



General Electric Company

- \$130 billion revenue (2001)
- Globally diversified
- Founded by Thomas Alva Edison 1876

Honeywell International Inc.

- Diversified Technology & Manufacturing Corporation
- \$25 billion revenue (2001)
- Formed upon merger in 1999

Political Complications

- GE is highly reputable in the US M&A industry
- No complications
- European Commission (EC)
 historically affirmative of mergers
- However, skepticism about GE's market power

Personalities Involved

- Jack Welch
 - Long-Time CEO of GE
 - Strong Interest in the merger
 - Initiator



Synergies

- Expected to exceed \$3bn
- The companies complement each other
- Avionics & Automated
 Control
- Economies of Scope & Scale

Valuation Methods

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Relative Valuation

- · Enterprise vs Equity Value
- EntV more appropriate for multiple calculations
- Identifying outliers and excluding them
- · Precedent Transaction analysis
 - Multiples & Premiums paid

Intrinsic Valuation

- · Discounted Cash Flow Analysis
 - Pros & Cons
- · Perpetuity growth rate too high (5%)
 - Should be lower due to actual
 growth
- Net Debt calculations should refer to correct current date



Synergies vs Stand-Alone Valuation

- Multiples do not include potentis
- Acquisition vs Trading Differen
- Find price is similar to a demand supply equilibrium

Late Closing of Positions

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Investment Effects

- Interest \$302.94 for 254 days holding period
- Return on Investment (ROI)
 - 40% for the holding period
 - 57% annualised
- Lower ROI than Early Closing of Positions
- · However, constant share price is assumed