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Katten Ranks Among Top 25 Law Firms for PIPE Investments for 2005

Firm listed in PrivateRaise's Top 25 PIPE Law Firms for both investors and issuers

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 2005, according to data collected by PrivateRaise LLC, a leading source of market intelligence for private placements of equity.

Katten was listed in PrivateRaise's list of the Top 25 PIPE Investor Law Firms, ranking 14th in number of deals invested (five) and 20th in total dollar value of its deals (\$108.5 million). The Firm also made the list of PIPE Issuer Law Firms, coming in 24th in number of deals advised (seven) and 23rd in total dollar value (\$170.06 million).

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