



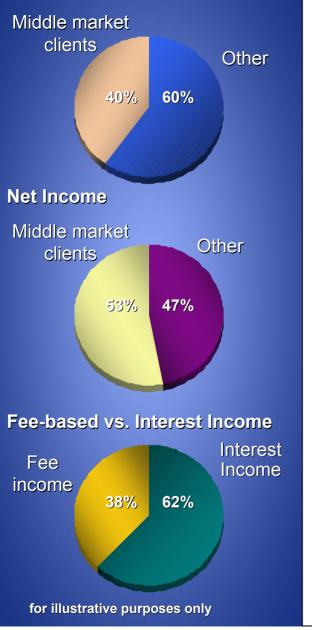
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Revenue



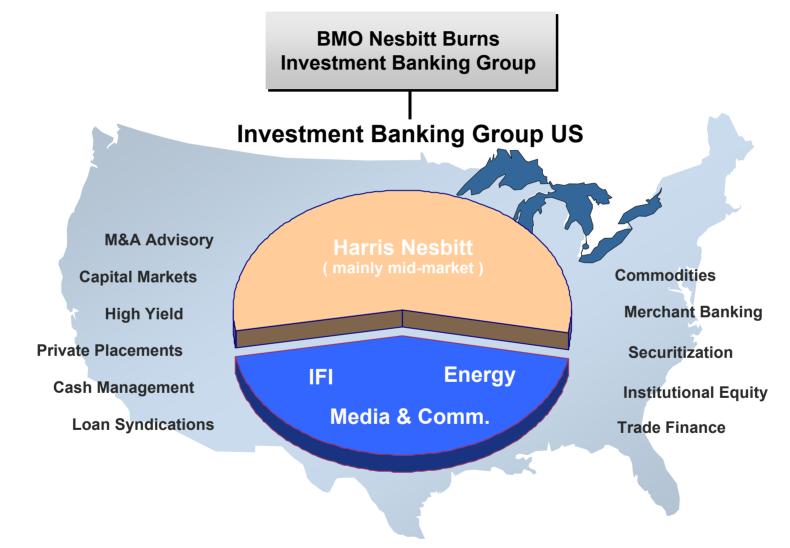
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Middle Market important source of U.S. IBG Revenue

- Middle market client relationships generate a substantial proportion of total U.S. IBG revenue
- The financial needs of the middle market client indicate that annuity-like lending & cash management revenue will remain an important component of the U.S. IBG total
 - Fee income is growing as a % of total revenue
- Harris Nesbitt is largest of the U.S. midmarket investment and corporate banking teams



Harris Nesbitt is the principal US Middle Market coverage team in Investment Banking Group





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Key Sectors

Mid-west focus Emerging Majors Equity Sponsors Nationwide focus Food/Agribusiness Asset-Based Lending Real Estate & Builders Financial Institutions

Market Definition

Revenues: \$50MM – \$1 Bn Sweet spot: \$100MM – \$450MM

Market Size

Mid-west, mid-market banking annual revenue pool is estimated at over \$8Bn

At least 10,000 prospective, Harris Nesbitt mid-market clients in the 10-state area

Middle Market is a growth opportunity

- Harris Nesbitt focuses on building highly profitable, multi-product, lead relationships in key mid-market sectors
 - Mid-market clients in the mid-west and across the U.S.
- Established lending relationships with about 1,200 mid-market companies
 - > 80% are privately held/non-investment grade
 - Lending is lead product; cash management key in relationships
 - Complex financial needs
 - Demand for industry expertise
 - Companies consolidate business with lead commercial bank



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Total U.S. Middle Market loan syndication is growing

 Middle market now represents approximately 10% of the total syndication market volume

Volume (\$ Billions)	1Q02	2Q02	3Q02	4Q02	2002
Total Syndicated Lending Activity	184.34	355.52	230.72	198.77	969.35
Investment Grade Market	93.7	220.58	135.72	111.68	561.68
Leveraged Market	58.72	81.21	62.15	62.45	264.53
Institutional Market	9.62	23.45	15.07	16.39	64.53
Overall Middle Market	19.72	25.15	26.49	20.08	91.43
Traditional Middle Market	9.67	10.58	11.53	8.48	40.27

Source: Loan Pricing Corporation







Total Mid-Market syndication activity well diversified

- Geographically
- Industry sectors
- Breadth & scope of syndicated lending activity provides opportunity for future growth

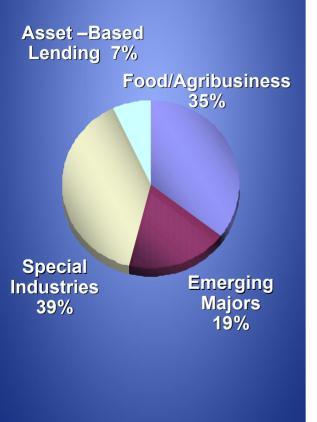
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2002 Loan Syndication Revenues by Harris Nesbitt Industry Group



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Harris Nesbitt Middle Market syndication a growing activity

- Market interest in Middle Market names
 - Harris Nesbitt clients now a significant proportion of total U.S. IBG syndication volume and revenue
- Capitalizing on Food/Agribusiness specialty
 - One of the top 5 in the sector
- Ensuring diversification
 - Special Industries (Builders & Contractors, Real Estate, Transportation) and Emerging Majors (Manufacturing, Consumer, Service companies)



- BMO Nesbitt Burns a growing presence in Middle Market syndicated loans
 - ▶ 10th ytd in '03
 - 14th in '02 on both domestic large and traditional Middle Market lead arranger volume
- Well-regarded by, and influential with, Midwest investors

Growing visibility on league tables

1Q 2003 Domestic MM North Central Lead Arranger Volume **Ranl Bank Holding Company** Lead Arranger Volume **Market Share** 1 Bank of America 673,800,000 14% 2 ABN AMRO Bank N V 12% 584.862.911 10% 3 National City Corp. 474,650,000 4 BANK ONE Corp. 320.000.000 6% 5 Citigroup 300.000.000 6% 6 JPMorgan 276.900.000 6% 7 General Electric Capital Corp. 264.000.000 5% 8 CIBC World Markets 248.500.000 5% 9 FleetBoston 233.500.000 5% **10 BMO Nesbitt Burns** 220,000,000 4% 11 Wells Fargo & Co. 168.500.000 3% 12 PNC Bank 3% 154,400,000 13 Royal Bank of Scotland Plc 3% 135,000,000 3% 14 Comerica Inc. 134,000,000 3% 15 U.S. Bancorp 128,000,000 16 Wachovia Securities 2% 115,000,000 110,000,000 2% 17 Scotia Capital **18 Huntington Bancshares** 100.500.000 2% 19 Mitsubishi Tokyo Financial Group 85.000.000 2% 20 Ableco Finance L.L.C. 81,600,000 2% 21 UBS Warburg 75.000.000 2% 22 Fifth Third Bank 42,500,000 1% 23 TransAmerica Corp. 17,000,000 0% 24 Antares Capital Corp. 14,000,000 0%

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Banks

JPMorganChase BankOne Bank of America US Bancorp First Union KeyCorp National City ABN LaSalle Wells Fargo

Non-bank Fls

Tyco/CIT GE Capital Antares Madison Capital GMAC

Investment Banks

William Blair Piper Jaffray B of A Securities Houlihan Lokey Baird E&Y/KPMG

Harris Nesbitt is competitive in the Middle Market

- Main competitors are large regionals & niche/boutique investment banks
- Selective competition from bulge bracket firms
- Economic environment has created unpredictable competitive environment
- Lending and cash management are the core products for mid-market companies





Client relationships provide Competitive Advantage

- Attractive client base, strong long-term relationships
- Universal bank solid reputation, recognized brand, competitive products
- Effectively integrated corporate & investment bank
- Customized coverage model
- Sector specialties
- Focused, disciplined strategy execution



 Focus on lead relationships for crosssell leverage

 Customized coverage model and marketing strategy

 Harris Nesbitt has established a differentiated position in targeted sectors

Successfully leveraging lending relationships

- Leverage lending relationships
 - Cross sell fee-based products to existing clients
- Capitalize on bundled buying behaviour of mid-market companies
 - Fully-integrated, advisory-oriented coverage
- Highly focused sales force
 - Compensation tightly linked to performance
 - Upgrading origination and advisory skills





- Clients bundle lending
 & Cash Management purchase decision
- Mid-market clients need progressive, not leading edge, products
- Cash Management is a significant part of the HN revenue mix

Cash Management Revenue for illustrative purpose SROE is attractive - in 20% to 30% range

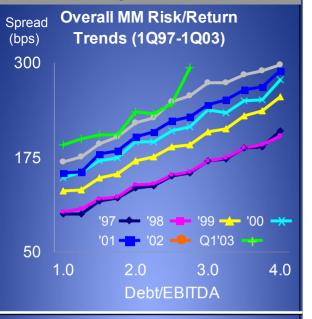
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Cash Management is key in the Middle Market

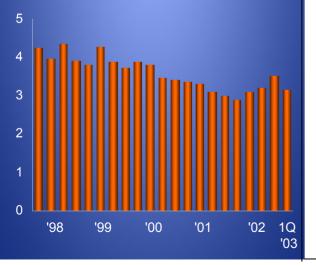
- Cash Management a fundamental, non-discretionary activity for all businesses
 - Payables
 - Receivables
 - Investments
- Sources of revenue
 - Transaction processing
 - Deposits
 - Investment spread
- Revenue driven by new clients, organic growth, interest rates and the economy



Loan Syndications



Max. Debt to EBITDA, Overall Middle Market (1Q97 - 1Q03)



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Syndications has introduced greater efficiency in the mid-market sector

- Increased spread across risk classes
- Active non-traditional loan participants
- Reasonable leverage
- Reduced underwriting risk



 Economic downturn severe in manufacturing sectors in mid-west

- Companies eliminated cap ex, reduced debt & managing working capital
- Weak M&A market activity in 2002
- Credit quality stabilized in 2nd half of 2002
- Survivors are well positioned to capitalize on upturn in economy

Sustaining performance in an economic downturn

- Harris Nesbitt deal flow, both lending and M&A, weakened in 2002.
 - Strong loan margins
 - Softer fee income
- Loan volume declined ~11% from October 2001
 - > Utilization off ~30% from traditional levels
 - Volume stabilized in 2003, but no upturn
- Increasing lead positions and adding new clients
- Relationship ROE & ROAC hurdle rate discipline applied



- Pipeline averaging 45 deals, up 20% from 2002
- Total of 288 Mandates Won ytd
- Added 64 (net new) relationships in first 5 months F2003
- Margins continue to exceed 2.50%
- GKM acquisition presents new opportunities with clients

Key performance indicators remain on track

- Coverage-based leading indicators on track
 - Meetings, pitches and mandates won
- Increasing volume of deals, new names in pipeline
- Pursuing opportunities to drive increased revenue and grow fee income
 - GKM research, sales and trading
 - Cash Management, Business Development, Capital Markets initiatives
 - Prospecting
- Positioned to capitalize on return to normal loan utilization levels



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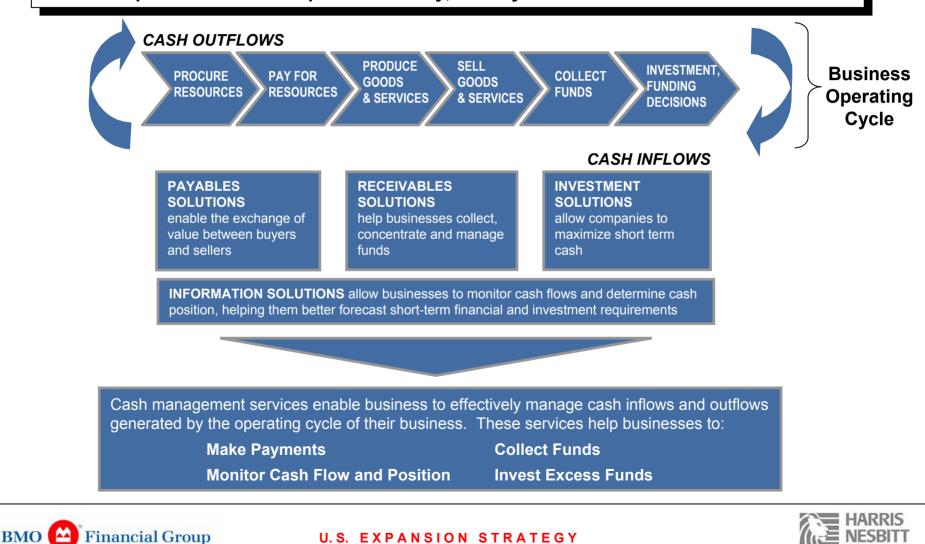
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Cash Management Business Description

Cash Management is a fundamental, non-discretionary activity for all businesses. The critical nature of this activity enables the Cash Management provider to establish deep relationships with clients that produce steady, annuity-like revenue streams.



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Appendix

Acquisition of Gerard Klauer Mattison

New York-based GKM is complementary to Harris Nesbitt and our US platform -providing a US equity research, sales and trading capability and an expanded client base



Appendix

U.S. *Acquisition* Provides Equity Distribution Capability

- New York-based equity research, sales, trading and investment bank
- Provides added value for clients:
 - U.S. research capability for Canadian investors
 - U.S research and distribution capabilities for Canadian issuing clients
 - Equity research, sales and trading services for mid-market clients served by Harris Nesbitt, Media & Communications and Energy teams
- Adds 650 institutional relationships



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Transaction:

price

US\$30MM purchase

100% share swap

> 2.4 x book value

▶ 0.3 x revenue

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