

Riverside Partners Sells BarrierSafe Solutions International to Linden LLC & The Edgewater Funds

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[Riverside Partners](#), based in Boston, MA, is pleased to announce the sale of its portfolio company, [BarrierSafe Solutions International](#), ("BSSI") to Linden LLC and The Edgewater Funds.

Headquartered in Reno, NV, BSSI is a leading designer and manufacturer of medical examination and food service gloves as well as other cross contamination products. BSSI sells more than six billion gloves annually across 180 product families under two umbrella brands: FoodHandler® and Microflex®. By focusing on premium products, BSSI has built leading market shares in the food service, emergency medical services, automotive, dental, laboratory, and industrial markets. BSSI was created in 2004 through the merger MicroFlex, a Riverside Partners' portfolio company, and FoodHandler, a portfolio company of StoneCreek Capital.

"We are delighted with the outcome of our partnership with Riverside Partners. Riverside added a tremendous amount of value to the company by facilitating the merger with Foodhandler as well as the acquisition of the Micro Active antimicrobial technology. The company is now well positioned to grow and we are looking forward to working with our new partners," said Mike

Mattos, CEO of BSSI.

"The management team at BarrierSafe Solutions did a tremendous job growing the company and we are very happy with the result of our investment in BSSI," said David Belluck, a General Partner at Riverside.

About BSSI

Created in 2004 through the merger of MicroFlex and FoodHandler, BSSI develops and distributes gloves for medical (non-hospital), industrial, and food service markets with facilities in Reno, NV.

About Riverside Partners

Founded in 1989, Riverside Partners is a middle market private equity firm currently investing Riverside Fund III, L.P. The fund focuses on growth oriented companies primarily in the healthcare and technology industries. Riverside is particularly experienced at partnering with founders, owners and management teams and it brings substantial domain expertise and operating experience to its portfolio companies. The partners at Riverside have managed more than \$500 million in investments in over 50 companies. We are currently focused on companies with revenues between \$20 - 200 million and with \$5 - 25 million of EBITDA.

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