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Katten Ranks Among Top 25 Law Firms for PIPE Investments

Firm listed in PrivateRaise's Top 25 PIPE Investor Law Firms for 2006

CHICAGO – Katten Muchin Rosenman LLP is pleased to announce that it has been ranked among the top 25 law firms nationally for Private Investment in Public Equity (PIPE) activity in 2006, according to data collected by PrivateRaise LLC, a leading source of market intelligence for private placements of equity.

Katten was listed in PrivateRaise's ranking of the Top 25 PIPE Investor Law Firms, placing 10th, with eight deals advised in 2006. The total value of the deals advised by the Firm was \$173.5 million, with an average deal value of \$21.69 million. Last year, the Firm ranked 14th, advising five deals.

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