

Deal of the Week: BMC Software to go private in \$6.9 billion deal

Announcement Date	May 6, 2013
Acquirers	 Investor Consortium including Bain Capital, Golden Gate Capital, Venture Partners and Government of Singapore Investment Corp.
Target	BMC Software (NasdagGS:BMC)
Target Description	 Develops software that provides system and service management solutions for enterprises in the United States and internationally Founded in 1980 and headquartered in Houston, Texas
Target Financial Stats	 Market Cap: \$6.5 billion TEV: \$6.3 billion LTM EBITDA: \$694.4 million LTM EV/EBITDA: 9.1x LTM Revenue: \$2.3 billion
Price / Consideration	Price: \$6.9 billion Consideration: Cash
Acquirer Advisors	Qatalyst Partners, Credit Suisse, RBC Capital Markets and Barclays
Target Advisors	Morgan Stanley and Bank of America Merrill Lynch
Rationale	 "The deal makes sense given how much cash flow the company can manage from its mainframe operations," said Kirk Materne, an analyst at Evercore Partners Inc. (EVR) in New York. Bain is paying about nine times BMC's projected 2014 cash flow, which Materne estimates will be \$774 million "BMC believes the opportunity to become a private company will provide additional flexibility and position us to invest more strategically to drive powerful innovation and deliver cutting edge customer solutions," BMC CEO Bob Beauchamp said in a statement
Of Note	 The sale comes nearly a year after activist investor Paul Singer's hedge fund, Elliott Management Corp., began proposing new directors for the software company and agitating for a sale on the basis that BMC had underperformed compared to equities benchmarks BMC's go-shop will last 30 days There is no financing condition associated with the transaction. Credit Suisse Group, RBC Capital Markets LLC and Barclays plc agreed to provide debt financing "We thought the price at most was going to be \$48," said Joel Fishbein, an analyst at Lazard Capital Markets. "They got the lower end because buyers saw the deterioration of the company" According to the statement released by the company and the private equity firms, Elliott Management has agreed to vote its 9.6% stake in favor of the transaction This is the third largest private equity deal of 2013 to date