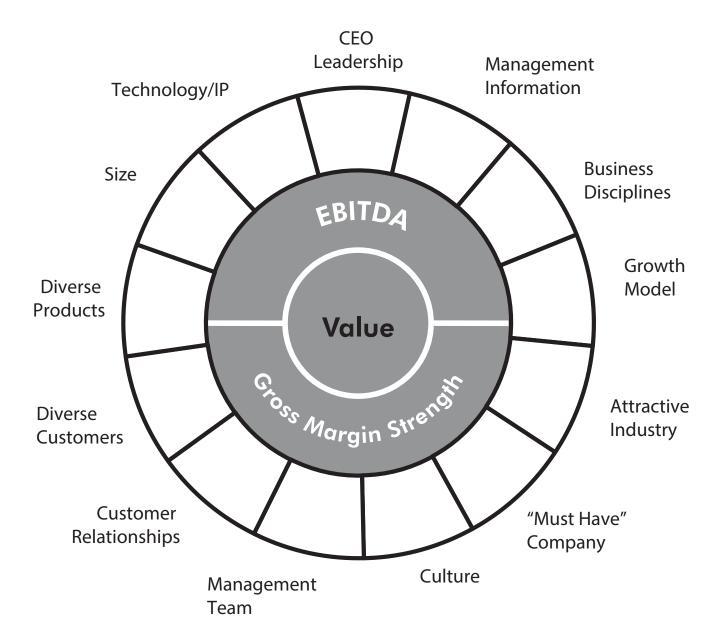
## **Sustainable Value Factors Assessment**

Item	Value Factors	Descriptions	Scale Weak=Red OK=Yellow Strong=Green
1	CEO	Our CEO can prove to others that he/she has the skills, experience, ethics and passion to double the value of this business in the next 3 years.	
2	Management Information	We have accurate, timely and necessary information that supports professional decision making and metrics.	
3	Business Disciplines	Our operating functions and processes are strong. We plan for growth and profitability and we deliver them consistently.	
4	<b>Growth Model</b>	Our business model is proven and profitable. It is a solid platform for growth.	
5	Attractive Industry	The markets we serve have good long term growth prospects and are attracting outside investment now.	
6	Must Have Company	The only way for a competitor to enter this market would to buy us. Buying a weaker competitor or building it themselves would be too risky for them.	
7	Culture	Our culture supports growth, professional management and accountability. It rewards performance and alignment with our values. People want to work here.	
8	Management Team	Our team can demonstrate its success. It can convince an investor that it has the skills and experience to grow the business without the owner.	
9	Customer Relationships	We have a high customer retention rate and we have grown the revenue of each significant customer.	
10	Diverse Customers	Our largest customer has less than 10% of our gross margin dollars. Over 10% of our significant customers were added in the past 12 months.	
11	Diverse Products	Our largest product family generates less than 20% of our gross margin dollars. New products account for 10% or more of our annual volume.	
12	Earnings Size	Our annual EBITDA is greater than \$5 Million. If EBITDA is greater than \$10M, give your company a "green" rating.	
13	IP	We have trademarks and patents that protect processes, products or services that are valuable to our customers.	
13A	IT	Our IT structure is a strong platform for growth. It offers customer and internal benefits that are greater than our competitors.	
14	EBITDA	Our EBITDA has grown consistently for 3 years and is greater than 7% of sales.	
15	Gross Margin Strength	Our Gross Margin as a percent of sales has grown over the past 3 years. It is at least 3 percentage points greater than the industry average.	

## Sustainable Value Wheel



## What Makes My Company Valuable?