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CAPIS adds Value Investment Principals to Alliance – CAPIS’s Independent Research Network.

Deep value equity research firm joins network
of exclusive independent research analysts.

DALLAS, TX – September 21, 2010: Capital Institutional Services, Inc. (CAPIS), one of the industry’s top institutional agency brokers, announces the addition of Value Investment Principals Ltd. (VIP) to Alliance, CAPIS’s exclusive independent research network comprised of the industry’s most respected independent thinkers.

“VIP is a great addition to our Alliance network,” said Kristi P. Wetherington, President and CEO. “VIP rigorously searches across the globe for stocks which are extraordinarily undervalued and have numerous catalysts to unlock value. This expertise is a perfect complement for our network of industry leading analysts.”

Based in Hong Kong, VIP was founded by Sandy Mehta, an investment manager with over 20 years experience in international and domestic hedge funds and long-only assets.

Created in 2002, CAPIS’s Alliance is a hand-picked group of veteran research providers who use unique methodologies to consistently produce original ideas, unbiased analysis and actionable information. Alliance members do not have investment banking or proprietary trading agendas, allowing them to provide the high quality, unbiased research institutional investors need to make better investment decisions.

About Capital Institutional Services, Inc. (CAPIS) CAPIS is a leading independent U.S. institutional broker specializing in global agency trading, independent research and commission management programs for asset managers, plan sponsors and broker-dealers. Supported by advanced trading technology, CAPIS’s traders deliver superior execution in domestic and international equities, fixed income, options and program trading. With over 33 years of experience in the independent research and commission management business, the firm’s industry leading CCA and CSA programs provide added tools for reducing transaction costs and improving performance. Founded in 1977, CAPIS is a member of the New York Stock Exchange, the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, and SIPC. For more information, visit www.capis.com.

About Value Investment Principals (VIP). VIP and their Principal and CIO, Sandy Mehta, CFA, are based in Hong Kong. Mr. Mehta has over 20 years of experience in the investment management industry. He founded Acumen Capital Management in 2004, successfully growing the firm to over \$200 million in both hedge fund and long-only assets. Prior to launching Acumen, Mr. Mehta was a Portfolio Manager of \$3 billion in global and international core portfolios at Wellington Management Company in Boston. At Putnam Investments, he was a Portfolio Manager of two 5-Star rated funds – Putnam Global Equity Fund, which was a “flagship” product with \$15 billion in mutual fund and separate account assets, and the \$2 billion Putnam Capital Opportunities Fund. He also incubated a global small cap fund, raising \$300 million in initial assets. Mr. Mehta was previously head of the global financial research team at Putnam, supervising eight analysts covering global financial equities.

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