

Sheffield, England a leading manufacturer of tobacco knives and wholly-owned subsidiary

of



Richmond, Virginia a leading distributor of specialized industrial components

has acquired



Liverpool, England a global manufacturer of leather processing blades

The undersigned acted as exclusive financial advisor to Fi-Tech, Inc.

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"We have been actively considering ways to diversify and build upon our production expertise at Arkote. When we became aware of the opportunity to purchase Hardy, we brought in Dominion, with whom we have a long relationship, to help us think through valuation and structure and assist in crafting a transaction. We are excited about the addition of Hardy as it provides us the opportunity to leverage our capabilities and expand into new global end markets including automotive upholstery and high-end luxury goods."

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