# Distribution Solutions Group Announces Strategic Acquisition of Winzer and FastServ Supply

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FORT WORTH, Texas--**Distribution Solutions Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: DSGR) ("DSG" or the "Company")**, a premier specialty distribution company, today announced a definitive agreement to acquire GradeEight Holdings, LLC (“GradeEight”), a multi-brand MRO distribution platform utilizing a national network of franchisees under Winzer Corporation (“Winzer”), and retail-facing storefronts through FastServ Supply located in Texas and Arkansas.

Founded in 1978, Winzer is a principal operating company of GradeEight Holdings, LLC. Through its MRO distribution model, Winzer serves customers across all 50 states, Puerto Rico, Mexico, and Canada, supported by distribution facilities in Texas and Michigan. A key differentiator of the business is its network of more than 270 franchisees, serving approximately 12,000 customers and providing access to a product portfolio of over 65,000 SKUs. In addition to its MRO distribution operations, GradeEight operates FastServ Supply, a brick-and-mortar retail chain with eight locations across Texas and Arkansas. Both businesses, along with their e-commerce site, serve a diverse range of end markets, including automotive, construction, manufacturing, transportation & logistics, government and public sector, energy, agriculture, and other industrial sectors.

“GradeEight, through its Winzer and FastServ Supply businesses, has successfully built a differentiated on-site business with committed franchisees serving a loyal customer base and enjoying a strong market presence across the MRO market and retail channels,” said J. Bryan King, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Distribution Solutions Group. “Their complementary capabilities, broad marketplace coverage, and established presence enhance DSG’s platform and our ability to serve customers across key regions. We are excited to invest in tools, products, and other growth opportunities for its franchisees and FastServ locations to deepen engagement with their customers. We are pleased to welcome the GradeEight team to DSG and look forward to leveraging our combined strengths to drive continued growth and value for our customers, suppliers and associates.”

“This transaction represents an exciting new chapter for GradeEight. By joining DSG and working alongside the Lawson Products team, we gain access to expanded resources, product categories, and operational capabilities that will benefit our customers and supplier partners,” said Cody Patterson, CEO of GradeEight Holdings. “We are grateful for the relationships we have developed over the years and believe this combination positions our franchisees, our business and our employees for continued success and new opportunities in the future.”

GradeEight Holdings generates approximately $110 million in annual sales and is expected to be accretive to DSG's Adjusted EBITDA margins on a go-forward basis. The transaction will be funded through DSG's existing cash and availability under its amended credit agreement and is expected to close in the fourth quarter of 2026, subject to customary closing conditions.

About GradeEight Holdings

GradeEight Holdings is a national distributor of Maintenance, Repair, and Operations (MRO) products with approximately 190 associates and 270 franchisees serving customers across the United States. GradeEight supplies fasteners, electrical supplies, chemicals, shop supplies, automotive supplies, safety supplies, cutting tools, abrasives, hydraulics, and janitorial supplies. GradeEight's mission is to build a great MRO company by providing quality products and comprehensive solutions through unmatched service while helping customers succeed and associates thrive.

About Distribution Solutions Group, Inc.

DSG is a premier multi-platform specialty distribution company providing high-touch, value-added distribution solutions to the maintenance, repair & operations (MRO), original equipment manufacturer (OEM) and industrial technologies markets. DSG was formed through the strategic combination of Lawson Products, a leader in MRO distribution of C-parts, including the Canada Branch Division; Gexpro Services, a leading global supply chain services provider to manufacturing customers; and TestEquity, a leader in electronic test & measurement and supply solutions.

Through its collective businesses, DSG is dedicated to helping customers lower their total cost of operation by increasing productivity and efficiency with the right products, expert technical support, and fast, reliable delivery to be a one-stop solution provider. DSG serves over 200,000 customers in several diverse end markets supported by approximately 4,300 dedicated employees and strong vendor partnerships. DSG ships from strategically located distribution and service centers to customers in North America, Europe, Asia, South America and the Middle East.

For more information on Distribution Solutions Group, please visit www.distributionsolutionsgroup.com.