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The Pantresse Company was purchased by The Alberto-Culver Company in a transaction valued at \$27.5 million.



L&L Capital Partners, LLC acted as a direct investor and financial advisor to Pantresse in this transaction.

About The Alberto-Culver Company: The Alberto-Culver Company is a multi-national manufacturer and marketer of hair and skin beauty care products led by its global brands: Alberto VO5, St. Ives, and TRESemme. The company's products are sold worldwide in over 120 countries.

About Pantresse: Pantresse is a Boston based hair care products company which sells shampoos, conditioners, hair sprays and related products mainly throughout the US and Mexico. Pantresse hair products are primarily used by people with fine or thinning hair.

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