

### **Acme United Corporation**

(NYSE American: ACU)

### INVESTOR PRESENTATION

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### **NYSE American: ACU**

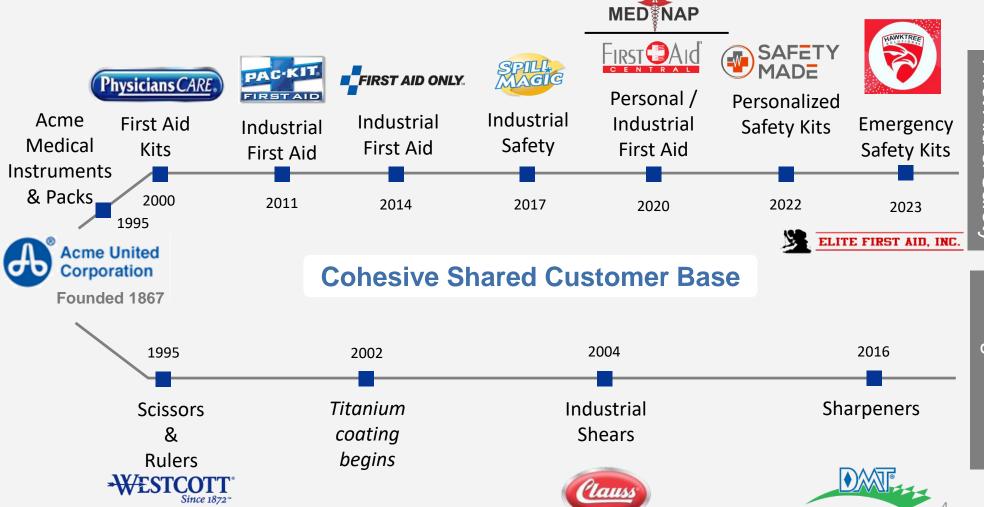
- Leader in innovative safety solutions and cutting technology
- Driving growth through innovation
- Premier and diversified customer base
- Successful history of acquisitions
- Sold hunting and fishing product lines for \$19.8M to generate strong liquidity
- Positioned for excellent financial performance and additional acquisitions





# **Corporate Overview**

- Growth fueled by a combination of brands, technology and expanding distribution
- > Successful series of focused acquisitions in first aid and medical products
- Leveraging growth through shared technologies, cross-brand collaboration and cross-selling that drive value across ACU's platform



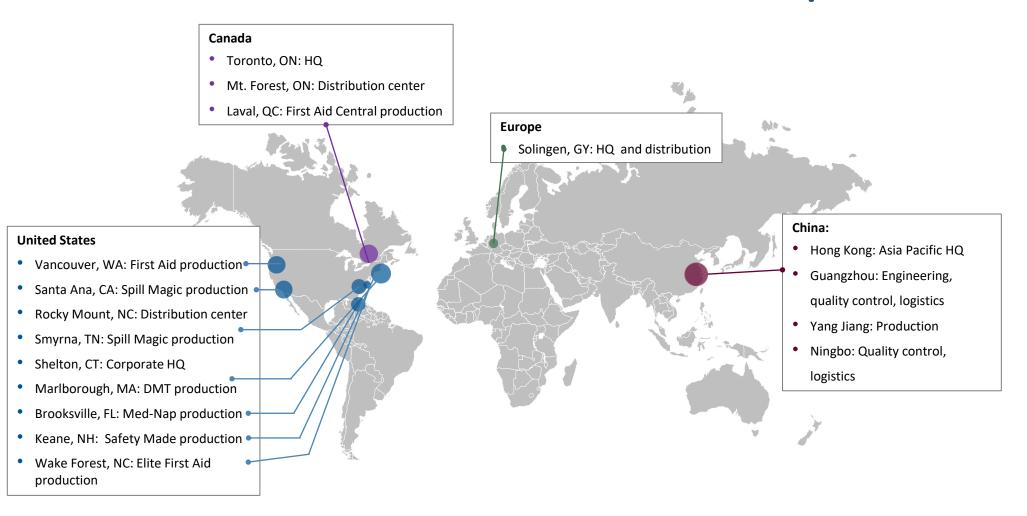
# Acquisition of Elite First Aid

- Acquired in May 2024
- Annual revenues of approximately \$4.2 million
- Leading supplier of tactical, trauma and emergency response products
- Provides a platform to expand sales of emergency response products to new and existing customers
- Founder, management and employees joined Acme United
- Product line now fully integrated into Acme United's product offering





## Acme United International Footprint

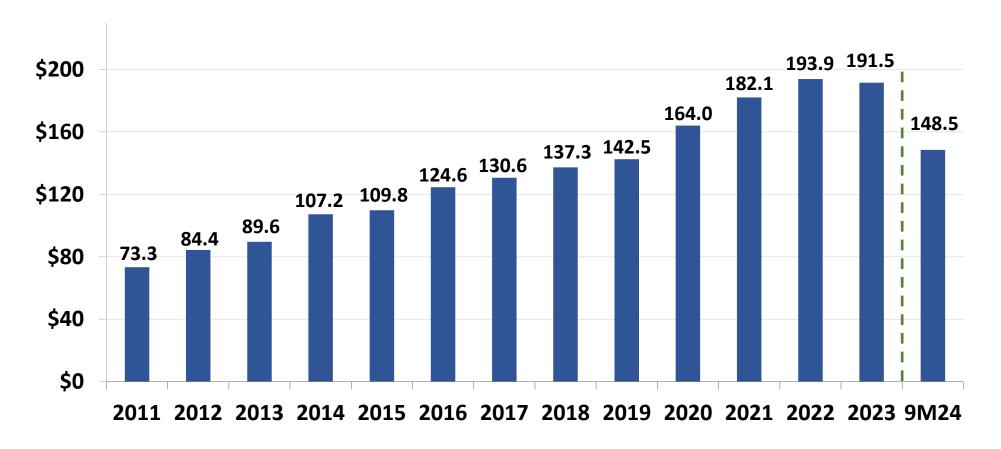


Ten most recent acquisitions were U.S. or Canadian manufacturers.

## Financial Results

### **Net Sales**

### \$ Millions

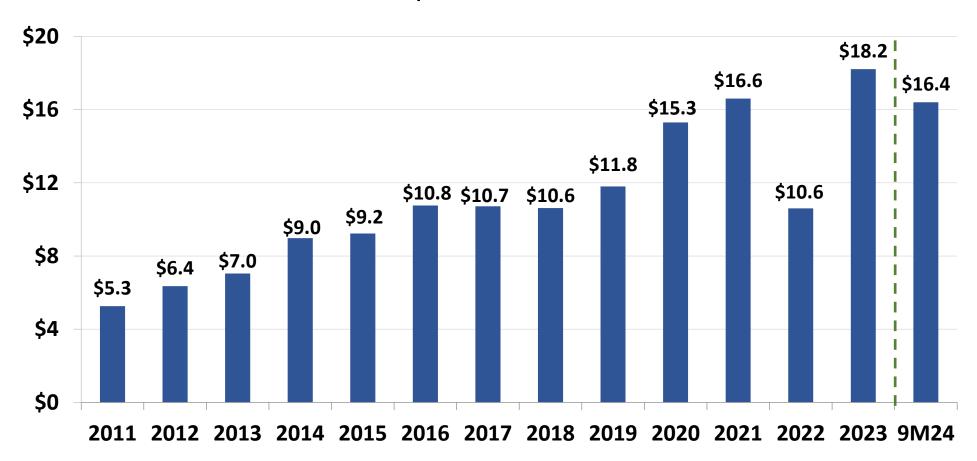


Strong record of sales increases, driven by new products and market share gains. Sale of hunting & fishing product lines in Nov. 2023 reduced 2024 sales levels.



### **EBITDA**

### \$ Millions

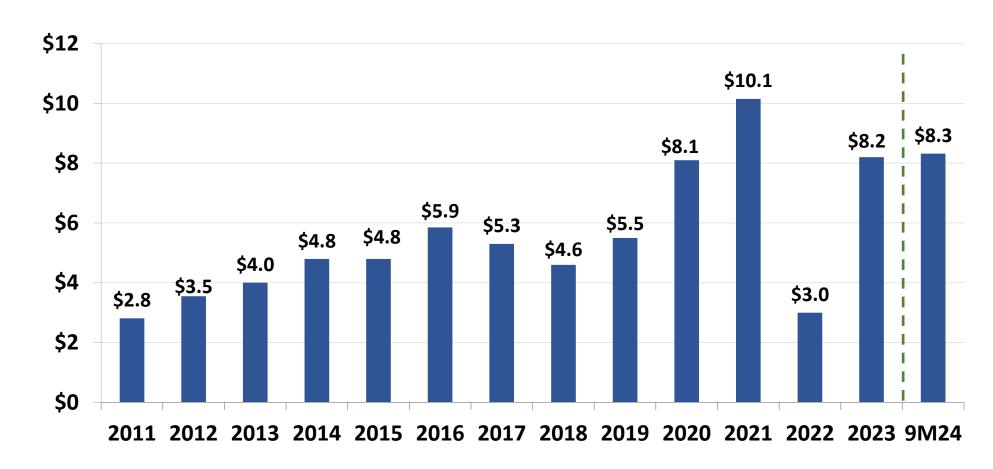


Strong cash flow fueling growth. EBITDA impacted by extra supply chain costs in 2022.



### Net Income

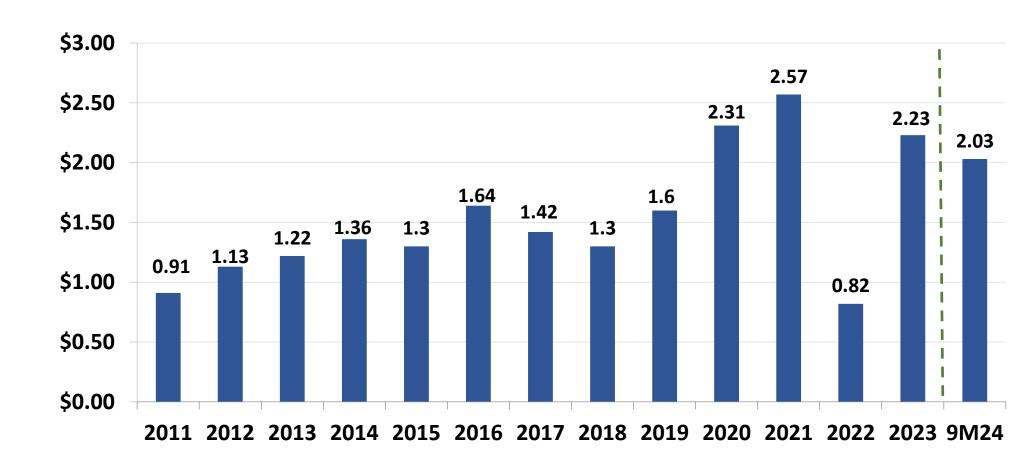
### \$ Millions



Continuing strong net income in 2024.



# Earnings Per Share

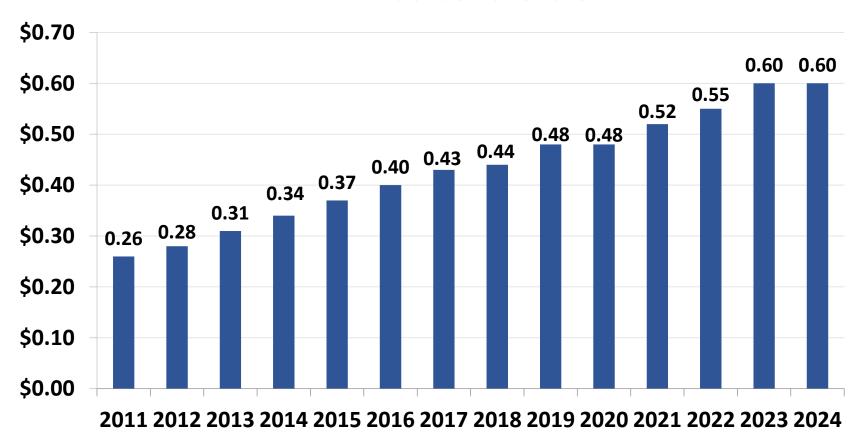


### EPS continuing to increase.



# **Dividend History**

#### **Dividends Per Share**



Strong and consistent dividend growth for more than a decade.

Quarterly dividend of \$0.15 per share.



# Growth Drivers

## **Growth Drivers - First Aid & Safety**



- New bar code scanning technology expedites replenishment, ensuring OSHA compliance
- > Growing refill business
- > Emergency survival first aid category experiencing accelerating growth
- Cross sell all safety products into customer base

# SmartCabinet 2.0 Patented RFID Technology

- > Patented technology
- Daily scan looks for low stock and processes requisition
- ➤ The first and only cabinet that tracks lot code and expiration dates
- > Sends **push notification** 30 days prior to expiration
- Keeps end users in stock and OSHA compliant



# Right Response Bleeding Control Kits



The Right Response		Possible Causes	Bleeding Components
Kit Solution	<b>Body Part it Treats</b>	of Bleeding Injuries	Needed to Stop Bleeding Fast
Limb	Arm or Leg	Power tools	Tourniquets
		Sheet Metal, Sharp	Tourniquets & Hemostatic
Limb & Torso	Arm, Leg or Torso	objects	Gauze
		Falls, Crush and	
Chest & Limb	Arm, Leg or Lungs	Impalements	Tourniquets & Chest Seals
Chest, Limb & Torso	Entire Body	All of the above including	Tourniquets, Hemostatic Gauze
		Active Shooter Situations	& Chest Seals



# Vented Chest Seal Part No.: 91194 Preserves lung function for critical puncture wounds

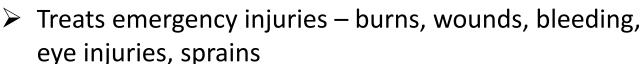


Simplifying the purchasing decision by creating kits for different types of bleeding injuries

## **Emergency Response Bag**

### **Create a Complete First Aid Station with SmartCompliance**





- Easy-to-identify treatment packs can be quickly grabbed when needed
- Separate treatment packs make re-ordering easier
- Bonus bloodborne pathogen kit that meets OSHA regulations
- Metal hook with adhesive base included for easy attachment



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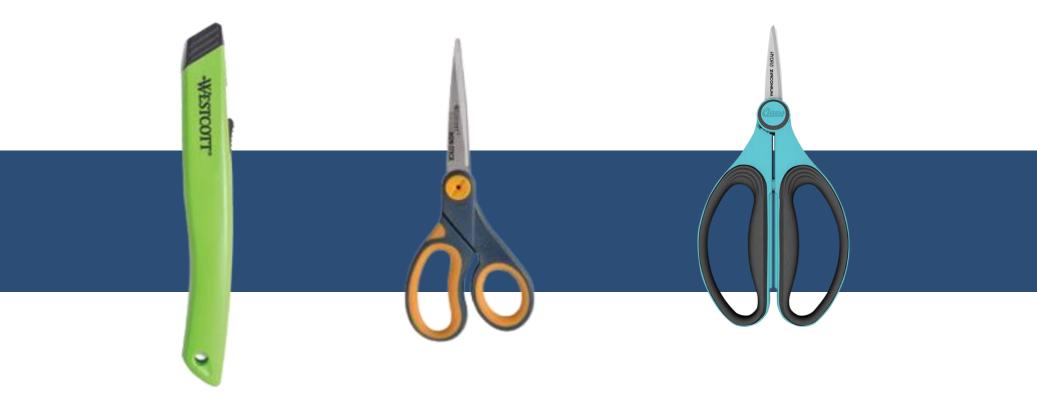
## **Lens Care Category**



- OSHA and safety requirements
- > USA aging demographics 64% of adults need vision correction
- > Fashion trends



# Growth Drivers – Cutting Technology



- Leverage technologies
- Patented titanium-nitride coatings
- Proprietary non-stick coatings

- ➤ Safety cutting tools with ceramic blades
- Antimicrobial plastics for school and office
- Enhanced carbonitride-titanium industrial tools



## Craft Market Expansion

- Continue strong growth in Sewing and Paper Crafting categories
  - > Trade up the customer with unique technologies
  - > Improve profitability with uniqueness and innovation
  - > Improve customer loyalty
  - > Build-the-basket with coordinated colors and patterns
  - > Expand into adjacent product categories
- > Leverage **retail partnerships** for growth in office and BTS











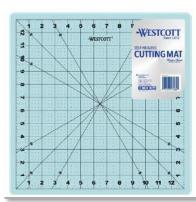








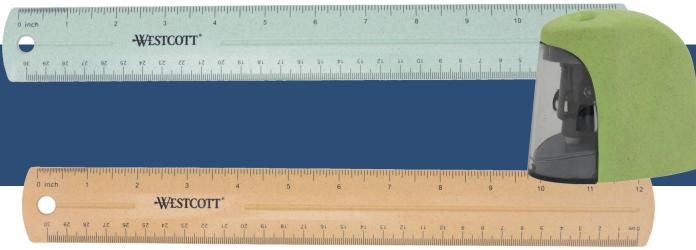






# KleenEarth – Pencil Sharpener & Ruler





### **KleenEarth Line**

- ➤ Made with recycled rice husks
- > Battery operated
- Compact size fits in pencil pouches, backpacks, lockers and desk drawers



### **Vibez Scissors**

- New line of textured scissors for kids
- > Fun and innovative design
- > 5-inch size, available in blunt and pointed







# Foldable Ceramic Safety Knife





### **Features and Benefits**

- Ceramic blades reduce worksite injuries
- Foldable for pockets or lanyards
- ➤ Lasts up to 11x longer than steel blades



# Countertop Pull-thru Sharpeners





- > DMT offers **best hand tools** for sharpening in the industry
- ➤ Increased manufacturing capacity in 2022
- Expanding in the home & culinary markets with a wide variety of tools, including versatile countertop pull-through sharpeners



### **Acme United Priorities**

- Continue building on solid revenue growth opportunities
- Continue driving ecommerce, industrial and retail first aid sales, and craft market expansion
- Continue developing and introducing new products
- Generating new productivity and cost savings initiatives
- Continue history of regularly increasing dividends
- Actively seeking additional tuck-in acquisitions

Acme United well positioned to deliver strong financial results and long-term growth.























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