

PRESS RELEASE

LOREN BOSTON JOINS C.P. EATON PARTNERS

Former Senior Fundraiser at Merrill Lynch and Citigroup to Lead Private Equity Fundraising

Rowayton, CT, March 4, 2010 – C.P. Eaton Partners announced today that Loren A. Boston has joined the firm as Managing Director and a member of the Management Committee with responsibility for leading the firm's global private equity fundraising business.

With over 26 years of Wall Street experience, Mr. Boston was previously Managing Director and Global Head of Origination for Merrill Lynch's Private Equity Funds Group. From 1999 through early 2004 he was Managing Director and Global Head of the Private Equity Fund Group at Citigroup Global Markets.

Mr. Boston brings to C.P. Eaton a large network of relationships in the private equity community. While at Merrill Lynch and Citigroup, he was responsible for many leading fund raising mandates for private equity strategies in the U.S., Europe and Asia-notable clients have included: Avista Capital Partners, Clessidra Capital Partners, Emerging Capital Partners, AIG Highstar Capital, ePlanet Ventures, EdgeStone Capital, Greenhill Capital Partners, Snow Phipps, Avenue Capital, Charterhouse Capital Partners (based in the UK), Citicorp Venture Capital, Nordic Capital, and Terra Firma Capital Partners.

Charles P. Eaton, founder of C.P. Eaton, said, "We are delighted that Loren is joining us as we continue to broaden our business geographically and within specific product silos including Private Equity, Real Estate, Real Assets, and Hedge Funds/Liquid Products. We have raised more than \$33 billion across 57 funds representing the full spectrum of alternative investment strategies. We are always looking for the most talented investment managers and the best internal team to serve those clients, and Loren is an exceptional strategic addition to the existing team."

Mr. Boston said, "It is an exciting time to be joining C.P. Eaton. With the fundraising market starting to show signs of rebound, the firm is well positioned and strategically staffed to serve the needs of leading private equity firms around the globe. C.P. Eaton offers a business model that is unique among top agents in that all seasoned professionals have a significant ownership share in the business. With many firms in the placement community undergoing significant change, C.P. Eaton is well positioned to become a pre-eminent leader."

The Firm is among the largest independent placement agents with over 35 employees located in four offices: Rowayton, Connecticut; La Jolla, California; London; and Shanghai; along with an increasing on-the-ground Real Asset sector presence in Texas led by Jeff Eaton. C.P. Eaton is currently distributing 14 alternative investment funds (including a co-investment), targeting over \$8 billion of capital. In addition to Private Equity and Real Assets, C.P. Eaton's other primary product lines include Hedge Funds/Liquid Products, led by Thomas S. Kreidler, and Real Estate, led by W. Michael Crawford. The firm's other senior members include David M. Love, who runs the firm's expanding Asian strategies, which include private equity, real estate and real asset products, and Franklyn D. Chang, who leads the firm's London-based activities.

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Additional Information About C.P. Eaton Partners, LLC

Founded in 1983, C.P. Eaton Partners, LLC is one of the most experienced global placement agents in the world. Raising institutional capital is the firm's only business. C.P. Eaton's normal calling universe is limited to large institutional investors with a desire to invest relatively large amounts of capital. The firm's average commitment is \$50 million. Partnering with a select number of the highest-quality fund managers, C.P. Eaton has worked with some of the most innovative funds of the last two decades. With extensive institutional relationships, deep sector knowledge, fresh insights and a partner-driven approach, C.P. Eaton is dedicated to every client's success.

C.P. Eaton works with established managers and first-time managers, many whose professionals have emerged from larger asset managers and have become successful brands themselves. Over the past five years, C.P. Eaton has established itself as one of the leading placement agents in Asia, and is one of the first placement agents to have opened an office in Mainland China (Shanghai, September 2007). The firm actively represents a range of Asian strategies and has also penetrated the Asian limited partner base in its cross-selling efforts. In addition, over the past 10 years, the firm has developed a strong reputation in the area of real assets, inclusive of: energy (both traditional and renewable), natural resource and infrastructure strategies.

C.P. Eaton is a registered broker/dealer and a member of FINRA and SIPC. In addition, C.P. Eaton Partners (UK) LLP is authorized and regulated by the Financial Services Authority.