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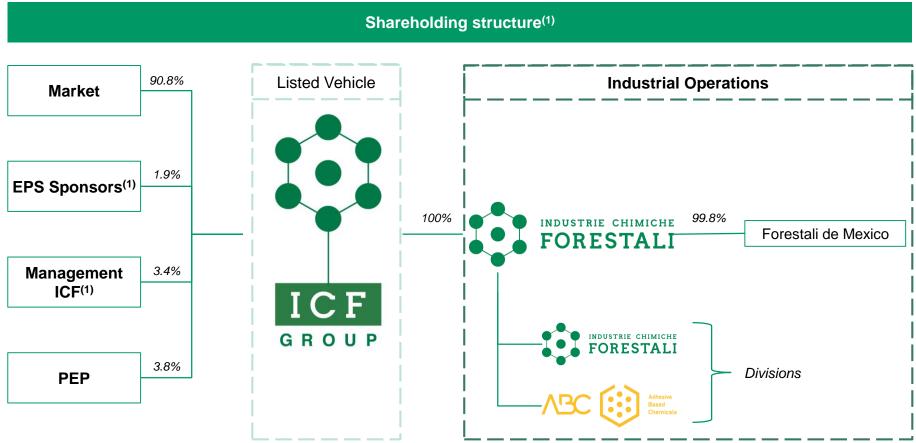


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ICF Group, a new public company listed on AIM Italia

Since the Business Combination, ICF Group (former EPS Equita PEP SPAC) is an <u>actual public company</u> controlling 100% of ICF S.p.A., a leading player in the technical adhesives and fabrics business.

The <u>mission</u> is to support further organic expansion of ICF S.p.A. operations while acting as an aggregator of companies operating in complementary business.





The «Invisible Power»

Footwear & Leather Goods





Adhesives:

- Solvent-based
- Solvent-free
- Water-based

Technical fabrics:

- Toe-puff, counters / stiffeners
- Linings and reinforcing





Technical fabric is used

in the toe puffs and

counters of the shoe.

Adhesive is used to put

together mainly uppers,

insoles and sole units



Technical fabric goes to reinforce the handle. bottom and sides of the bag. Adhesive is used to glue the linings



Adhesive is used to glue different components of the upholstery

The «Invisible Power»

Adhesives have a negligible impact on cost of production of the final article...

...But a relevant

impact on the

performance. A low quality

adhesive can lead

to serious issues

and costs (eg. destroyed shoes or stained car roof)

Automotive



Packaging



Adhesives:

- Solvent-based
- Solvent-free
- Water-based



layers headliner in a vehicle. It can be applied to light vehicles (passenger and commercial)

Adhesives are used to glue









of films layers comprising the package for various applications (food and non food)

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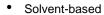


The plastic cover of The pins used in the magazines and staplers and similar periodicals objects



Product quality, customized solutions and reliability are key drivers to serve clients

Adhesives:

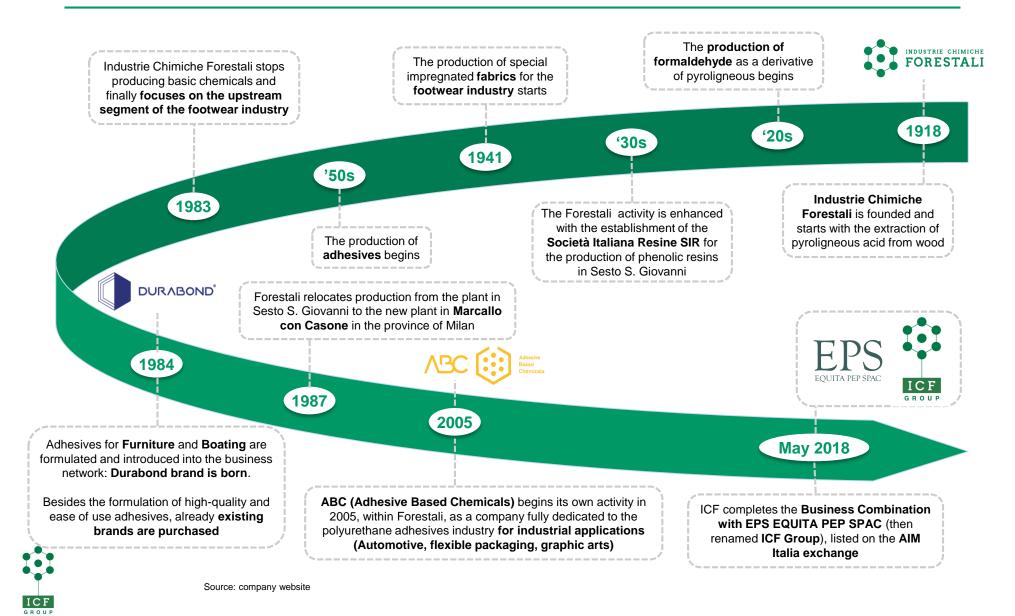


- Solvent-free
- Water-based



Source: ICF information

Industrie Chimiche Forestali: a 100-year History



Industrie Chimiche Forestali: a Leading Player in the Technical Adhesive World

Core activity

Manufacturing of adhesives and technical fabrics

ICF in numbers

Revenues 2017

EBITDA 2017

EBITDA Margin

NFP (as of 31/12/2017)

End market

Footwear Leather Goods Automotive Packaging Upholstery €79m

+6.4% CAGR 2014-2017

€9.1m

+6.7% CAGR 2014-2017

11.6% *(2017)*

14.5% (Average '15-'17)

€13.8m

1.5x leverage on EBITDA 2017

Key products

Adhesives (water-based, solvent-free, solvent-based)

Technical Fabrics (impregnated, coextruded)

126⁽¹⁾ employees

More than **1,300** products

22,000Tons

Tons Adhesive/ Year 3.5 million meters of technical

fabrics

HQs

Marcallo con Casone, Milan (Italy) Average age: 47 years

- 22 R&D employees
- **60,000** sqm. plant
- **3** labs
- 27 new products per month
- **84** quality tests per day
- More than 700 industrial clients



Note: (1) As of 31/12/2017 Source: ICF Information

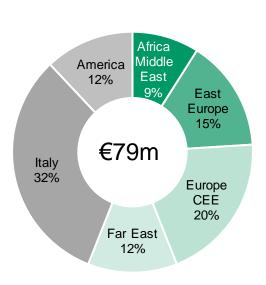
A Balanced Portfolio with a Global Exposure

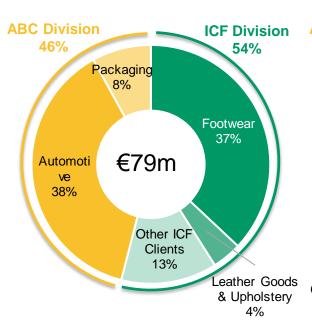
The company is export-oriented, with a balanced exposure to the Automotive, Footwear and Packaging sectors

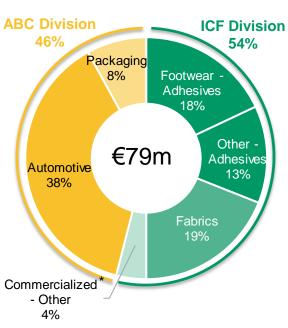


End market

Business Line







Export makes up for c. **68%** of revenues for 2017

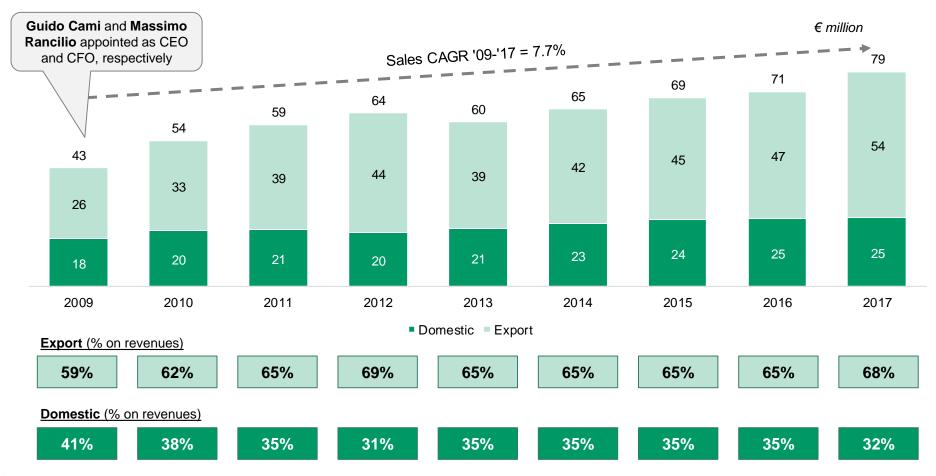
The **Automotive** and the **Footwear** market segments account for the **large** majority of revenues

ICF manufactures both adhesives (c. 31%) and fabrics (c. 19%), while ABC manufactures adhesives only



Substantial growth accelerating on Export

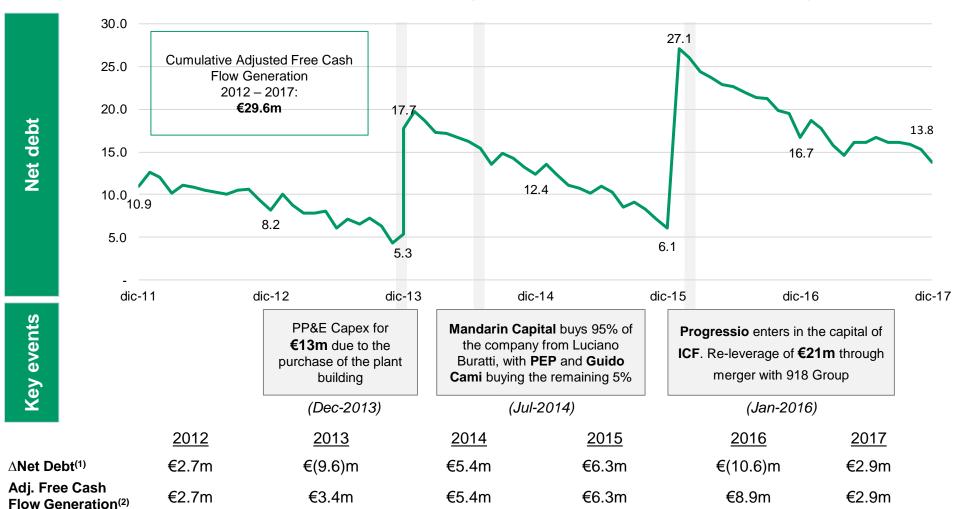
Sales have been growing at high single digit since 2009 with export accounting for 68% of group revenues in 2017





Material Free Cash Flow Generation

Cash-generative business which has been able to manage 1 extraordinary capex and 1 re-leverage in 6 years





Future Actions

Strategic actions for 2018-2020



- Development of **geographic** areas for Footwear
- China, India, Brazil, Vietnam, Indonesia



Production of water-based adhesives in Asia

Egypt, Middle East



 Increase in sales of linings and reinforcing (started in 2017), in Italy and abroad

Development of geographic areas for flexible packaging



In the mid term



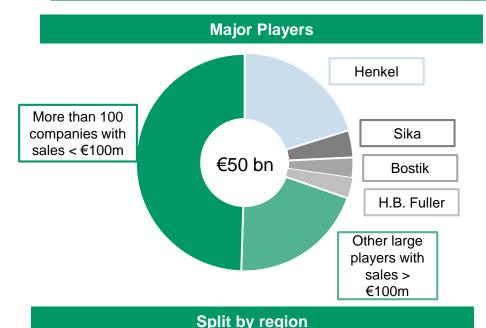
Development of a new project for adhesives with **extruded** materials

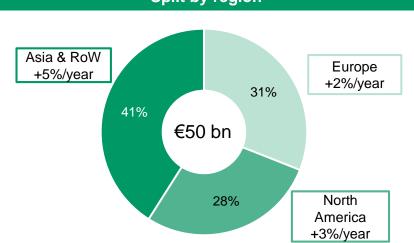


 Project for a new delivery system of adhesives



Adhesives & Sealants Industry: A Fragmented Market Space





Source: Arkema Capital Markets Day 2017

- A 50 billion euro market with strong growth drivers (3% to 3.5% a year)
- From organic growth to expansion through value accretive bolt-on acquisitions delivering high synergies as a combination of:

Purchasing synergies: raw materials, goods and services, logistics

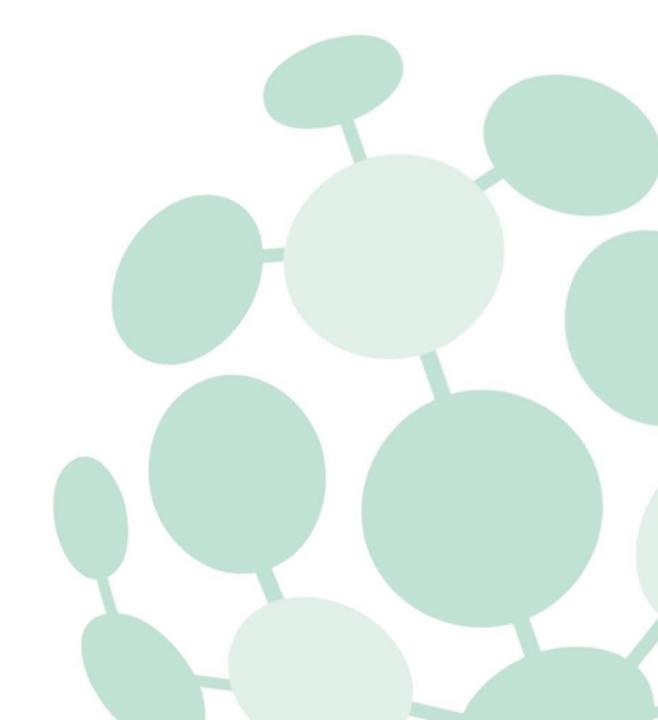
Operational excellence

Commercial synergies: new geographies, new markets, new products

ICF Group wants to act as a consolidator, exploiting:

- The high level of certifications of its products and processes
- The distribution platform as it exports worldwide 68% of sales
- Substantial free cash flow generation
- Public company status allowing also potential stock-forstock deals







Organizational Structure and Key Management

Organizational structure with 126⁽¹⁾ people coordinated by...



...an experienced management



Guido Cami Chief Executive Officer

- Graduated in Management Engineering at Politecnico di Milano
- 28 years of experience in industrial companies (Pirelli, Manifattura di Legnano, Vibram, Pechiney, Crespi, Forestali)
- Expertise: Production, Logistics, Operations, R&D, Commercial, Managing Direction
- 8+ years in Forestali as CEO



Marcello Taglietti Chief Operating Officer

- 25+ years of experience in the Operations function (Ashland Chemicals, Air Products and Chemicals, KMG Chemicals)
- 1 year in Forestali



Massimo Rancilio Chief Financial Officer

- 18 years of experience in the Finance function (Oracle, Accenture, Hexon Specialty Chemicals, MPG Plast)
- 8+ years in Forestali



Monica Moiraghi Human Resources

- 27 years of experience in the HR function
- 19+ years in Forestali



Teresa Navarro General Manager

- · General Manager at Forestali de Mexico
- 20+ years in Forestali de Mexico



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Relevant Certifications

To maintain a high commercial standing with clients, ICF obtained all the relevant certifications in the sector

Certification	Field	Obtained in:		
UNI EN ISO 9001	Quality	1997		
UNI EN ISO 14001	Environmental	1998		
Registration EMAS	Integrated	2001		
OHSAS 18001	Safety	2009		
Modello 231	Auditing	2013		
UNI EN ISO/TS 16949	Automotive	2016		

In addition:

- Three managers fully dedicated to HSE activity
- Compliant with REACH EU Regulation («Registration, Evaluation, Authorization and Restriction of Chemicals»)

Renewal costs of certifications

+

3 dedicated resources

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€400k / 500k per year to maintain commercial certifications

ICF complies with the **high standards** to maintain business relationship with **multinational clients** and **differentiate** from smaller competitors



Income Statement ICF S.p.A. 2014 – 2017: 2017 double-digit top line growth, margins affected by extraordinary increase in raw materials

€ m	2014*	2015	2016	2017	CAGR 14-17
Revenues	65,3	69,1	71,1	78,7	6,4%
Other revenues	0,1	0,3	(0,9)	1,6	
Total revenues	65,5	69,4	70,3	80,3	7,1%
Y-o-Y growth (%)	8,1%	6,0%	1,2%	14,4%	
Cost of materials	(42,2)	(42,7)	(42,4)	(55,4)	
First margin	23,3	26,7	27,9	24,9	2,3%
Margin (%)	35,6%	38,7%	39,2%	31,6%	
Services	(7,8)	(7,6)	(8,1)	(8,4)	
Production	(2,7)	(2,1)	(2,4)	(2,6)	
Commercial	(3,8)	(3,8)	(3,9)	(4,1)	
G&A	(1,2)	(1,7)	(1,8)	(1,7)	
Cost of labor	(8,0)	(7,7)	(8,1)	(8,6)	
Other costs	-	(0,7)	(0,1)	1,2	
EBITDA	7,5	10,8	11,5	9,1	6,7%
Margin (%)	11,5%	15,6%	16,2%	11,6%	
D&A	(1,9)	(1,6)	(4,8)	(4,9)	
Amortization	n.a.	(0,1)	(3,2)	(3,2)	
Depreciation	n.a.	(1,4)	(1,6)	(1,7)	
Write-downs and provisions	(0,7)	(0,4)	(0,1)	(0,1)	
EBIT	5,0	8,7	6,7	4,1	
Margin (%)	7,6%	12,6%	9,4%	5,2%	
Financial income / (expenses)	(0,5)	(0,5)	(1,0)	(1,2)	
Foreign exchange income/(expense	e. n.a.	(0,0)	(0,1)	(0,3)	
Extraordinary income/(expenses)	0,0	(0,0)	(0,1)	0,1	
EBT	4,4	8,2	5,6	2,9	
Tax	(1,8)	(2,7)	(2,5)	(1,7)	
Net income	2,7	5,5	3,1	1,3	
Margin (%)	4,1%	8,0%	4,4%	1,6%	
Net Income Adjustments	-	-	4,6	3,0	
Adjusted Net Income	2,7	5,5	7,7	4,3	

Comments on the P&L

- For FY2016 it includes €1.6m extra costs from the allocation of the merger loss⁽¹⁾ to **inventory**
- The 2017 **first margin** decreased by 7p.p. year-onyear, due to a steep increase in the prices of raw materials especially occurred in the second half of 2017
- The adjusted EBITDA for FY2016, grossing up the extra costs allocated to inventory, is €13.1m
- The D&A from 2016 onwards include €3m annually of amortization of goodwill, deriving from the merger of 918 Group Srl (former holding) and Advanced Based Chemicals Srl ("ABC") into ICF S.p.A.
- The adjusted net income for FY2016 is €7.7m, and it is calculated grossing up the cited extra costs allocated to inventory for €1.6m and the amortization of goodwill for €3.0m, both non-deductible costs. The adjusted net income for FY2017 is calculated net of the impact of the goodwill amortization

The consolidation of ICF Group (post business combination of May 2018) will add some recurrent operating costs (estimated at around €0.3m), non recurrent costs for the business combination and a further goodwill amortization for €2.9m



Balance Sheet ICF S.p.A. 2014 – 2017

€ m	2014*	2015	2016	2017
Inventory	7,6	7,7	8,2	11,2
Accounts receivables	17,8	18,5	17,9	20,1
Accounts payable	(12,2)	(11,8)	(13,9)	(18,0)
Trade working capital	13,2	14,4	12,3	13,2
Total other assets / (liabilities)	(1,3)	(2,4)	(1,4)	(0,6)
Working capital	11,9	11,9	10,9	12,7
Intangible assets	1,5	1,1	28,3	25,3
Tangible assets	14,4	13,6	17,4	16,8
Financial assets	0,1	0,0	0,0	0,0
Fixed assets	16,0	14,7	45,7	42,2
Employees' leaving indemnities	(8,0)	(8,0)	(8,0)	(8,0)
Other funds	n.a.	(0,4)	(0,6)	(0,5)
Net invested capital	27,2	25,5	55,1	53,5
Share capital	5,9	5,9	5,9	5,9
Reserves	6,2	8,0	29,5	32,6
Net income to the parent company	2,7	5,5	3,1	1,3
Minority interests	n.a.	(0,0)	(0,0)	(0,0)
Shareholders' equity	14,8	19,4	38,5	39,7
LT debt	10,7	7,8	24,6	20,4
ST debt	n.a.	2,5	2,6	2,3
Other financial debt	1,7	-	-	-
Financial debt	12,4	10,3	27,2	22,7
Cash & equivalents	(0,0)	(4,2)	(10,6)	(8,9)
Net financial position	12,4	6,1	16,7	13,8
Sources	27,2	25,5	55,1	53,5

Comments on the BS

- Intangible assets as of FY2017 include €24m of the residual goodwill from the merger of 918 Group Srl, ICF and ABC, amortized over a 10-year period
- **Financial debt** decreased in FY2017 because of the positive Free Cash Flow generation

The consolidation of ICF Group will increase
Intangible assets for c. €29m and the net
liquidity by around €3m



Cash Flow Statement ICF S.p.A. 2015 – 2017: Material FCF generation despite margin contraction

€ m	2015*	2016	2017
Net income	5,5	3,1	1,3
D&A	1,6	4,8	4,9
Provisions	0,3	0,5	0,4
Write-downs	0,0	0,0	(0,1)
ΔWC	0,4	1,4	(2,2)
Other cash items	(0,6)	-	-
Cash flows from operations	7,3	9,8	4,4
Tangible capex	(1,0)	(0,7)	(1,2)
Intangible capex	-	(0,2)	(0,3)
Investment in Financial assets			
Cash flows from investing	(1,0)	(0,9)	(1,5)
Operating Free Cash Flow	6,3	8,9	2,9
Debt issuance / (reimbursement)	(2,1)	(2,6)	(4,6)
Cash flows from financing	(2,1)	(2,6)	(4,6)
Available cash flows	4,2	6,3	(1,7)

Comments on the CF Statement

- In FY2017, the change in working capital was mainly attributable to (i) a small increase in inventory and (ii) higher tax cash out due to the strongly positive results of FY2016
- The operating free cash flow was exceptionally high in 2016 because of higher than average margins
- The group consistently **generated free cash flows from operations** also in 2017 regardless of the decrease in profitability
- The company did not distribute dividends during the period 2015-2017 and the cash generated from operations has been used to deleverage the company
- The business model of ICF does not require high level of investment in terms of working capital and capex, therefore supporting the generation of positive cash flows

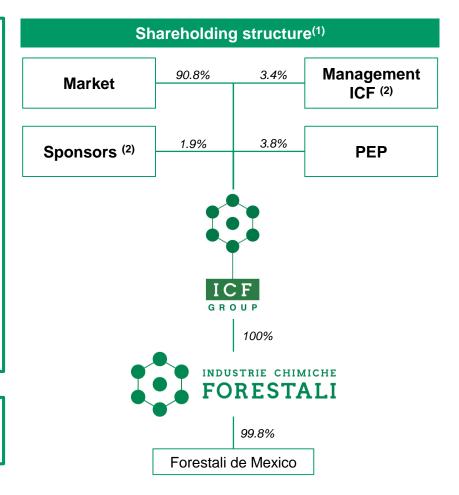


An actual public company with full alignment of interests

The Management and Private Equity Partners injected new financial resources in the Group for future development

- ICF Group free float is more than 90%, the market is the dominant shareholder
- Being a public company with a fragmented ownership, opens up to stock-for-stock targeted acquisitions to broaden the product portfolio and served markets
- At the business combination (May 2018) the Management and PEP subscribed a €5.1m ICF Group capital increase (€2.2m contributed by the management and €2.9m by PEP) @ €10 per share, thus fully aligning their interests with the market. They all agreed to a 36 months lock-up clause
- EPS Spac Sponsors sold 20% of their special shares to the management as a further incentive for performance

As of May 21, 2018, the total number of shares is 7,695,087, of which **7,542,913 ordinary shares (listed) and 152,174** special shares (unlisted)





Board of Directors

ICF Group Board of Directors













Fabio Buttignon
Independent Director

Stefano Caselli
Independent Director

Marco Carlizzi
Independent Director

Paola Giannotti de Ponti Independent Director

ICF Board of Directors





Guido CamiChairman of the Board & CEO



Giovanni Campolo *Director*



Rossano Rufini Director

The Board has **3 directors**, two of which nominated by the holding company ICF Group





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