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STANWICH ADVISORS NAMED NORTH AMERICAN PLACEMENT AGENT OF THE YEAR BY PRIVATE EQUITY INTERNATIONAL

Stamford, CT (**March 1, 2012**) – Stanwich Advisors was recently named "Placement Agent of the Year in North America" by *Private Equity International*, a leading publication dedicated to the global private equity industry. Winners were selected based on votes received from the readers of www.privateequityinternational.com, which include limited partners in North America, Europe, Asia, and the Middle East as well other market participants, including general partners, lawyers, lenders, accountants, and consultants.

Other firms receiving honors in North America included Sun Capital Partners ("Turnaround/Special Situations Firm of the Year"), the Canada Pension Plan Investment Board ("Direct/Co-Investor of the Year"), Teachers' Retirement System of Texas ("Limited Partner of the Year"), Debevoise & Plimpton ("Law Firm of the Year"), Kohlberg Kravis Roberts ("Responsible Investor of the Year"), and Portfolio Advisors ("Fund of Funds of the Year").

The other nominees for Placement Agent of the Year in North America included UBS, the Park Hill Group, and Eaton Partners.

About Stanwich Advisors

Founded in 2003, Stanwich Advisors is a boutique investment bank focused exclusively on providing advisory and fundraising services to private equity and venture capital partnerships globally. Stanwich Advisors utilizes its seasoned investment banking and private placement team to provide senior hands-on execution for a select number of clients each year. Since 1996, the Stanwich Advisors Principals have raised over \$17 billion for more than 40 private equity funds across a wide range of investment strategies. For more information on Stanwich Advisors, please visit http://www.stanwichadvisors.com/.