

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K
CURRENT REPORT
PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(D) OF THE
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): August 26, 2026



Ascent Industries Co.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	0-19687 (Commission File Number)	57-0426694 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
20 N. Martingale Rd, Suite 430, Schaumburg, Illinois (Address of principal executive offices)	(630) 884-9181 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)	60173 (Zip Code)
Inapplicable (Former name or former address if changed since last report)		

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- ☐ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
☐ Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

<u>Title of each class</u>	<u>Trading Symbol</u>	<u>Name of exchange on which registered</u>
Common Stock, par value \$1.00 per share	ACNT	NASDAQ Global Market

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (17 CFR §230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (17 CFR §240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company ☐

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. "

Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.

On August 26, 2026, representatives of the Company will make a presentation to investors using slides containing the information attached to this Current Report on Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1 (the “Investor Presentation”) and incorporated herein by reference.

The Investor Presentation includes financial information not prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (“Non-GAAP Financial Measures”). A reconciliation of the Non-GAAP Financial Measures to financial information prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (“GAAP”), as required by Regulation G, is included within Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K. The Company is providing disclosure of the reconciliation of reported Non-GAAP Financial Measures used in the Investor Presentation, among other places, to its comparable financial measures on a GAAP basis. The Company believes that the Non-GAAP Financial Measures provide investors additional ways to view our operations, when considered with both our GAAP results and the reconciliation to net income and net cash provided by operating activities, which we believe provide a more complete understanding of our business than could be obtained absent this disclosure. We believe the Non-GAAP Financial Measures also provide investors a useful tool to assess shareholder value.

By filing this Current Report on Form 8-K and furnishing the information contained herein, the Company makes no admission as to the materiality of any information in this report that is required to be disclosed solely by reason of Regulation FD.

The information contained in the Investor Presentation is summary information that is intended to be considered in the context of the Company's Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”) filings and other public announcements that the Company may make, by press release or otherwise, from time to time. The Company undertakes no duty or obligation to publicly update or revise the information contained in this report, although it may do so from time to time as its management believes is warranted. Any such updating may be made through the filing of other reports or documents with the SEC, through press releases or through other public disclosure.

The information presented in Item 7.01 of this Current Report on Form 8-K and Exhibit 99.1 shall not be deemed to be “filed” for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, unless the Company specifically states that the information is to be considered “filed” under the Exchange Act or specifically incorporates it by reference into a filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

<u>Exhibit Number</u>	<u>Description of Exhibit</u>
99.1	Investor Presentation dated August 26, 2026
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document)

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Dated: August 26, 2026

Ascent Industries Co.

By: /s/ Ryan Kavalauskas

Ryan Kavalauskas

Chief Financial Officer



NASDAQ ACNT

**Midwest IDEAS
Conference 2026**
August 26, 2026

Forward Looking Statement Safe Harbor and Non-GAAP Information

Forward-Looking Statements

This presentation includes "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 and other applicable federal securities laws. All statements that are not historical facts are forward-looking statements. Forward looking statements can be identified through the use of words such as "estimate," "project," "intend," "expect," "believe," "should," "anticipate," "hope," "optimistic," "plan," "outlook," "could," "may" and similar expressions. The forward-looking statements are subject to certain risks and uncertainties, including without limitation those identified below, which could cause actual results to differ materially from historical results or those anticipated. Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements. The following factors could cause actual results to differ materially from historical results or those anticipated: adverse economic conditions, including risks relating to the impact and spread of and the government's response to pandemics; inability to weather an economic downturn; the impact of competitive products and pricing; product demand and acceptance risks; raw material and other increased costs, including the impact of tariffs; raw material availability; financial stability of the Company's customers; customer delays or difficulties in the production of products; loss of consumer or investor confidence; employee relations; ability to maintain workforce by hiring trained employees; labor efficiencies; risks associated with acquisitions; environmental issues; negative or unexpected results from tax law changes; inability to comply with covenants and ratios required by the Company's debt financing arrangements; and other risks detailed from time-to-time in Ascent Industries Co.'s Securities and Exchange Commission filings, including our Annual Report on Form 10-K, which filings are available from the SEC. Ascent Industries Co. assumes no obligation to update any forward-looking information included in this release.

Non-GAAP Financial Information

Financial statement information included in this earnings release includes non-GAAP (Generally Accepted Accounting Principles) measures and should be read along with the accompanying tables which provide a reconciliation of non-GAAP measures to GAAP measures.

Adjusted EBITDA is a non-GAAP financial measure that the Company believes is useful to investors in evaluating its results to determine the value of a company. An item is excluded in the measure if its periodic value is inconsistent and sufficiently material that not identifying the item would render period comparability less meaningful to the reader or if including the item provides a clearer representation of normalized periodic earnings. The Company excludes in Adjusted EBITDA two categories of items: 1) Base EBITDA components, including: interest expense, income taxes, depreciation and amortization, and 2) Material transaction costs including: goodwill impairment, asset impairment, gain on lease modification, stock-based compensation, non-cash lease cost, acquisition costs and other fees, shelf registration costs, loss on extinguishment of debt, retention costs and restructuring & severance costs from net income.

Management believes that these non-GAAP measures are useful because they are key measures used by our management team to evaluate our operating performance, generate future operating plans and make strategic decisions as well as allow readers to compare the financial results between periods. Non-GAAP measures should not be considered as an alternative to any measure of performance or financial condition as promulgated under GAAP, and investors should consider the Company's performance and financial condition as reported under GAAP and all other relevant information when assessing the performance or financial condition of the Company. Non-GAAP measures have limitations as analytical tools, and investors should not consider them in isolation or as a substitute for analysis of the Company's results or financial condition as reported under GAAP.

CEO & CFO Have a **Proven Track Record** of Making Good Specialty Chemical Companies Great

Kitchen, Kavalauskas, and many of their management team counterparts have previously worked together, a synergy that has had an undeniable impact on Ascent's operational and financial performance since assuming their roles in early 2024



Bryan Kitchen
President & Chief Executive Officer

- Bryan joined Ascent in September 2023 to lead the specialty chemicals segment; promoted to president & CEO in February 2024
- Prior to joining Ascent, Bryan led the stabilization, turnaround and successful sale of Clearon Corp to Solenis

Previous experience:



Ryan Kavalauskas
Chief Financial Officer

- Ryan joined Ascent as CFO in February 2024
- Prior to joining Ascent, Ryan was the CFO at Clearon and played an instrumental role in the stabilization, turnaround and successful sale of Clearon Corp to Solenis

Previous Experience:



Built to deliver durable shareholder value.
Led by those who've done it before, together.

After **75 years**, we are **going back to our roots** as a **Specialty Chemical Company**



The Strategy Hasn't Changed. The Evidence Has.

What We Said Two Years Ago



Stabilize. Strengthen the foundation and improve operational performance.



Optimize. Drive efficiency, eliminate waste and improve margins.



Scale. Grow through commercial execution and core technologies.



Allocate Capital. Invest in the highest return opportunities.



Build Earnings Power. Create a more profitable, resilient Ascent.

What The Business Is Now Showing



Record TTM Revenue. Highest in Company history *since COVID.*



Record TTM EBITDA. Highest in Company history *since COVID.*



Record Pipeline. Strongest in Company's history.



MGS Ahead of Plan. Integration on track with accretive earnings impact.



Organic Growth Above Market. Outpacing specialty chemical market performance.

Our strategy has remained remarkably consistent.

*The difference today is that the business is now producing **the evidence** we expected to see in the early innings of the transformation.*

TTM Highlights

9.2%

Increase in TTM Revenue

TTM Increase / \$7.0M

Continuing Operations Performance Comparing TTM Q22026 vs Q12026

167.3%

Increase in TTM Adj. EBITDA

TTM Increase / \$1.79M

Continuing Operations Performance Comparing TTM Q22026 vs Q12026

\$2.1M

Annualized Cash

Liberated via Munhall Lease Assignment

PR dated 11/17/2025

\$10M

**Growth Program Win in Q42025 for
2026 Impact**

PR dated 12/1/2025

12.4%

**Outstanding Shares Repurchased
Jan. 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026**

% Based on OS as of 12/31/2024

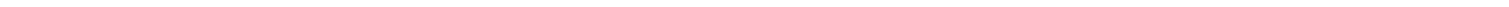
First

**Acquisition Completed in Q22026
Accretive on Day-1; Integration Ahead of Plan**

PR dated 5/6/2026



Who We Are, What We Do & How We Operate



We deliver ***tailored specialty-chemistry solutions*** at scale across an array of high-value segments



Where We Participate



Our Strategy & Operating Model

OUTCOMES OVER EVERYTHING.

We're building a platform that solves real problems across the value chain, not just by providing products or capacity, but by offering a full suite of services: formulation development, reaction capabilities, blending, packaging, logistics, regulatory support and reliable delivery.

Chemicals -as-a-Service

It's not a tagline, it's a strategic roadmap.

WE WIN ACROSS THE

Moments that Matter

Moments where loyalty is earned, and retained:

DISCOVERY & DEVELOPMENT

MANUFACTURING & FULFILLMENT

COMMERCIAL & CONTRACTING

SERVICE & LIFECYCLE SUPPORT

Rapid Reformulation for Drilling Fluid Additive

Customized Product Development

THE CHALLENGE

Unexpected supply disruption surfaced when a critical additive was discontinued. With no immediate replacement available, their drilling fluid system risked operational downtime and performance instability across active field operations.

THE PROCESS

1. Research Conducted
2. Product Development in Lab
3. Customer Lab Qualification
4. Customer Field Qualification
5. Supply Agreement Executed

WE DELIVERED

» CUSTOM FORMULATION DEVELOPMENT

Developed and evaluated three tailored formulation options optimized for the customer's mud system, improving handling characteristics and blending compatibility.

» ACCELERATE SAMPLE DELIVERY

Delivered qualified lab samples within three week, enabling rapid field evaluation.

» PILOT & COMMERCIAL VALIDATION

Completed piloting and commercial validation of the selected formulation in just 30 days.

» RAPID COMMERCIAL LAUNCH

Shipped the first commercial truckload within two months of the initial inquiry; qualified at (2) of Ascent's manufacturing sites

CASE STUDY

PRODUCT SALES

Chemicals
-as-a-Service

WE SECURED

Became a top 5 customer in 2025

+\$7M

Annualized
Revenue
Growth at
Full Run-
Rate

in 2 mos.

From Initial
Inquiry to
First
Purchase
Order

Accelerated Multi-Site Technology Transfer

**Complex Portfolio Transition
Under Supply Risk**

THE CHALLENGE

A global leader lost reliable manufacturing across 10+ heritage products with incomplete technical documentation and minimal transition pathways, creating immediate business risk.

MAIN EQUIPMENT USED

Multiple 4,000 Gal Reactors
REACTIONS & POLYMERIZATIONS

Overheads w/ Receivers
DISTILLATION

Multiple Heated Storage Tanks
STORAGE

CASE STUDY CUSTOM MANUFACTURING

**Chemicals
-as-a-Service**

WE DELIVERED

› RAPID CROSS-FUNCTION MOBILIZATION

Aligned R&D, Engineering, Operations, and Commercial teams immediately to stabilize supply under compressed timelines.

› FORMULATION RECONSTRUCTION & VALIDATION

Rebuilt technical documentation, developed parallel formulation pathways, and executed accelerated lab and end-user testing.

› CONCURRENT MULTI-SITE SCALE-UP

Executed parallel trial campaigns across VA and SC, advancing structured batch validation and SOP development to accelerate commercialization.

› EXECUTION DISCIPLINE & SUPPLY RELIABILITY

Achieved 100% OTIF performance while shortening lead times and restoring predictable supply to end users.

WE SECURED

Will Become a Top 5 Customer in 2026

+\$10M in **6 mos.**

Annualized
Revenue
Growth at
Full Run-
Rate

From Initial
Inquiry to
First
Purchase
Order

Chemicals -as-a-Service

Integrated Capabilities and Agile Business Models
for **Superior Customer Outcomes** backed by
75 Years of **Chemical Manufacturing Expertise**

	SOLUTIONS								BUSINESS MODEL			
	Primary Development	Formulation Customization	Scale-Up	Reaction & Drying	Blending, Milling & Dispersing	Warehousing	Logistics	Regulatory	Products	Toll Manufacturing	Custom Manufacturing	Buy, Build & Operate
ASCENT (CaaS Model)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Chemical Manufacturers	✓	✓	✓	✓				✓	✓			
Toll Manufacturers			✓	✓	✓					✓		
Custom Manufacturers		✓	✓	✓	✓			✓			✓	
Distributors					✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			

What We Do

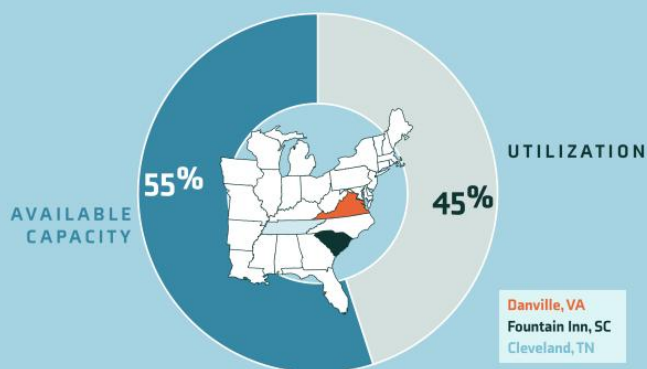
Execute a customer-centric chemical supply chain model that fuses development, scale-up, manufacturing (small batch & continuous), compliance and distribution into a unified offering

How We Win

We connect with customers the way they want; when, where, and how they choose. We win across the Moments that Matter [Development, Contracting, Manufacturing & Fulfillment and Service]

Within an asset base capable of supporting **significant growth** with **minimal capital reinvestment**

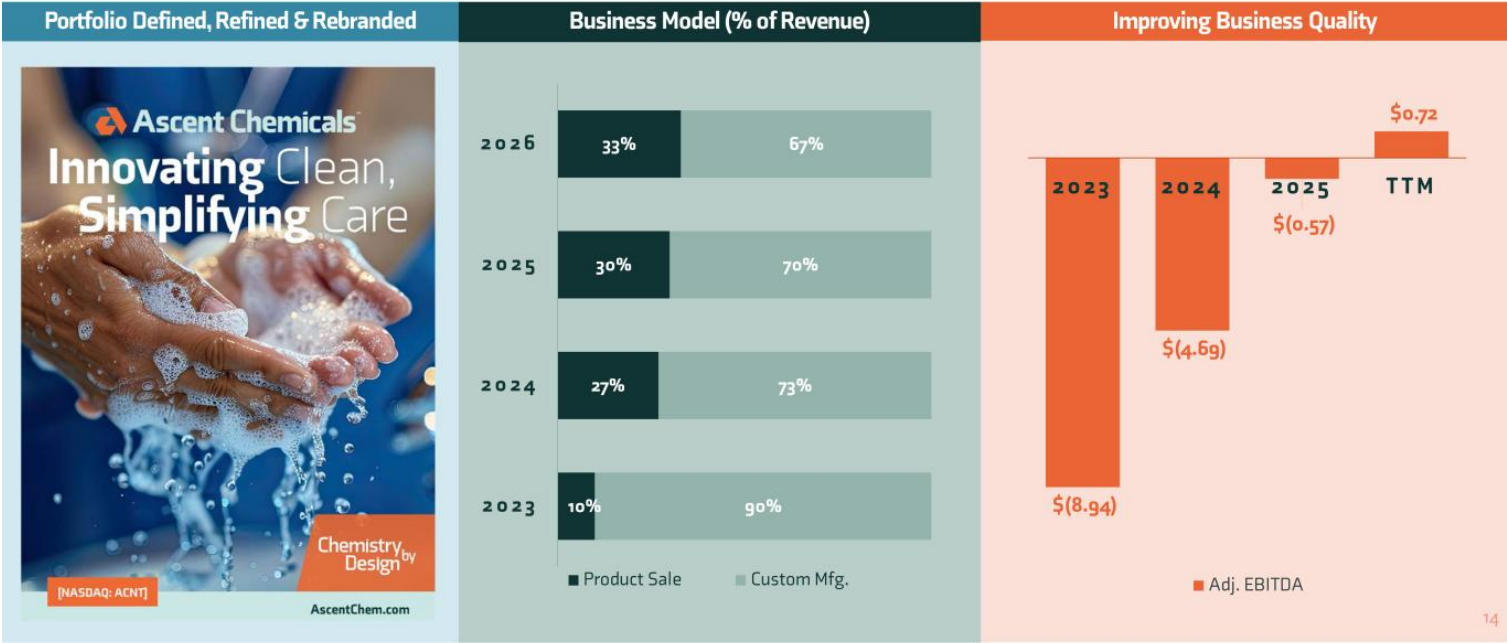
Ample, **underutilized capacity** provides a **capital-light**, low-risk foundation for outsized growth



Requiring **minimal capital reinvestment** to support growth (M USD)



While filling the plants with **better quality business** that is more **predictable** and **reliable**



Driven by a
Strong & Growing
Selling Project
Pipeline

Underwritten by customer needs

Designed entirely around
the customer experience

Delivered through technical
expertise;
scaled with discipline

**...Outcomes
Over Everything**

2025 Pipeline Conversion

100

PROJECT
COUNT

2.87

SALES
CYCLE (MONTHS)*

18%

CONVERSION
RATE**

*Calculated from initial
customer engagement to
receipt of first purchase order

**Calculated as wins divided
by all closed projects (won &
lost)

By Business Model

33%

PRODUCT
SALES

CUSTOM
MANUFACTURING

67%

**Growth
With
Current
Customers**

84%

PROJECT WINS
(REVENUE BASIS)

**Growth
With
New
Customers**

16%

PROJECT WINS
(REVENUE BASIS)

QoQ Selling Project Pipeline Growth (M USD)



**143%
CAGR**

Impact

Capital Allocation

Investor Friendly Priorities & Actions



And strong liquidity to support investor-friendly capital allocation priorities

Every internal investment and acquisition is about accelerating progress, creating synergies that make sense, and delivering real, sustainable value. It's not only about size, it's about **outcomes that matter**, both strategically and operationally.

Our goal is simple: to align every move with our mission and ensure it drives **maximum impact for our shareholders**.

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \$0 & + & \$33.4M & * & + & \sim \$30M & = \sim \$63.4M \\ \text{DEBT} & & \text{CASH} & & & \text{DEBT CAPACITY} & \text{CAPACITY TO INVEST} \end{array}$$

*Inclusive of Escrow

Capital Allocation

1. **Fund high-ROIC organic growth (top priority).** We will underwrite projects where ROIC > WACC and where incremental FCF aligns with the DCF trajectory.
2. **Selective, discipline M&A.** Accretive on ROIC and FCF per share within a 3-5 year window; avoid growth that dilutes FCF/ROIC just to increase scale.
3. **Share repurchases as a flexible, valuation-sensitive tool.** Use when shares trade meaningfully below intrinsic value.

M&A Investment Focus

Active, but Disciplined

Financial Profile: \$5-150MM Revenue | \$0-\$25MM EBITDA

Investment Type: Private or Publicly Held

Asset Types: Specialty Chemicals Manufacturing, Distribution, Product Lines & Brands and Co-Packagers

Avoid growth that dilutes FCF/ROIC just to increase scale 17

Repurchased 12.4% of
Outstanding Shares
Q12025-Q22026

% Based on OS as of 12/31/2024

First Acquisition by Current Management



STRATEGIC ACQUISITION OF MIDWEST GRAPHIC SALES & SIGMA COATINGS

Specialty formulator of customized coatings for high-value packaging, food-service, and consumer applications

Chemicals
-as-a- Service

Ascentco.com

Acquisition of Midwest Graphic Sales & Sigma Coatings

A 40+ year family-owned innovator and specialty formulator of **customized coatings for high-value packaging, food-service, and consumer applications**

WHY THIS CREATES VALUE

- Platform-Driven Growth** Unlocks revenue expansion by scaling Midwest's offerings through Ascent's platform, capabilities, and customer reach

Improved Asset Utilization Customized, customer- and application-specific products we can insource into underutilized assets, driving operating leverage and margin expansion

Strategic Fit (CaaS) Direct alignment with our CaaS strategy; expands formulation capabilities, deepens CASE participation, and enables cross-portfolio cross-selling
- Durable, Embedded Demand** Long-tenured customer relationships with high switching costs, supporting recurring revenue and earnings stability

Execution-Driven Upside Value supported by current earnings, with incremental upside from strategic sourcing, vertical integration, and customer expansion, not required to justify the base case

Revenue & Innovation Continuity Retention of key commercial leadership preserves customer relationships, pipeline, and product development - protecting and extending the growth trajectory

STRATEGIC OUTCOME

Converts underutilized capacity into margin while unlocking growth that was not achievable at Midwest's standalone scale

Transaction Summary

\$14.00 MM
PURCHASE PRICE
Pre NWC-Adjustment

\$1.05 MM
ESCROW **7.5%**
HELD FOR 18 MONTHS

\$12.95 MM
CASH AT CLOSE **92.5%**
Pre NWC-Adjustment

PRIMARY SYNERGIES

INSOURCING

Absorb production into underutilized assets

STRATEGIC SOURCING

Leverage scale to improve raw material economics

COMMERCIAL EXPANSION

Cross-selling Ascent portfolio; unleash innovation & growth project pipeline

CUSTOMIZED COATINGS FOR HIGH-VALUE PACKAGING, FOOD-SERVICE, AND CONSUMER APPLICATIONS

Food Contact Products

Structural Integrity |
FDA Compliant | Sustainability



Midwest's coatings for food-contact paper products provide **effective grease and water resistance**, preventing soak-through and maintaining structural integrity during use.

Additionally, these coatings are designed to **meet FDA compliance requirements**, ensuring safe use in direct food contact applications.

They are **engineered for efficient processing**, enabling clean release from plate molds and supporting high-speed forming operations.

Beverage Packaging

Package Integrity |
Abrasion Resistance



Midwest's coatings play a critical role in protecting beverage packaging that is routinely exposed to moisture from refrigeration, condensation, and handling.

These coatings create a durable barrier that **resists water intrusion**, helping maintain **package integrity and print quality** in demanding retail environments.

At the same time, they provide strong **abrasion resistance**, minimizing scuffing and scratching during transport, stocking, and consumer handling.

Printed Materials

Visual Impact | Surface
Protection | Tactile Finishes



Midwest's coatings enhance the visual impact of printed materials by **improving gloss, color depth, and image clarity**, helping brands stand out on the shelf.

They also provide critical surface protection, **increasing resistance to scuffing, scratching, and handling** throughout distribution.

Tailored to deliver specific **tactile finishes**, such as **soft-touch or matte**, elevating the overall quality and consumer experience.

Playing Cards

Slip | Durability |
Handling



Midwest's coatings are engineered for high-performance playing cards, including use in the **only cards approved for the World Series of Poker**.

These coatings deliver a precise **balance of slip and durability**, ensuring smooth handling, controlled shuffling, and long-term performance.

Critically, they provide **strong resistance to marking, scratching, and surface wear**, preserving game integrity and preventing any visual or tactile inconsistencies that could impact play.

Financial Overview

2025 Unaudited Financials

Metric	2025 A
Revenue	\$10.8MM
Gross Profit	\$2.68MM
Gross Margin	24.7%
Adj. EBITDA	\$2.07MM
Adj. EBITDA Margin	19.1%

Entry Economics

\$2.07^{MM}

ADJ. EBITDA (2025A)

6.8x

ENTRY MULTIPLE

\$16.72^{MM}

INTRINSIC VALUE

16%

IRR

Transaction Summary

\$14.00^{MM}

PURCHASE PRICE

Pre NWC-Adjustment

\$12.95^{MM}

92.5%

CASH AT CLOSE

Pre NWC-Adjustment

\$1.05^{MM}

7.5%

ESCROW

Held for 18 Months

\$20^K

Est.

EXTERNAL SPEND

Zero Bankers; Minimal Outside Legal Counsel, limited QoE. Excludes PPA work or tax work as part of post closing integration.

**Transaction is
Underwritten By:**

**Existing
Earnings Quality**

**Demonstrated
Margin Profile**

**Durable, Embedded
Business Model**

Financial Performance

Midwest Graphic Sales & Sigma Coatings

Q2 2026 Actual (May & June)

	Revenue	\$	1,868,971
	Gross Profit	\$	481,225
	Gross Margin		26%
	Adj. EBITDA	\$	257,769
	Adj. EBITDA Margin		14%

Strong Start

-  Accretive earnings
-  12-month record sales in June
-  New customer won
-  Price increases executed

Integration Scorecard

Executing to plan. Delivering early wins. Creating long-term value.

Focus Area	Status	Details & Progress
Customer Retention		- Customers retained - Broad price increases executed across the portfolio
Production Transfer		- Transfer of manufacturing to Ascent facilities on schedule; transition begins in Q4 2026 - On schedule; complex transition
Cost Synergies		Identified cost synergy opportunities are tracking to plan
Back Office Integration		Integration complete as of 6/30/2026 vs. 9/30/2026 commitment
Quality & Service		Service levels maintained with no disruption
Selling Project Pipeline		Seamless integration of commercial teams and systems. Pipeline is healthy and expanding

Executing the plan with discipline to capture the full value of this strategic acquisition while maintaining strong performance and customer focus

2026-2030

The Path Forward

Durable Earnings-Growth



Simple and Clear EBITDA Drivers

Management Turnaround

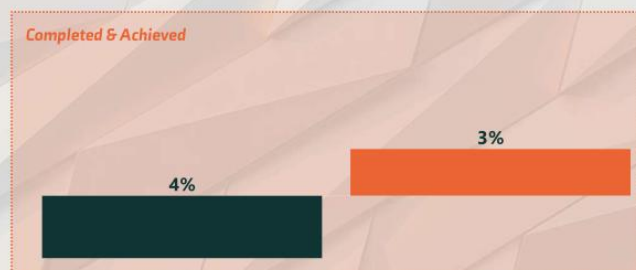
- Structural cost savings with emphasis on strategic sourcing
- Aggressive management of controllable spend
- Discipline execution of overall equipment effectiveness (OEE)
- Optimization of work processes & tools

Organic Growth / Operating Leverage

- Enhanced commercial strategy to grow share of higher-margin products
- Increase plant utilization
- Improve fixed cost absorption

Inorganic Growth

- Searching for good businesses to make great
- Leverage market and operational experience to unlock growth
- Targeting \$5-150M revenue and \$0-\$25M EBITDA



2023 ADJ. EBITDA* %



Mgmt. Turnaround
in 2024/2025

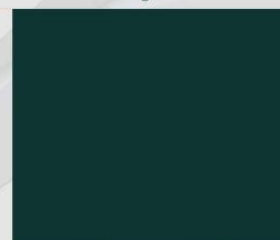


Organic Growth /
Operating Leverage

8%



15%



2030 Continuing
Operations ADJ. EBITDA



Inorganic Growth



* Adj. EBITDA represents the standalone Chemical segment excluding Corporate Overhead

Why Invest in Ascent?

Portfolio Optimized

Strategic clarity. Focus. Efficiency.

Stabilized and Growth Ready

Predictability. Confidence. Credibility. Reduced risk.

Growth Capacity In-Place

Optionality. Scale. Margin. Growth. Resilience.

Near-Term Upside

Undervalued, leverage multiple upside.

Strong Balance Sheet

Stability. Strategic firepower for earnings-accretive M&A.

Under-covered & Under Valued

Early discovery can drive outsized investment returns when larger pools of capital follow.

.....the right people, proven together, trusted by each other, and aligned to win the next phase





Investor Relations

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Appendix

Financials

Reconciliations of Non-GAAP Adjusted EBITDA



Consolidated EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA from Continuing Operations:

(\$ in thousands)	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2026	2025	2026	2025
Net loss from continuing operations	\$ (21)	\$ (2,447)	\$ (2,001)	\$ (4,622)
Adjustments:				
Interest expense (income), net	(155)	(15)	(448)	99
Income taxes	90	(89)	204	80
Depreciation	877	893	1,737	1,870
Amortization	373	153	490	306
EBITDA	1,164	(1,505)	(18)	(2,267)
Acquisition costs and other	176	31	177	268
Shelf registration costs	—	—	14	—
Asset impairments	—	1,622	—	1,622
Gain on lease modification	—	(544)	—	(544)
Stock-based compensation	137	86	270	120
Non-cash lease expense	(26)	(25)	(51)	(1)
Restructuring and severance cost	—	—	97	—
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 1,451	\$ (335)	\$ 489	\$ (802)
% of sales	5.7 %	(1.8)%	1.1 %	2.2 %

Specialty Chemicals EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA:

(\$ in thousands)	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2026	2025	2026	2025
Net income (loss)	\$ 656	\$ 1,499	\$ (1,486)	\$ 2,237
Adjustments:				
Interest expense, net	13	15	25	32
Depreciation	835	878	1,652	1,840
Amortization	373	153	490	306
EBITDA	1,877	2,545	681	4,415
Acquisition costs and other	—	—	—	92
Stock-based compensation	24	—	54	—
Non-cash lease expense	(15)	(5)	(30)	3
Restructuring and severance costs	—	—	38	—
Specialty Chemicals Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 1,886	\$ 2,540	\$ 743	\$ 4,510
% of segment sales	7.3 %	13.6 %	1.6 %	12.4 %

