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**Veteran Investment Banker  
Joins Bluffview Capital as Partner**

DALLAS, TEXAS (January 19, 2006) — Veteran investment banker Kerry North has joined Bluffview Capital, LP, a Dallas-based investment banking firm, as a partner.

North, formerly of Dresdner Kleinwort Wasserstein (DrKW), brings more than 25 years experience as an investment banker and attorney in the Southwest to Bluffview Capital, where he will continue to provide advisory and capital raising services to clients in a wide variety of industries.

While at DrKW and its predecessor (Wasserstein Perella), North headed that firm's Dallas office and global IT services coverage group. During his eight years there, he handled more than \$12 billion of strategic and financing transactions for clients in the industrial, technology, energy, media and consumer products sectors, among others. North's product experience spans mergers & acquisitions, public and private equity, public and private debt and restructurings. Prior to joining Wasserstein Perella, North was a senior corporate partner at Baker Botts in Dallas and Houston.

North joins an experienced group of investment bankers, including founders Tom Davis and Bill Payne, formerly of Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette (DLJ) and Credit Suisse First Boston, and Phyllis Riggins and Jennifer Bishop, formerly of Bank of America Securities (BAS). Bluffview Capital is backed by an investor group including private equity investor Tom Hicks and cable television pioneer Nate Levine.

Bluffview Capital provides advisory and capital raising services to companies across a wide range of industries. Bluffview Capital is affiliated with Bluffview Wealth Management, LP, a Dallas-based investment management firm that focuses on the wealth management needs of substantial private clients and entrepreneurs.

“We founded Bluffview because we felt there was an opportunity to bring Wall Street quality investment banking services to companies largely ignored in today’s mega-firm environment,” said Davis, who headed up the DLJ Dallas office for 15 years. “At DLJ, we built one of the strongest investment banking franchises in the Southwest. Phyllis built an equally impressive platform as head of BAS’ Media and Telecom Group. Now, with the addition of Kerry, who headed DrKW’s successful Dallas office, we have rounded out an exceptionally strong group of senior bankers capable of providing sophisticated investment banking services to clients across many sectors and products. We feel the ability of Bluffview Capital and Bluffview Wealth Management to provide value-added services to each other’s clients is unique in this market.”

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### **About Bluffview Capital, LP**

Bluffview Capital is an investment bank based in Dallas which provides advisory and capital raising services to companies across a wide range of industries. The firm specializes in (i) merger and acquisition advisory services, (ii) financial advisory services regarding appropriate capital structure strategies and implementation and (iii) capital raising services for companies seeking to issue debt, equity or equity-linked securities through private transactions. Bluffview Capital is a licensed broker-dealer and a member of the National Association of Securities Dealers.