

VantaCore Partners LP



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VantaCore Partners LP Announces its Formation and Tennessee Quarry and Asphalt Acquisitions

New York - May 24, 2007: VantaCore Partners LP (“VantaCore” or the “Partnership”) today announced its formation and the acquisition of Winn Materials and Winn Marine, whose assets consist of a limestone quarry and dock facility located in Clarksville, TN, and McIntosh Construction and McAsphalt, whose assets consist of two asphalt plants and a commercial asphalt laydown business, also located in Clarksville, TN. The companies, which have historically operated independently, will now benefit from operational synergies, with Winn able to provide McIntosh with a significant portion of its aggregate requirements. Winn Materials, which has approximately 40 million tons of permitted surface reserves, sold approximately 1.3 million tons of crushed stone in 2006. Winn Marine allows the Partnership to increase quarry production by developing the waterborne crushed stone market. McIntosh, established in 1966, serves primarily the Montgomery County, TN market.

\$40.8 million in financing, consisting of common units, subordinated convertible notes, and a senior secured loan, used as partial consideration for the acquisition, was provided by Kayne Anderson Energy Development Company (NYSE: KED), Tortoise Capital Resources Corporation (NYSE: TTO) and Hartz Capital MLP, LLC.

“We are excited about the Winn and McIntosh businesses, the first acquisitions for our Partnership, for three reasons” said Colin Oerton, Chief Executive Officer of VantaCore. “First, Winn and McIntosh are well run, growing companies in the very attractive Clarksville, Tennessee market, which is the fastest growing city in Tennessee. Second, this represents an ideal platform acquisition given its size and operating characteristics. Third, this purchase validates VantaCore’s strategy of offering family owned aggregate companies the ability to sell their business while retaining local identity, historic management and seller participation in the future growth of the business”. Mr. Oerton went

on to say that he believed that this strategy, combined with the financial support of its sponsors will offer other family owned aggregate businesses an attractive liquidity event or exit opportunity.

VantaCore is a non-traded, private limited partnership focused on acquiring competitively advantaged aggregate and related businesses in the domestic U.S. market. VantaCore was formed by Colin A. Oerton, Irik P. Sevin, Executive Vice President, Business Development, and Tim J. Townhill, Executive Vice President, Business Development. VantaCore's interest in retaining local company management, its financial structuring flexibility and seller sensitivity, facilitated the Partnership's ability to make this purchase and management expects that this will enable VantaCore to grow through acquisitions in the future.

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