Beecken Petty O'Keefe & Company

Announces the Purchase of Maverick Healthcare, Inc.

Chicago, IL - November 5, 2007 - Beecken Petty O'Keefe & Company ("BPOC"), a Chicago-based private equity firm focused on healthcare, today announced that it has purchased a majority interest in Maverick Healthcare, Inc. ("Maverick") from The Halifax Group. Purchase terms were not disclosed.

Maverick, headquartered in Mesa, Arizona, is a leading provider of comprehensive home healthcare products and services through 27 locations in five Southwestern states. In addition, the company operates eight independent sleep diagnostic testing facilities in Arizona and New Mexico.

"We are excited to be partnering with Maverick's exceptional management team. We have followed the growth of Maverick since 2002 and watched it develop into the leading provider of home healthcare services in the Southwest. BPOC looks forward to supporting the company's continued growth," said Gregory Moerschel, Partner, BPOC.

"Maverick will benefit from BPOC's healthcare industry knowledge and investment experience," said David Scheven, Co-CEO of Maverick. "BPOC shares our goals and vision for the future of the company," continued Tom Martin, Co-CEO of Maverick. "Our commitment to service and patient care will not change as a result of this transaction."

Senior debt financing for the transaction was provided by a syndicate of financial institutions led by Merrill Lynch Capital and Freeport Financial LLC. Junior debt financing was provided by MCG Capital Corporation and Prospect Capital Corporation. Katten Muchin Roseman LLP served as legal counsel to BPOC.

About Beecken Petty O'Keefe & Company

Beecken Petty O'Keefe & Company (http://www.bpoc.com) is a Chicago-based private equity management firm founded in 1996 to invest in middle-market buy-out transactions, recapitalizations, and growth platforms in the health care industry. BPOC evaluates, structures, and manages investments on behalf of institutional and individual investors. BPOC principals manage Healthcare Equity Partners, L.P., a $150 million investment fund raised in 1997, and Beecken Petty O'Keefe & Company Fund II, L.P., a $325 million investment fund raised in 2005.

About Maverick

Maverick, headquartered in Mesa, Arizona, is a leading provider of comprehensive home healthcare products and services in the Southwest. Maverick offers a full range of home healthcare products and services including home respiratory therapy, home infusion therapy, and home medical/custom rehabilitation equipment through a network of 27 branch locations in Arizona, California, Colorado, New Mexico, and Nevada. In addition, the company operates eight independent sleep diagnostic testing facilities in Arizona and New Mexico.

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