

# EFFICIENCY, EXIT, CASH: DOUBLE PROFITS, DOUBLE VALUE



# BACKGROUND

A \$25 million distributor of commercial-grade air compressor systems preparing for ownership transition engaged our firm to help improve profitability ahead of a planned sale.

The owner wanted to exit the business, but while sales had been growing, profits remained flat—threatening the company's valuation and the return on decades of hard work.

### SOLUTIONS

Our cash optimization process focused on the areas that most directly impacted profitability and valuation:

- Improved labor efficiency to generate more gross profit per labor dollar
- Standardized pricing across service and product lines to protect margins
- Implemented inventory controls to free up cash and strengthen the balance sheet

### CONCLUSION

By aligning pricing, labor performance, and cash management, the company unlocked exponential value—proving that small, strategic improvements in efficiency can dramatically increase both profitability and sale price.

### AT A GLANCE

# Challenges

- Flat profits despite consistent revenue growth
- Labor-heavy service division with low efficiency
- Excess inventory tying up working capital
- Underutilized pricing controls reducing margins

## **Benefits**

- Doubled profits in just six months
- Achieved a 7× EBITDA multiple upon exit
- Enhanced company valuation exponentially through focused operational improvements

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