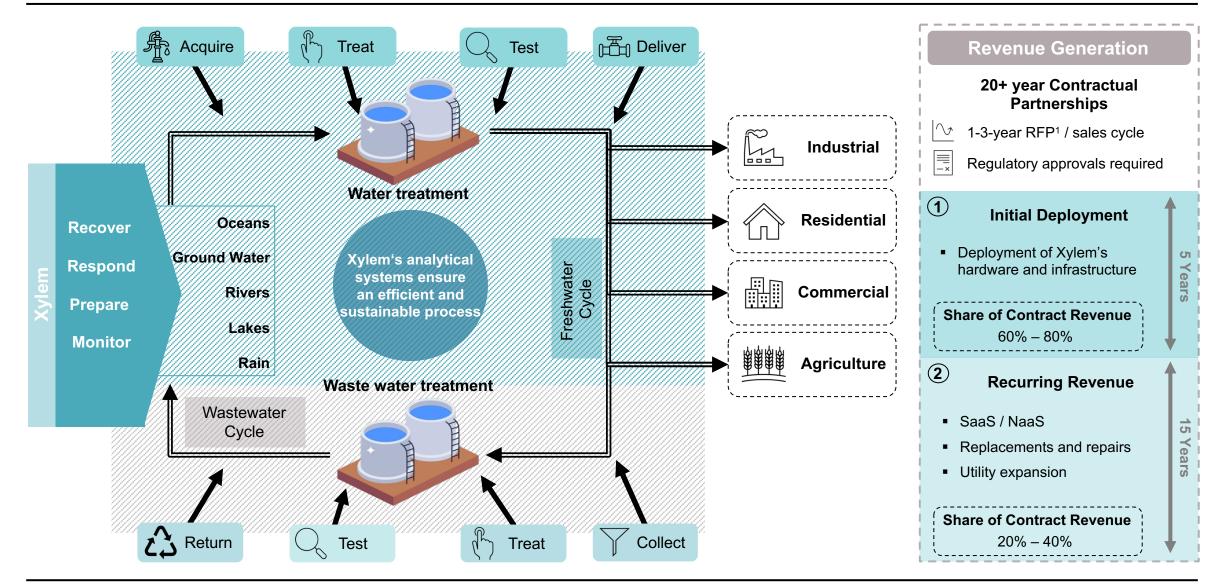
5.04%

4.20%

Business Model



Xylem offers a set of comprehensive solutions, capturing value along the entire water cycle

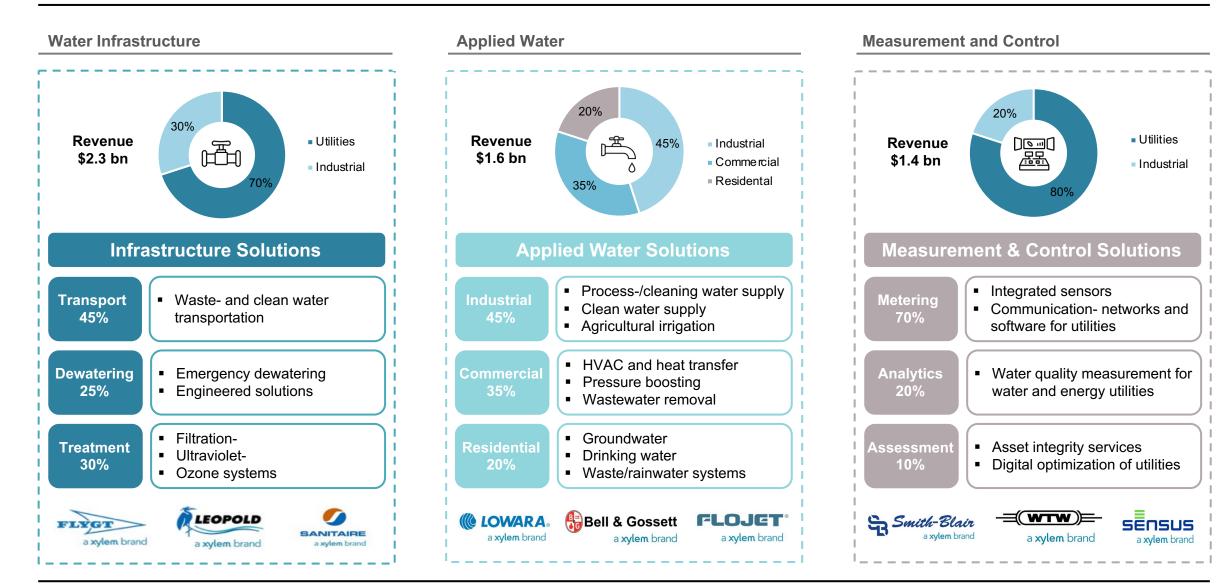


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Product Segments



An integrated product portfolio applicable to a diverse set of situations



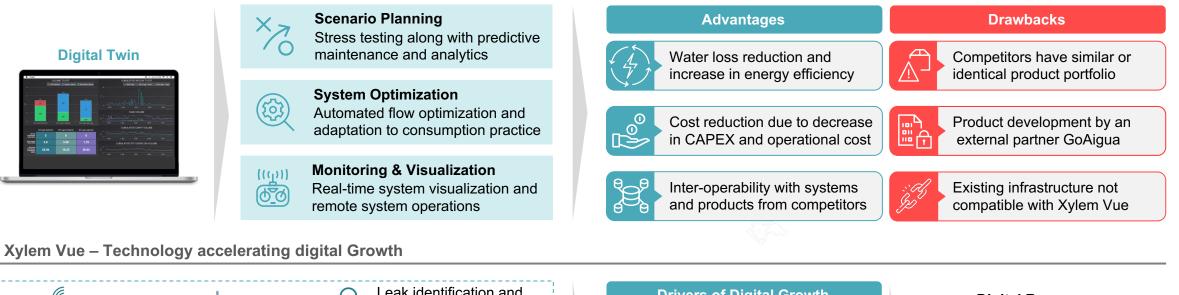
Xylem website, Annual reports, Investor presentations

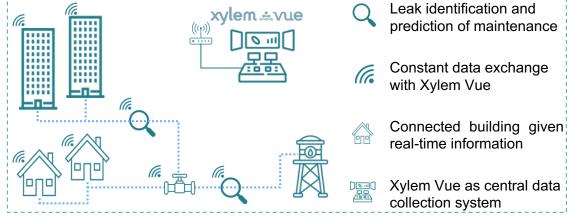
Xylem Vue



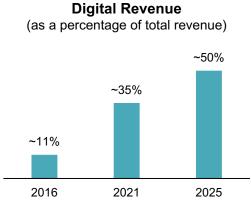
Xylem's approach at digitizing the water cycle

Xylem Vue – Digital Twin in the Water Management System









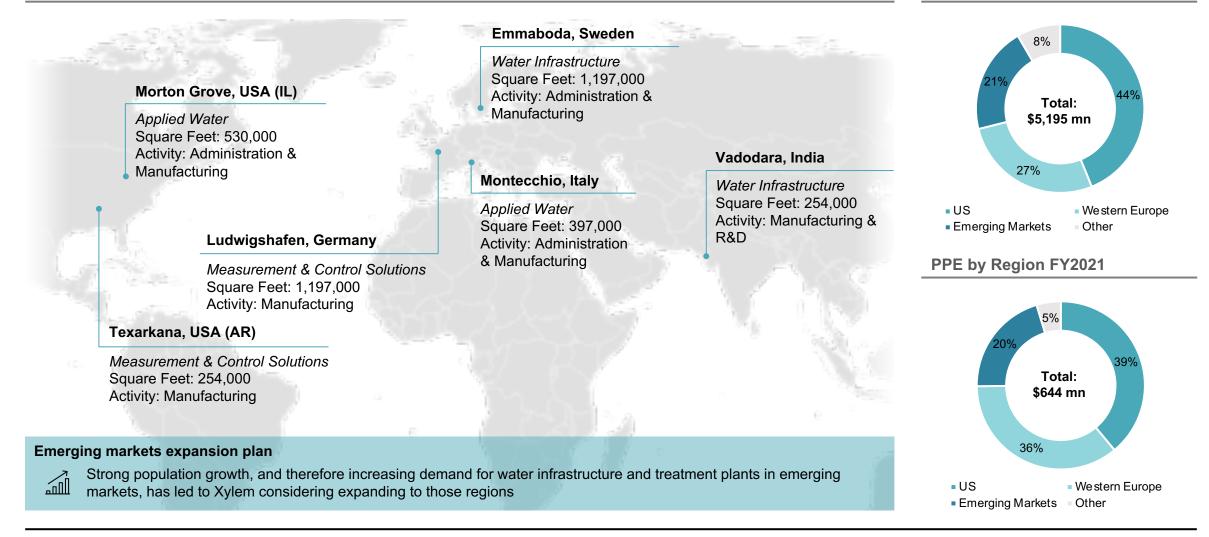
Global Presence



Active around the globe with strategically allocated manufacturing and R&D sites

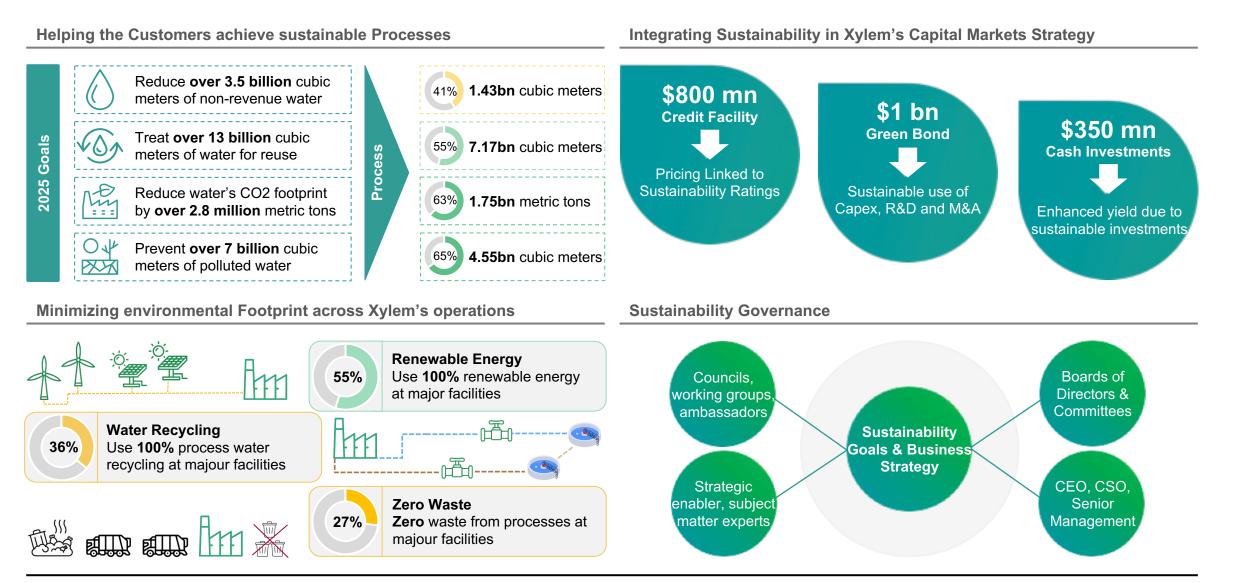


Revenue by Region FY2021



Sustainability Aspect

Sustainability as an integral part of the operating business







Xylem's recent M&A announcement further strengthens overvaluation concerns

Acquisition	Revenues	EBITDA margin		Segments	
xylem	\$5.3 bn	15.3%	Water Applied Infrastructure Water		Measurement and Control
+	+	+	+	+	
C EVOQUA WATER TECHNOLOGIES	\$1.7 bn	14.3%	Treatment integrated solutions and services	Applied Water filtration, separation, wastewater treatment	
		+ Cost synergies*			
EOY 2023	\$7bn	15.0%-15.7%	Water Infrastructure	2x Applied Water	Measurement and Control

Although cost synergies of \$140 mn are suggested to be realised in the next three years, Evoqua's margins being lower than that of Xylem loom **uncertainty over the dilution** of Xylem's shares. Moreover, the acquisition is yet to get a green flag, further **postponing the impact of it on Xylem's business**



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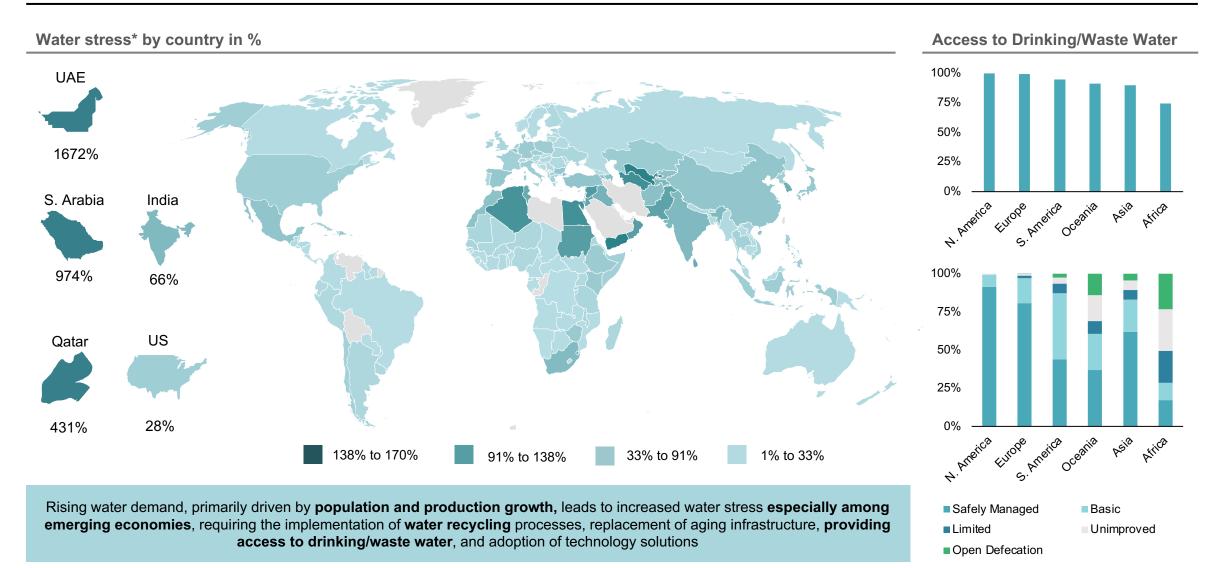
Market Overview



Water Scarcity and Access



Accelerated water depletion and deteriorating water access as increasingly global issues



Trends and Growth drivers



Rising water concerns, especially from infrastructure perspective, are attracting regulatory attention

Trends/Drivers

Aging infrastructure

Obsolete water infrastructure has become a serious concern, especially in the US and Emerging Markets, according to AWWA



Dangerous water contaminants

Water pollution requires more sophisticated water treatment solutions due to regulatory requirements

Urbanization and population growth

Expanding population and urbanization trends boost real estate demand

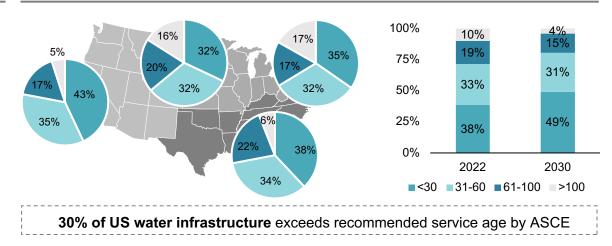
Rising e-commerce presence

E-commerce demand almost recovered to prepandemic levels with a strong outlook for the future

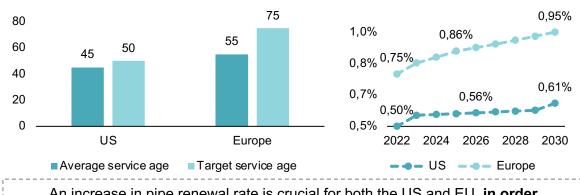
Smart grid

The utility industry is re-shaping technology solutions to save costs and drive efficiency, providing benefits for consumers and environment

Breakdown of Water Infrastructure in the US by Age/Target Breakdown



Conditions of Rater Infrastructure by Region/Target Pipes Renewal Rate



An increase in pipe renewal rate is crucial for both the US and EU, **in order to not exceed the target service age of water infrastructure**



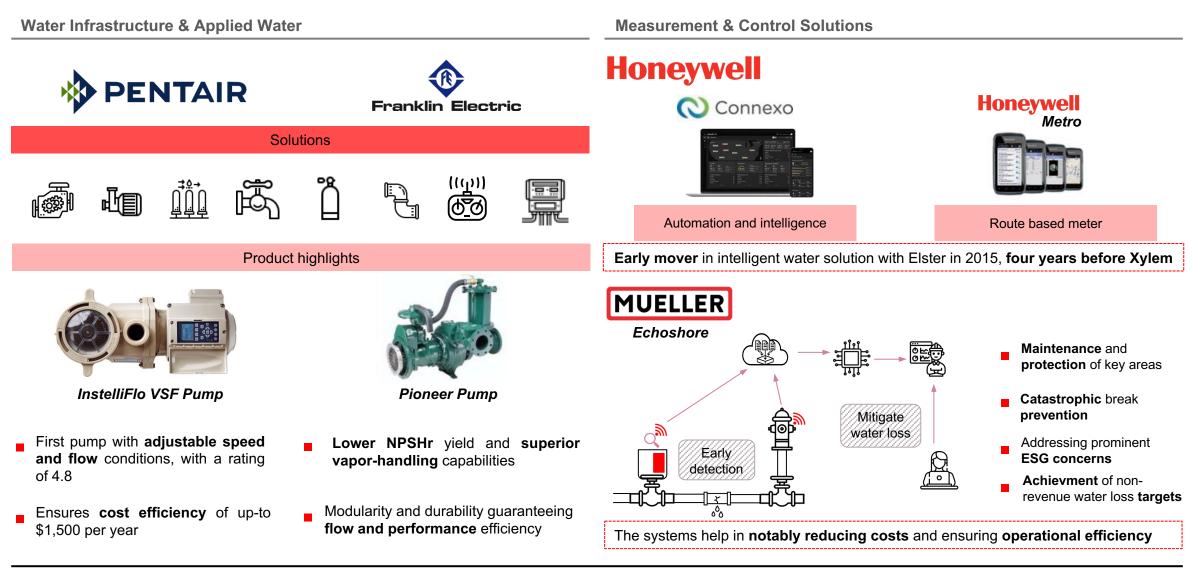
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Competition Analysis & Peer Benchmarking

Competitive Landscape

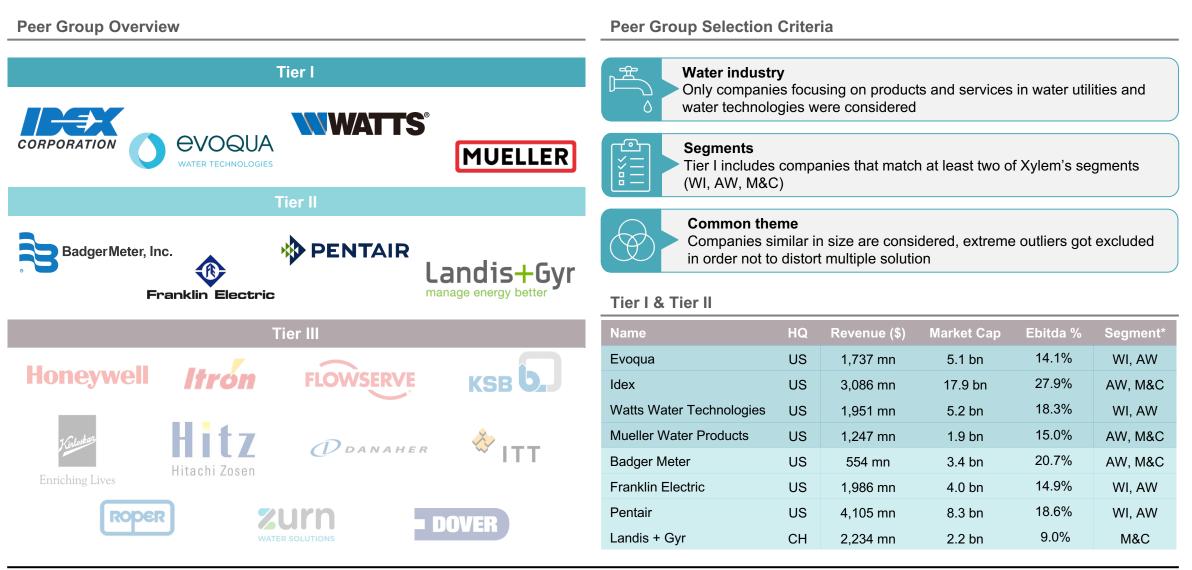


Numerous companies offering similar solutions, leaving less scope for exclusivity



Comparable Benchmarking I

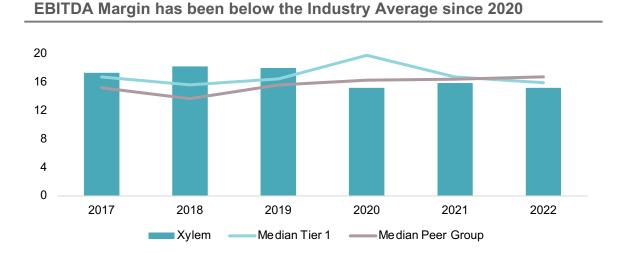
The US water industry is highly saturated with many direct peers



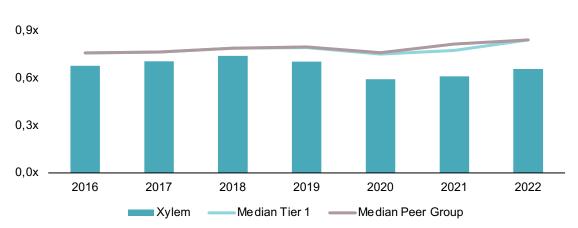


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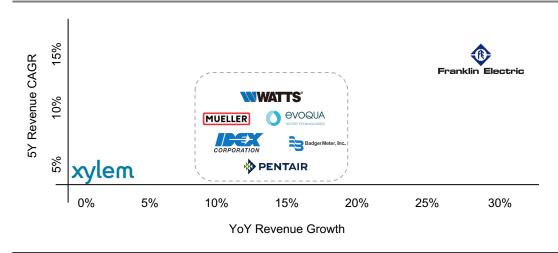
Xylem finds itself lagging behind its strong peers



Asset Turnover Underperformed Peer Group



Short Term & Long Term Revenue Growth





EBIT Margin

Asset Turnover

Xylem was not able to operate as efficient as its peers since 2020 even though the industry showed market resilience after the pandemic

Historically, Xylem was less effective in generating sales through their



assets than its peers Revenue

In the past year, Xylem increased their revenue only by 1.8%, significantly less than an increase of at least 15% of most peers



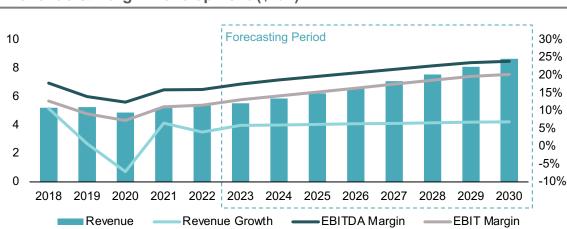
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Valuation

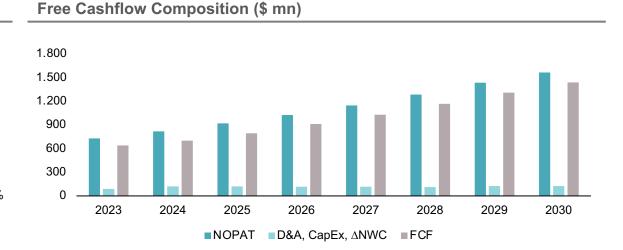
DCF - Discounted Cashflow Analysis



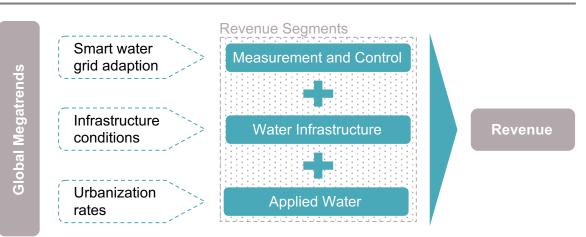
Even further growth and increasing margins do not justify the current share price



Revenue & Margin Development (\$ bn)



Revenue Forecast Approach



Key Highlights



Growth Rates

The business environment is characterized by a fierce competition, which does **not leave much room for growth** in developed markets

Restructuring

Through the businesses' **continued restructuring activities** and reduced headcount we expect **margins to increase** in the coming years

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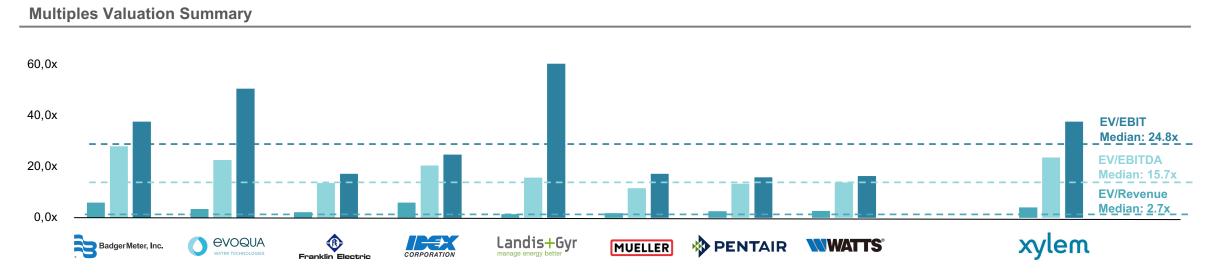
Financing Costs

Current market environment suggests **increasing financing costs**, leading to a **higher WACC**, an impact further enhanced by soon expiring notes

CCA - Comparable Company Analysis



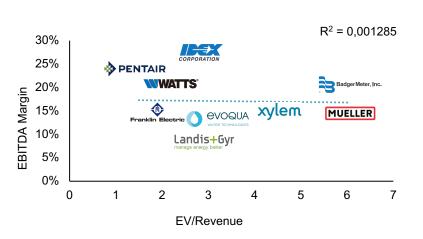
Trading multiples show that Xylem is overvalued relative to its peers



Comparable Companies: Overview

Company Name	HQ	Market cap	Enterprise Value	EV/Re	venue	EV/E	BITDA	EV/I	EBIT
		\$	\$	LTM	NTM	LTM	NTM	LTM	NTM
Xylem	US	20.9 bn	22.2 bn	4.1x	4.0x	23.6x	22.8x	37.7x	30.3x
Evoqua Water Technologies	US	5.1 bn	6.0 bn	3.4x	3.2x	22.6x	18.3x	50.5x	30.4x
IDEX	US	17.9 bn	18.4 bn	6.0x	5.6x	20.5x	20.3x	24.8x	22.7x
Mueller Water Products	US	1.9 bn	2.2 bn	1.8x	1.7x	11.6x	10.4x	17.2x	14.2x
Watts Water Technologies	US	5.2 bn	5.2 bn	2.7x	2.7x	13.9x	15.0x	16.4x	16.7x
Badger Meter	US	3.4 bn	3.3 bn	6.0x	5.7x	28.0x	27.9x	37.7x	33.7x
Franklin Electric	US	4.0 bn	4.3 bn	2.2x	2.1x	13.6x	13.9x	17.2x	15.8x
Landis+Gyr	СН	2.2 bn	2.4 bn	1.5x	1.5x	15.7x	15.7x	60.3x	29.4x
Pentair	US	8.3 bn	10.7 bn	2.6x	2.6x	13.3x	12.6x	15.9x	13.0x
Median				2.7x	2.7x	15.7x	15.7x	24.8x	30.3x





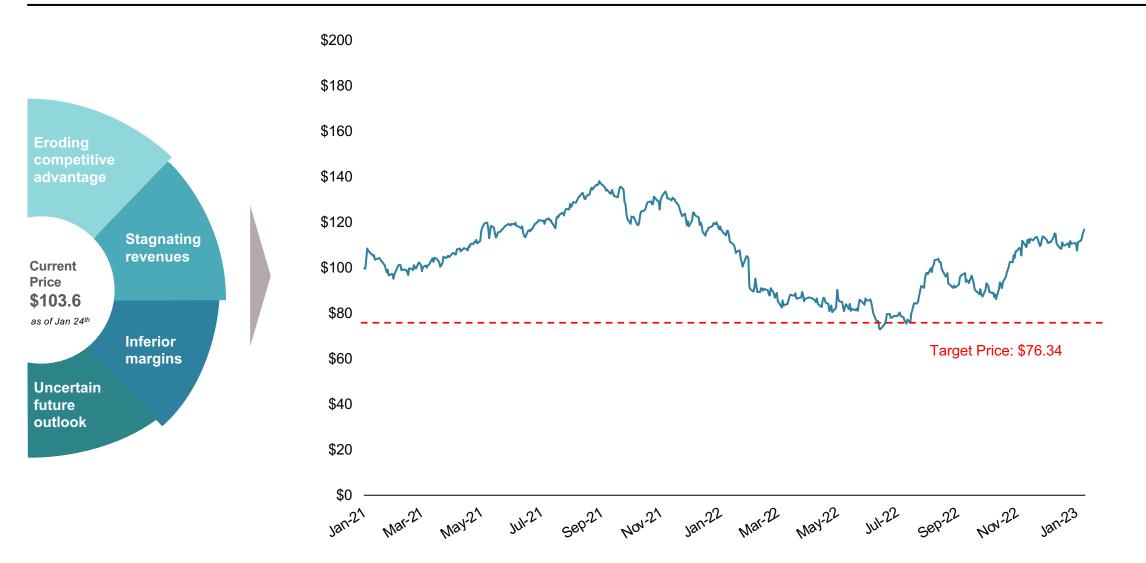
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Conclusion

Conclusion



Weak competitive positioning coupled with slowing core market revenues creates significant downside potential



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Appendix





(+) Low in water infrastructure and applied water segments due to high capital requirements and regulatory pressure(-) High in water solutions since industry is not well penetrated.

(+) Monopolistic power of water utility providers in certain regions/states

(+) Economies of scale benefit large firms

MEDIUM THREAT

Threat of substitution

(-) Water utilities providers offer homogeneous products to consumers.

(+) High switching costs due to long-term contracts and monopolistic power

(-) Tech solutions do not create USP

HIGH THREAT



Competitive Rivalry

(+) Limited number of market participants due to high capital and regulatory requirements.

(+) High exit barriers

(+) Strong global presence

(+) Diversified revenue segments

(-) Few market opportunities due to water utilities monopolistic power

MEDIUM DEGREE OF COMPETITION

Bargaining Power of Buyers

(+) Diversified pool of buyers (governments, firms, households)

(-) Water utilities business is significantly regulated by government in the form of billing rates and water purity requirements

(+) Buyers are aligned with water utilities by long-term contracts leading to high switching costs

MEDIUM POWER

Bargaining Power of Suppliers

(-) Rising prices of raw materials boost suppliers bargaining power

(+) More suppliers than buyers

(+) Low switching costs

(+) Many substitute products

(+) No threat of forward integration by suppliers

LOW POWER



			Impact			
High	Medium	Low		Low	Medium	High
Xylem is present in a h	igh-regulatory market which cre policymakers' decisions	eates dependence on	Ρ	Providing smart solutions	s in China increases risks in c tensions.	ase of rising US-China
	olicy in form of interest rate cha cing water infrastructure proj		Е	Chips shortage slad	ckens Measurement & Contro	Is segment growth.
Xylem offers essential serv	vice which helps to hedge agaiı factors.	ist the majority of social	S	Urbanization and I	population growth favours X	ylem's expansion.
	mart Water solutions urges hig maintain a competitive position.		Т	Cost benefits due to the ad	loption of water monitoring so in customer demand.	lutions lead to an increase
There are strict regulation	ons pertaining to drinking wate sanitation services.	r purity and access to	L	Consumer data protection	should be enhanced while in Grid solutions.	tegrating IoT and Smart
	industries are gradually moving ergy for operations and busine		E	Rising water stress calls for	r government intervention to s rates.	speed up water recycling



STRENGTHS

- Xylem has a large product portfolio with a wide range of applications. By focusing on the digital product portfolio, this diversity is further enhanced.
- The products are backed by a **strong distribution network**, which enables the agreed projects to be realised quickly and efficiently.
- The company is currently carrying out restructuring and realignment actions. These initiatives support the long-term financial resilience, simplify the operations, strengthen the competitive positioning and better serve Xylem's customers.

OPPORTUNITIES

- Key operational regions, such as the USA and Europe, are planning to renew many pipelines and water application systems to incorporate new technologies and digital solutions.
- Several countries are adopting new environmental policies to reduce C02 emissions and water consumption. Xylem Vue addresses this problem and helps to save costs, energy and water.
- Rising population in emerging markets leads to increasing demand for water infrastructure, applied water and measurement & control.

- Xylem has difficulties to compete successfully in the highly competitive markets, including the ability to develop and commercialize innovative and disruptive technologies.
- It is challenging for Xylem to retain the existing management, engineering, technology, sales, services and other key talents as well as to attract new qualified and diverse talents.
- Growth strategy includes the acquisition of new companies to increase know-how and capabilities. Xylem may be unable to successfully execute or integrate acquisitions due to financing difficulties and operational problems.
- Due to the lack of or delay in availability of products, parts and raw materials from the supply chain can lead to an inability to meet the customer needs in a timely and qualitative manner.
- Liability laws vary from state to state. Planned expansion into emerging markets can cause **legal difficulties**.
- There has been an increase in competition, especially in the area of digital applications, where the entry barriers are relatively low.
- Significant portion of products and offerings in Management & Control Solutions are subject to government regulations.

WEAKNESSES

THREATS

Applied Water



Trends and Drivers



Residential

Residential applied water segment is correlated with real estate industry mainly driven by rising population and urbanization trends.

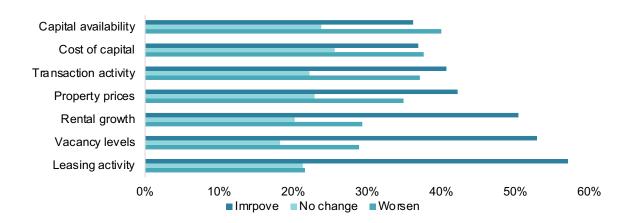
Industrial

Post COVID e-commerce recovery creates demand for logistic services and, hence, warehousing. In addition, smart solution drive growth for data centers..

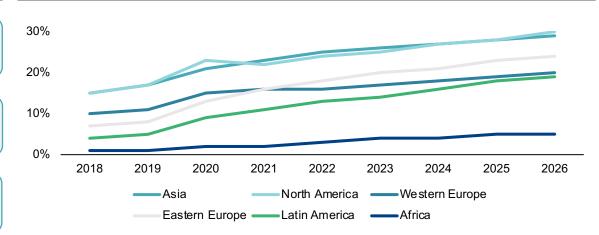
Commercial

Global unemployment during recent energy crisis returned to pre-pandemic levels, however, hybrid work conditions limit growth rates for offices.

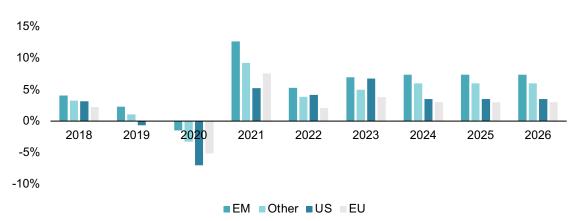
Experts outlook on the real estate market in the next 12 to 18 months



E-commerce as a percentage of retail sales by region



Production growth by region



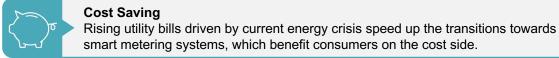


Trends and Drivers



Water Scarcity

Water leakage due to obsolete water infrastructure drives water solutions to monitor water flows, regulate the pressure, and detect breakdowns.

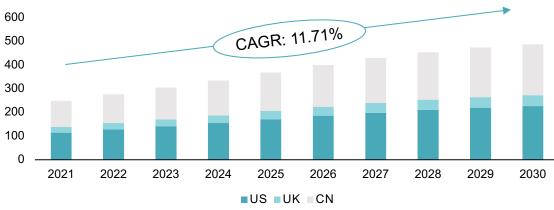


smart metering systems, which benefit consumers on the cost side.

Smart Water

Smart Water is a part of Smart Grid concept which introduces integration of emerging technologies driving automation, data sharing, and cost efficiency.

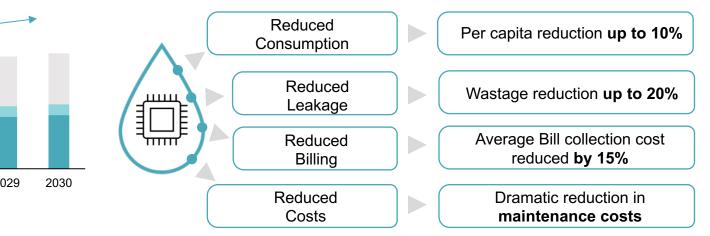
Smart metering installations in mn by selected countries



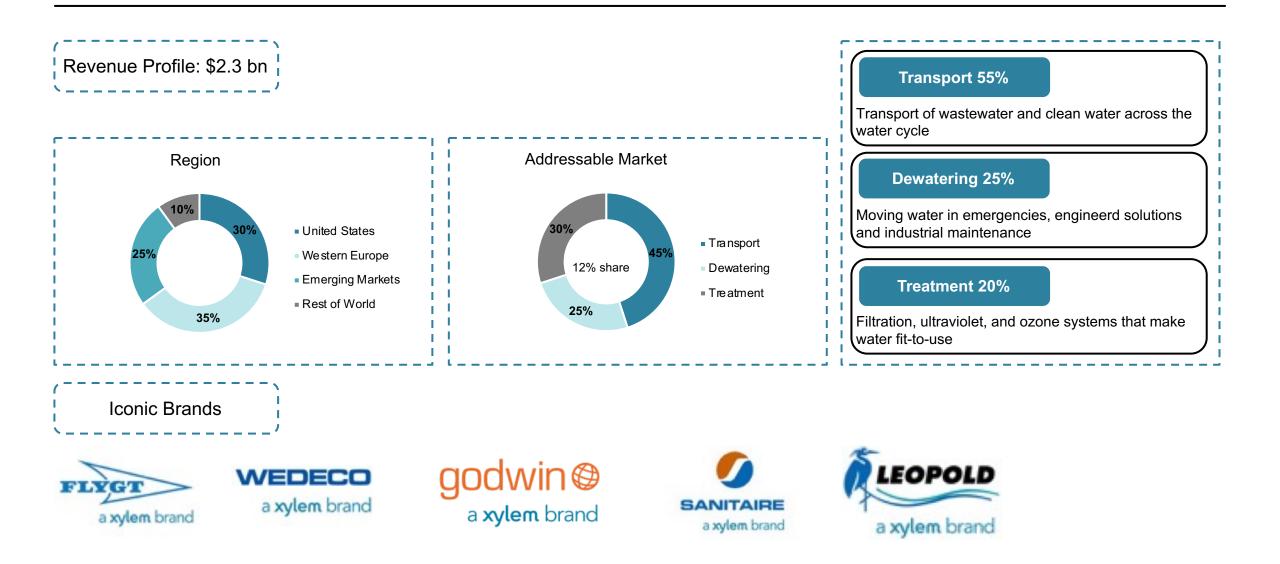
Challenges facing US water industry in 2022



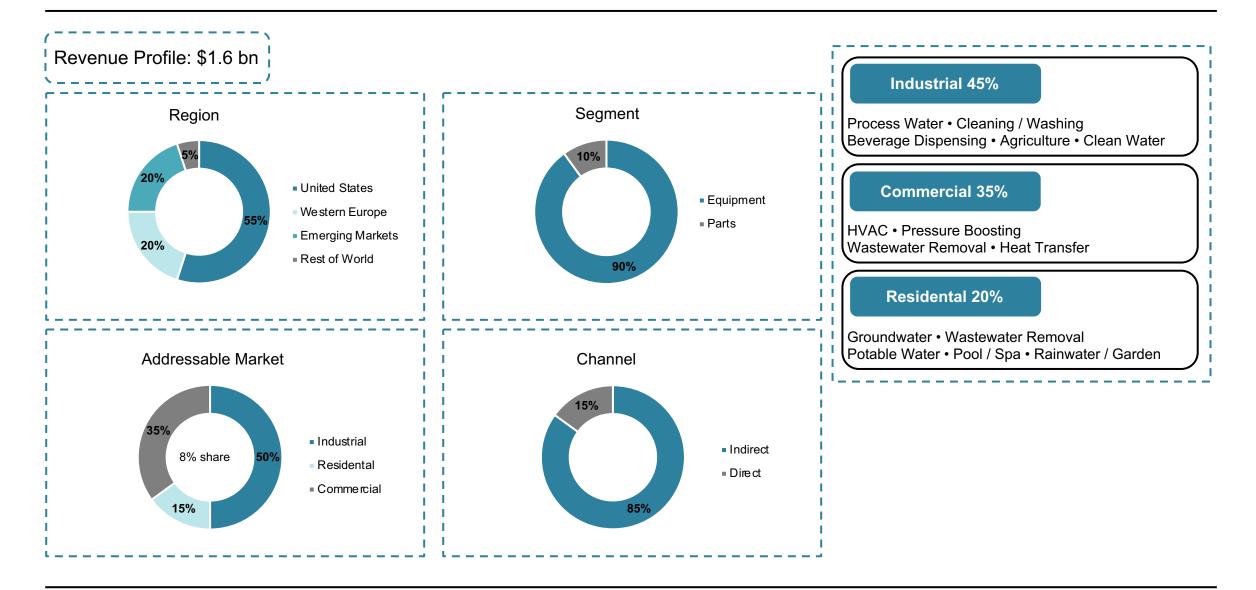
Benefits of IoT Smart Water solutions



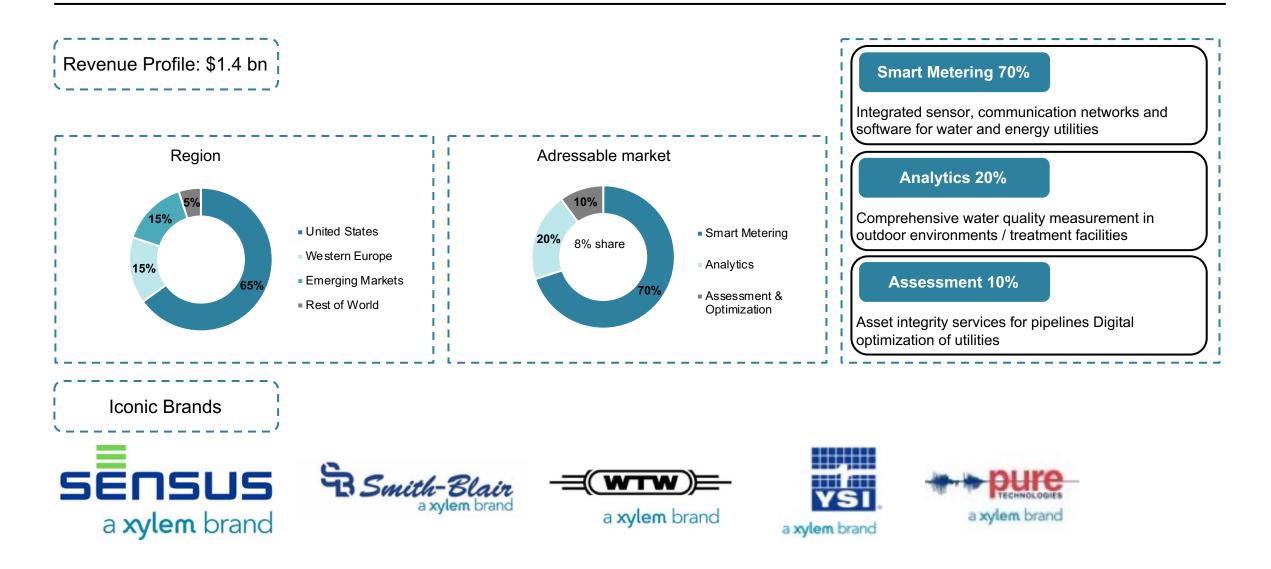






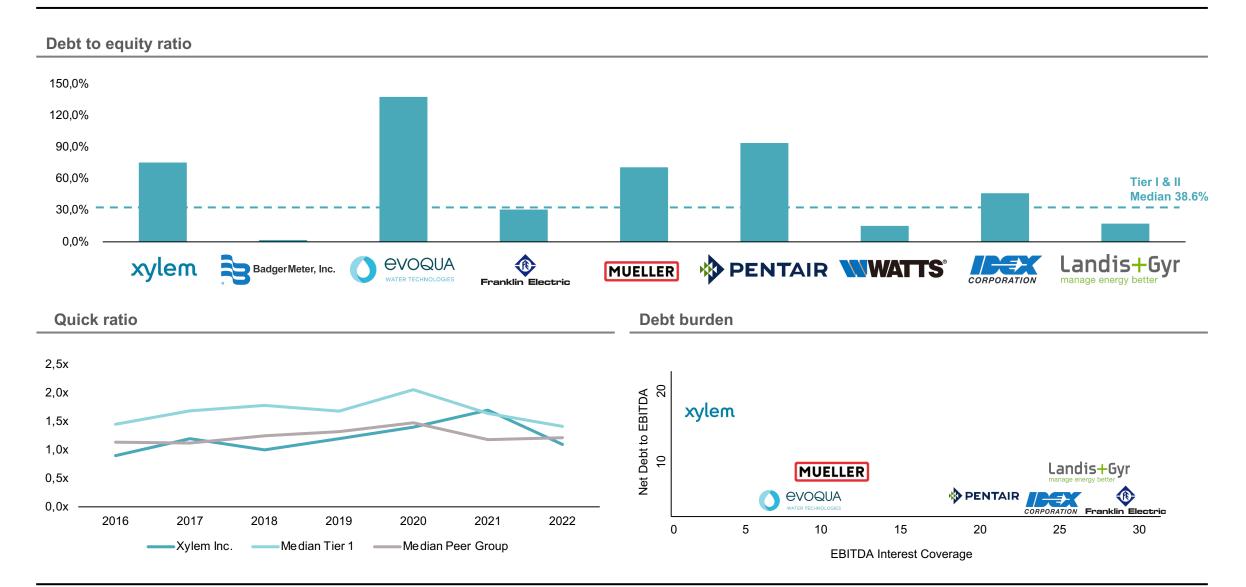






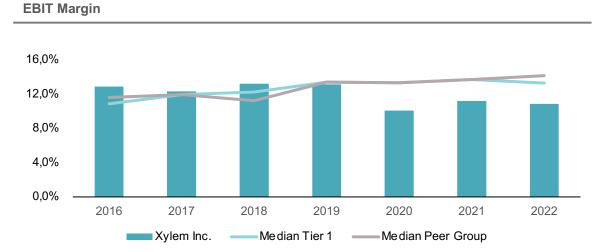
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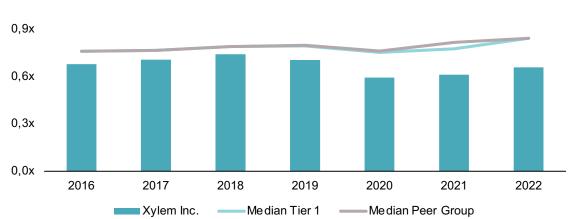


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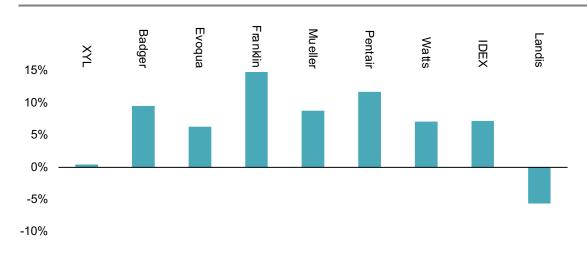


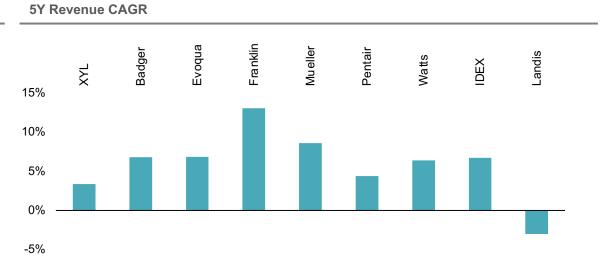


Asset Turnover



3Y Revenue CAGR

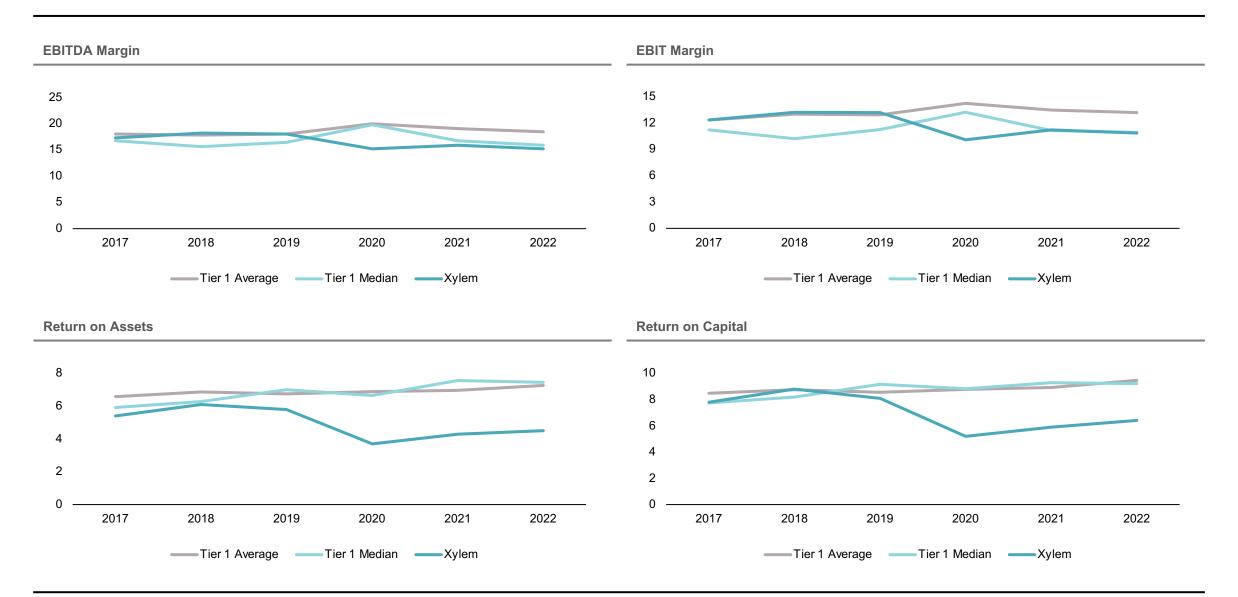




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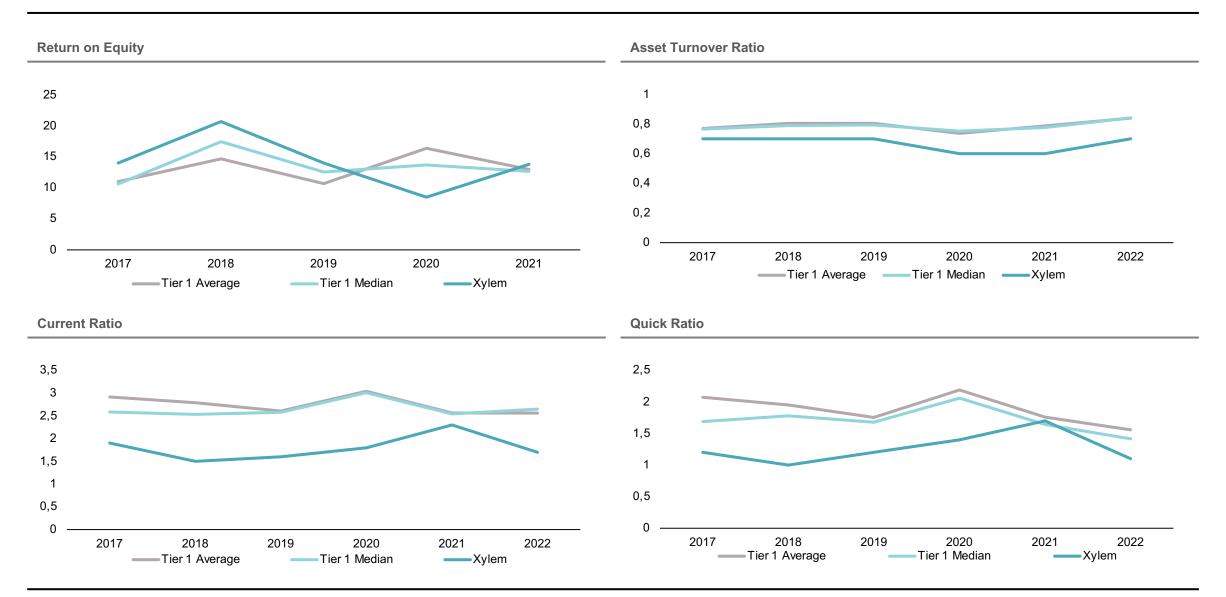
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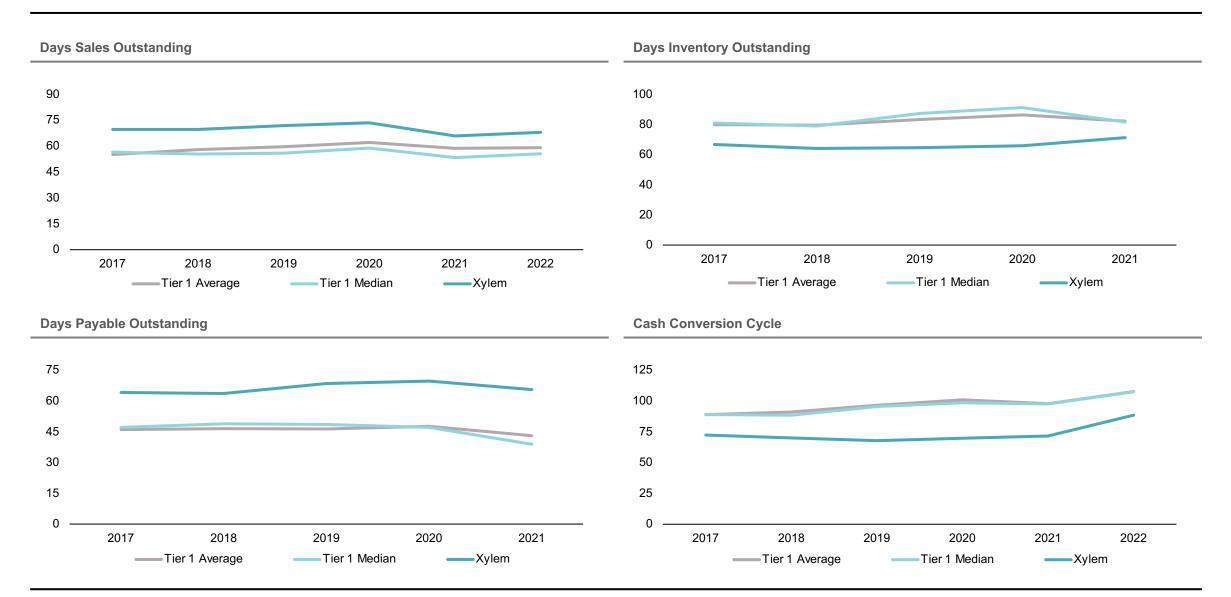
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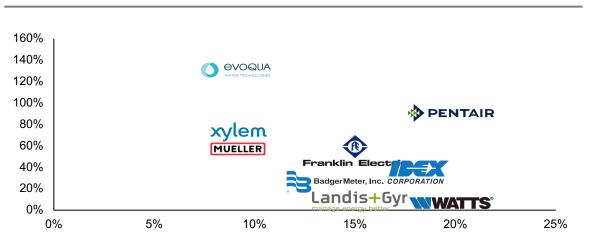
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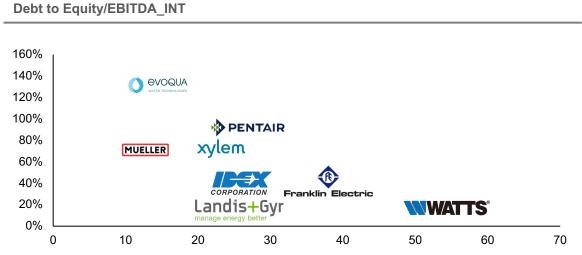




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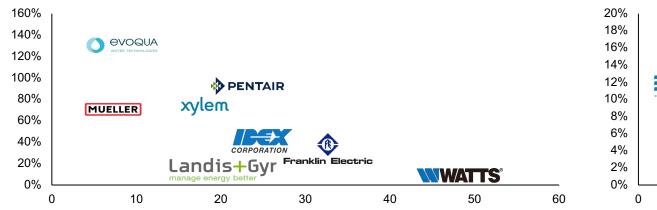


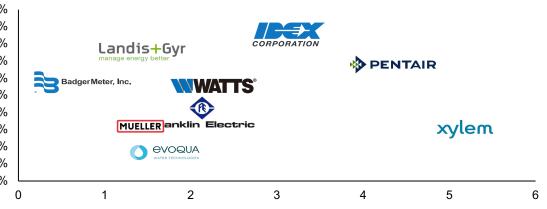




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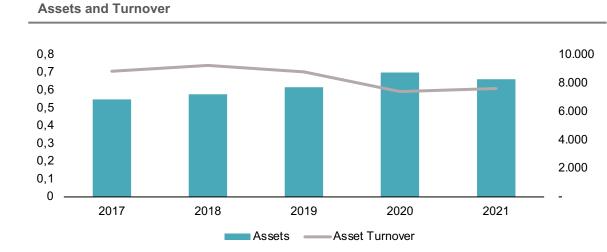
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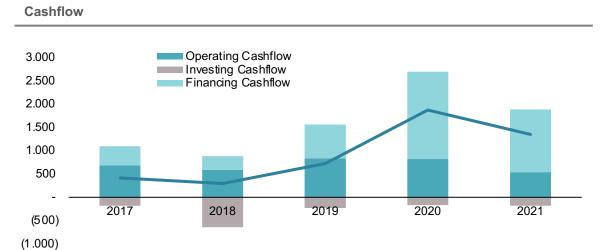




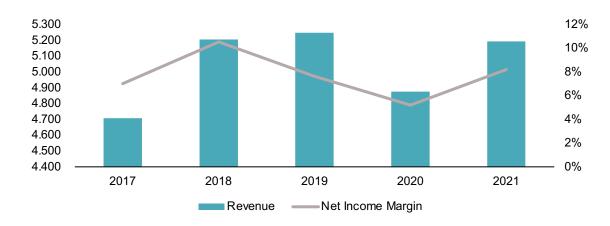
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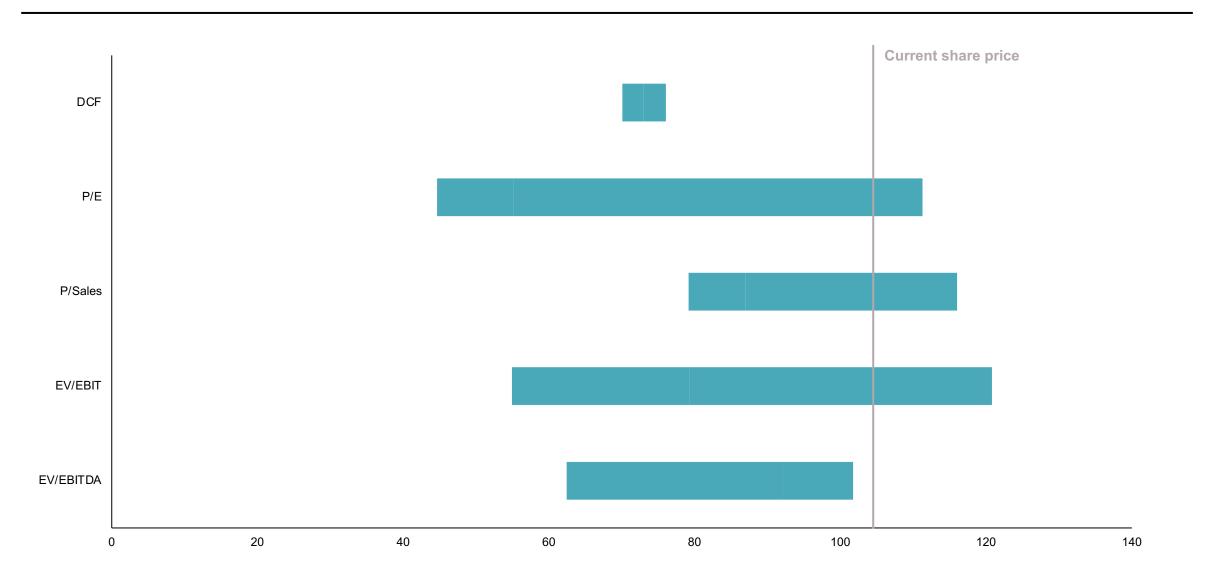
Revenue



Working Capital









Income Statement	2017A	2018A	2019A	2020A	2021A	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E	2026E	2027E	2028E	2029E	2030E
Total Revenue	4,707	5,207	5,249	4,876	5,195	5,425	5,523	5,867	6,241	6,647	7,088	7,569	8,094	8,667
Growt		10.6%	0.8%	4,070 -7.1%	6.5%	5,425 4.4%	5,525 1.8%	6.2%	6.4%	6.5%	6.6%	6.8%	6.9%	7.1%
COGS	(2,856)	(3,181)	(3,203)	(3,046)	(3,220)	(3,333)	(3 <i>,</i> 363)	(3,535)	(3,721)	(3,921)	(4,136)	(4,369)	(4,620)	(4,940)
% of Re	ienue 60.68%	61.09%	61.02%	62.47%	61.98%	61.10%	60.21%	59.32%	58.43%	57.55%	56.66%	55.77%	54.89%	54.00%
Gross profit	1,851	2,026	2,046	1,830	1,975	2,091	2,160	2,332	2,520	2,726	2,952	3,201	3,474	3,727
Gross Margin	39.3%	38.9%	39.0%	37.5%	38.0%	38.6%	39.1%	39.7%	40.4%	41.0%	41.6%	42.3%	42.9%	43.0%
SG&A expenses	(1,090)	(1,161)	(1,158)	(1,143)	(1,179)	(1,233)	(1,230)	(1,279)	(1,331)	(1,387)	(1,446)	(1,509)	(1,576)	(1,647)
% of Re		22.3%	22.1%	23.4%	22.7%	22.7%	22.3%	21.8%	21.3%	20.9%	20.4%	19.9%	19.5%	19.0%
R&D expenses	(180)	(189)	(191)	(187)	(204)	(205)	(208)	(221)	(235)	(251)	(267)	(285)	(305)	(327)
% of Re	venue 3.8%	3.6%	3.6%	3.8%	3.9%	3.8%	3.8%	3.8%	3.8%	3.8%	3.8%	3.8%	3.8%	3.8%
Restructuring and asset impairment charges	(25)	(22)	(63)	(75)	(7)	(25)								
% of Re	venue 0.5%	0.4%	1.2%	1.5%	0.1%	0.5%								
Goodwill impairment charge			(148)	(58)										
Operating profit	556	654	486	367	585	629	722	832	953	1,089	1,239	1,407	1,593	1,753
Opertaing Margin	11.81%	12.56%	9.26%	7.53%	11.26%	11.6%	13.1%	14.2%	15.3%	16.4%	17.5%	18.6%	19.7%	20.2%
Interest gain, (expense)	(82)	(82)	(67)	(77)	(76)	(70)	(95)	(92)	(100)	(134)	(123)	(133)	(126)	(118)
% of Operating		13%	14%	21%	13%	11%	13%	11%	11%	12%	10%	9%	8%	7%
Other non-operating gain/ (expense), net	(2)	13	4	5										
Gain on sale of businesses	- 10		(1)		(2)									
EBT	466	585	416	285	511	559	627	740	853	955	1,116	1,274	1,467	1,635
EBT Margin	9.90%	11.23%	7.93%	5.84%	9.84%	10.30%	11.34%	12.60%	13.67%	14.36%	15.75%	16.83%	18.12%	18.86%
	(626)	(20)	(45)	(24)	(0.4)	(117)	(122)		(170)	(200)	(22.4)	(200)	(200)	(2.42)
Income tax expense	(136) Rate 29%	(36) <i>6%</i>	(15) 4%	(31) <i>11%</i>	(84) 16%	(117) <i>21%</i>	(132) <i>21%</i>	(155) <i>21%</i>	(179) <i>21%</i>	(200) <i>21%</i>	(234) 21%	(268) 21%	(308) <i>21%</i>	(343)
Net income	330 XALE	549	4%	254	427	441	495	584	674	754	882	1,006	1,159	21% 1,292
Net Income Margin	7%		8%	234 5%	421 8%	<u>441</u> 8%	<u> </u>	10%	11%	11%	12%	13%	1,159	1,292
Net means integrit	170	11/0	0/0	570	0/0	0/0	3/0	10/0	11/0	11/0	1270	13/0	14/0	15%

Balance Sheet I



Assets

Balance Sheet		2017A	2018A	2019A	2020A	2021A	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E	2026E	2027E	2028E	2029E	2030E
A															
Assets															
Cash and cash equivalents		414	296	724	1,875	1,349	1,497	1,710	2,084	2,517	3,014	3,596	4,268	5,032	4,800
	% of Revenue	8.8%	5.7%	13.8%	38.5%	26.0%	27.6%	31.0%	35.5%	40.3%	45.3%	50.7%	56.4%	62.2%	55.4%
	% of TA	6.03%	4.10%	9.39%	21.43%	16.30%	17.59%	19.40%	22.29%	25.30%	28.40%	31.65%	34.98%	38.26%	36.59%
Receivables		956	1,031	1,036	923	953	1,054	1,066	1,121	1,187	1,256	1,329	1,405	1,496	1,590
	% of Revenue	20.3%	19.8%	19.7%	18.9%	18.3%	19.4%	19.3%	19.1%	19.0%	18.9%	18.8%	18.6%	18.5%	18.3%
	% of TA	13.94%	14.28%	13.44%	10.55%	11.52%	12.39%	12.09%	11.99%	11.93%	11.83%	11.70%	11.52%	11.37%	12.12%
Inventories		524	595	539	558	700	602	607	637	672	708	747	787	834	892
	% of COGS	18.3%	18.7%	16.8%	18.3%	21.7%	18.1%	18.1%	18.0%	18.1%	18.1%	18.1%	18.0%	18.1%	18.1%
	% of TA	7.64%	8.24%	6.99%	6.38%	8.46%	7.08%	6.89%	6.81%	6.75%	6.67%	6.57%	6.45%	6.35%	6.80%
	-														
Prepaid and other current assets		177	172	151	167	158	178	180	189	199	209	221	233	247	264
	% of Revenue	3.8%	3.3%	2.9%	3.4%	3.0%	3.3%	3.3%	3.2%	3.2%	3.2%	3.1%	3.1%	3.0%	3.0%
	% of TA	2.58%	2.38%	1.96%	1.91%	1.91%	2.09%	2.04%	2.02%	2.00%	1.97%	1.94%	1.91%	1.88%	2.01%
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Total current assets	% of TA	2,071 <i>30.19%</i>	2,094 28.99%	2,450 31.78%	3,523 40.26%	3,160 38.18%	3,331 <i>39.15%</i>	3,563 40.42%	4,030 43.12%	4,575 45.98%	5,187 48.88%	5,894 51.87%	6,693 54.86%	7,609 57.86%	7,546 57.53%
	78 UJ TA	30.19%	20.99%	51.76%	40.20%	58.18%	39.15%	40.4270	45.1270	45.50%	40.00/0	51.67%	54.80%	57.60%	57.55%
Property, plant and equipment, net		643	656	658	657	644	726	819	901	973	1,038	1,096	1,149	1,198	1,243
	% of TA	9.37%	9.08%	8.53%	7.51%	7.78%	8.53%	9.29%	9.64%	9.78%	9.78%	9.64%	9.42%	9.11%	9.48%
	% Growth		2.0%	0.3%	-0.2%	-2.0%	12.7%	12.8%	10.0%	8.0%	6.6%	5.6%	4.8%	4.2%	3.8%
Goodwill		2,768	2,976	2,839	2,854	2,792	2,792	2,792	2,792	2,792	2,792	2,792	2,792	2,792	2,792
	% of TA	40.35%	41.21%	36.82%	32.62%	33.74%	32.82%	31.67%	29.87%	28.06%	26.31%	24.57%	22.88%	21.23%	21.28%
Other intangible assets, net		1,168	1,232	1,174	1,093	1,016	995	977	960	945	931	917	903	889	873
Other intangible assets, net	% of TA	17.03%	1,232	15.23%	12.49%	12.28%	11.70%	11.08%	10.27%	943 9.50%	8.78%	8.07%	7.40%	6.76%	6.65%
	70 UJ TA	17.03%	17.00%	13.2370	12.4970	12.28%	11.70%	11.08%	10.2770	9.50%	0.7070	8.0770	7.4078	0.7078	0.0578
Other non-current assets		210	264	589	623	664	664	664	664	664	664	664	664	664	664
	% of TA	3.06%	3.66%	7.64%	7.12%	8.02%	7.80%	7.53%	7.10%	6.67%	6.26%	5.84%	5.44%	5.05%	5.06%
Total assets		6,860	7,222	7,710	8,750	8,276	8,508	8,815	9,348	9,949	10,612	11,363	12,202	13,152	13,118

Balance Sheet II



Liabilities and Stockholders Equity

Balance Sheet		2017A	2018A	2019A	2020A	2021A	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E	2026E	2027E	2028E	2029E	2030
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY															
Current liabilities:															
Accounts payable		549	586	597	569	639	632	638	669	706	744	785	827	877	93
	% of COGS	19%	18%	19%	19%	20%	19%	19%	19%	19%	19%	19%	19%	19%	199
	% of TA	8.00%	8.11%	7.74%	6.50%	7.72%	7.43%	7.24%	7.16%	7.09%	7.01%	6.91%	6.77%	6.66%	7.149
Accrued and other current liabilities		551	546	567	724	683	597	607	645	686	731	780	832	890	95
	% of TA	8.03%	7.56%	7.35%	8.27%	8.25%	7.01%	6.89%	6.90%	6.90%	6.89%	6.86%	6.82%	6.77%	7.279
Short-term lease liabilities				61	63	69	64	65	68	72	76	80	84	89	7
	% of TA	0.00%	0.00%	0.79%	0.72%	0.83%	0.75%	0.73%	0.73%	0.72%	0.71%	0.70%	0.69%	0.68%	0.549
Short-term borrowings and current maturities of long-term debt		-	257	276	600	-	483	-	-	500	-	500	-	-	
	% of TA	0.00%	3.56%	3.58%	6.86%	0.00%	5.68%	0.00%	0.00%	5.03%	0.00%	4.40%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Total current liabilities		1,100	1,389	1,501	1,956	1,391	1,776	1,310	1,382	1,964	1,550	2,144	1,744	1,856	1,96
	% of TA	16.03%	19.23%	19.47%	22.35%	16.81%	20.87%	14.86%	14.79%	19.74%	14.61%	18.87%	14.29%	14.11%	14.95%
Long-term debt, net		2,200	2,051	2,040	2,484	2,440	2,081	2,586	2,723	2,369	3,028	2,698	3,383	3,583	2,81
	% of TA	32.07%	28.40%	26.46%	28.39%	29.48%	24.46%	29.34%	29.13%	23.81%	28.53%	23.75%	27.73%	27.24%	21.479
Long-term lease liabilities				185	216	243	213	215	226	238	251	265	281	297	23
	% of TA	0.00%	0.00%	2.40%	2.47%	2.94%	2.50%	2.44%	2.42%	2.39%	2.37%	2.34%	2.30%	2.26%	1.789
Accrued post-retirement benefits		442	400	445	519	438	438	438	438	438	438	438	438	438	43
	% of TA	6.44%	5.54%	5.77%	5.93%	5.29%	5.15%	4.97%	4.69%	4.40%	4.13%	3.85%	3.59%	3.33%	3.349
Deferred income tax liabilities		252	303	310	242	287	287	287	287	287	287	287	287	287	28
	% of TA	3.67%	4.20%	4.02%	2.77%	3.47%	3.37%	3.26%	3.07%	2.88%	2.70%	2.53%	2.35%	2.18%	2.19
Other non-current accrued liabilities		347	297	262	357	251	251	251	251	251	251	251	251	251	25
	% of TA	5.06%	4.11%	3.40%	4.08%	3.03%	2.95%	2.85%	2.69%	2.52%	2.37%	2.21%	2.06%	1.91%	1.919
Total liabilities		4,341	4,440	4,743	5,774	5,050	5,046	5,087	5,307	5,547	5,805	6,084	6,384	6,713	5,98
	% Growth		2.3%	6.8%	21.7%	-12.5%	-0.1%	0.8%	4.3%	4.5%	4.6%	4.8%	4.9%	5.2%	-10.89
Stockholders' equity:															
Authorized 750.0 shares, issued 195.6 and 194.9 shares in 2021 and 2020, respectively		2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	
	% of TA	0.03%	0.03%	0.03%	0.02%	0.02%	0.02%	0.02%	0.02%	0.02%	0.02%	0.02%	0.02%	0.02%	0.029
Capital in excess of par value		1,912	1,950	1,991	2,037	2,089	2,089	2,089	2,089	2,089	2,089	2,089	2,089	2,089	2,08
	% of TA	27.87%	27.00%	25.82%	23.28%	25.24%	24.55%	23.70%	22.35%	21.00%	19.69%	18.38%	17.12%	15.88%	15.929
Retained earnings		1,227	1,639	1,866	1,930	2,154	2,391	2,656	2,969	3,330	3,734	4,207	4,746	5,367	6,06
	% of TA	17.89%	22.69%	24.20%	22.06%	26.03%	28.10%	30.13%	31.76%	33.47%	35.19%	37.02%	38.90%	40.81%	46.199
Treasury stock – at cost 15.2 shares and 14.5 shares in 2021 and 2020, respectively		- 428	- 487	- 487	- 588	- 656	- 656	- 656	- 656	- 656	- 656	- 656	- 656	- 656	- 65
	% of TA	-6.24%	-6.74%	-6.32%	-6.72%	-7.93%	-7.71%	-7.44%	-7.02%	-6.59%	-6.18%	-5.77%	-5.38%	-4.99%	-5.00%
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		- 210	- 336	- 375	- 413	- 371	- 371	- 371	- 371	- 371	- 371	- 371	- 371	- 371	- 37
		-3.06%	-4.65%	-4.86%	-4.72%	-4.48%	-4.36%	-4.21%	-3.97%	-3.73%	-3.50%	-3.27%	-3.04%	-2.82%	-2.83
Total stockholders' equity		2,503	2,768	2,997	2,968	3,218	3,455	3,720	4,033	4,394	4,798	5,271	5,810	6,431	7,12
Non-controlling interest		16	14	10	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	
	% of TA	0.23%	0.19%	0.13%	0.09%	0.10%	0.09%	0.09%	0.09%	0.08%	0.08%	0.07%	0.07%	0.06%	0.06
Total equity		2,519	2,782	3,007	2,976	3,226	3,463	3,728	4,041	4,402	4,806	5,279	5,818	6,439	7,13
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity		6,860	7,222	7,750	8,750	8,276	8,508	8,815	9,348	9,950	10,612	11,363	12,202	13,152	13,11



Cashflow Statement	201	7A 201	18A	2019A	2020A	2021A	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E	2026E	2027E	2028E	2029E	2030E
Operating Activities															
Net income	33	0 5	649	401	254	427	441	495	584	674	754	882	1,006	1,159	1,292
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:													,	,	,
Depreciation	10	91	.17	117	117	118	115	130	147	162	175	186	197	206	215
Amortization	12	5 1	.44	140	134	127	124	117	115	113	111	110	108	106	105
D&A Total	23	4 2	261	257	251	245	239	247	262	275	286	296	305	313	320
Deferred income taxes	- 3	3 -	47 -	77 -	31	10									
Share-based compensation	2	1	30	29	26	33									
Restructuring and asset impairment charges	2	5	22	63	75	7									
Goodwill impairment charge				148	58										
Gain from sale of businesses	1	0	-	1	-	2									
Other, net	1	9	9	9	46	8									
Payments for restructuring	- 2	8 -	21 -	30 -	36 -	25									
Contributions to post-retirement benefit plans	- 3	3 -	41 -	19 -	27 -	29									
Changes in assets and liabilities (net of acquisitions):															
Changes in receivables	- 7	9-1	.03 -	23	109 -	70 -	101 -	11 -	55 -	66 -	68 -	74 -	76 -	90 -	94
Changes in inventories	2	7 -	97	47 -	5 -	167	98 -	5 -	29 -	35 -	36 -	39 -	40 -	48 -	58
Changes in accounts payable	5	0	51	29 -	39	81 -	7	6	31	37	38	41	42	50	61
Changes in accrued liabilities	2	8 -	6	15	101	7 -	86	11	38	41	45	49	53	58	63
Changes in accrued taxes	10	4	-	13	20 -	9									
Net changes in other assets and liabilities	1	1 -	21	4	22	22 -	20 -	2 -	9 -	10 -	11 -	12 -	12 -	13 -	17
Net Cash — Operating activities	68	6 5	86	839	824	538	564	740	821	916	1,008	1,143	1,277	1,427	1,566
Investing Activities															
Capital expenditures	- 170	- 23	37 -	226 -	183 -	208 -	197 -	223 -	229 -	234 -	239 -	244 -	250 -	255 -	260
Purchase of intangible assets						-	103 -	99 -	99 -	98 -	97 -	96 -	94 -	92 -	89
Acquisitions of businesses and assets, net of cash acquired	- 33		13 -	18											
Proceeds from sale of businesses	16	2	22			10									
Cash received from investments	10		.1	11	200	3									
Cash paid for investments	- 11	1	.1 -	7 -	200										
Cash received from cross-currency swaps	1			9	12	14									
Other, net	e		5		2 -	2									
Net Cash — Investing activities	- 181	- 64	3 -	231 -	169 -	183 -	300 -	322 -	327 -	332 -	336 -	340 -	344 -	347 -	349



Cashflow Statement	2017A	2018A	2019A	2020A	2021A	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E	2026E	2027E	2028E	2029E	2030E
Financing Activities														
Short-term debt issued, net		335	281	359										
Short-term debt repaid, net	- 282 -	52 -	254 -	640										
Long-term debt issued, net		1		985		89	508	151	163	675	189	705	221 -	850
Long-term debt repaid, net	-	120		-	600		-483	0	0	-500	0	-500	0	0
Repurchase of common stock	- 25 -	59 -	40 -	61 -	68									
Proceeds from exercise of employee stock options	16	7	13	20	19									
Dividends paid	- 130 -	152 -	174 -	188 -	203 -	205 -	230 -	271 -	313 -	350 -	409 -	467 -	538 -	599
Other, net		-	3 -	2 -	3									
Net Cash — Financing activities	- 421 -	40 -	177	473 -	855 -	116 -	205 -	120 -	150 -	175 -	220 -	262 -	316 -	1,449

Effect of exchange rate changes on cash	22 -	21 -	3	23 -	26									
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	308	414	296	724	1,875	1,349	1,497	1,710	2,084	2,517	3,014	3,596	4,268	5,032
Net change in cash and cash equivalents	106 -	118	428	1,151 -	526	148	213	374	433	497	583	671	765 -	232
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	414	296	724	1,875	1,349	1,497	1,710	2,084	2,517	3,014	3,596	4,268	5,032	4,800



	Supporting Schedules	2017A	2018A	2019A	2020A	2021A	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E	2026E	2027E	2028E	2029E	2030E
	PPE Schedule														
Opening			643	656	658	657	644	726	819	901	973	1,038	1,096	1,149	1,198
Capital Expenditures		170	237	226	183	208	197	223	229	234	239	244	250	255	260
	% of Re	eneus 4%	5%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	3%	3%	3%	3%
Depreciation		109	117	117	117	118	115	130	147	162	175	186	197	206	215
	%	of PPE 17%	18%	18%	18%	18%	16%	18%	18%	18%	18%	18%	18%	18%	18%
Closing		643	656	658	657	644	726	819	901	973	1,038	1,096	1,149	1,198	1,243
	Working Capital														
Inventories		524	595	539	558	700	602	607	637	672	708	747	787	834	892
	% of Re		11%	10%	11%	13%	11%	11%	11%	11%	11%	11%	10%	10%	10%
Recceivables		956	1,031	1,036	923	953	1,054	1,066	1,121	1,187	1,256	1,329	1,405	1,496	1,590
	% 0	COGS 33%	32%	32%	30%	30%	32%	32%	32%	32%	32%	32%	32%	32%	32%
Payables		549	586	597	569	639	632	638	669	706	744	785	827	877	937
	% 0	COGS 19%	18%	19%	19%	20%	19%	19%	19%	19%	19%	19%	19%	19%	19%
Net Working Capital		931	1,040	978	912	1,014	1,024	1,035	1,089	1,154	1,220	1,292	1,366	1,454	1,545
ΔNWC			109	(62)	(66)	102	10	11	54	64	66	72	74	88	91
	Dividends														
Dividends paid		-130.00	-152.00	-174.00	-188.00	-203.00	-204.82	-229.69	-271.11	-312.75	-349.96	-409.22	-467.01	-537.72	-599.39
Payout ratio		39%	28%	43%	74%	48%	46%	46%	46%	46%	46%	46%	46%	46%	46%
	Debt Schedule														
Total Debt		2,200	2,308	2,562	3,363	2,752	2,841	2,866	3,017	3,179	3,355	3,544	3,749	3,970	3,120
% of revenue		47%	44%	49%	69%	53%	52%	52%	51%	51%	50%	50%	50%	49%	36%

% of TA	32%	32%	33%	38%	33%	34%	33%	33%	32%	32%	31%	31%	30%	30%
Total Debt / EBITDA														
ST Debt % of Total Debt	0.00%	11.14%	10.77%	17.84%	0.00%	17.00%	0.00%	0.00%	15.73%	0.00%	14.11%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
LT Debt % of Total Debt	100%	89%	80%	74%	89%	73%	90%	90%	75%	90%	76%	90%	90%	90%
ST Leases % of Total Debt	0%	0%	2%	2%	3%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%
LT Leases % of Total Debt	0%	0%	7%	6%	9%	7%	7%	7%	7%	7%	7%	7%	7%	7%

Intangible Assets Schedule														
Intangibles BOP		1,168	1,232	1,174	1,093	1,016	995	977	960	945	931	917	903	889
Purchases		208	82	53	50	103	99	99	98	97	96	94	92	89
	% of Revenue	4%	2%	1%	1%	2%	2%	2%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Amortization		144	140	134	127	124	117	115	113	111	110	108	106	105
	% of Intangibles	12%	11%	11%	12%	12%	12%	12%	12%	12%	12%	12%	12%	12%
Intangibles EOP		1,232	1,174	1,093	1,016	995	977	960	945	931	917	903	889	873



Discounted Cash Flow	FY23 Forecast	FY24 Forecast	FY25 Forecast	FY26 Forecast	FY27 Forecast	FY28 Forecast	FY29 Forecast	FY30 Forecast
Revenues	5,724	6,071	6,448	6,857	7,302	7,786	8,314	8,892
Cost of revenues Gross Profit	3,363 2,361	3,535 2,536	3,721 2,727	3,921 2,936	4,136 3,166	4,369 3,417	4,620 3,694	4,940 3,951
Oprating Expenses EBIT	1,438 924	1,500	1,567	1,637 1,299	1,713	1,794	1,881	1,974
Taxes Tax Rate	924 194 21%	1,036 218 <i>21%</i>	1,161 244 <i>21%</i>	273 21%	1,452 305 <i>21%</i>	1,623 341 <i>21%</i>	1,813 381 <i>21%</i>	1,978 415 <i>21%</i>
ΝΟΡΑΤ	730	818	917	1,026	1,147	1,282	1,433	1,563
+D&A	247	262	275	286	296	305	313	320
- Capex	327	328	333	337	342	346	349	352
#+/- Changes in NWC Unlevered FCF	11 639	54 699	64 795	66 908	72 1,030	74 1,167	88 1,308	91 1,439
Present Values of Unlevered FCF	593	601	634	672	706	742	771	787



Terminal Value	
Terminal Value	16,695
PV of FCF	5,505
PV of Terminal Value	9,125

Valuation

Downside Potential

Total Enterprise Value	14,629
Interest bearing liabilities	2,841
Cash	1,497
Net Debt	1,344
Equity Value	13,285
Shares Outstanding (mil.)	180
Share price	73.72
Current Share Price	103.41

Cost of Equity	
Beta	1.11
10Y US Treasury Bond as of 05.01.2023	3.00%
Cost of Equity	8.44%

Cost of Debt	
CDS-Spread for BBB Rating 10Y	2.00%
10Y US Treasury Bond	3.00%
Cost of debt pretax	5.00%
Debt Ratio	13%
Equity Ratio	87%
Tax Rate	21%

-28.71%



															LTM Total	LTM Minor	ity Cash &
Data	Tier	Ticker	Name	Share Price	Mark	et Cap I	Enterprise Value Revenu	e EPS	EBITI	DA EBIT	Pric	e/Sales P/E	P/EBI1	r lti	M Net Debt Pref. Equity	Interest	Equivalents
		NYSE:XYL	Xylem Inc.		103.41	20,905.70	22,152.70	5,339.00	1.76	814.00	579.00	3.92	58.76	36.11	1,240.00	-	7.00 1,186.00
		NYSE:BMI	Badger Meter, Inc.		116.42	3,407.50	3,299.90	554.00	2.26	114.60	87.60	6.15	51.51	38.90	(107.60)	-	
		NYSE:AQUA	Evoqua Water Technologies Corp.		41.82	5,097.60	5,923.20	1,737.10	0.58	244.90	117.40	2.93	72.10	43.42	825.60	-	
		NasdaqGS:FELE	Franklin Electric Co., Inc.		86.32	3,998.20	4,278.20	1,986.80	3.98	297.00	248.10	2.01	21.69	16.12	277.00	:	3.00
		NYSE:IEX	IDEX Corporation		236.70	17,852.20	18,425.10	3,086.00	7.55	859.60	743.80	5.78	31.35	24.00	573.10	(0	.20)
		SWX:LAND	Landis+Gyr Group AG		77.48	2,234.40	2,428.10	1,491.80	7.95	134.60	52.60	1.50	9.75	42.48	173.30	1	8.43
		NYSE:MWA	Mueller Water Products, Inc.		12.18	1,902.50	2,229.70	1,247.40	0.48	187.10	129.50	1.53	25.38	14.69	327.20	-	
		NYSE:PNR	Pentair plc		50.53	8,312.10	10,670.30	4,105.70	3.22	762.10	671.00	5.57	15.69	12.39	2,358.20	-	
		NYSE:WTS	Watts Water Technologies, Inc.		156.65	5,215.40	5,175.30	1,951.50	6.61	357.60	315.90	2.67	23.70	16.51	(40.10)	-	
			Minimum		12.18	1,902.50	2,229.70	554.00	0.48	114.60	52.60	1.50	9.75	12.39	(107.60)	(0	.20)
			25%-Percentille		50.53	3,407.50	3,299.90	1,491.80	1.76	187.10	117.40	2.01	21.69	16.12	173.30	:	2.20
			Median		86.32	5,097.60	5,175.30	1,737.10	3.22	297.00	248.10	2.93	25.38	24.00	327.20	:	5.00
			Mean		97.95	7,658.40	8,286.94	2,098.38	3.82	419.06	327.21	3.56	34.44	27.18	625.19	4	4.56
			75%-Percentille		116.42	8,312.10	10,670.30	1,986.80	6.61	762.10	579.00	5.57	51.51	38.90	825.60	-	7.36
			Maximum		236.70	20,905.70	22,152.70	5,339.00	7.95	859.60	743.80	6.15	72.10	43.42	2,358.20	:	8.43
Multiple	Tier	Ticker	Name					EV/Reve	enue EV/E	BITDA EV/E	ыт						
		NYSE:XYL	Xylem Inc.						4.10x	23.60x	37.70x						
		NYSE:BMI	Badger Meter, Inc.						6.00x	28.00x	37.70x						
		NYSE:AQUA	Evoqua Water Technologies Corp.						3.40x	22.60x	50.50x						

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NYSE:IEX	IDEX Corporation	6.00x	20.50x	24.80x
SWX:LAND	Landis+Gyr Group AG	1.50x	15.70x	60.30x
NYSE:MWA	Mueller Water Products, Inc.	1.80x	11.60x	17.20x
NYSE:PNR	Pentair plc	2.60x	13.30x	15.90x
NYSE:WTS	Watts Water Technologies, Inc.	2.70x	13.90x	16.40x
	Minimum	1.50x	11.60x	15.90x
	25%-Percentille	2.20x	13.60x	17.20x
	Median	2.70x	15.70x	24.80x
	Mean	3.37x	18.09x	30.86x
	75%-Percentille	4.10x	22.60x	37.70x
	Maximum	6.00x	28.00x	60.30x

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EV calculated with	EV/EBIT	Equity Value	Shares Out.	Implied S	hareprice
25%-Percentille	17.	20 989	17.80	180.20 \$	54.93
Median	24.	80 1429	8.20	180.20 ş	79.35
Mean	30.	86 1780	94.37	180.20 \$	98.80
75%-Percentille	37.	70 2176	57.30	180.20 \$	120.80

EV calculated with	EV/EBITDA	Equity Value	Shares Out.	Imp	lied Shareprice
25%-Percentille	13.0	60 :	11009.40	180.20 \$	61.10
Median	15.	70 :	12718.80	180.20 \$	70.58
Mean	18.0	09 :	14663.36	180.20 \$	81.37
75%-Percentille	22.0	60 2	18335.40	180.20 \$	101.75

Share Price Calculated with	Price/Sales	Shares Out	Implied Shareprice	
25%-Percentille	10744.	11	180.20\$	59.62
Median	15667.	54	180.20 \$	86.95
Mean	19021.	99	180.20 \$	105.56
75%-Percentille	29748.	16	180.20 \$	165.08



Executive Summary	
USD	
Current Share Price	103.4
Implied Share Price	76.34
Downside Potential	-26.2%
Recommendation	SELL

Method	Weights	Share Price	Downside Potential
DCF	50%	73.72	-28.7%
CCA	50%	78.96	-23.6%

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