

## **Perk Hixon Joins Evercore Partners to Lead its Mining, Metals and Materials Advisory Practice**

**NEW YORK, April 8, 2010** – Evercore Partners Inc. (NYSE: EVR) announced today that F. Perkins (Perk) Hixon has joined the firm’s Advisory business as a Senior Managing Director effective immediately. Mr. Hixon, who will be based in New York, is leading Evercore’s newly formed Mining, Metals and Materials Advisory business.

Mr. Hixon is a highly regarded and experienced advisor to mining, metals and materials companies worldwide, having advised in this sector for more than 25 years. Most recently he was Co-Head of Global Industrials and Global Head of Mining, Metals and Materials at Lazard, and prior to that, he was a Managing Director at Credit Suisse First Boston. His client work includes mergers & acquisitions, restructurings and capital-raising for a broad range of the leading materials companies around the world.

“Recent global events, especially the extraordinary growth in China, have made the metals, mining, and materials sector strategically important and we are pleased to have recruited one of the leading bankers in this sector to our team,” said Eduardo Mestre, Evercore Partners Vice Chairman. “Perk’s exceptional reputation, deep expertise and senior-level relationships will further expand and enhance the global advisory capabilities of our M&A, restructuring and capital markets businesses.”

“Launching a metals, mining and materials practice at Evercore is an exciting step in my career,” said Mr. Hixon. “I look forward to working with the talented group of bankers at Evercore as we continue to provide clients with the independent ideas and advice that they have come to expect.”

Mr. Hixon, 51 holds an MBA from Harvard University and a Bachelor of Arts from the University of Virginia.

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