

***Matrix Hires Experienced M&A Professional
for New Director Position***

Richmond, VA – April 22, 2008 – Matrix Capital Markets Group announced today that John Cudzik, Director, has joined the firm to enhance its Building Products, Industrial Products & Services, and Chemicals' practices. Matrix is a leading middle-market investment bank focused on providing merger & acquisition and financial advisory services for corporate and privately-held companies.

Over his career John has participated in over 75 transactions, from both a buy and sell side. He has accumulated extensive knowledge in the plumbing, HVAC, fire safety, industrial, MRO, water and sewer infrastructure, building materials, and pipe valves & fittings sectors, as well as flame retardants, surfactants, phosphates, and intermediate chemical compounds used in a variety of industries. He brings with him 19 years of corporate finance experience and a significant concentration in wholesaler distribution.

John was previously Manager of Acquisitions for Ferguson Enterprises, Inc., a leading distributor of plumbing supplies, pipes, valves, and fittings (PVF), as well as heating and cooling equipment (HVAC). With annual revenues in excess of \$11 billion, Ferguson has approximately 1,400 service centers throughout the US and is a subsidiary of Wolseley plc. Wolseley plc is the leading supplier of construction products, materials and services across Europe and North America.

Prior to his position with Ferguson, John was Manager of Business Development with Albright & Wilson, a leading international chemical manufacturer, where he was responsible for business development activities including acquisitions, divestitures, and joint ventures across North, Central and South America.

Mike Morrison, Managing Director and Principal, noted that, "John is a great addition to the Matrix platform. His industry expertise in building products and chemicals will certainly resonate with our client base and his skills as a former strategic buyer will prove invaluable to both our clients and the firm."

"Focusing on recruiting investment banking professionals with deep industry expertise allows us to enhance the services that we provide to our clients," said Jeff Moore, Matrix President. "I am delighted that John has joined the firm and feel confident that he will make an excellent addition to our team."

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About Matrix Capital Markets Group

Matrix Capital Markets Group is a leading middle-market investment bank headquartered in Richmond, Virginia. Since 1988, Matrix has focused on providing merger & acquisition and financial advisory services for corporate and privately-held companies, including sales and divestitures, Staged Liquidity Transactions[®], management buyouts, and debt & equity placements. For additional information, please visit www.matrixcapitalmarkets.com.

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