# SNC Lavalin:

Digitally Challenged to Digitally Charged

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# Challenge

How can SNC achieve digital growth in a disruptive technological landscape?

## Key Issues

- How will digital transformation affect business?
- How should design engineering change it's business model?
- How to fund digital investments?
- What to tell investors?

# **Key Objectives**

- Provide shareholder value
- Remain client focused
- Operational excellence
- Hedge against risk

#### Recommendation

Increase shareholder value through Al acquisition to achieve operational excellence in high-value, high-growth EPC sectors.

# Analysis

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## External Analysis

#### **THREATS:**

- Volatility in commodity and equity markets
- Global uncertainty (Brexit, trade agreements, tariffs)
- Technology disrupting traditional operations
   unpredictable; increased competition
- Misalignment between technical competence and technology skills

#### **OPPORTUNITIES:**

- Digitization to achieve efficiencies
- Capitalize on shifting global trends (energy, infrastructure, remediation)
- Many engineering activities are easy to replicate – potential for Al integration

Increase EPC focus on site remediation and decommissioning

#### Internal Analysis

#### **COMPETENCIES:**

- Highly diversifying, multi-national company
- Aware of disruptive industry trends
- Strong history of M&A has built on core service offerings
- Shifting business model:
  - O&G down (37% 26%)
  - EDPM up (18% 32%)

#### **ISSUES:**

- Damage to reputation resulting from 2012 crisis
- Company in transition M&A's, digital space
- Large share of business in volatile industry (O&G)
- Balance of 75:25 reimbursable vs. fixed cost projects
- Poor productivity in construction (compared to manufacturing)

Shift contract split to favour EPC Fixed-Price contracts

#### Digitization Trends

Digital processing

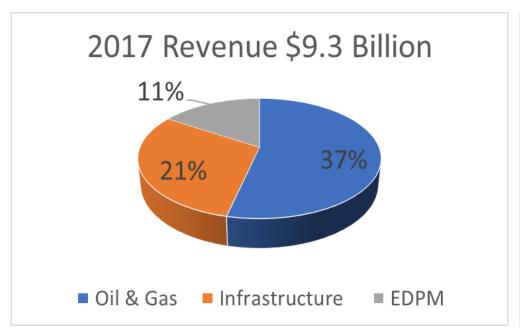
Automation and robotics

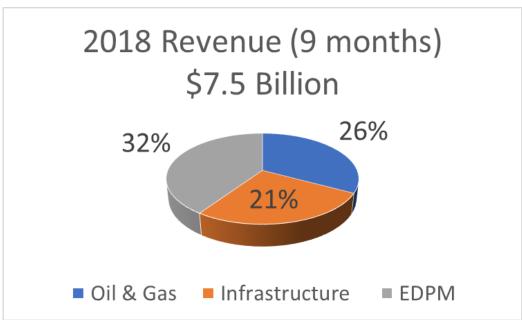
Data analysis

Predictive analytics

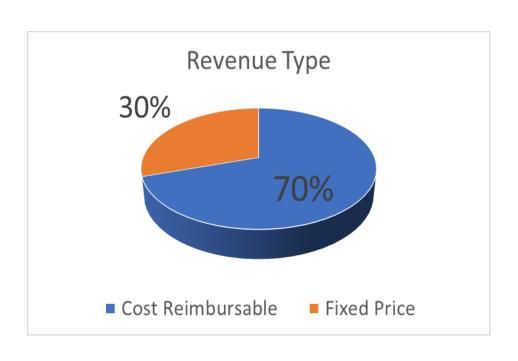
Apply digital technology to operational areas with highest value and growth to maximize efficiencies and increase project volumes

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Revenue Growth in EDPM Sector since Atkins Acquisition



#### **Cost Reimbursable**

- Reimbursed for Every Hour
- Changes in Engineering & Design compensated by the client
- Low Risk

#### **Fixed Price**

- Need to manage budget & schedule
- Changes in Engineering & Design absorbed by SNC-Lavalin
- High Risk

## Growth Through Acquisitions

#### Kentz

- Acquired for 1.16 Billion in 2014,
- Grew O&G Revenue from \$ 500 M to \$4 B to position SNC as Top 10 in O&G

#### **Atkins**

- 2017 acquired for 2.1 B Pounds
- Financed through equity & debt including a 870 million loan from Shareholder
- Hope to eliminate \$120 M CAD through by elimination of Atkin's Corp Costs, SNC Costs etc.
- Atkins pension deficit of 424 M Pounds

Who are the investors? What do they want?

Shareholders are Large Institutional Investors (Banks, Pension Funds) which require stable returns

Goal to deliver Adjusted Consolidated EPS of \$5 by 2020

# Alternatives

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#### Alternatives

1 Build Digital Competencies

2 Buy Digital Competencies

# Alternative 1: **Build** Digital Competencies

#### Advantages

"First mover" advantage

#### Disadvantages

- Not a core competence
- Time to market
- R&D costs
- Competition

# Alternative 2: **Buy** Digital Competencies

#### Advantages

- Acquire existing expertise
- Decreased R&D costs
- Decreased time to market
- History of successful acquisitions

#### Disadvantages

Merging company cultures and values

#### **Decision Matrix**

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# Implementation Plan

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## Implementation Plan

Identify areas for digitalization

Acquire Al company

Apply technologies to targeted operational areas

Focus on specific EPC fixed-price projects

#### Timeline

#### Phase 1: 0-12 months

Identify AI companies and acquire

#### Phase 2: 12-24 months

- Apply technology to key sectors
- Talent management

#### Phase 3: 24+ months

• Achieve 60-40 split in EPC

# Areas for Digitization

Standardized and/or repeatable tasks

Large scale data/trend identification

Remote/dangerous work conditions

## **Technology Constellations**

#### **Digital Twins**

Design simulation

#### **Modularization & Robotics**

Inspection and reliability maintenance

#### **Artificial Intelligence and Analytics**

• Data analytics and predictive assessment

#### Supply Chain Optimization

Construction materials marketplace

# Framework for Acquisition Candidate

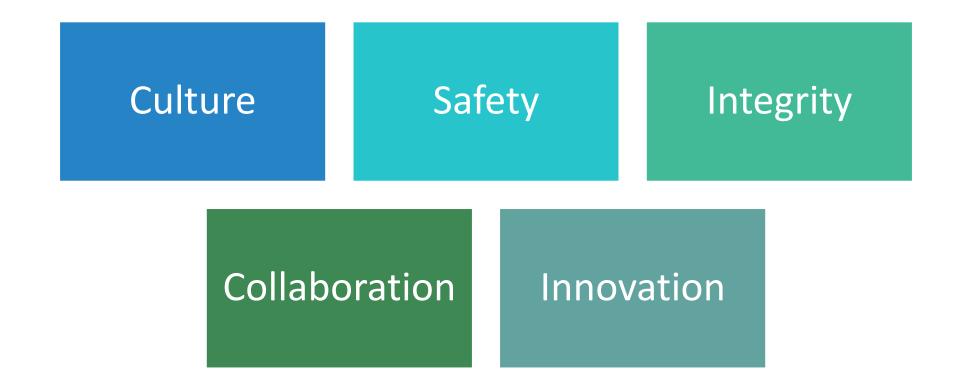
Strong Financial Performance

Proven Technology

Scalability / Applicability

SNC Value alignment

# Value Alignment



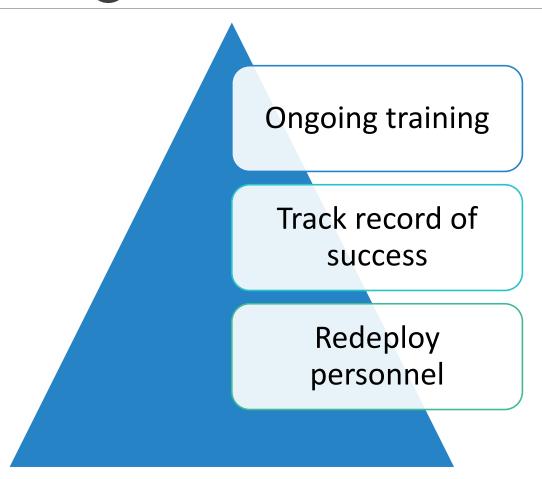
# Potential AI Companies

Oculus Rift Dragos ecoBee

#### Shift towards EPC Fixed-Price Contracts

- Decommissioning
- Inspection and reliability maintenance
- Site remediation

# Talent Management



# Financials Risks & Mitigations

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## Financial Analysis

#### Funds Required

\*\$25-50 M to Acquire Company

#### Financing Options

- Shareholder Loan
- Use Savings Identified in Atkins Merger
- Equity Financing

# **Use Savings Identified in Atkins Mergers**

- Not taking on more Debt
- Preserves Shareholder Confidence

## Financial Analysis

- Efficiencies in Al
- Decrease Engineering Man Hours
- Fixed Price Contracts become lucrative

Bid Fixed price Contracts –
 Change Mix 60/40

# Deliver Consolidated EPS to \$5 by 2020

#### Risks & Mitigations

#### Technology Choice

- Low Risk
- Strategic Framework to identify Acquisition Candidates
- Strategic Framework to Identify Areas for Digitalization

#### Competitors Move into Al

- Be First Mover
- Purchase of Al Company

#### Investors

- Low Risk
- Meet with Large Institutional Investors

# Conclusion

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#### What Success Looks Like

Provide Shareholder Value

Deliver consolidated EPS of \$5 by 2020

Remain Client Focused

Become a leader in EPC cutting edge technology

Operational Excellence

Increased efficiency within organization

Hedge Against Risk

Increasing focus on decommissioning projects Responding to future disruption

# Questions?

**THANK YOU!** 

# Contingency Plan

Develop internal competencies

- Costly
- Timely
- Would provide with intellectual property advantages