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## Firm Announces Release of *2006 IPO, Venture Capital and M&A Reports*

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We are pleased to announce the publication of our annual overviews of the IPO, Venture Capital and M&A markets.

Our *2006 IPO Report* includes:

- A detailed analysis of the 2006 IPO market
- An outlook for the 2007 IPO market
- Regional breakdowns (California, Mid-Atlantic, New England and Tri-State)
- A review of the 2006 PIPEs and Rule 144A markets
- An update on securities offerings reforms
- Insight on the new disclosure rules for executive compensation
- A look at the latest developments under SOX 404
- Considerations for US companies looking to an AIM flotation
- A discussion of best practices for public companies
- Counsel and underwriter rankings

Our *2006 Venture Capital Report* includes:

- A detailed analysis of the 2006 venture capital market, including industry breakdowns
- An outlook for the 2007 venture capital market
- US regional breakdowns (California, Mid-Atlantic, New England and Tri-State)
- A review and outlook for the European venture capital market
- Advice on implementing management carve-out plans
- An overview of trends in venture capital deal terms from 2002 to 2006
- Tips for venture capital fundraising
- A summary of the stockholder approval exceptions under the Section 280G "golden parachute" rules
- Venture capital counsel rankings

Our *2006 M&A Report* includes:

- A detailed analysis of the 2006 M&A market, including industry breakdowns
- An outlook for the 2007 M&A market
- Insight into the use of tender offers for friendly acquisitions
- An analysis of changes in shareholder rights plans
- Guidance on avoiding post-closing challenges by antitrust agencies
- A survey of the key terms and issues in sales of VC-backed companies
- Counsel rankings for sales of VC-backed companies

Statistics from independent sources confirm that WilmerHale:

- Handled more IPOs from 1996-2006 for eastern US companies than any other law firm in the country
- Handled more technology IPOs in 2004-2006 for eastern US companies than any other law firm in the country
- Handled more Rule 144A equity placements from 2001-2006 for eastern US companies than any other law firm in the country
- Was company counsel in the largest Rule 144A equity placement of 2006 by an eastern US technology company
- Was company counsel in two of the three largest PIPEs financings of 2006 by eastern US life sciences companies
- Handled more VC financings in 2006 for eastern US companies than any other law firm in the country
- Represents more VC-backed eastern US companies than any other law firm in the country
- Handled more VC financings in 2006 for European companies than any other law firm in Europe
- Represents more VC-backed European companies than any other law firm in Europe
- Handled more sales of VC-backed eastern US companies in 2006 than any other law firm in the country
- Handled more sales of VC-backed eastern US companies from 1996-2006 than any other law firm in the country
- Was company counsel in more IPOs by eastern US VC-backed companies from 1996-2006 than any other law firm in the country

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