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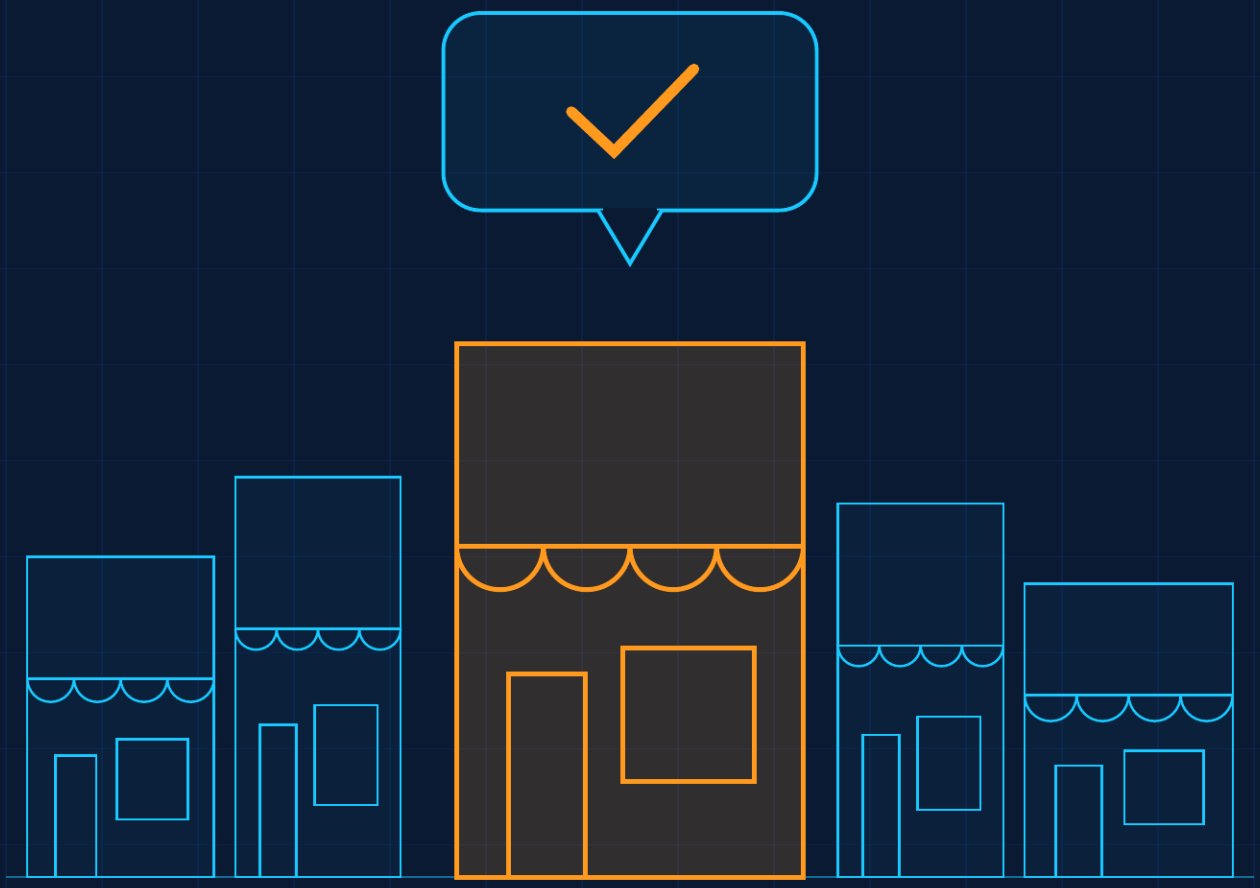

PRODUCT GUIDE

The First Sale Shortcut

How to Find One Interested Business Owner, Show Them an Opportunity, and Turn It Into Your First Paying MarketSpy Client

INTRODUCTION

Your First Sale Starts With One Business

Your first MarketSpy sale doesn't require a website, a big audience, hundreds of leads, or an established marketing agency.

You need one business owner who has a problem or opportunity worth investigating, a useful piece of research, and a straightforward offer.

MarketSpy AI helps you uncover information about local competitors and turn that information into professional reports you can sell.

But here's something important:

You don't need to complete an entire report before you find someone willing to buy it.

Instead, you can conduct a small amount of preliminary research, identify an interesting opportunity, and use that finding to start a conversation.

This guide will show you how to do exactly that.

The objective is to move from researching businesses to offering a paid report as quickly as practical, without spending days preparing work nobody has agreed to purchase.

> If you're stuck on this very first step, just ask MarketSpy AI to find you a starter opportunity for which to begin.

SECTION 01

Pick One Business That Has a Reason to Care

The fastest way to complicate your first sale is to approach everybody.

Instead, choose one type of business in a competitive local market.

Good starting examples include roofing contractors, HVAC companies, landscapers, dentists, restaurants, cleaning companies, and property management firms.

For your first attempt, look for a business that:

- Has at least three nearby competitors.
- Sells products or services with meaningful customer value.
- Has an active website or online presence.
- Appears to be independently owned or locally managed.
- Has competitors advertising offers, services, or advantages worth comparing.

> **EXAMPLE**
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> You discover an independently owned HVAC company competing against six other contractors in its service area.
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> Several competitors prominently advertise maintenance plans, financing options, or emergency service.
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> Your prospect's website doesn't clearly promote some of those same benefits.
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> That gives you something specific to investigate.

You aren't claiming the company is losing customers. You're identifying a competitive difference the owner may want to understand.

YOUR ACTION

Select one business and identify three direct competitors.

Don't spend hours building a list. Your First 10 Clients bonus covers prospecting in greater detail. Here, we're concentrating on making one sale.

SECTION 02

Find One Interesting Thing to Show Them

Open your MarketSpy AI project and research the selected business and its competitors.

For this exercise, you're looking for just one finding that might capture the owner's attention.

Examples include:

- Competitors advertising a service your prospect doesn't prominently feature.
- A pricing or promotional difference.
- An offer that several competitors emphasize.
- A recurring customer complaint appearing in public reviews.
- A potential gap in how businesses position their services.

Focus on information that is publicly available and reasonably current.

EXAMPLE

Three roofing contractors advertise financing options prominently on their websites, while the business you're researching doesn't mention financing on its main service pages.

That observation could become the opening for a conversation.

You might say:

SAMPLE OPENER

"I was comparing roofing companies in your area and noticed several competitors are emphasizing financing in their offers. I thought you might be interested in seeing how they're positioning it."

Notice that you're sharing a specific observation without claiming to know the competitor's sales figures, profitability, or customer acquisition results.

YOUR ACTION

Write down one verified finding, the competitors involved, and the links supporting it.

Spend approximately 15 to 20 minutes on this initial investigation. If nothing compelling appears, move to another prospect.

SECTION 03

Start a Conversation, Not a Presentation

You have a prospect and an interesting finding.

Now it's time to make contact.

For your first sale, I recommend a simple, direct approach. You can call, visit the business, or send a short personalized email.

Don't introduce yourself with a long explanation of AI, competitive intelligence, or your research process.

Lead with the business owner's market.

> **EXAMPLE PHONE OPENER**
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> "Hi, my name is [Your Name]. I was doing some research on local [industry] companies and noticed something interesting about how a few of your competitors are promoting their services. Who would be the best person to speak with about that?"

> **IF YOU REACH THE OWNER OR MANAGER**
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> "I noticed a few of your competitors are emphasizing [specific finding]. I've been comparing how businesses in your area compete, and I thought you might find the information useful. Would you have a minute for me to explain?"

If they're interested, briefly describe what you found.

Then ask a question:

> **ASK**
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> "Is that something you've been paying attention to?"

Listen to the answer.

They may already know about the issue. They may not care. Or they may tell you something that makes the opportunity more interesting.

Your objective is to discover whether the research addresses something the business owner values.

EXAMPLE EMAIL

Hi [First Name],

I was comparing a few [industry] businesses in [city] and noticed something interesting about how your competitors are promoting [specific service or offer].

I thought you might find the comparison useful.

Would you be interested in hearing what I found?

[Your Name]

Keep your first contact short. Personalize the observation, and don't send generic claims about hidden profits or guaranteed opportunities.

SECTION 04

Offer the $297 Report

If the owner shows interest, explain what you can deliver.

You don't need an elaborate sales presentation.

Describe the report in terms of what they'll learn. For example:

THE OFFER

"What I can do is put together a competitive report covering five of your main local competitors. I'll compare their advertised services, offers, positioning, and customer feedback, then highlight opportunities worth considering for your business. The report is $297. Would you like me to put one together for you?"

Then stop talking and give them an opportunity to respond.

You don't need to justify every detail of the research process.

The customer is purchasing useful information about their market, presented in a way that helps them make more informed decisions.

Three Things to Clarify Before Accepting Payment

What's included	State how many competitors you'll examine, which areas you'll research, and what the finished report will contain.
When they'll receive it	Give a realistic delivery date. Allow time to verify findings and prepare a professional document.
What it costs	Quote the agreed price and explain how payment works.

For example, you could offer a $297 report covering five local competitors, delivered as a PDF within three business days.

That's an example package, not a required MarketSpy price or delivery schedule.

For an initial project, collecting payment before beginning the full report can help avoid doing unpaid work. Use a professional invoice or payment link, and provide the client with a written description of the deliverable.

SECTION 05

Handle the Most Common Objections

You may encounter hesitation. That's normal when you're selling a service to someone who doesn't know you.

The goal is to answer legitimate questions, not pressure someone into buying.

"I can look at my competitors myself."	"Absolutely. The advantage here is having the information organized into one report, with comparisons and opportunities highlighted, so you don't have to spend the time gathering everything yourself."
"How do I know this will help my business?"	"I can't guarantee a particular business result. What I can provide is a researched comparison of what your competitors are publicly doing, along with findings you can use when evaluating your own strategy."
"$297 seems expensive."	"I understand. The report covers five competitors and brings together their offers, positioning, and customer feedback in one place. If that information isn't useful to you right now, I understand."

"Send me some information."	"Sure. Is there a particular competitor or area of your market you're most interested in? I can send you a short description of what the report would cover." Then send a concise follow-up that describes the scope, price, and next step.
"Let me think about it."	"Of course. Is there anything about the report you'd like me to clarify before you decide?" If they're not ready, thank them and ask whether following up at a specific time would be helpful.

You don't have to overcome every objection. Some prospects simply aren't good fits.

SECTION 06

Use a Simple Three-Day Action Plan

Here's how to put the entire process into motion.

01 | DAY ONE: FIND THE OPPORTUNITY

Select one industry, identify three to five potential clients, and conduct preliminary research on your strongest prospect. Find one specific, verified competitive observation worth sharing.

02 | DAY TWO: MAKE CONTACT

Contact your selected prospects. Share your observation, ask whether it's relevant to their business, and listen for interest. Offer the $297 report when there's a clear fit.

03 | DAY THREE: FOLLOW UP AND CLOSE

Follow up with interested prospects, answer questions, and send a written offer or payment link when appropriate. If nobody is interested yet, review what you've learned and approach additional prospects.

This is a three-day action plan, not a guarantee you'll make a sale in three days.

Some buyers will respond immediately. Others will take longer, and some won't buy at all.

What matters is that you're taking real steps toward making a sale instead of endlessly preparing.

SECTION 07

Deliver the Report and Create Your Next Opportunity

When someone purchases your report, return to the main MarketSpy AI training and follow the complete research and reporting process.

Verify the important facts, include source references where appropriate, and clearly distinguish observations from recommendations.

Deliver the report as promised.

Then ask the client a simple question:

> **ASK**
> "Was there anything in the report you'd like me to investigate further?"

Their answer may reveal opportunities for additional research, expanded reports, or ongoing competitor monitoring.

Those services are covered in your Make More Money Guide.

A satisfied client may also be willing to introduce you to another business owner who could benefit from your work.

Your first sale can be the beginning of a longer business relationship.

CHECKLIST

Your First Sale Checklist

Track your progress

- [ ] Choose one local business category.
- [ ] Identify three to five potential clients.
- [ ] Research one prospect and their competitors.
- [ ] Find and verify one compelling competitive observation.
- [ ] Contact the business owner or decision-maker.
- [ ] Offer a clearly defined $297 report when there's interest.

- [ ] Send a written offer and payment request.
- [ ] Complete and deliver the purchased report.

FINAL THOUGHT

Stop Preparing and Start Offering

It's easy to spend days researching businesses, experimenting with prompts, and perfecting reports before ever approaching a potential customer.

You can learn a tremendous amount by having just one real conversation with a business owner.

You'll discover what they care about, which competitive issues concern them, what questions they're willing to pay to have answered, and whether your offer makes sense.

Use MarketSpy AI to uncover one worthwhile observation. Share it with someone who may benefit. Offer to investigate further for a clear, fixed price.

Your first sale starts when you make your first offer.