What Makes a Great Distributor CEO?

CEO Assessment	Considerations	Rating: (10 = Best)
Achieves Joint Business Targets	Committed and dependable.	
Dedication to Your Business	• Knows details. Visits your HQ.	
Willing to Invest	People, technology, brand building.	
Strong Customer Relations	• Senior contacts at top retailers.	
Relationship With Brand Owners	From export manager to CEO.	
Response Time	• Same day to one week?	
Thinks Like A Marketer	• Creative, brand building ideas.	
Frequent Visits: Retail Stores	Good grasp of retail conditions.	
Problem Solving	• "Hands on," responsive.	
Compound Annual Growth Rate	• Flat to 10% or more.	
Cost to Serve Transparency	• Detailed understanding of costs.	
Celebrates Team Success	Awards, promotions, raises.	
CPG/FMCG Background	Senior level external experience.	
Years of Service	• New to 20 years or more.	
Local Industry Leader	High profile in community.	
Work Ethic	• Office time vs. overseas trips?	
Information Technology (IT)	• Invests in "best in class" IT.	
Ethical and Trustworthy	• Principled, respected partner.	
Respects Manufacturer's P & L	• Sells profitable cases.	
Relationship: Entire Team	• Finance, logistics, adminstration.	