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New York, July 25, 2011 – Perella Weinberg Partners today announced that Christopher O'Connor will join the Firm as a Partner in its Corporate Advisory Group. Based in New York, Mr. O'Connor will focus on providing strategic and financial advice to clients in the healthcare sector.

Mr. O'Connor has nearly 20 years of investment banking experience. Previously, he was a Managing Director at JPMorgan Chase, where he helped to build a leading healthcare advisory practice. While at JPMorgan Chase, Mr. O'Connor had coverage responsibility for a wide range of life science and medical device companies.

Peter Weinberg, a Founding Partner of Perella Weinberg Partners, said, "We are pleased to welcome Chris to Perella Weinberg Partners. His addition reflects our ongoing commitment to expanding our advisory practice by adding high-caliber talent to broaden our industry coverage. With nearly two decades of experience, Chris has an impressive network of senior relationships. He will be an integral member of our advisory team and will play a crucial role as we look to expand our capability into the healthcare sector."

Christopher O'Connor stated, "Perella Weinberg Partners has assembled an impressive team of advisory professionals. I am excited to be joining this proven team of advisors who command deep institutional insight and provide first-rate strategic advice that is invaluable to clients."

Biography of Christopher O'Connor

Christopher O'Connor was most recently a Managing Director at JPMorgan Chase, where he had client coverage responsibility for a wide range of life science and medical device companies. He previously served in positions of increasing responsibility at The Beacon Group, a private equity and advisory firm that was acquired by JPMorgan Chase in 2000. Mr. O'Connor received a Masters in Business Administration from Harvard Business School and a Bachelor of Arts in English from Harvard University.

About Perella Weinberg Partners

Perella Weinberg Partners is a leading independent, client-focused financial services firm providing corporate advisory and asset management services to a broad, global client base, including corporations, institutions and governments. The Corporate Advisory business advises clients on mergers, acquisitions, defense advisory, financial restructuring, private capital raising and pension matters. The Asset Management business includes a suite of hedge fund strategies, private investment funds (including real estate) and outsourced investment office solutions. Including affiliates, the Asset Management business has capital commitments and managed assets of more than \$8.0 billion. With approximately 350 employees, Perella Weinberg Partners maintains offices in New York, London,

Abu Dhabi, Denver, Austin, and San Francisco. For more information on Perella Weinberg Partners, please visit <http://www.pwpartners.com>.

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