

LRG Capital Group Forms Corporate Advisory Services Group

Larkspur, Calif., June 27, 2007 -- LRG Capital Group, LLC, a global merchant bank that manages the BayStar Investment Funds and invests in and provides advisory services to small capitalization public and private companies, announced today the formal creation of its Corporate Advisory Services Group. The Corporate Advisory Services Group will operate under the direction of veteran investment banker Eric J. Bentley.

The Group will offer all aspects of financial and strategic advisory services, including public offerings, private placements, debt placements, mergers, acquisitions and outsourced corporate development. LRG Capital Group currently represents private and public growth companies in such sectors as technology, life sciences, media and communications.

Mr. Bentley has extensive experience in shaping financial transactions to meet the goals of clients and has been instrumental in the establishment of several corporate advisory practices. Over the last decade, Mr. Bentley has delivered financial advisory services for various companies in transactions that aggregate to over \$60 billion in value.

The LRG team brings a depth of experience to the Corporate Advisory Services offering. As part of each assignment, a senior LRG professional is personally involved in each aspect of the engagement, leveraging the collective experience of the entire firm. Each of the senior LRG Corporate Advisory professionals have at least 15 years of experience advising companies through their roles as Wall Street investment bankers, lawyers and management consultants. Members of the team have provided advisory services on over 300 transactions with transaction values that total over \$75 billion.

LRG Capital Group most recently provided advisory services to Exar Corporation (NASDAQ: EXAR) in a definitive merger agreement with Sipex Corporation (NASDAQ: SPIX).

CEO Lawrence Goldfarb said that the formation of the Corporate Advisory Services Group was in response to client demand for high quality expertise that could focus on smaller capitalization growth oriented companies.

According to Mr. Goldfarb, "Small capitalization companies assess their alternatives to enhance shareholder value either through sale, acquisition, or a capital raise. There is a need for superior advisory and agency services that have traditionally been difficult for these small companies to obtain in a cost-effective manner."

About LRG Capital Group

LRG Capital Group (www.lrgcapital.com) is a global investment, banking and advisory boutique that focuses on public and private companies in the technology, life sciences, hospitality, real estate and entertainment sectors. Founded by Lawrence Goldfarb, the firm provides capital via private equity, commercial loans and structured debt financing, and guides and advises clients on mergers and acquisitions, corporate finance and other strategic alternatives. Based in San Francisco with offices in New York, LRG Capital excels at relationship-focused guidance and financing.

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