Private Equity Capital Markets Update October 2025



Ropes & Gray's tip-of-the-month:

- Now that the government shutdown is approaching record length, some IPO issuers have brought registration statements effective by removing the delaying amendment on the cover
- The advisability of this strategy is a facts and circumstances determination based on the individual status of the SEC's review of the registration statement and whether comments are substantially resolved
- There could be risks associated with this strategy for issuers who have not cleared substantive comments, including:
 - the risk that the SEC imposes a stop-order on the issuance of shares, effectively halting the offering
 - the risk that the SEC might request that the issuer re-file with a delaying amendment while the corporation finance staff finishes its review, or
 - the risk that the examiner requests that the issuer file a post-effective amendment once the SEC reopens. This type of filing would provide a roadmap for potential plaintiffs looking for a material misstatement or omission in the pricing disclosure package

Private Equity-Backed IPOs Priced (H2 2025)

| IPO Date | Company | Sponsor | Offering Size (\$M) | Industry | Returns | | |
|--------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|-----------------|
| | | | | | Last 30 Days | Last 60 Days | Vs. Offer Price |
| 08-Oct-25 | Phoenix Education Partners Inc | Apollo, Vistria Group | \$156 | Prof. Services | | | 15% |
| 08-Oct-25 | Alliance Laundry Holdings Inc | BDT & MSD Partners | \$950 | Machinery | | | 20% |
| 30-Sep-25 | Neptune Insurance Holdings Inc | Bregal Investments, FTV Capital | \$424 | Insurance | 4% | | 7% |
| 16-Sep-25 | WaterBridge Infrastructure | Five Point Infrastructure | \$729 | Oil & Gas | -6% | | 20% |
| 11-Sep-25 | Black Rock Coffee Bar | Cynosure Group | \$338 | Consumer | 15% | | 28% |
| 11-Sep-25 | Legence Corp | Blackstone | \$826 | Construction | 31% | | 48% |
| 13-Aug-25 | Miami International Holdings | Warburg Pincus | \$397 | Finance | 12% | 20% | 90% |
| 06-Aug-25 | Firefly Aerospace | AE Industrial Partners | \$999 | Aerospace | -9% | -45% | -46% |
| 23-Jul-25 | McGraw Hill | Platinum Equity | \$415 | Publishing | -8% | -21% | -34% |
| 23-Jul-25 | Accelerant | Altamont Capital Partners | \$832 | Insurance | -18% | -45% | -45% |
| 22-Jul-25 | NIQ Global Intelligence | Advent International, KKR | \$1,050 | Prof. Services | -19% | -26% | -41% |
| S&P 500 | | | | | | 7% | |
| Russell 2000 | | | | | | 6% | |

Registered Private Equity-Backed Follow-On Offerings (October 2025)

| Date | Company | Sponsor | Offering Size (\$M) | Industry | Issuance Discount ⁽¹⁾ | % Company Sold |
|-----------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------|
| 21-Oct-25 | Aveanna Healthcare Holdings | Bain Capital, JH Whitney | \$104 | Healthcare | -12.0% | 5.5% |

^{(1) &}quot;Issuance Discount" represents public offering price discount to last trade before pricing

PE-Backed IPOs and Follow-Ons by Industry (LTM)

