

BRAZOS PRIVATE EQUITY PARTNERS ADDS DANIEL T. RINEHART TO THE FIRM'S PERFORMANCE ENHANCEMENT AND ACCELERATION GROUP

Dallas, Texas, January 4, 2010 – Brazos Private Equity Partners, LLC, a leading Dallas-based private investment firm, today announced that Daniel T. Rinehart had joined Brazos as a Vice President in the firm's Performance Enhancement and Acceleration Group, which is an internal group of experienced Brazos operational professionals dedicated to assisting Brazos deal teams and portfolio management teams in identifying and implementing value creation strategies across all existing and future Brazos portfolio companies.

Mr. Rinehart has almost ten years' experience in working on performance improvement initiatives at global operational consulting firms. Most recently, Mr. Rinehart was employed as a Case Team Leader with Bain & Company, where he supported several clients across the consumer products, media, and transportation industries through performance improvement, merger integration, and growth strategy development. Previously, he was a Senior Consultant with Booz Allen Hamilton and a Consultant with IBM, providing information technology and supply chain strategy services to public sector entities. Mr. Rinehart received his undergraduate degree in Systems Engineering from the University of Virginia and his MBA from the Tuck School of Business at Dartmouth.

Brazos partner, Michael D. Salim said, "All of us at Brazos are delighted that Dan has joined our Performance Enhancement and Acceleration Group. Dan has had an exemplary career as a business consultant, and he brings a unique skill set and high energy level that we expect will help us build on the existing success of our performance group. Brazos is committed to adding personnel and systems that will allow us to continue to improve our investment process and Maximize the Middle Market[®]."

About Brazos Private Equity Partners, LLC

Brazos Private Equity Partners is a Dallas-based private equity firm that manages approximately \$1.4 billion of equity capital. Brazos focuses on investments in middle-market companies with enterprise values up to \$500 million at acquisition. Brazos seeks to partner with outstanding management teams and/or families of closely-held businesses to maximize value. Brazos has been one of the most active middle-market private equity investment firms over the past decade, having completed 50 acquisitions, including 18 platform investments. Brazos has invested in a broad range of industries including consumer products, healthcare, business services, financial services, manufacturing / industrial and distribution.

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