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Tobin Advisors LLC becomes Tobin Solitario Investment Banking Group

CHARLOTTE, NC—November 1, 2006—Charlotte-based investment bank Tobin Advisors has renamed itself, reflecting the recent growth and success of the firm. Effective November 1, 2006, Tobin Advisors LLC becomes Tobin Solitario Investment Banking Group LLC. Founded in 2001 by Justine Tobin, Tobin Solitario Investment Banking Group LLC (“Tobin Solitario”) provides investment banking services to small and middle market businesses and their executives.

Tobin Solitario Investment Banking Group LLC’s subsidiary company, Tobin Advisors II LLC, has also been renamed Tobin Solitario Securities LLC. Tobin Solitario Securities LLC is a member of the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. and is a licensed broker/dealer.

The name changes reflect the addition of J. Paul Solitario as a partner in the firm. “Paul has brought greater depth of deal structuring skills, financing expertise and relationship-building to the firm,” says Justine Tobin. “Paul has unique market access and perspective. His insight into various financing markets provides added value to our clients in meeting their investment banking needs.”

Paul notes, “With more than twenty years in corporate banking, finance, and wealth management services and having been a business owner myself, I am able to effectively serve the clients of Tobin

Solitario, providing small and middle-market businesses with advice and market access and meeting their investment banking needs.”

The name changes also reflect the recent addition of two Directors to the Tobin Solitario team: Elizabeth Stoeber and Michelle Young. Like Ms. Tobin, Ms. Stoeber and Ms. Young are Wall Street-trained investment bankers, having served as employees of Goldman Sachs, Morgan Stanley, and PaineWebber. Both women are based in New Jersey, using Tobin Solitario’s Charlotte office as a base and providing proximity to the financial markets of the New York City metropolitan area.

Ms. Tobin comments, “Betsy and Michelle are both tremendously talented bankers, with bulge-bracket and major-bracket Wall Street experience, and with the finest financial backgrounds that a banker can achieve. Michelle and Betsy bring uncanny financial savvy and intellect to our team, and in turn, to our clients.”

Mr. Solitario notes that boutique investment banks continue to be highly successful as larger Wall Street firms cater to larger and larger clients of their own. “The disintermediation of smaller companies from the investment banking market has become a significant issue over the past few years, which has allowed for smaller investment banks such as Tobin Solitario to be successful in serving smaller companies. We differentiate Tobin Solitario by our outstanding client service and execution. Our clients know they are receiving the same level of expertise that they would find on Wall Street, and they appreciate our commitment to achieving their business objectives. It is gratifying to see our referral sources and our partners grow year after year as a result of our continued successes.”

Tobin Solitario Securities LLC is a member of the National Association of Securities Dealers (NASD) and a registered broker-dealer.

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