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Dealmaking Differences Between Strategic and Private Equity Players: A Deeper Dive into Processes and Provisions

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Today's Focus

Who is the Buyer?

- Strategic vs. Financial Buyer

Who are the other Parties?

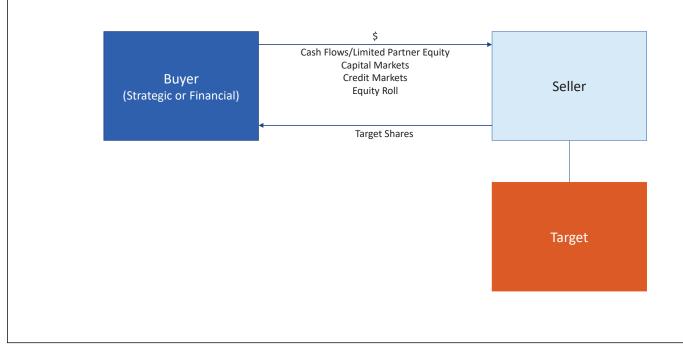
Target/Seller

How do the Parties involved affect deal processes and deal terms?

- Reps and Warranties and Rep and Warranty Insurance
- Indemnification
- Antitrust
- Termination

Overview

Transaction Structure - General



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Overview of Differences Between Strategic Buyers and Financial Buyers

| | Strategic Buyer | Financial Buyer |
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| General | A public or private company often already operating in Target's industry | Private equity firms Hedge funds (also known as sponsors) Family offices Venture capital firms High net worth individual |
| ldentity of Buyer | Strategic buyers are likely to have a creditworthy entity directly party to purchase agreement. | PE buyers often use shelf entity, supported by a limited guarantee to backstop certain of its obligations. |
| Objective | Objective for acquiring Target is to improve, change, or expand own operations | Objective is to make a minimum rate of return over a fixed period (usually three to seven years) before exitin investment |
| Strategic Rationale | May value operational and financial synergies over other concerns because of lower leverage/cost of capital and absence of "exit" requirements | Given exit requirements and high leverage, Target must generate financial returns as a stand-alone business (as opposed to generating operational or financial synergies for the Buyer) Bolt-on and buildup strategies that permit realization o synergies are increasingly popular |
| Form of Consideration | May use its equity securities (particularly if actively traded) or cash or a combination of both as consideration for acquisitions | Uses cash as consideration for acquisitions |

Overview of Differences Between Strategic Buyers and Financial Buyers

| | Strategic Buyer | Financial Buyer |
|-------------------|--|--|
| Funding | Cash flow from operations Capital markets Credit markets | Equity from limited partners Credit markets Equity roll |
| Timing | Usually takes longer than Financial Buyer to sign up deal Active Strategic Buyers have begun to develop deal capabilities similar to Financial Buyers | Typically acts faster than Strategic Buyer because of efficiencies in bidding, due diligence and internal approval processes Perception that Financial Buyers are more comfortable with taking calculated risks based on more limited information |
| Deal Sourcing | Industry knowledge | Networks of advisors and businesses |
| Scope of Activity | Limited to existing industry unless diversification is sought, which can be risky | Opportunity limited only by financial returns and reputational risks |
| Due Diligence | Deep knowledge of industry and trends Reliance of internal personnel Focus on high value opportunities and synergies, in addition to financial metrics | Limited knowledge of industry Reliance on advisors Focus on financial metrics as a stand-alone enterprise Financial due diligence experts |
| Personnel | Often uses own personnel to operate Target | Relies on a management team to operate Target (often incumbents) |

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