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Subject to and without waiving these objections, Abex Corporation, Pneumo Abex LLC's predecessor, as defined herein, was incorporated as the American Brake Shoe and Foundry Company in New Jersey in 1902, and was reincorporated as that company in 1916 in Delaware. In 1926, the American Brake Shoe and Foundry Company caused to be incorporated a New York corporation named American Brake Materials Corporation. In 1933, American Brake Materials Corporation changed its name to American Brakeblok Corporation. In 1937, American Brakeblok Corporation merged with the American Brake Shoe and Foundry Company, and was thereafter operated as the American Brakeblok Division of that company. In 1943, the American Brake Shoe and Foundry Company changed its name to the American Brake Shoe Company. In 1966, the American Brake Shoe Company changed its name to Abex Corporation.

In 1968, Abex Corporation became a wholly owned subsidiary of Illinois Central Industries, Inc. Illinois Central Industries, Inc. later changed its name to IC Industries, Inc. Abex later became a wholly owned subsidiary of IC Products Company, itself a wholly owned subsidiary of IC Industries, Inc. (IC Industries, Inc. changed its name to Whitman Corporation in 1988).

In 1988, Abex Corporation was sold to PA Holdings Corporation. In 1990, Abex Corporation was absorbed into PA Holdings Corporation, which later changed its name to Pneumo Abex Corporation. In 2004, Pneumo Abex Corporation was merged into Pneumo Abex