



# Quality of Earnings Reviews

## **US-based Hedge Fund**

25

new ideas analyzed per year

30% time savings

\$600k annualized cost savings

2 outsourced analysts

### **CLIENT CHALLENGES**

The client, an event-driven hedge fund, needed analysts to screen investment ideas. It needed a senior-level, highly skilled analyst with a strong background in financial accounting and investment research.

A typical review covers:

- » Complex modelling of operational and financial data to confirm quality of earnings
- » Review of thematic and industry research and comparison with peers
- » Writing of investment notes

### **OUR APPROACH**

- » Extensively customized the forensic analysis model to suit the client's investment due diligence process
- » Allocated a senior analyst with a strong financial and investment research background and ability to write investment notes

#### **IMPACT DELIVERED**

- » Screened 25 new investment ideas per year
- » Enabled the client to replicate an internal review mechanism to either confirm or contradict its investment review process
- » Helped the client save 30% of its time on performing investment research due diligence to focus on investment idea generation
- » Saved c.\$0.6 annually for the client

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