

# Herc Rentals Acquisition of H&E Equipment Services

Scaling Herc's Premier Platform  
and Accelerating Strategy for  
Industry Leading Growth and  
Superior Value Creation

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# Forward-Looking Statements

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There are a number of risks, uncertainties and other important factors that could cause our actual results to differ materially from those suggested by our forward-looking statements, including, but not limited to, (i) the possibility that the sufficient number of H&E’s shares are not validly tendered into the tender offer to meet the minimum condition; (ii) the Company’s ability to implement its plans, forecasts and other expectations with respect to H&E’s business after the completion of the proposed transaction and realized expected synergies; (iii) the ability to realize the anticipated benefits of the proposed transaction, including the possibility that the expected benefits from the proposed transaction will not be realized or will not be realized within the expected time period; (iv) the Company and H&E may be unable to obtain regulatory approvals required for the proposed transaction or may be required to accept conditions that could reduce the anticipated benefits of the proposed transaction as a condition to obtaining regulatory approvals; (v) the length of time necessary to consummate the proposed transaction may be longer than anticipated; (vi) problems may arise in successfully integrating the businesses of the Company and H&E, including, without limitation, problems associated with the potential loss of any key employees, customers, suppliers and other counterparties of H&E; (vii) the proposed transaction may involve unexpected costs, including, without limitation, the exposure to any unrecorded liabilities or unidentified issues during the due diligence investigation of H&E or that are not covered by insurance, as well as potential unfavorable accounting treatment and unexpected increases in taxes; (viii) the Company’s business may suffer as a result of uncertainty surrounding the proposed transaction, any adverse effects on our ability to maintain relationships with customers, employees and suppliers; (ix) the occurrence of any event, change to other circumstances that could give rise to the termination of the merger agreement, the failure of the closing conditions included in the merger agreement to be satisfied, or any other failure to consummate the proposed transaction; (x) any negative effects of the announcement of the proposed transaction of the financing thereof on the market price of the Company common stock or other securities; (xi) the industry may be subject to future risks including those set forth in the “Risk Factors” section in the Annual Reports on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, and in the other filings with the SEC by each of the Company and H&E; (xii) United Rentals, Inc. may make a superior offer; and (xiii) Herc may not achieve its valuation or re-rating opportunities. The foregoing list of factors is not exhaustive. Investors should carefully consider the foregoing factors and the other risks and uncertainties that affect the businesses of the Company and H&E, including those described in the Annual Reports on

Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q and in the other filings with the SEC by each of the Company and H&E. All forward-looking statements are expressly qualified in their entirety by such cautionary statements. We undertake no obligation to update or revise forward-looking statements that have been made to reflect events or circumstances that arise after the date made or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events.

## Additional Information and Where to Find It

The tender offer described herein has not yet commenced, and this communication is neither an offer to purchase nor a solicitation of an offer to sell shares, nor is it a substitute for any offer materials that the Company and its acquisition subsidiary, HR Merger Sub Inc. (“Merger Sub”), will file with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”). At the time the tender offer is commenced, the Company and Merger Sub will file a tender offer statement on Schedule TO and the Company will file a registration statement on Form S-4. THE TENDER OFFER MATERIALS (INCLUDING AN OFFER TO EXCHANGE, A RELATED LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL AND CERTAIN OTHER TENDER OFFER MATERIALS) AND THE FORM S-4 WILL CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION. H&E STOCKHOLDERS ARE URGED TO READ THESE DOCUMENTS CAREFULLY AND IN THEIR ENTIRETY WHEN THEY BECOME AVAILABLE BECAUSE THEY WILL CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION THAT HOLDERS OF H&E SECURITIES SHOULD CONSIDER BEFORE MAKING ANY DECISION REGARDING EXCHANGING THEIR SECURITIES. The tender offer materials will be made available to holders of H&E stock at no expense to them. The tender offer materials will be made available for free at the SEC’s web site (<http://www.sec.gov>). Additional copies may be obtained for free by contacting either the Company or H&E. Copies of the documents filed with the SEC by H&E will be available free of charge on H&E’s website at <https://investor.he-equipment.com/>. Copies of the documents filed with the SEC by the Company will also be available free of charge on the Company’s website at <https://ir.hercrentals.com/>.

In addition to the tender offer materials, the Company and H&E file annual, quarterly and current reports, proxy statements and other information with the SEC, which are available to the public at the SEC’s web site (<http://www.sec.gov>).

## Information Regarding Non-GAAP Financial Measures

In addition to results calculated according to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States (“GAAP”), the Company has provided certain information in this communication that is not calculated according to GAAP (“non-GAAP”), such as adjusted EBITDA. Management uses these non-GAAP measures to evaluate operating performance and period-over-period performance of our core business without regard to potential distortions, and believes that investors will likewise find these non-GAAP measures useful in evaluating the Company’s performance. These measures are frequently used by security analysts, institutional investors and other interested parties in the evaluation of companies in our industry. Non-GAAP measures should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for our reported results prepared in accordance with GAAP and, as calculated, may not be comparable to similarly titled measures of other companies. For the definitions of these terms, further information about management’s use of these measures as well as a reconciliation of these non-GAAP measures to the most comparable GAAP financial measures, please see the supplemental schedules that accompany this communication.

# Scaling Herc's Premier Platform and Accelerating Strategy for Industry Leading Growth and Superior Value Creation

- **Immediately accelerates Herc's proven strategy:** substantially expanded footprint, increased density in key regions with economies of scale, geographic and customer diversification, and larger and younger fleet
- **Significantly accretive:** High single digit accretive to Herc's cash EPS in 2026 and ramping to greater than 20% upon realization of run-rate synergies
  - ROIC in excess of cost of capital within three years of closing
- **Substantial cost and revenue synergies:** ~\$300 million of incremental EBITDA<sup>2</sup> by end of year 3, with superior free cash flow conversion characteristics
- **Highly achievable revenue synergies and levers for future growth:** extending Herc's product breadth, solution-based selling and technology capabilities to H&E's diverse customer base as well as network expansion
- **Prudently capitalized:** projected net leverage below 3.0x and in targeted range within 24 months of closing; Herc will maintain the current dividend
- **Shared commitment to excellence:** Merges two companies with combined +120 years of industry experience and teams with shared priorities of excellence in customer service and safety

## Attractive Pro Forma Financial Profile<sup>1,2</sup>

~\$5.2B

Revenue

~\$2.5B

Adj. EBITDA  
(Synergized)

~\$10B

Fleet OEC

~48%

Adj. EBITDA Margin  
(Synergized)



# Transaction Overview

Providing H&E Shareholders with Immediate Premium Value, Upside Opportunity and Clear Path to Close

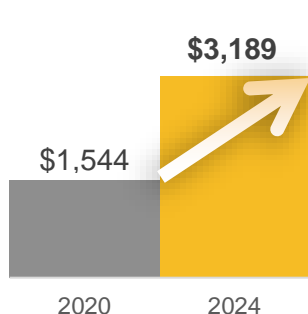
<b>Consideration</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 75% cash / 25% stock: \$78.75 in cash and 0.1287 shares of newly issued Herc stock</li><li>• H&amp;E shareholders to own 14.1% of combined company</li><li>• Implied value of \$104.89 per Herc share based on Herc's 10-day VWAP as of February 14, 2025<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– 7.4x EV / 2025E Adj. EBITDA multiple, including estimated tax benefits</li><li>– 6.3x EV / 2025E Adj. EBITDA multiple, including estimated run-rate cost synergies and estimated tax benefits</li><li>– 5.2x EV / 2025E Adj. EBITDA multiple, including estimated run-rate revenue synergies, cost synergies and estimated tax benefits</li></ul></li></ul>
<b>Synergies and Re-rating</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• ~\$300 million of incremental EBITDA from cost and revenue synergy realization by end of year three following close</li><li>• Synergies have high free cash flow conversion (incremental run-rate capex only ~15% of incremental EBITDA)</li><li>• Expected multiple uplift driven by financial performance, scale and growth opportunity of combined company</li></ul>
<b>Board of Directors</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 2 H&amp;E directors to join Herc's Board</li></ul>
<b>Timing / Approvals</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Subject to:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Termination of United Rentals agreement and entry of definitive agreement with H&amp;E</li><li>– Tender of a majority of H&amp;E's outstanding shares</li><li>– Customary regulatory approvals and closing conditions</li></ul></li><li>• Expected mid-year 2025 close</li><li>• No financing condition. Herc has obtained \$4.5B of fully committed financing</li></ul>

# Herc is Making This Proposal from Position of Strength

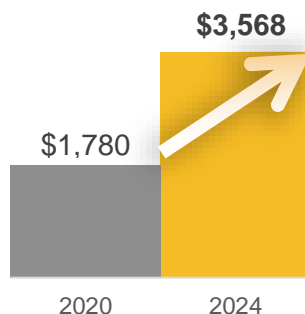
## Accelerates Existing Strategy for Industry Leading Growth and Superior Value Creation

- Grow the Core
- Expand Specialty
- Elevate Technology
- Allocate Capital
- Execute at Highest Level

Equipment Rental Revenue\*



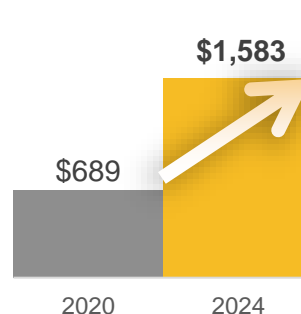
Total Revenue\*



~544%

Total Shareholder  
Return since spin-  
off completion on  
July 1, 2016

Adj. EBITDA\*



## Herc has Proven Experience Successfully Integrating Businesses to Drive Value

Invested \$2+ billion in 50+ acquisitions in  
last four years allowing Herc to:

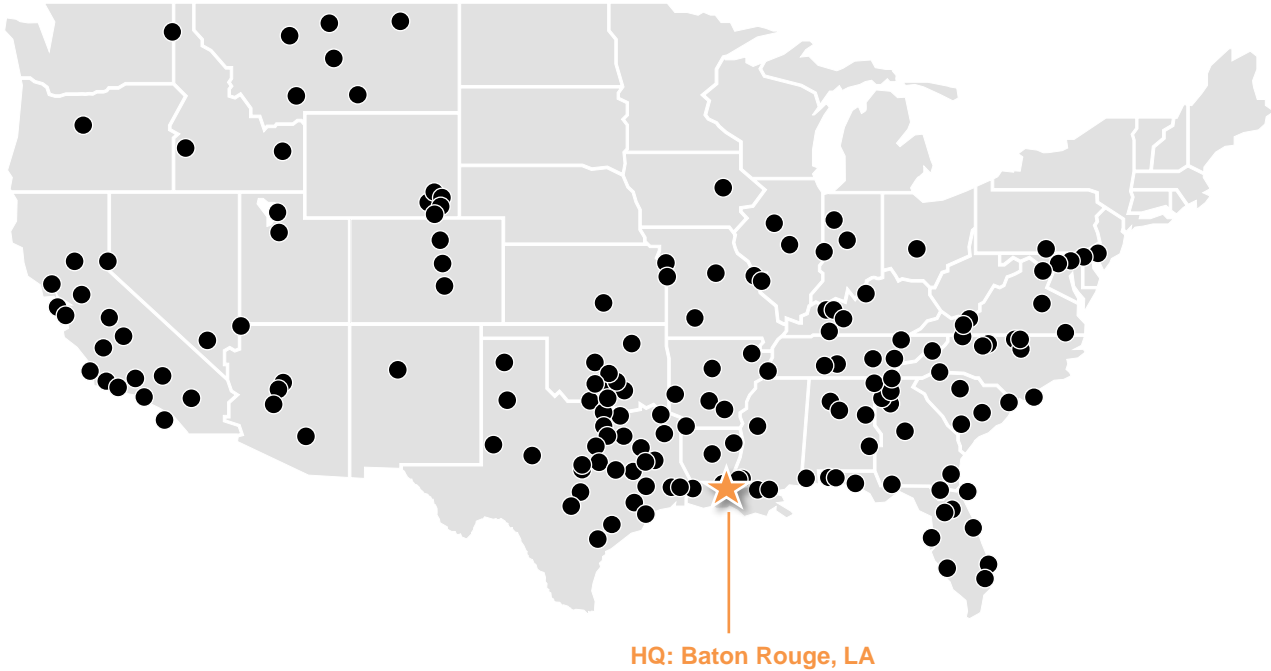
- ✓ Meet customer demand
- ✓ Grow local account revenue
- ✓ Elevate national account capabilities and enhance ability to pursue mega project opportunities
- ✓ Enhance revenue mix through specialty cross-selling
- ✓ Generate consistent ROIC in excess of cost of capital for matured acquisitions

# H&E: High-Quality Rental Platform



## H&E Overview

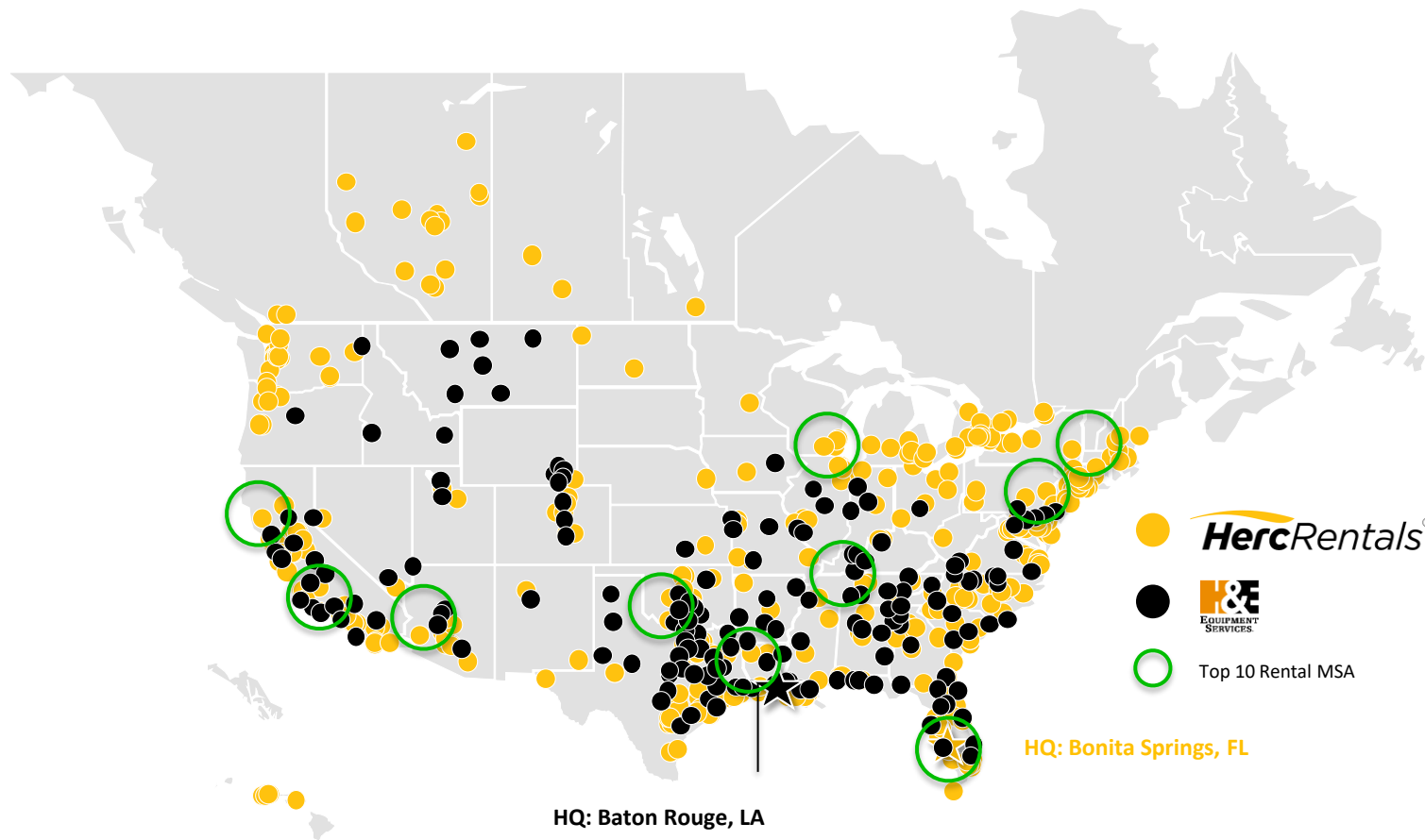
- A leading U.S. general rental company with a focus on heavy construction and industrial equipment
- Attractive footprint that spans many high-growth regions, including the Gulf Coast, Southeast, Mid-Atlantic, Midwest, Southwest and the West
- Young, premium-branded fleet
- Added 50 greenfield locations organically and 16 branch locations through acquisitions since 2021



~\$1.5B	~\$696M	~160	~64K	~41	~2,900
Revenue <sup>1</sup>	EBITDA <sup>1</sup>	Locations	Fleet Units	Months Fleet Average Age <sup>2</sup>	Talented Employees

1. Metrics reflect twelve-month period ending 9/30/2024.  
2. As of 9/30/2024 per latest public disclosures.

# Substantially Expanded Footprint, Increased Density in Key Regions and Enhanced Geographic Diversification



**~160**  
locations

**HercRentals®**

**453**  
locations



A leading presence in  
11 of the top 20 rental regions



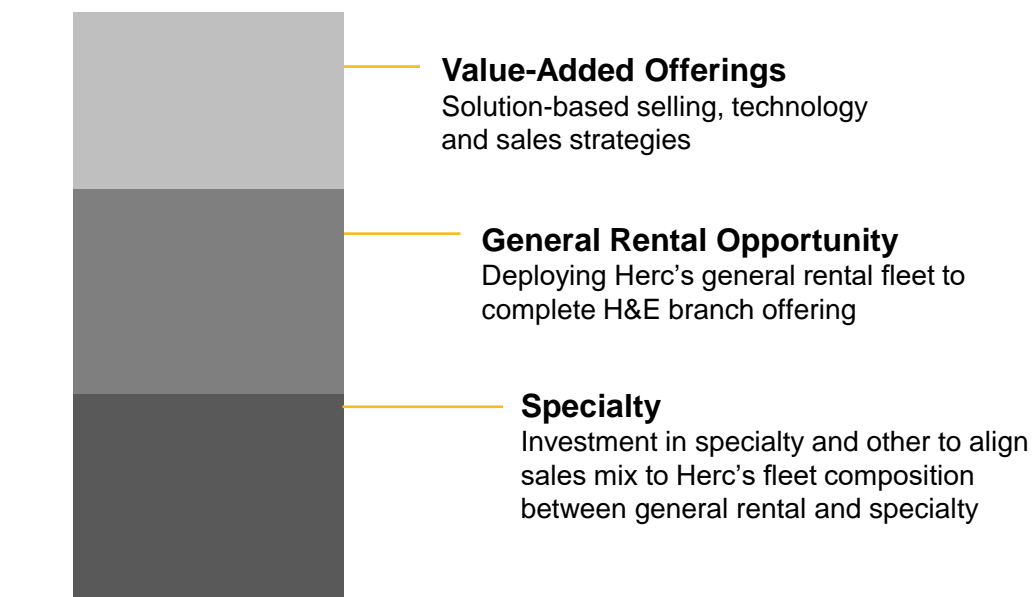
Improved urban density in  
7 of the top 10 rental regions



~600 branches with a fleet original  
equipment cost of ~\$10 billion

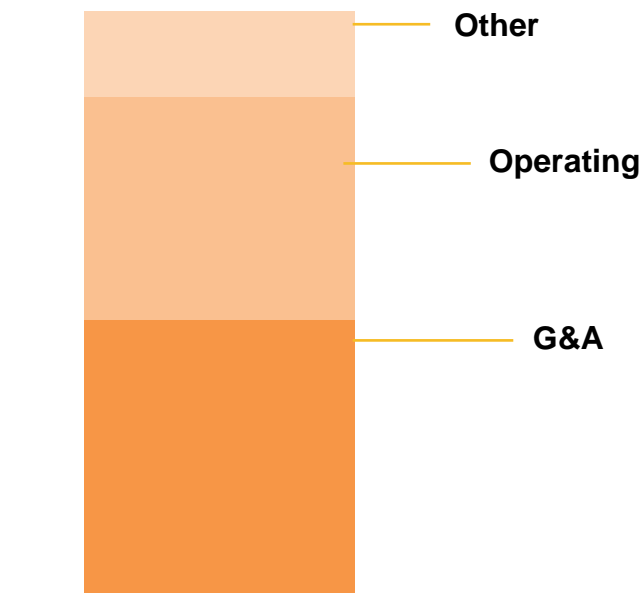
# Clear Line of Sight to \$300 Million of Incremental EBITDA

~\$175 million of Adj. EBITDA<sup>1</sup> from revenue synergies fully realized by end of year 3



**~\$240 million** of revenue synergies including ~10% dis-synergies

~\$125 million of estimated run-rate cost synergies largely achieved by the end of year 2





# Revenue Synergies Driven by Specialty Cross Selling...

## Herc has a broad specialty products offering...

- Power Generation
- Pump
- HVAC
- Floor Care, Restoration
- Trench Shoring
- ProContractor tools
- ProResources industrial tools

**~\$1.6B of OEC fleet is specialty fleet offered in ~155 locations**

## ...And a track record of growing its specialty offering across its network

- Proven track record of capturing revenue synergies
- For fully matured acquisitions (>24 months), Herc achieved target synergized multiple

## H&E provides substantial white space to leverage this proven expertise

- H&E is predominantly general rental with significant opportunity to bring Herc's specialty fleet and expertise in rental solutions to their customers



Broad specialty offering commands **>800 bps higher profit margin on average** vs. general rental as an *expert solutions offering*

## ...General Rental Opportunities...

Herc's more expansive product breath combined with H&E's expanded location network propels larger share of wallet across all customer accounts

Herc offers:

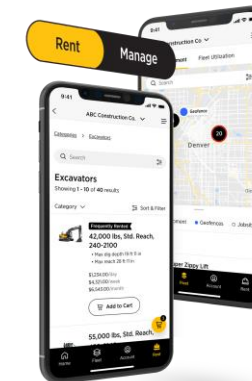
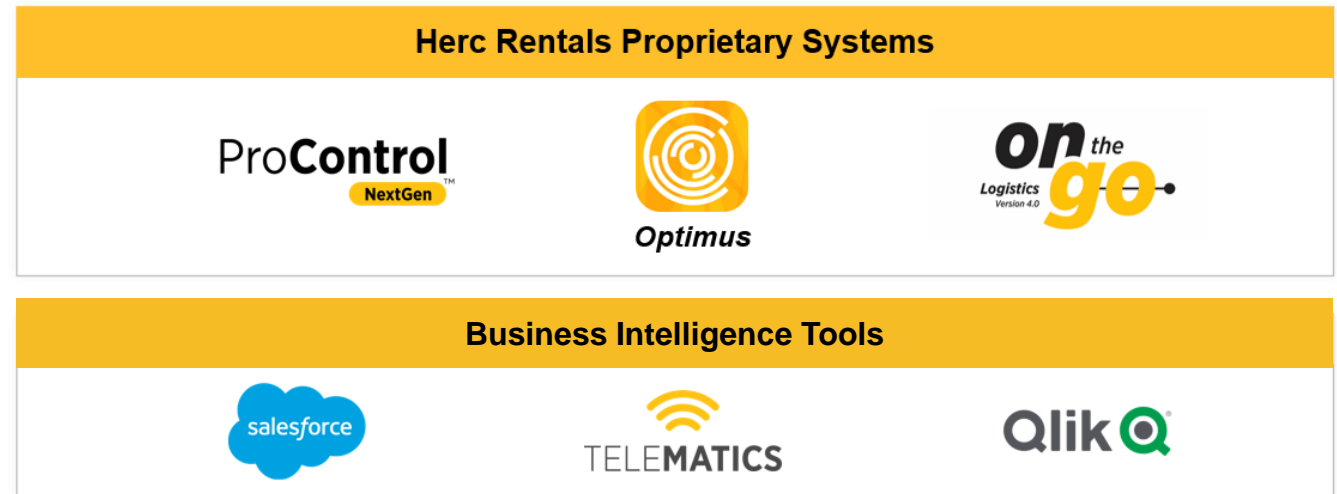
- 10x more category classes
- Electric and hybrid equipment options
- Technology-enabled rental products and solutions
- Expanded network benefits national accounts



# ...And Value-Added Offerings

Extending Herc's industry leading solution-based selling, technology capabilities and sales strategies to H&E's diverse customer base

- Innovative customer-facing technology
- Proprietary rental system, which has applications including ProControl, Optimus and On the Go
- Customized business intelligence tools built with Salesforce, Telematics and Qlik
- Herc Go-to-Market sales strategy
- National Accounts sales strategy

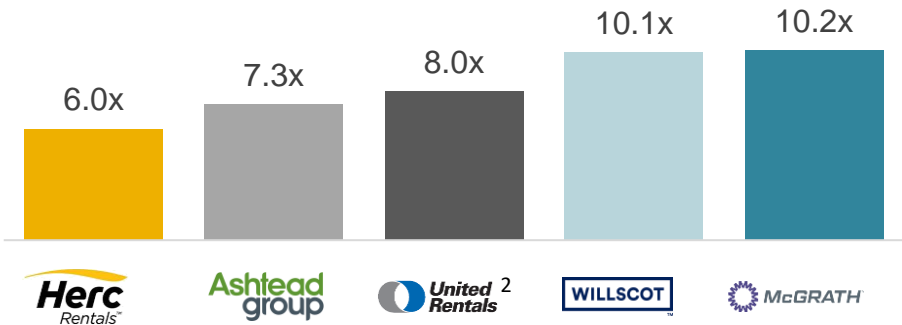


# Significant Value Creation Opportunity Through Re-Rating and Synergies

## Value Creation Opportunity

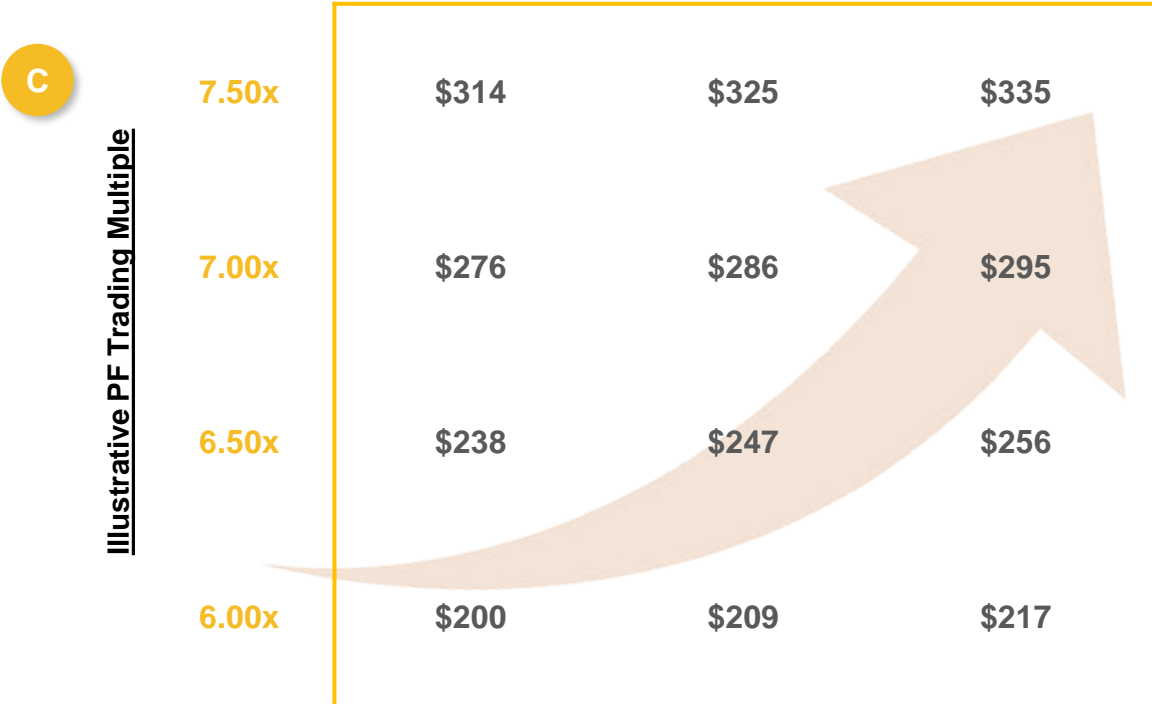
- A ~\$125 million run-rate cost synergies largely achieved by end of year two
- B ~\$175 million Adj. EBITDA upside from revenue synergies realized by end of year three
 
  - Synergies have high free cash flow conversion (incremental run-rate capex represents only ~15% of incremental EBITDA) and a discounted cash flow value of approximately \$3 billion
- C Anticipated multiple re-rating represents incremental value creation opportunity, delivering greater value to Herc and H&E shareholders

EV / NTM EBITDA Multiples<sup>1</sup>



## Meaningful Opportunity to Enhance Shareholder Value

- A 100% of Run-Rate Cost Synergies
- +
- B Illustrative % of Identified Revenue Synergies Realized
- 50%      75%      100% (~\$175mm)



Source: FactSet as of 2/14/2025.  
 Note: Underlying Ashtead financials shown on GAAP basis.

1. EBITDA metrics burdened by stock-based compensation.  
 2. URI metrics shown as of January 13, 2025.



# Scaling Herc's Premier Platform and Accelerating Strategy for Industry Leading Growth and Superior Value Creation

Highly strategic acquisition that expands footprint across the United States, increases density in key regions, enhances geographic and customer diversification and creates a larger and younger fleet

Joins respected companies with a combined +120 years of industry experience and teams with shared priorities of excellence in customer service and safety

High single digit accretive to Herc's cash EPS in 2026, ramping to greater than 20% upon full realization of synergies

ROIC in excess of cost of capital within three years of closing

\$300 million incremental EBITDA opportunity by end of year 3

- ~\$125 million of estimated run-rate cost synergies
- ~\$175 million of Adj. EBITDA from revenue synergies

Prudently capitalized, returning to below 3.0x, in stated target range, within 24 months of closing

Substantial upside opportunity to both Herc and H&E shareholders through significant synergies and re-rating opportunity



# Reconciliation of Net Income to Adjusted EBITDA

(in millions)	Years ended December 31,	
	2024	2020
<b>Net income</b>	\$ 211	\$ 74
Income tax provision	80	20
Interest expense, net	260	93
Depreciation of rental equipment	679	403
Non-rental depreciation and amortization	127	63
<b>EBITDA</b>	<u>1,357</u>	<u>653</u>
Restructuring	—	1
Non-cash stock-based compensation charges	17	16
Transaction related costs	11	—
Impairment	—	15
Loss on assets held for sale	194	3
Other	4	1
<b>Adjusted EBITDA</b>	<u>\$ 1,583</u>	<u>\$ 689</u>