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Setting the Facts Straight

April 2020

MG Capital's Approach: Heavy on Falsehoods, Light on Facts

MG Capital advances false and misleading narratives...

not supported by the facts

False Narrative: The Board has let Philip Falcone misuse HC2 resources

Mr. Falcone has <u>NEVER</u> used company resources for his personal benefit, including legal services (slide 2)

✓ Mr. Falcone is NOT "extracting" ~\$4M to Harbinger Capital through an opaque service agreement (slide 3)

NON-EXISTENT relationship between HC2 and Everest Entertainment (slide 4)

False Narrative: Avie Glazer is not independent

Avie Glazer is a FULLY independent Board candidate and represents all stockholder interests (slide 5)

* False Narrative: HC2, which is run by Mr. Falcone, is providing investment management services to Continental General

V HC2's insurance segment is making prudent and appropriate investment decisions in the best interests of policyholders (slide 6)

* False Narrative: HC2 Engages in Questionable Accounting Practices

MG Capital's attack on HC2's isolated 2014 accounting issues were properly corrected years ago (slide 7)

MG Capital's false attacks concerning HC2's KMG acquisition are misleading and baseless (slide 8)

✓ The Audit Committee acted prudently by sharing MG Capital's letter with Mr. Falcone (slide 9)

V DBM Global shares were not "revalued", and HC2's valuation of DBM Global is completely appropriate (slide 10)

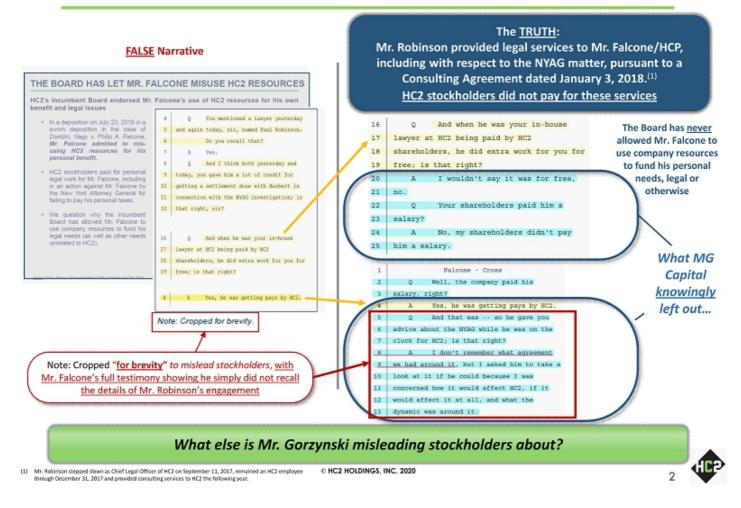
Ealse Narrative: Mr. Falcone's regulatory issues limit opportunities for HC2's stockholders

Mr. Falcone took a company with one asset and in six years built an established and diversified holding company (slide 11)

Why is MG Capital leading investors down this road?



Mr. Falcone Has Never Used Company Resources for His Personal Benefit, Including Legal Services



HC2 is Not "Extracting" ~\$4M to Harbinger Capital Through an Opaque Service Agreement

Disclosure, Page F-63, 2019 Form 10-K

MG Capital's Selective Citation:

"In January 2015, the Company entered into an arm's length services agreement (the "Services Agreement") with Harbinger Capital Partners ("HCP"), a related party of the Company. The Services Agreement includes the provision of services such as providing office space, certain administrative salaries and benefits, and other overhead, and each party making available their respective employees to provide services as reasonably requested by the other party, subject to any limitations contained in applicable employment agreements and the terms of the Services Agreement."

But is Missing the Full Disclosure:

The <u>TRUTH</u>:

The Services Agreement is <u>not opaque</u> and <u>described in</u> <u>full</u> in the 2019 Form 10-K. HC2 discloses more facts on the Agreement which are blatantly ignored by MG Capital as it did not <u>fit their narrative</u>

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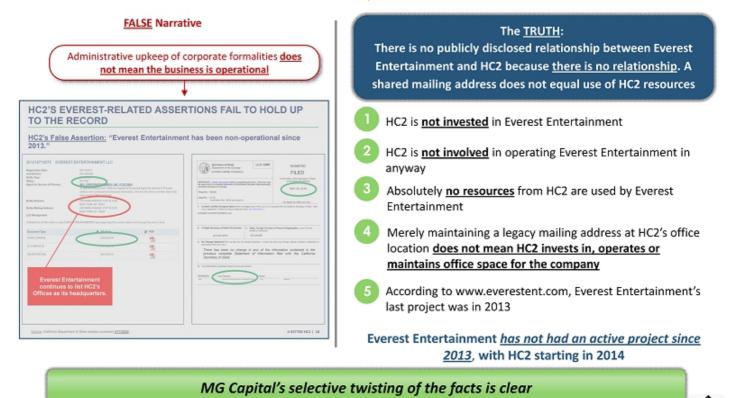
"The costs allocated between Office space is an allocation of a HC2 employees. Time of admin entity and other shared overhei based on amounts used for each Management of shared overheia to HC2 at the beginning of 2019.	ctual costs based on square, istrative personnel is alloca ad is based on actual shared vendor, id and certain administrative	footage and directly used by ited by time spent on each d overhead and is allocated personnel were transferred	The costs allocated between HC2 and HCP are based on actual costs
		charged back to her on	
the same basis described abo	ove.~		
Allowed to HC2 by BCP Other paper Alasta starts with the and bear the Other tander or worked	Corporate 004ee 110 5 1.8 5 9.4	Taul 83 5 2.6 20 92	Rent was ~\$1.8M at Corporate and \$0.8M at Broadcasting, Life Sciences and Insurance
Total Expenses		4.6 2.7	
Campel back to HCP by HC2 Administrative address and benefits Other shared overhead Total locous	02 01 03	80 02 80 01 80 03	~\$2.4M in total for 2019 <u>varies</u> from 2018 <u>due to</u> <u>actual use</u>
Net related party activity	5 15 5	1.8 5 2.4	

MG Capital's deliberate contortion of the facts is alarming

A Relationship Between HC2 and Everest Entertainment Simply Does Not Exist

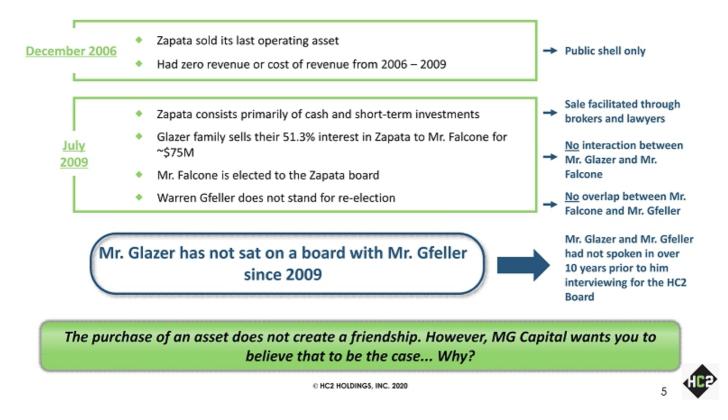
MG Capital highlights an insubstantial relationship between HC2 and Everest Entertainment,

which has been non-operational since 2013



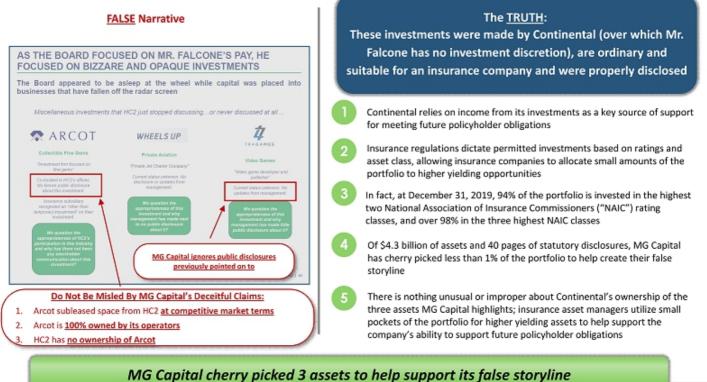
Zapata – The Real Story

"The board's most recent announcement that it is considering adding Avram Glazer to the board and appointing him chairman appears to be an additional step in the right direction. While Glazer has a prior business relationship with some of the incumbent directors, including Chairman Gfeller and director Leffler, there is no evidence that he maintained ties with Falcone after he sold Zapata to Harbinger." – ISS, Benchmark Proxy Report Published April 23, 2020



HC2's Insurance Segment is Making Prudent and Appropriate Investment Decisions in the Best Interests of Policy Holders

MG Capital's continuous fixation on a handful of cherry-picked alternative and fixed income investments made by Continental (not HC2) is just another shallow attempt to cast a dispersion upon Mr. Falcone





Why Does MG Capital Attack HC2's 2014 Accounting Issues Which Were Properly Corrected Years Ago?

MG Capital is trying desperately to create a record of continued accounting issues to support their false narrative around the BPG in an attempt to distract investors from their unsuitable business plan and dissident slate

FALSE Narrative	The <u>TRUTH</u> :
THE BOARD HAS HAD ACCOUNTING ISSUES DATING BACK TO 2014	HC2 properly addressed and corrected any accounting
In 2014, the incumbent Board reported a material weakness in internal controls in Ex 19-4.	deficiencies that stemmed solely from its 2014 financials
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More for a contract of a formation apport, yet he was Channess of the CHE MAN Actic Converties, unit HC2 added here directors in September 2014. Actic Converties, unit HC2 added here directors in September 2014. Actic Converties	HC2's Board and management quickly remediated the internal control issue during HC2's first year as a Company by hiring a new CFO and additional CPAs, making organizational structural changes, increasing review activities and engaging additional external advisors ⁽¹⁾
his issue is from 2014 ity and is deceitfully gr advantage of the ct that all periods preafter had to be plated 2014 issue 1. If the the search of the search of the search the search of the search of the search of the search the search of the search of the search of the search the search of the search of the search of the search the search of the search of the search of the search the search of the search of the search of the search the search of the search of the search of the search the search of the search of the search of the search the search of the search of the search of the search the search of the search of the search of the search the search of the search of the search of the search the search of the search of the search of the search the search of the search of the search of the search the search of the search of the search of the search the search of the search of the search of the search the search of the search of the search of the search the search of the search of the search of the search the search of the search of the search of the search the search of the search of the search of the search the search of the search of the search of the search of the search the search of the search of the search of the search of the search the search of the search of the search of the search of the search the search of the search of the search of the search of the search the search of the search of the search of the search of the search the search of the searc	Shouldn't MG Capital be more focused on presenting stockholders with a viable business plan instead of attempting to mislead investors based o an isolated accounting deficiency that was corrected years ago?

The accounting issues in the first year of operations do not support the false narrative continued accounting issues... Again, the facts do not support the false storylines

Picase refer to item 9A in HE2's 2015 Form 10-K for additional details around the remediation of HE2's 2014
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MG Capital's False Attacks Concerning HC2's KMG Acquisition Are Misleading and Baseless

- There are <u>no</u> relevant similarities to the issues in the Miller case
- MG Capital continues to mention the Miller case to support their <u>false storyline</u>

Miller	КМС
 Relied upon reserves reports that did not present fair value AND were prepared for another purpose 	 Fair valued assets (primarily marketable securities) in accordance with US GAAP directly for this purpose
 Misrepresented fair values developed by management as third party 	 Fair valued liabilities in accordance with US GAAP, using nationally-recognized actuaries' advice, directly for this purpose
 Double counted fixed assets 	 Consulted with a Big 4 accounting firm and a nationally- recognized valuation firm
 Errors in forecasting 	\checkmark Employed heightened scrutiny throughout the process
 Incorrect facts supporting a BPG 	Biggest driver was a 14% reduction in the applicable tax rate between signing (i.e., pricing) and closing, which led to higher expected after-tax cash flows over the life of the policies and, thus, a higher value of net assets received in the transaction, leading to a BPG

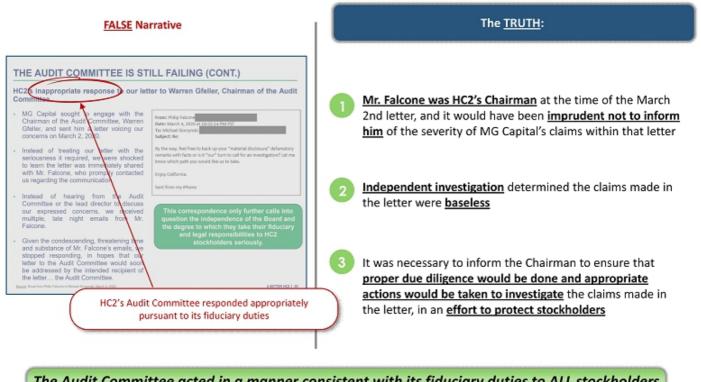
MG Capital is trying to raise investor doubt about something that warrants no concern

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The Audit Committee Acted Prudently by Sharing MG Capital's Letter with Mr. Falcone



The Audit Committee acted in a manner consistent with its fiduciary duties to <u>ALL</u> stockholders despite MG Capital's attempts to twist the narrative for its false storyline

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HC2's Valuations of DBM Global are Completely Appropriate

HC2 did not "re-value" DBM Global to boost NAV or otherwise

The TRUTH: **FALSE** Narrative DBM Global was valued according to an independent, third party given the underlying inefficiencies in the over-IT IS TIME TO ADDRESS THE AUDIT COMMITTEE'S the-counter ("OTC") market. NAV consideration had no PERSISTENT LAPSES bearing on the valuation The Audit Committee endorsed what we view as a highly-questionable revaluation of DBM Global's shares. Between 2014 and the end of 2017, HC2 had paid between \$31.50 and \$44.50 per share with the last purchase on November 21, 2017 8% of DBM Global is traded on an illiquid OTC market paid between 331-30 and see 30 per share with the last purchase on November 21, 2017 at \$44.50. <u>Based on 3,555,819 shares</u> owned by IHC2, the stake in DBM Global at \$44.50. would have been worth approximately \$158.7 million. where the share prices are not reflective of DMB Global's true fair value Less than 3 months after the last purchase on November 21, 2017 at \$44.50 a share, HC2 sold 20,800 shares of OBM Global to its subsidiary Continential General for a purchase price of \$13.21 per share. We note that on the same day - February 14, 2018 – some shares traded OTC at \$470.00 a Given its low daily volume and very wide bid / ask spread, it is evident that DBMG OTC trades in a very inefficient <u>market</u> Based on the sele to the insurance subsidiary at \$132.21 per share, the stake in DBM Global would have been worth approximately \$471.4 million – or an increase of approximately \$312.7 million in less than 3 For instance, the average Bid/Ask spread over the past year was over ~\$10⁽¹⁾ Mr. Falcone made \$11.5 million in 2018 rporate Bonus was based on the change in the Company "Net Asset Value " MG Capital is either not aware of this fact and concept or has chosen to again ignore the facts to support his storyline DBM Global's fair value at the time had the full impact of the 2017 tax reform, resulting in lower tax rates, record backlog including the signing of the LA Rams stadium and favorable market conditions MG Capital's view of a "highly-questionable revaluation" demonstrates that either MG Capital does not understand the market or is attempting to mislead stockholders

Per Bioomberg, the average Bid/Ask reported from 03/24/2019 to 04/24/2020.

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MG Capital states Mr. Falcone's regulatory issues limit opportunities for HC2 stockholders However, MG Capital fails to acknowledge that: Mr. Falcone created the vision for HC2 and built the company up from one struggling asset to the company that MG Capital now claims to have valuable and viable assets MG Capital's smear attacks on Mr. Falcone "being banned" by the SEC and New York insurance sector have NO impact on HC2 because: HC2 is a public holding company and not an investment advisor 1. HC2 does not operate an insurance company 2. Mr. Falcone maintains positive relationships with HC2's stakeholders to promote a constructive dialogue and best position HC2 for future opportunities: "HC2's fulsome support of DBM Global's management enabled us to grow to \$75M **Rustin Roach** of adjusted EBITDA in 2019, from \$45M in 2014. This support has allowed DBM DBM Global, Inc. Global to implement and deploy a platform growth strategy that has generated greater and more recurring revenue streams, creating additional value for Chief Executive Officer stakeholders" Drew West "Phil and HC2's team have been extremely supportive in helping us reach American Natural Gas, LLC our successes to date and have set us up for an even brighter future" Founder & Chief Executive Officer

Mr. Falcone has provided stockholders with continuous investment opportunities and will continue to do so

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Mark the "REVOKE MY CONSENT" boxes to oppose each of MG Capital's proposals and support HC2's independent, experienced and highly qualified directors



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