

## PERELLA WEINBERG PARTNERS TO OPEN LOS ANGELES OFFICE; NAMES CHRISTOPHER S. MEAD PARTNER

New York, December 8, 2016 - Perella Weinberg Partners ("PWP") announced today that it will open a new office in Los Angeles, California, the Firm's ninth office globally. The office will be led by Christopher S. Mead, who joined the Firm as a Partner in the Advisory business. Mr. Mead will be responsible for expanding the Firm's client coverage in the Western U.S.

Mr. Mead is a veteran banker with more than 20 years of experience providing strategic and financing advisory services, including mergers and acquisitions, recapitalizations, and equity, equity-linked, debt and preferred capital raising. He joins PWP from Bank of America Merrill Lynch, where he was most recently a Managing Director in the Global Industrials Group of the Investment Banking division. Mr. Mead was responsible for coverage of engineering and construction companies globally, as well as a broad range of industrial companies in the Western U.S.

Peter Weinberg, Founding Partner and Head of Advisory at Perella Weinberg Partners, said, "Today's announcement demonstrates our continued commitment to having resources and professionals in the regions where our clients are located. Chris is an experienced banker with deep knowledge of, and extensive relationships in, the region. His experience and relationships will be invaluable to the Firm and our clients as we enhance our presence in key industry verticals and expand our presence in this important market."

Mr. Mead commented, "I am excited to join PWP, a firm with a reputation for excellence, discretion and differentiated advice. I look forward to helping the Firm broaden its coverage of the West Coast and to providing clients with the independent, trusted advice they expect of PWP."

## Biography of Christopher S. Mead

Prior to joining Perella Weinberg Partners, Mr. Mead was a Managing Director in the Global Industrials Group of the Investment Banking division at Bank of America Merrill Lynch. Since 2004, Chris has had direct client responsibility for many of the BAML's largest clients in the Western U.S. He has been a member of BAML's Markets and Investment Banking division since 1994, holding various positions including a member of the European Corporate Finance Group based in London from 1996-1997 and Head of Western U.S. Corporate Finance from 1999-2003.

Mr. Mead holds a B.S. in Applied Science Mathematics and Business Economics from the University of California, Los Angeles.

## About Perella Weinberg Partners

Perella Weinberg Partners is a leading independent, client-focused financial services firm providing advisory, asset management and energy securities research, underwriting and trading services to a broad, global client base, including corporations, institutions and governments. The Advisory business advises clients on mergers, acquisitions, strategic and capital structure matters, financial restructuring and capital raising. The Asset Management business includes a suite of hedge fund strategies, private investment funds and outsourced CIO solutions. Together with its affiliates, the Asset Management business has capital commitments and managed assets of more than \$12 billion. The Firm's energy practice operates as Tudor, Pickering, Holt & Co (http://www.tphco.com). This practice provides high quality advice and services to the energy industry as well as sales and trading, underwriting and research coverage on approximately 140 issuers worldwide. With approximately 650 employees, Perella Weinberg Partners maintains offices in New York, Houston, London, Abu Dhabi, Denver, Dubai, San Francisco, and Calgary. For more information on Perella Weinberg Partners, please visit http://www.pwpartners.com.

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